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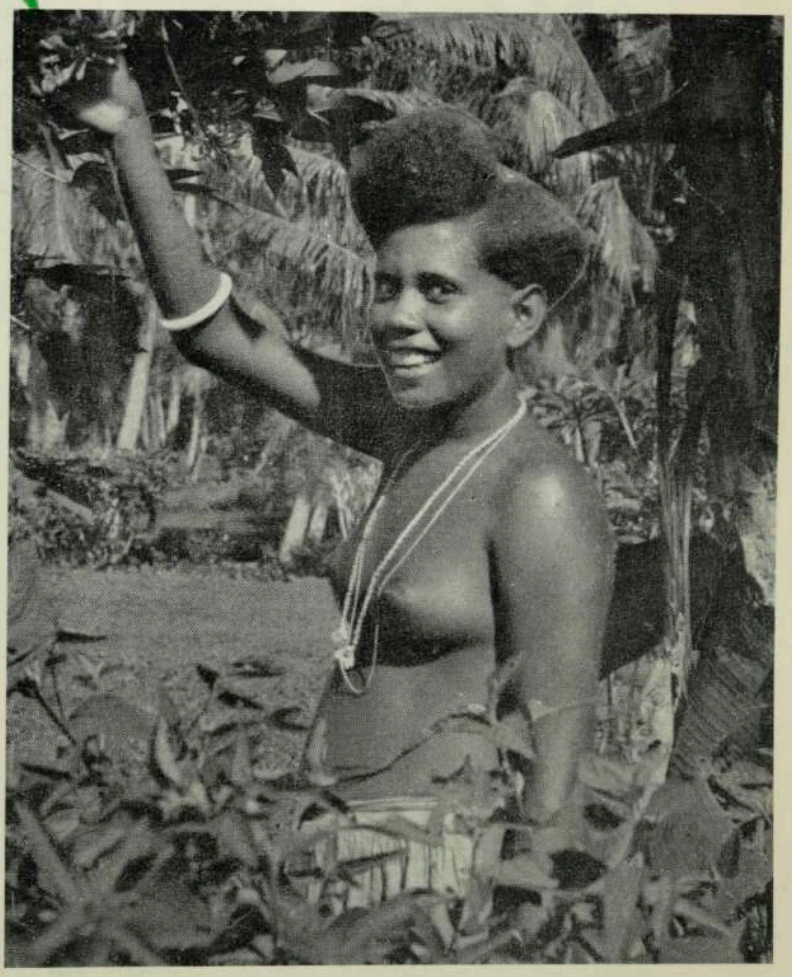

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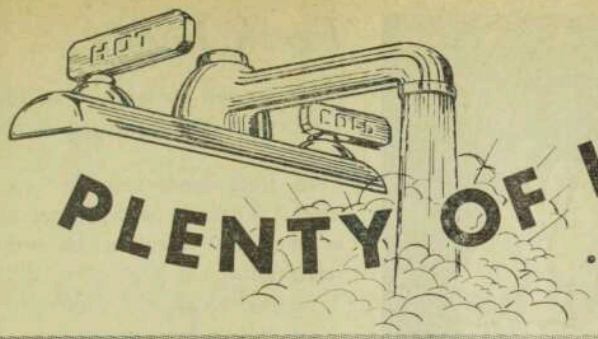

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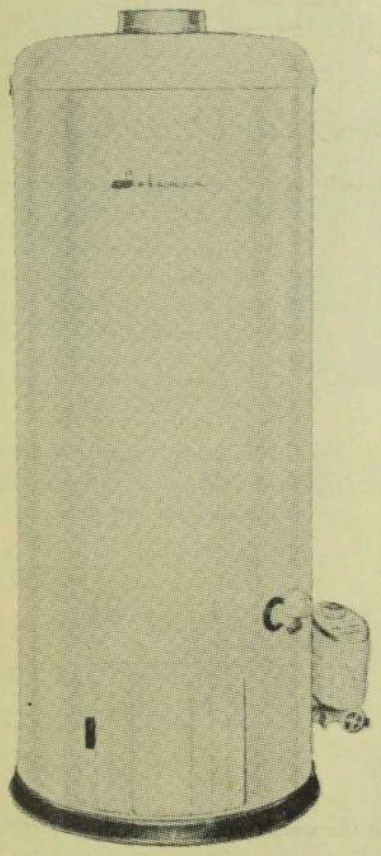

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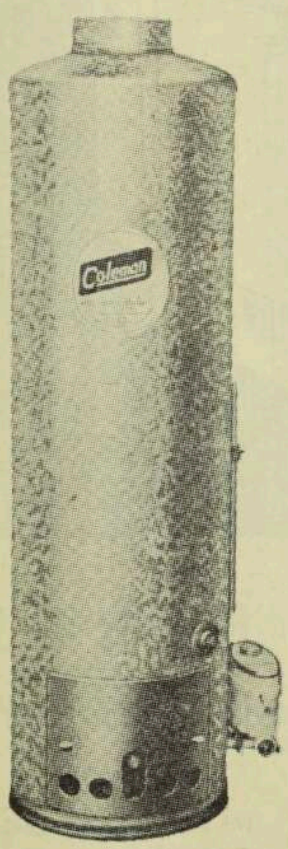

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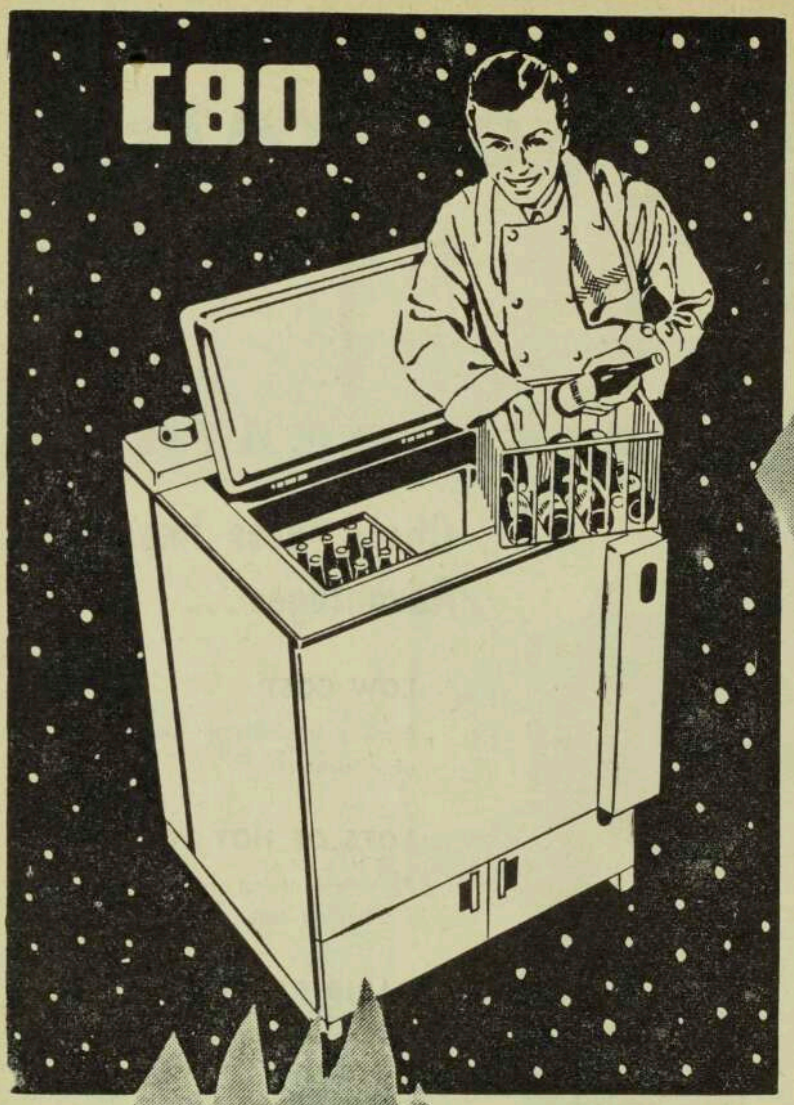

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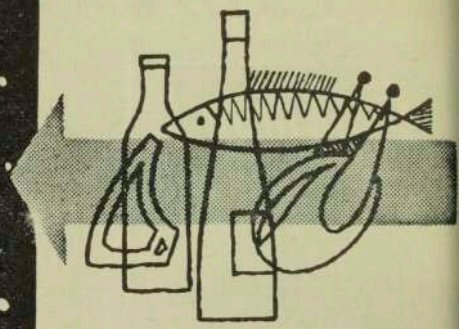

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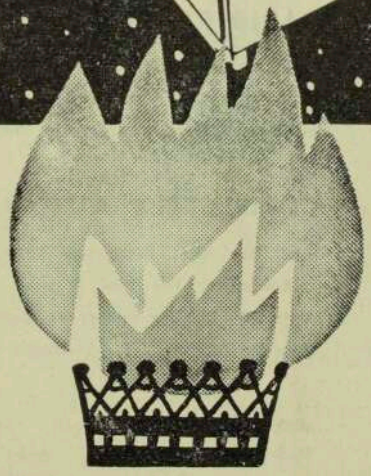

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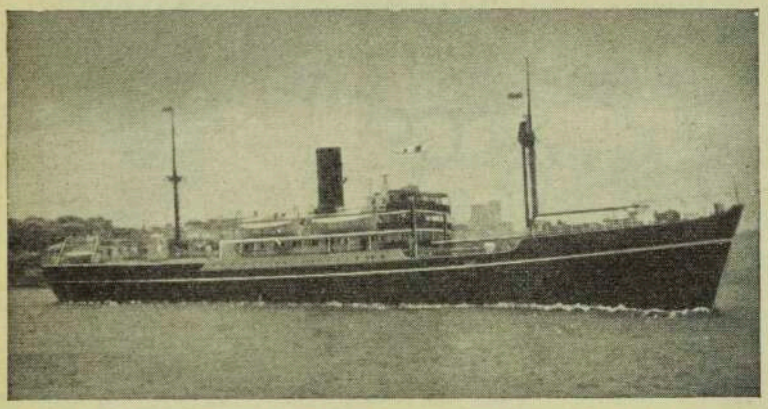

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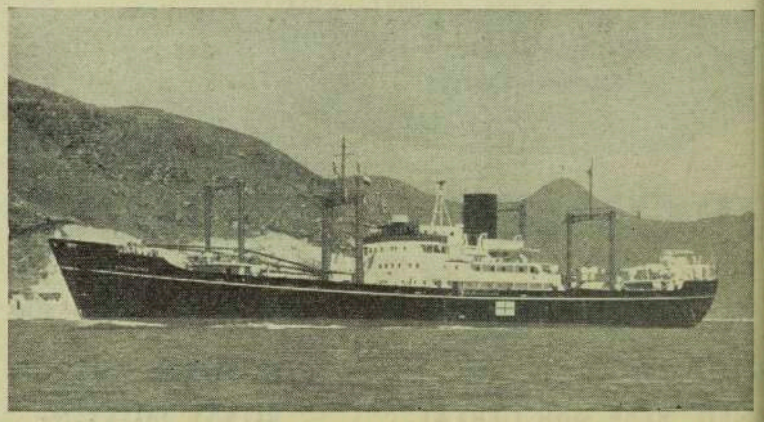

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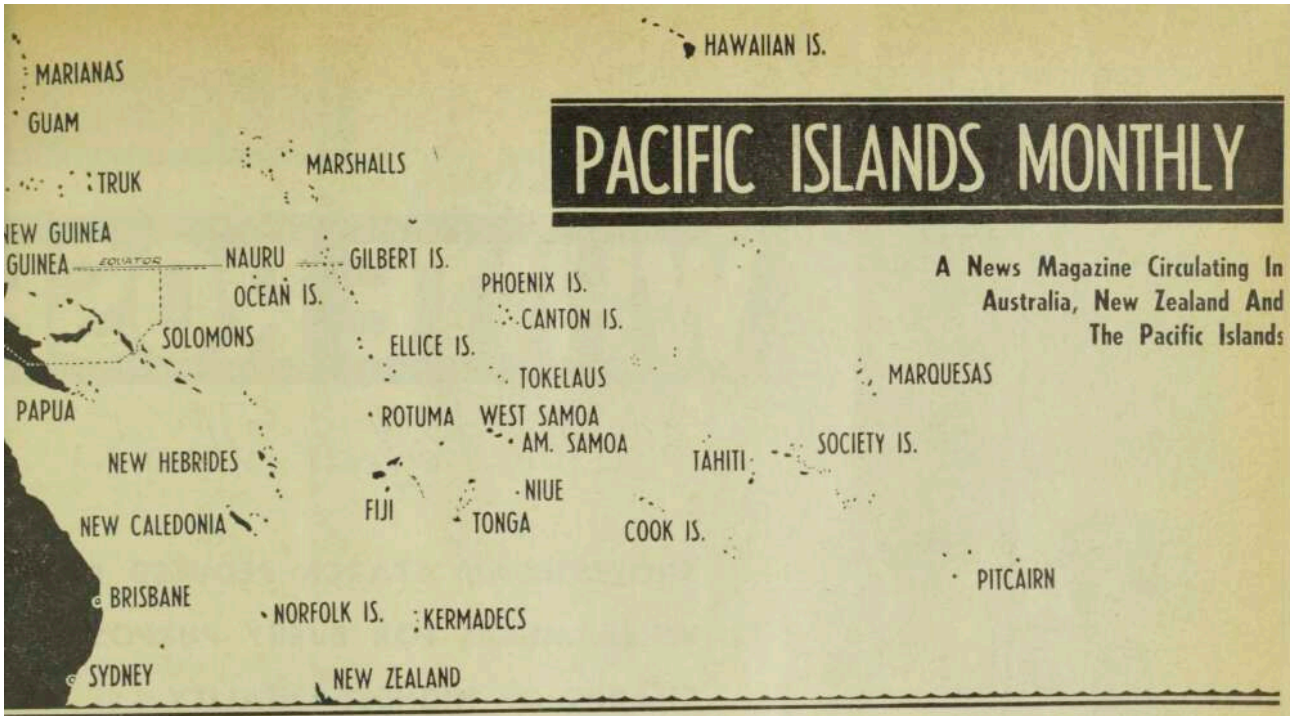

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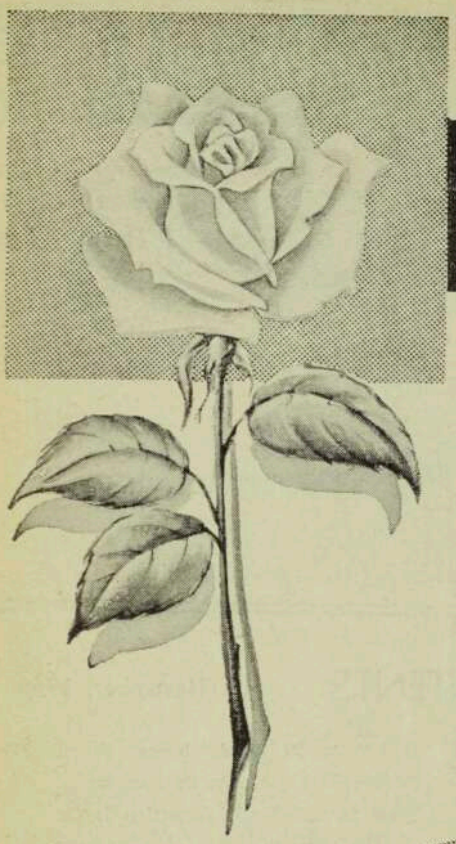

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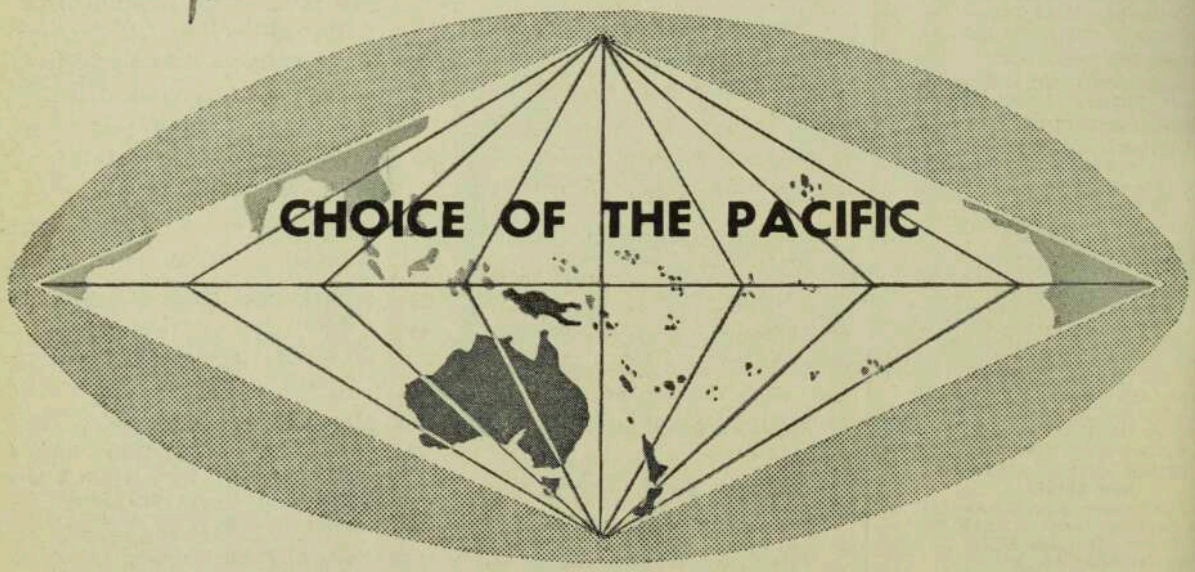

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g at the Buin Agricultural Show, nville, are Bougainville District Com- er Mr. Alan Gow, and Mr. & Mrs. W. . Mr. Wright (centre) is District Com- er of the Western Solomons, BSIP, and his wife visited the Australian Territory Western District headquarters at Gizo.
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eral visiting South Pacific ops had comments to make ustralia in November. Senior tant Bishop of New Guinea, op David Hand, said on a tele- n interview that some members nited Nations visiting missions ew Guinea "talked through in their heads". Some of the ons made very superficial visits NG.

hop George Ambo, a Papuan in October, was consecrated as ssistant Bishop of New Guinea, in his debut sermon in Bris- that many more Australians d make sacrifices to go to the Guinea mission fields. (Earlier, shop Ambo's consecration ser- the Primate of Australia, bishop Gough, had said the ch of England had again shown Government a lead in preparing

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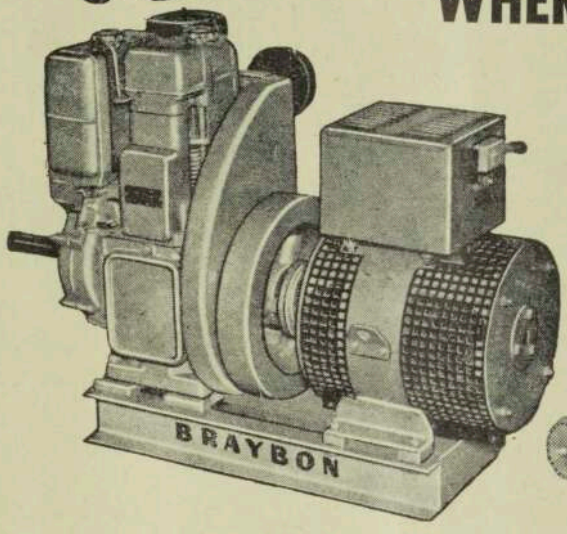

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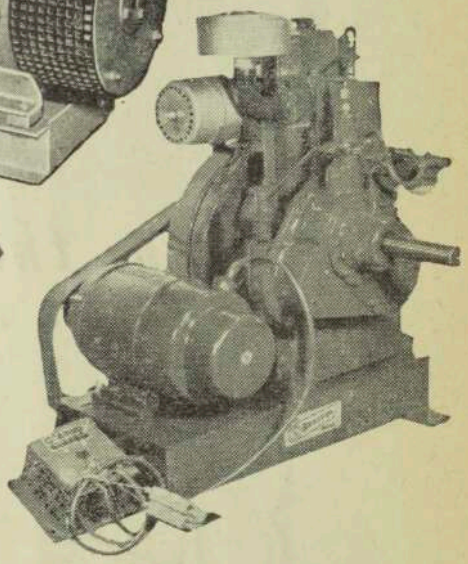

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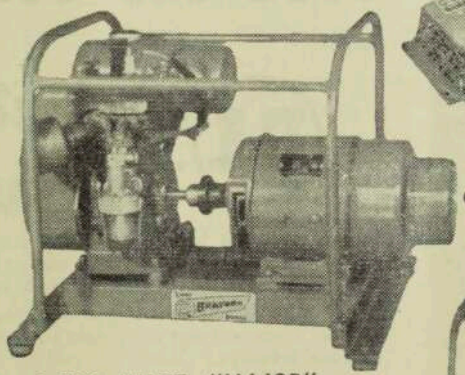

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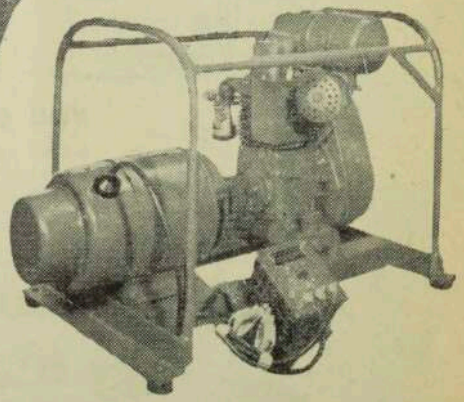

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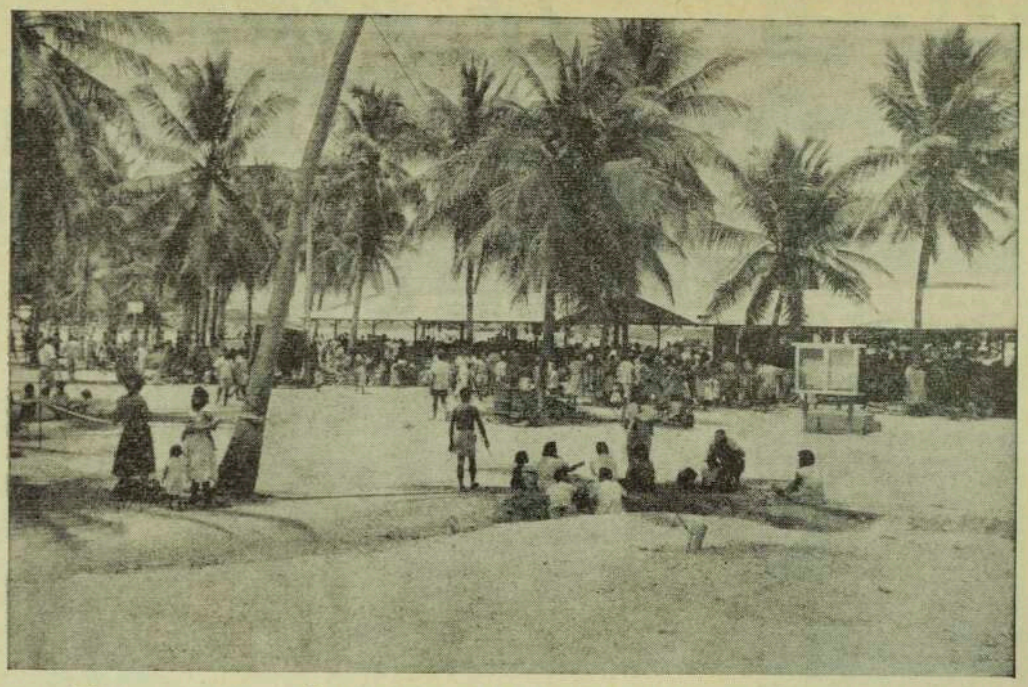

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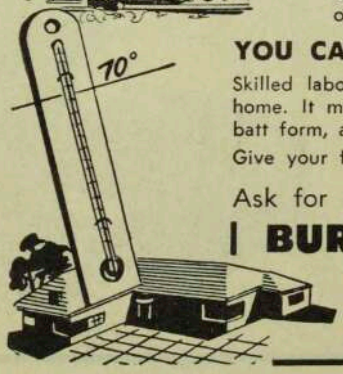

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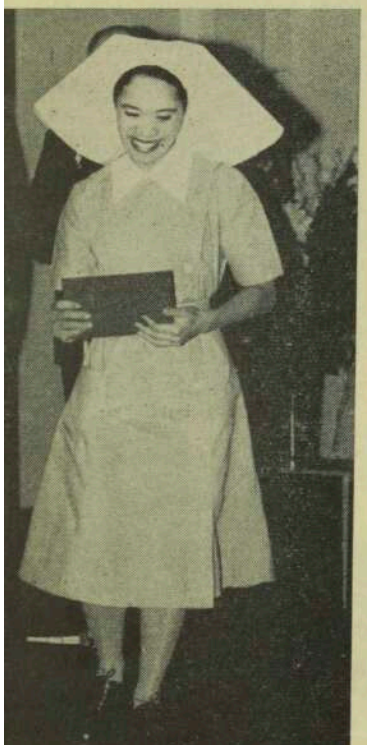

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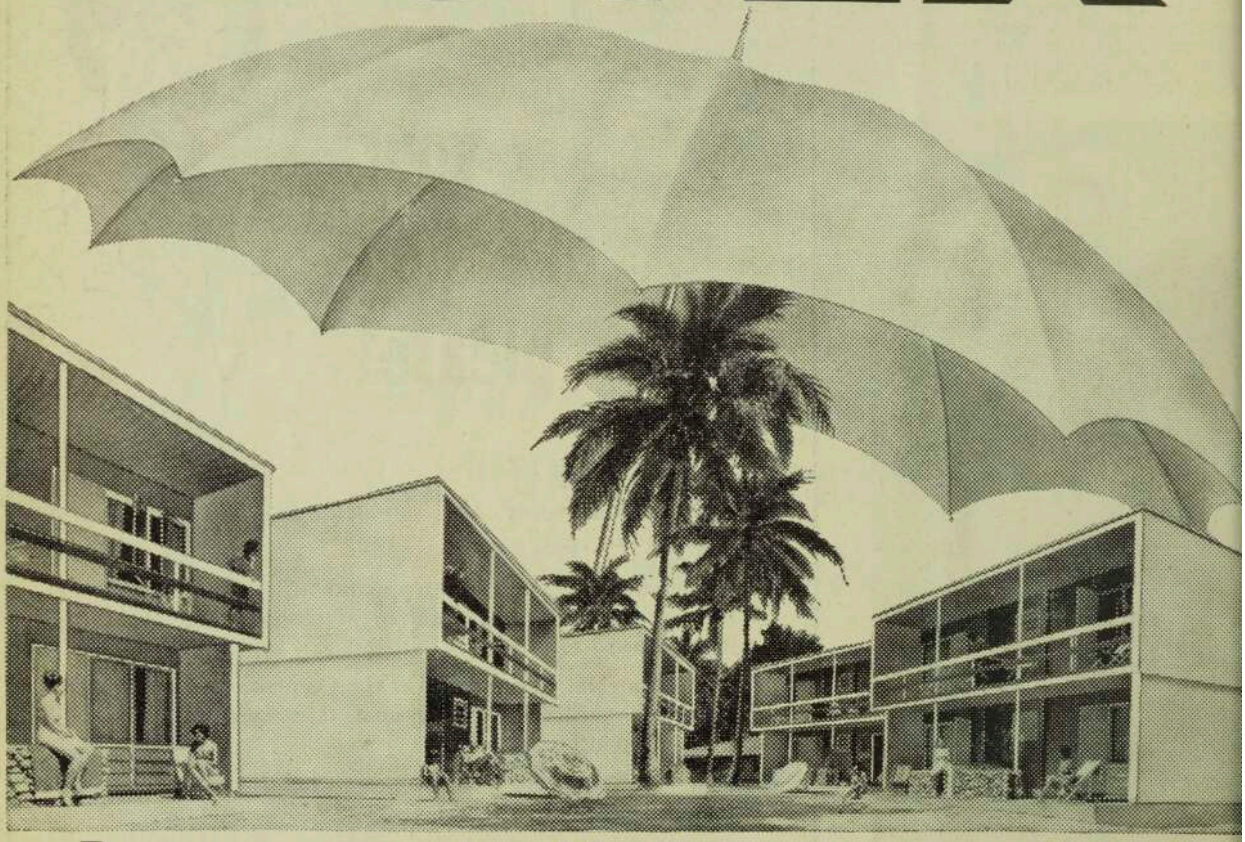

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ss Denise Robyn Elizabeth er will marry Mr. Lionel Hurst, ondi, in Sydney on November enise is the attractive daughter Mr. and Mrs. Len Palmer, of ul, New Guinea—and Len is well-known manager of Over- Telecommunications Ltd. in ul. They will both be in Sydney e Denise step off into the new of matrimony.

he old "Maui Pomare" finally left the un in October (see story p. 49) these ok Islands personalities were there to the event—official photographer S. and Percy Henderson (whose familiar ce is heard over Radio Rarotonga).
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l known in P-NG for many as an expert on flora and Mr. Fred Shaw Meyer, who n charge of the aviary at igl experimental station, has l because of ill-health. Mr. Meyer was engaged by Sir d Hallstrom and started an for Birds of Paradise, and hem in captivity. The aviary ow be closing down and it is ed that some of the birds will ect to the USA. Others will the Lae Botanic Gardens, already some are caged. They be a tourist attraction.

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Before the conclusion of V Samoa's Constitutional Conven in October, members paid tribut the work of two men who may go down in history as being fathers of the Constitution of dependent Samoa—Professors J Davidson (Australia) and C. Aikman (New Zealand). The men have given outstanding se as advisers to the Working C mittee on the Constitution, an the Convention. They have had difficult and delicate job of di ing distinctions between old and new. Professor Davidson, in November, will attend the debat Samoa by the UN in New York will accompany Samoa's P Minister Fiame Mataafa, who t the Constitution, as approved the Convention, for UN approv

Auckland (NZ) Suburbs rugby team was a the visitors to Suva for the Hibiscus Fe in October. They played three ma During a Mayoral reception, team manag Cahill (right) presented a club badge to S veteran councillor, C. M. Gopalan, who served continuously for 22 years. On Oc 29, Mr. Gopalan was elected for a fu three years.

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Grand chiefs of the Loy Islands and of the New Caledo mainland collaborated in Octobe the preparation of a *Bougna* ceremonial feast in native s Guest of honour at the feast, w was held at Magenta Be Noumea, was the Hon. Tualaul Minister for Agriculture in Wes Samoa, who was one of the delegation to the 21st Session of South Pacific Commission Noumea. The Samoan told Loyalty islanders that the s system of cooking as practised the Loyalties was also practise Samoa under a name which m "Lifou custom"—Lifou being in Loyalty group. The system had b introduced into Samoa by P nesian missionaries who had se in Lifou in the middle of century.

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Netherlands Minister for H Affairs, Mr. Toxopeus, told Dutch Senate in November that believed that the New Guinea Co cil, to begin operating next Ma

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pril, "probably would not last neration before New Guinea be- independent". He said mean- the Government would em- ically reject all proposals which lead to Indonesian domina- of NNG. So far as he knew, NNG political party, PARNA, no intention of supporting the nesian claim. The Senate d the Council bill, thus mak- t law.

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ne Age native superstition ed with the cold logic of tieth century British justice small courtroom at Maprik, Guinea, in October. Antag- s were a native witch doctor he Chief justice of P-NG, Mr. e Mann.

e "audience" was a group of e villagers from the cannibal ry of the north coast Sepik ct. The witch doctor claimed, the prisoners' dock, he was nsible for the mystery death seven-year-old boy.

e Judge intimated that the doctor was a liar and said e should believe his story. e witch doctor demanded to be ed and punished.

e Judge said no and discharged There was no evidence that itch doctor had killed the boy. roup of natives went back to village, wondering who was and who was wrong.

ed recently to a meeting of the Poly- Association of Sydney—Mrs. Waya Bovill ho recently returned from Suva, with er, Mrs. Dora Blacklock. They are embers of Suva's Malloy family.

n in June the big American yacht *Wild Goose II* called at yn, in the Cooks, it happened e on board a heart specialist examined the adopted 4-year- aori daughter of the Resident Mr. J. J. MacCauley, and MacCauley, who suffered from t complaint. When the doctor he little girl could be cured operation in America, the of the yacht, Mr. Max Wyman, to make arrangements. young Cecilia and her mother for Honolulu in the *Wild* en route, the yacht got into e, and a fast rescue boat went aid. From Honolulu mother

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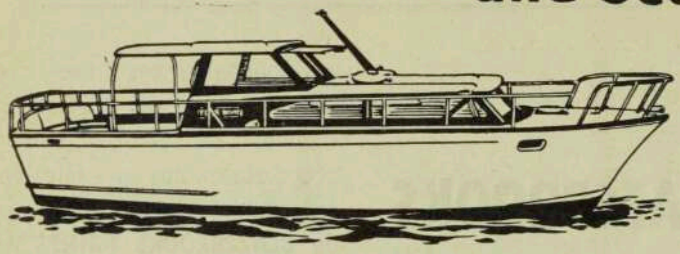

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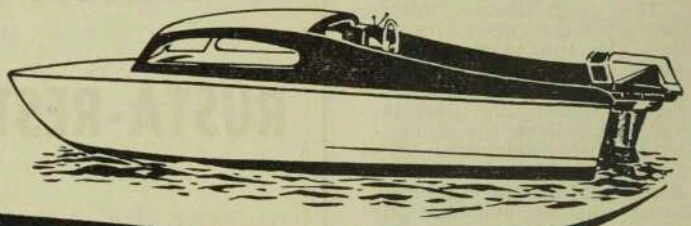

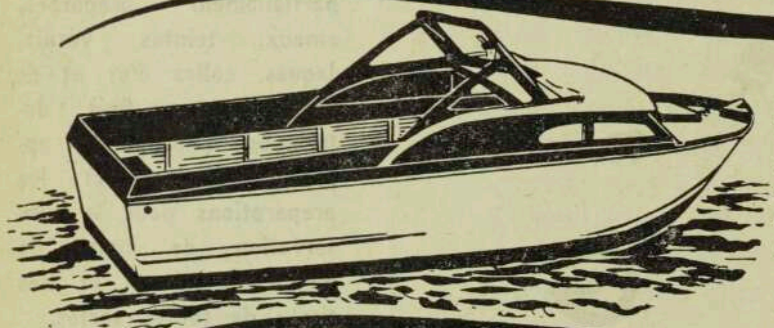

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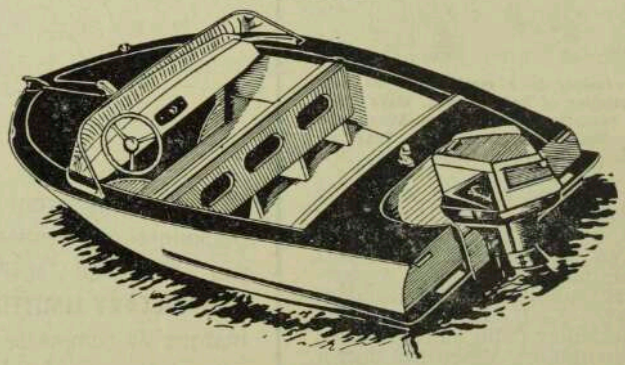

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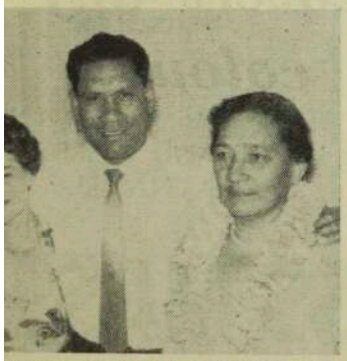

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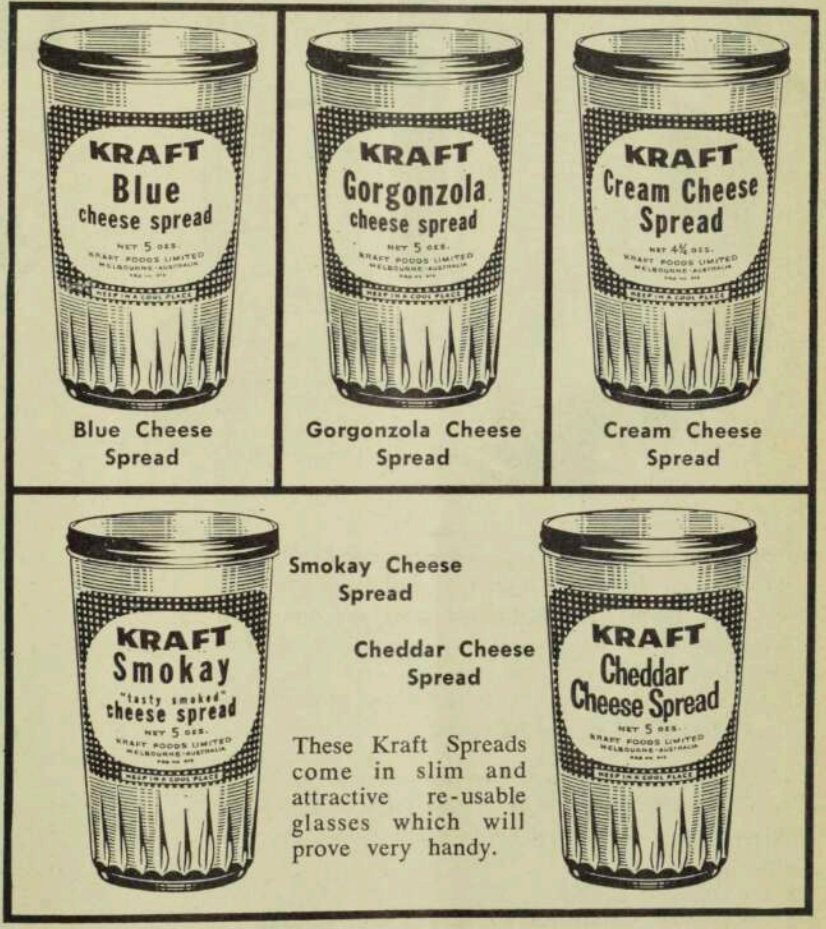

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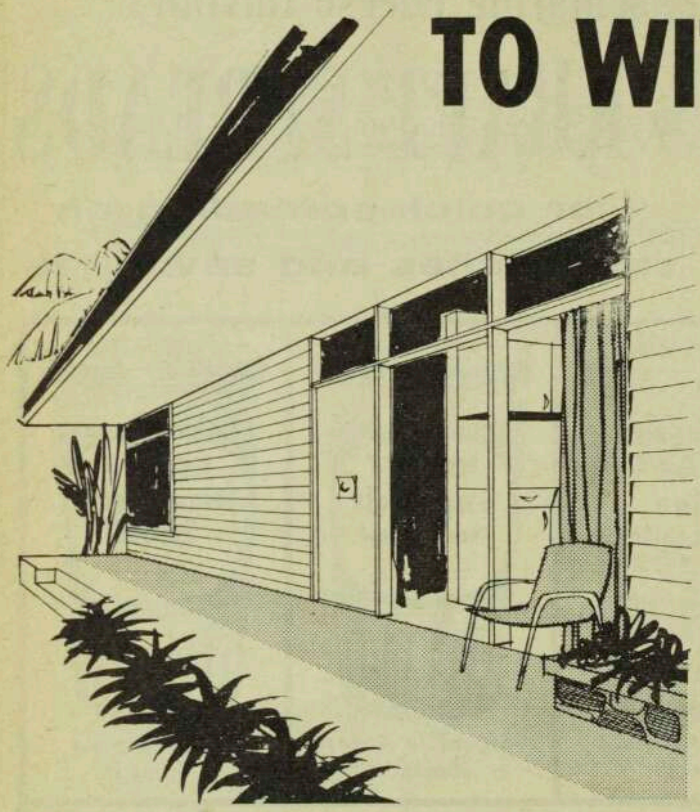

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STAFF WRITER JUDY TUDOR EXAMINES SOME STRANGE, SUDDEN TRENDS

Whence Goes Australian New Guinea?

Port Moresby, October 29

If they were to judge solely by the hot-air talked at the egislative Council meeting in Port Moresby this week, most ople not in direct Administration service would be well ad- ed to pack up and give the country away.

But the further you travel from Port Moresby, the truer the perspective you get over Papua-New Guinea, as it stands the end of 1960. That's not to say that God's in His heaven, d all's right with this particular world.

S is a New Guinea in which very second person is "going nish", or plans to do so in er couple of years; a New a where large concerns are wing small firms; where more nore plantations, no longer the ess of one man or one family, eing absorbed in public com- ; from where most of the residents of the Between Wars have departed.

The Basis of Uncertainty

these reasons alone, New a tends to follow the well- path of other ex-colonial terri- in Africa and Asia; and y you can see—faintly yet nly—the ultimate pattern in the independent European anachronism.

e, as in other places, it will e big corporation that will o survive.

category to which you belong nces your thinking. If you are the swallowers, the prospect ill look bright. If you are the wed, you must feel that the k is gloomy.

ou are a senior Public Servant, rrent order of things is likely long enough to see your term fact that, perhaps, makes you o toe the new line. If, on the hand, you are a new Patrol coming into the service, the ct of your ever filling a Dis- Commissioner's shoes seems ndeed.

if you are just a time-server, ne job or other, without roots, ty or much interest in the ory—and many Europeans into this category today—you be worrying about New a more than 21 months ahead, y.

of this, no matter how often denied from the top, adds up neral uncertainty; and this is ed most acutely amongst the settlers (or those who have withstood the swallowing process) and have put their time, money and energy into individual agri-cultural enterprises.

For those who want to make "a quick buck" and quit—even for the investor in big business enterprises of the Territory—P-NG is still wide open. For those who want to put down their roots and build for the future, and perhaps for their children's future, the prospect is generally depressing. (Over)

PACIFIC REPORT

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THEY'RE ON TOP OF THE WORLD

These native boys from the Sangan Primary T School made a happy hit in the march past at Lae's big district show in October. The show was attended by the Australian Governor-General Viscount Dunrossil. Most Markhams are extremely adept at stilt walking and these young fellows certanly were no exception. According to one view held in Lae the stilts help the boys in walking through tall kunai—but that's very doubtful, because it's hard work picking 'em up and putting 'em down on stilts, and that's the way you would have to do it to get through kunai. It just happens that stilt walking is the current craze in their area—next month it may be marbles. Anyhow, Lae show was a wow, and the stilts added to the enjoyment.—PR.

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Change in N. Guinea's Political Climate is 'Startling'

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And for this latter class there have been few official words of encouragement, and fewer guarantees of security.

During the recent meeting of the Legislative Council in Port Moresby, nominated member, Mr. R. F. Bunting, left this particular bundle on Assistant Administrator Gunther's doorstep. Dr. Gunther had inferred, he said, that if the European settlers weren't good boys they would be thrown out.

Dr. Gunther's Defence

Mr. Bunting suggested that the Assistant Administrator might have done more service for the Territory if he had sought the co-operation of the European settlers in an effort to work out a solution that would be of benefit to all sections of the community.

Dr. Gunther denied on that occasion, and subsequently, that he had inferred anything of the sort; and read his usual "riot act" about people who talked of "insecurity." If you talked about insecurity long enough, he said, it would become a fact. There was no insecurity in the Territory at the moment.

But, other than denying that there is reason for fear, concrete reassurances were not forthcoming from Dr. Gunther, or from anyone else.

FIRST NATIVE BISHOP

The South Pacific's first native Bishop—Bishop G. Ambo, a Papuan—was consecrated in Brisbane in October. He is Assistant Bishop of New Guinea. Bishop Ambo told an Australian audience in November that P-NG could turn into an enemy if Australia granted her self-government too soon. He said when a baby was growing up and wanted his own way, it was only a bad parent who gave in to him.

Dr. Gunther seems to take some sort of sardonic pleasure in what he himself regards as a realistic attitude. During the session, he used words like "fool" and "dangerous" to describe people who couldn't adjust themselves to the changes that are taking place—and, from certain aspects, no doubt he is right.

This Startling Change

But the change in the political climate here in the last few months has been so sudden and startling that few people have had a chance to adjust themselves to it; and those that have are apt to appear more opportunist than convincing.

Six months ago, P-NG was, for all practical purposes, still pursuing Sir Hubert Murray's "policy of gradualness". Almost overnight the tempo changed. Suddenly it was "later than we thought"; time was "running out"; self-government was "right around the corner".

It was a bloodless sort of revolution—but revolution it has been, nevertheless.

The change in the political outlook between the last meeting of the P-NG Legislative Council in late May, and the recent one in mid-October, is so extraordinary as to be unbelievable, unless actually experienced.

Native's Warning to Europeans

Few Territorians of the old school—and not many of five years ago—expected to see the day when two Papuans would stand up in the Legislative Council and say, in so many words, that when the day for independence came those who were nice to the natives could stay, but those who were not could go. But that is more or less what happened.

For want of any official assurances on the future prospects of present settlers in P-NG, Father Dwyer (nominated member) had asked the question point-blank of the present four native members.

He pointed out that the investing public must have a guarantee of confidence by the native people, and said that no new settlers would be forthcoming unless assured that the future would be secure.

(His question could, of course, be regarded in the same light as that of a doubting wife who has asked her husband to tell her he "loves her, even if he doesn't mean it"; because what the present native members of the Council could say, and what really will happen to "foreign" investments in this Territory when it does get independence, is largely unrelated. Nonethe the native members did have i their power to allay current p with a few words.)

Simogun and John Vuia ign the question altogether.

Marua Rarua Rarua did answer it directly; but in speal on the new legislation that up the machinery for the Legislative Council elections, said that the Council would native members from diffe parts of *Papua-New Guinea* opportunity to exchange ideas the floor of the Chamber; and it would also give native mem a chance to see *whether the re sentatives of settlers and comm really wanted to help the na or whether they were there to further their own affairs.*

First native official mem Reuben Taureka, replied dire He said that the answer lay what the Australian settlers c do for the New Guinea people; it was unwise to predict what w be done when self-governm came, but there would be no p for those who could not go a with current trends.

The future of Australian set lay in their relationships with natives—and not just whether played football with them or vited them into their homes, how they considered them human beings.

Any Future For The State?

Taureka couldn't see much fu in the idea of P-NG as a seve State of Australia, either. Nei the Minister nor the Gover General had mentioned anyth of the sort, he pointed out. And doubted whether the Austra people wanted it. The only who did want it were the A tralians who were in New Gui as settlers.

In almost 10 years of report Legislative Council meetings I h yet to see members who re sent commerce and private en prise urging legislation merely the undoing of the native peo To the contrary.

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"WAITOMO" AGROUND AT APIA

The Union Steam Ship Company helped the Union Steam Ship Company at Apia for four days in October when the "Waitomo" grounded on a reef while on journey between Sydney and Canada.

Fortunately for the USS Co which operates both the "Waitomo" and the "Tofua", the "Tofua" wa handy (she was then bound fro Apia for Suva) to lend some assis tance. The grounding created grea interest along the Apia waterfront The details are on p. 107.

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-NG Now Has A Political Party

From a NG Correspondent

announcement in Port sby in October that the first cal party in Papua-New Guinea being formed, marks the birth idea which has been in the of Mr. Don Barrett, MLC, any years.

private conversations Mr. arrett has made no secret of ie fact that he favoured a pro- ve, multi-racial party for P- when the time is opportune". now 1960 has been considered tune, and the United Progress of Papua-New Guinea is to rmed at a series of rallies ghout the Territory.

Barrett, who is a planter from gap, near Rabaul, is one of ree founders of the new party. ther two are Mr. R. F. Bunt- member of a pioneering P-NG ; and Simogun Peta, a New a native who has given out- ng service to the Territory in nd peace.

three are members of the a-New Guinea Legislative il, but Mr. Barrett is the only d member. The other two are ers of long standing appointed e Administrator.

"May Stand"

allying themselves with a al organisation, Mr. Bunting imogun have conceivably ended chances of returning to the il as appointed members. The vay in which it would appear could get back would be to for election and win the poll. opinion is dictated by the hat the Administrator is un- to draw his nominated ership of the Council from ers of a self-confessed political no matter how laudable might aims of the party.

10-point policy adopted by nited Progress Party is:

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At the Constitutional Convention for Western Samoa in October, from left: Professor J. W. Davidson, the Hon. Tamesese and Malietoa (joint chairmen) and Professor C. Aikman.

NZ TELLS SAMOA ALL

The question of the ending of the UN Trusteeship of West Samoa will be discussed by the UN in November, when Samoan Prime Minister Fiame Mataafa will be present. Meanwhile, in Apia, the Samoans have been hearing more about their future.

IN October, Mr. F. J. Corner, Deputy Secretary of the NZ External Department, acting as special envoy of the NZ Government, addressed the Constitutional Convention on the future relationship between NZ and West Samoa after independence.

Mr. Corner's address was of considerable importance, because for the first time the NZ Government was clearly defining its policy. Mr. Corner made it clear that NZ would give every help to West Samoa in overcoming any initial difficulties.

Mr. Corner said NZ would have responsibility for the welfare of West Samoa for another 14 months, and although it was a serious step for her to give up the responsibility, she had made the decision only after being convinced that the chances of success in West Samoa were greater than the chances of failure.

Political Maturity

Political maturity and tolerance, based on the accumulated knowledge of a 1,000 years, and embodying perhaps one of the oldest political systems in the world, a stable and yet flexible social system, and above all an ability to combine the best of old and new customs—all these things had encouraged NZ in its decision.

Mr. Corner said no country was ever fully prepared for independence. A start had to be made sometime. People could not show their ability to govern themselves unless they were given the chance.

Cabinet Government, instituted in October, 1959, had worked well. The Constitution adopted by the Convention was a wise document based on the rock of Samoan custom, but incorporating the useful experience of other countries. It was flexible enough to allow Samoa to meet the challenge which had to be faced with Samoa's increasing population and the necessity to develop the resources of the country.

He said the Constitution would be that of the first independent Polynesian state of modern time, and would be studied with absorbing interest by the people outside West Samoa.

He said steps had been taken by the Samoan Government to cope with such difficult problems as dual domestic status, land development and increase of agricultural production within the Samoan social system.

Must Have Contacts

The problem of the relations of Western Samoa with the outside world remained to be solved. Samoa could not avoid contact with the rest of the people in the world. It had to accept the fact of interdependence and welcome it.

Mr. Corner said his task was to discuss how Samoa's external relations could be arranged so as to bring most benefit to the Samoan people at the least cost.

No firm arrangements could be made until Samoa was fully independent.

Samoa had full power as an independent State to determine policies on internal and external affairs, but Samoa should not be parted utterly from New Zealand and NZ should stand behind Samoa as a friend.

At present NZ was giving specially favoured treatment to Western Samoa over immigration; the banana trade and by technical assistance. Though NZ would be

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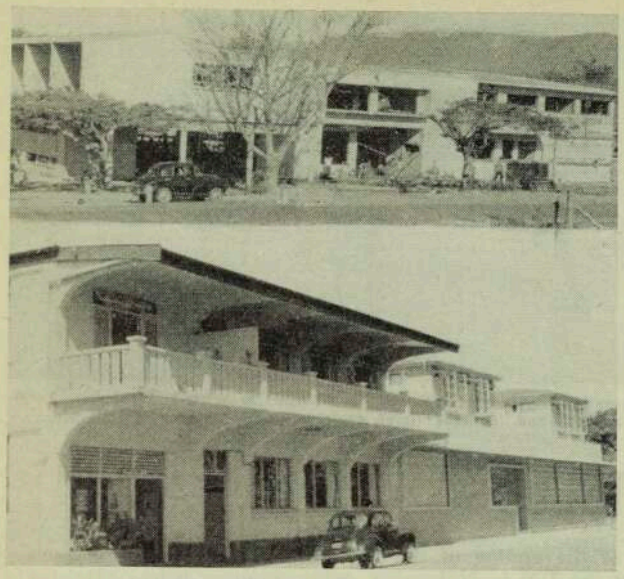

MODERN HOTELS FOR LAUTOKA

The new additions to the Lautoka Hotel, Fiji, owned by Northern Hotels Ltd., were formally opened on November 1. They consist of extensive public and saloon bars, opening into a tropical beer-garden—all with very modern equipment and decor.

What with the modernised Lautoka Hotel (lower) and the new Cathay Hotel under construction there, (top), Lautoka is going to be better provided with first class hotels than several larger towns in the South Pacific. Some of the building talent that has been shown in Fiji in the last year could, for example, be transferred with advantage to New Guinea.

under no formal obligation to continue these special benefits after independence, NZ was fully prepared to continue the present policy subject to periodic agreement and negotiation.

If Western Samoa decided it needed help in some field and wished to look to NZ for such help, this would best be done by a Treaty, or Agreement, as is usual between sovereign and equal states, as Western Samoa and New Zealand would be. This would provide New Zealand with a basis for its policy.

Mr. Nash's Statement

Mr. Corner said the NZ Prime Minister, Mr. Nash, had expressed these feelings eloquently and admirably before the General Assembly of the United Nations in its recent meeting. The New Zealand delegation at the United Nations would during the present session propose that the Assembly take certain decisions to enable Western Samoa to effect an orderly transition from self-government to full sovereign independence, and to provide for a plebiscite to be held in Western Samoa to ascertain whether the people of the Territory wished their country to take this decisive step.

Mr. Nash had also stated that in response to the frequently expressed wishes of the Samoan leaders, NZ was prepared to afford substantial and continuing assistance to Western Samoa to enable it to establish itself in the early years of independence as a well-administered and self-reliant state.

He had made it unmistakably clear that this assistance New Zealand is ready to give both internally and in international affairs, would be provided with the fullest regard for Western Samoa's independent status.

At a special meeting of the Convention on October 21 Convention members asked Mr. Corner for details of NZ future relationship with West Samoa — in particular the policy of the NZ Government should at the November election a National Government replace the present Labour Government.

Some Questions Answered

Other questions raised were the matter of the continuation of the liberal immigration regulations which allow a large number of Samoans to find employment in NZ (a matter regarded with importance because of the large population increase in Samoa); and also the possibility of support from NZ should West Samoa seek overseas loans.

Another matter raised was the question of West Samoa becoming a member of the British Comm wealth.

Mr. Corner replied that the c tinuation of the present policy garding relations between NZ West Samoa was a matter of hor with NZ and there were no dif ences of policy on Samoa betw the Labour and National Partie

In his opinion continuity of present policy was certain.

All opportunities for immigra coming to NZ for education technical training would be gi but apart from this, it would be duty of the Samoan Governm after independence to make av able opportunities of employmen the Samoan people. He could give any definite guarantees immigration.

NZ would support indepenc Samoa's applications for joining ternational organisations, and in contracting loans for econc development, such as the deep harbour scheme.

Member of Commonwealth?

He commented, however, tha was doubtful if it was necessary feasible to seek a loan for the c struction of a large jet airport, wh would probably cost some £3,000 when there were modern air facilities available to West Sa only 80 miles away at Taf American Samoa.

On the matter of West Sam membership of the British C monwealth after independence, Corner said it was entirely a ma for West Samoa to decide. If V Samoa decided to apply for meml ship, NZ would do everything sible to support it.

He added that NZ had offered undertake diplomatic representa of Western Samoa in over countries.

"Fiji Needs Australian Tourists"

The tourist industry has just about edged gold out of third positic (after sugar and copra) as Fiji's major earner of overseas income.

Although the tourist industry publicity has not always been directe at the most lucrative quarters, more and more visitors go to Fiji eac year and spend correspondingly more money.

THE Australian liner, *Manoora*, paid a five-day visit to Suva during the Hibiscus Festival in October, and the passengers spent an estimated £4,225 on items which they are able to buy under a drawback of duty.

These items could generally be classed as luxury and include radios (mainly transistors) binoculars, cameras, record players and tape recorders.

They must have spent about double on festival functions, including a trip to Nukulau, the Beqa fire-walkers' exhibition, the Indian night, the Fijian night, etc., which meant about £12,000 in the five days.

The *Manoora* visit was just illustration of the potential to tapped in Australia. A strong b of opinion holds the view t Australia and New Zealand better tourist markets than United States, where a good c of tourist publicity is concentra at present.

Suva traders consider that A tralians in particular are be spenders than the Americans, that if what Fiji had to offer w made more widely known in Commonwealth there would be steady stream of Australian visit throughout the year.

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FIJI'S CALAMITOUS SUGAR DEADLOCK

Growers Surrendered Too Late To Catch The Market

After nearly four months of frustration and delay, the Indian cane-rowers of Fiji were furiously cutting cane at the end of October; and ne four mills of the CSR Co. were fully engaged in crushing every on that could be rushed through.

