



The mother of all Italians, Mrs. Lena Gustin, of Bankstown, will meet the Minister for Immigration, Mr. Snedden, in Sydney this week.

Mamma Lena, as she is known by her thousands of listeners over radio station 2CH, will discuss with Mr. Snedden the assimilation problems of migrants. Mrs. Gustin has been broadcasting to the Italian community in Australia for about 10 years. Her programmes include news reports, music, messages between friends and relatives and advice to Italians newly-arrived in Australia.

Mrs. Gustin hopes her knowledge of Italians will prove helpful to the minister.

In June this year the Italian Government honoured Mrs. Gustin with its second highest award —

MAMMA LENA TO MEET MINISTER

the Croce de Cavaliere — for the assistance she has given migrants.

Mamma Lena is seen here interviewing Miss Marina Majoli, daughter of the Italian Ambassador to Australia. The 27-year-old Miss Majoli was here assisting with preparations for the visit last month of President Saragat, of Italy.

LENA MEETS MINISTER

Minister for Immigration, Mr. Snedden, has said new incentives must be found to attract migrants to Australia.

Mr. Snedden was speaking at the annual meeting of the Employers' Federation of NSW, held in the Australia Hotel.

He is pictured at right after the meeting with Mamma Lena, the radio personality known as the mother of all Italians.

Mamma Lena — Mrs. Lena Gustin of Bankstown — discussed with Mr. Snedden the problems facing Italian migrants in Australia.

In his speech, Mr. Snedden said one incentive to migrants would be to guarantee a contract of employment and acknowledge professional qualifications.

He said progress and prosperity in Europe had brought a decrease in migration.



\$2318 in fund

East Hills District Pensioners and Aged Persons' building committee has now raised \$2318 toward the cost of its proposed centre.

The fund is climbing to the target figure of \$18,000 and the committee has called on local business people for contributions.

Contributors so far include:

Revesby Workers' Club, \$400; Revesby Workers' Club collection box, \$56; Revesby Bowling Club, \$600; Picnic Point Bowling Club, \$10; Panania RSL, \$44.22; Revesby Heights Memorial Club, \$36; Revesby South ALP, \$23.20; Mr. Linder, \$10; Mr. R. Revalian, \$1; Mr. J. Donovan, \$43; Mr. Lee, \$1; Mrs. Brown, \$12; Mr. Silver, \$7; Mr. Tanzie, \$2; Mr. Taylor, \$1.

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