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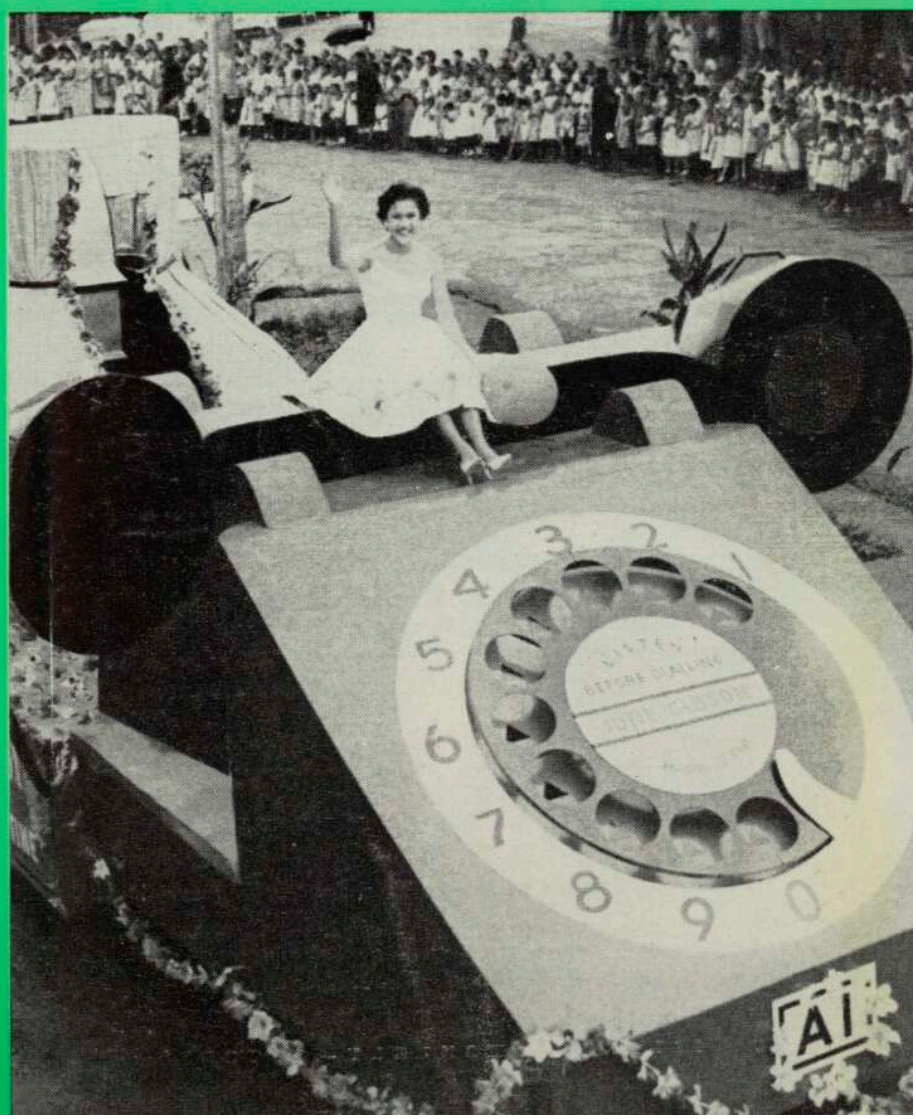
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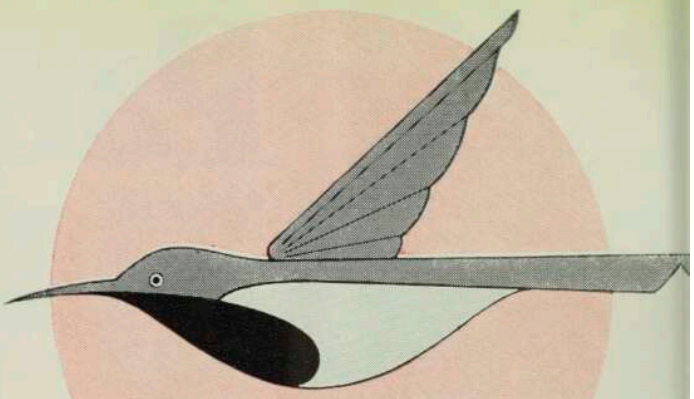