UT the break in the deadlock came too late to save the Colony from a heavy loss.

he loss is represented by over a million tons of cane (worth he growers close to £1,800,000), ch is the difference between t the company would have pted and crushed if the season been normal (June to January), what the company can take , with the season restricted by deadlock to a cutting period of tember-January.

arly in the year, after the inter-onal quota had been fixed, the pany said that it would accept the farmers enough cane to luce 199,000 tons of raw sugar. his meant that the farmers ld be left with a lot of uncut on their hands; and, under the ction of Messrs. Patel, Koya associates, the farmers in June t to war with the company, and sed to cut their cane unless e cane was purchased, at a er price.

the meantime (as forecast in journal in June and July) the bles in Cuba changed the in-ational sugar supply situation; finally the CSR Co. announced ctober that it had an increased a—212,000 tons of raw sugar (as pared with 199,000 tons) which Fiji's local consumption made total demand about 228,000

t the change came too late enefit the unfortunate, misled ers.

e company, from its 1959 -over accumulations, probably be able to supply the whole de-d of 228,000 tons; but the differ-between what it can crush be-n September and January, and it could have crushed had the -cutting and the crushing ed in June, as originally pro-d, is represented by 77,000 tons aw sugar, or about half a on tons of cane..

i has an enormous crop of in the fields; and the demand ts sugar has increased. But it ot now handle the crop.

other words, the company will ts full quota of raw sugar, by ing upon its carry-over from but something near £1¾ ons, the value of that half-on tons of uncut cane, which d have gone into distribution in Fiji through the cane-growers' pockets, will not be distributed; and the Company itself will enter 1961 with much depleted stocks, as compared with 1960.

Prospects for Next Year

Meanwhile, prospects of a good quota being allotted to Fiji for 1961 are fair. In order to meet that demand, the company estimates that new planting should be immediately undertaken to provide about 150,000 tons.

But there is no sign that the cane-growers have learned any lesson from their 1960 misfortunes. It is feared that the malign influence of the Nadi minority group is still strong enough to discourage

"Miss Hibiscus" Of Fiji

Beautiful 19-year-old secretary Emma Whitcombe, of Suva, is this year's "Miss Hibiscus". She won top honours—and a trip to San Francisco—from Miss Tueila Wendt (left) and Miss Pamela Beach. The crowning of "Miss Hibiscus" came in October at the end of Fiji's annual Hibiscus Festival, which is becoming a real tourist attraction in the Colony. Miss Whitcombe was sponsored by Burns Philp (South Sea), Miss Wendt by the Club Hotel, Suva, and Miss Beach by the Garrick Hotel. Twenty beautiful girls sought the coveted title for 1960.

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They Helped Preserve Order

The emergency forces (police and military) in Fiji, called together by the Governor in August to protect the sugar-cane growers who began cutting cane in defiance of the Farmers' Union ban, were sent home at the end of October.

In September, in both the Labasa and Rarawai districts, there was a lot of petty disorder. Crops were set afire, water supplies interfered with, obstructions placed on railways. The offenders were of a sneaking type, who operated mostly at night, and dodged the patrols in daylight.

The policing organisation was military in character. A few companies of Territorials—mostly Fijian soldier-reservists who served with the Fiji Battalions in World War II and in Malaya. The main camp was alongside the Rarawai mill at Ba, and there were others at Nadi, Lautoka and Penang.

The forces had tents, field kitchens, motor transport, and radio; and all the canefields were regularly and efficiently patrolled. The cane-farmers generally were quite law-abiding. Such little disorder as was reported came from Indian hoodlums.

Having failed to prevent cutting, or rail transport, or milling, the emissaries of the "Nadi gang"—who had tried to scare the farmers against cane-cutting—turned upon the drivers of the lorries which carted the cut cane from the fields to the railways.

The police and military patrols could not interfere when Indians "talked" to Indian lorry-drivers; and so a good many drivers were "induced" to go elsewhere. For a few days, it seemed that the supply of cane to the mills would be seriously interrupted. But, finally, the drivers defied the trouble-makers and carried on. By October 25, the strike was virtually over and there was a great rush by all growers to cut cane.

The police and the Fijian militiamen were warmly thanked by the Government, and all the communities, and dispersed to their homes.

Photos show (TOP) Two well-armed patrols of Fijian militiamen, about to depart from the military camp alongside the Rarawai sugar-mill, Ba, to visit the canefields and give protection to the cane-cutters, in early October.

(LOWER) Two Fijian officers who were on duty with the militia during the emergency—Left: Major Koro Vulavula, MC, ED; and (right) Major Mate, MC, MM. Both men earned their decorations on active service with the Fiji Battalions in the Solomons and in Malaya.

new planting, with a view to embarrassing the company.

If that should prove to be the position, there will be a call upon the Government for strong measures, to prevent people whose motives are clearly suspect, and probably subversive, from engaging in activities calculated to disturb any of the Colony's major industries.

The first sign of this came in October.

Mr. B. D. Lakshman, MLC, gave notice of his intention to move for power to the Government to deport persons found guilty of activities detrimental to peace, order and good government; but he withdrew this on October 28 when he learned that the Government itself was seeking an amendment of the Immigration Act, to the same effect.

Factors In An Inquiry

To discourage a further hold-up in the sugar industry in 1961—for the company and the growers still have to negotiate an agreement governing rates and conditions after 1960—the Government probably will lose no time in setting up the official inquiry into the industry.

This was promised in October.

All commentators are urging that this inquiry should go very deep into the economics of the industry, namely—

- The profits made by the company.
- The costs incurred by the cane-farmers.
- The general level of wages.
- The manner in which Indian landlords and storekeepers allegedly prey upon the Indian cane-farmers.

If all these factors are taken into consideration, in fixing conditions between company, farmers and mill-workers, the ground might be cut from beneath the feet of the mischief-making "Nadi minority".

Because of lack of data, the Nadi group was able to persuade the farmers in 1960 that they were being victimised—and thus it created the deadlock.

Its hatred of the company is such that it will try the same tactics again. It makes no secret of its hope that it may be able to drive the company out of Fiji.

The company has its faults. Bad public relations, as seen between company and cane-growers, is one of them. But it would be an overwhelming calamity for Fiji if this powerful organisation were withdrawn from the Colony.

BSIP Legco Members

Names of members of the BSIP first Legislative Council were announced in Honiara in October.

THERE are no elected members (*PIM*, Oct., p. 18), but 12 official members (including the High Commissioner) and 10 unofficial—six of them Melanesians.

The appointed members are: M. C. Reece, planter, Guadalcanal; Mr. E. V. Lawson, businessman, Honiara; Mr. V. E. Forbes, planter, Western Solomons; Rt. Rev. A. Hill, Bishop of Melanesia; W. Paia, president Roviana Council; Rev. L. Alafurai, Melanesian Mission; J. S. Sunaone, president San Cristoval Council; M. Kele, president Malaita Council; Jimar, president Marovo Council; F. Bugot, schoolteacher, Pawa School.

Official members are: V. Anderson, Secretary, Protectorate Affairs; C. J. Cox, Commissioner of Works; M. A. Campbell, Marine Superintendent; F. M. Spence, Chief Agricultural Officer; J. I. Macgregor, Chief Medical Officer; G. F. Bovey, Chief Education Officer; T. D. H. Morris, Commissioner of Lands; A. H. Pickwood, Labour Commissioner.

SPC's 21st Session

'Last Chance" to Shape the Pacific's Future

From a Noumea Correspondent

A great variety of matters ecting the future of the South ific were discussed by dele- es of the six member nations the 21st Session of the South ific Commission in Noumea October.

HE First Session took place on May 11, 1948, following a long period of plans. Chairman of the night-long 21st "coming-of-age" ion was Australia's Senior Com- sioner, Mr. Dudley McCarthy, received high praise for his k when the session ended on ober 25.

r. McCarthy made it clear in opening address (*PIM*, Oct., p. that Australia was anxious for native people of the Pacific to a more active part in the work he Commission. The SPC had to the people isolate and then find solutions to their own problems. n the coming decade is the last greatest chance to shape the ific future," he said.

e said he had been instructed he Commonwealth Government ay that Australia would not be d wanting, in purpose or in en- iasm or in relation to plans rously and properly developed he Commission in the provision inance. It was Australia's hope in the coming year the SPC ld develop its activities so that native people would take a rous part.

ter on in the session, the Com- ion agreed to assist in the con- ng of sub-regional study groups 1961, which would include in- nous people. The first would ably meet in P-NG and discuss e Problems of Youth in Urban munities".

he proposal was made by Aus- a.

What It Did

he 21st session also:

Discussed the recommendations the SPC Regional Education inar in Brisbane in November year, particularly relating to possibility of a further seminar 963, the possibility of establish- a Pacific Education Research tre; the development of spe- st training courses; the appoint- t of a Language Teaching ialist.

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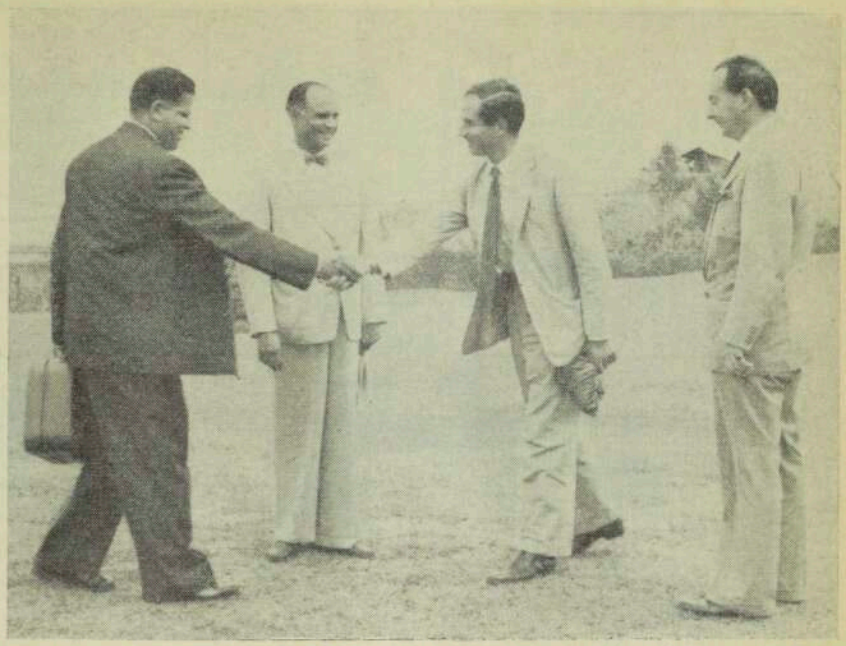

The leaders of the militant group of Indian sugar-farmers, Messrs. Patel and Koya, meet Messrs. Amery and Goodhart, at Lautoka, on October 14. Left to right: Mr. S. M. Koya, Mr. A. D. Patel, Mr. P. C. Goodhart, MP, and Mr. Julian Amery.

Photo: Western Out Door

SOUTH PACIFIC'S REPRESENTATIONS GO TO AIR MINISTRY

NOW MR. JULIAN AMERY HAS DEPARTED

By a Staff Writer

The visit to the South Pacific of Mr. Julian Amery, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, ended in an almost complete fiasco.

MAYBE, neither the British Colonial Office nor Mr. Amery was to blame for the fact that the people of the British Pacific Territories built such high hopes on Mr. Amery's visit, and for their consequent disappointment when they learned that, before he was even out of the Pacific, he was out of the Colonial Office and into a new job. But consider the facts:

● Mr. Amery, in September, arrived in Australia via the Middle East, and proceeded directly to Wellington, NZ. He was accompanied by Mr. H. P. Hall, official in charge of the Pacific section of the Colonial Office.

In Wellington, by appointment, Mr. Amery conferred with NZ Prime Minister Nash and Australian Territories Minister Hasluck, about their respective interests in the South Pacific Islands.

● Mr. Amery and Mr. Hall (now joined by a wandering British MP, Mr. P. C. Goodhart, whose status in this tour was not disclosed) returned to Australia; met the heads of some of the big Australian corporations interested in the Islands; and left on a tour of Papua and New Guinea, as guests of Australia.

● Mr. Amery and party proceeded from New Guinea to Honiara; and from that point visited certain of the British Solomon Islands, and then travelled further south to examine some of the problems of British administration in the Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides.

Concerned for Future

High officialdom persistently has run away from the subject, when interrogated; but it is clear that Britain is concerned about her future responsibilities in the undeveloped archipelagoes of Solomons, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, and New Hebrides. High officials in all those places were very glad indeed to have a visit from Colonial Office "Top Brass".

● Mr. Amery and party then proceeded to Noumea, where the South

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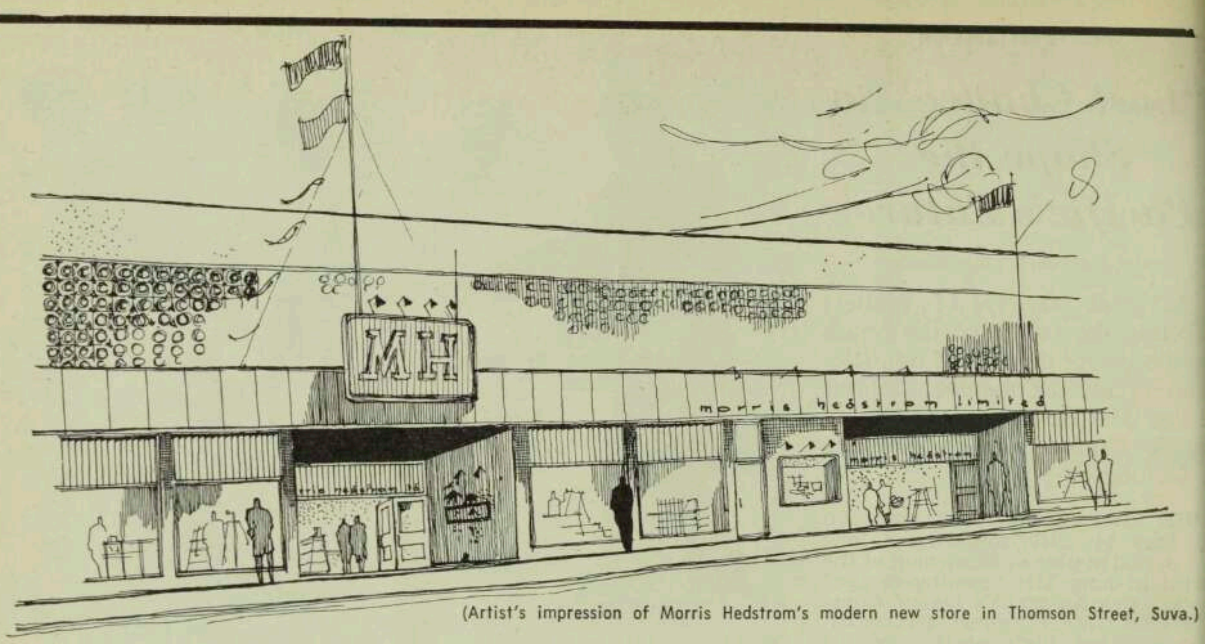

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COMMENTARY

Puts Hibiscus the Pacific Map

ARM commendation is due to the business community of Suva which, through the Fiji Visitors eau, a specially appointed com- ee, and individual effort, has olished Hibiscus Week as an ial Fiji institution.

ie four communities of the ny—Europeans and part-Euro- s, Fijians, Indians, and Chinese emselves get a great amount of out of Hibiscus Week; but the des, competitions, dances, nonies, and so forth provide acles and entertainment so irful and unique that even the sophisticated and travelled st finds them worth a visit.

e competition for the honour Hibiscus Queen" is a very notable t.

wadays, there is only one dard by which feminine beauty charm is judged, and girls of aces enter the competition, with qual chance. There is signific- in the fact that girls of mixed l—either European-Islands, or ds-Asian—seem to head the list tractiveness—just as youths of ar mixed blood often show ties superior to those of Euro- , or Asian, or Islands race.

e Fiji people and institutions nsible for Hibiscus Week do best—and a creditable "best" —with the facilities at their nand. But, to put it bluntly, cus Week should have far er and wider publicity than it

ere were some 300 Australian sts there for this year's event -October), brought by the *bora*, which lay there for five There may have been a few reds more, brought by other ies.

e occasion deserved—in fact, nded—50 or 100 times more sts than that. They would left a really perceptible amount oney in the Colony; and the rity would have become rary publicity agents for Fiji, orld over.

this, as in other fields affect- Fiji's economic future, the ion calls for bold planning and spending, by some organisa- directed and financially helped ie Government.

the meantime, private enter- is doing the best it can—and est is worthy of highest com- lation.

Fiji Beginning to Look At Its British Rulers

THE inadequate publicity given outside of Fiji to Fiji's Hibiscus Festival Week directs attention again to the continuing lack of developmental planning in relation to Fiji.

Every survey, in every Continent, shows an increasing tourist traffic. More and more people are world-wandering, eager to spend money within other countries, so that they may see new and interesting and entertaining things. Where Fiji today is gathering thousands of pounds of tourist money, it should, on its merits, be receiving hundreds of thousands.

It is simply a matter of spending money wisely and confidently, in order to produce more tourist revenue. It is not enough to leave it all to private enterprise.

But the question arises: Has the British bureaucrat either the imagination or the initiative to create, for the planning of tourist traffic, the necessary partnership between Government and private enterprise?

Which leads to the further question: When are the cautious British bureaucrats in charge of this eager young country going to get on with the task of making the governmental structure fit the country's needs?

There is in existence a blueprint (the Burns Report) and a special recommendation (the creation of a Natural Resources Council, headed by a Development Commissioner). But almost a year has elapsed since the Burns Report was written, and nothing worthy of record has been done.

It was in 1952 that the Legislative Council urgently asked the British Colonial Office to make the formal inquiry, which took shape in the Burns Commission *seven years* later.

Are we to wait another seven years to see implementation of the Burns Report recommendations, or something similar?

Fiji is becoming very restless. Fiji is inclined to ask itself if the country has not outgrown the paralysing slow-motion of the British Colonial Office bureaucrats. The answer to that lies in the Colonial Office itself.

The Australian bureaucrats who rule Papua and New Guinea have been scared into frantic, unbalanced, administrative planning in the last year or two by certain developments and events in Africa.

Maybe, recent African events have even sharper lessons in respect of Fiji.

The task of administering a country like Fiji now has become something more than one of providing secure, well-paid jobs for privileged persons. It calls for the capacity to plan, for initiative, and for ruthless drive. Unless the top bureaucrats of the Colonial Office exercise those qualities, any country like Fiji will sooner or later decide that it needs a different kind of administration.

As we have said, the answer lies in the British Colonial Office.

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Why Should NMP or AMO Be Called 'Doctor'?

A REMARKABLY large proportion of the Polynesian and Melanesian young men who are given a specialised form of training at the Suva Medical School display a real aptitude for the practice of medicine. Some, if given the chance, might go close to passing the standards set at the Medical Schools of the Universities of Australia, New Zealand and Britain.

But that is no reason why the Directors of Health in the Governments of New Guinea and Fiji should take it upon themselves to confer the title of "Doctor" upon trainees of the Suva Medical School, who have gained the diploma of that well-known and highly-regarded institution, and who hitherto have been described as NMP (Native Medical practitioner) or AMO (Assistant Medical Officer). NMP seems a sufficient —and a creditable—appellation.

The subject arises because officialdom in Port Moresby—leaning over backwards in its attempts to gain the goodwill of the UNO Trusteeship Council and similar visionaries in relation to P-NG administration—has begun to describe NMP Reuben Taureka, now apparently in charge of a native hospital, as "Dr." Taureka.

NMP Taureka is a Papuan of exceptional ability, who was sent by the P-NG Administration to the Suva Medical School and, at the end of five or six years' study, won the coveted diploma and the blessing of the School. Accompanied by his Fijian wife, he returned to Papua, a credit to the Papuan race and to the medical training system.

The Director of Health in Fiji, Dr. Dill-Russell, writes angrily upon this subject (see his letter on p. 57).

Insofar as he praises the Medical School and its diploma-holders, we endorse every word he has written. But we are opposed entirely to his view that the products of this or any other Medical School should use the title of "Dr." in relation to medical practice in any British

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country, unless they have gained the degree through the rigid examinations set by a properly recognised University.

Of course, in nearby countries—especially Asian—there are all sorts of people calling themselves "Dr."; but they are not taken seriously.

In all British countries, the title of "Dr.", used in medical practice, means that the person indicated has certain definite qualifications, and is accorded certain quite extraordinary authority and privileges. Fiji and New Guinea are British-ruled countries. It is not only improper there, but dangerous, to allow NMP's to be called "Dr.".

This seems to be a matter, not for newspaper argument, but for discussion between the British Medical Association and the Governments concerned. That, incidentally, should be an occasion for pressing for facilities through which an outstanding NMP (or AMO) *could* gain the coveted title of "Dr.".

Dr. Dill-Russell says: "AMO's in Fiji are given the title Doctor as a fitting courtesy, and I trust the same applies in all Islands Territories." The *PIM* knows intimately all the islands of the South Pacific; and, except for "Dr." Reuben Taureka, we have never come upon one example, in Fiji or anywhere else, of a NMP or AMO being called "Doctor".

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P-NG Critics Ahead Of Themselves

SOME of the elected and unofficial members of the P-NG Legislative Council in October accused Territories Minister Paul Hasluck of "duplicity" and even dishonesty over the composition of the new Legco. They said the Ministerial announcement had given the appearance that the Government was giving away its official majority, but that in fact this was "camouflage", because the Minister could, and might, appoint Government officials to the nominated membership to enable it to retain its majority.

The critics could be right. But they could just as easily be wrong, and on the facts available it would have been far more charitable for them to have given the benefit of the doubt to the Minister.

The key to the matter is contained in the statement which the Minister made to the House when introducing the amending bill on September 22.

According to the Hansard report, Mr. Hasluck said, "Because of the reduction in the number of official members to a total of 14, plus the Administrator, out of a total council of 37, the Administrator in future will not be able to rely upon the cut and dried majority that is supplied to him by the preponderance of official members, but will have to obtain the support of some of the elected members or some of the non-official appointed members in order to have a majority in the Council."

That is clear enough!

If, when the names of the appointed members are known, the Government retains an official majority without having to use some of the elected members, or *non-official* appointed members, then the Minister will certainly be guilty of duplicity, and in fact dishonesty.

If, on the other hand, the Administrator will, as the Minister says, have to depend on their support, then the Minister's critics will have to eat their words.

And we don't yet know the names of the appointed members.

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A Talking Marathon Worth The Money

AFTER continuous deliberations lasting nine weeks, sitting often in the evenings, West Samoa's 174-member Constitutional Convention in October finally got through its task of considering the 124 articles of the Constitution for independent Samoa.

But despite all this talk, when Prime Minister Fiame Mataafa takes the final version of the Constitution to the United Nations this month, it will have been changed in no real particular.

If the UN agrees with it in its present form—and there is nothing to say it won't—then West Samoan Independence Day on January 1, 1962, will usher in a Constitution which was cut and dried anyhow before 174 Constitutional Fathers began their long winded examination of it.

Thus it has been noted in Samoa that the Convention, which cost about £31,000, was from the public's point of view, probably not warranted.

But we can't agree with that.

Samoans, like all Polynesians have a love of the rhetoric.

They'll go for hours on any subject dear to the heart, and most any subject is.

When the future Samoan Parliament settles down into a regular groove, members will realise, for themselves that too much talk is a time-wasting business which won't help their production figures—and production figures are what Samoa is going to need.

But time enough for that.

The long-winded discussions over the Constitution may not have had any effect on the Constitution itself, but they certainly have had their effect on the Samoan people.

With sound reason, they would have felt cheated if they had not been given the opportunity to debate it for as long as they wanted. There can never be any suggestion in the Samoa of the future that the Constitution was brought in at the drop of a hat, against the popular will.

Before the draft had got as far as the convention, a Working Committee of the Legislative Assembly had already put in nearly one and a half years of careful investigation and study on it.

What were another nine weeks and £31,000 in the interests of peace, harmony—and justice—in Samoa?

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Japan's Unique South Pacific Success

THE *Koyo Maru*, one of the large Japanese tuna-fishing mother ships in the Pacific, arrived in Suva on October 27. A fleet of 3 fishing ships ("Catchers") periodically load their catches into the *Koyo Maru*. They recently had been operating about 600 miles northwest of Fiji; but these fleets actually range over the whole of the Pacific.

New techniques—like deep-line fishing—have been discovered and developed; new fishing-grounds located; and a huge, growing quantity of fish is either going to Japan, as food, or is being sold to other countries as a valuable factor in building world exchange for Japan.

The late Mr. Harold Gatty organised a great tuna-fishing industry which was to have been based on Fiji, but which collapsed when his fleets failed—for some reason still unknown—to capture the tuna.

Yet the Japanese are taking these large quantities of tuna from the same seas.

Since World War II, when Japan's empire-building ambitions were crushed, the Japanese have redirected their food-producing economy towards deep-sea fishing in a manner certainly unique in the world.

Gordon Thomas In Hospital

The many Islands' friends of Mr. Gordon Thomas ("Tolala") will regret to hear that in November he was still very ill in Sydney's Concord Repatriation Hospital, where he has been since August. His wife, also, was still in the Prince Henry Hospital, Sydney.

Again this month, Mr. Thomas' regular and popular "Territories Talk-Talk" column is not published in "PIM".

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The Editors' Mailbag

ɔmance Of The NG Postal Service

There's a romance about Papua-w Guinea's early postal history. A handout we've received about says that up to about 1939, mail s still being sent overland be-een Angoram and Wewak by ıner. Police runners left Wewak d Angoram on the same day, met lf-way, exchanged mail and re-ned home, the total trip usually ing three days.

Mailbags issued to the runners in Sepik and other Territory dis-cts had to be regularly checked ensure they were waterproof. ıen floods occurred the runners d sometimes to swim the rivers. About the same time, others were ng a manually operated radio nsmitter at Lake Kutubu. A team 10 to 20 labourers worked the nk on a relay system, each man ng able to take only a short shift ause the crank was stiff and vy.

ll this is apropos of an appeal m New Guinea's director of Post d Telegraphs, Mr. W. R. Carter, o is looking for information to ıplete the historical records of New Guinea postal and tele-ph service. Because many early ords were lost during the war, y little information is available m the official files.

Ie asks anybody with any know-ge of the early days of the Terri-y service to send information to ı at Port Moresby—including any photographs or other materials of historical interest. A history of the postal, telegraph and telephone services in New Guinea will then be compiled.

It's a worthy cause, and *PIM* and *PIM* readers will help all they can. Here's a contribution from us right now: What's so specially noteworthy about the overland mail in the Sepik "up to about 1939"? The Territory has been running an over-land mail service more recently than that. Runners were handling mail in Bougainville in this fashion up to the end of last year, when air services improved a lot. Runners regularly went around the island.

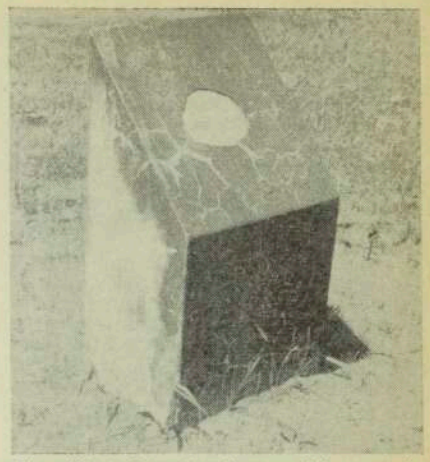
We know poor old Bougainville gets neglected by Port Moresby, but that particular island run is worth a chapter in itself if you are really looking for romance.

The Rabaul Memorial Never Had a Plaque

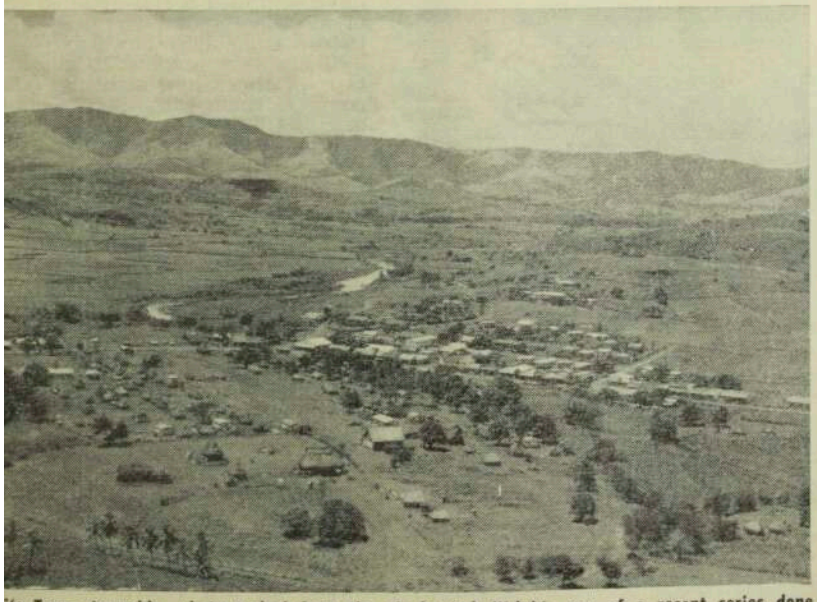
Our Lae correspondent, Miss Pat Robertson, has the answer this month to one of *PIM's* queries —the one raised on p. 33 of the October issue about the memorial stone at Rabaul to those who lost their lives in the *Montevideo Maru*.

As the photograph shows, the stone looks as if it had had a plaque on it at one time, and there have been a few queries on this in the Rabaul area.

Pat Robertson says she has been told there was never a plaque on the stone. She says it was erected by the Australian Army after the war, at the same time as one at Vulcan, where the Japanese landed in Rabaul, and another on Shaggy Ridge, on the mainland. About 1950, Returned Soldiers' League members suggested that plaques be put on the stones, but after inspection it was decided that what were needed were sandstone blocks for memorials. But the RSL was low on funds at the time, so this scheme was dropped.



The "Montevideo Maru" memorial stone in Rabaul. There was never any plaque on it, according to information received this month.



i's Tavua township, photographed from the air by Rob Wright—one of a recent series done by Wright of Fiji's main towns and other areas.

Data About the Late John F. Stimson

Any residents of Polynesia—especially French Polynesia—who have any data at all concerning the late John Francis Stimson, of Tahiti, are asked to send it to Dr. Donald S. Marshall, of Far Lands House, Danvers, Massachusetts, USA.

Dr. Marshall is urgently seeking help in this direction. Mr. J. F. Stimson lived at Tahiti for about 50 years prior to his death, and became famous as a scientist and for his contributions to the records of Polynesian ethnology. He was known among the Polynesians as "Ua Tane".

Dr. Marshall is writing a book about Mr. Stimson, to be published by Messrs. Doubleday, of New York; and he would be very grateful for any assistance that can be given him—letters, memories, photographs, anecdotes—by anyone who knew Mr. Stimson during his half-century in Polynesia.

Who Was That Who Helped President-elect Kennedy?

Former leading Coastwatcher Eric Feldt (author of *The Coast Watchers*) has some information to add on *PIM's* query on p. 45 in the October issue, about "Who

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was the Kiwi who gave wartime aid to Senator Kennedy"?

The *PIM* story told how the Senator won a Navy Cross and a Purple Heart in the Solomons during the war, and how on one occasion his PT boat was cut in half by a Japanese destroyer. *PIM* wanted to know the identity of a New Zealander, a Lieutenant Wincote, who was supposed to have helped Kennedy later.

Eric Feldt writes that *PIM's* account differs from a US war history account after the point where contact was made by Kennedy with friendly forces. He says Morison's account of it in Vol. VI, p. 211, of the *History of US Naval Operations in World War II*, states:

"On 5 August friendly natives delivered a message scratched on a coconut shell to the Coast Watcher in Wana Wana, who despatched a war canoe to the rescue and sent word to Rendova, where memorial services had already been held for the crew of PT-109.

"On August 7, with Kennedy hidden under ferns in the bottom of the war canoe, natives paddled to Wana Wana, waving gaily at unsuspecting Japanese planes.

"That night, Kennedy boarded a rescue PT, piloted it to the camp and picked up his men. On the way home, one devout sailor sat on deck with his arms around two mission natives, all three singing, 'Yes, Jesus Loves Me'."

Eric Feldt says he has no recor of that particular rescue, because was one of many, but by the tim and place he thinks the Coast watcher would have been Sub Lieut. Reg Evans, of the Australia Navy, who had withdrawn fro Kolombangara about that tim With him was Sergeant Nash, th only American to operate behin the lines with the Coastwatchers.

Eric Feldt says he has no recolle tion of any NZ forces operating i New Georgia. The first reported a those under General Barrowclough who landed on Vella Lavella abo a month later. However, he say there may have been NZ troops New Georgia attached to th Americans for experience in jung fighting before that date.

He suggests: "Perhaps Reg Evan can settle the problem—if anyon knows where he is."

Can he, and do they?

Details of Flying Saucers Wanted

Also on this month's "want lis are flying saucers. If you have see any, lately, please get in touc with the Rev. N. E. G. Cruttwe Anglican Mission, Menapi, vi Samarai, Papua-New Guinea.

Mr. Cruttwell, who writes us fro Victoria, but who will be back i Papua in late November, says:

"I am extremely interested i your reports in the July, 1960, issu of further appearances of myster ous lights in the sky over Fiji an New Caledonia.

"You will remember we had a cro of similar reports over Papua la year. I have met many of the eye witnesses and can testify to the reliability. Some of them are pe sonal friends of long standing, have compiled a full detailed repo of all the Papuan sightings know to me from 1953 onwards.

"I am very anxious to obtain de tails of these new sightings and t compare them with the objects see over Papua, with a view to ver fication. Can you disclose the sourc of the reports to me to enable m to correspond with the observers? would be most grateful if you woul do this.

"I have heard rumours of furthe sightings in Papua lately, and sha investigate these when I return. think there is little doubt that ther is something very strange going o Many of the observers are reliabl missionaries, Government officer planters, a doctor and the ex-hea of the Department of Civil Aviatio to mention only a few."

Mrs. Hardwick, who was well an favourably known in New Guinea a manager of the Hotel Papua i Port Moresby, and who more re cently joined the Northern Hotel circuit in Fiji, has been appointe manager of the Grand Pacific Hotel Suva.

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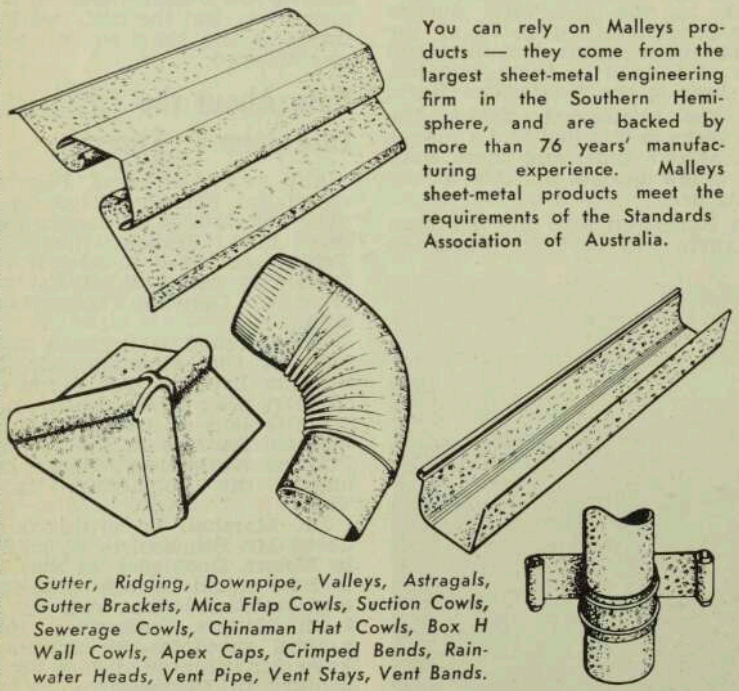

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HE FIJI OUTLOOK: STATED IN PLAIN AND BRUTAL TERMS

By a Staff Writer

An admirable summary of economic and political con- tions in Fiji, and of the headaches with which the Govern- ent is confronted, was provided in a series of three short ticles by a Fiji businessman, Mr. A. J. Carfax Foster, of autoka, published in the *Fiji Times* late in October.

is very difficult to effectively mmarise a summary; but some the outstanding points made r. Forster can be set out here. Foster sees difficulties im- ately ahead—already created Government failure to pro- for over-population, and now worse by the recent dead- in the sugar industry. He sees icant signs in growing numbers nemployed, more men seeking at reduced wages, cessation ork in a number of private prises.

Fiji, where we should be liv- ree from strain, racial discrim- on, intimidation, civil strife, armed guards against disorder raised themselves."

e is another significant para- :

the Fijians are to hold their n the world, if they really wish improved living conditions, tion, and all the appurtenances dern living, then the Govern- is and has been the worst y of the Fijian people. The Report confirms this."

ing that, if the right men are ntrol and the right things are the Fijian community need fear the increasingly active etition of Indian individualists, Foster deplores the lack of rship seen in the Colony to-

ere is, so far as I can see after ars here, no body of people le of ruling Fiji either mically or socially."

ard Words for Europeans

Foster examines the com- ies and lays the chief blame e lack of leadership upon the eans. He says they "are ently interested only in the hat politically and economic- they rule the Colony. They overlooked the basic reality by reason of their position in the lead should come from . . This stricture applies to European in the Colony, ent or permanent resident".

Foster discusses "anti-Euro- sm". He says that this is the result of abuses of ge by Europeans who were etely in command in the past ple have long memories for things"—and partly the feel- ing of jealousy by the "have nots" in relation to the "haves".

Mr. Foster is very outspoken on the subject of the attitude of the Indians towards the future of the country—he apparently does not think that the young Indian leaders now emerging are thinking in terms of the future of *all* races in the Colony, but instead cling to narrow viewpoints.

"To persist in a policy of mak- ing Fiji a 'little India' is fore- doomed to failure. It is sheer in- gratitude to the country which shelters them and in some cases has given them wealth."

What Form of New Government?

Mr. Foster is certain that some form of constitutional reform must come soon to Fiji; and he urges that the Government, as protectors of the Fijian race, should take more active measures, in a planned way, to prepare the Fijians to share effectively in the government of their homeland.

Training in this regard, he argues, should apply not only to the Fijians but also to the Fiji-born Indians and especially the part-Europeans.

He apparently accepts the argu- ment that an Assembly elected on a common roll is impossible in the case of Fiji. But he does support the interesting suggestion that there should be some sort of gov- erning council for the Colony, created on a basis of eight elected members of each race—eight Fijians, eight Indians, eight Europeans and part-Europeans,—plus a selected number of Government Department heads.

"As an immediate stop-gap to replace the present useless Legis- lative Council it is worth a trial," says Mr. Foster.

Mr. Foster sees no reason for complacency in the defeat of the Patel party and the resumption of cane-cutting. "There is more to come, so let us be prepared for it," he says.

He quotes facts and figures to show that the cane-farmers are by no means the down-trodden serfs

PRETTY AS A PICTURE: Pretty Moerea Turua, and Kura Manarangi, made lovely flower girls when Moerea's uncle and Kura's aunt, Tepou o te Rangi Vakatini and Kura Aio Taripo, were married at Rarotonga.

Photo: R. D. Moore

In Suva in October Mr. H. P. Hall (centre), head of the Pacific and Indian Ocean Department in the British Colonial Office, had a cup of tea with the Suva town clerk, Mr. R. Balfour and, Councillor Bruce Lawlor, the Deputy Mayor. Mr. Hall accompanied Mr. Julian Amery on his Pacific trip.

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so often described—on contrary, under modern conditi with the new kinds of cane, t live very well indeed on 12 a of land and a working week about 26 hours.

He criticises them sharply cause in so many cases they m no effort to grow their own fo stuffs on the land available them.

Mr. Foster is not a destruc critic only—he offers what ap to be sensible and practical s tions to Fiji's problems, most them somewhat along the lines the outspoken Burns Report.

While he insists that string economy is necessary in Gove ment departments he urges t without loss of time, steps taken to acquire funds for a road-building programme, giv employment to large numbers men, while creating a nati asset of incalculable value to Colony.

He wants immediately a reaching extension of farm tr ing for all races, with emphasis the growing of food for local c sumption first, followed by the velopment of crops to permit ports.

He would follow the Burns port line, in forcing the emp ment by Government and pri enterprise of local-trained pe and discouraging the use of o seas staff. He would extend apprenticeship system.

He would take drastic meas to enforce the full usage of l while protecting Fijian land ri —a similar viewpoint and a sim conclusion to that set out in Burns Report.

He favours well-planned meas for the early establishment of dustries immediately secondary primary industries—fish cann fruit preserving, and so forth.

English Language For All

Mr. Foster is on very so grounds when he urges that teaching of all languages, ex English, in the Colony's sch should be discouraged—"until language bar is lifted we shall n make the progress in racial r tions that is necessary and e essential".

Mr. Carfax Foster has done pu service in thus stating, in plain emphatic language, the dan which confront this multi-ra country, and outlining the sim measures which can be taken avoid the looming troubles and sure for the Colony a secure fut It is a pity that more people in —men of all races—do not simil try to envisage the whole pict and seek the remedies.

Most community leaders in today are completely sincere in t eagerness to get on with neces reforms; but the great majo seem unable to see the wood for trees.

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P-NG 'Crash' Teachers Arrive With A Bang

From "PIM's" Rabaul Correspondent

The paint was only just dry and plumbers were still connecting water supply when 60 teaching recruits from Australia moved into r new training college at Rabaul in early November.

add to the fun, one of the artered aircraft which ought the trainees to Rabaul 10 minutes ahead of schedule eat the welcoming party to rodrome.

to top off the day of sur- one of the "trainees" re- himself as a new staff mem- r the college on loan from the outh Wales Education Depart- He didn't let the cat out of g until he was about to be in one of the student's modation cubicles.

party travelled in a chartered t from Sydney to Lae, and ame on to Rabaul in three ler aircraft. Their arrival d the start of Papua-New a's much publicised scheme ss produce 60 teachers every onths for duty in native s. (See "Pacific Report," p.

despite the inevitable first- nfusion, the opening of the e was a success and the new- s were enthusiastic about quarters, training facilities pportunities.

official inauguration was held n the day in a classroom carpenters had completed 8 hours previously.

newcomers were welcomed imposing array of senior istration officers, including Assistant Administrator of -New Guinea, Dr. J. Gunther; rector of Education, Mr. G. T. ; the New Britain District issioner, Mr. J. R. Foldi; the of the Division of Teacher ng, Mr. D. Owner; and the t Education Officer, Mr. F.

"Most Exciting Time"

Gunther told the trainees hey had arrived "at our most g time". Mr. Foldi told them, 's no need to be pukka but remember your dignity osition at all times in front native people."

the highlight of the in- tion was the address given . Roscoe in which he sum- d Australia's work in P-NG, penetrating analysis of the ion programme, and answered of the criticism which has directed at the new teacher g scheme.

the first time in years Mr. went back to the black- board, writing down the main points of his address as he spoke.

He told the new trainees that Australia was dedicated to the economic, social and political development of the native people in P-NG. "And any comforts which we give to the Europeans who carry out our work are not for that fact alone, but are to help in the task of bringing development to the native people," he added.

Australia's two major aims in education were universal primary education and universal literacy in English, he said. This differed from the system in Netherlands New Guinea where there was concentration on the higher education of an elite or aristocracy.

NNG Underpinning Weak

Mr. Roscoe said: "We believe that our system is the best as a foundation for a democratic society. The Dutch may be building a higher tower, but their underpinning is weak."

Mr. Roscoe also defended Australia's target of providing literacy in English rather than in native languages. There were 500 languages, he said, and to be literate in any one native language did nothing to promote unity throughout the Territory.

In addition, the native who could read and write only his own language could find little to read except scriptures or hymn books produced by the missions. Literacy in English threw open a wide field of literature and technology.

Some of the mission schools favoured teaching in the mother tongues of the native people, but many of them were now adopting the Administration's attitude, he added.

He gave a summary of the teaching techniques which the trainees would learn, and defended the new trainee system in the face of earlier criticism.

He told the trainees that if they gained the confidence of the native people they would become much more than school teachers.

"Give Help"

He said: "You will find yourself approached for advice on every possible subject. Please don't turn away the people who ask for your help, but be very careful that you know the right answers before you reply. If you have any doubts about what to say, get in touch with an officer of the Native Affairs Department.

Mr. Roscoe was subsequently criticised from Port Moresby by the Rev. Percy Chatterton, of the London Missionary Society on the grounds that he had attacked the missions over the policy of literacy in native languages.

But trainees who heard Mr. Roscoe speak strongly denied that he had attacked the missions in any way.

Said one of the trainees: "'He gave what seemed to be a balanced and factual account of a situation, and he attacked no one. As far as the missions were concerned, he praised them in general for what they were doing and made it quite clear that there was no competition in education between the Administration and the missions."

The trainees spent the first full day after their arrival by attending a public service induction course. By the end of the week they had already settled into the routine of their teachers' training course.

The staff member of the training college who flew to Rabaul at the same time as the trainees said he was impressed by the facilities offering at the training college.

He is Mr. A. Berglund, formerly of North Newtown Demonstration School, New South Wales.

Mr. Berglund said he saw no reason why the trainee scheme should not be highly successful. He also said that he was impressed by the type of trainee who had been selected for the course.

The trainees will finsh their course in April next year and then will be sent to native schools throughout the Territory while a new batch of trainees will move into the college.

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Bombshell Or Two At The Budget Session

From Judy Tudor, in Port Moresby

After commencing in a blaze of glory with a Ministerial ›ening of the new Legislative Council Chambers; a Vice-Regal ›ening address; and the presentation of a new President's chair › a delegation from the Australian Parliament, the Legislative ›uncil of Papua-New Guinea, at its last meeting in its present ›m, went on to churn out 28 new pieces of legislation.

a session that lasted six days ıd three nights, it approved e spending of £22½ millions in urrent financial year, after the surer, Mr. H. H. Reeve, in a et speech had proved to his satisfaction—if not to private bers—that from a Territory of view, every prospect pleased. dealt also with a bill that sets he machinery for the election election of members of the new enlarged Legislative Council will come into being in the part of 1961.

debates on this bill, members, official and unofficial, had derable difficulty in not wand- from the mere election ures and trespassing on the ıdment to the Papua-New ea Act which sets up the new cil and which is purely a Com- vealth Government measure, herefore *verboten*.

was only on adjournment that te members were able to have iece of Territories Minister ıck on the ground that his Legislative Council was, on inspection, not what is seemed that there was, they said, un- to be an unofficial majority.

The "Catch"

the new Legislative Council will be 14 officers of Terri- departments; 12 elected mem- (six natives and six Euro-) and 10 "appointed" members. the "appointed" members could ıe catch. It had been assumed, st, that these would take the of the old nominated mem- who in the past have on vital usually thrown in their lot the unofficial members.

M predicted in September (p. when it first foreshadowed the Council composition, that "the rnment could be expected to h for moderates to be nomin- for the unofficial membership— it can depend on to be sympa- towards the Government's of view".]

by a cunning deletion of old e 32 of the Papua-New Guinea it is now possible for any c Service officer to be an ›inted" member.

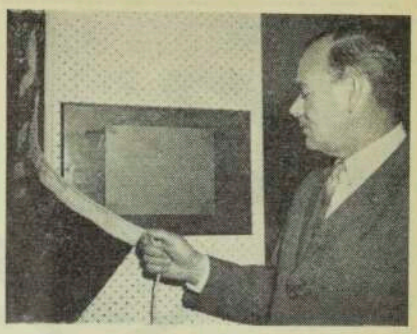
der the Act the appointed members shall include at least five natives. There will certainly be at least one Mission representative. The remainder *could* be public servants who can be trusted to toe the official line.

With the realisation of what the new set-up could mean, bang went non-official members' illusions; and they didn't mince words in saying what they thought of "Ministerial duplicity".

None objected to an official majority while the Commonwealth Government pours into this Territory the annual millions that have become accepted practice since the war. What they didn't like, they said, was the manner in which it was presented. When the Ministerial announcement was made in September it appeared, at first glance, that the Government was giving away its power to call the tune.

Why was the camouflage thought necessary? asked Mr. B. Fairfax-Ross, of Papua.

It was Ministerial dishonesty, said Mr. Lloyd Hurrell, of the NG Mainland.



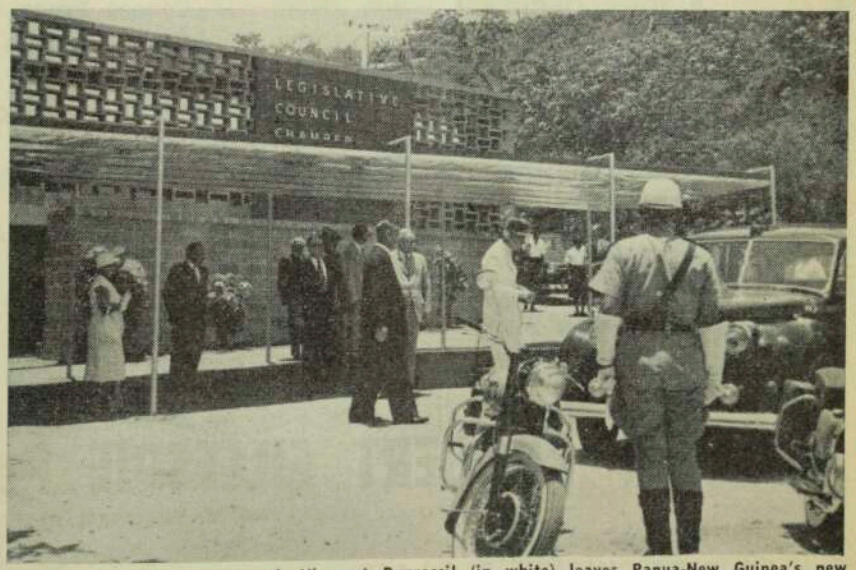
The Australian Minister for Territories, Mr. Paul Hasluck, unveils a tablet in the vestibule of P-NG's new Legislative Council Chambers. The tablet says: "These Chambers, dedicated to the use of the Legislative Council of Papua and New Guinea, in the faith that lasting good will here be done in service to all people in the Territory, were opened by the Hon. Paul Hasluck, MP, Minister for State for Territories, on October 17, 1960".

The Minister had not been quite honest, said Mr. Don Barrett, of the New Guinea Islands, who was first to the attack.

Assistant Administrator Gunther, defending the Minister, said that members were being ridiculous, ungenerous and unfair; that the crux of the new Legislative Council was the 12 elected members and these "would have a sporting chance."

Courage of Lloyd Hurrell

At this session also, three new members made their maiden speeches—Craig Kirke, Reuben Taureka and Lloyd Hurrell, in that order—although most of what the two former said was forgotten after



The Australian Governor-General, Viscount Dunrossil (in white) leaves Papua-New Guinea's new Legislative Council Chambers in October after giving Royal assent to the amended Papua-New Guinea Act, which enlarges the composition of the Council. The canopy seen at the rear was a temporary structure erected to shield the official party from the sun while the Governor-General inspected a guard of honour. It was reported to have cost more than £300, and was taken down the next day.

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The Press Is On The Outer

The new Legislative Council Chambers in Port Moresby have got about everything that opens and shuts, including air conditioning, d amplification, and simultaneous translation service.
But in some departments it hasn't got a lot—and one of these e so-called Press gallery.
This is a table to seat four persons, right at the back of the nber, at floor level, and right behind the Hansard girls who are inually coming and going, in about 10-minutes shifts.
For years, there has been at least five representatives of the Press egco meetings, and this will tend to increase. At the October on there were at times about 10 people who tried to sit behind table and use the four sets of headphones provided—and 10 into just doesn't go.
The Press representatives actually were better off at the old Red s Hall, where they sat behind the President on a sort of platform, where the speeches of those native members who spoke Pidgin translated later by one of the European members. However, in new set up, when members speak in Pidgin—or as John Vuia did, lanche Bay dialect—it was completely above the heads of most smen who couldn't get at a set of headphones.—JT

omb-shell with which Mr. l shattered the gentlemanly dings in the Chamber. ne could accuse Lloyd Hurrell diplomatic approach; and the rature of that air-conditioned fell a couple of points as he (See report of his speech, on 37). But it took real courage ak that piece in the current al climate of Port Moresby. ven more to take the cold dis- al of the day that followed. some unofficial members aside their metaphorical and said "Really!"

(according to Hurrell) very ficial members spoke to him next day-and-a-half. (One R. Foldi, who is "a kind man w", and another was H. L. who, in the days when Hurrell n ADO, was his boss).

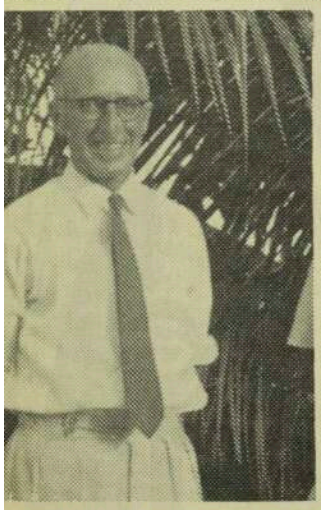
ar ago there would have been ecessity for a speech like Hurrell's, and probably not much comment if it had been made, either. But in the Port Moresby of the moment, when all spades are called "digging instruments" to describe them as "bloody shovels" just isn't the done thing.

Lloyd Hurrell had a successful and distinguished career in the Administrative service in the District which he now represents as an elected member, before he left the service some years ago to go farming at Wau. He has brought to this private enterprise the same energy and competence that he once gave to persuading the primitive Kukukukus of Menyamya to go along the path of Administration rectitude.

But because he has deserted Administration for private business, he now is treated as something of a renegade and the tendency is to make him the butt of official hand-smacking—a role he has inherited from Mr. Ian Downs, ex-MLC, who also deserted for agriculture.

Lloyd Hurrell says that he probably won't stand at the election for the reconstituted Legislative Council—he can't afford it.

This would be a pity. Papua-New Guinea still needs its Lloyd Hurrells to speak their minds, lest the whole Territory slide off prematurely into this mood of "sweet reasonableness at any price" that seems to have Port Moresby in its grip at present.



After Mr. Lloyd Hurrell (right) had made his maiden speech in the Legco in October, few official members wanted to talk to him! But one who did was his old boss, Morobe District Commissioner H. Niall (above). For a report of Mr. Hurrell's speech, see next page.

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What Lloyd Hurrell Told The Legco

How Can We Give the Natives a Sense of Responsibility?"

"My efforts in this Council," said Mr. Lloyd Hurrell, in e P-NG Legislative Council budget session in October, "will directed largely towards curbing the headlong rush to super- ial political and social development and in attempting to sturb what I regard as the complacent and self-righteous itude of the governing bodies."

. HURRELL, Wau farmer and elected member for the NG Mainland, was making his en speech (for how it was re- d, see report on page 33).

went on:

ake it clear that I resent the hand way income tax was in- ced and the manner in which ecent advanced representation e native people was ushered der a cloud of fear and de- created by the Prime Min- and his Minister for External tories. . .

re has been an attitude created he Press, among southern ians, and amongst some Ad- tration personnel that those ppose in any way the present , ill-considered developments nti-native and even exploiters. is most unfair. Most of the e in private enterprise in NG with natives at their real worth without the power of the Gov- nt at their elbows. Their de- nent and that of the natives hand in hand. They are per- nt inhabitants. . .

"Tragic Effect"

annot emphasise too greatly ragic effect the recent scare f-government had had on the al European population.

know of town and district ils, including their govern- representatives, who refused this time to admit the natives ng capable of being more than bserver, who now, suddenly, the stimulus of fear, are pro- ling theories of elected repre- ives, universal franchise and m to drink alcohol. It needs ome crackpot to urge the un- d supply of firearms and we e in trouble.

the wake of all this, a crop elfare societies has emerged, sed largely of missionaries wives of Administration per- l. I agree heartily with their e work, but not their efforts come a political force. I trust dministration evaluates care- between genuine work and airy ctual exercises.

Legislation through the early years has to be discriminatory—but against the European, not the native. [And here Mr. Hurrell quoted examples—no need for miners' rights, taxation privileges, etc., and went on to the question of labour and wages.]

He continued: There seems to be dissatisfaction with present wages. Well, I can assure the Administration that there is also, amongst employers, a great dissatisfaction with the standard of work and the ability of natives to take responsibility. Even in Administration offices and work this is evident. . . It is not their ability that bars them, but their failure to accept responsibility. I have had good natives on £5 a month, plus keep for themselves and families, leave me to work for £5 a month cash, and no food or issues, simply because domestic work in small households is easy.

The native should be shown that, so far, his efforts have been very small and that an all-out effort must be made to develop crops and industries as well as professional and clerical classes.

On the other hand I believe that there is, in the Administration particularly, a resistance against giving responsible jobs to natives. . . There are far too many natives doing housework, cutting grass around buildings and loafing in road gangs for the healthy development of the people. . .

Natives Without Training

We are hastening forward to educate academically and politically a people that has no economic foundation and no training to develop it. Has anyone considered the impact of this mass education on the social structure of the villages? Economic distress and subsequent discontent must follow. [Earlier, he said that he hoped to see more agricultural and technical schools].

How does the Administration hope to employ the people when educated? For every new teacher employed there should be another agricultural field man to train the people in agriculture and probably another Native Affairs man to sort out the troubles arising afterwards.

Fortunately, I believe that the people themselves will supply the restraint. I remember the schools at Rabaul before the war. There were some hundreds of young native students in government and mission schools. Where are (these natives) now?

