

## LUNCHTIME RECITAL

Forget about the wild rhythm of Gene Krupa, the artistry of Buddy Rich and put memories of Ringo Starr behind you, for over Research way there is presently the "grand-daddy" of all drummers . . . none other than the renowned Eddy Stillstone (no relation to the Rolling type), current leader of the Possum Tops rock group.

The picture shows Eddy in action giving a lunch break recital in the Research workshops for some of his devotees. His wizardry with the "skin-wallopers" is something to behold as he pounds away at the instruments he created to give him his own very exclusive musical sound.

Like the beat, beat, beat of the tom-toms, Eddy's playing has a certain savage beat too . . . OFF-BEAT, I think you would call it!

In another "exclusive" (an interview with C. C. News), Eddy informs us that throughout his long and varied musical career and its attendant "ups and downs", he has played to many types of houses . . . full houses, empty houses, big houses, small houses and even "out"-houses! — "Now," he emotionally confided, "my one burning ambition before hanging up my sticks is to play at the Opera House!"



On learning this our music critic (Allegro Cantata) commented, "Having heard him play, I suggest he forgets his burning ambition and egresses from the 'rock' age to the stone age, where he would surely find a niche with Barney and Fred."

"What a horrible thing to say . . . Oh, what a horrible thing to say," Ron (Ocker) Frazer, of T.V. fame would say . . . Never mind, Eddy. They reckon jealousy's a curse.

**Now we've had our fun, come out from under that**

**wig you are wearing Ted Oliver and revert to your normal boilermaking role.**

The background to the picture of Ted "doing his thing" was created when Ted, for a bit of a lark, showed up at work wearing a black wig cut "mop-top" style for a couple of days.

Norm Mitchell (Research) completed the effect of "setting-up" the drum kit by inverting some empty bins (which boilermaker Ted probably had a hand in fabricating) and while Ted obliged in providing the appropriate action Norm clicked away with camera.



*Good to see two "old" Sulphiders in the persons of "Taff" Watson and Harry Barrett visiting the Works on 1st November. Both are now retired, Taff on the 16th September, 1969 and Harry on 27th December, 1971. During their busy schedule we managed to stop them long enough to take their picture. Taff Watson is on the left and Harry Barrett on the right.*