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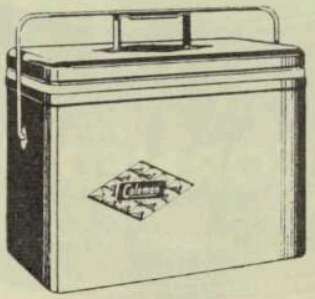
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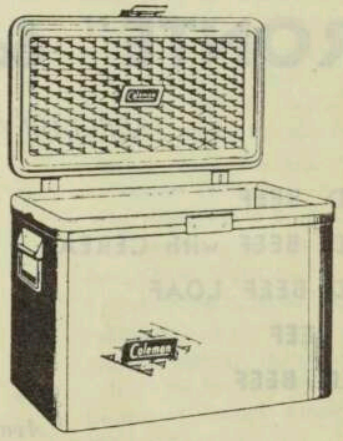
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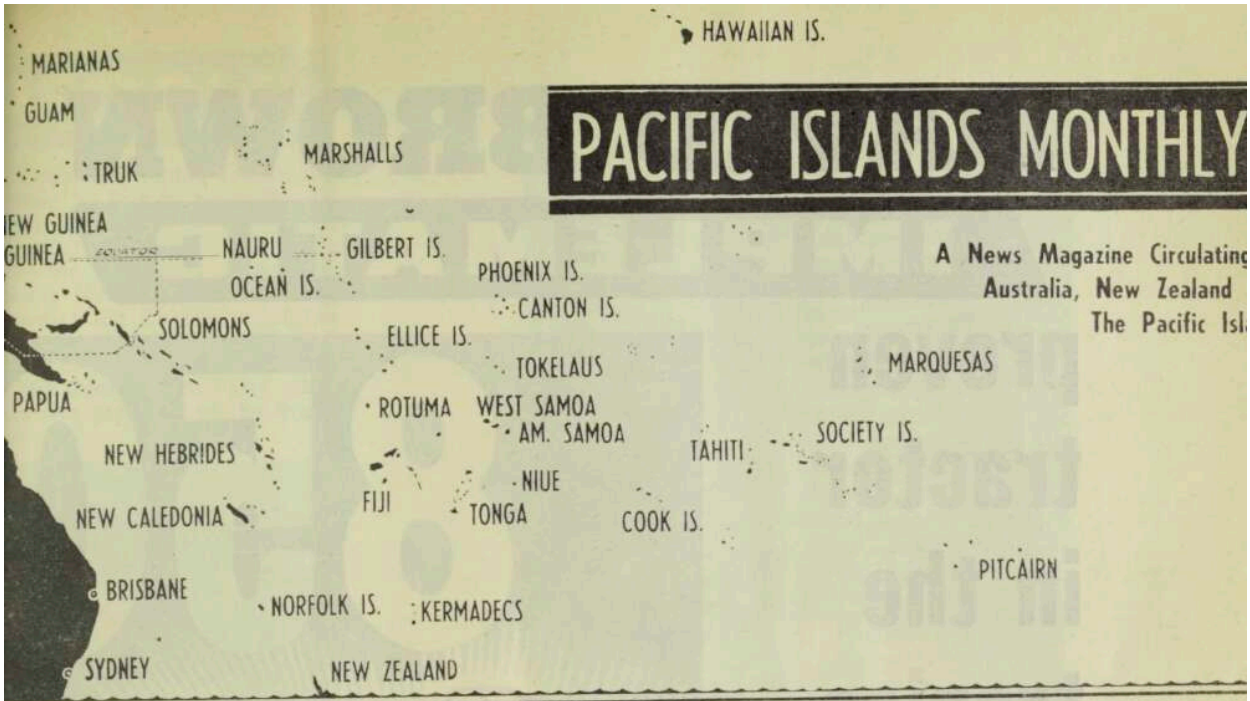