In 30 years of earnest effort on education, the number attaining anything more than the intermediate certificate is negligible. It has taken the Catholic Mission 75 years to produce two priests. This is in

"It's called the Konedobu Cult. When it's all boiled down, hundreds of new public servants are supposed to appear from nowhere!"

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Tribute To A Man Who Fought

In his maiden speech at the meeting of the Papuan and New inea Legislative Council in Port Moresby in October, Mr. Craig ke, the newly elected member for Papua, paid tribute to the man succeeded—Mr. E. A. James.

Mr. Kirke said:

"I should first like to say a few words on the circumstances ich led to my being present today. I refer, of course, to the gnation of Mr. E. A. James, a loyal Councillor who served this ncil and his constituents with distinction. His years of experience his wide knowledge of Territory affairs were of inestimable value I feel that his resignation is a great loss to this Council.

"It is all the more regrettable that we have lost the benefit of services and advice because his resignation was brought about no small degree by the frustration of being part of a permanent iority whose voice was often heard but rarely heeded," Mr. Kirke ied.

Mr. James resigned from the Legislative Council last year with two other elected members, Mr. Ian Downs and Mr. Dudley Jones, r the way in which income taxation was introduced to the ritory.

Mr. Kirke had something to say about the tax fight, the result of ich, as he said, is now history. But although the taxpayers of the ritory had lost the legal battle, the fight they put up would have ing results. It had brought Papua and New Guinea closely together a unity not seen before. It brought together public servants and mmerce, natives and Australians.

mstances where skill of instruc- and earnestness cannot be ted.

Must Have Incentive

nehow, there must be given an itive to work, a desire to accept nsibility, and this cannot be by calling boss-boys "fore- "; prisoners "inmates of cor- ve institutions", medical as- nts "doctors" and so on.

the latter case, I think that ll field personnel who have lustre to a name, it is the cal assistants; and why the inistration should feel any y at calling Fiji trained per- el "medical assistants" I can- see. . .

uote Mr. Hasluck of August 23: New Guinea situation is ue — and comparisons with a and Asia are impossible." is rot! There is a very good parison.

e people here are not ready self-government—there is no omic background to support the try. The country is divided.

e New Britain area with its and cocoa wealth would never greeable to share their revenue the rest of New Guinea if were no (Australian) subsidy. heavily-populated Highlands would never subject themselves ule by Tolais and Papuans. It be more than a century before country is capable of settling as an independent state. . . should cut our losses. Take New Guinea and Papua as a nth State without delay. I be- that if a plebiscite were taken ajority of the P-NG indigenes Australian people would favour No normal thinking Australian regard Papua and New Guinea as anything but Australian territory. Our blood, sweat and wealth have developed it. No other country has helped pay our way here. . .

If P-NG were taken over as a seventh State it would be a major help to industrial development. At the moment the White Australia Policy is a constant insult to the people of this country. How can natives and mixed-bloods have faith in a country that admits Chinese, but bars them? Papuan natives are Australian citizens and should have every right to go to Australia, buy property and seek employment. They don't because of the immigration laws.

Appease White Australia

But by creating a seventh State the White Australian Policy is appeased. It would no longer bar our actual inhabitants. I am sure that if our native people were sure of Australian citizenship which could give real equality, instead of (being given) the intellectual drivel they are so often fed on matters of schooling, clothing, drinking and other things relating to social standards, they would enter the struggle to reach higher standards with far more vigour.

What the natives must understand is that most non-official people in NG, and most civil servants, want the NG people as part of Australia. It is the politician, and the dreamy idealist, who is prepared to sacrifice them and their country on the outworn ideal of UN.

Is it that Mr. Hasluck and his followers are preparing the country to receive land-hungry Asiatic hordes who are waiting their opportunity? . . .

It is the Australian unions and Labour Party who are afraid to admit Papuans.

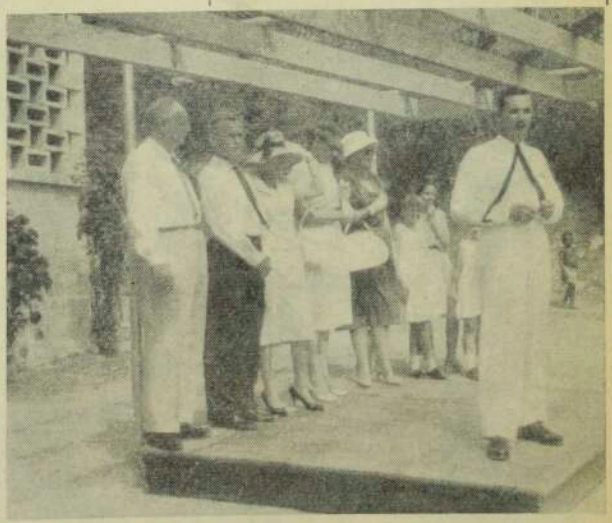
Australia next year wants 187,000 labourers for industry. It hopes to get them from immigration. Why not Papuans? Probably, not a lot would go, but what better education could there be, and what stronger link with our parent country?

P-NG Now Has A Museum

"The Territory Museum and Art Gallery is only a start," said Mr. Justice Mann, president of the Trustees, at the official opening in October.

He said it was hoped there would be an art school attached and that the museum would become a centre for cultural and scientific activities. It might one day, too, be a tourist attraction.

However, the Museum was essentially for the public of Papua-New Guinea and was not intended primarily as a tourist attraction.



Papua - New Guinea's Museum building was officially opened on October 15. The opening was in conjunction with the official opening of the new Legislative Council chambers—for the Museum takes up the lower portion of the same building. Here on the dais at the opening is the P-NG Chief Justice Mann, and the Museum trustees. Mr. Justice Mann has done a tremendous job of work in establishing the Museum.

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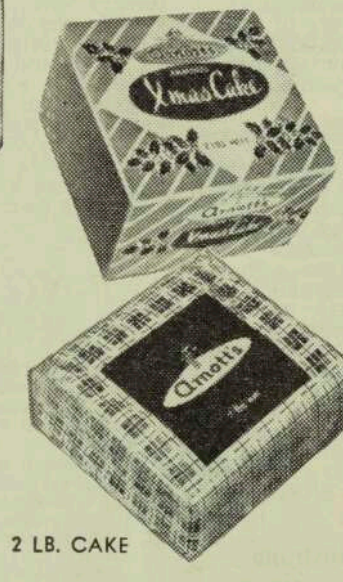

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annual report of the West moa Chamber of Commerce, st published in Apia, states

report, which is most com-nsive and informative, con-a wealth of information on spects of the Territory's nic life, and is of special st with Samoa being so close ependence.

report is a credit to the ber and its president, Mr. E. ndale, and secretary N. S. n.

report is for the year ended 30, 1960.

ort and export figures are for the calendar year of 1959, e report says total trade was 516, with a favourable trade e for the year of £759,676. 1958 figures were £5,168,604 726,652 respectively.

wholesale and retail busi-was very good, net returns most businesses were very ctory.

"Appreciable Drop"

report says figures for 1960 e weaker because of the re-cocoa and copra prices and ller export of bananas and because of the weather. would be an "appreciable n import and export values".

ɣeen April, 1959, and June, export price of cocoa beans d from £275 to £210 a ton he average export price of dropped from £81.48 to £70 n.

ɔrting on the cost of living, ɔort says that using an index 0 in 1951, the cost of living ɔ 1,370 in 1959—an increase per cent. The population in ame period increased from to 105,863—or 24.67 per cent.

ever, with a population esti-at 125,000 by 1965, it would essary to increase the export by 18 per cent. to maintain resent living standard (ex-any COL adjustments). Yet trade for 1960, based on current produce prices and 1959 export quantities, would be likely to be 10 per cent. less than 1959.

Big Salary Expenses

The report notes that the Samoan Government spent a very large percentage of its revenue on salaries —namely 39.38 per cent. in 1959 and 45.46 per cent. in the 1960 budget.

Most of the Government expenditure on "development" has gone into non-productive avenues, and only about 10 per cent. has gone to agriculture.

The report comments on the Bank of Western Samoa which started operations on April 1, 1959, and issued its first balance sheet covering trading up to December 31, 1959, showing very satisfactory results.

The report says the bank continues to merit the loyal support and confidence of the business community.

The report states that copra production rose to 16,855 tons, against 9,683 tons in 1958. But it stresses that 40 years ago Samoa produced 16,356 tons of copra and this represented 9.1 cwt. per capita against 3.1 cwt. per capita in 1959.

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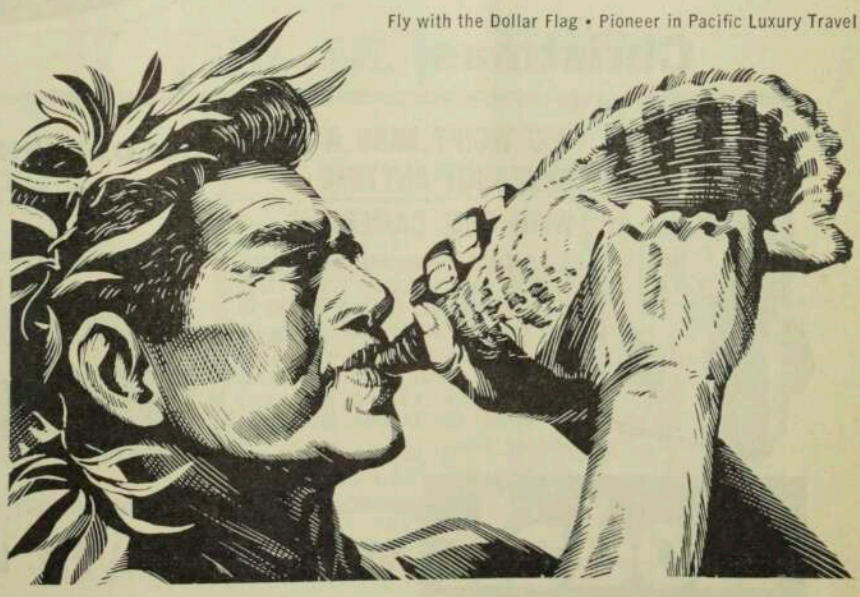

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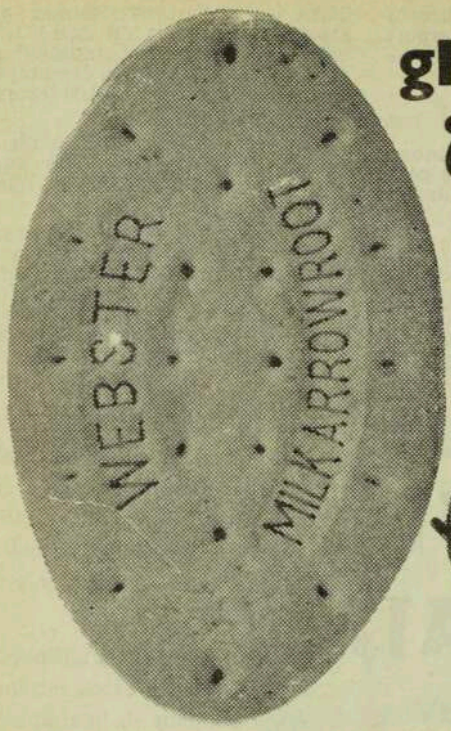

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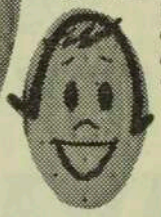

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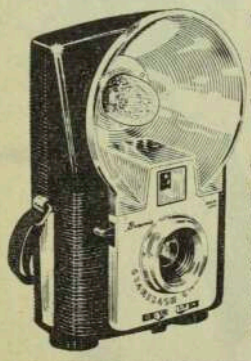

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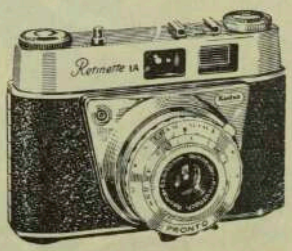

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On this hilltop (Namaka Hill), prior World War II, there was a large tablishment known as Provincial hool, Western. Mr. Usher says that e main building was where he now standing; and the site of the rmitories, etc., was over behind him. should know, because he then was e headmaster of the school. In 1939, large body of men were just building di air-strip; and Mr. Usher walked er to them one evening and told em that World War II had broken t.

Today, the area is cluttered up with lldozers, graders, trucks, a cement- ick-making plant, and piles of timber, brought in by the dynamic Barry ilp. Mr. Philp says that within six onths the new Mocambo Hotel, com- ising 50 modern rooms, and all kinds amenities, set amid lawns and rdens, will arise on this historic spot here once was Mr. Usher's school) to rve the new airport and the district. en the famous old Mocambo Hotel ecoming less famous since Nadi's new rminal buildings were opened a few onths ago) will be closed.

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Where The Cocoa Goes

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Samoan bananas exported in 1959—786,423 cases valued at £904,281—were 98,132 cases less than those shipped in 1958 which were valued at £1,007,189. Due mainly to the strong winds experienced in January, 1960, which caused considerable damage to banana plantations, it was expected that banana shipments for 1960 would not exceed 600,000 cases.

The Chamber of Commerce report gave detailed statistics of the imports of the Territory in 1959. These constituted a record with a total valued at £2,560,420.

Western Samoa had a favourable trade balance with the UK, NZ, Holland, Germany and American Samoa, but an adverse trade balance with Hongkong, India, South Africa, Canada, Australia, Fiji and all British Commonwealth countries, and with Indonesia, USA and Japan.

The report said concern had been expressed at these adverse trade balances by the Government and the Chamber of Commerce and efforts should be made to review the

says a major effort should be e to harvest the maximum pro- ion and to encourage replant- in old areas. A large proportion rees were close to non-produc- y and over-aged. This would ously and adversely affect the oan economy of the future.

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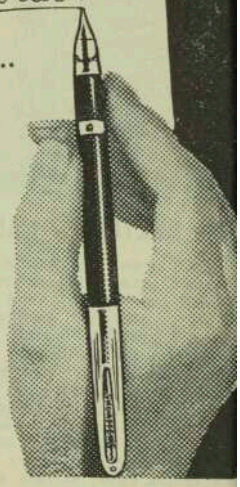

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wo hundred and forty-eight it unions in the Colony now e a total membership of 0 and assets close to the ,000-mark and reserves of t £8,000.

uiding light of the move- t is the Rev. Father M. ey, a Jesuit priest, whom Ronald Garvey (when he Governor) brought from ish Honduras to established it unions in Fiji.

t for credit union many ns would not have posses- s which they own today. credit union has estab- d a taxi service, an indivi- in the same union works Nadi Airport and lives 40- miles away at Ba. Through credit union he has been to buy for himself the ns of transport between the areas, and also establish a ll sugarcane plantation at

ese are only illustrations e material gains the Fijians made through credit union. because the Fijian is so damentally honest, bad s are few and far between.

e Indian community has been so quick to take ad- ages of credit union, but y of them now realise its bilities and are expected to existing unions or estab- their own.

programme in the light of revealing figures.

More NZ Trade

he recent annual meeting of amber of Commerce the New d Trade Commissioner, Mr. Davies, addressed the mem- nd urged an improvement in relations between New Zea- nd Western Samoa, particu- he increased buying of New d goods.

bers expressed their desire to preference to New Zealand ts whenever prices were com- e and the quality equal to f goods from other countries. er, they said, New Zealand eglected to advertise its pro- and merchants were not what exactly New Zealand had to offer. It was suggested that a sample room showing New Zealand products should be established and New Zealand manufacturers should start an advertising campaign to acquaint Samoan importers with their competitive lines.

Mr. A. M. Macdonald has been elected president of the W. Samoa Chamber of Commerce for the ensuing year and Mr. R. A. H. Girvan, vice-president.

A formal inquiry will be held into the stranding of the Burns Philp (SS) Co. Ltd. cutter, *Totoya*, on Aiwa Reef, in the Lau Group of Fiji on September 17. The *Totoya* was on the reef for about two weeks.

Cabinet Reshuffle In Tonga

As a result of the recent death of the Hon. Ulukalala-Ata, Queen Salote made several changes in the Tongan Cabinet late in October.

The Hon. Ata was Deputy Premier and Minister of Police. Prince Fatafehi Tu'ipelehake now becomes Deputy Premier while retaining his portfolios of Lands and Health The portfolio of Minister of Police goes to the Hon. Ahom'e who has relinquished the post of Governor of Ha'apai to the Hon. Vaea who has lately been aide-de-camp to Queen Salote.

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athy Over The Youth Centre

A Valuable Asset Is Falling By The Wayside

From a Suva Correspondent

The Suva Youth Centre, hich was to be a cure for owing juvenile delinquency in ji's capital city, has fallen on rk days. The centre has had struggle for its existence since was officially opened earlier is year.

ART from financial troubles and lack of public interest, the warden (Mr. Wiwi Ragg) and wife have had to contend with continual presence of drunks, es and prostitutes in Marks , in which the centre is located.

ie centre is a Rotary-inspired ect which has the blessing of Government and welfare ers, and within its strict finan- limits, has had a marked effect the good of the youth of Suva.

took off the streets a growing of young unemployed and ided them with healthy recrea- each night. Sports teams from centre took an active part in y and soccer competitions in season just ended.

it many of a wide variety of ned activities fell by the way- through the lack of instructors.

ie management committee rman (Mr. H. H. Madams) a months ago issued a circular ,000 citizens seeking contribu- s of £1/1/- to keep the centre g. About 100 responded.

Resigned

r. Madams, who has since re- ed, was one of very few who taken an active interest in the re's affairs. The warden's wife s. Dorothy Ragg) in a recent r to the *Fiji Times* mentioned others, the Rev. Niko and Mr. Foster, an enthusiastic Ro- an and one of the two-prime ers in founding the centre.

it Rotary's general policy is to ate and get projects going. ir task finished when they ded the completed building over he centre management commit-

r. Madams, at the last meeting he management committee, said the committee's decision to the centre going was not prac- ble as there was not enough ey to pay the warden's salary.

But Mr. Les Martin, the Rotary Club president, said that if there was not enough money he would see that the warden was paid. (Mr. Martin recently gave a financial guarantee so that a Fiji cricket team could tour New South Wales, and some years ago offered to back a Fijian Rugby team on one of its tours.)

Mr. Madams remarked that normally he would have thanked Mr. Martin for the offer but would not on this occasion because he was "too damned sick of this city".

According to Mr. Madams the Government will not make a contribution towards the centre.

However, the police in 1961, may make a sergeant available to work through the centre to help delinquent boys, although this man will have nothing to do with policing the centre or Marks Park.

It would have been thought that the Government and the public generally, with the December riots fresh in their minds, when juvenile hooligans were blamed for the extensive damage to property, would regard the centre as an insurance, and a safety valve to ensure that young men engaged in healthy activities.

The centre is too valuable an asset to be allowed to fall by the wayside, and in view of unfavourable publicity, the organisations represented in the management committee can be expected to make determined efforts to ensure it continues with its good work.

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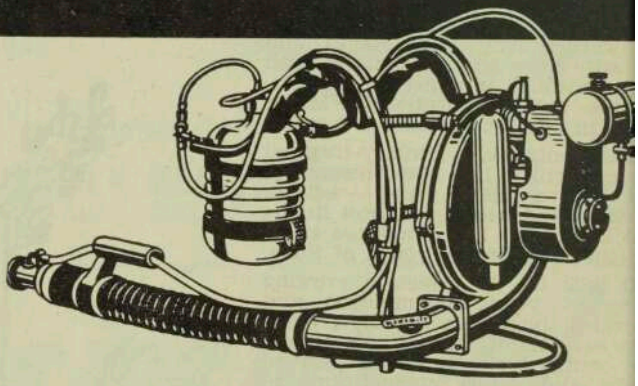

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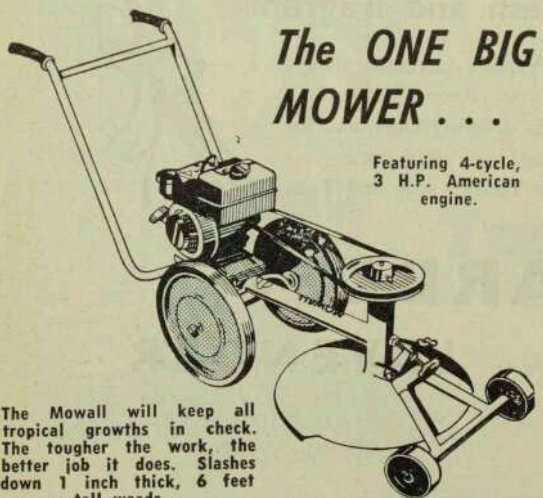

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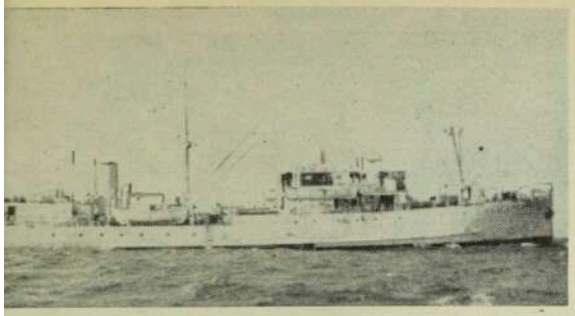


An "ugly little vessel" they call her. The "Maui Pomare" says farewell to the Cooks in October after 32 years of South Pacific operations—18 of them on the Cooks run.

"Goodbye Old Ship Of Mine!"

From Cook Islands Correspondents

The old *Maui Pomare* has finally gone. The Cooks bade her ell on October 12 after 32 years of faithful operations between Zealand and her various Islands dependencies—18 of them on ooks run.

SPITE the fact that the locals ave been almost spell-bound fter seeing the "Pom-Pom's" sing replacement—the new *a Roa*, which turned up on her en voyage a week before the *re's* farewell, there were many hearts as their old and much d friend finally went off the

Maui Pomare's" basket has always been bait for the tourist cameras. It's a al way of getting aboard, anyhow. The "Moana Roa" will still use it on ns (it's been repainted green, yellow and red).

And when the time came it was almost as if the *Pomare* did not want to leave either. Her last call at Rarotonga lasted for more than five days, instead of her usual two or three. She had planned, before her departure, to circumnavigate the island of Rarotonga, but there was a mechanical failure of the windlass and this scheme had to be abandoned. *Pomare* has left her anchor and chain in 25 fathoms of water!

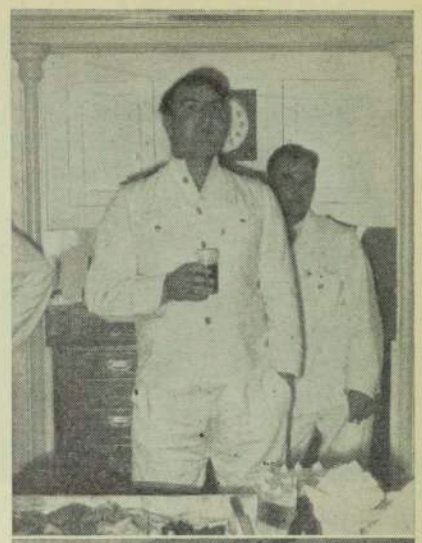
But the many guests from shore who were invited to a farewell function on *Pomare* the day the circumnavigation was supposed to have taken place, weren't unhappy. The sea was rough anyhow, and the crew of the old "Pom-Pom" treated them to a meal of delicacies which everybody agreed a luxury liner could not have surpassed. Chief Cook Ernie really meant to go out with top honours.

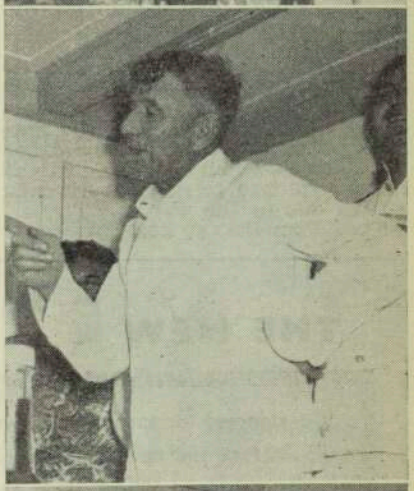
There was a special cake, which was cut by Makea Teremoana Nui Ariki.

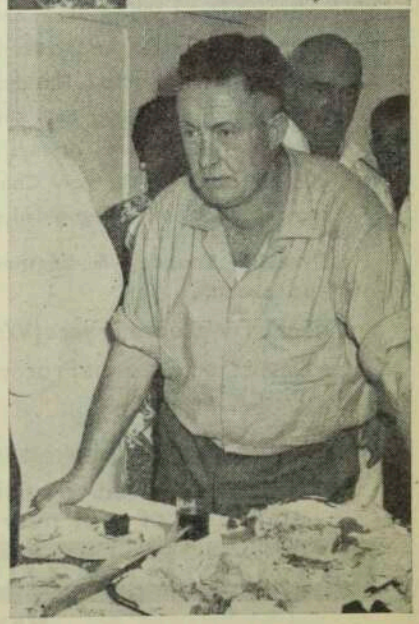
Sad Farewell

The speakers at that sometimes sad farewell function wandered back many times to the pleasant recollections that crowded in from the "Pom-Pom's" 32 years on the Islands run.

She was commissioned in 1928—







IT WAS THEIR SHIP. At the farewell feast aboard the "Maui Pomare" at Rarotonga these three men were among those who had something to say. At top, Captain Fraser makes a point: In the centre, popular Chief Cook Ernie takes praise for his cooking efforts—and gives as good as he gets. At right, Seamen's Union representative C. Hewitt says, "She's the best ship I ever sailed in".

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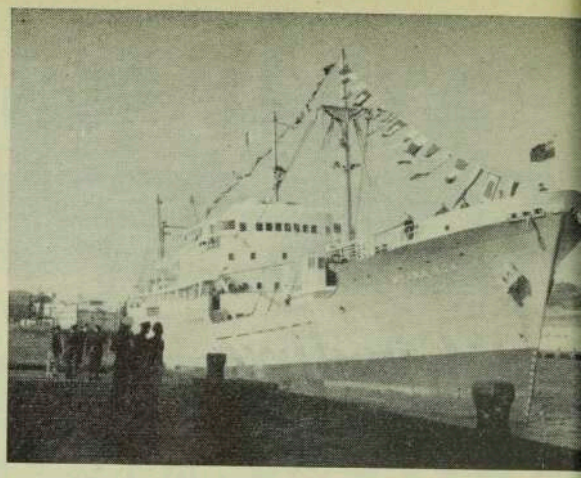

built for £60,000 because the NZ Government wanted a ship for the Samoa banana trade which was then becoming established.

Originally she sailed from Wellington to Apia with occasional calls at Niue, and this itinerary was followed until 1941. In 1942 she was diverted to the Cooks run because the *Matua*, which used to call at Rarotonga, had to make more calls at Fiji due to the war.

The "Pom-Pom's" home port was changed from Wellington to Auckland, and during the off-season for oranges in the Cooks she used to call at Niue for copra. But she concentrated on the Cooks run when the *Tofua* started.

Speakers recalled how the "Pom-Pom's" first master was Captain W. H. McDonald. Warmest recollections naturally were of Captain L. C. Bolton, who was master from March, 1930, until his retirement in March, 1955, when Captain J. Hare

BIGGER AND BETTER: The "Maui Pomar replacement, the new "Moana Roa", eases her berth at Wellington in October after eight weeks' maiden voyage from Britain. Left, part of the lounge of the new ship. the "Maui Pomare" you sat either in the di room or in your cabin.
Photo at left: D. C. B

was appointed (he's now on the r *Moana Roa*).

Speakers at the farewell inclu Captain Fraser, Dick Brown (v proposed a toast), C. Hewitt, v

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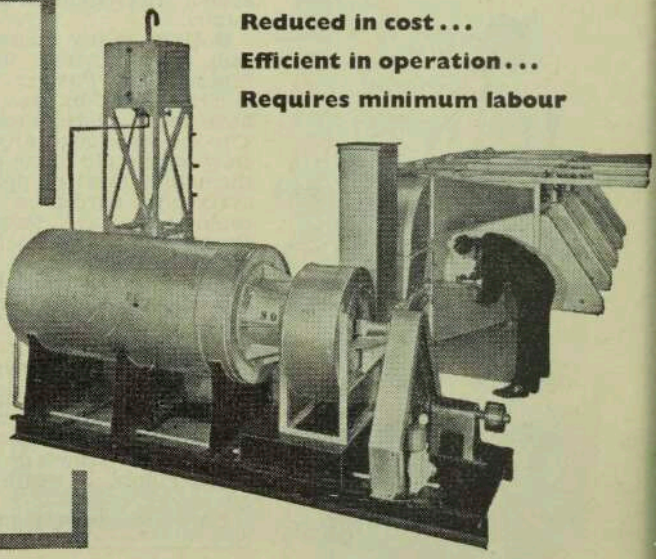

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e for the Federated Seamen's
n, Ernie the Chief Cook and
nan Gill (who proposed a toast
ast crew members).

Ugly Little Vessel

rotonga's *Cook Islands News*
out a special souvenir farewell
, which reported, "The people
ie island bid farewell to an old
trusted friend—to a ship that
become a part of the very
of the Cook Islanders—not a
eful ocean liner, but an ugly
vessel which somehow or other
won the hearts of all . . . Those
nt realised it was finally true
s was to be the last time they
d see the *Pomare*".

the Monday afternoon it was
turn of those on shore to give
rewell feast. There was enter-
nent—dancing and singing—
traditional Maori festivities
Islands dishes. The dancing
added an action song written
the occasion—"Good-bye Old
of Mine".

nen the "Pom-Pom" finally got
, her master sent this message
ie Resident Commissioner, Mr.
ll, and to the people of the
s:—

s the *Maui Pomare* sails
ward on this beautiful evening
he sunset of her life we say
vell and thank you. May God
you all."

perhaps sounded like the end-
to a James Fitzpatrick
logue, but there were lumps in
y throats nevertheless.

shore they were quoting lines
local poet Gordon Brereton (a
ole) :—

nany's the people she's carried, and
y's the tale they've told
this trip was worse than last trip,
how she pitched and she rolled.
whether they're telling the truth or
they practically all agree
they couldn't get here fast enough
ugh on the
"Maui Pomare"

short days were hardly time to
reciate the stay.
was plenty of things to do on board
pass the time of day,
could lie in your bunk and read a
k, or contemplate the sea,
f you felt alright, the food was good
the
"Maui Pomare"

u suffered from insomnia from the
ines roar and din,
cock your ear and faintly hear
strains of a violin,
unting refrain from Lieberstraum?
red in a peculiar key
hey're really quite artistic on the
"Maui Pomare"

you've played two rounds of deck
and worked a healthy sweat,
squeeze ourselves into the bar for
ething cool and wet.
or old George had gone on strike,
worse he'd lost the key
all be drinking water on the
"Maui Pomare"

"Moana Roa" Arrives

With all her bunting flying, the new *Moana Roa* had dropped anchor at Rarotonga at 5 p.m. on October 2, Everybody was agreed that this replacement for the old "Pom-Pom" more than met expectations. With her pale green hull, white superstructure and cream funnel, she made an imposing picture.

Captain and crew, together with the 40 immigrants who travelled as passengers from England to New Zealand on *Moana Roa's* maiden voyage, were invited to a feast on shore. Hosts were members of the Cook Islands Legislative Assembly and the Rarotonga Island Council.

Other locals turned up, too, to share the meal of succulent pork, chicken, with taro and coconuts. All guests were presented with frangipani, and after the meal there were hula and drum dances and action songs.

The highlight was the performance of *Moana Roa*, written in honour of the new vessel.

Also typically Cooks fashion, Rarotonga challenged the *Moana Roa* men to a football game. Local players were reminded that football boots must not be worn; that they had to wear tennis shoes or play in bare feet. The local boys won the game 29 to 21 but this was no indication of anything because nobody seemed to know if they were playing rugby or soccer and at times it was difficult to know who was on what side.

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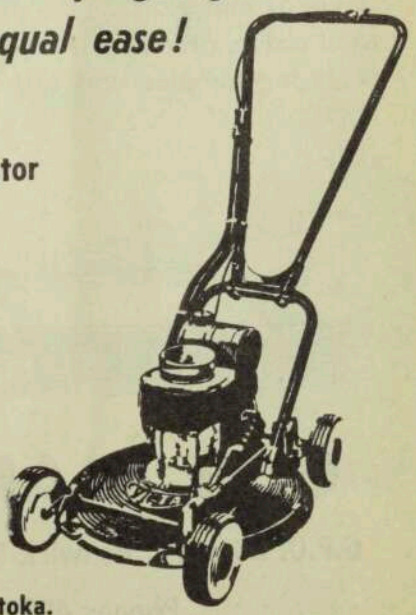

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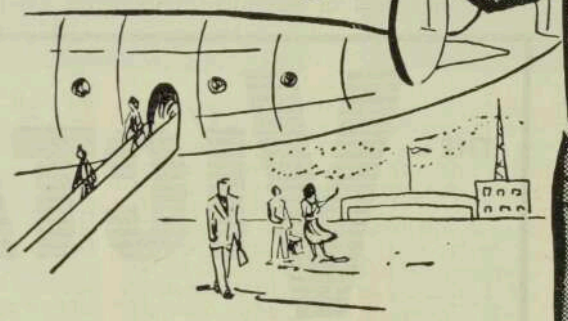

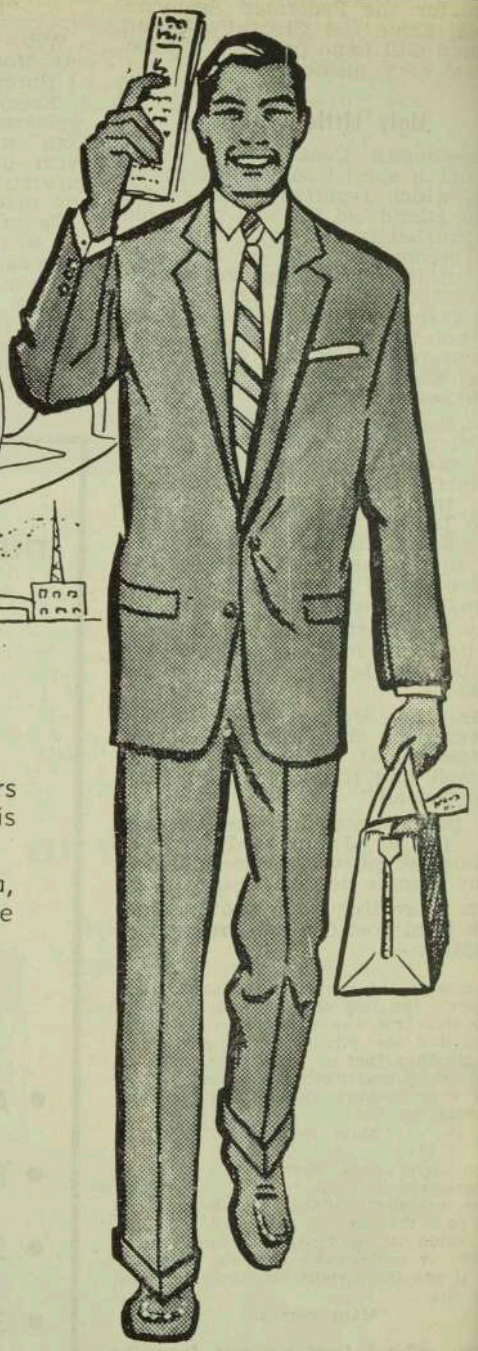

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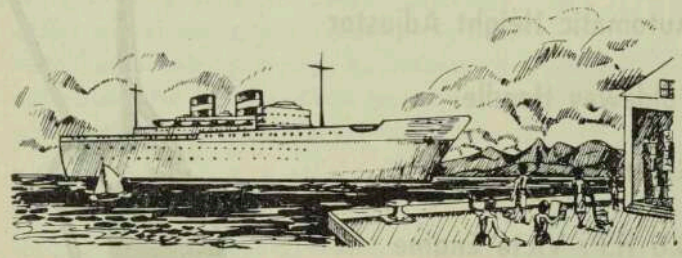

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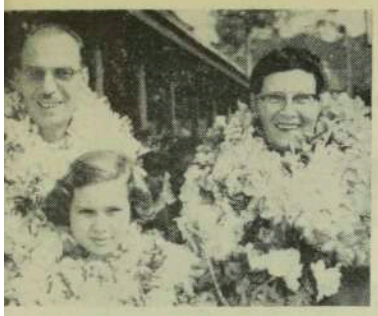

RIP THEY'LL REMEMBER: Among the ngers to NZ on the final trip of the i Pomare" from Rarotonga in October were & Mrs. Roy Wills, and daughter Frances. Wills is manager of A. B. Donald Ltd., otonga, and they were going on leave.
Photo: R. D. Moore

t the feast, *Moana Roa's* master, tain Hare, said that the new was in every way better than *Maui Pomare*. Yet as with all s she had still to earn her itation, and if she earned a itation such as the *Maui Pomare* had she would be a fine ship.

cluded in the *Moana Roa's* o were 17 motor vehicles for the ks.

ne *Moana Roa* (her name means le sea") was built at Grange- th on the river Forth, Scotland. is the first passenger ship built the NZ Government since before war.

ne is 2,750 tons, with a length 96 ft, beam 46 ft, and cost about ,000.

ne has a top speed of 14 knots ough she bettered this by a during her trials. She can carry tons.

l this means that the *Moana* is roughly three times as big he "Pom-Pom", a third faster has almost twice the amount nsulated cargo space for vege- es and fruit. Fruit is, of course, important cargo on the Cook nds run.

40 Passengers

ne can also carry 40 passengers more than the *Maui Pomare*. has 14 two-berth and three -berth passenger cabins, placed he boat and bridge decks, and is pleasantly decorated in pastel urs.

ne decoration was done by Miss MacKenzie Aikman, who is the ghter of the managing director ne Grangemouth Dockyard Com- y. Miss Aikman used South fic flora and fauna as a basis her designs.

ints of paintings by famous sts hang on the walls of the 's quarters. They include Van hs, Renoirs and a Gauguin or

feature not seen in some much er cruising liners is the pro- n of yellow tinted fibreglass awnings over some of the open spaces.

The winch operators have enclosed cabins on the main deck, resembling those seen on mobile cranes.

Visitors to the *Moana Roa* at Rarotonga noted that she had automatic steering, with the course set on a control unit and nobody to man the wheel except when changing course or manoeuvring.

There are watertight bulkhead doors throughout the ship which can be closed electrically from the bridge, and an automatic sprinkler system for fire.

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The *Maui Pomare* was notorious for the number of private radio aerials which appeared all over the rigging with leads sneaking down ventilators to cabins below. But there won't be anything like that on *Moana Roa*. The ship's main aerial is connected with a large number of outlets to cabins.

The fact that the *Moana Roa* took the 40 Government sponsored immigrants to NZ meant that she became the smallest immigrant ship to sail from England to NZ since the days of sailing ships.

The trip from England was not without incident. The ship struck a pier in the Panama Canal and dented some plates. There were also a number of minor accidents to crew members. *Moana Roa* reached Wellington on October 12, after an eight weeks' maiden voyage.

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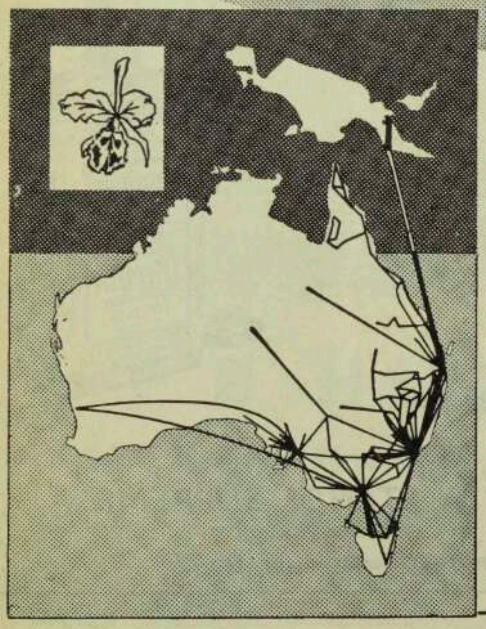

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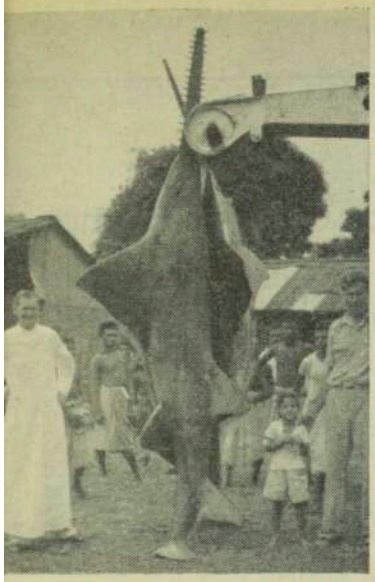

only sharks but sawfish are being caught the light net near the Catholic Mission iquarters, Alexishafen. These two measured ft. and 12 ft., and the larger of the two ihed well over 500 lb. His saw, which is g preserved as a souvenir, is 37 inches , with razor sharp two-inch teeth along sides. The two sawfish provided the ion freezer with almost 700 lb of edible . It is the same net which caught the sharks in a month—and 50 sharks over ral months. In the photograph above is Brother Berchmans, SVD.

choolboy Record—31 Sharks in 31 Days

The patience of New Guinea oolboys at the Divine Word tholic Mission at Alexishafen been tried to the breaking nt, and now they are eating sharks that formerly ate m.

31 days the schoolboys have caught and eaten 31 sharks. According to old-timers, the xishafen Bay, near Madang, has ays been a safe place to swim and spear-fishing. There were always rks around, but they bothered ody and nobody bothered them.

hen around Christmas last year, ceful co-existence came to an upt end with a series of vicious acks resulting in severe lacera- ns and the loss of limbs for oolboys out for a swim.

mong the victims was John Kisa, ididate for the religious brother- d at the Divine Word School in xishafen, who lost a foot. Two nths later a local villager was ed by a shark while spear-fish-

he Brother candidates entered a ncil of war with their disciplin- arian, Brother Berchmans Langenkamp, SVD, 38. They decided to take their 90-foot trammel net, which no one now dared to use in the regular way, and stretch it across the path of the sharks near the mouth of the river which empties into Alexishafen Bay.

The biggest sharks tore their way through the net, but in 31 days the shark population decreased by 31.

Altogether more than 45 sharks have been caught in this way and range from two-foot babies to seven-foot hammerheads.

Brother Berchmans says of his schoolboys, "They have turned the tables on the man-eating sharks and have become shark-eating men!"

Military Clash at Pukapuka

Though the outside world heard nothing about it, American, Dutch and Japanese forces clashed on the Northern Cooks atoll of Pukapuka in September. The clash was in the form of a 40-a-side cricket contest, between the villagers of Ngake — dressed in a Pukapuka version of a Dutch Army uniform; the villagers of Roto in American Army uniforms — approximately; and the villagers of Roto dressed in their version of a Japanese naval uniform. Why, we don't know. But a good time was had by all—and the "Dutchmen" won hands down. The combined forces then did justice to a feast.

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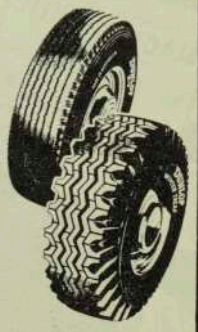

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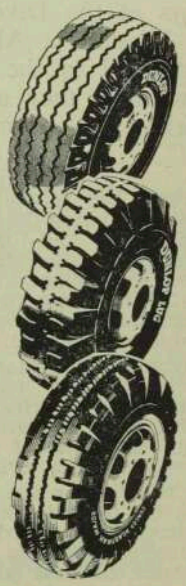

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Director in Defence of Fiji Graduates

They're Doctors As A Fitting Courtesy

When isn't a doctor? A commentary on page 25 of the August "PIM", discussing whether the title of doctor should be given to graduates of the Central Medical School, Suva, has brought this spirited reply from Dr. P. W. Dill-Russell, Director of the Fiji Medical Services, who is also Inspector-General of the South Pacific Health Service.

E basis of *PIM's* commentary was that the Central Medical School graduates were doing a gnificent job" but that they 't need any European handle doctor" to bolster their prestige. Dill-Russell says that in most ts arguments the commentary "so far off the mark" that he ompelled to provide the correct rmation in the hope that *PIM* find some way of repairing the age done to the reputation of graduates of the Central Medi-School".

e continues:—

ne Medical School in Fiji was ded in the year 1886, it had its beginnings as early as 1883, it was in the latter year that ematic three-year training was ed, and in 1888 the necessary lation was passed in Fiji to per- those trained to practise medi-

n AMO Reuben Taureka, and his Fijian whom he met while he was training at ntral Medical School in Suva. In New , he is given the title of doctor. Dr. Dill-Russell writes on this page that in Fiji are given the title doctor as a courtesy and he says he trusts the same applies in all Islands territories.

To quote from the booklet of Dr. Hoodless (principal of the school from 1930-1946) on the value of the scheme of training:—'If proof were needed of the success of the early type of medical training the record of NMP Sowane Puamau who qualified in 1899 would be sufficient. After his training period he served for a short time in Fiji and was then transferred to the Gilbert Islands. There he was a complete success. Even the Europeans in the Islands regarded Sowane as their doctor, and his medical knowledge and his conscientious performance of duties endeared him to all races alike.'

It Blossomed Forth

In 1928, through the generosity of the Rockefeller Foundation, new buildings were erected and the School blossomed into a training centre for students from all the island territories in the South Pacific, being designated the Central Medical School. In 1953 more spacious accommodation, with laboratories, dissecting rooms, lecture rooms and students' living quarters, were constructed and officially opened by the Queen.

As the basic education of students and the facilities for teaching improved, so did the standard of training rise and the length of the medical course become extended. As stated, the original course was one of three years, but in 1931 the length of the course became four years, and in 1951 it was increased to five years.

In addition, in many of the territories, particularly where there are possibilities of higher level training, the graduate remains as an intern of a major local hospital for a further year before official registration. (This requirement is written into the law in Fiji).

The education qualifications required for entry to a medical school, the length of training and the methods of teaching medicine, vary considerably from one country to another and I would suggest that your correspondent might, with profit, consult the World-Directory of Medical Schools, in which there is a section devoted to the Central Medical School, Fiji, published by the World Health Organisation.

Fijian AMO Tomu Uluilakemba on the job examining a patient's eyes in a Suva eye clinic.

The legal requirements for the registration as a medical practitioner also vary considerably from one country to another, but in point of fact nearly all the island territories in the South Pacific have legislation under which the graduates of the Central Medical School, Fiji, may be registered to practise within the island territories area.

BMA Can't License

I feel that I should point out that the British Medical Association is, as its name makes clear, an Association, and has no powers to license or register medical practitioners on a statutory basis. There is no compulsion on a medical practitioner to join the British Medical Association, membership being entirely voluntary.

Thus, any suggestion made by your correspondent that the British Medical Association does not recognise graduates of the Central Medical School in Suva as eligible to join the Association is entirely irrelevant.

There are registering authorities in each territory, and, even within the Commonwealth, there are a number of universities, medical schools, and colleges the graduates from which are not eligible for registration as medical practitioners on a Commonwealth-wide basis.

Qualifications Vary

Further, the recognition of the medical qualifications granted in one country by the registering authorities in another is dependent entirely upon international agreement and local legislation, and is not of necessity dependent upon the standard of the qualifications concerned.

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"Not Doctor, Thanks"

A New Guinea resident tells the story of the AMO who recently attended a cocktail party in the Territory.

During his conversation with a group at the party, he was addressed by one as "Dr." The AMO interrupted him, and said firmly, "Excuse me, but I don't object to being referred to as doctor. However, I have not a university degree, and by addressing me as doctor, it is possible you may embarrass those people in the Territory who have their degrees from universities."

s are not recognised for regis-ion purposes in a number of tinental countries, and similarly qualifications granted in these ntries on the Continent are not gnised in Great Britain.

rior to 1948, graduates of the ool were known as Native lical Practitioners, a title which y described their activities; i.e., were members of the in-nous population trained in the and science of medical practise. he connotation of the word tive" changed, however, over years and the title was changed hat of AMP.

ater, and contrary to your cor-ondent's statement, without e, the title was in 1957 again nged, at my request, to that of O as I felt that this was a more ng rank for these important nbers of the Government Medi-Services.

aturally, each administration been free to adopt that title ch they consider to be the most ropriate, but in all British ad-istered territories that of AMO ow used.

our correspondent asks the ques-"What is a Doctor?" and I ld suggest to him that, rather look for the answer in the ing of an American humourist, would have been better advised consult the Oxford dictionary. the concise version of this k he will find under the word ctor" a full definition which in-es the statement "especially or of Medicine, male or female o popular of any medical man, or not, especially in vocative)".

Why Not "Doctor"?

your correspondent can explain he why graduates of the Medical ool should not be called doctor ll be very glad to hear his argu-its.

hey are graduates of a medical ool recognised by the World lth Organisation, they undergo -six years' training and they are stered as medical practitioners under the legislation of the territories in which they serve.

Why your correspondent should consider that the title doctor is, to quote his own words, "a European handle to bolster their prestige", is beyond my comprehension.

The title is applied (in the local vernacular) in Africa, India, China, to name but three vast areas outside the European zone. The suggestion that the graduates of the School are being made into "imitation Europeans" is merely a further example of his ignorance.

Assistant Medical Officers in Fiji are given the title doctor as a fitting courtesy, and I trust that the same applies in all the islands territories.

No Aspersion on Central Medical School

Judy Tudor replies:—Dr. Dill-Russell's letter has caught up with me in Lae, New Guinea, while I am on my way to Rabaul—so comment will be brief.

Let me say at once that the writer of the offending "Commentary" is "she", not "he". Also, that I already have had several strips torn off me in the Department of Health, Port Moresby, on the same subject.

I still think that the points I made—or tried to make—in August *PIM* against the use of the title "Doctor" by Native Medical Practitioners, are valid; although I am

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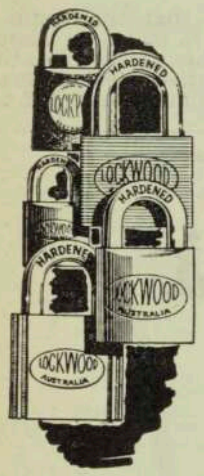

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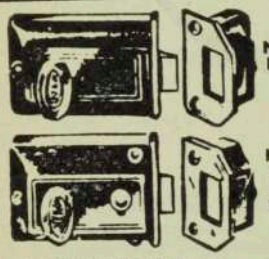

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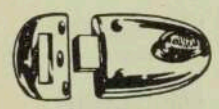

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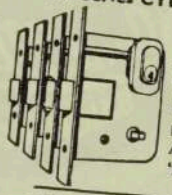

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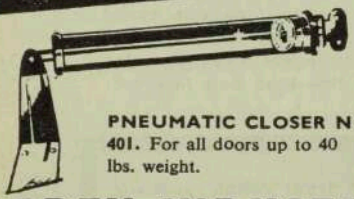

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prepared to agree that, like thos who think similarly, I an possibly amongst the people de scribed by the Assistant Adminis trator of P-NG, at the recent P-NG Legislative Council meeting in Por Moresby, as "fools and idiots" be cause they are not prepared t follow blindly the trends of th time.

Dr. Dill-Russell seems to be unde the impression that aspersions wer cast on the Central Medical Schoo of Fiji.

This was not so: to the contrary With respect, I suggest the *PIM'* interest in the CMS goes back fur ther than that of Dr. Dill-Russell— about 30 years of issues of *Pacifi Islands Monthly* and *Year Boo* testify to that fact.

Although Dr. Dill-Russell state that it is customary in Fiji to refe to the CMS graduates as "doctor' I imagine that he must mean tha this courtesy is extended to ther inside hospital wards only. I hav never heard of AMO's in Fiji re ferred to socially or in print a Doctor—and neither has anyone els to whom I have spoken on the sub ject. The only Fijian I have hear referred to as Doctor, is Dr. Dov (who for some time was a medica officer in BSIP) who took hi medical degree at a University out side Fiji.

What Moresby Said

My passage of arms with th Health Department, Port Moresby took a slightly different angle. Th arguments were warm, at times and a couple of points I remembe were (a) That the decision to cal Suva trainees "doctors" was taker partly because it was seen that i was unlikely that there would be any native Medical Practitioner produced by Australian medica schools for at least ten years; (b) medical school qualifications varie from country to country—in Egypt one could become a "doctor" in 1 months; (c) the Suva NMP's now called "doctor" in New Guinea are about a year short of the standard of MB's from Australian universities

The point I was trying to make (badly, it appears) in August *PIM* is this: That, as P-NG is (for the nonce only) still Australian Terri tory, for heaven's sake let the natives who aspire to be equal, in fact be equal, even to the point of passing the same exams.

I have discussed this question at all levels in the Territory—with Government officials, medical officers and plain Territorians—and except in certain quarters in Port Moresby, this attempt to call native people by titles they have not earned is regarded as ridiculous.

The bestowing of doctorates upon CMS graduates is, however, only a symptom of the disease of wanting to make things easier for the native —a form of phobia that has Port Moresby well in its grip at the moment.

(See also Commentary, p. 25).

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The shipwrecked crew of the "Margaret" at their farewell on Mitiaro at the hands of the hospitable islanders, who clothed and fed them. The photo was taken by Don Silk, skipper of the yacht "Patsy Jean", which picked the trio up. They are, from left, Trevor Young, Frank Sutton and Brian White.

She Was Scattered Far And Wide

From a Special Correspondent

Shaken and shocked, the three men—two of them naked peered out from the meagre shelter of a stunted ironwood e. Their eyes strained to pierce the darkness towards the , where the breakers roared.

as hardly believable, but less an an hour before they had een sailing the 26-ft yacht *aret*, en route from French esia to Rarotonga. Now, igh they did not yet know it, were on the island of Mitiaro, e Cooks. The *Margaret* was ing up out there on a reef.

three were Brian White (the r) and Trevor Young, both ckland, and Frank Sutton, an hman who had been a nger" from Bora Bora.

garet, with White and Young left Auckland on a Pacific at the end of May—12 months than they had originally ed. They had in fact been a day of sailing the previ- ear, with the stores aboard, White had accidentally put and in the chain drive, with sulting loss of three fingers, ne postponement of the cruise. n finally they left in May voyage to Tahiti was marred orms and winds. But they ally made Tahiti, Moorea and Bora. They had left Bora with Frank Sutton, on Sep- r 14.

r days out on the night of nber 18 they realised that was near. They soon expected the island of Mauke in the When watches changed at hat night both Skipper White Sutton searched the starless for a sign of land—but none be seen.

rtly afterwards, with the other low, Sutton was on deck with rette in his mouth. Suddenly he discerned a white streak, dead ahead.

By the time the others reached deck a reef was ominously close. Without her main sail the little boat refused to come up into the wind and in the next few minutes the *Margaret*, with a shuddering crash, had smashed on the reef.

"Broadside On"

Seas were breaking right over the boat; she came broadside on and she was being lifted bodily against the reef.

One big sea swept White and Young overboard. They were able to scramble on board again.

There was no way of telling how far the edge of the reef was from shore. It was only 30 yards but this could not be seen, and the three men had no idea where they were.

It was obvious that nothing could be done to save the *Margaret*. They cut the dinghy free and set out for the shore—wherever that was. They had gone only a few yards before they realised that the dinghy was not needed, and groping their way across the coral the three men, two of them naked and Sutton wearing shorts and sweater, made the beach

So there they were behind the stunted ironwood tree at midnight wondering what to do next. They decided to return to the yacht in the hope of being able to salvage something—perhaps even some clothes.

Within the hour they had made their way back to the yacht, which was now breaking up fast as she was lifted farther up on the reef.

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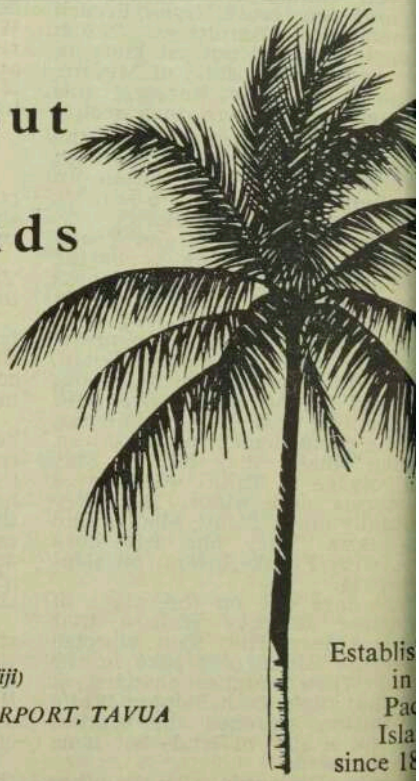

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the big seas running there ared to be no chance of salvag- anything or even getting on d.

washed-up blanket was divided een the two naked yachtsmen. e pieces of sailcloth found drift- they wound around their feet, h had already been cut and ed by the razor-sharp coral.

e party returned to shore and d miserably for the dawn, led together for warmth. Rain d to their plight.

