

## Women's Public Rest Room at Orroroo

Officially Opened by Mrs. L. G. Toop.

Substantial Birthday Present from "Back-to-Orroroo" and District Effort.

There was a very large gathering of people present from the town and districts on Friday afternoon last to witness the official opening of the Women's Public Rest Room, by Mrs. L. G. Toop.

Mr. L. G. Toop, Chairman of the District Council and "Back-to-Orroroo" movement, in opening the proceedings referred to the pioneer women of the town and district and said the room was a 50th year birthday present, and explained how it was made possible by the "Back-to-Orroroo and District" celebrations. He also congratulated the contractor, Mr. J. Tangen, on the wonderful building, and the ladies' committee, who arranged the furniture, fixings, etc. He then introduced the speakers.

Mr. Col. Forbes, on behalf of the building committee, congratulated every one who helped and gave the official figures for the cost of the room as £489/9/1, and stated that £50 had been put aside for the maintenance of the building. He also explained that the room would be opened every day.

Mr. W. C. Dowling, representing the Queen's Committees, said how

the money for this fine structure had been raised by the Queen Competition and was well satisfied with the way the money had been spent.

On behalf of the districts the following councillors spoke, and said how pleased they were to accept the building. They also congratulated the people and paid tribute to the pioneer women:—Crs. J. G. Crocker,

Pekina District; C. Halliday, Morchard District; C. T. Kuerschner, Black Rock District; A. L. Brice, Eureka and Walloway District; S. R. Wilkinson, Erskine District.

The Chairman, who introduced Mrs. Toop, complimented the people on their great spirit and generosity in making the undertaking such a success. He then handed Mrs. Toop the keys and she unlocked the door and declared the Women's Public Rest Room officially opened for use.

Mr. F. P. Keats moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Toop for performing the ceremony and said it was a fitting tribute to the Toop name, which was so well known in the North.

The room, which is very prettily decorated with colored cane furniture, etc., was afterwards inspected by the very large crowd.

The ceremony of laying the foundation stone on Friday, October 8th, was performed by Mrs. S. R. Teague, the oldest resident in the district, who is over 91 years of age.

Mr. H. T. Scott was present and the speeches were broadcast through the amplifiers.