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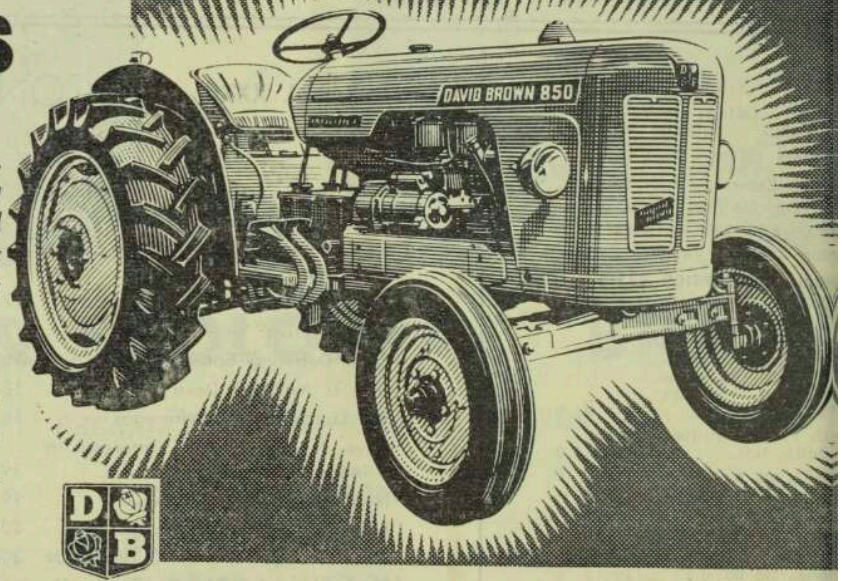
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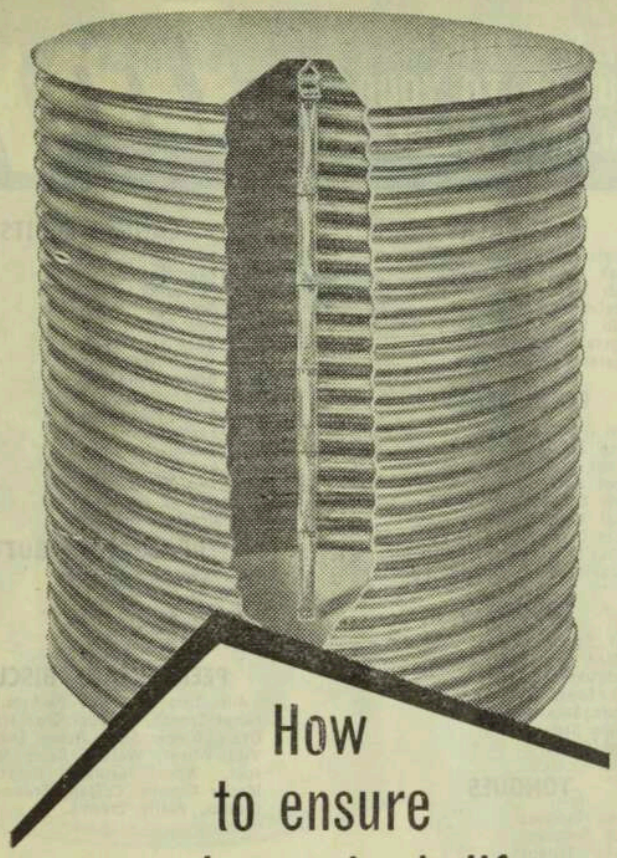