"Little To Be Done"

ere was little to be done at reak. All that remained of the *aret* were the keel, part of one the engine and the mountings. ous few oddments were to be d up—the most valuable being astic water bottle, a tin of w nuts, and a packet of prunes.

eir island looked most in- itable. It seemed possible that as inhabited, but by climbing highest tree they were able to oconut palms some miles away, with renewed hope they made ree-hour march in this direc- sharing out the water, prunes nuts.

on they learned from some led native fishermen that the d was Mitiaro not Mauke as had suspected.

the village, the three ship- ked yachtsmen were given a Polynesian welcome and food clothing were soon found. Radio act was made with Rarotonga where the island is admin- d.

Rarotonga there was no local rnment ship available to make un to Mitiaro, but the yacht *Jean*, which had been in tonga from New Zealand for time, offered to make the 142- trip to the island. Skipper was Silk. *Patsy Jean* left Rarotonga e Tuesday and was back there e Saturday.

rotonga yachtsman R. Boyd, was one of the crew of the *Jean*, reported: "We went to a look at the reef where the *aret* piled up.

Scattered Far and Wide

search of the island produced antiquated bicycles on which irst half of the journey could ade, followed by an hour's walk very rough terrain.

here, fluttering from a rocky op was a tattered Red Ensign ing the spot where a dozen es were diving with moderate ss bringing in tins of foodstuff other odds and ends. The chaos n greeted us was complete. Very remained on the reef, where *Margaret* had come to rest, but was scattered far and wide.

though the largest piece re- ing was probably 12 feet long two feet wide, a section of planking, most of her was in good firewood size. Our hearts bled for her and we were only too pleased to get away from that terrible spot and back to the village where a big farewell was arranged for the crew.

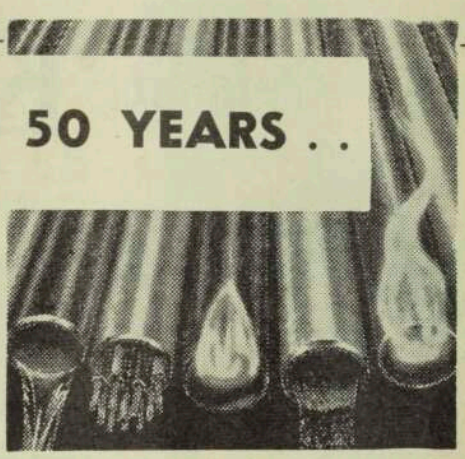
"They came ashore again and were presented with more gifts, wounds treated and speeches made while we ourselves were looked after royally, too, during our short stay.

"An impressive parade led down to the water's edge and boats and swimmers accompanied the three shipwrecked mariners to the waiting yacht.

"The trip back was the sort that one reads in story books. A fair wind and a calm sea made sailing a real pleasure, while with three extra on board double watches added to the picnic atmosphere.

"You can't keep a good man down and White is planning his next boat —a bigger one, of course. Meantime they have lost everything. The yacht, valued at £1,500, was uninsured."

According to unofficial reports from Tonga it appears unlikely that the new Nukualofa broadcasting station will be on the air before late in the year at the earliest. The frequency will be 1020 kc/s in the standard broadcast band.



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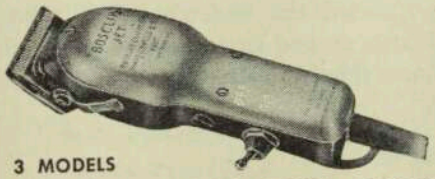

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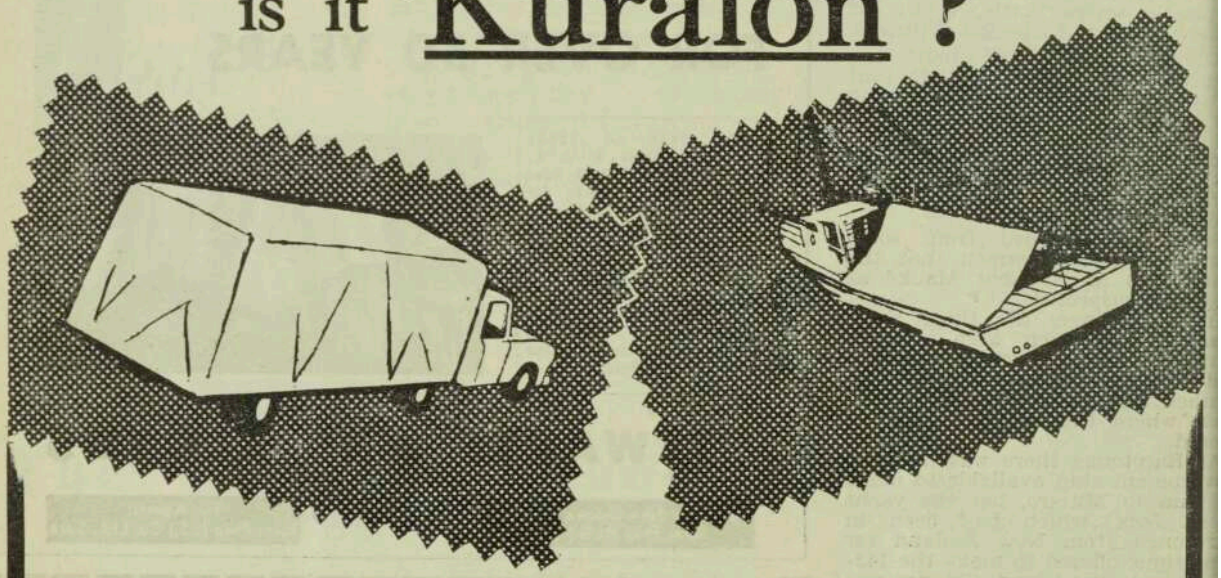

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Port Moresby at present is dried out, brown, hot, horrible. The dust, in unpaved areas, swirls on the wind and covers everything with a fine film of grit.

HIS is the end of the dry season, when leaves droop and fall and private gardens which eive the benefit of the Territory's y reticulated water scheme, stand like oases; and the sky is grey l black clouds build up around horizon with promise but never, yet, quite come to anything. The y sky robs the harbour, and the f beyond, and the sea, of Port resby's chief beauty—the vivid es and turquoise of its waters.

Here and there, a precocious nciana has burst into a canopy red and orange before its time; i a cascara is a pale-gold glory wisteria-like flowers; or a bou- nvillea makes a splash of scarlet purple in the otherwise brown dscape.

Port Moresby They ll It "Spring"

The pink and cream frangi- inis bloom regardless of drought rocky ground—with leaves in private gardens—but without m in public places where there no garden-boy at the end of a e.

My hostess calls this "spring". ere are other less picturesque nes for it; particularly, I ima- e, if you happen to be a resident that ever-sprawling suburb that eard described the other day as e dust-bowl of Boroko".

This is the Port Moresby that stralia's Governor-General and lady, Viscount and Viscountess nrossil, saw on their first visit the Territory. And because of s visit, Port Moresby's social ist—the female portion of it at y rate—was able to forget the t and the drought in a rash of w hats and dresses—to the in- ite delight. I should think of the v establishments in this town t sell "models".

The festivities that attended the Vice-Regal visit did a lot to relieve the tedium of the dust and bareness of the End-of-the-Dry period; and no less so did the first appearance of the native elite, at evening occasions, in mess-jackets, cummerbunds and dress trousers.

This sort of thing has been going on elsewhere for a long time, but it is still new enough here to stop most Moresbyites in their tracks. It may have been this that led a local scribe, in an excess of journalistic licence, to describe the evening garden-reception at Government House as "reminiscent of Old India".

Pale hands I loved beside the Shalimar . . .
Where are you now? Where are you now . . .

as the late Victorian poet or lyric writer had it.

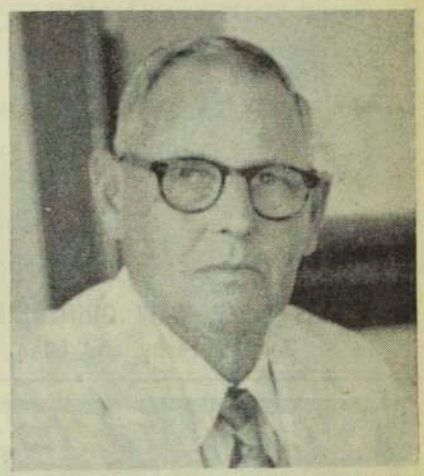
Prophetic too, perhaps, in its last line, as according to some of the local quidnuncs there may be few pale hands left here in 10 years' time.

This comparison of Papua-New Guinea with India is not left entirely to social-column writers; but the notion that the Territory may someday stand in relation to Australia as India now stands in relation to the United Kingdom, is one of the many devices with which certain sections of the community are trying to reconcile the present with the unknown future.

I can't, myself, see much consolation in that comparison for the individual settler and small businessman, although for the large corporations there might be.

After the Vice-Regal party and the Parliamentary party from Canberra that attended the opening of the Legislative Council in its new home, had gone on its way (probably rejoicing), members of the Legislative Council—and others who have business with it during sessions—took stock of their new abode.

The building itself is about 40



The P-NG Administrator, Brigadier D. M. Cleland (above) reduced the atmosphere in the first meeting in the brand new P-NG Legislative Council chambers to that of a school-room, according to "Sydneysider". The Chamber is in session in the top picture. The Assistant Administrator, Dr. John Gunther, is seen speaking on the left, and on his left, rear, are the interpreters. A native member, John Vuia, is nearest the camera, with his earphones on, listening. The Press gallery is at the rear, right, and in the centre in his new Presidential chair is Brigadier Cleland.

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When the cook-boy (or in these days should I call him Chef?) of this household asked the Sinabada, for the second week running, for three bob in order to go to the local pictures, she said with some exasperation:

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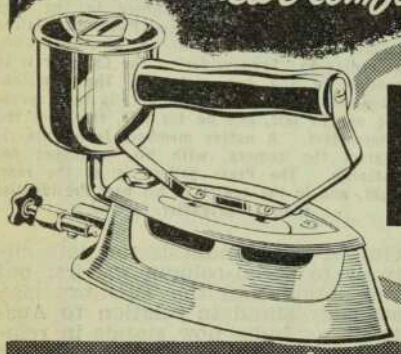

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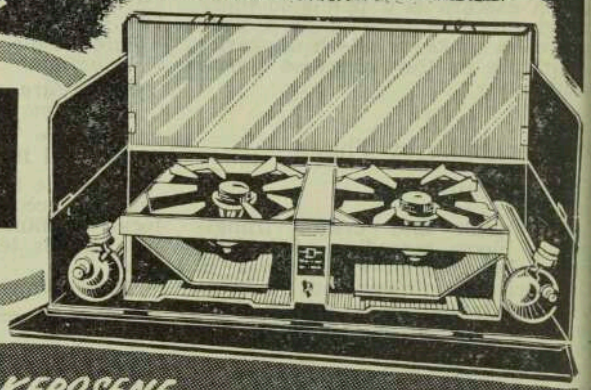

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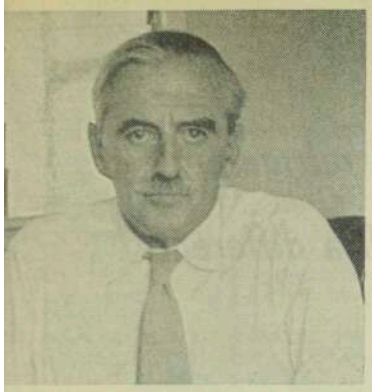

Dr. John Gunther.

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They sat up straight, most decorously, and after the first day they wore their coats—not only because they were told to, be it said, but because these thin-blooded Territorians found the air-conditioning cold.

Father James Dwyer, whom we are used to seeing in an open-necked shirt with a small, gold cross on the collar, was hardly recognisable in dog-collar and black vest which occasionally found its way part way out of his coat as though seeking air.

During proceedings, apart from the voice of the individual speaking—and, if you happened to be at the back of the Chamber, the low whispering of the interpreters into their mikes—the place had a church-like atmosphere.

And, after Mr. Lloyd Hurrell, the member for NG Mainland, had been reprimanded for laughing out loud in derision at something the Assistant Administrator had said, I trembled for the fate of some members who stood up and spoke with their hands in their pockets; and particularly for Mr. Claude Champion who sat with his chair tilted back and his head on the wall.

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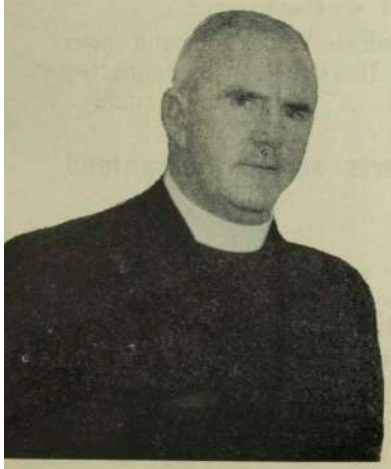

Father James Dwyer.

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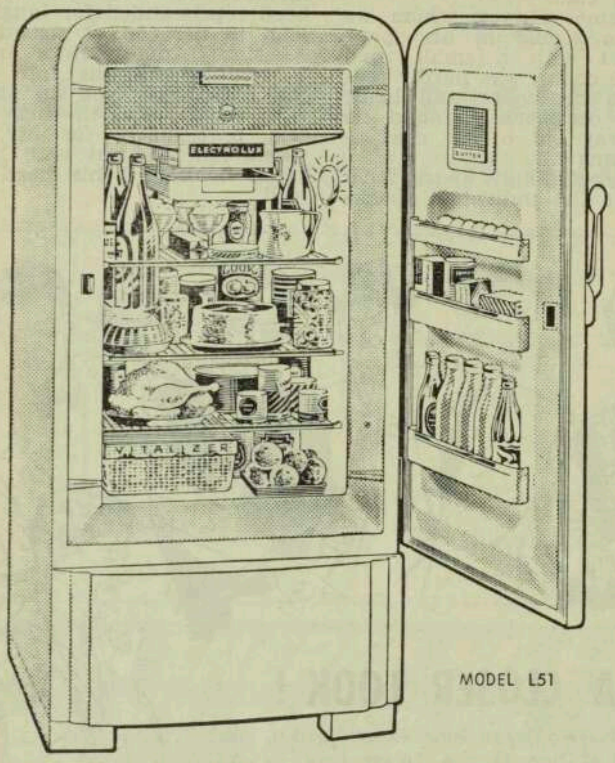

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hroughout the proceedings I ected a roar from the Chair: up straight there, Claude. And your head off that wall, if you se—you'll ruin the grey paint." had my own brush with disaster n one morning I went through ide-door into the Chamber in- d of through the back door into so-called Press gallery, to de- r some papers to Mr. Hurrell. was three-quarters of an hour re proceedings were due to be- there were only two people in place, and I thought I was enough.

ut, no. Don Barrett, member for Islands sighted me. "You'd er get out of here smartly," he . "If the Old Man sees you the floor of the Chamber he'll e a piece of you."

prepared to exit through the r I'd come in. But that wasn't rt enough. "No, here,' said Don, together like a couple escaping Gretna Green with the blood- nds close behind, we stepped ot to the right over a piece of flex that trailed on the floor, so back onto unhallowed ground rved for people and peasants.

e Director Adds a te of Hilarity

he only time a dignified titter pt the Chamber was when the ector of Agriculture, explaining operations of some of his traw- , reported having dredged up ouple of "odd prawns". Even in context in which it was said, was not exactly killing, but in t gathering it was positively rious.

liked this Director's speeches. y usually referred to providing rs for village pigs, or preserving 's semen at 79 degrees below , and brought an earthy atmo- ere to proceedings that some- es threatened to soar up into the tosphere of make-believe.

here are many ways I could end this report from Port Moresby. One by using the British Prime Minister's phrase about the "winds of change", which has been worn to shreds and trampled to death here in the past week. But *sic transit gloria mundi*, an even more ancient number, might suit old Territorians better.

They regret the passing of what they believe was the glory of the old way of life; and even if they are (as the Assistant Administrator has told them they are) fools and idiots, they find it difficult to adjust themselves to the new kind of thinking.

Some of these are taking the only way out—getting out. Whether this will be a good thing for the new New Guinea (as the New Thinkers suppose) history will in due time record.

And out of it all comes only one self-evident truth: Blessed is he in these latter days who has no private capital in P-NG and who can, indeed, go when he listeth.

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† Chief Judge C. J. Stace, of the Cook Islands, who took up his appointment there earlier this year with the option of withdrawing after six months if he so decided, has resigned; but is to remain in office until he can be replaced. It was anticipated, however, that he would be returning to New Zealand by the end of the year.

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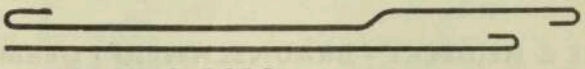

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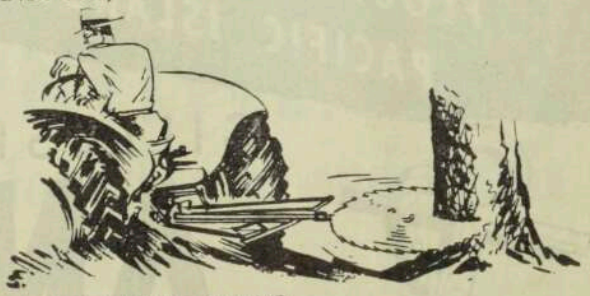

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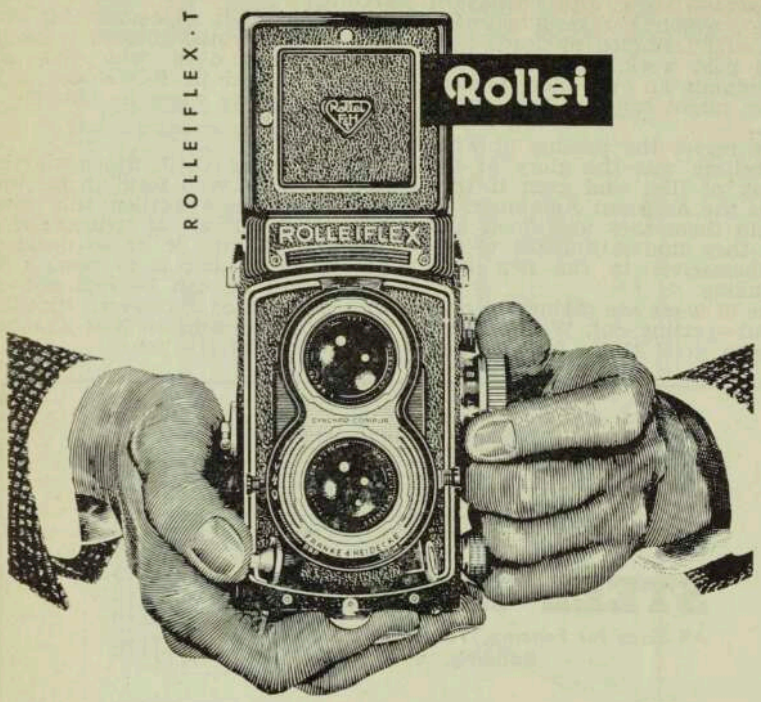

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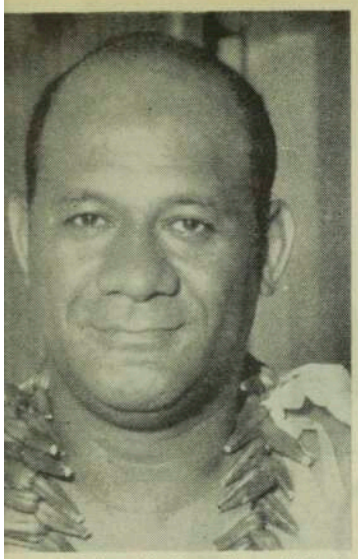

Samoa's Prime Minister, Fiame Mataafa.

Samoa Completes Marathon Task

om "PIM's" Apia Correspondent

When West Samoa's Consti- onal Convention completed e in October its task of sidering the 124 articles of Constitution which will ve as the supreme law of new independent State, had gone through nine nuous weeks of continuous iberation. The Convention an by sitting only during morning, but as time ssed, it found itself sitting the afternoons and even- s, too.

E subject of West Samoa's in- dependence, and the termina- ion of the present Trustee- Agreement, comes up for dis- on in the United Nations on mber 14. Prime Minister Fiame afa is scheduled to leave here New York in the first week of mber, together with his secre- Mr. E. Stehlin, and the Con- tional Adviser to the Samoan rnment, Professor J. W. David- of the Australian National Uni- ty, Canberra.

ime Minister Mataafa carries him the final version of the stitution—the result of all those hours of the Convention.

dependence Day tentatively is for January 1, 1962.

uring part of the sittings of the Convention, the New Zealand Government's Constitutional Adviser, Professor C. C. Aikman, was in attendance together with Professor Davidson and the two Constitutional experts had the difficult task of explaining to the members the many involved and intricate constitutional, legal, administrative and political provisions of the historical documents.

They answered the numerous questions and recommendations posed by members mostly totally unfamiliar with the problems submitted to them.

The joint chairmen of the Convention, the Hon. Tupua Tamasese and Malietoa Tanumafili II, and the acting chairman, the Hon. Fiame Mataafa, and the two Constitutional Advisers, worked harder and spoke more frequently during the session than any of the 174 members.

One-and-a-half Years' Work

The draft as submitted by the Working Committee of the Legislative Assembly was the work of nearly one-and-a-half years of continuous deliberations and of careful investigation and study by the Constitutional Advisers. But it could not be described as altogether perfect, and there was considerable criticism and quite a number of motions seeking to amend certain parts of the Constitution.

Yet the great majority of the

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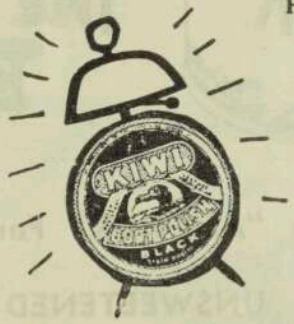

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Professor J. W. Davidson.

bers of the Convention seemed e strangely adverse to approv- of even the slightest alteration amendment in the draft. They ed to consider the draft as rosanct", taboo. As some said, t is written is written" and ld be accepted.

us the strange fact evolved in spite of more than two ths of continuous debates, and ithstanding many controver- opinions being voiced from the of the house, in spite of objec- to some provisions and of dments being moved to some e clauses, despite all this, in end not a single line of the was altered (apart from tech- corrections which did not ge the meaning or the purpose e provisions)!

ngthy debate ensued every time of the Constitution touched natters affecting Samoan cus- and traditions.

embers did not quite realise a modern democratic Govern- cannot be based on Samoan m, though many of these tional political and social res of Samoan society can very ntageously be blended with cratic ideals.

Heated Controversy

ere was, for instance, a heated oversy at a later stage of the n, when a representative of "Tumua and Pule", the repre- tives of certain traditional cts and villages, who have s taken a privileged place in an life, attempted to get a n passed by the Convention, ng to have the Tumua and mentioned in the Constitution rt of the Government of In- dent Samoa; to have them part in the election of the of State in future, and to them 11 representatives e coming Legislative Assembly.

is motion by a representative e group, Mr. Toluono Lama, after two days' debate defeated by a large majority. The Tumua and Pule is in fact an ambitious pressure group which has in past history tried to exert influence on Samoan Governments.

Just before the Convention ended its session, a strange incident occurred when an elderly village chief rose and recounted that the previous night he had had in his dream an apparition "in which Jesus and Mary, and High Chiefs Tamasese, Malietoa and Mataafa" appeared to him and said they were well content with the work of the Convention and that God's blessing would be on the future State of Western Samoa.

It may be safely stated that from the point of view of the Government, the Convention could be considered a full success. From the public's point of view the large expense was probably not warranted (the cost of the Convention was £31,050).

Nevertheless, it is hoped that during the debates on Western Samoa, the United Nations General Assembly will have access to

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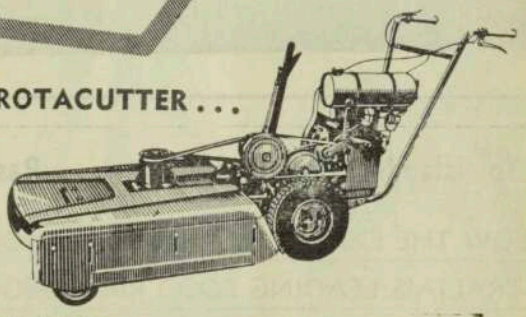

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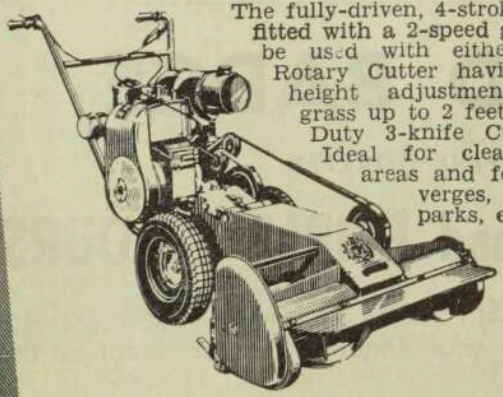

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chairmen of the Convention—Tamasese and Malietoa.

minutes of the Convention so realise that the consent given he Constitution was by no s unanimous and that many gent views were expressed g deliberations.

the other hand, the Working nittee and the Constitutional ers have undoubtedly per- ed a difficult and creditable in drawing up the most im- nt historical document in an history.

s probably also true that many e provisions of the Constitu- with the rapidly changing cal, social and economic facets odern times, will need to be d and adapted to more rn conditions.

Question for Plebiscite

e of the important topics dis- d towards the end of the Con- on was the plebiscite which is e held in Samoa next year United Nations supervision, in which by universal fran- all Samoan citizens over the f 21 will vote.

motion (by Mr. Paitomaleifi) ating universal franchise for ections to the Legislative As- ly (instead of the matai sys- as at present) was defeated n overwhelming majority.

e Convention expressed itself st universal franchise during plebiscite, but reluctantly d to it when members were hat the visiting United Nations on had insisted that the ple- e be held under the universal n.

e Convention nevertheless re- ed the Prime Minister to ask General Assembly that only question should be asked in lebiscite—namely whether or he people of Western Samoa d to independence.

parently the Convention was afraid that the question of universal franchise for all coming elections to the Legislative Assembly might be included in the plebiscite, and they seemed to be uncertain what answer the non-matais would give.

The question of the type of suffrage in West Samoa is not written into the Constitution.

At a special session of the Convention on October 21, a resolution was passed unanimously reaffirming the "profound desire of the people of Western Samoa for West Samoa to become an independent state" and expressing the hope that the General Assembly would agree to institute the procedure for the termination of the Agreement.

The resolution expressed the belief that "no reasonable doubt" could be held as to the readiness of Samoa for independence; it also welcomed the understanding between West Samoa and New Zealand, "whereby both Governments agree that the sovereignty of West Samoa is to be complete and unqualified and that the two countries should continue to work together".

The resolution also recommended that the framework of future co-operation between NZ and Western Samoa should be laid down in a Treaty of Friendship to be signed after Independence Day.

For a report on what New Zealand expects to do for West Samoa after independence, see page 19.

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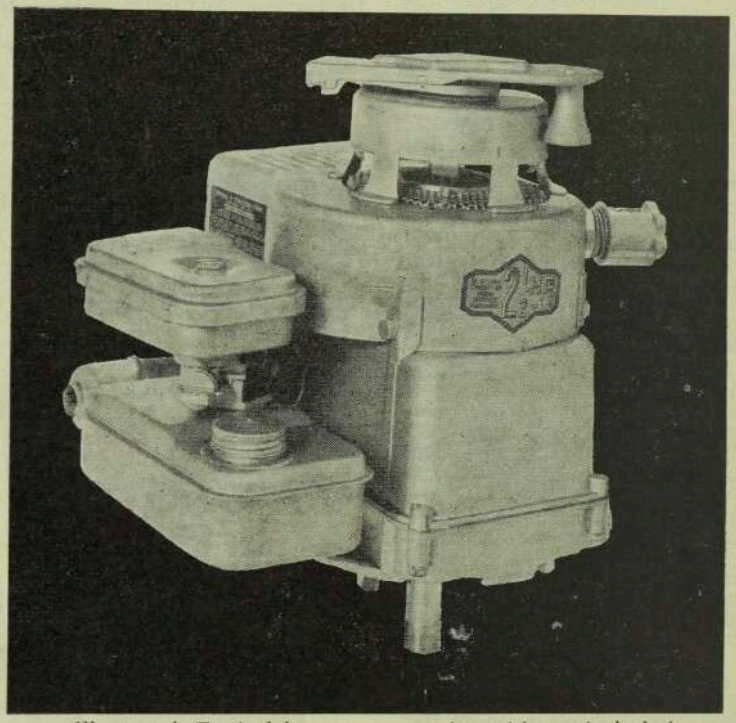

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Tropicalities

Fiji's Governors—In Restrospect!

N old resident of Fiji resisted the opinion, offered by another, that the Governor had not n sufficiently "tough" in dealing n the Indian trouble-makers in disastrous sugar dispute. "I ık his patience has prevented se trouble developing," he said; that view is widely held.

Governors are lonely souls, away by themselves, and always at- t more criticism than praise," the old-timer.

remember the public curses were heaped upon Murchison cher for spending so much ıey upon roads. But now we s him for his road-building, we all are looking for another l-builder.

They used to say that Sir Harry e did not take his life and job ously enough. Now, our mem- s of him are pleasant.

Everyone used to acclaim Sir ur Richards—the 'strong man' ur line of Governors—but now- ys no one seems able to re- nber anything he accomplished.

Sir Philip Mitchell apparently ıe along merely to make Fiji something in the war—we re- nber him best by Negley son's description: 'A hunter of game in a colony of imported goose'.

We did not have nearly enough Grantham—he left early, to leave mark permanently on Hong- g. We remember Freestone tly because he was outspoken the Indians about their big ilies.

We remember Garvey chiefly be- se he knew the country so well, he really contributed something he first years of his governor-)—only to be let down by the onial Office—or so we think.

Yes, I think we see our Gov- rs most clearly in retrospect. don't judge the Top Brass too kly. No one envies him his job, this Colony!"

Travel Is So Elevating

R. BOB HOWLETT, whose activities as Secretary of the Fiji Visitors Bureau, a few years made that organisation hum, something to say in Sydney re- tly about the future of tourism Australia.

ob, who is now a travel representative in Sydney, told a travel convention that by 1964 there would be 555,000 travellers to and from Australia, rising to 780,000 in 1969. This meant the number of travellers by 1969 would have doubled in 20 years.

He added that a "most interesting point" had arisen from a travel survey he had been making, and one that even had surprised him. This was that the largest travelling age group is that of 30-44 year-olds. They constituted 28.7 per cent. of all travellers as opposed to 23.5 per cent. in the 15-29 age group and 23.6 per cent. in the 45-59 group.

The convention was also told that never had there been an era when so many people had so much to spend on leisure, and it was up to all concerned in the travel industry to see that a good proportion of that money was spent on travel. A vital factor in tourism was "keeping up with the Jones's". Travel had taken the place of cars and swimming pools in determining a person's social status.

The Incredible Frogs Of Malaita, BSI

DO you know that the world's biggest frogs are to be found on the island of Malaita, in the Solomon Islands?

These are giant frogs, not toads.

One of the world's biggest frogs?

I know—I lived there 25 years ago. At night time, I could hear them barking, like a pack of fox-terriers.

I often thought I might make a fortune by introducing the frog-farmers of Western Europe to this variety. I am sure they would have provided a gastronomic delicacy.

Some of them weighed 5½ pounds, and measured 27 inches from nose to toe, with legs like a ballet-dancer. You don't believe it? Well, here is a photograph I took of my daughter, holding one of them.

I think there might be good money in using these creatures for sporting purposes—you remember, for instance, Mark Twain's classical story of the betting on the "frog-jumping contest". Something also might be done with selective breeding—imagine frogs three feet long!

—*Doug Askew.*

One That Didn't Get Away

LATEST intelligence from a Papuan Local Government Council newsletter:

• *WALAI VILLAGE NEWS*: On the afternoon of September 19, Councillor Louis was walking to his canoe after working in his garden. He had to cross a shallow swamp and in this swamp he saw seven cranes.

He had a stone in his bag and threw it at them, wounding one. Thinking that it might fly away, he ran very fast to where the bird was lying, but the bird was nearly dead.

Councillor Louis picked the bird up and on its leg was a tin tag with the inscription "WRITE WILD LIFE CSIRO CANBERRA AUSTRALIA No. 100-19263".

He took the bird back to the village, but it was dead when he arrived. The people ate the crane, but they were very sorry for they realised that it must have come from Australia.

• *MAIL ORDER CATALOGUE*: Recently one of the station staff saw a nice looking chromium grilled radio priced at a low £6/10/- in an Australian catalogue. He thought it was a snap and immediately sent the money for it. When it arrived he asked the OIC why it wouldn't go. He was told that not only was it electric—and there was no electricity—but also it was a radiator not a radio.

What Was "Mindini's" Secret?

MR. KERKHAM's reminiscences of the *Mindini* wreck (*PIM*, August) have a connection with the recent *PIM* reports about Komodo dragons having been sighted in New Guinea.

When Alan Cobham made aviation history in the 1920's by his flight from Britain to Australia, he

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told a colourful story of dragons he saw in the bush while flying low over Bima. This reminded me at that time of a legend I had heard in the Solomons earlier in the 20's, and I wrote a paragraph about it which was printed in the Sydney *Bulletin* in 1926. This is what I wrote then:

"The natives in Marovo used to swear that Gattekai—a small but lofty island to the south of the lagoon—is inhabited by 'big feller debil debils' and their description tallies with Cobham's monsters.

"According to the islanders these frisky reptiles live in tunnels in the hills and make a booming noise before 'strong-feller wind he come'. The noise I suspect is really caused by the wind blowing into holes in the rocks.

"But here's the riddle. A local white resident, well-known in the Group came across in the bush on the mainland not far from Gattekai the bones of some outsize lizard.

"He packed up the remains and addressed them to the Museum in Sydney, but unfortunately, they failed to reach their destination and are now resting on the bottom of the Pacific in the vicinity of Mellish Reef, having gone down in the wreck of the *Mindini*."

It occurs to me now that some old Solomon Islands hand may be able to throw more light on the *Mindini's* strange cargo. I'm pretty sure the consigner of the reptile bones was Neils Schroeder who had a plantation or trade store on Gattekai, but it's a long time ago and I could be wrong.

In view of *PIM's* recent story of Komodo dragons in NG it would be interesting if anybody who saw the bones came forward with more information about them.—*Bill Baverstock.*

Named for a Champ

IN days gone by there have been no end of New Guinea natives who rejoiced in names like Gecko or Paw-Paw or Kapok—or even Brandy (though you could spell it Brandi if you liked).

This was because their native masters couldn't' get their tongues around their native names; but all this, of course, is way back in the past and no one would ever dream of being so rude to a native these days.

In the matter of nomenclature they are not so fussy in Samoa—according to a Melbourne newspaper columnist, anyhow.

It seems that there is a firm in that city called R. W. Hensell & Sons that manufactures bowls—the one's you play with. These, they are proud to say, are rolled all over the world, wherever bowling greens exist and go under the trade name of "Henselite". One of the clubs where they are used is Apia Bowling Club, Western Samoa, where Mr. and Mrs Komisi Faraimo are enthusiastic members. Mrs. Faraimo retired temporarily from the game some months ago but is now back again with the reason for it all—an infant son—and the proud parents have been able to write to their favourite bowls makers to say that they have christened him Henselite.

What's wrong with it anyhow? Pronounced in the Polynesian fashion it even has the sound of being genuinely of the South Pacific.

An Historic Birth

THE death in September of High Chief Finau Ulukalala-Ata of Tonga's Deputy Premier, brings back to memory the passing of King George Tubou I in 1893. All that took place in those early days will be repeated during the lying-in-state of High Chief Finau.

On the passing of one of Royal rank, thousands of lamps are made of half-coconuts filled with oil, with a wick of tapa cloth. Hundreds of thousands of these pretty little lamps, named "Takibo", surrounded the Royal palace in 1893, and besides these lamps there were the fires of many thousands of native families. With the King's death these takibo lamps and family fires were kept burning for six weeks until the Royal Tomb had been built. While keeping day and night guard, not a word is spoken—all is silent.

On one of these silent nights a little girl was born and she was given the name of Takibo. When she grew up she was very beautiful, and after the death of the first queen, Lavina, of King George Tubou II, the King married Takibo, who became Queen of Tonga. She was stepmother to Queen Salote.—*J. D. Whitcombe, formerly of Tonga.*

Say It With a Banana

AN instance of cordial relations between Western Samoa and New Zealand being maintained through the medium of bananas is reported by a Dunedin (NZ) fruiterer. One banana in a recently-arrived case bore the carefully carved message, "Euses Lavea of Western Samoa wish you a very best wishes."

CROSSQUIZ

(For Solution see page 91)

— ACROSS —

1.—What name did Swift give to the Catholics in his imaginary kingdom of Lilliput?

7.—Who was the chief god of the ancient Scandinavians?

8.—Of what sacramental meal is the Communion Service the renewal?

9.—What is the national beverage of Japan?

10.—What is the term for a measure of 54 gallons of beer?

12.—Where is the immense Tycho crater?

13.—What was the name of the long, black, hooded cloak worn at masked balls?

14.—In which street did Sherlock Holmes live?

16.—What is the name of the active volcano on Ross Island in Antarctica?

17.—What is the art of clipping shrubs and trees into ornamental shapes?

18.—Which leading portrait painter did Ellen Terry as "Lady Macbeth"?

19.—What town in Holland is renowned for its beautiful blue earthenware?

— DOWN —

1.—What animals could you find on the Stock Exchange?

2.—In which book of the Bible does the name of God not appear?

3.—What is the name of the religious Russian migrant group that frequently stirs up trouble in Canada?

4.—What is the musical term for a series of notes played in quick succession?

5.—What cereal, with rice and wheat, forms one of the staple foods in India?

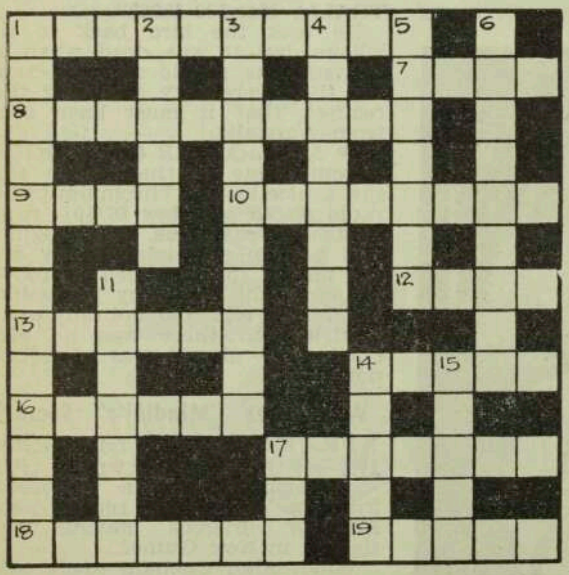
6.—On which island is the name of Sir Thomas Stanford Raffles perpetuated in many ways?

11.—What is the title of Haile Selassie of Abyssinia?

14.—An animal that can stand on its own two feet?

15.—What is the term for a collection of huts in a South African native village?

17.—By what title is King Tutankhamen familiarly known?



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A Brett Hilder Profile

RESULTS BY MAGIC

Mr. Tony Pym, Burns Philp manager at Madang, is on his way to be classed as an old-timer of Papua and New Guinea.

BORN in Brisbane in 1909, Antony Pym arrived at Samarai for Burns Philp in August, 1926. He became closely associated with the late F. W. Cuthbert as co-director of the famous New Misima Gold Mine. This was later sold to a company called Cuthbert's Misima Goldmine, which has since been wound up.

Tony's uncle, the late Jimmie Pym, was a well-known visitor to New Guinea from 1918 to 1929, when mining was having a boom in New Guinea.

In those days Tony was known as a runner, and was Papuan 100 yds champion from 1926 to 1933. In 1934 he married Jessie, daughter of Ernest Evernett, who spent over 50 years in Papua, and whose descendants are still living at Samarai.

When World War II broke out, Tony enlisted in the AIF from Misima, but was later discharged as medically unfit. He was then sent to Rabaul, and was there when the Japanese invasion occurred. Tony and some friends managed to secure the *Kabakaul* of 13 tons in which they made their escape south with some RAAF men whom they picked up at Put Put. They called at Tol in Wide Bay, Jacquinot Bay, and the Trobriands en route to Samarai. Here they left the men, and in company with Jimmie Duncan and Mick Thomas, sailed to Thursday Island, which ended an epic voyage without charts or much navigational knowledge.

After the war Tony went to Fiji for three years, and then rejoined Burns Philp in New Guinea. He has recently made trips abroad by air to Europe and the USA, and by sea to Japan. The Pyms' only daughter Lurlene, now Mrs. Donald Gray of North Curl Curl, recently presented them with a grandchild. Tony's hobbies are cricket and bowls, and his wife plays golf.

Burns Philp's Madang branch has been growing rapidly during the last few years, having sub-branches at Wewak and Goroka, and being the base for the air-lift to the Highlands. Some of the credit for the success of the branch must be given to Tony Pym, who produces the results from his over-worked lieutenants by apparently magical means.—*BRETT HILDER.*

The Story Of A Bottle

LEVUKA, CIRCA 1890

As related to R. W. ROBSON by an old resident of Levuka, who swears the story is true.

It was a long time ago — back in the last century. There had been much pilfering of liquor — apparently an after-hours traffic from the old Royal Hotel. The police had been instructed to keep a close watch on the hotel at night.

ONE evening, after dark, an alert policeman saw a man come furtively through the hotel's back gate, pause a moment, and then walk quietly away towards the waterfront. He carried something.

The policeman walked quietly after him.

The man walked quickly.

So did the policeman.

The policeman met another policeman, who joined in the pursuit.

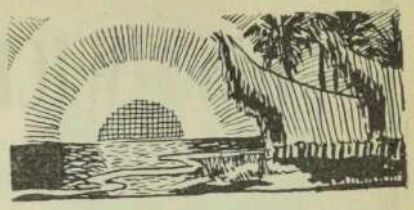
The suspect broke into a trot. So did his pursuers.

Now aware that real trouble loomed, the man began to run. The policemen were equally speedy.

The chase went on for hours. A Levuka poet, who once put the story into narrative verse, said it extended into the mountain valleys behind Levuka.

But the policemen eventually ran down the suspect, who surrendered his person—and his bottle—to the law without resistance. He was locked up.

Next morning, he was charged with theft from the Royal Hotel.



He pleaded guilty—offered no argument. He was a humble seaman from a ship that came often into the then busy port.

The magistrate—who also was a local medical practitioner—seemed uncertain of the course to pursue.

"I know this man," he remarked. "He's a decent type. Why does he want to steal liquor?"

He added, "What kind of liquor is in the bottle, sergeant?"

"I don't know, your worship," said the sergeant. "He pleaded guilty."

The Magistrate Sniffed

"Pass it up here," said the magistrate. He removed the cork, and sniffed.

"Doesn't smell like liquor to me," he said. "In fact, it smells like—here, sergeant, see if you know what it is."

The sergeant took the bottle, sniffed, wrinkled his nose. "No, sir, I don't recognise it by the smell."

"Well, taste it, and see if that conveys anything," said the magistrate, with a solemn face.

The prisoner, who had followed the proceedings with interest, now registered lively concern. "Please, sir, it is—," but the Bench waved him to silence.

The sergeant tipped up the bottle, took a dainty sip, then spat and spluttered.

"I don't know what it is, your honour," he said. "Nothing I've ever tasted before."

The magistrate turned sternly upon the prisoner. "What's in that bottle?" he demanded.

The man in the dock squirmed miserably. "It's my . . . it's my . . ."

But the story soon came out.

The sailor was not well, so went for a medical overhaul. The doctor—as most doctors do, still—instructed him to bring a "specimen" in a corked bottle. He could not find a bottle with a cork, so he slipped into the hotel's backyard, and took what he needed. Then he filled the bottle, as instructed, and was on his way to the doctor's house when he noticed the police were on his trail. He knew he had stolen the bottle, and he was greatly ashamed of what was in the bottle, so he tried to escape.

The sailor was dismissed, with a caution.

The magistrate, with sympathetic understanding, led the outraged sergeant into the hotel bar.

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HIS WICKED, WICKED DAYS

Leaves from Errol Flynn's New Guinea Diary

Selected by Stuart Inder

"To hell with money! Pursuit of it is not going to mould my life for me. I am going to live sturdily and Spartan like; to drive life into a corner and reduce it to its lowest terms, and if I find it mean, then I'll know its meanness, and if I find it sublime I shall know it by experience, and not make wistful conjectures about it, conjured up by illustrated magazines. I refuse to accept the idealogy of a business world which believes that man at hard labour is the noblest work of God. Leisure to use as I think fit!"

ERROL FLYNN, the man who wrote that, although he was then little more than a youth, ended a colourful life last year with little enough of the money he consigned to hell. But he had had a certain amount of leisure in his life, as well as hard work, and there is no doubt that at times he managed to drive life into a corner. It may have been a *young* Errol Flynn who wrote that, but it was certainly Errol Flynn.

He pencilled those thoughts into his diary while out on the track recruiting native labour in New Guinea in 1933. For the last 25 years that diary has been in the possession of Mrs. Allen Innes, one time of New Guinea, but now in retirement with her husband in Sydney.

For Posterity

Some extracts from it were published before the war, but very few, and Mrs. Alice Innes one day intends to bequeath it, for what it's worth to history, to Sydney's Mitchell Library, together with many other interesting old documents connected with New Guinea and Fiji, which she has saved over the years.

Posterity no doubt *will* be interested in what Flynn wrote, not because Flynn was Flynn, but because as an itinerant NG recruiter and miner of those days he has some things to say which give an insight into his tasks—if perhaps they did give even a greater insight into the man himself.

A comparatively small portion of the diary (which was written in pencil in a school exercise book cut in half to fit inside his jacket while on the track) contains revealing information. There are also lists of native names and costs of rations and stray thoughts. One of its pages once contained purple passages about the type of exploits with the ladies which later were to make Flynn notorious. But these pages have gone now.

"They are not in existence," says Mrs. Innes, "because not long ago when I was very ill I felt that I did not have much longer to go and I began to fix up all my papers. I took out the purple pag s from Flynn's diary and burnt them. I was concerned that the book might fall into the wrong hands after I had gone." Why does Mrs. Innes have Flynn's diary?

In Salamaua, New Guinea, at the time of the big Wau gold rush in the late 'Twenties, Alice Innes and her husband ran a hotel, a freezing company, general stores and plantation interests. Errol Flynn was one of those who arrived on the coast hoping to make a fortune in the ranges. Like others, he found that the trek from the coast to the goldfields was a long and tough one and that to carry in all his gear was even tougher, or expensive if he paid others to do it.

So it was the fashion then for the miner to put his things in a box, padlock it, and leave it in a tin shed at the Hotel Salamaua—there to be sent for if and when he struck it lucky; or to be kept upon

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eturn if he didn't come out
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nn was one of those who left
x at Salamaua. It was still
unclaimed in August, 1935,
the Innes' sold out. Flynn, no
star then, had gone to Hong-
and he was not to come back
ew Guinea.

In the Box—Surprise!

e Innes' called in the District
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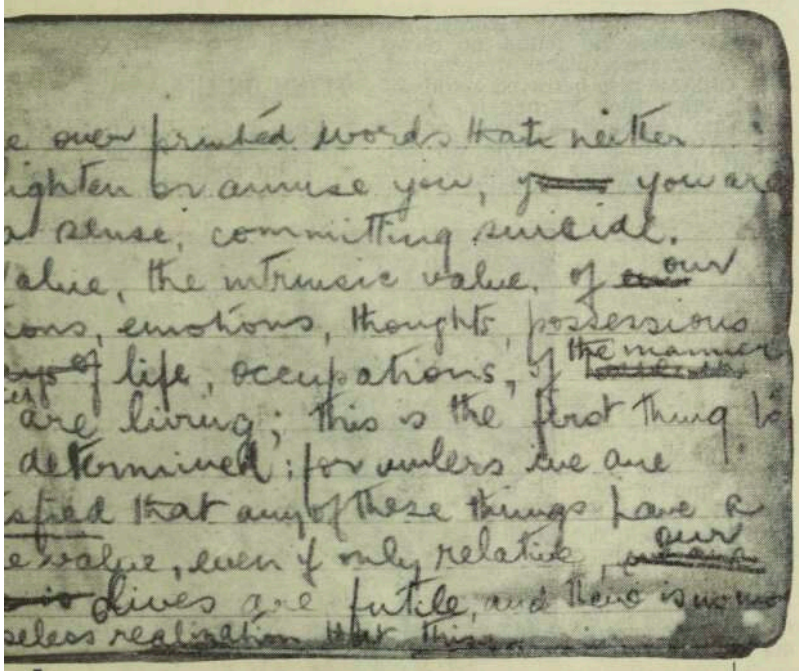
But when Flynn's box was
ed there was a surprise for the
ict Officer, and for the Innes'.
contained few personal pos-
ns, and nothing of any value.
box was filled with linen and
s and sheets belonging to the
' Hotel Salamaua, all neatly
ed away by Flynn until the
when he could have them sent

had more leisure of her own, she happened to take a holiday trip to America and took along the diary, too, with the object of returning it to him.

She expected he would remember her, and perhaps he did, but he wouldn't see her. Thus the diary was returned to Sydney, where it has been ever since.

The diary of his recruiting trip in the Finschhafen area in 1933 was written in running form, but other parts of the book contain stray notes and comments, such as, "£1 returned from Gurung for dog", and "Bill Stower and the egg trick on L. Bennet's mary's head". Flynn alone knew what those meant, although by "mary" he means "meri", or native woman. There is another one, "The time I passed Dusty Miller on a lorry in Madang with 11 boys for recruiting trip. He saw me when I waved, turned around and went into his house."



Two leaves from Errol Flynn's New Guinea diary. It was written in pencil along the track.

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ywood somebody and Mrs. Innes

["Dusty" Miller, a well known old recruiter, died last year in Sydney. L. Bennet presumably is "Tiger Lil", who much later married Dusty Miller.]

Flynn's spelling was frequently weak, although there was nothing wrong with his construction, and he could express himself very well.

Here are some extracts from the diary:

FLYNN ON SEDUCTION

This is a notation, apparently made as some kind of an outline for an essay he intended to write. He says:

"Essay on Several Don'ts in 'The Art and Niceties of Seduction'? Compromising positions to avoid—avenues of escape must be arranged first. Avoid betraying astonishment at credulity of victim—even in the dark. Draw analogy between the mention of the word marriage and he who uses dynamite in exasperation after having failed with dry fly. Use of alcohol is to be deprecated except as a last resort".

That essay, from Flynn, would have been a best-seller in later years.

FLYNN ON A RECRUITING PATROL

Sattelberg Mission, January 13, 1933:

"Arrived here at 5 p.m. after leaving Finschhafen this morning at 10 a.m. Broke journey half-way at Yermen to give my boys time to cook some rice. Carriers would not carry beyond Yermen so paid them off and sent to Yehu for a new lot. Cost of carrying very high in this district—they all know what money is. Sattelberg is 3,650 ft above sea-level but commands wonderful outlook over the sea—I can see Umboi Island from here—it must be 80 miles away.

"Queer lot these Lutheran missionaries. For the main part they are Germans but there is a small sprinkling of Australians of German parentage.

"Father Holbig met me and gave me this room—very comfortable and I'm weary and a bit footsore as is usual on the first day out. Coloured prints of Christ are regarding me dolefully from every angle in the room. He is portrayed in a large

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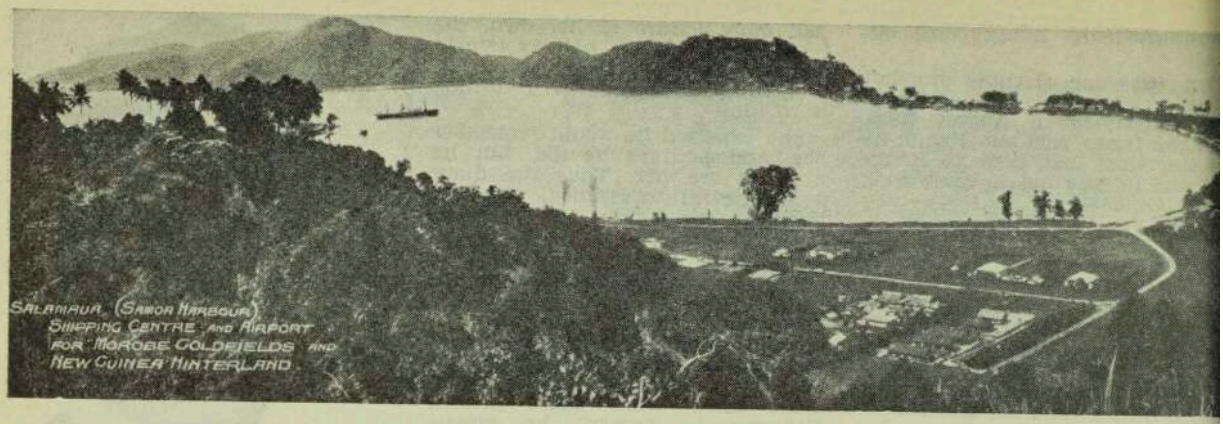


variety of postures. Rebuking (or confusing) the Elders who have the longest and whitest beards I've ever seen; conferring blessings, etc.; why is it that Christ is never shown smiling? He must have laughed sometimes. The prints are old though, probably done some 20 or 30 years ago when gaiety of any sort was still regarded as sinful.

"Sattelberg Mission is the health resort for run-down and enervated missionaries. They're sent up here for a month every year to get the benefit of the excellent climate.

"I spotted a pretty girl when I came in today so I'll have a shave tonight. Three days' growth is no good even for a recruiter to wear. She's the little Dutch Sister I suppose—hope she comes to the table to-night. These missionaries treat their womenfolk like dirt.

How They Treat Women

"I stood up last night when Karchner's wife came into the room at Finschhafen and only succeeded in embarrassing everyone present! ! It was quite unprecedented occurence for the entrance of a woman to be more than curtly acknowledged by a sort of grunt. The idea is for all the men to sit down and eat what the women bring in at odd intervals. When in Rome do as the Dagoes do, thenceforth I kept my seat and grunted.

"They sing Grace in German before every meal. I very nearly laughed aloud last night at a young Bavarian, newly arrived in the country, who was making the bravest effort to lower the tone of his naturally high falsetto voice. He had fully a dozen hairs in his beard.

"Have Rum and a Bible"

"Long day's march to-morrow—hope to make the Hube country in four days from here. If the rain holds off may make it in three. If it doesn't I won't be able to cross the Wario River, perhaps for a week. Thank God I brought 2 bottles of O.P. rum and the Bible, and will thus have both drink and something to read. Have often wanted to read the Bible—I believe it's very entertaining and instructive. There goes the kai-kai bell. Hungry lot these missionaries so I'd better get along or the board will be cleared."

FLYNN ON COCONUTS

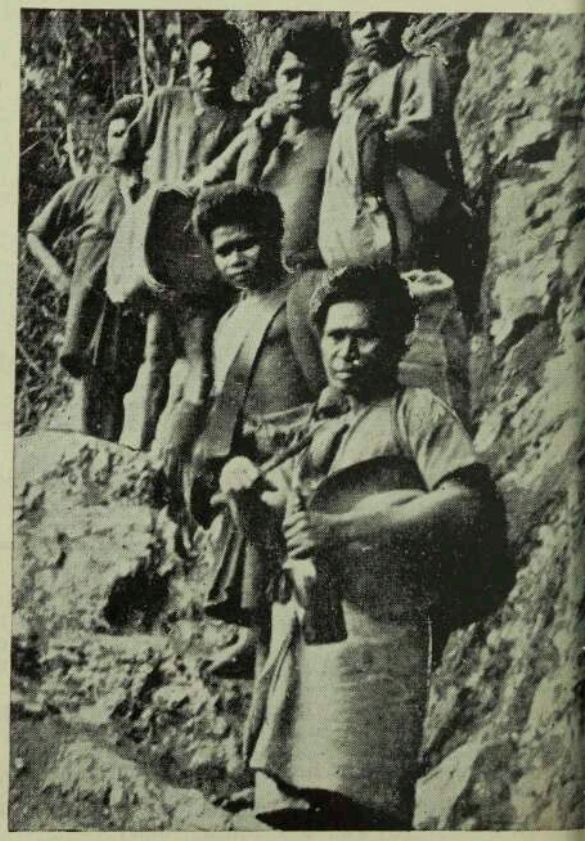
"Marco Polo always recorded his surprise when he found no olives in the strange places he visited. The Chinese also betrayed astonishment when they learned the West had no bamboo—a lack which seemed to them incredible. So also of all the wonders of our modern civilisation nothing astounds a New Guinea native more than the f that there are no coconuts grow in the lands whence we white n come.

"They cannot imagine a cocon less existence for to them the t is the mainstay of life and supp them with all their major nec sities, food, clothing, house mate as well as countless other uses."

FLYNN ON LIFE

This was written not long bef he left for Hongkong:

"I am going to China because wish to live deliberately. New Guin



Above is Salamaua as Errol Flynn knew it in the early 30's. His diary was eventually discovered in the hotel there. At right, carriers like these helped Flynn get to the goldfields, where he had no luck. Later he went recruiting.

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ne Hour Of Time Is Worth Far More an Money" (Said The Young Flynn)

(Continued from opposite page)

me, it is true, satisfaction for astes I have acquired which eisure can satisfy. I am leav- conomic security and I am g it deliberately.

going off to China with a few pounds and no knowledge at life has in store for me I believe that I am going to the essentials of life to see an learn what it has to teach bove all not to discover, when e to die, that I have not lived. fritter our lives away in de- ut I am not going to do this. going to live deeply, to ack- dge not one of the so-called forces which hold our lives all and reduce us to economic dency. The best part of life nt in earning money in order oy a questionable liberty dur- ne least valuable part of it."

N ON THE ART OF READING

e can never become a skilful , or acquire the ability to ciate books, unless one first ates a keen sense of the ve value of things; for this is the quintessence of true tion and culture. To learn is worth one's while is the t part of the Art of Life.

ne, for example, just one hour ne is far more important than for time is life. Whenever you your time over printed words either enlighten or amuse you, are in a sense, committing e. The value, the intrinsic of our actions, emotions, hts, possessions, occupations, manner in which we are liv- this is the first thing to be nined; for unless we are *satis-* hat any of these things have e value, even if only relative, ves are futile, and there is no hopeless realisation than this."

S ALONG THE TRACK

Sattelberg Mission he makes ote that, "The mission has isly benefited these people y in a number of ways. In this e they have good roads, 20- ead of cattle brought from the n and bred up from an orig- hree or four head. I know of her natives who own a herd tle".

this time Flynn is hoping for recruits, and he comments: ar there is some trouble in over a woman. Two villages out to fight, so the talk goes. s right things couldn't be better for me. Am bound to get recruits probably from both of those villages if there's a fight, as they'll want to get away to escape reprisals later".

The next day he comments:

"First boy this morning — good stamp of native, too. He'll look well leading an axe about, although he doesn't suspect it yet. He thinks he is going to be my cook. This is a very good omen—to get a boy from the chief's village means that I'll almost certainly get as many as I want from other villages.

"Big 'talk-talk' last night. The chief and his two Tultuls came along and we discussed everything under the sun, including the late war, which appears to cause them as much amusement as astonishment.

"That all the white men should indulge in extensive fighting among themselves after having given to them, the black men, the very strictest injunctions against fighting, with prompt and severe punishment for disobedience, must, I suppose, appear to them somewhat paradoxical. It must have chafed them a bit when they heard details of the Great War and were themselves prevented from carrying out those periodical raids and sorties against the neighbouring village which used to be their favourite occupation and were told they had to be friends."

"A Wonderful Book"

The next day he wrote in his diary:

"Two more boys, making three now. Excellent going. Went down to the Bun River yesterday—very peculiar formation, mainly a sort of limestone bottom with no wash in the river to speak of at all. Good looking wash on both banks though with no overburden more than 3 or 4 feet at any part. Will wash a few dishes down there to-morrow although it's very unlikely if there's even colours. I believe all these rivers were well prospected years ago by the German missionaries and others.

"Have just finished reading 'The Good Companions'. Wonderful. Can Priestly ask for anything more from life than that gift of expression? I felt I knew personally every one of these characters at the end. Especially Micham Moreton—if he had been drawn from old Simpson, ex actor-manager, now sandalwood king in Papua, he couldn't have been described more faithfully.

"Three more boys tonight."

Do You Remember?

Twenty years ago this month, Britain was alarmed at increasing losses to her merchant shipping at the hands of German submarines; Mr. Churchill announced that 14,000 *civilians had been killed by air raids in Britain since the war started; in America President Roosevelt was returned to office for the third time. And in the Pacific this is what happened, as reported in "PIM" of November,* 1940:

A fund had just been opened in Papua to provide a memorial to Sir Hubert Murray. A polished granite obelisk was suggested 25 feet high, and it was "felt by his friends that this should be undertaken as soon as possible". It was eventually unveiled—but not in the form of an obelisk, but as a drinking fountain (and the occasion was this year—20 years later!)

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In an address to the Pacific Islands Society in Sydney, Captain P. G. Taylor looked forward to the time "when all the important groups in this great Pacific Ocean will be linked by aerial services". Air transport is going to be the obvious means of moving about the Pacific. "Distance can be eliminated only in this manner".

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A three masted American schooner "Director II" which brought an American Museum of Natural History expedition, led by Mr. Sheridan Fahnestock, from the United States to Brisbane, struck a reef off the Queensland coast and was wrecked. Mr. Fahnestock reported that all of the expedition's equipment including $20,000 worth of hydrographic material, was under water and ruined.

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An Apia correspondent said it was a pity that a newsreel camera wasn't in Samoa on Flag Raising Day so that the world could see how that old game of cricket had been adapted to Samoan conditions. 42 teams of Samoan cricketers, each with 20 players, turned up for a two days competition. It was "impossible to describe the method of play". However the proceeds of this mighty cricket game made a substantial contribution to West Samoa's fund for buying fighter planes for the RAF.

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With a budget deficit of about £4,000, due to the effects of the war, West Samoa was making recommendations for drastic changes in the Government's financial policy. The moves were made through the Legislative Council, which apparently wasn't too happy at the position.

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THE MONTH'S NEW READING

WITH JUDY TUDOR

New Guinea's Got A Lot Of What It's Got

Papua-New Guinea has volcanoes, kuru (or laughing death disease), Cargo Cults, cannibalism, sorcery, tribal fighting and visits from UN Trusteeship Council delegations, but fortunately for the sanity of the District Commissioners concerned, they seldom occur in the same district, all at the same time. Except in Jon Cleary's latest novel *North from Thursday*.

BUT don't get us wrong; the novel as a story—even as a story about New Guinea—is good entertainment value and might even end up where four of this author's other books have ended—as movies.

Further, although purists amongst Territorians may consider that he gave himself a bit too much of a ball with the pestilences that overwhelmed the tiny outpost of Kundavi (in the Eastern Highlands), most will be prepared to admit that he had a keen eye for "the types".

Jon Cleary first hit the literary jack-pot with a war novel about New Guinea (*The Climate of Courage*) that won a *Sydney Morning Herald* award some years ago. As he served in New Guinea himself, presumably the story was based on his own experiences there. But comparing his first New Guinea novel with the current model, his improvement in writing technique and characterisation are quite startling.

His Women are Better

Even his female characters, who used to act like lay-models he borrowed from a department store, now draw near-enough to real breath although they are still apt to be products of man's conception of woman rather than woman's conception of the same thing.

In order to gather material for *North from Thursday*, Cleary spent some time in 1958 living at a New Guinea patrol-post. It is probably his desire that none of the real residents of the Territory will be regarded as the prototypes of his fictional characters, that caused him to give his Assistant District Officer and Patrol Officer Un-Australian names like Roy Narvo and Frank Rossi, although when you add to these a Czecho-Slovak doctor and his fiancee who suddenly turns up direct from Prague, and a Polish pilot, you have the basis of a small community that sounds more like a blown-away part of the international set rather than a NG patrol-post. Not that New Australian doctors and pilots are novelties in the Territory, of course.

Kundavi is a small post on the outer fringe of what in P-NG official parlance would be designated "under influence" but not under full Administration control.

The Cast

The inhabitants, when our story opens, are:

The ADO—an uninhibited Australian who has never bothered to polish off the rough edges, and whose lack of finesse and diplomacy have managed to crush a lot of Very Important Toes, but whose devotion to his people and his job is deep-rooted and sincere; an authentic enough type, if we may say so.

His Patrol-Officer, Rossi, who is 20 and acts it some of the time

A young Czech doctor, Pe Traxal, who escaped from the Co munists but who, although he h fought against it, feels superior and dislikes Australians. Throu the impending visit of the U delegation he hopes secretly get on side again with his count and to go home.

Joan Duggan, an embitter spinster, nursing sister.

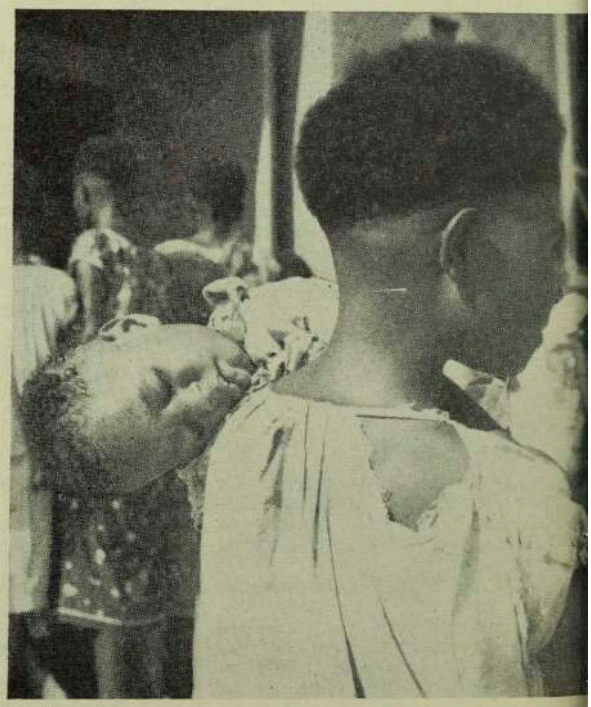
Eric Macy, the European medi assistant, and his suburban-minc wife, Bernice (they call each oth "darl"), and their young son Har

Jack Bermingham, an prospector who has gone native the extent of legally marrying native woman and begetting th children (and old prospectors not typical of patrol-posts on t edge of "under influence" areas

And lastly, Father Mike Shav a lovable American, who knew th he was a failure as a missiona and knew that his Bishop a knew, but whose deep friendsh with the ADO had, until then, sav him from the worst consequen of the fact.

Into this pot-pourri, dro Elizabeth Palyardi, right out of t skies in a Cessna aircraft, to ma the doctor with whom she h parted when he had escaped fr Czecho-Slovakia five years before

Deaths from *kuru*, pay-ba murders and excursions in cannibalism—as well as Peter's a Elizabeth's rapidly cooling lo affair—enliven the days before t scheduled visit of the UN tea which is looked forward to by one but the doctor, and is treat



It's been a tiring day, and since Mum doesn't seem to want to go home yet, all that a fellow can do is take a nap where he can get it! Father Ralph Wiltgen took the photograph in New Guinea.

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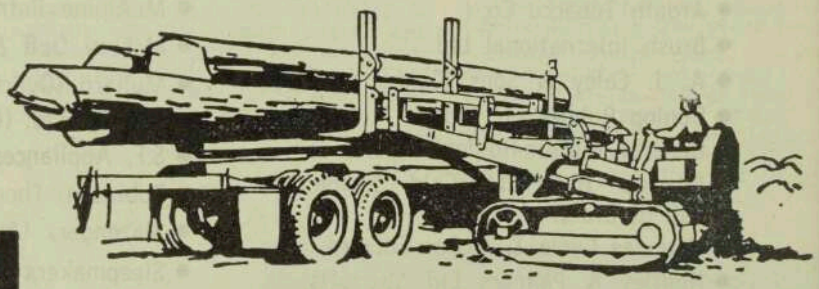

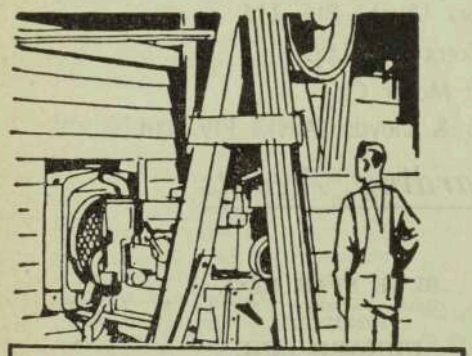

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the mixed contempt and ation that such visitations pro- in the Territory.

Saved by the Blast

events turn out, the station pared the visit as the near-by ntain, after producing the usual s and portents, bursts out with teral blast as Mt. Lamington ally did in Papua some years stripping a path for 50 miles killing all thereon. This event rides a fitting climax to the el as Narvo leads his small party Europeans and several thousand ves out through the valley of h to safety. (The airstrip went the tremors that accompanied eruption).

eary has managed to produce novel without sentimental sense about the natives and al relations, or by making play self-Government for the Terri- —which would have been an thing for him to do.

e manages, too, to fuse into his f character the right blend of d-headedness and idealism for role he has to play. And, erally, by his treatment of his ect, he might even be said to e done considerable good for itory by showing that New nea is still mainly a primitive ntry, peopled by Stone Age ple who are as foreign to the nisticated native minorities of coast as the Indians and sians and Latin Americans who ume to tell Australia how to its own business.

he title of this novel simply ns "north from Thursday nd", which while it conforms to current craze for "arresting" s, even if they don't make much e in themselves (*Please Don't the Daisies, The Summer of the enteenth Doll*, etc.), is about as as they come.

hy the huge Territory of Papua- Guinea should be hitched to insignificant little island called rsday—even if it does happen to in the same general latitude— matter which would need a ial-type publisher's crystal- to get the answer.

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You Would o Sleep

IOSE readers who may be tempted to read Anthony Powell's *Casanova's Chinese taurant* would be well advised ead first the article about same he September 26 issue of *Time*.

he fortuitous stumbling on this your poor, bewildered reviewer, was then struggling with this arently beginning-less and end- less piece of prose probably saved a nervous breakdown.

The clue to the mystery as supplied by *Time* is that this particular novel is just a fragment in the series *The Music of Time*. It is, in fact, the fifth novel, but Mr. Powell scorns the devices of lesser novelists who, from the creator of the *Pollyanna* series onwards, either produced stories with the same characters but "complete in themselves"; or gave the poor benighted reader some sort of inkling of what went on before.

To blunder into this fifth novel without prior tuition is like going into a dark movie theatre and trying to pick up the thread of a complicated melodrama three-parts way through the performance.

The business is not helped any by the writer's style or his construction of the so-called novel, which is, in fact, a prolonged conversation piece of only four chapters in 229 pages—a feat that leaves one metaphorically breathless.

The other novels that went before (*A Question of Upbringing, A Buyer's Market, The Acceptance World*, and *At Lady Molly's*) apparently brought the narrator, Nick Jenkins, through school and university to the point where he is now engaged in literary criticism as a means of earning a crust. The numerous members of the Tollard family, however, are the central feature of the book and into this menage Nick marries (Isobel, who at the beginning of *Chinese Restaurant*, is in hospital having a miscarriage).

The father of the brood. Lord Warminster, died in Kashmir while on a hunting trip; the dowager Lady Warminster lives at Hyde Park Gardens; and the young Lord Warminster is contemplating going to Spain to throw his weight on the side of the Republicans—the time of the current novel being around 1936-37.

But these things you learn only incidentally by following the conversations and flashbacks as our narrator meets, in pubs, at Lady Warminster's Sunday luncheons, in the corridors of the nursing home or elsewhere, a mass of characters whom he obviously knows well but the reader not at all. They waft in and out of the narrative like nebulous wraiths, the author apparently being under the impression that that is how characters waft in real life—so why not in a book?

The whole background is terribly County, and U, and upper-class—although all participants are troubled at that period by the neuroses of their class. They dabble in the Arts and isms, and espouse such causes as the Republican side in the Spanish civil war, while at the same time supporting such traditional institutions as Eton and Oxford and the very best regiments. Just before World War II was a period of indecision and bewilderment for these poor unhappy wretches.

Reviewers in such august journals as the *Times Literary Supplement, Spectator, New Statesman*, etc., have been variously "devastated" or "absolutely fascinated" by the novels in this *Music of Time* sequence (according to the book jacket, anyhow). Others have described them as the most important works of fiction in several generations.

Reserving to myself the belief that the more erudite the reviewer, the more ready he is to pronounce the incomprehensible brilliant, I would not dare to contradict my

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SIDERING who and what
onald James McLean is, it
ight have been expected that
ould subscribe fully to the theory held in today's artistic circles in Australia that this continent (artistically) is "not all gum tree" and so write of the slums of Surry Hills and other non-bucolic subjects.

However, it is not so—in *The Roaring Days*, his third novel, the theme is mateship and the days when the bush was wide and open (except, of course, where there were gum trees).

Mr. McLean is a champion of progressive education; he's President of the New Education Fellowship in Australia; editor of *New Horizons in Education;* Chief Lecturer in Child Welfare for the NSW department that deals with that subject; and has travelled widely abroad and lectured there also.

But McLean was born in Western NSW and most of the stories in this novel are based on yarns told to him by his father, and concern incidents around the turn of the century. Some of the yarns end on an anti-climatic note—which may be the author's contribution to art in our times, but most of it can be regarded as good, typical Australian story telling, with a slant of the author's own.

In effect this is a sort of split-level novel, in that it tells the yarns Ian Stuart, the narrator, hears from his father about the old days in the outback, and at the same

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it tells Ian Stuart's own story. re is more of the former than latter for reasons McLean sets n early in the book.
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then goes on to prove his t with a bushman, squatting on heels, complete with map drawn he dirt, instructing the traveller to get from Broken Hill to oburra.
n's real story begins when he ands of his father, "Why ldn't I kiss Mary", and his er goes right back to Milparinka re World War I to show why houldn't. The dual stories con- therefrom, taking Ian through ol and college and overseas to bridge and service in the war- RAF (these two latter *not* be- the usual lot of the typical ralian).
uart, Senior, too, untypically of a heart attack on the night midget submarines raided ley Harbour in 1942, and from point where Ian returns from war, the two stories merge, with outback of yesterday becoming outback of post-World War II. fferent, of course, yet paradoxic- similar and enduring.
ith about 60 per cent. of Aus- ans living in urban areas it can ly be said that the outback is typical. Yet that is still marks the Australian story from others and Donald McLean devised a successful way of g it without the hayseeds or red dust showing.

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So Silent Darien

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fired the town. There was, they say, nothing he could have desired less at that moment.

"Nevertheless, the city, built of cedar houses, was soon a flaming mass. As Morgan later reported: 'Thus was consumed the famous and ancient city of Panama, which is the greatest resort for silver and gold in the whole world for its receives all the goods that come from Spain in the King's great fleet and delivers all the gold and silver that comes from the mines of Peru and Potisi. Nothing remains today of Old Panama except the ruined tower that was once the largest cathedral in America."

In order to attack Panama, Morgan and his men had to desert the Spanish Main for the nonce and walk across the Isthmus of Panama —where from a height, like "stout Cortez" is said to have done in the poem, they gazed at the Pacific for the first time. The last part of their journey into Panama was across a causeway and there at the end of it were drawn up 2,000 Spanish foot soldiers, 600 cavalry and a thousand wild bulls in charge of Indians. The bulls were by way of being the Spaniards' secret weapon, but like Hannibal's elephants in an earlier war, they turned out to be a mixed blessing.

The first volleys of the buccaneers scattered the bulls who turned and devastated the tight-packed Spanish lines. In two hours the battle for Panama had been won—by the buccaneers, who got out of hand and in the course of their pillaging accidently set the city on fire.

Brethren of the Coast is not, of course, only the story of Morgan; he has only a small part in this account of the wild men of the era when Spain had cornered the wealth of the New World and was fair game for all.

Later, of course, these so-called buccaneers spilled out across the Pacific into the South Seas and in some cases inadvertently became discoverers and explorers.

The original buccaneers were not as the modern usage of the term implies. They were French adventurers, many of them escaped servants from French plantations, who began to settle on Tortuga, an island of what is modern Haiti.

They were, of necessity, hunters, and not sailors at all—attracted by the herds of boars and wild cattle that roamed the island. They dried the meat, which they cut in strips, by smoking it in dome-shaped huts called *boucanes*, and they sold the strips done up in bundles (*viande boucanee*) to passing ships.

The men who produced this meat were called *boucaniers*, but gradually the name came to be corrupted to "buccaneers" 'and applied also to corsairs and privateers who roamed the Caribbean to loot, if they could, Spanish gold and riches.

The authors are well qualified to write a book of this sort. Kemp is a Lieutenant-Commander of the Royal Navy, now retired; and Professor Christopher Lloyd has been on the staff of the Royal Navy College, Greenwich.

(THE BRETHREN OF THE COAST. Published by Heinemann. Australian price, 26/-.)

In Orbit With Emily

EMILY KIMBROUGH, the "other half" of Cornelia Otis Skinner with whom she wrote *Our Hearts were Young and Gay*, has squeezed more books out of travel in her own country than any six other writers.

Her current epic, however, is about that peculiar American social habit—the circulating lecturer—which is called appropriately enough, *It Gives Me Great Pleasure*.

As a book it isn't particularly new, having been first published in the States about 16 years ago, while bits of it have graced the *New Yorker*, also. This is the first UK edition and while we are generally not fans of Miss Kimbrough this time her efforts do throw some light on what has always been a complete mystery — the place of these perambulating lecturers in the American way of life.

Some people actually make a complete living by doing the lecture circuit — dispensing enlightenment and amusement to mostly female audiences—members of some social club or other. The procession, according to Kimbrough, can be politician, historian, economist, novelist, critic, musician, magician, dancer, interior decorator, fashion expert, or anyone else who has the material for one lecture. (One seems to be sufficient as the lecturer rarely if ever goes back over his tracks).

Recently a young woman ex-journalist, who had somehow strayed from home and managed to break into the US lecture-circuit beat, gave some information on the phenomenon when she was inter-

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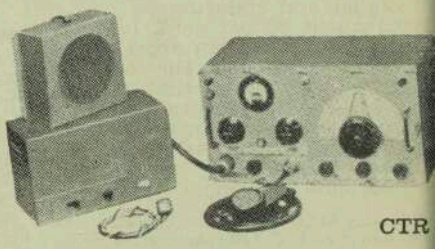

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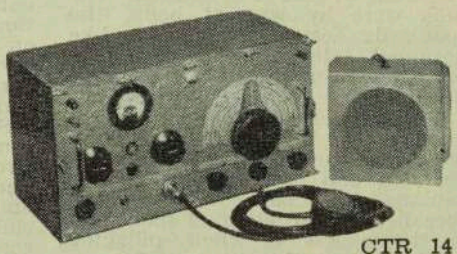

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GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE. ed by Heinemann. Australian price,

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of the most dramatic, but ast-known, incidents of the outh Pacific War against the ese in 1942-45 was the seizure baul by the enemy; his osten- s preparation of the port as eadquarters for the conquest stralia, New Caledonia, Fiji New Zealand; and—after his iose scheme had failed—the n which he was neatly bottled Rabaul and contemptuously ssed by the American and alian forces under General rthur.

re was a period—about 1942- hen the Japs, their south- drive defeated, expected the to come and try to remove from Rabaul; and they pre- accordingly. But the Allies dropped bombs on them, they slowly degenerated from little military despots into ed prisoners, living in holes ground on melons, kau-kau apioca.

chroniclers saw all this, from inside — namely Gordon as, editor of the *Rabaul* , who for some reason was n Rabaul as a freezer atten- and Bishop Leo Scharmach, Order of the Sacred Heart, sisted on remaining at Vuna- with his missionaries as a elligerent, to care for the s.

Gordon Thomas told his story soon after the war.

Now, belated, but most welcome, comes Bishop Scharmach's account of what he saw and experienced there, during the black-out, from the Jap invasion (January, 1942) to the arrival of the Australians in August, 1945—3½ years of imprisonment, persecution and misery.

Right from the beginning, it was made clear that the Vunapope Mission would not be allowed to continue its work among the natives. The Japs clearly wished to exterminate these Vunapope missionaries, just as they had systematically murdered or removed most of the Europeans they found in Rabaul.

The Bishop had a mixed community of about 330 Europeans and natives in the extensive Vunapope mission station; and he dedicated himself to the task of bringing them through the war alive.

To get the full account of how he employed wiles, stratagems, and courage to gain moral ascendancy over the bloody-minded enemy, to secure food and the even more vital medical supplies, to protect his men and women against intriguers, murderers and rapists, one must read the book.

The Bishop learned first-hand of massacres—of how 150 young Australian men were systematically butchered at Tol Plantation, and 60 British officers were done away with at Matupi, for example—and he had direct evidence that the Japs were trying to "remove" his mission community, first by starvation and then by disease. So he knew what he had to meet; and the book tells dramatically how he met it.

In the latter part of the 3½ years, the Japanese ruefully acknowledged that they could not get rid of the Bishop's party, and then they made a remark which meant "This Crowd Beats Us All". The Bishop took this phrase as the title of his book.

Although it is a very grim and in places a horrible story, and is wholly a valuable contribution to the history of the South Pacific War, it also is excellent entertainment.

This Bishop Scharmach is quite a man. Although formidable (as the Japs found) when he assumes the full role of Bishop and terrifying when he really lets himself go in indignation and anger, he still is very tolerant of human weaknesses, and above all, he is a humorist. Even when he is describing very distressing things, his sense of humour peeps out. Thus it is a most readable and stimulating book.

One wonders how the Vunapope community came through such an experience with a comparatively small death-roll (Vunapope eventually was completely destroyed, and they were moved into Ramale Valley); but one can see how their morale was sustained by this great natural leader. Even when they

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eady had, if you remember, a
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GAUNTLET OF FIRE, by Luke Short. Short seems to be the sole survivor of that once lucrative industry—writing Westerns. This one has all the usual ingredients. (FONTANA).

END OF HATE, by Russell Braddon. This is the sequel to the same author's "The Naked Island" which described his experiences as a Jap POW. This book tells of his attempt to adjust himself to a world not at war which he finds singularly difficult. He went back to the University but failed in Law and then, still filled with hate for his late captors, he travelled the world writing and lecturing, trying to bring home to the rest of mankind something of his own feelings. What finally got it out of his system was the "insidious influence of the British" with whom he lived. (Braddon is an Australian.) (GREAT PAN).

MARION, by John Bingham. A suspense thriller about a female who looked like purity and innocence personified but was all raw sex underneath. Wacko! (GREAT PAN).

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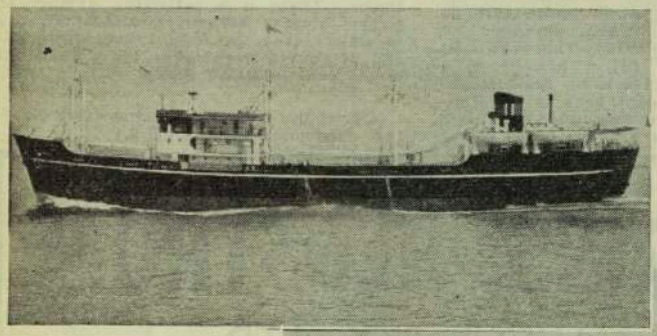

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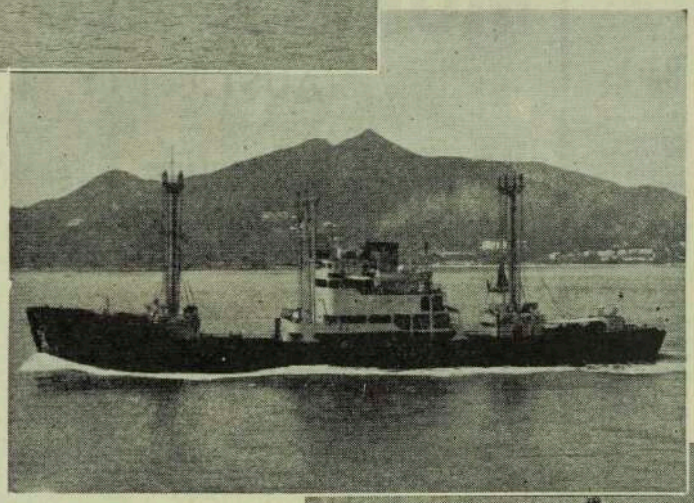
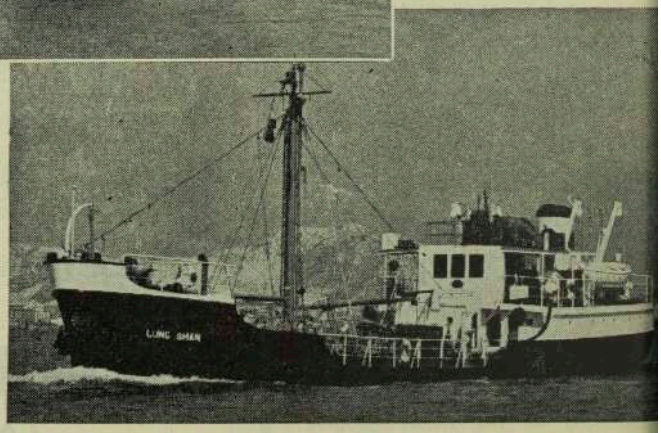


Lelf: M.V. "TARAWERA", all refrigerated motor cargo vessel built for the Union Steam Ship Co. of New Zealand Ltd.

Right: "LUNG SHAN", one of two bunkering vessels built to the order of Shell Tankers Ltd., for use in Hong Kong, supplying fuel and lubricating oils to ships at harbour moorings.



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PACIFIC SHIPPING AND CRUISING YACHTS

ion Steamship's 7,200-ton "Waitomo" hard and fast on the reef at the entrance of Apia in October, with another Union Steamship vessel, "Tofua" (left) unsuccessfully trying to pull her off. "Tofua" managed it with help, after several days. See p. 107.
Photo: Samoana

An event of some interest in the maritime world will take ce next August when oceanographic survey vessels of a mber of countries will meet in Honolulu for the Pacific ence Congress.

Russians are sending three essels, probably including the on-magnetic schooner *Zarja*, *Vitjaz*, both of which have seen in South Pacific ports in years.

an will send at least two, the ican Scripps Institution of iography will be represented, here may be vessels of other there too. For those interested chnically unusual ships this d be quite an occasion.

STILL AFLOAT: Earlier this we reported that the 242-ton schooner-yacht *Te Vega*, for- on the Honolulu-Papeete nger run, was ashore on a near St. Kitt's in the Leeward of the British West Indies in April. It then seemed ful whether the graceful -bowed sailing craft would e. She did!

Suva in October, Mr. Ed , cameraman to American producer Carl Dudley, told a man that he had seen *Te* in Martinique undergoing re- soon after the incident, and sumes that she is now back vice as a cruise charter vessel e West Indies.

Vega was chartered by the y organisation to carry the unit to Fiji and Tonga while ing scenes for the Cinerama *South Seas Adventure* several ago. Soon after that she was and delivered from Papeete artinique.

She then underwent a very expensive refit in a European shipyard in preparation for her new job, and had only just returned to go into service when the stranding occurred.

• "POM-POM" STANDS DOWN: The New Zealand Island Territories Department's 33-year-old *Maui Pomare* was on what was expected to be her last New Zealand-Cook Islands voyage in October. Arriving back in Auckland about October 19 the old cargo-and-passenger vessel was to be disposed of. Whether she is to continue under some foreign flag, or go to some shipbreaker's yard was not known in mid-October.

Unlike any other ship in the South Pacific trade, *Maui Pomare's* long raised fo'csle, and funnel right aft are her distinctive features. In head-sea weather the *Pom-Pom* scoops up substantial seas which sweep aft along the main passenger promenade deck rendering conditions on board well nigh insufferable, as she has no public rooms.

The new vessel, *Moana Roa*, which arrived in New Zealand waters from Scotland during October, should end all that.

• GREEKS CAME MARCHING IN: Greek-manned ships have been comparatively rare in Islands ports in recent years, but they came marching in in September-October. To Fiji ports came the 7,203-ton Panama-flag Liberty-ship *Allegra-S*, followed by the Greek-flag 5,669-ton *Neptune*, and the 3,727-ton Liberian-flag *Parcorali*.

No details of *Allegra-S* are available, but *Neptune* and *Parcorali* are both owned by Greek companies domiciled in London.

Captain George Kavalieros, of *Neptune*—who had his attractive Greek wife aboard—said that his company, Hadjilias & Co., also known as the Rex Line, owned about 10 cargo vessels. The ship was built in the UK six years ago.

At Lautoka, while berthing, *Neptune* took a bite out of the new and uncompleted wharf but caused, and suffered, no serious damage.

Parcorali is of earlier vintage, as is her master, Captain Nicolaos Mascholios, a fine old gentleman of 80-plus who started his sea career over 60 years ago. Surprisingly, this is his first visit to the Pacific.

He joined the 30-year-old *Parcorali* when the present owners took her over in 1957. She commenced a 12-months Banno charter on May 19 so is likely to be seen in South Pacific ports on a number of occasions. Leaving Port Moresby under pilotage in September this ship three times touched bottom but was undamaged and quickly free.

Another Liberian-flag vessel, but owned by a London Yugoslav and manned by Yugoslavs exiled from their country, also called at Fiji in October. This was the very smart four-year-old Japanese-built *Ante Topic* of 9,943 tons which loaded the biggest cargo of sugar to leave Fiji for some years. She was commanded by Captain B. Kovacevic.

• MAKING CONTACT: Two representatives of one of the world's leading tramp-ship lines, Andrew Weir & Company's Bank Line, were scheduled to visit Islands

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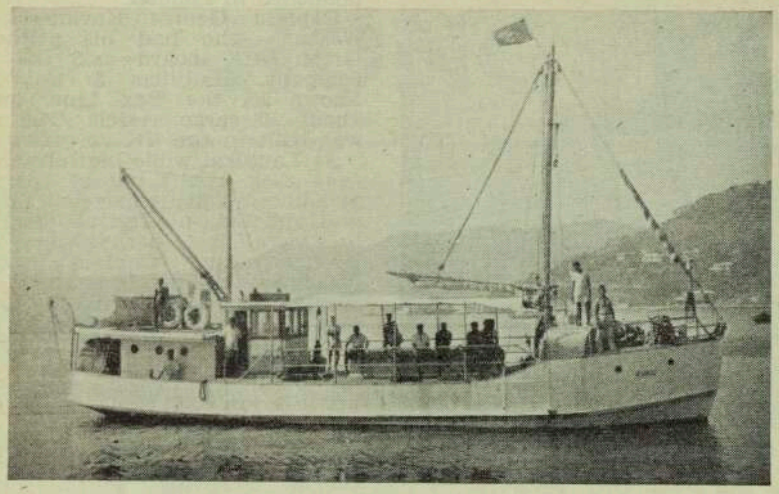

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in November-December. They Mr. A. C. R. Weir and Mr. J. awkes, both directors of the any. They were to arrive in n November 22, make a circuit gh Nukualofa and Apia and n to Suva on December 6, then n to London by air.

DON'T ALTER COURSE: If ee a line of lighted Japanese g buoys in the Fiji area at , no need to alter course for ship is not likely to foul any- . It will be a tuna long-line the horizontal mainline of n will be at least 15 fathoms the surface, supported by al droplines from the 12-inch buoys which are usually d at about 200-fathom inter- From each 200-fathom span ainline hang about five evenly d 15-fathom lines with one each.

e possibility of a ship fouling of the buoyed droplines is indeed, and there is no pos- y at all of fouling the main- unless a crossing is made close to a fishing vessel in rocess of hauling or laying— no seaman would do that.

CHANGE OF COMMAND: ain R. D. Matheson who has in command of S. Berge Ship- Company's Suva-based *narau* ever since that Hong- registered vessel entered the Gilberts - Samoa - Rotuma - aus service some years ago, ed over the command to Cap- P. H. Gosschalk in October.

er many years in the Indian service, where he held a position, Captain Gosschalk to Australia. Through service e explosives vessel *Wongala* *Wyatt Earp*)—later named *e*—he became well known in New Guinea ports, and was g in *Natone* when that vessel ost off the Queensland coast nuary, 1958. He later served e LCT *Wewak* in the stock and in *Slevik* to New Guinea He has been chief officer in *narau* for some time.

ptain Matheson is taking leave e deciding on future plans. Mrs. Matheson he returned ckland by air.

ptain R. D. Matheson. See above.

• WITH ESCORT: The Noumea vessel *Volontaire*, often seen in Suva as *Tiare* when she was a unit of the French Navy, was due back in that port about November 8—escorted by the French Navy's *Tiare!*

The American-built YMS-type vessel was decomissioned, put up for sale, and sold to Captain H. Helbig in April, 1959. He renamed her *Volontaire* but did not immediately put her to work. She was replaced by a similar YMS—originally the US Navy's YMS-207 and later the Royal Navy's *Petunia*.

It is this craft which was scheduled to shepherd *Volontaire* across to Suva to go on the slip and presumably be converted for cargo carrying, though few details were available in Suva in October.

• HAS NAVY—WITH DIVERS: Fiji has lost its naval unit—but New Guinea still has one, and five of its Papuan members have recently obtained diving qualifications. They are members of the Papua-New Guinea Division of the Royal Australian Navy—an active force.

• THAT GERMAN CRUISE: The German passenger vessel *Seven Seas*, mentioned last month, will make a cruise from Wellington, NZ, to Auckland, Papeete, Pago Pago, Suva, and back to Auckland next January, leaving Wellington

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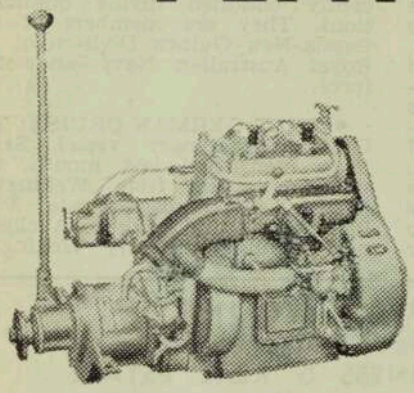

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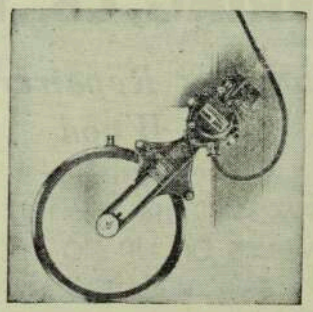

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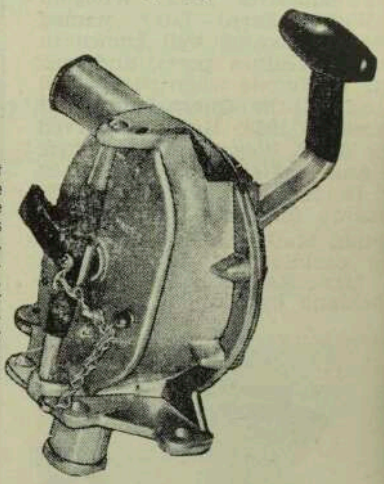

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nuary 7, and returning there nuary 29. The other cruise ned will be between Aus- and New Zealand ports only.

L BROWN NOW: The Suva- cruise-and-charter ketch (ex *Hifofua*)—whose photo y appeared as the new tug *Hifofua* recently gh no fault of *PIM* shipping Jim Shortall, who knows —is now owned entirely by aster Stan Brown. Imme- after our report of last was in print there was a rearrangement of shares r. Stan Burgess is not now eholder.

EW GUINEA PRAWNS: In y cruise of the south-eastern f Papua in August-Septem- the Port Moresby-based Research vessel *Tagula* conclusively that a prawn industry could be established Catches of as much as a ton r hours were made, the averaging six inches in The prawns are believed to ilable in this area from to November. e are known to be prawns in aters, too, but so far the to develop an industry has en forthcoming.

R NEW OIL DEPOT: Mr. eart and his family travelled va to Nukualofa by specially ed Fiji Airways aircraft in . There Mr. Peart takes up sition of first manager for ell Oil Company of the new il terminal at Nukualofa. ements for the first shipment ere not finalised in October.

W DIRECT UK-W. SAMOA A new direct link between ited Kingdom and Western was established in October

The Suva-based cruise-and-charter ketch "Maroro" (right) is now owned entirely by her master, Stan Brown. See report on this page. "Maroro" was formerly the Tongan ketch "Hifofua" — and the new "Hifofua" is a tug (see photo below).

by the Shaw Savill chartered vessel *Mystic*, and in future regular calls will be made at Apia as cargoes require. Previously the first discharge port for this particular shipping service was Suva. A variety of ships are used in this trade. After discharging at Western Samoa and Fiji they load at New Zealand ports again for the UK.

• NEW LIGHTS FOR NG: Details were announced in October of a programme to improve shipping aids in P-NG. Briefly, the programme provides for the establishment of 11 new unattended lighthouses, the replacement on a permanent basis of three temporary lights which were established during World War II, and improvements in the range and character of two existing lights.

Two temporary lights on Sariba Island in the China Strait and at Cape Gazelle, near Rabaul, will be discontinued when proposed new lights in those localities have been established.

One of the new lights will be erected on Yule Island, 60 miles north-west of Port Moresby, and another on Madehas Island, near the western entrance of Buka Passage, Bougainville.

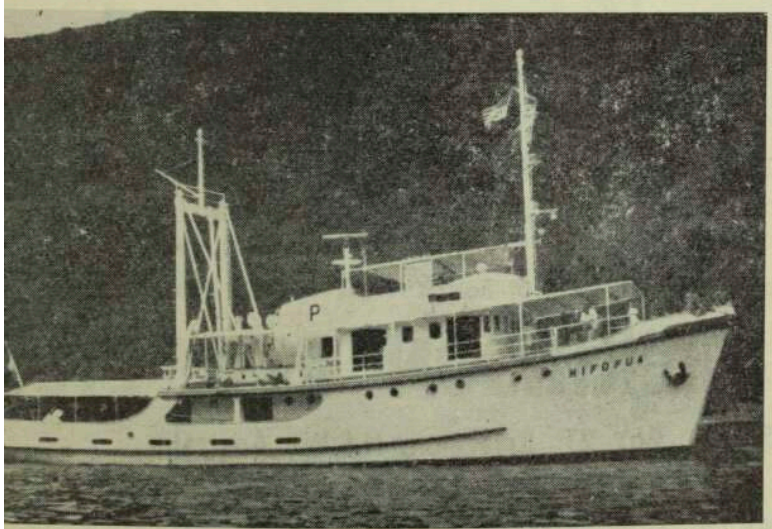
A light on Yule Island would have a utility as a coastal light for vessels running to the west coast generally and would serve as a land fall or approach light for vessels making Yule Harbour. In addition to the main light, it is proposed to provide a beacon light because muddy waters in the vicinity of Yule Island make it very difficult, if not impossible, to detect the limits of the outlying reef.

A light on Madehas Island will provide a valuable guide at night to the many small vessels entering Buka Passage from the eastward. Because of the extensive outlying reefs, ships are not at present prepared to negotiate the Passage by night.

At the request of shipmasters, new lights will be provided to assist ships passing through the Vitiaz Strait between the Huon Peninsula and New Britain. One such light will be established at Fortification Point and another on a site to be determined.

The additions and improvements will cost more than £60,000 and the work will take at least three years, beginning next year.

• NEW MISSION LAUNCH: The Seventh-day Adventist New Guinea Mission dedicated a new £22,000, 48-ft mission vessel *Urabeni* in October. The dedication was in Brisbane, where the vessel was built. She will be used for medical missionary work in the Papuan Gulf region, and up the Fly River. Pactor E. L. Martin arrived in Brisbane in October with five Papuan deck-hands to take the vessel back to Papua.



nga tug "Hifofua", which visited Apia in October to help get the "Waitomo" off a reef. However, the tug was not needed. See story p. 107.

• PAPUA CHANGES REGULATIONS: In Port Moresby, in Oc-

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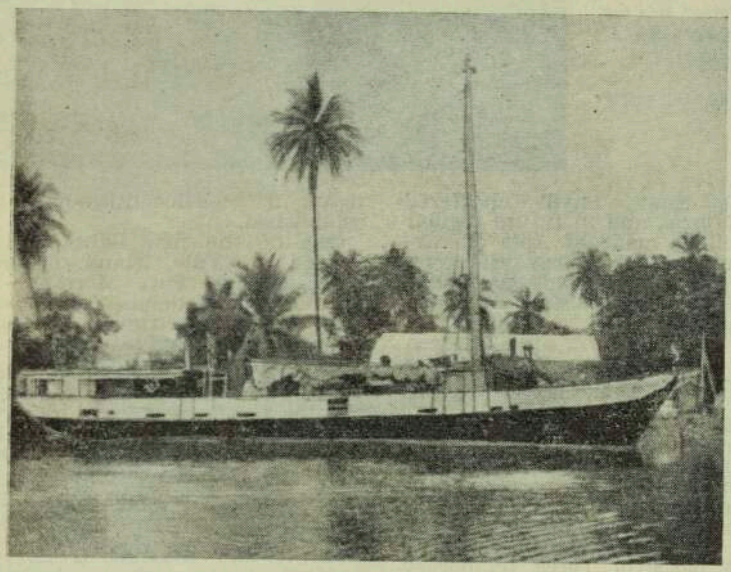

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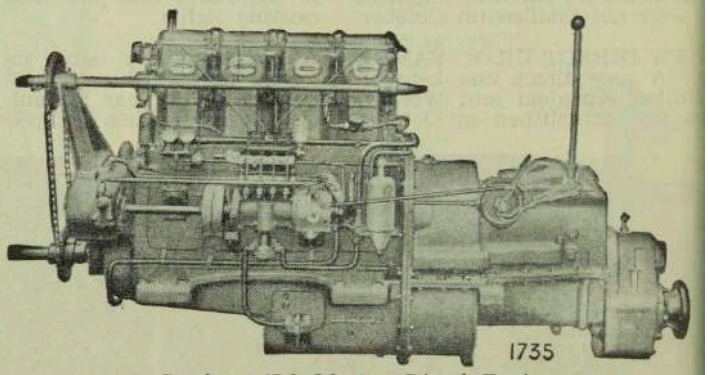

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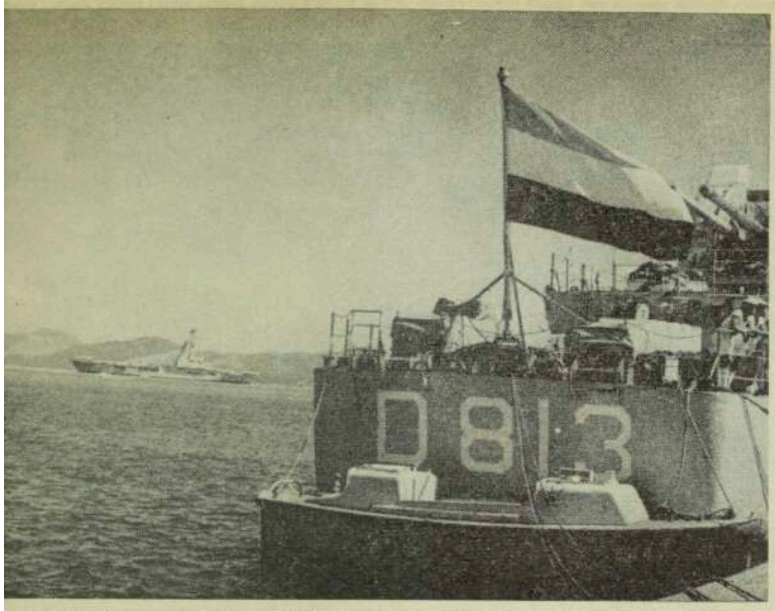

Netherlands aircraft carrier "Karel Doorman", arrived in Noumea on a flag-showing October she had to anchor a few miles across the harbour. The local populace was dis- The destroyer accompanying the carrier, "Groningen", was able to tie up (foreground). See story below.

Photo: Fred Dunn

new regulations were an- d for the Papuan Navigation nce—the idea being to co- e all the regulations at pre- force for the safety and of passengers. Similar nents will be made to the uinea regulations, thus bring- h territories into line.

Papuan regulations came into n October 27. They require l ships operating more than s from shore must carry a y radio and a radio operator a third-class operator's ate.

Marine Board said it hoped ners would install two-way equipment wherever possible the ship didn't ply more 5 miles from shore. But it that a legal 15-mile, off- imit was a "reasonable com- between the theoretical and al views on this matter".

her major amendment to the ions governs the number of ers which may be carried tal vessels. Those in partially d and sheltered waters may e the numbers of deck ers. Sheltered waters are to ifically defined later by the Board.

adults travelling without a the new regulations say that ust have at least 12 square ch on an open sea voyage; six square feet in partially waters; and at least three feet, or 1½ feet of seating, oth waters.

ld without a berth gets about the clear deck space of an

regulations also set out other minimum requirements, including provision of meals, the number of crew, life-saving and pumping equipment.

The regulations should make it a lot easier to deal with the complaints that have been heard from time to time from native passengers who indicate that on some voyages they get very little for their passage money.

• NOT ENOUGH WATER: When the Netherlands aircraft carrier *Karel Doorman* accompanied by the destroyer *Groningen* and a tanker, entered Noumea harbour on October 7 on a flag-showing tour, the public were disappointed. Because there was not enough water at the wharf only the destroyer berthed and the carrier remained at anchor in the stream. Earlier it had been announced to the public that the carrier would berth and it would be opened for inspection. The present generation of Noumea have never seen an aircraft carrier close up. Those with war-time experience remembered the mighty silhouettes of US carriers.

During the stay of the vessels the commander of the *Karel Doorman* decorated a Noumea volunteer with the Dutch Croix de Guerre, on behalf of Holland. The man, Mr. Francis Cornaille, an ex-parachutist of the Free French Forces, distinguished himself in the fighting in Holland.

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ashore each day and not one ent" was reported. Cases of drinking were mild and few. y Noumea people suggested, ng the Dutch visit, that Aus- should send her aircraft on a visit to Noumea.

Karel Doorman later went on dney, where, unfortunately, was one incident. A sailor he carrier was charged in a court with the murder of a ate, and he was still in Syd- hen the carrier left for South a on her way home to d.

OOKS VISIT: The Matson 18,000-ton *Monterey* made a Rarotonga in September. No ainment parties went aboard ship stayed only long enough up a number of Rarotongan gers taking advantage of a comfortable trip to New Zea- plus Mr. T. Rowe, Matson epresentative in the Pacific

Rowe had been in Rarotonga ng about the possibilities of *nterey* and *Mariposa* calling regularly—once every three The ships would make berths le to NZ and would also carry t has been suggested that no gers would go ashore, but the ed four-hour stay would en- ntertainment parties, and of souvenirs, to go abroad.

TI FOR N. AUSTRALIA: frigerated one-time Fiji Gov- t vessel *Viti*, owned by Tas- team Ship Co. of Auckland, ported sold in October, for northern Australian waters meat trade. It was not clear, r, whether the vessel is to rozen meat, or is to be con- for the carriage of livestock. was back in Wellington in tober from her oceano- research cruise to French ian waters. According to a slands report a member of gineering staff was killed crushed between ship and at Papeete, where the vessel for bunkers. The cruise com- from Auckland on Sep- 15, *Viti* passing the Cooks Bora, and calling briefly at a on the run back from .

NUAL CIRCUIT: Com- l by Captain J. McKenzie the London Missionary So- 419-ton *John Williams VI*— s perhaps the largest mission the world—was making her circuit of all the inhabited of the Cook Group in Oc-

ship spends most of her time Gilbert and Ellice Islands, kes an annual run westward as New Guinea and another d as far as the Cooks, carry- sion and private cargo, and personnel. She was built as *Sloane* in the UK in 1946.

• MORE FOR THE COOKS: Late in October, Mr. D. C. Brown, owner of *Taveuni*, in the Cooks trade, was down in New Zealand looking over another larger vessel to add to his fleet. There were also reports that another Cook Islands vessel might soon be sold to a Tahiti buyer and might be replaced by another small New Zealand coaster.

• HEADING SOUTH: First of the Japanese whaling fleets, headed by the factory ship *Tonan Maru*, 22,921 tons, left Japan on October 23 bound for the Antarctic. The baleen whaling season (for non-toothed whales) does not open until early January, but the fleets engage in sperm whaling in the tropics and Antarctic prior to then, as they move into position. Japan has purchased the British Balaena fleet so, this year, will send seven fleets south. There will probably be seven Norwegian fleets, three Russian, two British, and one Dutch operating this season.

Japan shows considerably more interest in the non-edible sperm oil than any other nation. Last year Japanese fleets took nearly 18,000 tons of this oil, which comes from a large cavity in the whale's blunt head. The oil's natural function is not known, but it forms a base for paints and varnishes and has other industrial applications.

• WETTING HIS FINS: Captain L. C. Bolton, who was in command

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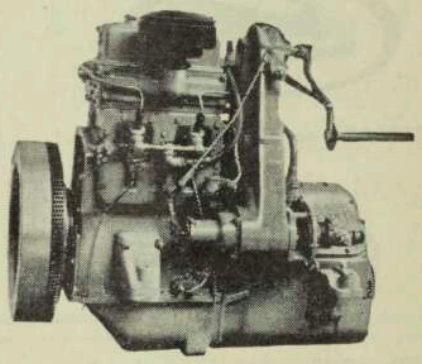

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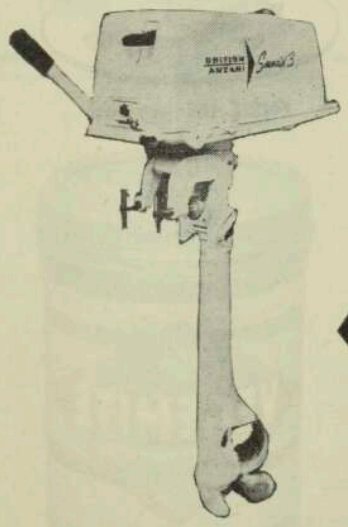

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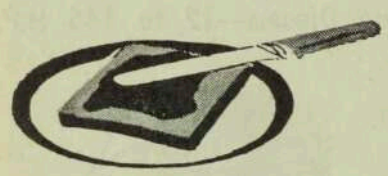

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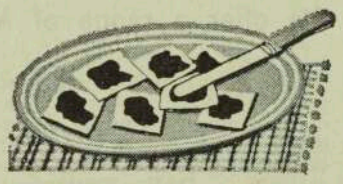

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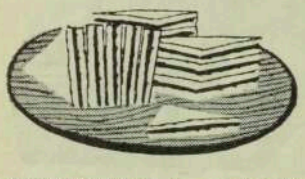

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of *Maui Pomare* for many years who has been employed in a s capacity with the Union Comp in recent years, was putting to again in November on a special livery job.

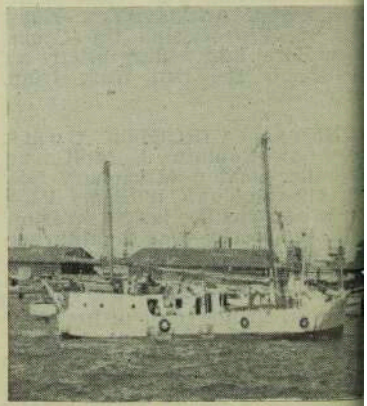
The 354-ton Dutch-built coaster *Sumatra*, sold to the manian Government, was to for Hobart about November 1 the former Auckland Harbour *Ewen W. Alison* (ex *George P* in tow. The latter vessel had been purchased by the same ernment. She was originally a ney Harbour ferry, bought by Auckland owners after she served in the New Guinea area ing the war.

Another one, *Alexander A* (ex *Francis Peat*), sank in mid- man in April this year while b towed to Hobart by the Union C pany's *Kaitoa*, indicating that tain Bolton's job could prove teresting if the weather turned

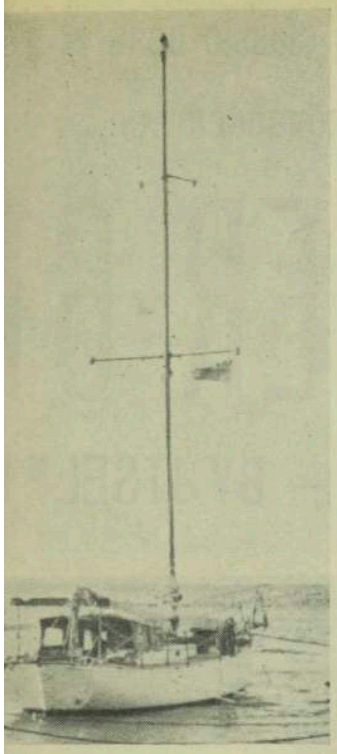
• FOR DOCKING: The Co based D. C. Brown ketch *Tav* was in Pago Pago in Septem October for dry-docking and effect repairs to a hull leak w had developed. Captain A Pickering, of Suva, was in comm

• ALONE FOR A YEAR: New Zealanders who for the year will have only themselves company sailed to Raoul Islan the Kermadecs, 600 miles no east of Auckland, in the MV *H burn* in late October. The men on the staff of the meteorolo station on Raoul, and once they over, their chances were that would see no other faces until next visit of the servicing vesse October next year.

Officer in charge is Mr. G Kape, of Gisborne. As well as t nicians and observers, there farm manager, a handyman a cook. Raoul has a 40-acre m farm, providing fresh pork mutton, eggs, milk, butter cheese. An orchard-cum-garden plies vegetables and sub-trop fruits, including oranges. The



The Cooks-based ketch "Taveuni", which in Pago Pago in October for dry do See above.



nderer", of Auckland, which arrived back at her home port in October.

excellent. That the life there o bad is probably witnessed fact that two of October's eam were beginning their consecutive term of the

current trip to Raoul will the station with new tele- nications and meteorological ent, and a new prefabricated g.