e Mrs. Alexander Andrews is well
n the Solomons and Fiji, but under her
name of Joanne Manning. She is the
of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Manning. Mr.
is now BSIP Comptroller of Posts
egraphs, and Joanne spent most of her
fe in the Pacific. In September, in
w home in Berkeley, California, she
e the mother of a baby daughter.

the job in Fiji in early October
Mr. E. R. Bevington, the
ial Secretary, who had just re-
a surprise appointment as Fiji
opment Commissioner. This was
ost which Sir Alan Burns,
ect of the 1960 Burns' Report
iji, recommended should be
shed. Sir Alan attached great
tance to its creation. Mr.
gton started off his new duties
, and there was great interest
ether he would turn out to
e man for the job. Mr. H. P.
e will act as Financial Secretary.

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bove), has the distinction of being Tongan to graduate from Harvard (BA with honours), and now has rship to study at Cambridge, where to take his MA. Before going to in 1955 he was at the Tonga High He entered Harvard in 1957 and this year. A report from in September said Langi was to Mr. and Mrs. E. Shore, whose had enabled him to study in the States.—Photo: Hettig.

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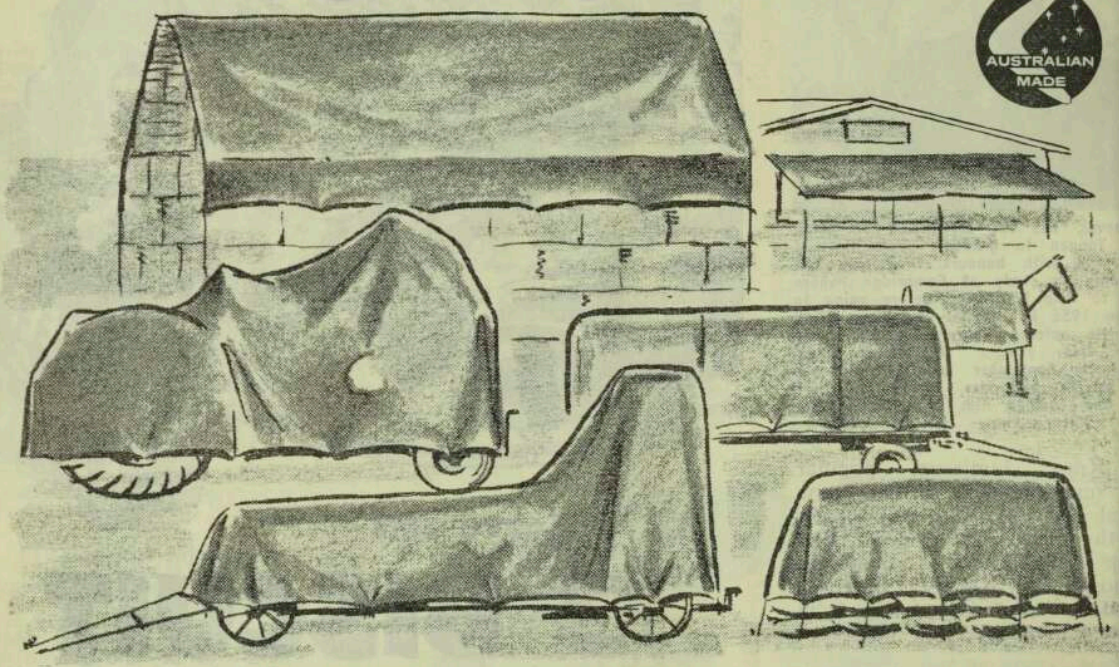
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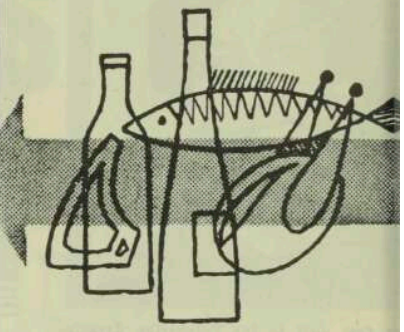
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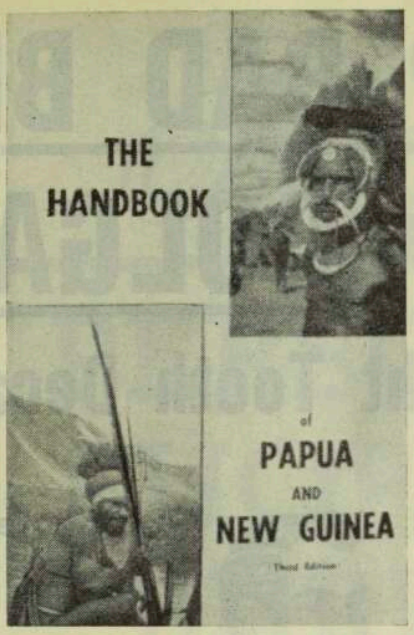
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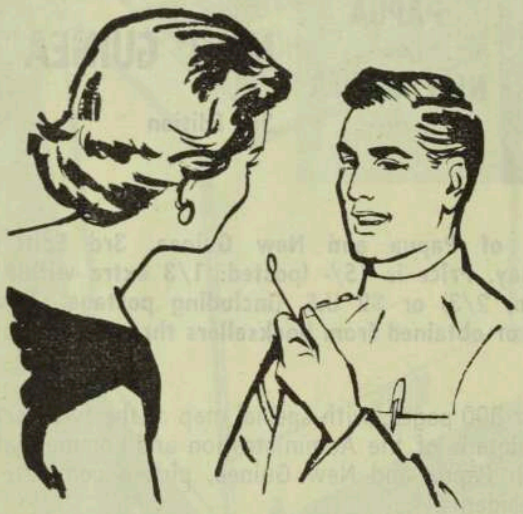
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n TEAL made its inaugural flight to American Samoa in ber en route to Tahiti, TEAL chairman G. N. Roberts pre- American Samoa Governor H. e with a New Zealand Saturday newspaper—on a Saturday g in Samoa. TEAL, said Mr. , would make it its business there on time (and no doubt efore time while there is still rnational Dateline).