RENCH VISITS: French vessel *Francis Garnier*, wear- flag of Rear-Admiral Matinet Officer, French Naval Forces, made a three-day courtesy Honiara in September. The was last there in 1958. The crew were popular visitors sporting and social pro- e went off with a swing.

French research vessel *III* paid her third visit to a during the same month. ve scientists on board are d in oceanographic studies Coral Sea. Research includes cording of marine currents eir variations, the analysis ater at various levels where n is found, and the evalua- the density of the plankton.

e leaving Protectorate the scientists took samples water around Savo, at the of the BSIP Chief Geologist, C. Grover. Analysis of these will be included with other give an overall picture of conditions at volcanic Savo.

Any later variations can then be assessed for possible increased volcanic activity.

• THEY HAVE NAMES: Names have been chosen for the three BSIP Government vessels now being built in the UK. The replacement vessel for the ill-fated *Melanesian* will be named the *Coral Princess*.

The two Saunders-Roe vessels are to be named the *Kungava* and the *Komaliae*. Kungava is a bay in Rennell Island and Komaliae is a bay in the Shortlands. Other Saunders-Roe ships to be built later on will also be K-Class ships and will be named after bays and harbours in the Protectorate.

• *WAITOMO* ON REEF: The Canadian Union Line's 7,290-ton trans-Pacific freighter *Waitomo* was in trouble in mid-October. Bound from Sydney to Vancouver by Islands ports the ship went aground on a reef near the entrance to Apia harbour while entering from Nukualofa on the evening of Saturday, October 15. The Union Company's Islands vessel *Tofua* (5,299 tons), which had sailed from Apia for Suva some hours earlier, was recalled to give assistance. The *Waitomo* was carrying about 1,400 tons of general cargo for Apia.

The *Tofua* made several attempts to pull the *Waitomo* off without avail, because wire ropes and cables broke.

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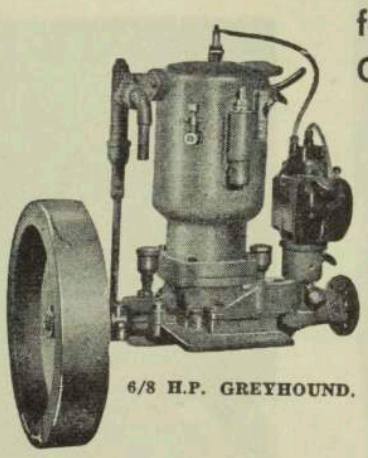

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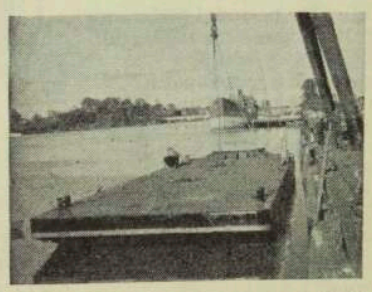

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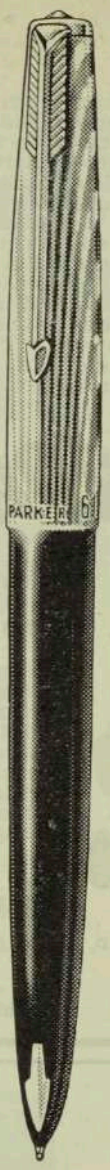

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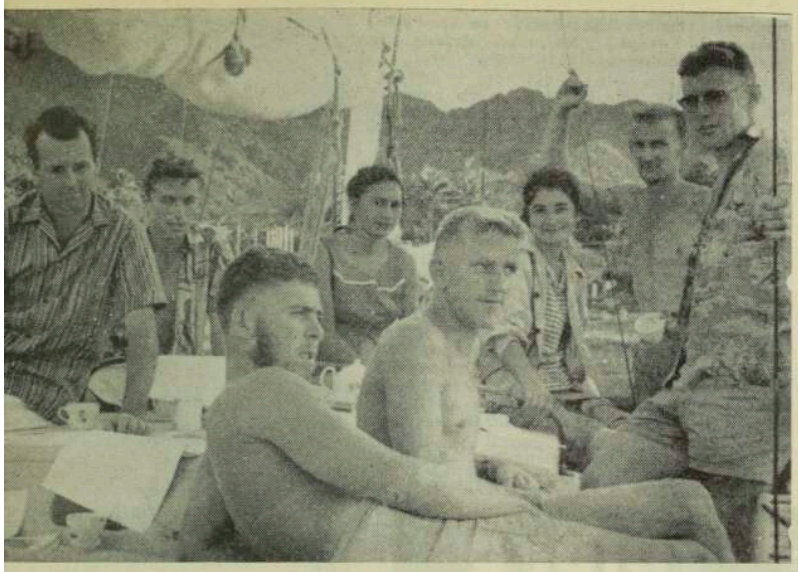

days before the "Patsy Jean" made an unscheduled trip from Rarotonga to Mitiaro to the shipwrecked crew of the "Margaret" (see story p. 61) she had spent a pleasant day . Here was the party aboard, from left: Don Comesky, David Saunders, Brian Crawford, Olive Silk, Bob Boyd, Lilian Moore, Don Silk (skipper) and Alan McQueen.

Photo: R. D. Moore

Tofua remained in Apia ur to stand by the stranded *mo* and the Tongan tug *ua* was radioed for assistance. the *Hifofua* and the Union *Tarawera* were expected to on October 19.

Waitomo was lying on the n about half her hull, while tern was still in deep water. s to have been the last trip e master of the *Waitomo*, in Sinclair, before his retire-

r the arrival of the *Tara-* on Wednesday, October 19, ewed effort was made by the and *Tarawera*, with the pulling on the *Waitomo's* r chains and turning her com- around. Then she drew her leep water. (See photo, p. 97.)

Hifofua arrived too late to ny assistance.

examination of the *Waitomo's* by divers found no damage. Apia cargo was landed in per- ondition.

Tofua left with four days' which the Union Company to make up, so that the vessel take the pre-Xmas shipment nanas for the New Zealand t in time for distribution to rs.

grounding created great ex- nt along the Apia waterfront.

IL TERMINALS OPENING: irst of two big terminals be- uilt in the South West Pacific ear by Vacuum Oil will be d at Apia in mid-November. the first terminal constructed n oil company in Western . Another installation will be d at Madang, NG, shortly

The first tanker to discharge at Apia is expected to be the 524-ft *Stanvac Bangkok*, 15,000 tons.

The terminal is on Mulinu'u Peninsula, adjacent to the town. It will be completed at a cost of £105,000 and has four bulk tanks, each with a capacity of 180,000 gallons—two for motor gasoline and one each for distillate and lighting kerosene.

A feature of the project is a combination of a six-inch submarine pipeline and floating line, with an overall length of 3,300 ft., connecting an off-shore tanker anchorage to the terminal.

The Vacuum terminal at Madang will be completed during November and the first tanker is scheduled to call there in the second week of December.

Madang also has four bulk storage tanks—two of 275,000 gallons capacity for distillate and aviation gasoline; one of 155,000 gallons for motor gasoline and one of 87,500 gallons for lighting kerosene.

• *ORONSAY'S* VISIT: Rabaul, New Guinea, was host to about 1,200 tourists from the *Oronsay* on October 15. She made it her first port of call on a Pacific cruise from Sydney to Japan via Hongkong and Singapore.

Special tours were organised to climb Rabaul's infamous volcano, Matupi, and a special race meeting coincided with their stay. Many of the more elderly tourists showed great interest in the natives and there were plenty of photographs taken with them for the "I was there" pictures in their photo albums. Some tourists took the names of natives, promising to write to them.

News of Cruising Yachts

• BIG TASMAN RACE LIKELY: The Royal Akarana Yacht Club of Auckland, sponsors of the Tasman Yacht Race, reported in October that already it appeared probable that there would be at least 15 entrants for the next event which commences from Auckland, January 28, and finishes at Sydney. Five of these yachts will be Australian. Entries were to close November 30, but under special circumstances later entries from overseas yachts might be accepted.

• DIANA of England, which Norman Young brought to the Pacific in 1957, again cleared Balboa, September 22, bound for

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Polynesia on the second circuit. With veteran Young is Mark Pridie, Peter Knight, David Merchant, and Gregg Parks —the latter two Americans. Planned route: Galapagos, Marquesas, Tahiti, Samoa, Fiji, New Zealand.

● YASME III and Danny Weil are heading for the Pacific again. The 50-ft ketch cleared Balboa about September 1 for the Galapagos and westward. Weil lost YASME I in the Coral Sea, and YASME II in the West Indies a year ago. The present craft, until recently named SANS REGRET, was purchased and fitted out by Weil at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Also aboard: Weil's recently married wife. A New Zealander, Dave Tremayne, left the yacht at the Canal Zone. Weil is operating on the amateur radio bands. He flies the Israeli flag.

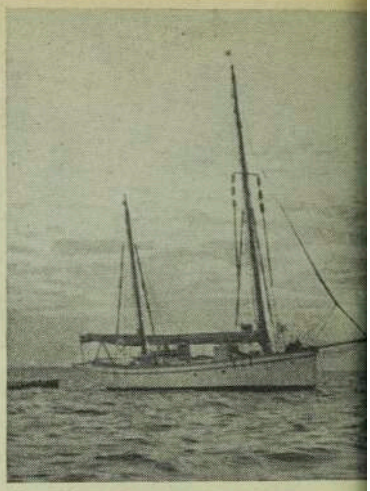
● ALVAREZ CAMPORA, 49-ft ketch of Uruguay, manned by a group of naval officers, cleared Balboa, August 5, for Ecuador, thence trans-Pacific to the Far East and Europe. No other details of route or personnel.

● PHEOBE of Durban, with owner Watkin and one companion cleared Balboa for Polynesia in the first week of September.

● BABBOON, veteran American schooner which cleared Suva, August 4, for Honolulu and California, arrived at Honolulu after 59 days at sea, during which the navigator lost his position. The yacht was sighted by the aircraft carrier USS BRETON 450 miles east of Midway on September 7 and given a chart and some sailing instructions. Honolulu then lay south-east.

The yacht was leaking badly and food supplies were all but exhausted when she was towed into Honolulu for the last mile or two on September 30. The auxiliary engine had failed a week after clearing Suva.

With American Gene Laughlin—who had



The "Si Ye Pambili" (translated as "Le Go Forward") which left UK in August year and was in Suva in October en rout NZ. Photo: R. D. M

been sent to Fiji by the owner to joi navigator—were Suva crewmen H MacPherson and Maxwell Hoeflich, Englishman Charles Chapman. The y had earlier been the source of consider ownership dispute at Papeete and a at Suva, and was in the ownership of Urban J. "Harp" Didier, of Woolland Cal., when she finally cleared Suva aft nine-months' stay.

● WANDERER of Auckland, with Buchanan and crewman Ganley which Suva, October 1, arrived safely bac her home port.

● WANDERER III and the Hiscock England, also arrived at Russell, NZ, Fiji early in October, 14 days out of S

● TRADE WINDS, the Tonga 120-ton ketch, was reported in Vila August and heading for Noumea—fur plans unknown.

● PENELLA of England, cleared late in August for Beqa, Noumea, Brisbane.

● TAHOE was to clear Rarotonga September for Suva, Noumea, Sydney.

● SI YE PAMBILI (we've seen a three versions of the name) of Green England, and BEN GUNN of the US arrived at Suva on October 12 from east. SI YE PAMBILI was originally ketch KOYA. Five young men set from England in her in August, 1959 sail round the world, but, as usual, things as marriage, sea-sickness an longing to stand on dry ground, took t toll, and the two originals left eventually reached Suva were Roger Go and Bill Baker. With them was a senger travelling to NZ from Tahit Canadian, Al Schofield.

The original five were members of British South Africa police in South Rhodesia. They left their jobs, po their resources, and bought the KOY She was re-christened SI YE PAMB meaning "Let us go forward" in Rhodes Skipper was Mike Maude, who had some river sailing in small boats England. None of the other four ever sailed a boat of any kind.

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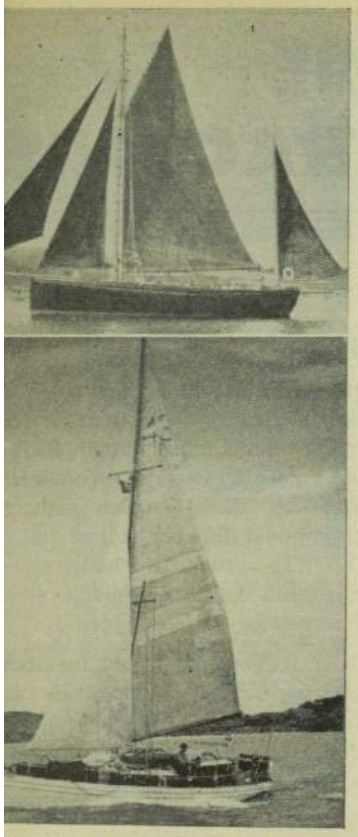

he "Diana", of England, which was in ific in 1956, and is now Pacific-bound econd circuit. Below is the English "Yasme", in which Danny Weil made g of a name for himself after losing the Coral Sea a few years ago. He sme II" in the West Indies a year ago, is now again headed for the Pacific, in "Yasme III".

Gowen had read some books on ion, so he was the navigator. He with a sextant and chronometer, ave a radio receiver.
we seem to get into the port we're without much difficulty," says "On the whole trip, we've only couple of days when we couldn't ighting at all."
cruise has taken them to Lisbon, s, the Canary Islands, Barbados, lapagos, the Marquesas, Tahiti, ga, Tonga and Fiji. They intend p at Auckland for re-fitting during rricane season, then sail back to South Africa.
er, it's a sturdy little craft, and od up under a few rough squalls any trouble. Overall length is and it has a 10 ft. 7 in. beam ¾-foot draught. Gaff-rigged, it's le to keep full sail up when other ould have to reef their sails. It lt in Blairmore, Scotland, in 1924. , who has taken over as skipper YE PAMBILI, expects to reach d about mid-November.

N GUNN will be in Auckland in er. Owned by Henry Horn of Connecticut, USA, she is carrying Mrs. Horn, their daughter Carlile, ndy Svedlund, who joined at ga and will travel as far as d.

The Horn family left Mystic in May, 1959, on what is their first real ocean cruise. After a lay-up at Auckland for re-fitting and a new engine, they will continue their journey westward.

"We haven't decided whether we'll try the Red Sea and do the Mediterranean, or go around the Cape," said Mr. Horn.

BEN GUNN, built in 1931 at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, is ex ALEGRETTO, STARLIGHT, and ALFY ZEE. She is 41½ feet overall, 11½ feet beam, and 6 ft. 2 in. draught.

● "I'm surprised that more people don't visit Wallis Island and Futuna," said Selwyn Matheson, one of the part-owners of the New Zealand yacht KEHUA.

With his partner, Peter Ashcroft, he took KEHUA to the two French islands earlier this year. They will be returning to Whangarei, their home port, in November.

It was their second overseas cruise, but their first time to Wallis and Futuna. "We were the first yacht that had called there for about three years", Matheson said.

They established another first by carrying the burgee of the Bay of Islands Yacht Club overseas for the first time. They are also members of the Onerahi Yacht Club at Whangarei. Travelling with them as crew is John Pettit, formerly of Whangarei, now of Napier.

KEHUA was amateur-built on plans by Woolacott. She is patterned after the ocean racing sloop GHOST, but has been rigged as a bermudian ketch for ease of handling in weather. Length is 29-feet overall, beam 8 ft. 2 in., and draught five feet.

Extensive repairs had to be made to KEHUA at Rarotonga in May, after being caught in harbour by the Chilean tidal wave.

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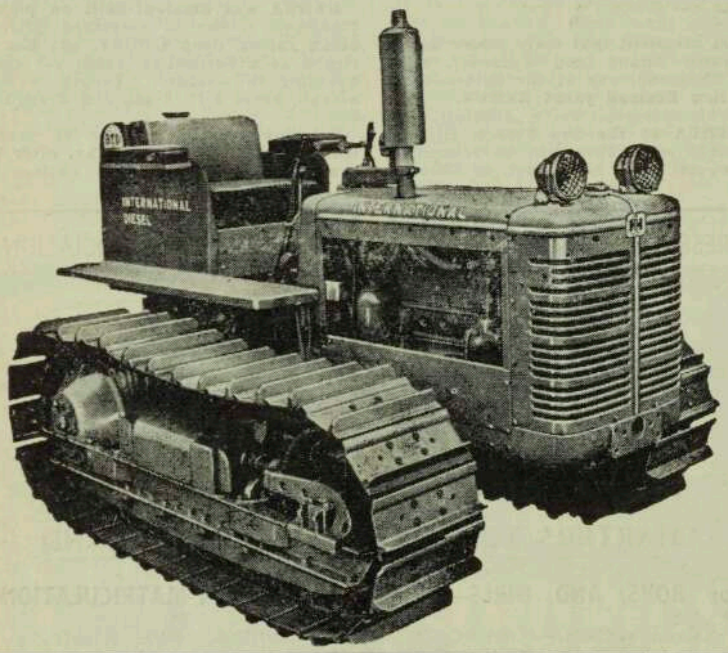

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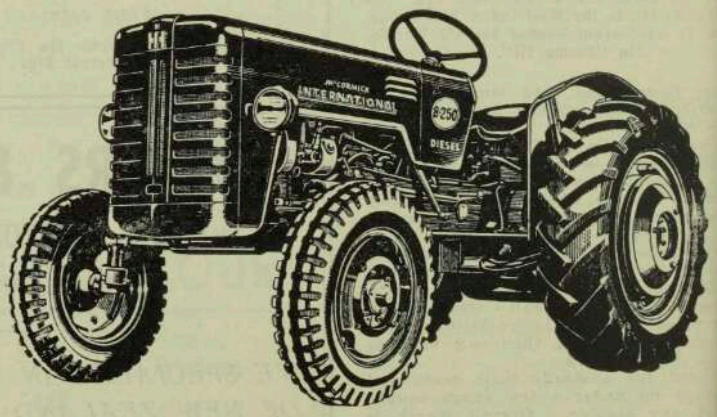

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Pacific Report

The month's round-up of news and pictures of people and ents, from *PIM* correspondents in the South Pacific.

len Rise in Fiji nployment Registrations

e Fiji Government's Labour was faced with a sudden and ing rise in unemployment rations in October. But it was artificial.

ring September, two businesses iva closed their doors, which ed a real increase in the er of unemployed. G. B. Hari, ng manufacturers, paid their nployees and sent them home, Bish Ltd., an engineering firm, off between 60 and 70 em- es. (*PIM*, October, p 31.)

these did not account for 600 registrations made during ber.

flood immediately followed a ng at Suva's Century Theatre ctober 5, called by Mr. James ony, secretary of the Wholesale Retail General Workers' Union. Anthony advised the audience, ated at about 700 people, that nployed persons should act ptly and register at the Labour e.

additional number of regis- ons was attributed to a rumour the Labour Department was iting workers for jobs in New nd. The Government issued a l, but men kept coming to ter for New Zealand jobs.

e Labour Department said the trations would have to be sed and checked before the es would be of any use to the rtment. Some of the registra- for jobs in New Zealand might been made by men who dy had jobs in Fiji.

d there were many other ons why registrations could be e without there being a sudden of real unemployment.

ansion Plans: New on for Fiji Airways

preparation for the expansion s overseas services Fiji Airways purchased a third Heron air- from NZ National Airways oration. The aircraft was to be ered from Christchurch via land, Norfolk, and Tontouta before the end of October following certain equipment modifications required for its new Islands' service.

Negotiations with the Governments of Western Samoa, New Zealand, American Samoa, the French and British Administrations in the New Hebrides, the British Solomon Islands, and the United Kingdom were proceeding in connection with the planned services to Western Samoa and the Solomons, but due to so many different authorities being involved this took time, and no date for the commencement of such services could be forecast yet.

Parallel with the company's own negotiations, the Fiji Air Licensing Authority had its own negotiations to carry out and until its work was completed there would not be a hearing of the applications made by Fiji Airways to operate these services.

Student Interchanges With New Caledonia

The New Caledonian Government announced in October that an office of student interchange had been created within the Ministry of Education, and it would organise exchange visits between New Caledonian, Australian and New Zealand college students.

Mr. Jacques Laplagne, Professor of English at Noumea's La Perouse College, is in charge of the office.

The first organised tour will be from NZ's University of Canterbury. The students in this tour are all studying French.

A special programme has been arranged by the Ministry of Educa-

A WAY THEY HAVE IN THE ISLANDS: Norfolk Island, like so many other small South Pacific islands, has no wharf to enable ships to berth, so loading and unloading must be done out in the stream, where more often than not it's a tricky business. This van for Norfolk made a tight fit for one surf boat when it was recently unloaded from the "Tulagi". Bigger vehicles are often unloaded into two surf boats, two wheels in each. The owner of this particular van can be seen on the deck above. He's the fellow biting his fingernails.

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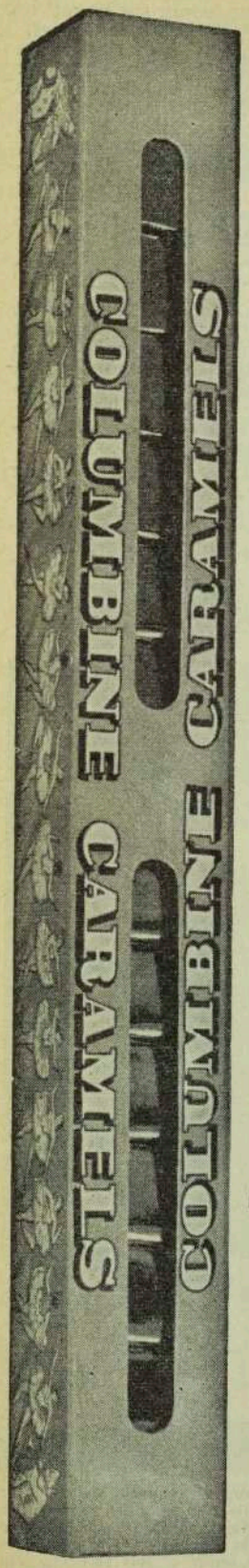

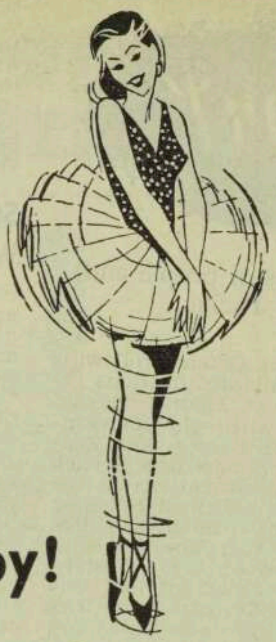

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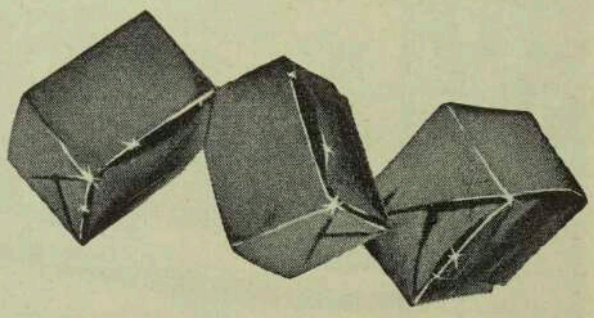

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tion, comprising talks in French literature, history and geography New Caledonia. Tours will be ma

The Ministry is responsible arrangements and accommodati for the students, who will be New Caledonia for about a mon

For 1961, the New Caledoni Government is also offering t scholarships to Australian stude to permit them to perfect th French. They will continue th studies at the La Perouse Colle Cost of the voyage and other penses are paid for by the Gove ment and about £5 a month is a supplied as pocket money.

Australia offers similar schol ships to New Caledonian student

American Film Expedition To Dutch New Guinea

An American anthropologi film expedition will travel throu NNG's Baliem Valley in Mar next year to make scientific doc mentaries of the natives.

The team will be led by Robert Gardner, Director of Ha vard Film Study Centre, and consist of Peter Matthiesson, natu writer, Eliot Elisofen, photograph of *Life* magazine, and Michi Rockefeller, of Rockefeller Muse for Primitive Art, in New York.

Mr. J. Th. Broekhuyse, Nethe lands New Guinea Governme ethnologist, who is already in t Baliem Valley, will join the tea

American and Netherlands fina cial assistance to the expediti has been secured.

A BBC television team was Norfolk Island in late October a short visit of film making, a US cameramen were TV filming Fiji in early November.

Dutch Council's Voting Arrangements

The Netherlands New Guin Government in October gave d tails of voting arrangements f NNG's first New Guinea Counc which is expected to be operati next March.

The Council is a first step in 10-year-plan aimed at bringing th Dutch Papuans closer to sel government. However, no targ date has been fixed by the Dutc who have made it clear that overa political progress will depend progress made with the Council.

The official Dutch statemer said:—

All inhabitants of Dutch nation ality and all Netherlands subjec who have lived in Netherlands Ne Guinea since January 1, 1958, an have reached the age of 21 at th time of the elections, will have th right to vote for the New Guine Council.

Elections will be held in 14 elec toral districts, in 12 of which peop

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s may be held in November.
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name of one candidate. How-
, there is no objection to hav-
one's name included in several
inations.
ext, the lists of candidates for
electoral district are drawn up and published for the voters and voting representatives to take these into consideration.

There is a possibility of groups being formed in the electoral districts to support certain candidates. Barring unforeseen circumstances the voting for the candidates may take place in February, while the first session of the New Guinea Council may be held by the end of March, 1961.

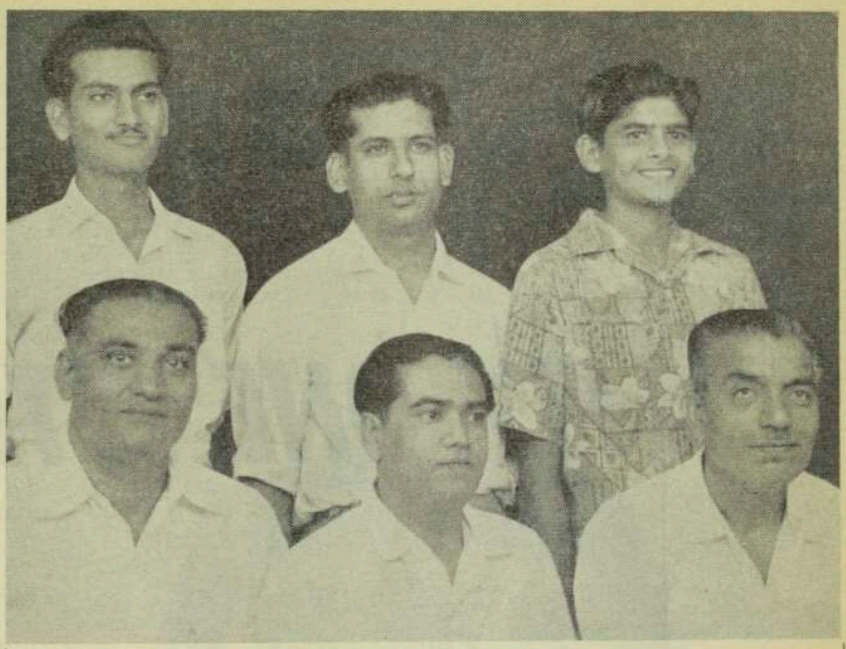
The session will last about two months.

In addition to electoral districts, there are some areas where candidates are appointed by recommendation. Collecting these recommendations means, in fact, holding informal two-stage ballots. Meetings will be convened at which the names of candidates may be put up, to a maximum of three.

The number of lists of proposed candidates to be submitted is not permitted to exceed the number of meetings held.

This system will give the Governor an idea of the preferences of the areas concerned.

In a few *very* primitive regions the Governor has the right of appointment without being required to observe any regulations in this regard.



They're In The Money!

These six Indians from Nadi, Fiji, are wearing £100,000 smiles. The six are store clerks and salesmen who made up the syndicate of "LM", which won that amount as first prize in an Australian lottery in October ("PIM", October, p. 23). In late October they still weren't too sure what they were going to do with the money. They said they were going to wait until they got it!

Photo: Anand's

WANTS IT? This popular garment brought a few grins from the buyers when Jim Moerua ed it for sale at a recent jumble sale for the Rarotonga Crippled Children's Society, in the s. But it found a buyer, and the jumble sale resulted in £118 being added to the Society's s. In the last 12 months the Society has sent six crippled children to NZ hospitals for ment. Since the Society was founded in 1946, 41 children have benefited. The treatment one child can amount to £2,000. At present 14 children in the Cooks are awaiting treatment.

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he first vehicles crossed it on tember 23, but they were t vehicles only, and until bridge is strengthened it carry only up to five tons, only one vehicle can use it time.

einforcement parts were tly to arrive from overseas, hat the loading could be in- sed to 16 tons. But it was ded to open it in Septem- because it is the only ge for traffic over the ga, and the punt service— ch has been operating for y months since the old ge was washed away—has exactly been a popular one Honiara.

he ferry is still available heavy loads until the big bridge gets going in est.

built over 50 years ago by killed Mr. Casson (father of ewis Casson) and installed in Anglican Church in Levuka, about 1904.

he last quarter century, what led a depression has fallen Levuka, and the fine old got into a bad condition.

en Archdeacon Whonsbon- took over the parish recently, cided that the organ should ested in its downward career; was taken to pieces and sent l, Norman and Beard (Aust.) Ltd., in Melbourne, where it een completely renewed and t; and it now is for sale as nds there. It is suitable for a or a private house.

one interested should write to ndeacon Whonsbon-Aston, a, Fiji.

of Artificial for Yate

Caledonia's Yate Dam was g headlines again in October. have recently been rumours, d by the roneo news-sheet *Le onien* (*PIM*, October, p. 141) the dam foundations not be- fe. These were denied as be- antastic. The work being d out was said to be normal gh it had to do with re- ing the foundations.

mea's daily newspaper, con- l by the Nickel Company, in er took up the question of the ery work" being done on the and also pointed out that were fears that there was insufficient water in the dam's lake to assure a continuous supply of electricity to the nickel furnaces in Noumea. The paper said the level of the dam was falling rapidly and there was little hope of rain falling for some months.

The most that could be "hoped for" was a cyclone!

The article in the paper said a study was being made of the possibilities of artificial rain-making over the Yate basin. If the authorities had any success they would extend the experiment to other parts of New Caledonia.

Australia, of course, has had much success in artificial rain-making over its giant Snowy Mountains hydro scheme.

Fiji Hopes to End Leprosy

Dr. P. W. Dill-Russell, Director of Medical Services in Fiji, in October expressed the hope that leprosy in the Colony could be eradicated.

He said that there were about 300 cases of leprosy in Fiji. In the past six years the number of cases admitted to the leprosarium at Makogai had varied from 26 to 44 a year.

In 1958, a total of 121 cases were discharged as cured and last year 131 patients were discharged.

Mr. Dill-Russell added: "These figures give a clear indication of the efficacy of modern treatment and give great hopes for the future.

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Is It Possible To Save Levuka?

"Surely it is possible to save old town and port of Levuka fr complete extinction," said Ar deacon C. W. Whonsbon-Aston, Fiji, when in Sydney recently.

For years, Levuka lived on business of assembling and shipp copra from all points around Koro Sea. Regularly, the sm planters—and especially the Fiji planters—sailed their little ships Levuka from their plantations the Lomaiviti area, and pla farther afield; discharged and s their copra while their wives a children went shopping; and th returned home with most of th copra money represented in man factured goods and foodstuffs. Th was Levuka's economic backgrou

"Then Carpenters built th crushing mill in Suva, and pa cash on the wharfside there for copra brought in," said the Arc deacon. "Now, most of the cop goes there, and Levuka is nea dead. Furthermore, many nat growers will not cut for the Su market.

"I suggest a three-ways co ference between Government, Ca penters and the Levuka busine men, to see if Levuka cannot made a copra-shipping port aga Because it would stimulate nati copra production, and save Levuk it might be worth the Fiji Gover ment's while to subsidise Carpente to make more use of Levuka."

Stone Age Objects For The Missions

New Guineans in the Easte Highlands are turning over to priest-enthnologist implements fr their dying stone cult.

"According to native belief the stones possess magical powers," sa Rev. Dr. Henry Aufenanger, SV a member of the Divine Wo Missionary order which has be active in the New Guinea Highlan since they were first discovered 1933.

The missionary said that th stone implements were former greatly honoured in specially co structed houses and were believ to shield and help their worshippe in time of war. Some of the sto mortars are referred to as "O Grandfather" or "Our Gran mother" still today.

Dr. Aufenanger said that man of the mortars, pestles, birds an other stone cult objects showe

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t artistic skill and that some of great enthnological value. he New Guinea Highlanders no real explanation for the n of these objects, are unable to oduce them, and maintain that are the work of the spirits," aid.

High And The Low New Guinea's Stamps

apua-New Guinea stamps twice e news in October.
Sydney stamp dealer, Mr. Kevin y, of Lane Cove, paid £1,700 for sheets of New Guinea stamps ch were sold by the Port esby post office for 36/- earlier year. According to Mr. Duffy, stamps are worth at least £2,300.
he reason for their rise in value hat the words "postal charges" e been double overprinted.
he stamps are New Guinea "post- due" stamps used for taxing ers with insufficient postage. gether 5,000 stamps were over- ted, but Mr. Duffy thinks he the only two sheets of stamps were overprinted twice.
he low mark of the month, rding to the Melbourne *Herald*, reached by the designers of e new P-NG stamp issues to be on sale on November 10. The mps are one at 5d, showing cacao s, one at 8d, showing the Bulolo wood mill, and one at 2/5, show- cattle.
ommented the *Herald* under an orial headed "Klinki Makes a Mark":
While the less sophisticated of Papuans may be lining up full ardor at grass-thatched post ces to buy the New Guinea mps that go on sale on November the designs reproduced today are likely to excite people with more tivated philatelic tastes.
The stamp depicting the plymill Klinki may make a profound pression on the indigenous in- bitants without arousing admira- n in circles in which the Klinki mill is unfamiliar.
The whole unimaginative issue ms to confirm the Australian utation for generally corny and lid stamps that do little to mark as an original people."
The *Herald* was wrong in placing mill at "Klinki", however. The ll is at Bulolo, and it handles nkii pine, which grows in the valleys and ranges around Bulolo. Why the stamp refers to "Klinki plymill" (one "i"), we don't know.

NG's new stamp, showing the Bulolo plymill.

Hawaii Planning A Pacific Games

A Mosman (Sydney) rowing club official, Mr. Eric Holford, who visited the Rome Olympics reported in Sydney on his return that he had had discussions in Honolulu about a proposed Pacific Games. He said the first one would probably be staged in Hawaii next June, and 30 nations would probably be invited to compete. Tentative plans had already been drawn up to stage most Olympic sports, together with big-game fishing, polo, equestrian and other events.

Prime movers in Honolulu were Mr. Robert Sawtelle ("Mister Rowing") and Mrs. E. Fullard-Leo, who is a member of the American Athletic Union, and who has managed American Olympic teams. Their committee consists of businessmen, representatives of local sporting bodies and the US Armed Forces.

Mr. Holford said the president of the International Olympic Committee, Mr. Avery Bundage, was expected to guide the programme through the AAU so that it would have authority to proceed very soon. When this happened Mr. Holford said he would contact Australian amateur sporting bodies. (Over)

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e added, "Swimming contests likely to be staged between n, America and Australia, and d provide a spectacle equal to Olympic Games."

y Work For ir Pocket Money

ur young men and two girls re- ly arrived in the British mons to do a year's voluntary in Government and mission ols.

ey arrived under a scheme d Voluntary Service Overseas, h is backed by the Royal Com- wealth Society.

e organisers arrange for young le who have just left school to voluntary work in under-de- ed Commonwealth territories. receive a small amount of ket money. Governments or ions are responsible for their mmodation, maintenance, and et money, although the fares aid by funds raised in the UK.

e scheme sent 58 grammar and sh public schoolboys overseas 958 and hopes to send 125 nteers this year.

o of the recent arrivals in the are working with the Mel- ian Mission, two with the odist Mission, one with the olic Mission and one at the rnment's King George VI ol at Auki.

y Feet Error Could n Some Wet Feet

aerial survey error has de- d by four months a £1,000,000 o-electric project 15 miles from Moresby.

Administration spokesman said ctober that the survey had been by 40 feet in determining the -water mark of the huge dam e built across Sirinumu Gorge. 100-foot high wall will dam rs of the Laloki River, flooding about five native villages and isolating several others.

The Administration cannot buy from villagers the land needed for the project until the survey is done again.

Building of the dam is the first stage in a long range scheme to develop hydro-electric power for Port Moresby.

Work on the dam is now scheduled to begin next March.

A spokesman said the Administration had wanted to start immediately negotiating with natives for land needed but now had to wait for a second survey to be completed.

The Administrator, Brigadier D. M. Cleland, later agreed that a "regrettable error" had been made.

He said he had been advised that an initial survey had shown that about 6,500 acres of land would be flooded by the dam.

Four native villages with a total population of 235 would be inundated and others would lose "significant" areas of land.

The survey had shown that one entire clan of about 50 people would be left without any land at all, his advisers had said.

Mr. Cleland said that the natives concerned had been approached and after initial reluctance had agreed to a resettlement scheme.

A total of £50,000 had been allocated for this purpose, together with another £20,000 for land acquisition.

Mr. Cleland said agriculture and forestry surveys had been started, land ownership had been investigated and the site for an access road routed.

A physical land survey had then uncovered the high-water mark error.

A whole new survey of the land needed was now underway and it appeared as if the original 6,500 acres would be increased to about 13,000 acres.

Vietnamese Not Away Yet

The first repatriation voyage Vietnamese from New Cale- nia to North Vietnam had still t left Noumea in October. It s announced that the North etnam (Communist) Govern- nt was sending a delegation Noumea to examine those re- rning, so as to satisfy the orth Vietnam Government at the people were not being ced to return against their ll.

Noumea unofficially construed at as meaning that the object the delegation was to screen e repatriates.

AT THE POLYNESIAN ASSOCIATION: Recent visitors to the Polynesian Association in Sydney were (top), Ruth Framhein, from the Cooks and Tahiti, with a garland presented to her during the evening, and (lower), Madame Leau, Monsieur Souky, and his wife Sophie, of Papeete. They showed a film of life in Tahiti.

Wild Dogs Are Worrying The Solomons

The British Solomons, as with Fiji, is having a dog problem.

Members of the Agricultural Advisory Committee, at a recent meeting in Honiara, said the large number of wild dogs found in various parts of the Solomons was a danger to poultry. It decided to ask the Administration to see what it could do about reducing the menace.

The Committee suggested that a small poultry unit should be run by the Agricultural Department which would import and breed cockerels for sale to Solomon Islanders.

It felt that the importation of expensive cattle to form a breeding stud was not of primary importance and should have a low priority.

The Agricultural Department in the BSIP has asked for money to improve pig-breeding stock, and hopes to import several different breeds, including Tamworths.

Joseph Follows In Father's Footsteps

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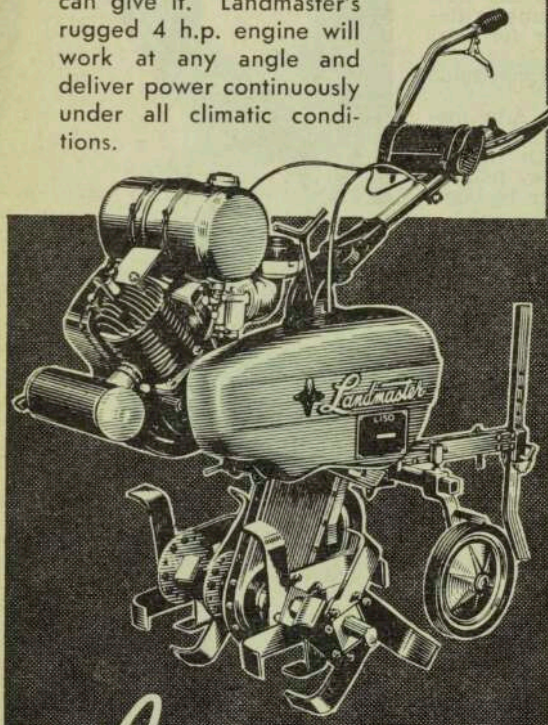

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Lae Town Advisory Council October.

He is Joseph Bula, the son Simogun Peta, P-NG's Pidgi speaking MLC and war hero.

Bula was educated at the Dreg hafen Administration School, a has been on the staff of the Co monwealth Bank for the last fo years. He is treasurer of the L Native Sport Club and takes p in other group activities in t town.

He will represent the 700 or Sepik people who have made th homes in Lae over the past t years.

The other native member appoint is Joseph Beata, a former Papu from Kairuku, who has been livi in Lae for about ten years, and employed in the building trade. will represent the 1,000 Papuans Lae.

There are native members on District Advisory Councils in t Territory, and on Town Advis Councils in areas where there is permanent native urban populati

Theirs Is A Scorched Earth Policy

A Native Affairs patrol throu primitive country in the Nipa Vall west of Mendi in the Southern Hig lands of Papua, reported in Octo that the Nipa people were e ponents of an uncompromisi scorched earth policy.

Attackers, not content with cat ing a few deaths, aimed at the co plete destruction of all prope owned by their opponents.

Houses were burnt, food-beari trees cut down, and trees of ce monial value ring-barked.

When defeated groups were driv off their land, the land was rar occupied by the victors, but beca waste ground or was left idle use in future skirmishes.

The Nipa post was establish about a year ago.

The Nipa Valley is at an altitu of 5,600 feet and has a rainfall about 120 inches a year.

The patrol, which was away f 41 days, was led by Patrol Offic R. A. Hoad.

New Guinea's "Old Vickers" Is Now In Oils

A New Guinea war episode invol ing Australian troops has been pe petuated in a painting just hu in the Australian War Memori Canberra. The painting was spec ally commissioned by the Memori from the South Australian artist, a former official war artist, Ivor He

The painting, 10 ft by six ft, entitled "Taking Old Vickers Pos tion, Bobdubi Ridge, 28th July, 194

The Minister for the Interior, M Gordon Freeth, said the action d picted by Mr. Hele was the storm ing by troops of the 58th/59th Au tralian Infantry Battalion of a Ja

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P-NG Replies To Blood Leaflet

he P-NG Legislative Council, October, passed an amend- it to the Papua-New Guinea lic Health Ordinance giving tors the right to give, without ents' consent, blood trans- ons to children.

he amendments are based on ilar legislation introduced ntly in New South Wales.

hey follow a recent Territory troversy in which the ovah's Witnesses issued a klet "pointing out the dangers blood transfusions".

The booklet was condemned by e Administrator, Brigadier M. Cleland, who asked the ives to ignore it. ("PIM", tember, p. 139).

strongpoint on Bobdubi Ridge g the advance on the enemy al base of Salamaua.

own as "Old Vickers", the posi- constituted a troublesome cle to the attackers, whilst the y regarded it as vital to their ces and had resisted previous ks with typical ferocity. For al weeks Australian troops re- itred the area and planned an t assault on "Old Vickers".

s commenced on July 27 with tar and artillery barrage. Next noon the attack was launched Company, 58th/59th Battalion. ffective were the supporting ires that the Japanese had just enced to emerge from their uts when the leading Aus- n platoon reached the crest, amid a shower of bursting des, they swept into the posi-

ne of the enemy evacuated, but s remained, and a series of e hand-to-hand fights ensued, n lasted for about 90 minutes. enemy survivors then withdrew ds another position known as Coconuts", pursued by Aus- n bullets.

e enemy felt the loss keenly, ver, and during following days hed no less than 14 fanatical er-attacks without success.

. Freeth said that the various aphical features encountered g this campaign were named e troops.

the same area as "Old Vickers" "Charley Hill" and "Davidson e"—the Christian and surnames e present Postmaster-General, C. W. Davidson, who led the nsland 42nd Battalion in the naua Campaign.

ld Vickers" is thought to have ved its name because earlier a ers machine-gun post had been lished there.

Rich Timber Stand Had A Hollow Ring

P-NG Forestry officers have discovered that more than 100,000 acres of timber in the Cape Hoskins area of New Britain Island is "defective".

Timber which was believed worth hundreds of thousands of pounds was offered for tender in July.

The P-NG Administrator, Brigadier D. M. Cleland, announced in October that the tenders notice would now be withdrawn.

The notice offered 200,000,000 super feet of timber to be taken from the area over a period of 10 years.

Japanese firms are known to have shown keen interest in taking up a lease.

Forestry officers had rated the area one of the Territory's richest in timber.

In his statement, Brigadier Cleland said that an Administration officer had first noted defective timber in the lease area in August.

"Volume defect study was immediately carried out.

"This showed that a great majority of the trees were so defective that timber could not be economically harvested," Brigadier Cleland said. "In view of this I directed that the tender be withdrawn."

An Administration spokesman said the survey had shown that the bulk of the trees were hollow.

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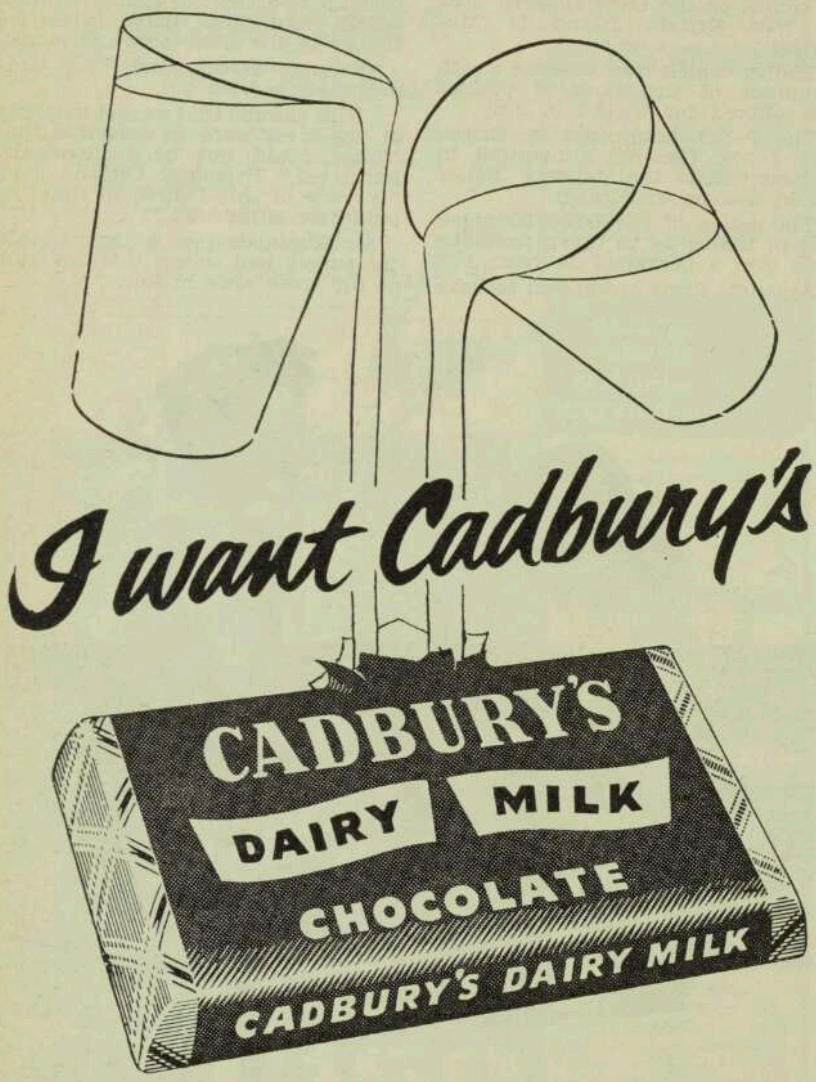

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P-NG Basic Wage Up Agai New Urban Wage Soon

The P-NG Legislative Council, October, passed legislation incre ing the native basic wage in Pa and New Guinea for the sec time in three weeks.

The present minimum wage of a week will rise to 8/6 a week the first year of employment 9/9 for the second year.

The increase, expected to aff an estimated 60,000 rural work will take effect January 2.

The increases were contained i bill amending the Native Lab Ordinance.

The ordinance, passed by Legislative Council in 1958, ca into effect only at the beginning October.

It increased the basic wage by shillings a year and gave bet overtime and compensation rates.

Introducing the Amending B the director of Native Affairs, J. K. McCarthy, said the new crease had stemmed from reco mendations by the Native Empl ment Board.

He said the Board had reco mended a basic wage rise from shillings every four weeks to 32/6 calendar month for the first year employment, and 37/6 a month the second year.

The new rates are 30/- and 3 respectively every four weeks.

Mr. McCarthy said they we "reasonable and acceptable".

"They will improve the nati standard of living without having serious affect on the Territory economy," he added.

Employers will still have to pr vide workers with food, clothin accommodation and medical care.

A recent agreement between em ployers-employees fixed a minimu wage of £3 a week for urban worke in the towns of Port Moresby, L and Rabaul. (*PIM*, Sept., p. 20).

The new legislation included clause giving the Administrat power to recognise such industri agreements.

Observers said the new urba rate was now likely to be ratifie in the immediate future, and come into effect in November had been proposed in the agre ment.

Col. J. K. Murray Takes Another Look at P-NG

The bulk of European settlers ha "seen the writing on the wall" an were accepting the changing politica climate in Papua and New Guinea Colonel J. K. Murray said i October.

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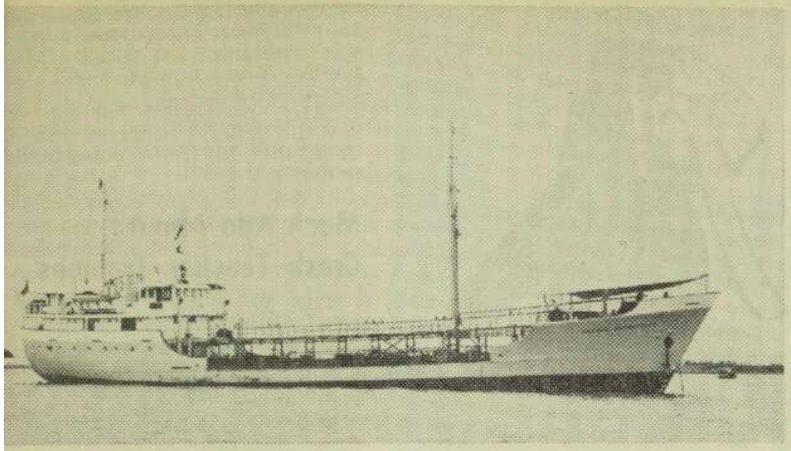

SERVICE: Here is the tanker "Pacific rise", expected in Lae, NG, at the end ovember to inaugurate an inter-island service for the Vacuum Oil Company. anker will soon be a familiar sight in uth Pacific, for she will service outport als now being built for Vacuum at Wewak, g, Tarawa (GEIC), Vila and Santo (New Hebrides) and Honiara (BSIP).

lonel Murray, a former Admin- tor of the Territory, was speak- to reporters at Port Moresby's son's airport.

ked to comment on relations een the white and black in ia and New Guinea, he said:

nce I left here in 1952 there been a remarkable change in attitude of Europeans towards problems of rule of a plural ty.

hen I suggested that three es should be included in the Legislative Council (in 1951) general reaction was quite le.

ow, nine years later, most le here are accepting quite ly, the fact that next year the cil will have 11 native mem- "

added, "Papua and New ea will always have a 'hard of antipathetic Europeans.

he bulk of white people, how- have seen the writing on the and are accepting the inevit- changes."

lonel Murray was the Terri- s Administrator from 1945 to

went to Port Moresby in Oc- as an official guest to the ing of the fourth Legislative cil's new chambers.

later made a quick tour of the r centres of the Territory.

fore returning to Australia, el Murray said changes now g place appeared certain to even as far back as 1900.

ow Papua and New Guinea is ressing politically, I hope it nues.

ative representation on the lative Council must continue ow until the day self-govern- comes.

"And I can't see this happening inside a quarter of a century."

Colonel Murray said that a common roll in the Territory was something of the "very near future"

"It would work in many areas now," he said.

"But in others, it would be absolutely hopeless." (Over)

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Commenting on his tour, he sa
the Territory's progress since 19
was something in which the Au
tralian Government could take
"great satisfaction."

"Any reasonable person wou
say the general progress was high
creditable to those concerned," h
added.

Much Ado About Crash Teacher Trainees

The 60 young men Papua a
New Guinea had recruited fro
Australia to implement its cra
education programme were in f
some shocks, Mr. Don Barrett, ML
said in Port Moresby in October.

Many would have to live in bu
huts and face extremely primiti
conditions, he said.

Mr. Barrett, one of the Counci
three elected members, was speaki
during the Budget debate in t
Legislative Council.

He attacked the Governmen
policy of an increase in educati
programme in favour of econom
development.

Mr. Barrett said enormous hou
ing problems faced the programm

"I know that in at least one di
trict Administration officers w
have to accommodate five teache
more than they can possibly handl
he said.

"These men will just have to li
in huts built of native materials.

"I imagine this position exists
many other areas.

"Men will have to be able to sett
down here in the face of extreme
primitive conditions.

"I can foresee there will be tho
who will drop by the wayside."

A nominated mission leade
Father J. O'Dwyer, supported M
Barrett.

He said the new programme wou
come up against many problems.

The first teachers arrived at th
beginning of November, and thus
heralded by such advance com
ments as these—the Pacific's mo
contentious education experimen
of recent years had begun in P-NG

The experimental nature of th
scheme lies in the fact that th
trainees are below the usual
acceptable educational level fo
teachers, and that their initi
training course will last only s
months. They will be trained i
Rabaul and will then teach nativ
pupils of primary standard. (*PIM*
Sept., p. 138.)

Some idea of the bait in th
way of opportunity that wa
dangled in front of the trainee
can be gained from the fact tha
more than 1,000 men aged betwee
18 and 54 applied for the initi
60 positions.

There seemed little doubt, too
that some were using the schem
as a lever to break into the teach
ing profession in Australia afte
completing their initial terms i
P-NG. This will, of course, increas

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Downhill With The Wind

Limping into port at six ts," said the news reports n the 200-ton steel tanker ali" struck a spot of bother Normanby Island, Papua, October 15.

ut as "Duali's" owners said r, "That's not limping. It's out, downhill, and with the d behind her. Six knots is ood speed for her at any e."

concentration of bad ther—Normanby Island is rious for it—took away two ch covers, but otherwise ali" came out of the trouble out further bother. There no marine inquiry although ali" sent out an interna- al distress signal when gs looked blackest.

Duali" wasn't the only recent ualty.

shudder and a vibration n the 5,000 ton cargo liner los" was off Lae, announced fact that the ship had shed of the blades of her screw, arently from metal failure she was in open water.

survey at Lae showed no er damage and "Delos" pro- ded to Australia at reduced ed for repairs.

ffective cost of the scheme to , but will not necessarily e the value of the scheme.

e trainees have come from types of jobs in five Aus- n States, and their course is being conducted at a training e in the grounds of Malaguna nical Training Centre, Rabaul.

ticism of the scheme has been sive, and understandably so. greatest outcry has been st the lowering of educational lards required of teacher ees. Other criticism has been ed against the impossibility of r training in six months, at "lucky dip" nature of the ion scheme, and at the alleged rness of the scheme to fully ed teachers already in the service.

a broader scale critics have sed Australia of "whipping up education scheme which will no practical purpose except window dressing for the United ons."

ere is every reason to believe, ver, that if the scheme works as planned the direct educa- l advantages to the native ren will be great. But the s can see danger even in this t.

. Don Barrett, MLC, in the slative Council, expressed a that the natives may be

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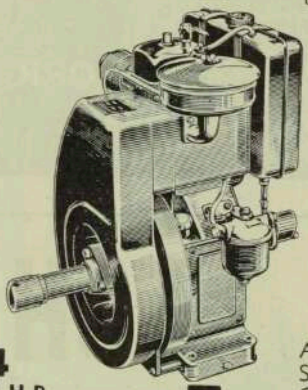

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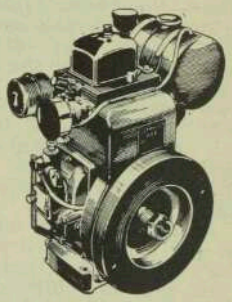

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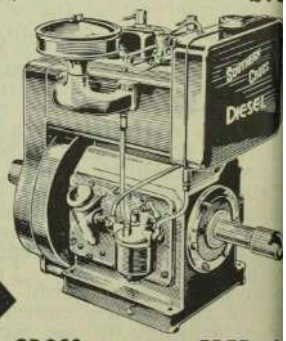

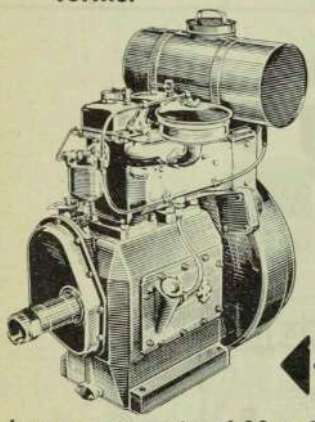

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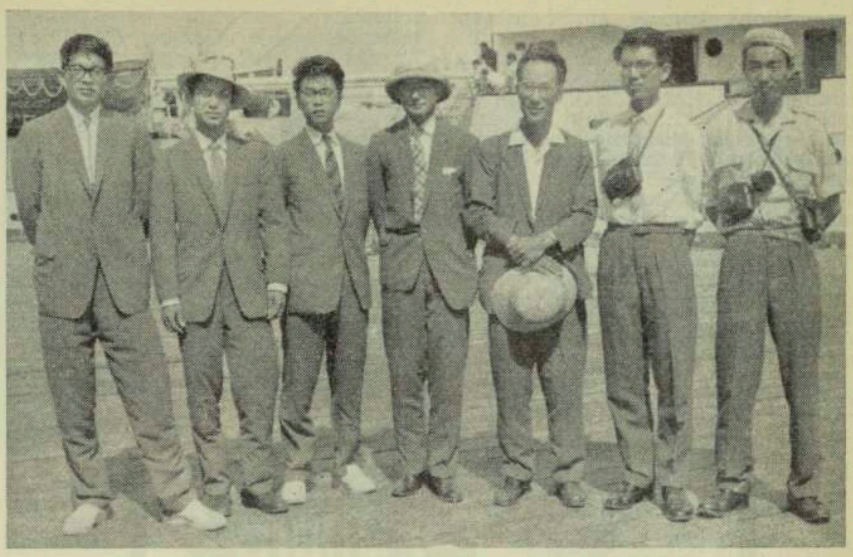
ted initially to a standard too for their own economy to rt, leading to discontent and nditions ripe for Communism. scheme is a bold one which be extraordinarily successful. P-NG Education Department lefined its obligations in edu—universal primary educaand universal literacy in Engand has set about meeting bligations.

addition, the P-NG Director ucation, Mr. G. T. Roscoe, has ed what the trainees will be ted to achieve among the children. His outline makes ar that the requirements are er highly nor purely academic, hat the trainees can progress more advanced and academic hes of teaching if their reand studies are satisfactory. headmaster of the training e at Rabaul, Mr. Joe Salt, drawn on history to demonhow emergency recruiting raining schemes have successmet many challenges.

examples include a recent lish emergency education ie, and the aircrew training ie adopted during the war.

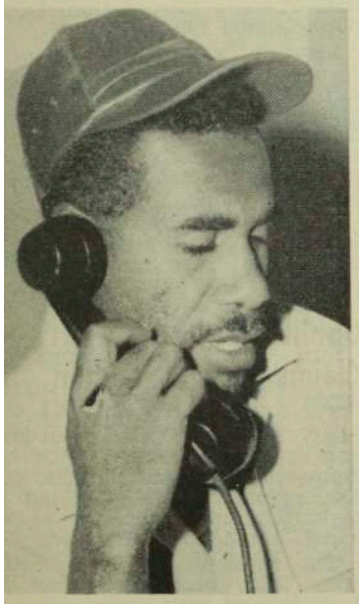


RESEARCH IN TONGA. These members of the Kyoto University Explorer's Club returned to Japan in October after a three months' expedition to Tonga. The team, in charge of Professor Y. Yabuuchi, Professor of Geography at Osaka City University (centre), made investigations into a wide range of subjects including agriculture, botany, geography, archaeology and educational mattters. The professor hopes that further Polynesian expeditions can be arranged for Japanese teams.
Photo: J. P. Shortall

ammed Tora
itted of Charges

Fiji Supreme Court in early nber acquitted union leader, i Tora, alias Mohammed Tora, wo charges of having de- ed money with menaces with to steal.

a's arrest in August caused in the Colony. At the time was in the middle of a dis- is sugar dispute and tension igh in North-West Viti Levu. alleged victims of the charges



Mohammed Tora.

were Indian canefarmers and brothers from Vitogo, half a dozen or so miles from Lautoka, where rifts among various factions had led to several shootings earlier this year.

The brothers, Atma Ram Sharma (an ex-constable) and Vishnu Deo, alleged that Tora had told them an escaped prisoner, Sairusi Nabogibogi would shoot them unless they paid Tora £500.

Vishnu Deo in evidence in the lower court claimed that Sairusi, after Tora's alleged threats, had shot him and his young daughter at Vitogo.

Tora, in the Supreme Court, gave an alibi for one of the occasions on which the alleged threats were uttered, but the Acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice Hammett) rejected this.

The Crown case fell down on some unsatisfactory factors in Atma Ram's evidence which, the judge said, were not adequately explained or accounted for.

The judge also said that the brothers were slow in reporting the matter to the police, and there was no really independent evidence to support the story.

While Tora was winning his acquittal in the Supreme Court, the Wholesale and Retail Workers' General Union, of which he is president, suffered loss of face in the industrial field.

This union called the December, 1959, oil strike which culminated in two days' rioting in Suva and a handsome improvement in pay and working conditions for employees in the oil industry.

In February this year there were signs of a rift among the oil workers and an abortive strike at the Vuda Point oil depots, between Lautoka and Nadi Airport, led to a breakaway union coming into existence.

The leader of the new group was Ratu Meli Gonewai, who was president of the Wholesale and Retail Workers' General Union before Tora replaced him in March.

When the oil workers' award came up for renewal in October the oil companies said they would deal with the union which had the greater number of members in the industry. They turned the matter over to the Registrar of Industrial

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Associations (Mr. B. L. Gregg) to decide the issue.

Mr. Gregg called for various books and papers, which were forthcoming from Ratu Meli's union in satisfactory fashion, but he had some difficulty with the other body, led by Tora and the secretary (Mr. James Anthony).

Tora and Anthony finally walked out on Mr. Gregg who then ruled that Ratu Meli's union had bargaining status.

Ratu Meli, with officials of his union, met representatives of the two oil companies (Shell and Vacuum) and came up with a few gains.

Naturally, after the big increases following the strike (and made retrospective to October 24, 1959) he did not get any pay increases, but there were improved fringe benefits. These included a service allowance of 5/- a week after one year's service, provision for three weeks' annual leave for employees who have completed 10 years' continuous service with either company, and a five-day week of 42 hours, the last-named to operate from November 25, and higher wage rates for shift workers.

In addition, the oil companies have undertaken to consider how best local employees can advance in the organisations.

Even though it was Ratu Meli's union which negotiated the agreement, the new award will apply to all oil workers.

Yet Another P-NG Shipping Link

To give New Zealand exporte an opportunity to enter compe itively into the Papua-New Guin export trade, especially wi primary produce, the Crusad Shipping Company of London, subsidiary of the main Briti shipping lines operating to Ne Zealand, will make calls at Po Moresby and/or Rabaul.

These will be on the north-bou runs of its vessels which are alrea operating a frozen meat trade fro New Zealand to Japan. The servi will be experimental at first. N passengers will be carried.

The new connection is to be i augurated by MV *Crusader*, whi leaves Auckland December 14, ca at Port Moresby December Rabaul December 23, and arrives Yokohama December 30.

Subsequent calls at Port Moresb and/or Rabaul will be condition upon sufficient cargo offering, b MV *Turakina* will depart Auckla northbound on February 7, Ap 4, and June 7.

Shaw Savill & Albion Compa are the managing agents in Auc land. The vessels call at main Ne Zealand and Japanese ports.

Damages Claim Creates Wide Interest in BSIP

The Acting Judicial Commi sioner in the BSIP (Mr. D. Berwick awarded Mr. A. C. Dowling, chi stevedore of the BSI Ports Author ty £2,493/4/2 in a claim against th BSI Trading Corporation. Dowlin had claimed £30,000.

Dowling was a passenger in corporation bus which crashe into the Matanikau Bridge March, 1958, and was injured abo the face and a leg. He underwen a plastic surgery operation in Syd ney, and a further operation ha yet to be done.

The case created great interes in the BSIP as the amount claime was far in excess of anything i the past.

Uphill Wau Strip Claims Another Victim

Three RAAF airmen were in jured when a DC3 crash-landed and caught fire at Wau, New Guinea, on October 23. The plane from Richmond (NSW) had beer making practice landings at Wau which is built on a hillside.

The three airmen, who suffered burns and shock were flown from Wau to Lae with seven other passengers from the crashed aircraft

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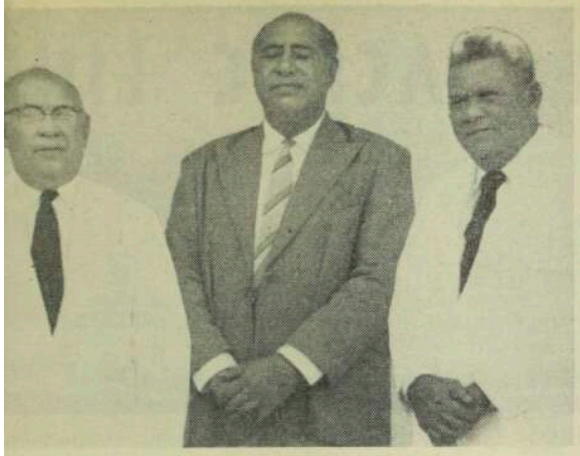

JUSTICES FOR THE COOKS

The Cook Islands recently appointed these three Justices of the Peace—from left, Mr. Glassie Strickland, Mr. Manea Tamarua, and Mr. David Metuarau. Provision had existed for such appointments for some time but none had been made. They have power to take minor criminal and civil courts. Appointment of these three men—all outstanding — is an important step in the Cooks.

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A Will Increase Pacific Services

An American Airways plans to ease its trans-Pacific flights ween the US West Coast and tralia from two to three each k. From December 4 PAA will Boeing Intercontinental jet airrs into Sydney on Sundays, sdays and Thursdays.

he PAA increase corresponds a reduction from six to five in Qantas trans-Pacific services. rever, the sixth Qantas service, oduced on September 1 was for mited period only. This service end on November 20.

AA, as soon as President Eisener ratifies agreements, will two new Pacific routes—one ween Sydney and Djakarta and non-stop express service from York to Honolulu. The Sydney-karta run will probably be exion of the flights which now minate at Sydney.

he New York-Honolulu express ice is expected to step up the erican tourist trade to the South ific.

long with the increased services es news of possible fare reducs. The International Air Trans- Association has been discussing fare structures and indications that tourist, or economy, fares be reduced by another 5 per .

mong agreed changes already roved by the IATA traffic connce are low excursion fares been Fiji and India.

Samoa Banana ortage—And Copra Check

robably due to the long dry spell erienced for the past few months possibly to the ravages of the chy top disease in some dists, W. Samoa banana shipits in October were still short of cations and shipping space llable. The last *Tarawera* was cases short of the allocation of 00 cases.

An Apia correspondent reported that with production in Fiji and Tonga increasing, it was thought probable that allocation to these producing countries would be increased owing to the uncertain supply in Western Samoa.

Copra production also seemed below normal, so that the estimated export figures for 1960 may not be reached.

Some Apia commercial firms engaged in copra buying, have been found by the Copra Board to be careless in supplying the Board with declarations of copra stocks. The details are necessary for the Board to enter into selling contracts to dispose of Samoan copra overseas.

It has been found that these stocks are in many cases reported as much higher than actually on hand, so that the Board could be held liable for damages for short shipments under contract.

The Copra Board in October requested the Government to investigate the copra records of all copra buyers, and particularly the statutory declarations of stocks made at times when the local buying prices for copra have been changed. It is thought some of the buyers may have been considerably overpaid for copra purchased at their trading stations before the price was reduced. The report of the Board on its investigations is to be published.

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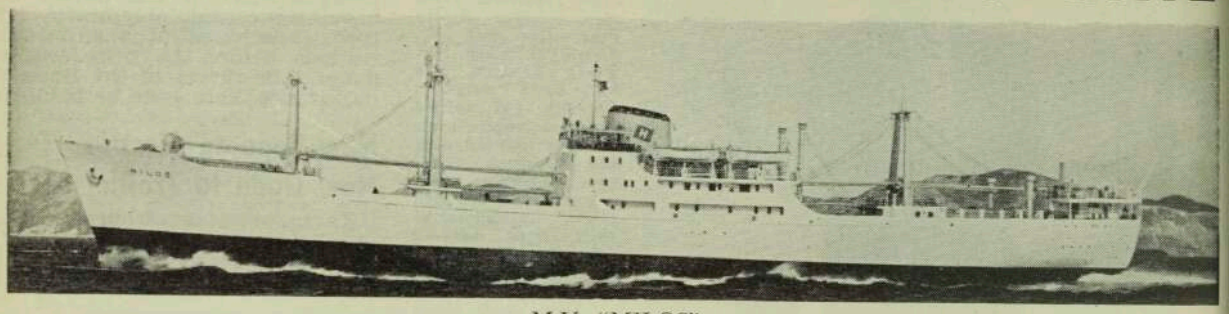

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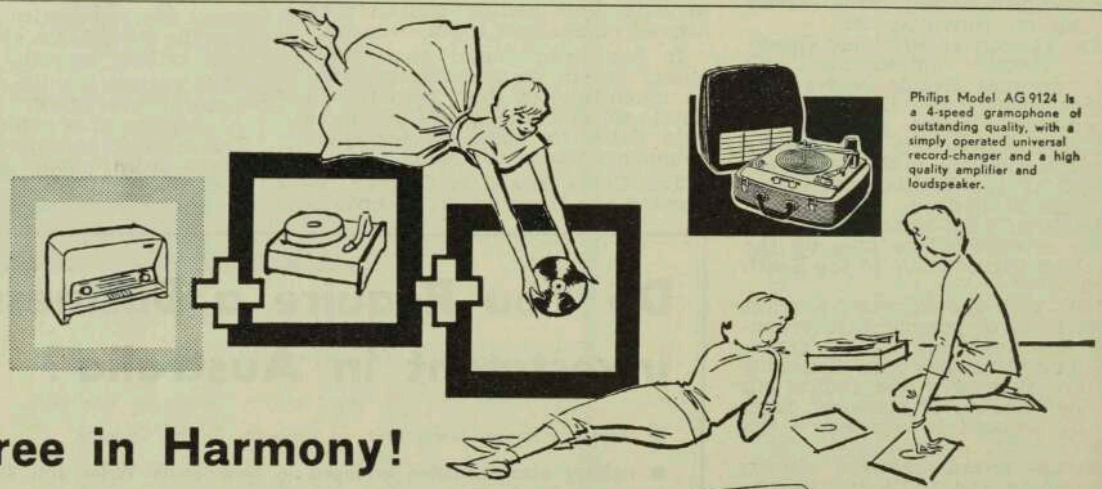

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tober. Planned as a jet strip, a runway of 10,000 feet, the strip has reached a length 00 feet and can accommodate -engine and jet prop aircraft, gh none of the latter type ing it yet.

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h Pacific Airlines already e a Super Constellation ser- etween Honolulu and Papeete. new jet strip may lead to a ervice between South America ustralia, operated by an air- wned by the Government of

es Stinson Is n Mayor of Suva

ncillor Charles Stinson, on urne Cup day (Nov. 1) as- office as Mayor of Suva for econd year in succession. serving as a councillor and puty Mayor for seven years cceeded Cr. A. D. Leys as in November, 1959.

first term of office could be described as smooth, and ured in several clashes with councillors, one of whom, P. Bidesi, walked out after icularly stormy argument.

Stinson is rather an aggres- pe when it's a matter of the sts of the city, and he is to cut away red tape if it getting something done.

Deputy Mayor this year and pped for Mayoral honours in is Councillor Bruce Lawlor, s now entering his fifth year 'city father". He succeeds Cr. . Madams (formerly City Officer), who is now execu- secretary of the Housing rity.

he annual Suva City Council wo Indian councillors retired tation and both were re- d. They were Cr. C. M. Gopa- medical practitioner, who ad many years' service and Cr. B. R. Karan Singh. Cr. Stinson and Cr. Mark Israel were earlier returned unopposed.

Cr. Karan Singh was the victim of an unfortunate incident at Suva only a few months ago when a person attacked him near Broadcasting House and broke a leg. Some believed the assailant may have been connected with one of the men who proposed to stand against Cr. Karan Singh in the election.

At Lautoka an election was necessary for one seat only, caused by the retirement of Cr. Pradgi Sidha. Mr. O. N. Singh beat Mr. D. S. Naidu, who had served on an earlier council, by 30 votes.

Prison Escapee Keeps Fiji Police Busy

A Fiji prison escapee, Sairusi Nabogibogi, a former student at the Nasinu Training College, has hardly achieved the notoriety of Simmons and Newcombe (who led the NSW police a merry chase last year), but he has had a longer period of liberty.

Sairusi escaped from a working party outside Lautoka Gaol on May 28, and although he is believed to have been seen since, he has not been recaptured. His name cropped

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up several times in a recent Supreme Court trial in Fiji.

In spite of a reward of £100 for information leading to his recapture no one seems to have gone to the police while the trail was still hot.

However, at Suva early this month, the police received word that Sairusi had been seen in the area surrounding the city, and set up road blocks with armed men. It was in vain.

One police patrol at Lami, just to the west of Suva, fired several shots at a taxi, which drove on.

A fortnight before, the police and the Fiji Military Forces made an unsuccessul search for Sairusi in the Tavakubu area, near Lautoka.

Sairusi's escape threw the spotlight on the inadequate security system in force in Fiji gaols. It is not an uncommon sight near the Suva gaol, and also at Lautoka, to see a working party of up to a dozen carrying cane knives in charge of no more than two warders, armed with batons.

Fiji Grant For Timber Research

The Fiji timber industry, which has a great potential, but which has been handicapped through lack of development finance, will receive something of a shot in the arm from a UK Government grant of £stg.10,466 for a research project.

The scheme is designed to help to develop the Colony's wide r of timber wealth which, till has lacked the proper scientific technical know-how.

A small full-time timber rese unit will make local investigat and tests and will prepare sam of the different species of tir for detailed scientific examina at the CSIRO, Melbourne.

The UK grant will come Colonial Development and Wel funds.

Burns Report For November Legco

Sessions of the Fiji Legisla Council have been lasting m longer in recent years—not ne sarily because members may more verbose, but because of increasing amount of legisla which has come before the Hou

The 1960 Budget session, w is scheduled to open on Noven 25, will be no exception. The co cil can generally expect the de on the Budget to last for four d and even longer, and this members will have plenty to about on the proposals of Government to raise money to c Fiji through a difficult 1961.

The Budget debate will not the session, for the council consider the report of the Bu Commission. Consideration of report was scheduled for the S tember session, but was postpo because of the sugar troubles.

Apart from the Budget and Burns Commission the Council several bills to consider, and usual motions relating to Cust schedules, reports of the Stand Committee on Finance, Governm guarantees of loans, etc.

Nearly 200 ASOPA Students This Year

The School of Pacific Admir tration—the Australian institut at St. George's Heights, Sydn where young officials receive special training for service Papua and New Guinea—has t year given instruction to betwe 150 and 180 students.

Selected patrol officers have be there for one year's training; a a large proportion of the stude now are represented by young m selected by the Department Territories, assisted by the N South Wales Department of Ed cation, who are being given spec tuition to qualify them to meet t ever-growing demand for scho teachers in the Territory.

Diploma Day—the ceremo when successful students are fo mally handed their certificates will this year be on December 7 8. It is a function usually attend by the Minister for Territories.

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's Log Is ›r Sale

ralian and New Zealand es will co-operate to try to aptain Cook's log book and l at auction in London on ber 28, but they could have competition from the United

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manuscript, log book and l cover Cook's first and journeys. The log book con- f a contemporary transcript ok's log of the *Endeavour* his voyage to the South between 1768 and 1771.

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the documents are contem-, authenticated copies, signed ptain Cook himself.

Steps in Solving Problems

s politico-economic problems ery urgent; and when the al Under-Secretary was in late October he was pressed some indication of what the overnment proposes to do.

the British Government old financial support from the if the Colony does not give to the major recommenda- of the Burns Report? he was on October 27.

Amery did not answer the on directly. He said the Re- vas "a guide for Fiji, not a rint".

presumed that, after the Legis- Council had debated the Report, the Governor and his rs would make plans for the pment of the Colony along the indicated; "and the British nment then will decide what ial help will be forthcoming" e then, Mr. Amery has left olonial Office; and, as pointed a commentary elsewhere, a has passed since the Burns t was written, and it is eight since the Colonial Office was d by the Fiji Legislative Coun- at grave problems were being d by rapid population growth.

h NG Council 'Will ıss Target Date'

Netherlands New Guinea al party wants the Dutch Ad- tration to fix 1970 as the target for the Territory's Independ-

party is the multi-racial nal Party which although d less than three months ago apidly gained political promin-

The party's native executive declared that fixing of such a date was necessary to create confidence abroad in the Dutch Territory.

The matter had been discussed by the president of the party, Mr. Herman Wajoi, and Netherlands Minister for Home Affairs, Dr. E. H. Toxopeus, during the Minister's recent New Guinea visit, reports said.

Dr. Toxopeus had assured Mr. Wajoi that the target date for self-government would be one of the first questions submitted to the Territory's new Legislative Council.

General elections for the Council, which will have a native majority, are scheduled to be held in the New Year.

Dr. Toxopeus also conferred in Hollandia with the Dutch New Guinea Employers' Association.

The organisation had been "most concerned" about the number of Dutch employees leaving the Territory to return to the Netherlands.

It had handed a list of figures to the Minister showing that 31 per cent. of medium salaried employees working with 11 of the biggest firms in West New Guinea wanted to go home within the next six months.

The organisation had told Dr. Toxopeus that there were not enough educated natives to replace them.

It appealed to the Minister for the Government to guarantee free return passages to Holland for all

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employees willing to stay three years in the Territory.

The organisation claimed this would not only prove incentive to workers now employed in the Territory, but also would be added inducement in recruiting new employees.

Dr. Toxopeus promised the organisation he would consider its proposals.

NG's Manam Is Active Again

Manam Volcano, on Manam Island off the New Guinea coast, is being closely watched again following renewed activity.

Manam is the volcano which erupted violently earlier in the year sending the Australian Press into a flurry of activity, but not disturbing the stoical calm of the local natives.

The Papua-New Guinea Vulcanologist, Mr. G. A. Taylor, has reported renewed activity with unsettled conditions. Mr. Taylor said sufficient material had been ejected recently to change the topography of the summit to a marked degree.

He has also given vivid descriptions of continuous illumination at night from boulder flows.

For the first time in many years there has also been appreciable activity from Mount Ulawan (The Father) on New Britain.

Aircraft flying between Lae a Rabaul pass close to the volca and crews have been giving regu reports to Mr. Taylor. Photogra have also been taken from aircr and passed on to the Vulcanologi Observatory at Rabaul.

Police Station, Barracks For Hollandia

The construction of a new po station in Hollandia, NNG, to place the present dilapidated bui ings, will commence in Novemb In addition, new barracks will ready for occupation in a few wee

The new police station, expec to be completed in the middle next year, will have two floors.

Now They Can't Chew One Over The Eight!

"If you drive, don't drink," the slogans in many parts of world, but as far as Papua-N Guinea is concerned native driv are finding that chewing can just as expensive as drinking.

It all depends, of course, on wh you chew. In Papua-New Guin the problem is betel nut, and t police ruled this month that be nut was a drug that could aff driving ability.

Section Nine of the Papua-N Guinea Motor Traffic Ordinar deals with drivers "under the i fluence of alcohol or drugs". T new ruling says that "drugs" cov betel nut, and police have been i structed to take action whe warranted.

The matter goes back seve months to a meeting of Raba Town Advisory Council at whi member Mr. K. Baldwin express an outburst of indignant horror betel-chewing highway jockeys.

Mr. Baldwin claimed to ha witnessed accidents which could traced directly to drivers under t influence of betel nut. Poli apparently had been reluctant take action regarding the betel n chewing because they were not su how it would stand up in the cour Mr. Baldwin said.

Following Mr. Baldwin's stateme the subject was taken up with son interest and vigor by the Territory Assistant Administrator, Dr. Joh Gunther.

Dr. Gunther said that betel n contained an alkaloid which induce euphoria. He added that he co sidered Mr. Baldwin's remar "quite justifiable".

The sequel came in Port Moresb in October when the Commissione of Police, Mr. C. Normoyle, sa there was no doubt that actio should be taken under Section Nin if police suspected a driver ha chewed one over the eight.

Instructions to this effect ha gone out to all police, he said.

Bottletops, , Please

content with the traditional ng costumes of their an- s, the natives of New Guinea odernising their costumes for onial occasions.

for anthropologists, camera and tourists the change is not ular one.

trouble lies in the materials the natives are using to mod- their costumes — matchbox , chocolate wrappers, cigarette ts, bottle tops on strings, paper, and even saucepan lids. nur Ewing, energetic secretary Morobe District Agricultural y, faced up to the problem when the society was plan- ts second annual show in Lae onth.

Governor-General of Aus- Viscount Dunrossil, was to he show and more than 10,000 s were expected to put on a onial dance in his honour.

Ewing told the native leaders: Governor-General doesn't to see you decked out in bottle tops and labels. He wants to see you as your people have danced for hundreds of years.

"Any dancer who turns up decorated with modern rubbish won't be allowed to take part."

And so it was.

Viscount and Viscountess Dunrossil saw one of the most outstanding displays of native dancing ever to be massed at one point.

There wasn't a bottle top or a label in evidence, and some of the dancers carried on for eight hours.

The only concession to modern times was the paint which some of the dancers used to dye their bodies. They found it easier and brighter to buy a shilling's worth at the shops rather than to use natural pigments.

APIA EXCHANGE

The new telephone exchange at Apia Post Office is now in operation. Above are Line Foreman Sidney Grey, supervisor Sua Loau, Acting Chief Postmaster Edward Williams, and operators Togamau, W. Crichton, Gataiala and J. Palepoi. The new exchange has room for 1,200 individual lines and with party lines will accommodate 1,500 subscribers. The old exchange had room for 300 numbers.

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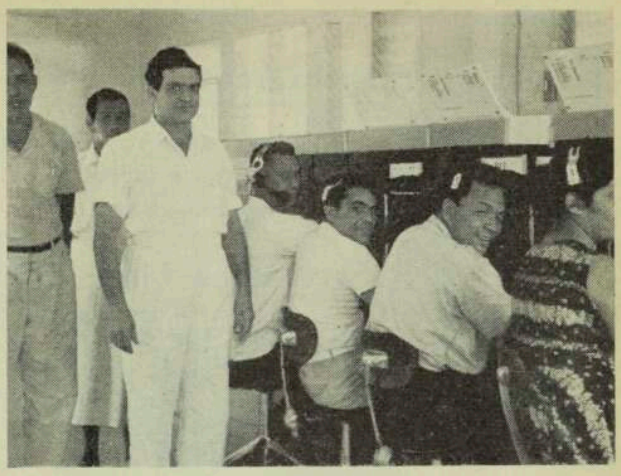
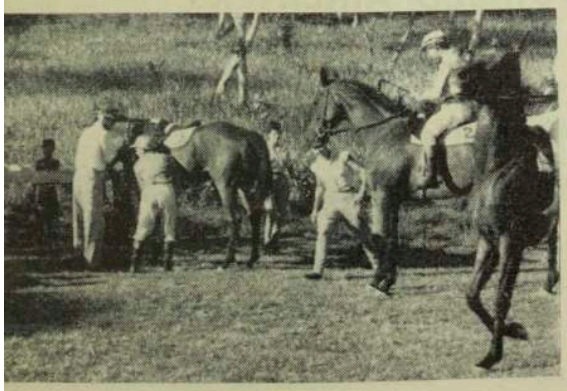


Everything Volcanic But The Horses

Pre-war Rabaul residents who, in May, 1937, had to leave their homes and run for their lives, probably never imagined that the cause of it all—Vulcan Island which exploded and overnight became a volcanic cone several hundred feet high—would one day provide other Rabaulites with an excellent race course.

But that's how it has turned out, and the present generation of residents turned out in force on October 3 for the Rabaul Cup meeting, run on the course at the base of the old volcano.



It could be a point-to-point meet anywhere, but it's the saddling paddock, Rabaul, on Cup Day. At top is Mr. Gus Smales, Rabaul correspondent for "PIM" and Southern newspapers in a different role—that of race course announcer. See story above.

Photos: Gordon Bladen

SPC Session

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- Decided to convene a Women's Interests Seminar in Western Samoa in 1961.
- Decided that the Urbanisation Advisory Committee would hold its first meeting in 1961, possibly at Honolulu.
- Decided to ask the SPC to convene at Noumea a meeting of representatives from all South Pacific areas to consider problems and further steps in the establishment of an inter-territorial triennial Pacific Games. The suggestion for the Games was made at the South Pacific Conference in Rabaul in 1959, and the session was told that the SPC had been in touch since with Administrations over the proposal.
- Discussed health problems at length and decided to convene a Health Education Conference in Noumea at an early date and to assist Territories in the organisation of training courses for auxiliary personnel in health departments.
- Planned to set up a second boat-building course, after the style of the one which commenced on Malaita (BSIP) in August—this one to operate in Noumea.
- Approved the continuation of the Rhinoceros beetle project and decided to give particular attention to the search for parasites and predators. It decided to send its entomologist next year to East

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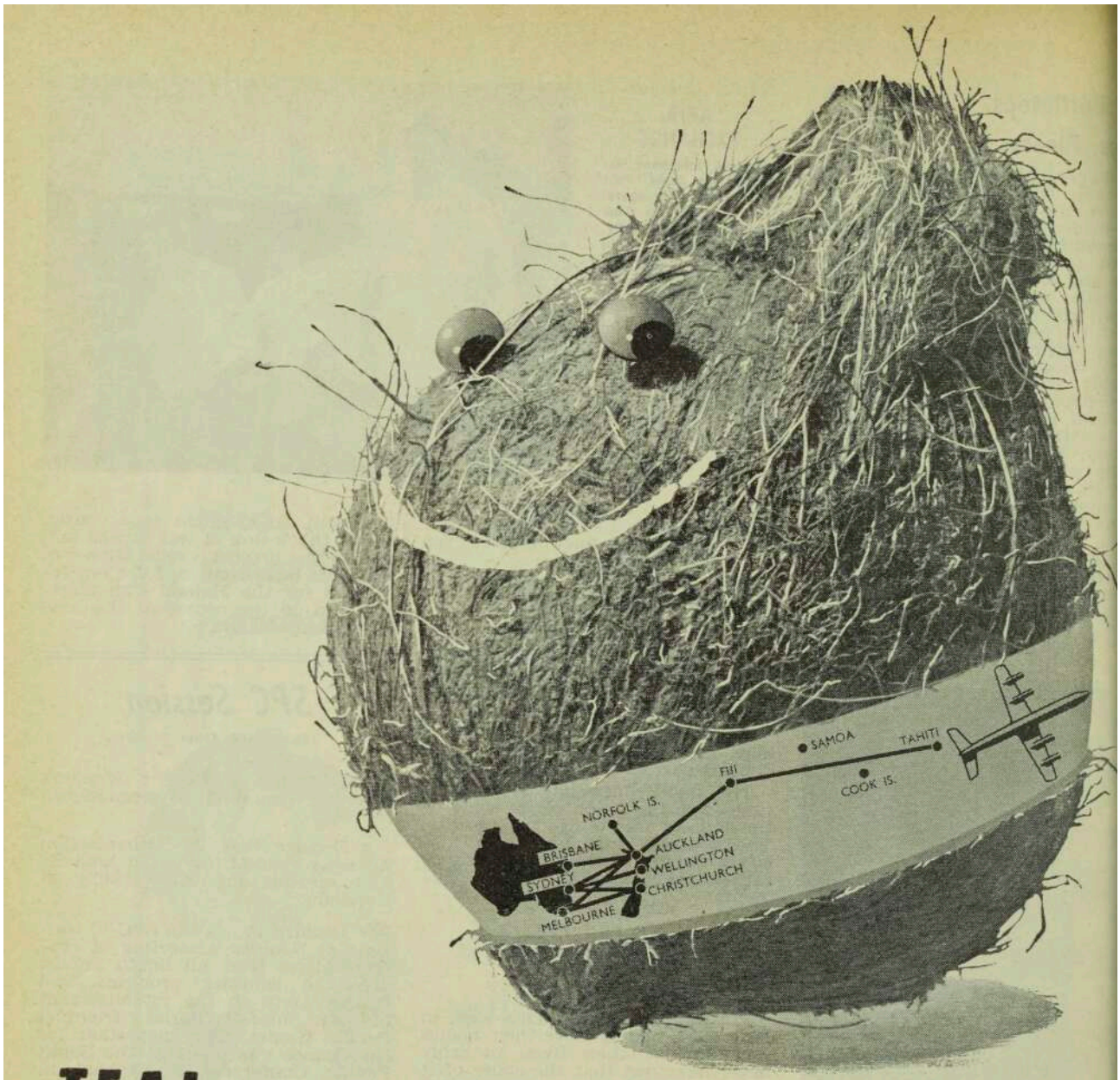

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Mr Amery Leaves

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Commission Report; a growing
mand for constitutional reform.
The Indian community, in
ticular, was deeply interested.
minority, led by Mr. A. D. Pa
fearing a humiliating defeat in
long-drawn-out dispute over ca
sugar, hoped to obtain from t
with Mr. Amery some face-sav
formula which would allow them
announce: "All is well between
now go and cut your cane!"
Amery dodged that one, howe
and within three days the farm
strike had collapsed completely.
Chambers of Commerce in
had special meetings, and lined
a variety of subjects, affecting
economic future, which they l
discussed with Mr. Amery.

Special Meaning?

Mr. Amery's remarks on vari
subjects were carefully reported
Fiji's newspapers, apparently in
belief that they had special me
ings.

When Mr. Amery and his pa
departed for America, en route
London, in late October, the co
mentators pointed out th
although he had not given
promise—not even a clear indi
tion of governmental policy rega
ing such British countries as F
Solomons, Gilbert and Ellice,
alone New Hebrides and Tong
he had at least gained an extens
first-hand, personal knowledge
conditions in the South Pacific.

They said it was comforting
think that, in future, the Und
Secretary at the Colonial Off
would be their knowledgea
friend, in the many South Pac
matters likely to come before h
soon.

Two days later came anti-clim

It was announced that
Amery had been offered, and h
accepted, the post of Minister
Air in the MacMillan Governme
and would depart from the Colon
Office forthwith.

Mr. Amery sent the Governor
Fiji a long radiogram.

**"As you know, I have today been
pointed Secretary of State for Air. T
means that I shall no longer have
same direct responsibility for affairs
your area as I have had over the l
two years.**

**"I am most anxious, however, that n
of your staff should feel that my char
of office in any way reduces the value
my recent visit which you and they
so much to make a success. I shall
reporting fully to the Secretary of St
the impressions gained during the to
and Henry Hall will follow up the differe
points we discussed.**

**"As a member of the Government
shall also continue to maintain a ke
interest in Pacific affairs and shall
course always be at the disposal of t
Secretary of State for the Colonies, a
of my successor as Under-Secretary
State, to help in any way I can."**

Which means precisely nothin
Fiji and all the other Britis
countries out here now have
get to know another Under
Secretary, some time in the ne

e of decades.
d one group of commentators, lly: "Minister for Air is !"
nerally, Mr. Amery's visit may ritten off as useless and time- ng, and a typical incident of ial Office administration.
only comforting feature is the that Mr. Hall, a conscientious r of the CO, who has much with Pacific affairs, also ob- d a far-reaching personal ledge of the South Pacific tries. The trouble is that Mr. probably will be in some other next year. The Colonial Office e that.

hither N. Guinea?

(Continued from p. 18)

the other hand, Rarua Rarua a pretty naive idea of fully sentative government if he ines that the elected European bers of the future—if there nue to be any at all—won't protect the interests of their electorates.
far as Taureka and his ideas a seventh State are concerned, uld say that he is quite right s appraisal of Australian main- rs' wishes. New Guinea and its es and problems have curiosity to some Australians; but bing 2,000,000 natives perman- into the Commonwealth would mething else again.
idea that present settlers e welcome to stay only accord- o their social behaviour to the enous people shows a super- knowledge of the background is country, and of the problems nning a new-fledged State. It about as much economic as an Australian Parlia- ary back bencher telling ral Motors to get out of Aus- just because he happened o like Holden cars.
e Rarua Raruas and Taurekas n their way, politically. A few ago they would have been letely impossible. But their ation has so far been gained s a background of Australian Administration benevolence, to this extent they are politic- and economically adolescent.

P-NG's Mixed-Up Kids

t the poor mixed-up kids of the tory are not all natives. They, ast, still have the Administra- to tell them where they are . But the Europeans have to their own individual course; some of these begin to look in- ting.
an see the day fast approach- if it isn't in fact here—when will be fierce competition as ho is nicest to the natives est.
e sort of thinking that is going on in the Territory today has come gradually to most Pacific Territories; but here it is coming with demoralising and unhealthy suddenness. People who have persistently regarded natives, for years, as simple hewers of wood and drawers of water suddenly feel impelled to include them in their activities.

They may have nothing in common, and like them no more than they ever did—but now it's a matter of having to be in it to win it.

As a sign of the times, the local newspaper, reporting the formation of the Territory's first political party, ran the three names of the founders (two Europeans and one native) one under the other, with Simogun Peta's name on top.

As the story was told to me, it was the European two-thirds who conceived the idea and started the wheels moving. The order of listing of the names possibly shows that the editor knows where *he's* going. Most people would have been inclined to have a bit each way and put the native name in the middle.

There has been, too, a lively newspaper controversy as to whether Port Moresby shows more racial discrimination than Rabaul.

The fight was on when Mr. Don Barrett, elected member for New Guinea Islands, said in the Legislative Council that discrimination extended even to sport in Port Moresby—a situation that would not be tolerated in Rabaul. Port Moresby sprang hotly to the defensive, whereupon no doubt, all the old-timers who have died in this country since 1884, turned hand springs in their graves.

The closer you are to Port Moresby, the more effort there is to impress everyone with this newfound idea of equality.

The further you go out, onto the out-stations and the plantations where the true wealth of the country is produced, race relations remain pretty much the same, each with a healthy respect for the other, that goes deeper than this lip service to a new line of thought.

For this reason, I can't see "a Congo" in this country. I think the natives have far too much sense, even if some of their European tutors are lacking in this department.

I think that there is time enough left for everyone who is established here, at present, to see his life out here, if he wishes. But it would be a rash individual who could foresee as much for that man's children.

I can't see European settlers being "thrown out", even if they aren't "good boys". But there is nothing to show, either, that the political pattern of this Territory is going to be any different here than it has been in a dozen other former colonial territories since the end of World War II. It probably will just take a while longer.

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DEATHS OF ISLANDS PEOPLE

Sir Charles Marr

Sir Charles Marr, who was a well known member of the Australian Parliament and Ministry between the wars, and a former Minister for Territories, died in Sydney in October, aged 80. He was a handsome, amiable and enterprising man, who was highly popular in his political career. He gave distinguished service in World War I, and won the DSO and the Military Cross. He inaugurated the New Guinea Legislative Council in 1933.

Sir Charles's son, Mr. Colin Marr, entered the New Guinea public service in the 'Thirties, and held positions in the Agriculture Department and retired after World War II. He was among the Australian officials who gave notable service in Papua and New Guinea during World War II.

Mr. Malcolm Brodie

Mr. Malcolm Brodie died at Suva on November 5 at the age of 67. Although his death was sudden, Mr. Brodie had not been in good health for some years.

Mr. Brodie, an Australian, went to Suva in 1925 to become manager of the Hackshall's (Sydney) Fiji branch of Pacific Biscuit Company.

He had joined Hackshall's in Sydney early in the 1920's.

Mr. Brodie became a director of Hackshall's in February, 1931, and remained on the board till his death.

In June, 1930, at Suva, he formed Union Soaps Pty. Ltd., which operated in Rodwell Road, Suva, headquarters of Hackshall's in Fiji.

Mr. Brodie, although based on Suva, did not confine his firm's activities or interest to Fiji. Each year he visited other islands, and paid annual visits to NZ and Australia.

He was a familiar figure in Suva and was a fearless speaker on many subjects affecting the commercial world. At the monthly meetings of the Suva Chamber of Commerce he was heard with respect, and he had the knack of reducing difficult debates to a few short words to adequately sum up the chamber's view.

Mr. Brodie was an active bowler almost up to his death and could be relied on, when he was in Suva, to make a daily attendance at the club.

He presented to the sport of bowls in Fiji the Pineapple Cup which is now recognised as the symbol of singles bowls champion of the South Pacific.

Although his statements at Suva Chamber of Commerce meetings were often given wide publicity, Mr. Brodie was never one to seek the limelight. Consequently many of his generous acts were almost unknown.

Only a few months ago Mr. Brodie gave the material to build a cottage at Lami for the widow of a Fijian employee of many years' standing. The employee had served him faithfully for many years and Mr. Brodie remarked, when he handed the cottage keys to the widow, that it was the least he could do.

But he carefully avoided photographers who went to Lami to record the ceremony and insisted that his name be not mentioned in connection with the matter.

That was only one of many practical gestures Mr. Brodie made to assist people. Many others no doubt will remain unrecorded.

Mr. Brodie, who was a bachelor, planned to retire in 1961 and live in Sydney.

Lady Rodwell

Lady Ethel Clarissa Rodwell, widow of a former Governor of Fiji, died at Hampton Court Palace, London, on October 1. Her husband, Sir Cecil Hunter Rodwell, was Governor of the Colony from 1918 to 1925.

She was always a popular hostess at Government House, Suva, and was held in high regard by all races. She was particularly interested in organisations connected with children.

In her seven years in Fiji Lady Rodwell proved herself a good organiser and interested herself in Red Cross activities.

While her husband was Governor of Fiji plans were laid for the establishment of the Tailevu Returned Soldiers' Settlement, and the Colonial War Memorial Hospital.

Lady Rodwell, for many years after her return to England, sent Christmas greetings to the people of Fiji through the *Fiji Times*.

The Rev. H. Bond James

The Rev. H. Bond James, a veteran minister of the London Missionary Society, died at Auckland in September. He was stationed at Mangaia Island, Cooks, from 1902 to 1904, and at Rarotonga until 1913. He was then transferred to the Ellice Islands, remaining there until 1917 when he was again appointed to Rarotonga. He was there until his retirement in 1934, when he settled in Auckland.

There, he had been in close touch with the Pacific Islanders Congregational Church until very recently.

Opetaia Dreketirua

Opetaia Dreketirua, one of the earliest Fijian teachers, among whose pupils were many Fijians later prominent in public affairs, died recently at the age of 84.

Opetaia was born at Raralevu, Namata, near Nausori, and was educated at Yanawai, Vanua Levu. Among his teaching appointments

We are indebted to Mrs. Molly Cresswell, now living in Paris with her daughter, for this photograph of the well known former planter of New Guinea, Mr. A. H. Cresswell. Mr. Cresswell died suddenly at the Mayo Clinic in USA in September, after flying from Europe for a brain operation. (See Oct. "PIM"). Mrs. Cresswell writes that her husband always dodged the camera, and very few photographs of him are in existence. This was taken a good many years ago, while he was wearing the uniform of the AIF.

was one at the Lau Provinci
School, Vatuloa, before World War
He transferred from there to t
Queen Victoria School, where he r
mained till his retirement in 193
His pupils at the famous QVS i
cluded Ratu Edward Cakobau, Ra
Dr. J. A. R. Dovi, Ratu Tevi
Uluilakeba (the present Tui Nay
and father of Ratu K. K. T. Mara
Josefa Rigamoto (formerly Distri
Officer, Rotuma) and Ratu Geor
Tuisewau, the Tui Dreketi (a
formerly Roko Tui, Ba).

To his pupils, no doubt becau
of his fatherly influence, he w
known as Na Qase (the Old Man
Opetaia was the translator of t
first Fijian booklet on hygiene a
public affairs.

Mrs. M. E. Corbett

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Corbett,
daughter of early Fiji settlers di
at her home, the Nacalia Estate, b
the Waimanu River, on October
at the age of 90. She was born
Savasavu on September 28, 187
four years before Cession.

Mrs. Corbett (nee Fenton, a we
known name in the southern Vanu
Levu copra areas) married M
Ernest Corbett, who predeceased he

When she and her husband firs
went to live at Nacalia there wa
a large number of European settle
in the Rewa and Waimanu Rive
areas. Mrs. Corbett played a fu
part in the social life among th
planters.

Her only child was Mrs. R. F

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vne, of Nausori, and there are grand-children.

Mrs. L. Perry

rs. Lily Perry, who died at the e of Compassion, Suva, on Oc- r 22, was a daughter of Mr. rles Thomas, of Levuka, and was well known throughout the ny.

rs. Perry, who was 68, had lived orotogo, near Sigatoka for some s, and after her husband's n, went to Suva to live with a r.

r husband, who served in the World War, was in the em- of Morris Hedstrom Ltd. and been stationed at Sigatoka and oka.

Mr. John Taylor

. John Taylor, a CSR company neer at Nausori, Fiji, for many s, died in the CWM Hospital , on October 22, at the age of A Scot, Taylor left Aberdeen in to settle in New Zealand, but a few months in the Dominion oined the CSR company in Fiji.

spent six months at Lautoka then transferred to Nausori, e he remained for the rest of ervice with the company.

a keen and skilful bowler he many competitions, among the Pineapple Cup singles, re- ised as the unofficial champion- of the South Seas.

is survived by his widow and daughter (Mrs. I. S. Moore, of oka).

Mrs. Jainal Sherani

rs. Jainal Sherani, mother of prominent Suva Muslims, Mr. M. K. Sherani, barrister and itor, and Mr. S. M. K. Sherani, ransport company proprietor, at Suva on November 1 at the of 64.

r husband, Mr. Din Mohammed n Sherani, died in 1934, and Sherani took over his interests. left a young family, all of n Mrs. Sherani started off well fe.

art from her two sons there three daughters, Mrs. Yakub (Nausori), Mrs. Abdul Mazid a) and Mrs. Intaz Ali Khan a).

ere are also 28 grandchildren 20 great-grandchildren.

Mr. A. W. Seymour

. A. W. Seymour, who was nial Secretary in Fiji from 1927 935, died at Torquay, England, tly at the age of 79.

ring his eight years' service in he acted as Governor several s.

went to Trinidad on transfer 935 and retired from the Colonial ice in 1938.

Sports Review

IN THE WET: For the second year in succession, Rarotonga's European rugby team—playing its one and only game of the year—lost to a local team for Takuvaine. The final score was 9-3, but this was a lot better than last year's 11 to nil. Bad weather made it a real mud bath, and the referee at one stage was mistaken for a player. Photo: R. D. Moore

It Was Something Akin To A Riot

THE Suburbs (Auckland) Rugby Club, which made a short social tour of Fiji early in October must have wondered if "social" had another meaning after they played a match against the Suva Fijians. Tension built up during the game, ending with one visitor and three Fijians receiving their marching orders.

One Suburbs visitor remarked to the referee later, "Are they always like this up here"? But there was some justification as far as the Fijians were concerned for indulging in a little bit of retaliation.

A Maori player in the Suburbs pack soon found a way to get under the Fijians' skin with a few well-directed insults and choice of adjectives. The match, which started off in promising fashion, developed into a straight-out brawl. First to go off was Apenisa Nawalu, followed by Beardshaw (the Suburbs captain) and then Sailosi and Isikeli, a couple of students from the Nasinu Training College.

But for quick police action there could have been something akin to a riot as spectators raced on to the field when the referee blew his whistle for time.

By coincidence, the referee was Mr. Terry Casey, who controlled the Suva Fijians-Tonga match in 1959, another game in which illegal play was rife.

But the only player to incur the referee's displeasure and suffer the supreme penalty was the same Nawalu.

Nawalu incidentally, who toured Australia in 1954, later suffered a life suspension as far as rugby was concerned, but the Fiji Rugby Union relented in 1959 and allowed him to play again, with a proviso that he can't play for Fiji abroad.

The disgraceful brawling took place in front of the Governor (Sir Kenneth Maddocks) and several other dignitaries.

It was an incident best forgotten, and the visitors and the Suva European team on the following Wednesday did a good deal to eradicate the memory of a sorry affair with a brilliant exhibition of fast-moving rugby.

His Memorial Is On The Cricket Field

From a Rabaul Correspondent

A KINDLY old man who in his young days could ride a bicycle and run a mile against the best of them—and who at the age of 61 walked 150 miles through the forests of New Britain—will have his memorial on the cricket fields of Rabaul.

He was Mr. G. P. Brown of Rabaul, who died in August. His son, Mr. Rex Brown, has presented a trophy to Rabaul Cricket Association for perpetual competition. It will be known as the G. P. Brown Shield, and will be competed for before the end of this year.

Mr. Brown came to Rabaul from Queensland in the late 1930's He had been a prominent athlete, cyclist and amateur boxer.

He worked for a timber company in Rabaul, and was one of the men who decided to walk out when the Japanese invasion occurred.

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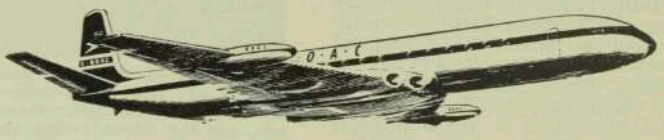

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Malekula sails from Sydney for ane, Port Moresby, Samarai, Lae, ul, Wewak, Alexishafen, Madang, Lae, ey. Next Sydney sailing: Dec. 15.

Malaita sails from Sydney, Bris- Port Moresby, Samarai, Rabaul, rum, Lorengau, Madang, Lae, Samarai, ane, Sydney. Last Sydney sailing: 14. Next Sydney sailing: Dec. 28.

Bulolo sails about every six weeks: ey, Brisbane, Port Moresby, Samarai, Madang, Lombrum, Rabaul. Next ey sailings: Dec. 23, Feb. 2.

ails from Burns, Philp and Co., Ltd., dge Street, Sydney.

Sinkiang: Leaves Sydney for Bris- Port Moresby, Samarai, Rabaul, ng, Lae, Port Moresby, Sydney. Next ey sailings: Dec. 26, Feb. 12 (approx.).

Soochow: Leaves Melbourne for ey, Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Samarai, ul, Kavieng, Madang, Lae, Port sby, Sydney. Next Sydney sailings: 22, Jan. 13 (will omit Samarai and ng.

Shansi: Leaves Melbourne for Sydney, ane, Port Moresby, Samarai, Lae, ng, Wewak, Kavieng, Rabaul, Port sby, Sydney. Next Sydney sailings: 30, Jan. 24 (will call at Honiara, BSI, Samarai).

Fukien: Leaves Sydney for Brisbane, loresby, Honiara (BSI), Rabaul, Lae, ng, Wewak, thence Hongkong via akan and Manila. Next Sydney sail- Dec. 9 (approx.).

ails from New Guinea Australia Line e and Yuill Pty., Ltd., agents), 6 e St., Sydney.

Elizabeth Boye: Leaves Sydney oximately every five weeks for Port sby, Lae, Rabaul. Next Sydney sail- Dec. 7, Jan. 10 (approx.).

Slevik: Leaves Sydney monthly for Howe Is., Pt. Moresby, Lae. Next ey sailings: Dec. 6, Jan. 9 (approx.).

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lacca: Dep. Sydney Dec. 3, Brisbane 5-7, Pt. Moresby Dec. 12-14, Rabaul 17-19, Lae Dec. 21-22, Madang Dec. hence Sandakan and Borneo ports, rns direct to Australian coastal ports urn-round at Adelaide. Next Sydney g, Mar. 4 approx.).

tupi: In late November was working wards through Borneo ports, turns- d Nov. 30 at Tanjong Mani for south- s voyage via Borneo and Australian to Adelaide. Next sailing from ey for P-NG: Jan. 22.

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SUVA	arr/dep	Far East	Dec. 16	Jan. 24	Mar. 4
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Dec. 2	Dec. 21	Jan. 28-29	Mar. 9
VANCOUVER	arr/dep	Dec. 7-8	Dec. 26-27	Feb. 2-3	Mar. 14-15
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LOS ANGELES	arr/dep	Dec. 12	Dec. 31	Feb. 8-9	Mar. 19
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Dec. 17	Jan. 5	Feb. 13	Mar. 24
SUVA	arr/dep	Dec. 24	Jan. 12	Feb. 19	thence Japan
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Dec. 27	Jan. 13	Feb. 22*	and
SYDNEY	arrive	Dec. 30	Jan. 15	Feb. 25	Far East

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A direct service from the Continent and London, via Panama Canal to Tahiti, BSI, Papua-New Guinea and Netherlands New Guinea is operated jointly by Nederlands Line Royal Dutch Mail and Royal Rotterdam Lloyd.

Karimun (NL): From Europe, dep. Amsterdam Nov. 26, due Papeete Dec. 22, Honiara Jan. 1, Port Moresby Jan. 5, Rabaul Jan. 7, Lae Jan. 9, Madang Jan. 11, Hollandia Jan. 13, Biak Jan. 18, Manokwari Jan. 21, Sorong Jan. 24; thence Europe via Singapore.

Schie Lloyd (RL): From Continent, dep. London Dec. 17, due Papeete Jan. 17, Noumea Jan. 25, Honiara Jan. 28, Pt. Moresby Feb. 1, Rabaul Feb. 3, Lae Feb. 5, Madang Feb. 7, Hollandia Feb. 9, Biak Feb. 14, Manokwari Feb. 17, Sorong Feb. 20; thence Europe via Singapore.

Neder Eems (NL): From Continent, dep. London Jan. 23, due Papeete Feb. 18, Honiara Feb. 27, Pt. Moresby Mar. 3, Rabaul Mar. 5, Lae Mar. 7, Madang Mar. 9, Hollandia Mar. 11, Biak Mar. 16, Manokwari Mar. 19, Sorong Mar. 22; thence Europe via Singapore.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George St., Sydney.

Far East-Sth. West. & Central Pacific

The China Navigation Co., Ltd., vessels Chefoo, Chekiang and Chengtu maintain a 5 to 6 weeks' service from Japan to Hongkong thence southwards through P-NG ports, BSI, New Hebrides, Fiji and New Caledonia; usually return to Japan direct.

Chekiang: From Japan, via Hongkong, Wewak and Kavieng, due Rabaul Nov. 26, Madang Nov. 29, Lae Dec. 2, Pt. Moresby Dec. 8, Honiara Dec. 11, Santo Dec. 14, Noumea Dec. 16, Suva/Lautoka Dec. 19, thence direct to Japan, arr. Jan. 7 (approx.). Dep. Japan southwards, after docking, Jan. 12.

Chengtu: Dep. Japan Dec. 6, via Hongkong, Kavieng Dec. 19, Rabaul Dec. 21, Madang Dec. 25, Lae Dec. 27, Pt. Moresby Jan. 3, Honiara Jan. 6, Santo Jan. 11, Suva/Lautoka Jan. 14, Noumea Jan. 22, thence direct to Japan, arr. Feb. 11 (approx.).

Chefoo: Dep. Japan Dec. 31, via Hongkong, Kavieng Jan. 15, Rabaul Jan. 17, Madang Jan. 21, Lae Jan. 24, Pt. Moresby Feb. 2, Honiara Feb. 5, Santo Feb. 9, Noumea Feb. 12, Suva/Lautoka Feb. 18, return via Apia (if sufficient inducement) to Japan, arr. Mar. 12 (approx.).

Details from China Navigation Co., Ltd. (Swire and Yuill Pty., Ltd., agents), 6 Bridge St., Sydney.

The Australia-West Pacific Line MV's Aros, Citos, Delos, Milos and Samos maintain regular services between Australian ports and Japan. Southbound vessels from Japan call at: Hongkong, Manila, Sandakan, NG ports, BSI ports (quarterly), New Hebrides (irregularly), Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide; northbound vessels from Sydney call at Manila and Hongkong.

Delos: From Japan, Hongkong and Manila, due Rabaul Dec. 1-3, Brisbane Dec. 7-9, Sydney Dec. 11. Dep. Sydney northwards Dec. 27.

Samos: On first Pacific voyage: From Japan, via Hongkong, due Madang Dec. 10-11, Lae Dec. 12, Rabaul Dec. 14-15, Honiara Dec. 17-18, Vanikoro Dec. 20-21, Santo Dec. 22-23, Vila Dec. 24, Brisbane Dec. 27-29, Sydney Dec. 31-Jan. 6.

Citos: Around southern Australian ports until Dec. 1 when she dep. Sydney for Brisbane Dec. 3-5, Manila Dec. 15-16, thence Hongkong and Japan. Dep. Japan Dec. 31, will omit Islands ports and sail direct to Sydney, arr. Jan. 13.

Milos: Dep. Japan Dec. 3, will omit Islands ports and sail direct to Sydney, arr. Dec. 15.

Aros: Dep. Japan Dec. 18, via Hongkong, Borneo, Rabaul Jan. 7-8, Lae Jan. 10-12, Brisbane Jan. 16-18, Sydney Jan. 20-26.

Details from Wilh. Wilhelmsen Agency Pty., Ltd., 30 Pitt St., Sydney, and Islands Agents.

Sydney-New Hebrides-BSI-Bougainville, Etc.

MV Tulagi makes a round trip Norfolk Is., Vila, Santo, Honiara and BSI ports, Bougainville ports, leaving Sydney about once every six weeks. Next Sydney sailings: Dec. 15, Jan. 27 (approx.).