son, aged four, on a Sydney beach is sia Bowman who, before her marriage ustralian clerk, lived in the Western village of Fale-fa, having only slight with European ways. Her success in into suburban life demonstrates the le adaptability of the Polynesian. e years' absence, Mrs. Bowman is g in Samoa where she hopes to stay ugh to see the Independence celebra- tions in January.—Tele-Photos

and Mrs. Allen Innes, ex- rians domiciled in Sydney, are Europe and show no signs of home yet. They were in n in early September pausing going off to Scotland for a and recently returned from Russia, Hungary, Austria, slovakia and the Baltic. thing they liked, however, hat youth in these places o time for being Beatniks, -boys or the Australian equiva- bodgies or widgies. The Innes have met up with a number er former New Guinea Terri- including Mrs. Elma Good, June Ewen and Mrs. Hazel vell who lives permanently in these days while her daughter s the Sorbonne.

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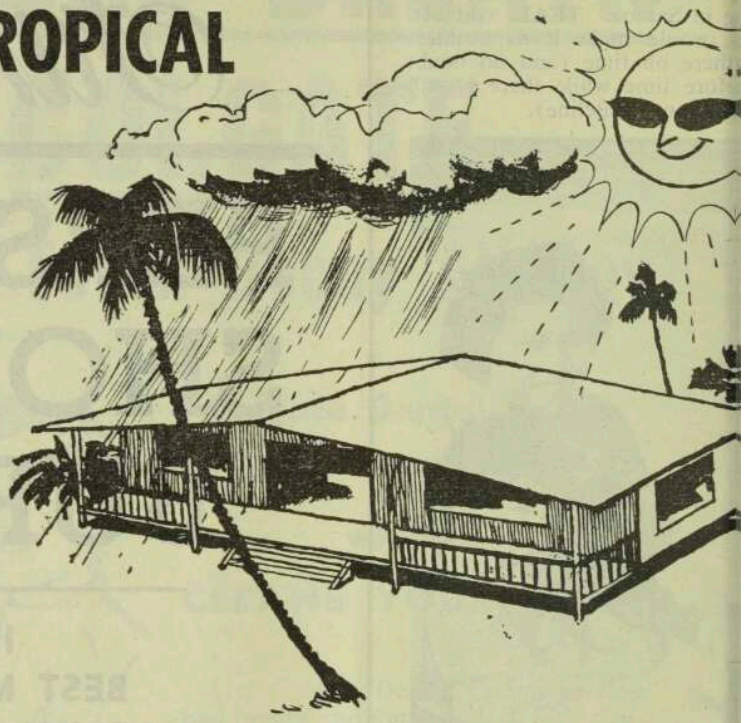
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Dutch Throw New Guinea Hat In The Ring

From our Canberra Correspondent

The Dutch plans for UN supervision of West New Guinea direct challenge to the UN on self-determination.