Details from Burns, Philp and Co., 7 Bridge Street, Sydney.

Sydney-New Caledonia-New Hebrides-Tahiti

Vessels of Messageries Maritimes Line coming from Marseilles, via West Indies and Panama, call about every six weeks at Papeete, Vila (New Hebrides), Noum and Sydney, and return by same rou At present on this run are the mot ships, Tahitien and Caledonien and chartered vessel, Melanesien. Next Syd sailings: Tahitien Dec. 15 (at Noumea D 18-21, Vila Dec. 22-30, Papeete Jan. 5-1 Melanesian Feb. 9 (at Noumea Feb. 12- Vila Feb. 17-25, Papeete Mar. 4-9).

MV Polynesie (Messageries Maritim maintains about monthly passenger s ings between Sydney and Noumea the New Hebrides (Vila and Santo). N Sydney sailings: Dec. 2, Dec. 23, Jan. Feb. 10.

Details from Sydney agents: Messager Maritimes, 36 Grosvenor Street, Sydney

Europe-Sydney-Noumea

Fast cargo vessels of Messageries Ma times Line maintain a regular mont service between Dunkirk (France) Noumea (New Caledonia), via French E Africa, Ceylon and Australian ports. Es has accommodation for 6 to 12 passenge From Sydney, vessels go to Brisbane Noumea; then return to France via A tralian coastal ports.

Next sailings from Sydney for Noum Vivarais Dec. 9, Iraouaddy Jan. 10.

Details from Sydney Agents: Messager Maritimes, 36 Grosvenor Street, Sydney.

N. Zealand-Fiji-Tonga-Samoa

MV Tofua maintains a service fr Auckland to Suva, Nukualofa, Vav Niue, Pago Pago, Apia, Suva and retu to Auckland. Next Auckland sailings: D 28, Jan. 24, Feb. 21.

MV Matua maintains a service fr Auckland to Lautoka, Suva, Nukualo Apia, Suva, Lyttelton, Wellington and turn to Auckland. Next Auckland sailin Dec. 15, Jan. 12, Feb. 9.

Details from all offices of Union Ste Ship Co. of NZ.

Sydney-Pacific Ports-Panama-UK

Shaw Savill's one-class all-passeng liner Southern Cross makes four roun the-world voyages per year, two wes ound, then two east-bound, calling Fiji and Tahiti every trip.

Next voyage: Southampton Dec. 6, v Panama Canal, Papeete Dec. 30-31, Su Jan. 5, Wellington Jan. 9-11, Sydney Ja 14-16, via South Africa to Southampto arr. Feb. 20.

Details from Shaw Savill Line, 8a Castl reagh St., Sydney.

N. Zealand-Cook Is.-Niue

The new passenger vessel Moana Ro will maintain a regular monthly (approx. service between Auckland (NZ) and Coo Group islands and Niue.

Next Auckland sailing: Dec. 13.

Details from NZ Government Departmen of Island Territories, Wellington, or an office of the Union SS Co. of NZ, Ltd.

N. America-Tahiti-Central Pacific-NG

Pacific Islands Transport Line's vessel Thorsisle and Thor I maintain a regula service from Pacific Coast North America ports, with sailings every alternate month Some ports depend on cargoes offering.

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sisle: From US ports, at Papeete 6-19, Pago Pago Dec. 23-26, Apia 7-29, Suva Jan. 1-2, Noumea Jan. ownsville Jan. 13-17, Apia (open), Pago Jan. 24-26, Los Angeles Feb. an Francisco Feb. 12-13.
I: Dep. Vancouver (after docking) 9, Tacoma Jan. 7-10, New West- r Dec. 30-Jan. 6, San Francisco -17, Los Angeles Jan. 18-21, Papeete -Feb. 3, Pago Pago Feb. 7-9, Apia -13, Suva Feb. 16-17, Noumea Feb. Rabaul Feb. 25-27, Apia (open), Pago Mar. 6-9, Los Angeles Mar. San Francisco Mar. 24-25.
ils from General Steamships Cor- n Ltd., 432 California St., San co, USA, and Islands Agents.

-Tahiti-Pago Pago-Fiji-Australia

on-Oceanic Line of San Francisco s a regular five-weeks passenger- service from Los Angeles with the a, Sierra, Sonoma and Alameda. rn terminal ports, in Australia, vary cargoes offering. Vessels call at , Pago Pago, Suva, Sydney, Bris- nd other Australian ports depending oes.
Sydney sailings for USA: Sierra (approx.), Ventura late Jan.

ican Pioneer Line has eight ships r Gem, Isle, Glen, Reef, Cove, Star, Gulf) on Australia - Panama - US c Coast service with calls at on southbound voyage Sailings every 3 weeks.

ydney-Fiji-Vancouver

c Shipowners, Ltd., of Suva (sub- of W. R. Carpenter and Co.) a service three times yearly with 00 ton, 98-passenger vessel Lakemba the above route. Accommodation rely first class, two-berth cabins, lls at Suva, Lautoka and Honolulu ydney sailing: Dec. 1.
ls from American Trading and g Co. Pty., Ltd., 19 Bridge St.,

Sydney-Fiji

Rona (4,500 tons) leaves Sydney mately every three weeks for Suva utoka, with cargo and passengers lass accommodation for eight). Last sailing: Nov. 16. Next Sydney : Dec. 12, Jan. 8 (approx.).
ls from Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Bent St., Sydney.

ydney-(or NZ)-North America

vessels Waihemo and Waitomo thers, operated by the Union Ship Company of NZ, Ltd., main- monthly service across the Pacific ydney to Vancouver and USA ports. va, Lautoka, Nukualofa and Apia, oes offer. Occasional calls are made nning Island. They have limited er accommodation. Next Sydney : Waiana Nov. 28, Waihemo Dec. rox.).
Waitemata, from NZ ports, makes s yearly to Vancouver (via Raro- and Papeete).

JK-Panama-Samoa-Fiji

Fiji Direct Service is maintained ference vessels, sailing at regular y intervals out of London, via Panama, for Apia, Suva and Lautoka. Bethell, Gwyn and Co., Ltd., act as Loading Brokers in London, and Burns Philp (South Sea) Co., Ltd., are agents in Fiji. Cargo for transhipment at Suva for Tonga is handled onwards by the Union Steam Ship Co. of NZ Ltd.

Sailing dates from London for 1960-61 (subject to alteration without notice) are as follows: Dec. 15, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9, April 6.

U.S.A.-Tahiti-Cook Is.-N.Z. Sydney-Fiji-Samoa-Hawaii

Matson Line's Mariposa and Monterey make round passenger trips from US Pacific Coast ports to New Zealand and Australia, via Pacific Islands ports.

Mariposa: Southbound from US ports and Honolulu, at Papeete Nov. 25-27, Rarotonga Nov. 29, Auckland Dec. 3, Sydney Dec. 6-9, Auckland Dec. 12-13, Suva Dec. 16, Pago Pago Dec. 17, Honolulu Dec. 22-23, San Francisco Dec. 28.

Monterey: Dep. San Francisco Dec. 11, Los Angeles Dec. 12, Papeete Dec. 20-22, Rarotonga Dec. 24, Auckland Dec. 28-29, Melbourne Jan. 2-3, Sydney Jan. 5-7, Auckland Jan. 10, Suva Jan. 13, Pago Pago Jan. 14, Honolulu Jan. 19-20, San Francisco Jan. 25.

Details from Matson Lines, Berger House, 82 Elizabeth Street, Sydney.

Far East-Fiji-NZ

Royal Interocean Lines operate a service from the Far East (Singapore) to Fiji, NZ, and Australia, with three vessels calling periodically at Suva and/or Lautoka. They are Van Cloon, Van Nort, and Van Neck. Next calls at Fiji: Van Neck Lautoka

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Dec. 13, Suva Dec 15; Van Cloon Lautoka Jan 27, Suva Jan. 28.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George Street, Sydney.

Sydney-Tahiti-Europe

The Nederland Line Royal Dutch Mail's MV Johan van Oldenbarnevelt and MV Oranje sail irregularly from Sydney for Europe, via NZ, Tahiti and Panama Canal, giving Sydney-Papeete connection in eastbound direction only. Next Sydney sailings: Oranje Jan. 15 (Papeete Jan. 22-23), Johan van Oldenbarnevelt Feb. 13 (Papeete Feb. 23-24).

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George St., Sydney.

The Italian Sitmar Line (Panama flag) MV's Fairsea and Castel Felice sail from Sydney for Europe, via NZ, Papeete and Panama at irregular intervals, with eastbound calls at Tahiti. Next Sydney sailing: Fairsea Jan. 13 (Papeete Jan. 21-22).

Details from Navcot Aust. Pty., Ltd., 58 Margaret St., Sydney.

Tonga-Fiji Shipping Service

The Tonga Shipping Agency, as agents for the Tonga Copra Board, operates a regular monthly cargo and passenger service between Nukualofa and Suva with MV Aoniu, 500 tons gross. Turn-round in Suva is usually two days, and the Agents there are W. R. Carpenter and Co. (Fiji) Ltd.

Next scheduled departure dates from Nukualofa are: Dec. 3, Dec. 31, Jan. 28, Feb. 25 (leaving Suva about four days later in each case).

AIRWAYS TIME-TABLES

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICES

1. Australia (or NZ)-Fiji-Hawaii-N. America

(First and Economy Classes)

BY QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS

(Boeing 707 Jets)

NORTHBOUND

Tues.: Sydney (dep. 5 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 10.55 p.m., dep. 11.40 p.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco.

Wed. and Sat.: Sydney (dep. 5 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 10.55 p.m., dep. 11.40 p.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco, New York, London.

Thurs.: Sydney (dep. 5.30 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 11.25 p.m., dep. Fri. 12.10 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco.

Fri.: Sydney (dep. 5 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 10.55 p.m., dep. 11.40 p.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco, extending to Vancouver.

SOUTHBOUND

Mon. and Fri.: London, New York, San Francisco, Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 5.45 a.m., dep. 6.40 a.m.), Sydney (arr. a.m.).

Tues. and Thurs.: San Francisco, Honol Nadi (arr. 5.45 a.m., dep. 6.40 a. Sydney (arr. 9.20 a.m.).

Sat.: Vancouver, San Francisco, Honol Nadi (arr. 5.45 a.m., dep. 6.40 a. Sydney (arr. 9.20 a.m.).

(International Dateline is crossed tween Nadi and Honolulu.)

Qantas Super-Constellation aircr under charter to TEAL, from Melbou and Auckland, connect at Nadi on Wed day and Friday with Qantas northbo flights, and on Thursday and Satur with southbound flights (see Table 17).

TEAL Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electra craft from Auckland, NZ, connect Qantas northbound flights at Nadi Tuesday and Saturday (from Christchur and at Nadi on Wednesday (to Aucklа and Sunday (to Christchurch) for sou bound flights.

Qantas Thurs. and Sat. services ex-Syd connect with BOAC London services San Francisco (dep. Fri. and Sun.).

BOAC services ex-London Thurs. and S connect at San Francisco Fri. and S with southbound Qantas services.

BY PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS

(With Intercontinental Jet Clippers*)

(Effective Dec. 4)

Mon., Thurs. and Sun.: Dep. Sydney 5 p for Nadi (arr. 10.50 p.m., dep. 1 p.m.), Honolulu and Los Angeles (Mon., Thurs. and Sun. 4.35 p.m.). C nections at Honolulu for San Francis Portland and Seattle.

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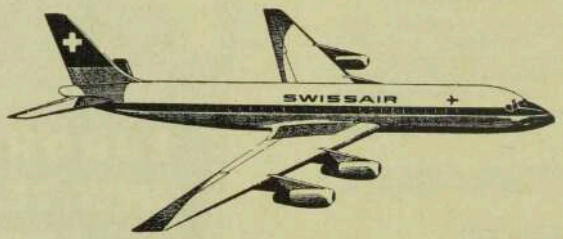

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. Fri. and Sat.: Dep. Los Angeles 8.30 . for Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 5.20 a.m. irs., Sun. and Mon., dep. 6.30 a.m.) Sydney (arr. 8.45 a.m., Thurs., Sun. Mon.).

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an American DC7C is used on cting services Auckland, Nadi, Tafuna rican Samoa), and Honolulu (see table

CANADIAN PACIFIC AIRLINES
(With Super DC-6B Aircraft)

Fri.: Sydney (dep. 1 p.m.), Auck- d, Nadi (arr. Sat. 3 a.m., dep. 4 .), Honolulu, Vancouver, (thence by itannia aircraft on to Amsterdam, . Mon 11.35 a.m.).

Sat.: Dep. Amsterdam (by Britannia) 11 p.m. for Vancouver (dep. by DC- 1.30 p.m. Sun.), Honolulu, Nadi r. Wed. 6 a.m., dep. 7 a.m.), Auck- d, Sydney (arr. Wed. 5 p.m.).

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ECTIONAL SERVICES IN PACIFIC

2. Sydney-New Guinea

ns Australia Airlines and Ansett-ANA te from Sydney to Lae and return DC6B's. As from Nov. 30, TAA runs ervice Saturdays, Mondays, Wednes- from Dec. 2, Ansett-ANA Tuesdays, days, Fridays.

NORTHBOUND

First and Tourist Classes

Sat. and Mon. (TAA)—From Dec. 3.

ep.	Arr.
y, 9.45 p.m.	Brisbane, 11.45 p.m.
Sun., Tues.	Sun., Tues.
ep.	Arr.
ane, 12.45 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6.15 a.m.
ep.	Arr.
oresby, 7 a.m.	Lae, 8 a.m.

First and Tourist Classes

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. (A/ANA)— From Dec. 2.

ep.	Arr.
y, 9.45 p.m.	Brisbane, 11.45 p.m.
Wed., Fri., Sat.	Wed., Fri., Sat.
ep.	Arr.
ane, 12.45 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6 a.m.
ep.	Arr.
oresby, 6.45 a.m.	Lae, 7.45 a.m.

First and Tourist Classes

Wed. (TAA)—From Nov. 30.

ep.	Arr.
y, 8.20 p.m.	Brisbane, 10 20 p.m.
Wed.	Thurs.
ep.	Arr.
ane, 11.20 p.m.	Townsville, 2.15 a.m.
Thurs.	
ep.	Arr.
sville, 3.15 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6.15 a.m.
ep.	Arr
oresby, 7 a.m.	Lae, 8 a.m.

SOUTHBOUND

First and Tourist Classes

Tues., Thurs., and Sun. (TAA)—From Dec. 1.

ep.	Arr.
.30 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 10.30 a.m.
ep.	Arr.
oresby, 11.30 a.m.	Brisbane, 4.45 p.m.
ep.	Arr.
ane, 5.30 p.m.	Sydney, 7.35 p.m.

First and Tourist Classes

Wed. and Sat. (A/ANA) — From Dec. 3.

Dep.	Arr.
Lae, 9.30 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 10.30 a.m.
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 11.30 a.m.	Brisbane, 4.45 p.m.
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 5.30 p.m.	Sydney, 7.35 p.m.

First and Tourist Classes

Fri. (A/ANA)—From Dec. 2.

Dep.	Arr.
Lae, 9.30 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 10.30 a.m.
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 11.30 a.m.	Townsville, 2.15 p.m.
Dep.	Arr.
Townsville, 2.55 p.m.	Brisbane, 5.40 p.m.
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 6.25 p.m.	Sydney, 8.30 p.m.

2A. Qld.-New Guinea

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Alt. Tues.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 7.35 a.m., arr. Cairns 10.05 a.m. (Nov. 29, Dec. 13, 27, Jan. 10, 24, etc.).

CAIRNS-PT. MORESBY-BRISBANE
A/ANA, with DC4 Airfreighter
(Air Cargo Only)

Alt. Mon. (Dec. 5, 19, Jan. 2, 16, 30, etc.): Dep. Cairns 6.30 a.m., arrive Port Moresby 9.25 a.m. Dep. Port Moresby 11.30 a.m. (same day), arr. Brisbane 6 p.m.

3. P-NG Internal Services

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PORT MORESBY-BAIMURU-KIKORI
(DH Otter)

Tues.: Port Moresby, Yule Is., Kerema, Baimuru, Kikori, returning same day via Baimuru, Kerema, Yule Is.

Alt. Thurs.: Port Moresby, Ihu, Baimuru, Kikori; returning via Baimuru, Ihu the same day (Dec. 1, 15, 29, Jan. 12, 26, etc.).

PORT MORESBY-DARU
(DC3)

Via Baimuru: Alt. Thurs., returning same day via Balimo (Dec. 1, 15, 29, Jan. 12, 26, etc.).

(DH Otter)

Via Kerema, Baimuru: Alt. Wed. (Dec. 7, 21, Jan. 4, 18, etc.), returning alt. Fri. (Dec. 9, 23, Jan. 6, 20, etc.).

PORT MORESBY-SAMARAI (DH Otter)

Port Moresby, Abau, Samarai each Mon., departing Port Moresby 8.15 a.m., returning same day.

Alt. Wed. Port Moresby Samarai departing Port Moresby 8.15 a.m., returning same day (Nov. 30, Dec. 14, 28, Jan. 11, 25, etc.).

Alt. S Port Moresby Samarai, departing Port Moresby 8.15 a.m., returning same day (Nov. 26, Dec. 10, 24, Jan. 7, 21, etc.).

Alt. Port Moresby Samarai, Esa'ala, departing Port Moresby 8.15 a.m., returning same day (Dec. 3, 17, 31, Jan. 14, 28, etc.).

LAE-MADANG-WEWAK-MANUS-KAVIENG-RABAUL SERVICE
(DC3)

Mon.: Dep. Lae 6.30 a.m., Madang arr. 7.35 a.m. Wewak, Manus, Kavieng, Rabaul, arr. 3.45 p.m.

Tues.: Dep. Rabaul 6.30 a.m., Kavieng, Manus, Wewak, Awar (on request), Madang, Lae, arr. 3.55 p.m.

Thurs.: Dep. Lae 6.30 a.m., Madang, Awar, Wewak, Manus, Kavieng, Rabaul, arr. 4.05 p.m.

Fri.: Dep. Rabaul 6.30 a.m. Kavieng, Manus, Wewak, Awar (on request), Madang, Lae, arr. 3.55 p.m.

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS (DH Otter)

Fri.: Lae (7.45 a.m.) to Wabag, calling at any of: Goroka, Nonáugl, Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Baiyer River, Kainantu, Wapenamanda, Wabag. Arrival back at Lae depends on stops made.

LOWER HIGHLANDS
(DH Otter)

Tues.: Lae (7.30 a.m.) to Goroka, calling at any of Aiyura, Kaiapit, Kainantu, Goroka, Arona. Arrival back at Lae depends on stops made.

LAE-BULOLO-WAU
(DH Otter)

Mon.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m., arr. Wau 8.10 a.m.

Mon.: Dep. Wau 8.25 a.m., via Bulolo, arr. Lae 9.25 a.m.

Wed., Sat.: Dep. Lae 8.30 a.m., arr. Wau 9.10 a.m.

Wed., Sat.: Dep. Wau 9 25 a.m., via Bulolo, arr. Lae 10.25 a.m.

PT. MORESBY-WAU-BULOLO (DC3)

Wed., Sun.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 7.20 a.m., arr. Bulolo 8.30 a.m.

Wed., Sun.: Dep. Bulolo 8.50 a.m., arr. Wau 9.05 a.m., dep. Wau 9.35 a.m., arr. Pt. Moresby 10.40 a.m.

MADANG-GOROKA-MADANG (DC3)

Mon., Thurs.: Dep. Madang 10.30 a.m., via Mt. Hagen, Banz and Minj, arr. Goroka 1.30 p.m., dep. Goroka 1.50 p.m., arr. Madang 2.25 p.m.

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MADANG-LAE (DC3)

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Tues. and Fri.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 7.30 a.m. via Goroka, Minj, and Banz, arr. Mt. Hagen 11.50 a.m., dep. for Madang (either direct or via airfields as required) 12.20 p.m.

Sun.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 12 noon, Goroka arr. 1.50 p.m., dep. 2.20 p.m., Madang arr. 2.55 p.m.

MADANG-PT. MORESBY (DC3)

Tues., Fri. and Sun.: Dep. Madang 7.30 a.m., via Goroka, arr. Port Moresby 10.20 a.m.

RABAUL-PT. MORESBY (DC3)

Sat.: Dep. Rabaul 7.30 a.m., arr. Pt. Moresby 10.15 a.m.

Sun.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 7.15 a.m., arr. Rabaul 10.30 a.m.

RABAUL-LAE (DC3)

Tues., Fri.: Dep. Rabaul 5.45 a.m., Finschhafen 8.10 a.m., arrive Lae 8.45 a.m.

Tues., Wed.*, Fri., Sun.: Dep. Lae 10.30 a.m., Finschhafen 11.30 a.m., Rabaul arr. 1.45 p.m.

Sat.: Dep. Lae 10.30 a.m., arr. Rabaul 1 p.m.

Wed., Sat. and Sun.: Dep. Rabaul 5.45 a.m., direct to Lae, arr. 8.15 a.m.

* Calls Hoskins before Rabaul, on request, on Wed.

RABAUL-BUIN-RABAUL (DC3)

Thurs.: Dep. Rabaul 6.30 a.m., Buka, Wakanai, Aropa, arr. Buin 10.30 a.m., dep. Buin 11 a.m., Aropa, Wakanai, Buka, arr. Rabaul 3 p.m.

RABAUL-HOSKINS-RABAUL (DC3)

Alt. Mon.: Dep. Rabaul 9 a.m., via Jacquinot Bay, arr. Hoskins 10.55 a.m., dep. Hoskins 11.15 a.m., arr. Rabaul 12.20 p.m. (Nov. 28, Dec. 12, 26, Jan. 9, 23, etc.).

SERVICES BY MANDATED AIRLINES (Scheduled flights with DC3 Aircraft)

Mon.: Depart Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Madang, Rabaul—remaining overnight.

Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.

Tues.: Depart Rabaul 7 a.m. for Madang, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae.

Wed.: Depart Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Boram, Momote, Kavieng, Rabaul.

Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.

Thurs.: Depart Rabaul 7 a.m. for Kavieng, Manus, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae.

Dep. Madang 7 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Madang.

Fri.: Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Momote, Kavieng, Rabaul.

Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.

Dep. Madang 7 a.m. for Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Madang.

Sat.: Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m. for Kavieng, Momote, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae.

3A. P-NG - Netherlands NG

LAE-HOLLANDIA (Neth. New Guinea) TAA, with DC3 aircraft

Dep. Lae 11 a.m. alt. Wed. (Dec. 7, 21, Jan. 4, 18, etc.), calls at Madang and Wewak, and arr. Hollandia 3.30 p.m.

Dep. Hollandia 10 a.m. alt. Thurs. (Dec. 8, 22, Jan. 5, 19, etc.) and with calls at Wewak and Madang, arr. Lae 3.50 p.m.

BIAK (NNG)-LAE

Netherlands New Guinea Airlines, with DC3 aircraft

De Kroonduif NV (Netherlands New Guinea Airlines) maintains a fortnightly service between Biak, Hollandia and Lae with Dakota DC3 aircraft. It connects with KLM's DC8 service to Europe (see table 4). The airline is a private company operated with the assistance of the Dutch Government.

Dep. Biak, alt. Sun. 7 a.m., arr. Hollandia 9.05 a.m., dep. 9.35 a.m. arr. Lae 1.25 p.m. (Dec. 11, 25, Jan. 8, 22).

Dep. Lae, alt. Mon. 6 a.m., arr. Hollandia 9 a.m., dep. 9.45 a.m., arr. Biak 11.55 a.m. (Dec. 12, 26, Jan. 9, 23).

NNG INTERNAL SERVICES

Netherlands New Guinea Airlines

DC3 aircraft link Biak with Hollandia, Lae (see above), Sorong, Merauke, Tenah Merah, Kaimana, Manokwari, Noemfoer, Kebar, Wamena, Ransiki and Genjem; Twin Pioneer to Seroei; and Beaver to Steenkool, Fakfak, Kaimana, Teminabuan Sorong, Ajamaroe, Napan, Wisselmeren, Kokonao, Wasior and Inawatan.

4. Aust.-Netherlands NG

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines (DC8 Service)

A weekly service between Sydney (dep. Mon. 8.15 a.m.) and Holland with calls at Biak, NNG (arr. Mon. 1.25 p.m., dep. 2.15 p.m.), Manila (Philippines) and Amsterdam (arr. Tues. 10.50 a.m.). Dep. Amsterdam Fri. 10.50 a.m., via Manila and Biak (arr. Sat. 9.55 p.m.) for Sydney (arr. Sun. 7 a.m.).

DC7 aircraft dep. Biak Mon. 2.25 p.m. and Thurs. 9.45 a.m. for Japan en route to Amsterdam (arr. Tues.) p.m. and Fri. 4.30 p.m.). Dep. Amsterdam Thurs. and Sun. 7.30 p.m. for Japan and Biak (arr. 10.30 p.m. Sat. and Tues.).

5. N. Guinea-Solomons

TAA, with DC3 aircraft

Mon.: Dep. Lae 6 a.m. for Rabaul, Buka, Munda, Yandina, Honiara (BSI), arr. 5 p.m. same day.

Tues.: Dep. Honiara 7 a.m. for Yandina, Munda, Buka, Rabaul, Lae, arr. 3.45 p.m. same day.

6. Sydney-Noumea

Qantas, with Electra International

Fortnightly service, every alt. Fri., with First (sleeper-chairs) and Economy classes.

Dep. Sydney alt. Fri. (Dec. 9, 23, Jan. 6, 20, etc.) 9.15 a.m., arr. Noumea 2 p.m. same day.

Dep. Noumea same day (alt. Fri.) 3.15 p.m., arr. Sydney Fri. 6.30 p.m.

7. Paris-Sydney-Noumea-Fiji-Fr. Polynesia-USA

TAI, with DC8 jet and DC7C aircraft

Dep. Paris by DC8 every Mon. for Athens, Teheran, Karachi, Bangkok, Saigon, Darwin, Sydney (arr. Wed. 7.30 a.m., dep. 9 a.m.), Noumea (arr. 12.35 p.m.).

Dep. Noumea by DC7C every Wed. 4 p.m. for Nadi (arr. 8.30 p.m., dep. 8 p.m.), Papeete (arr. Wed. 6.25 a. dep. 7.30 a.m.), Honolulu, Los Ange

Dep. Los Angeles by DC7C on return fli 4.50 p.m. Sat. for Honolulu, Pape (arr. Sun. 9.05 a.m., dep. 10.30 a.r Nadi (arr. Wed. 3.20 a.m., dep. 4 a.m.), Noumea (arr. Tues. 6.30 a.r

Dep. Noumea by DC8 every Thurs. 8 a for Sydney (arr. 10.10 a.m., d 11.10 p.m.) for Darwin, Saigon, Ba kok, Karachi, Teheran, Athens Paris (arr. Fri. 1.30 p.m.).

(Note. Crosses International Dateline tween Nadi, Fiji, and Papeete, Fre Polynesia.)

8. Sydney-Lord Howe Is.

Ansett Flying Boat Services Pty. Ltd with Sandringham Flyingboats

Regular return flight from Rose Bay b each Tuesday and Saturday (with ex flight Thursday as required).

9. Sydney-Norfolk Is.

Qantas, with Skymaster DC4 aircraft

Alt. Sat. (Dec. 3, 17, 23*, 31, Jan. 14, 28, etc.); dep. Sydney 8 a.m., a NI 2.45 p.m.; dep. NI next day, Sun. (Dec. 4, 18 24*, Jan. 1, 8†, 15, etc.) 2.45 p.m., for Sydney, arr. 6.45 p (Flight extends NI-Auckland-NI. table 12 below.)

* Extra service dep. Sydney Fri.; dep. Sat.

† Extra service dep. Sydney Sat.; dep. Sun.

10. New Caledonia-New Hebrides

TAI with DC4 aircraft

Tues. and Thurs.: Dep. Tontouta (N. Ca at 7 a.m., arr. Vila 8.55 a.m., d Vila 9.30 a.m., arr. Santo 10.45 a.r dep. 12.15 p.m., arr. Vila 1.30 p.m., d Vila 2.05 p.m., arr. Tontouta 4 p.m.

11. New Caledonia-Fiji-Wallis Is.

TAI with DC4 aircraft

Monthly, from Noumea on Dec. 11, Ja 8, Feb. 5, etc.

Dep. Noumea, Sun., 6.30 a.m., arr. Na 11.35 a.m., dep. 12.55 p.m., arr. Wal Is. 3.45 p.m. Dep. Wallis 7 a.m. Mo arr. Nadi 9.50 a.m., dep. 11.10 p.m arr. Noumea 2.15 p.m. same day.

12. Norfolk Is.-Auckland

TEAL, by Qantas Skymaster (Charter)

Alt. Sat. (Dec. 3, 17, 23*, 31, Jan. 7†, 14, 2 etc.). Dep. Norfolk 4 p.m., arr. Auc land 7.45 p.m. Ret. next day, Su (Dec. 4, 18, 24*, Jan. 1, 8†, 15, 29, etc. Dep. Auckland 10.30 a.m., arr. Norfo 1.30 p.m.

* Extra service dep. NI Fri.; dep. NZ Sa

† Extra service dep. NI Sat.; dep. NZ Su

13. Auckland-Sydney

TEAL, with Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electras

Daily (except Sun.): Dep. Auckland 9.3 a.m., arr. Sydney 11.55 a.m.

Daily (except Tues. and Sun.): Dep. Sydne 1.30 p.m., arr. Auckland 7.25 p.m.

Tues., Sun.: Dep. Sydney 10 a.m., arr Auckland 3.55 p.m.

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4. Sydney-Christchurch

. with Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electras

Thurs., Sat.: Dep. Sydney 1 p.m., Christchurch 7 p.m.

Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Christchurch 8 ., arr. Sydney 10.25 p.m.

Christchurch-Melbourne

. with Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electra

)ep. Christchurch 8 p.m., arr. Mel-rne 11 p.m.

Dep. Melbourne 12.30 p.m., arr. istchurch 7 p.m.

6. Sydney-Wellington

. with Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electra

Wed., Fri., Sat.: Dep. Sydney 9 , arr. Wellington 3.10 p.m.

Wed., Fri., Sat.: Dep. Wellington p.m., arr. Sydney 7.10 p.m.

7. Melbourne-NZ-Fiji

with Super Constellation chartered from Qantas

Fri.: Dep. Melbourne 8.15 a.m., arr. kland 4.15 p.m., dep. Auckland 5.15 , arr. Nadi 10.30 p.m. Return, same e, Thurs. and Sat.

nects at Nadi with Qantas Boeing service from Sydney to USA.)

18. Auckland-Fiji

. with Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electras d Qantas Super Constellations

Sun.: Dep. Auckland 5 p.m., arr. l 8.55 p.m.

Fri.*: Dep. Auckland 5.15 p.m., arr. i 10.30 p.m.

Fri.: Dep. Nadi 9.30 a.m., arr. kland 1.30 p.m.

Sat.*: Dep. Nadi 7 a.m., arr. Auck-l 12.15 p.m.

d. and Fri. flights ex-Auckland, and and Sat. flights ex-Nadi are d by Qantas under charter to

19. Christchurch-Fiji

. with Jet-Prop. Lockheed Electra

Dep. Christchurch 2.15 p.m., arr. kland 4 p.m., dep. Auckland 5 p.m., Nadi 8.55 p.m.

Dep. Nadi 9.30 a.m., arr. Auckland p.m., dep. Auckland 2.30 p.m., arr. istchurch 4.15 p.m.

0. NZ-Fiji-Am. Samoa-Hawaii

PAA, with DC7C Aircraft

uckland 5.30 p.m., Mon. and Thurs., Nadi 10.15 p.m.; dep. Nadi Fri. 12 noon, crosses International ine, arr. Tafuna (American Samoa) p.m., Thurs.; dep. Tafuna 5 p.m., Honolulu 5 a.m. Fri.

Honolulu 11 p.m. Fri., arr. Tafuna a.m. Sat.; dep. Tafuna 7.30 a.m., es International Dateline, arr. Nadi a.m. Sun.; dep. Nadi 6.10 a.m. Thurs., arr. Auckland 11 a.m.

21. Fiji-Tahiti

TEAL, with DC6 aircraft

)ep. Nadi 11.59 p.m., crosses Inter-onal Dateline, arr. Papeete Sat. 5 a.m.

Sun.: Dep. Papeete 9 a.m., crosses International Dateline, arr. Nadi Mon. 3.45 p.m.

22. Fiji Internal Airways

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron and Drover Aircraft and Beaver Amphibian

Suva-Nadi-Suva: Two flights daily (dep. Suva 8 a.m., arr. Nadi 8.45 a.m., dep. Nadi 9.15 a.m., arr. Suva 10.05 a.m.; and dep. Suva 3 p.m., arr. Nadi 3.45 p.m., dep. Nadi 4.10 p.m., arr. Suva 5.05 p.m.).

Suva-Labasa-Suva: One flight daily.

Suva-Labasa-Suva (via Matei, Taveuni): One flight—Mon.

Suva-Labasa-Suva (via Savusavu): One flight—Thurs., Sat., Sun.

Suva-Savusavu-Suva: One flight—Mon.

Suva-Ura (Taveuni)-Suva: One flight — Wed., Sun.

Suva-Matei-Suva: One flight—Sat.

Suva - Savusavu - Labasa - Savusavu - Matei - Suva: One flight—Tues.

Suva - Matei - Labasa - Matei - Savusavu - Suva: One flight—Fri.

Suva-Levuka-Suva: Return flights Tues. and Thurs.

Suva-Kadavu-Suva: Return flights alternate Fri. afternoons (Dec. 9, 23, Jan. 6, 20, etc.) and alternate Mon. mornings (Dec. 12, 26, Jan. 9, 23, etc.).

Details from Fiji Airways, Ltd., Victoria Arcade, Suva.

22A. Fiji-Tonga

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron aircraft

On a non-scheduled basis, with flights generally departing Nausori (near Suva) on the morning of each fourth Thursday (Dec. 1, 29, Jan. 26, etc.) and departing Pua'amotu, Tongatapu, on return flight on the following Saturday morning (Dec. 3, 31, Jan. 28, etc.). Flying time is about three hours each way.

Details from Fiji Airways, Ltd., Victoria Arcade, Suva.

23. N. Caledonia-Loyalty Is. Internal Service

TRANSPAC, with Herons and Rapides

Noumea-Mare: Tues. (dep. Noumea 2 p.m., arr. Mare 4 p.m.) and Thurs. (dep. Noumea 8 a.m., arr. Mare 10 a.m.).

Noumea-Ouvea: Wed., Thurs. and Sat. (dep. Noumea 8 a.m., dep. Ouvea 10.30 a.m.).

Noumea-Lifou: Tues., Wed., Sat., (dep Noumea 8 a.m., dep. Lifou 10 a.m.), Thurs. (dep. Noumea 11 a.m., dep. Lifou 1 p.m.).

Noumea-Kounie (Isle of Pines): Mon., Wed., Sat. (dep. Noumea 10.30 a.m., dep. Kounie, noon).

Noumea-Koumac: Mon., Sat. (dep. Noumea 1 p.m., dep. Koumac 4 p.m.); Wed. (dep. Noumea 2 p.m., dep. Koumac 5 p.m.). **Note:** On this flight a call will be made at Plaine des Gaiacs if required.

24. Hawaii-Tahiti

South Pacific Air Lines, of Honolulu, with Super-G Constellation aircraft

Weekly service by American airline, South Pacific Air Lines, from Honolulu to Faaa International Airport, Papeete.

Fri.: Dep. Honolulu 10 p.m., arr. Papeete Sat. 7.30 p.m.

Sat.: Dep. Papeete 10 p.m., arr. Honolulu Sun 7.30 a.m.

Details from South Pacific Air Lines, Rue Collette, Papeete, Tahiti, or Head Office, 311 California St., San Francisco, USA.

25. Samoan Inter-Island Services

Polynesia Airlines Ltd., of Apia, Western Samoa, using a Percival Prince aircraft, operates a regular air service between Western Samoa (Faleolo airfield) and American Samoa (Tafuna aerodrome). Flight takes 45 minutes, each way.

Dep. Faleolo (W. Samoa) Sun., Thurs. 2 p.m., Mon., Wed., Sat. 10 a.m., Fri. 10.45 a.m., 2 p.m.

Dep. Tafuna (Am. Samoa): Sun. 3.15 p.m., Mon., Wed. 11.15 a.m., Fri. 9.30 a.m., 12 noon; Sat. 8.30 a.m., 11.15 a.m.

Booking agents: Gold Star Travel Service, Apia: R. E. Pritchard, Pago Pago.

Samoan Air Lines, of Pago Pago, American Samoa, with a DC3 Viewmaster, operates Monday to Saturday from Tutuila (Am. Samoa) to Faleolo (Western Samoa) as follows:

Dep. Tutuila: Mon. 9.30 a.m., 4.20 p.m., Tues. 9.15 a.m., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 2 p.m.

Dep. Faleolo: Mon. 10.25 a.m., Tues. 8 a.m., 10.20 a.m., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 3.05 p.m.

Booking agent in Apia: Mr. Peter Plowman.

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Big Plans For Off-Shore Oil Probe

first major effort to find oil shore waters of Papua-New is likely to commence in y.

MIC Surveys Ltd., a British npany, will make an under- ter survey of 9,600 sq. miles of puan Gulf.

P. Bliaux, a representative of ., in Port Moresby on No- 2, said that the £250,000 sur- ill extend from Orio, just of Port Moresby, to Mibu

rmit for oil exploitation in f was granted to an Ameri- cked firm, Camelot Nominees d., in May last year. It re- was renewed for a further ears.

s reported in early November other group, Burmah Oil, has onducting seismic operations res Strait with a view to down ocean bores.

Drilling Raises pua's Oil Hopes

LING by Australasian Petro- m Co. Pty. Ltd. at Iehi, in gged country in Western is continuing. It may now deep as 12,000 ft, instead of eviously scheduled 10,000 ft In November it was at 9,000

company reported in October l traces had been encountered 5,800 ft and that the well be fully drilled before testing.

ng the month there has been kening of public interest in Moresby and Australia in the st. Shares of Oil Search Ltd., Australian partner in the e (with British Petroleum Ltd. cuum Oil) have been in brisk d. Quoted on Sydney Ex- around 4/11 in October, the ares moved to 6/6 in early ber.

real significance of the oil probably will not be known arly in the New Year, when mpany goes back to the task ing the oil-bearing sands and ing results.

after 20 years' effort, and the liture of over £30 million in rritory oil search, hopes have aised again that a payable ke might be made.

years ago, APC's Puri well more than 1,000 barrels a some weeks—but it was sub- tly abandoned when increas- antities of water entered the

Pacific Commerce and Produce

The new Iehi well is located further west, in an area where APC found some of the largest deposits of gas in the southern hemisphere.

Move To Regulate Whaling Industry

Norway and the Netherlands might re-join the International Whaling Commission if a proposal put forward recently by Norwegian whalers is accepted by Commission members.

Under the Norwegian proposal, the Netherlands must agree to accept Commission quota rulings, Russia must agree to not more than 20 per cent. of the total world catch, and all must agree to a satisfactory inspection system to ensure that the agreement is maintained.

This year the countries taking part in the Summer Antarctic whaling season failed to agree on the division of the total catch and some set their own quotas. All, however, agree that a limitation of the total catch is essential for the future of the industry.

Another Logging Co. For Papua-NG

Because there is a dearth of suitable soft and semi-hard timber in Australia, Clarke Bros. Holdings Ltd., timber merchant, is seeking a logging concession in Papua-New Guinea, said Mr. J. C. Clarke (chairman) said at the annual meeting in Sydney in late October.

The Co. will seek further capital, by way of a convertible note issue, early in the New Year, to finance this logging and milling establishment.

Mariboi's Rubber Production (And Profit) a Record

Output of dry rubber for the year ended June 30 last was 936,229 lb—a record, as was the year's profit of £50,303, the chairman (Mr. E. V. Crisp) reported at Mariboi Rubber Ltd.'s annual meeting in Port Moresby last month.

Final dividend of 13¾ per cent. made a total of 20 per cent. for the year (taking £40,237). Reserves gained £10,000.

The Co. has installed a modern treatment plant for processing tree, cup and ground scrap rubber, which will enable it to make a fine quality crepe rubber commanding higher prices than for scrap rubber. In addition, it has erected a stone-crushing machine for the maintenance of the 12 miles of estate roads.

Plantation Holdings Pay 12 Per Cent. For First Year

Although Plantation Holdings Ltd., New Guinea, in the first year of operations showed less profit (at £20,763) than the £24,360 estimated in its prospectus, dividend of 12 per cent. was paid, against an estimated 10 per cent.

Profit of £20,763 to June 30, 1960, was after £3,548 taxation provision and £6,346 depreciation. Interim (6 per cent.) and final dividend (6 per cent.) required £18,000.

The recent fall in world prices for both copra and cocoa accounted for the drop in anticipated profits, directors stated.

Fiji "Moratorium" Bill Dropped by Government

As a result of general dissatisfaction expressed by the business community, and particularly by Suva Chamber of Commerce, the Fiji Government has decided not to proceed with the "Moratorium" Bill it proposed in September.

The bill, known as the Courts (Temporary Provisions) Bill, 1960, would have relieved some persons from liabilities arising out of non-payment of money and non-performance of obligations if directly or indirectly attributable to the crisis in the sugar industry. It would have expired on December 30 next—unless continued.

Members of Suva Chamber of Commerce voiced concern that, because of the sugar dispute, attachments could not be issued for non-payment of debts, if the bill became law, and said it would affect every business in the Colony.

British Aluminium Acquires P-NG Hydro-Electric Rights

After negotiations begun in 1957 for the sale of its 51 per cent. interest in New Guinea Resources Prospecting Co. Ltd., the Commonwealth Government announced last month that it had agreed to sell its interest to British Aluminium Co. Ltd.

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formed in 1950 to investigate potential hydro-electric resources in Papua—the Commonwealth Govt. providing £153,000 and British Aluminium Co. £147,000 for its 49 per cent. share.

By the sale, British Aluminium thus acquires the rights to hydro-electric development in Papua. It will continue investigation of the Purari River system as a power source possibility for smelting aluminium in Papua.

At June 30 last year, NG Resources assets were disclosed as £8,472, mainly base camp buildings at Kairuku, trucks, boats and drilling and field equipment.

British Aluminium recently ended its association with Consolidated Zinc Corporation as partners in Commonwealth Aluminium Corporation Pty. Ltd. Now, Consolidated Zinc alone will develop the huge Weipa bauxite deposits on Cape York Peninsula, Nth. Australia and will take over the huge Bell Bay (Tasmania) smelter works.

Bali Plantations Off To a Good Start

Bali Plantations Ltd., New Guinea, earned a consolidated net profit of £54,243 to August 31 in its first year of operations.

Profit was achieved after providing £11,138 for taxation and depreciation of £7,249. Preliminary expenses were written down £5,063 and £19,300 placed to reserves.

Dividend of 12 per cent. (including final 7 per cent.) requires £29,880.

The Co.'s recently announced issue of 110,000 10/- shares at a premium was allotted to the Development Finance Corporation group, it has been revealed. DFC has taken the investment placement to spread among its companies.

NGG's Profit Falls, But Dividend Steady

A drop of £22,460 (to £40,179) on last year's £62,639 profit was shown by New Guinea Goldfields Ltd. for the year ended June 30. Profit was after P-NG tax £9,000 (not payable for the previous year) and depreciation and redemption £46,955 (£4,460 higher).

Trading profit was £5,204 lower at £54,684—the Co. now has substantial timber-getting and coffee-growing interests, but mining operations showed an overall loss of £5,927 (against profit of £2,394 for 1958-59).

Actually, the Co.'s own mining operations produced profit of £11,306 but there was a £17,233 loss on alluvial operations conducted jointly with Koranga Gold Sluicing Ltd.

Dividend remains at 3d a share, requiring £55,904, which is paid from gold-mining profits reserve.

Koitaki Rubber Profit Bounces Up

A 50 per cent. rise in profit over 1959 took Koitaki Para Rubber Estates Ltd.'s result to £43,605 for the year ended June 30. Previous year's profit was £28,986.

Final dividend of 13¾ per cent. (on capital doubled by July's 1-for-1 bonus issue), with interim 17½ per cent., is equivalent to 45 per cent. on pre-bonus capital. For 1958-59, 35 per cent. was paid.

Profit represents earning rate of 29 per cent. on present capital. It is after much higher provisions—tax £12,546 (up £11,761), depreciation £13,292 (up £1,711), and a new special amortisation provision of £5,000.

Suva Tyre Retreading Factory Expands

The Western Samoan-financed Summit Retreading Co., Ltd., Suva—Fiji's only full-time retreading company—recently moved into larger premises at Walu Bay. The new factory has a floor area of 4,100 sq. ft. including a three-bedroom staff flat on the upper floor.

The company was formed by Hans and Rudolf Keil, Herman Retzlaff, and Eugene Paul, of Apia in 1956. Mr. Hans Keil, well known as proprietor of the White Horse Inn, had earlier established a retreading factory in Apia.

Managed by Mr. H. N. Reay, the Suva factory is capable of retreading 25 tyres a day, in all sizes up to large truck tyres (900 x 20). Equipment is mainly American manufactured. Each tyre mould draws heat from a separate oil-fired closed-circuit steam boiler. These boilers use little water—an expensive item in Suva—and steam is applied only to the moulds actually in use.

The factory supplies an important service to Fiji's motorists. A certain amount of government work is done, but the Colony's largest user of tyres, Public Works Dept., does not favour retreading: it can import new tyres on a duty-free basis and is thus at a considerable advantage as compared with the non-Government consumers.

Whales Help Fill Tongan Larder

Although there are no plans for any immediate whale oil industry in Tonga, a careful watch is being kept there on the possibilities. All whales caught or sighted are now carefully recorded as to variety, size, etc., so that the approximate numbers which migrate past the group each winter can be estimated and the potentialities evaluated.

Meanwhile, whaling is much in favour as a fresh meat industry, with increasing numbers of whalers entering the business, throughout the entire Group. For years, whaling was confined to the vicinity of Nukualofa, the Cook family being the only whalers.

Whales move up from the Antarctic for about three months, commencing in May. They breed in the tropics, then head south, in much poorer condition and with calves. Cows with calves, or calves themselves, may not be killed, so not much whaling is done on the southern run.

Europeans in Nukualofa who have sampled whale meat say that, properly prepared, it is delicious. Very occasionally a calf is accidentally killed—and the steaks from that are superior to the best beef steaks, according to one European Nukualofa whale-meat fancier.

A little whale oil was exported by one merchant recently. It was rendered down in the old way with tri-pot and open fire.

Whales are still taken by the methods of last century—the open long-boat with no engine, and the hand-thrown harpoon. The boats carry a small sail to assist them out to the grounds. When a whale is secured a signal flag is run up and a hire-launch comes out to render assistance by towing the whale in. That is the situation at Nukualofa, but in other parts of Tonga the whole job is sometimes handled by the long-boat men.

Economic Outlook

ALMOST daily falls in all classes shares on Sydney Stock Excha throughout the month continued nibble away at the record September ordinary index peak of 348.46. By e November, average prices were back the level of September, 1959—an ove drop of 15 per cent.

Institutional buyers were still holding in the second week in November, w the market was still gently sliding lo Institutions are essentially long-term vestors, of course, and a temporary in paper profits matters little to th Conversely, the harder the market f the better could be the buying opp tunities later on.

Meanwhile, Federal Cabinet is enga in its end-of-the-year survey of national economy—and it cannot be happy with what it sees. The Gove ment's anti-inflationary programme, into operation last February, has fa to achieve its object. Trading bank vances have increased by £148 million the past 12 months, leading to a danger excess of imports over exports. Trade the first four months of the current y showed deficit of £112.7 millions, c pared with £4.2 million surplus last y

The Government now appears to determined to take drastic action to ch the drift in Australia's economy, even it involves unpopular direct measures. first move probably will be to tigh Reserve Bank control of all money sour including that for hire-purchase. Oth equally unpalatable to the general pub are expected to follow.

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Fiji Industries . . .	14/-	12/
Hackshall's	16/6	15/
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COPRA

British Ministry of Food 9-years t, which governed Copra prices ia and New Guinea, Fiji, Western Solomon Islands, and Gilbert and Colony (and, to some extent, in and Cook Islands) expired on De- 31, 1957; since when each Terri- s made its own arrangements for n and marketing of copra.

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—No Government control—producers ere they wish. Bulk of copra goes shing-mills in Suva. On Nov. 7 were: HAD £F52/15/-, FM /-.

STERN SAMOA:—Official Copra receives all production, and sells nd makes payments to producers. proportion goes to Unilever, at ines FM grade rates, plus pre- up to £S3 per ton for hot- ed. Prices since March, 1959, have Hot-air dried, £S67/13/8 per ton; ed No. 1, £S65/3/8; sun-dried £S61/13/8.

GA:—Sales are under Government Part of production goes to Europe, arrangement with Unilever con- by Philippines prices, and part open market.

OMONS:—All production marketed official Copra Board, at prices on Philippines market. Price de- as from Nov. 1: 1st grade, 0/-; 2nd grade, £A61; 3rd grade, 0/- per ton, f.o.b., BSIP ports. The Board is subsidising the price by mately £A12 per ton.

ERT AND ELLICE:—Production ed in Europe through official Copra at prices based on Philippines less "stabilisation fund" charges.

MOA:—Producers receive 7 cents lb. 3.8 or £A70/4/6 approx. per long Periodic bonus, if average proceeds Govt. buying price and expenses.

HEBRIDES:—Price rose on to £A41/10/- (8,300 Pac. francs) delivered Vila/Santo. French price 4 was 93½ heavy francs per metric .f., Marseilles.

K IS. AND NIUE IS: Subject to ra contract provisions between Cook Niue shippers and Abels, Ltd., of d, who operate the only NZ copra g mill, the price paid is average price for previous month, less g charges. Actual price paid to rs varies widely from island to ranging from £NZ30 to £NZ50 .

ELAUS: Price is based on the London price for the month prior ment to Auckland crushers.

OTHER PRODUCE

COCOA:—Islands prices are based on the rate for Ghana cocoa which on Nov. 7 was Stg.217/10/- per ton c.i.f. Sydney.

W. SAMOA:—Nominal price quoted in Sydney on Nov. 8: £S210, f.o.b., Apia, grade 1: £S195, grade 2.

P.-N.G.: Nov. 8.—Quota No. 1: £245 (best quality). Quote No. 2: £240 (medium grade).

COFFEE.—P.-N.G.: Nov. 8, good quality A grade, per lb, 4/1; B grade, 4/-; C grade, 4/- c.i.f., Sydney.

In early October, world coffee reports showed: Tanganyika A, £Stg.355 per ton, B £Stg.350; Kenya A £Stg.420, B £Stg.350, U/G £Stg.320; Uganda Robusta, Nov. £Stg.162.

PEANUTS: P.-N.G.: Nov. 8, Kernels: White Spanish 1/6 lb del. buyer's store; Red Spanish, 1/4; Virginia Bunch, 1/7. In Shell, 1/- lb.

RUBBER:—P.-N.G. price is based on Singapore rate, which on Nov. 7 was: No. 1 RSS, spot, 89½ Straits cents per lb (31.21d Aust.).

VANILLA BEANS: Victor Karp Tulk & Co., Sydney, advised Nov. 8: White and yellow label, processed, standard packs. 42/9; green label, 41/6, c.i.f., Sydney.

RICE (Aust.): Prices as from May 1960—**P.-N.G.:** Dry brown and dressed, 112 lb bags, 5 tons and over, £56/10/- per ton, f.o.w.; under 5 tons £57 per ton. Vitamised and enriched white, 112 lb bags, 5 tons and over, £63 per ton, f.o.w.; under 5 tons, £63/10/- per ton. **Other Pac. Islands:** Dry, brown, etc., £66 per ton f.o.w., Sydney or Melbourne.

PEARL SHELL.—Quotations for **Australian White M.O.P. Shell** on Nov. 8 by Sydney independent shell agents were: Sound £A850, D £A600, E £A300, EE £A200 (in store Sydney). Demand slackening. **Cook Islands: Penrhyn** £NZ500 (approx.), f.o.b., Rarotonga. **Manihiki:** Lagoon closed. **Suwarrow:** Blacklip shell season will end late Nov.

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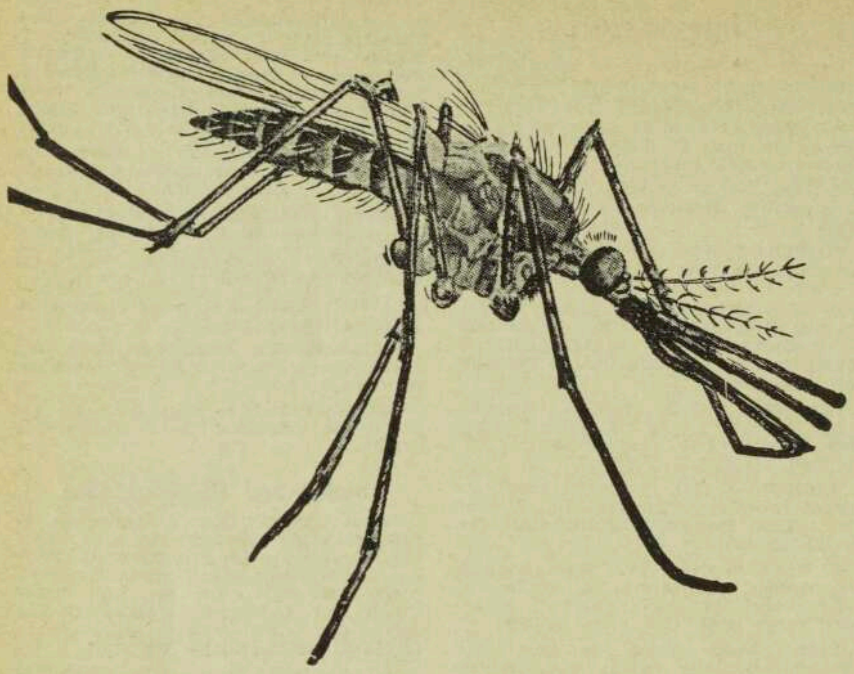

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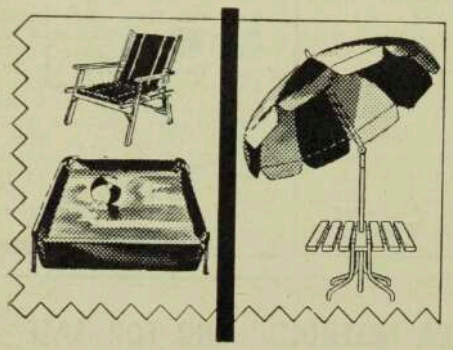

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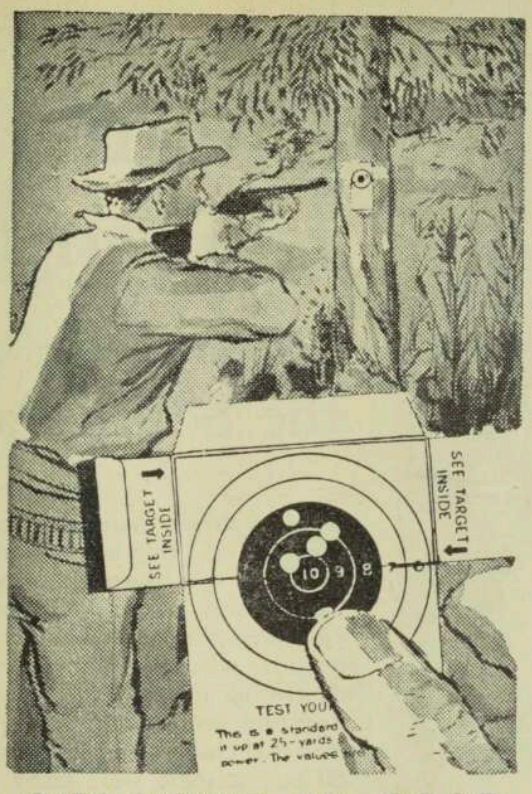

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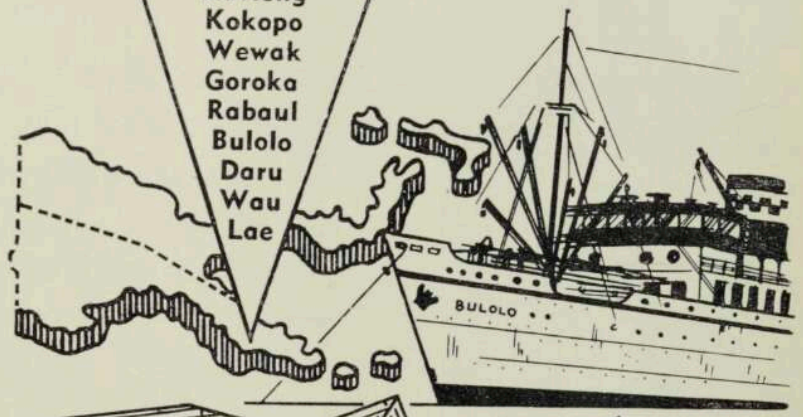

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