ect, the Dutch have told the that if those countries which often about self-determination uine, then here is their chance omething more than talk.
one in Canberra doubts that tch plan was anything but the f pressure.
he external pressures which long been applied to the ands has been added increas- essure from sections of the people themselves.
plan which the Dutch Foreign r, Dr. J. Luns, put before the l Assembly in September pro- or:
ctive supervision by the UN inistration and development;
ceptance of a UN decision guaranteeing the right of self- nation to the people of NNG;
elinquishing of sovereignty to pulation of NNG;
ransfer of present Dutch to an international authority could gradually take over ibilities and prepare the ion for early self-determina- nder stable conditions; and
ontinued financial contributions present level of about $30

Luns told the UN that his ment was prepared to ask its rvants at present in NNG to as long as necessary as inter- l civil servants.

Send Commission

sked for a UN commission to NNG to investigate political, and economic conditions and ssibility of an early plebiscite.
n Australia's point of view s the most significant thing he Dutch offer is that it leaves y open for the UN to urge lia to hold a plebiscite on self- ination.
tralia has never made any bones its ultimate intention to seek inion of the people of its Terri-

the Dutch offer could force a ite on her much earlier than d intended.
wever, the Australian Govern- ment's advisers are confident that if a vote were taken the people of P-NG would overwhelmingly want Australian administration to continue.

The Dutch proposals attracted curiously little attention in the Australian Parliament.

A full day passed before questions were asked, and discussion of the Territories Estimates, which would have been a natural time to examine the matter, was devoted almost entirely to Northern Territory affairs.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Menzies, made Australia's position clear when he was questioned in the House.

He described the Dutch plan as a "very constructive proposal" and emphasised Australia's deep attachment to the principle of self-determination.

He pointed out, too, that Indonesia, which had always rejected the principle of self-determination, was likely to maintain that position.

"Indonesia claims that NNG is part of Indonesia and that therefore nothing is left to argue about," he said.

"According to Indonesia, outsiders are not to ask for self-determination for NNG any more than they are to ask for Java, Sumatra, the Celebes or any part of Indonesia's territory."

Later, when Mr. Clyde Cameron (Labour, SA) asked whether Australia proposed to make a proposal to the UN in respect of Papua, Mr. Menzies was biting in his reply.

"That is a remarkable question," he said. "It must astonish the Leader of the Opposition himself.

"Is not Mr. Cameron aware that we administer our trust territory under the Trusteeship Council, one of the agencies of the UN itself?

"Is he unaware of the fact that we have, by a perfectly voluntary action, associated both our trust Territory and the other area in one general scheme of administration?

"And is he not aware that from first to last we have stated that in respect of both our territory and the Trust Territory the object is self-determination after an adequate preparation of the native population to exercise that right?"



Photo: S. A. Whippy

"Miss Hibiscus", crowned in Suva at the Hibiscus Week Festival in September, is Miss Laurayne Thurley, 17, here seen waving to crowds of well-wishers. See also p. 115.

An End to Petty Rivalry!

In Defence Of Suva

From a Correspondent

Fiji has come out in a rash of festivals this year. We've already had Nadi's Commerce Week, in September we hailed Hibiscus Week and early October saw Lautoka's Cession festivities complete with a Miss Sugar.

ADMIRABLE, each in its own way, the fun and games unfortunately underline yet another issue on which Fiji is in danger of being split—the scramble for tourists. Always, it seems, Suva is the villain.

Ensnaring the precious tourists into its beautiful harbour, it divests them of dollars or sterling to the benefit of Suva's businesses and traders . . . while the rest of Fiji, for the most

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part as beautiful, is ignored and neglected, Korolevu's cash customers excepted.

This seems to be the tenor of thinking of the non-Suva residents, whether they be from Lautoka or Labasa, whether they voice their opinions in Legco or local councils.

But surely it is very muddled thinking.

Suva is the capital of the Colony and as such is it asking too much of the rest of Fiji to take some pride in it, as the people of NSW for instance like to brag about the Sydney Harbour Bridge and will be the same no doubt about the already world-famous Opera House now shooting skyward?

As Fiji's capital, Suva is the name most well-known to people overseas, the place they are naturally most interested to look at if they ever visit the islands.

Yet, to hear some Lautoka spokesmen, one would think they would like to see Suva a ghost city with Lautoka a flourishing tourist mecca as well as being the headquarters of the Colony's chief industry.

Each centre has its role to play and while there is nothing wrong with the parts overlapping, as when Lautoka entertains interested travellers, or Suva establishes industries, for Lautoka to try and steal Suva's tourist personality would be like Suva trying to capture the shipping of sugar.

Short Sighted

To one temporarily living in Suva and raking in not a single tourist shekel, this jealousy of Suva seems very short-sighted.

There is no doubt that apart from its name, Suva has a few other undeniable tourist attractions. To wit, Albert Park where "Smithy" landed on his historic Pacific flight, the quite fascinating Museum in the Botanical Gardens and the Grand Pacific Hotel with the romance of years past that have put it on a par with Singapore's Raffles and Cairo's Shepheard's.

Till recently it had yet another attraction which probably outshone all the rest in the eyes of just-landed tourists—the colourful policeman under his little yellow awning on Burns Philp corner. It does seem a pity that he should have had to be sacrificed in favour of impersonal traffic lights in the City Council's determination to be up-to-date.

But anyway what is the point of the undignified rivalry?



Cook Islanders in Wellington

In Wellington in September Mr. Teariki Tuavera (second from le and Mr. Dick Brown, members of the Cook Islands Legislati Assembly, discuss Islands affairs with the Minister of Islan Territories, Mr. F. L. A. Gotz (right), and Mr. J. M. McEwe Secretary for Island Territories (left). Mr. Tuavera is a plant and Mr. Brown a trader and ship owner. They have been visitin NZ to study marketing conditions, and to investigate the prospec of increasing the NZ market for agricultural products from the Cook

Every tourist that comes to Fiji and spends money, be it in Suva or anywhere else, is assisting the Colony's shaky economy and everyone benefits from that.

And isn't the best principle, like Mrs. Beeton's perhaps wrongly-attributed formula, to "catch your tourist first?" And the way to do this, in a small country with a very limited amount to spend on tourism, is to concentrate on making the place sound so good that people will feel they just *have* to come. And not only "sound good" but be good so that returning travellers will urge their friends to take the trip.

With its Hibiscus Festival, Suva started something which just seemed to fill this bill. As the Governor (Sir Kenneth Maddocks) said in his Festival message this year: "As the hibiscus is the floral symbol of Fiji, so is the Hibiscus Festival a symbol of the friendliness of Fiji.

"The festival provides a week of gaiety, spectacle and colour for our people in Fiji and for the tourists who visit us at this time. It also gives us valuable publicity. . . ."

Ay, there's the rub. Because the Hibiscus Festival has now become a symbol of Fiji overseas where before the white-sulu'd policeman practically fought a lone battle against Tahiti's glamour girls and the various gimmicks of other tourist-seeking spots.

But instead of the rest of Fiji being happy about this and giving the Hibiscus Festival wholehearted support, we find Nadi (primarily an airport, after all) doing its best to pounce on the would-be traveller for its Commerce Week, and Lautoka running its Miss Sugar contest simultaneously with the Miss H quest.

It was noteworthy that then not a single entrant from L in the Miss Hibiscus contes year—one seriously questions w this was because no Lautoka gi worthy of sponsoring when the filled high places in previous

Having got the tourist he means of the policeman o Hibiscus Week, by all means, persuade him to see as much rest of Fiji as possible. This by one who is just dying to Nadi when it has its race m

Indeed the rest of the Colony be doing itself a great servi clamour for the making of a swimming beach in or near Su has been done in Hawaii. I have visited Lautoka as a and swam at Saweni).

All Would Benefit

By making use of Suva's estab name and giving people mor more reason to come here, they soon find themselves benefitin only indirectly from the Suva t but from those tourists who looked at the capital for a cou days, then seek to fan out else

These local festivals are a w ful and very laudable institutio the residents of Fiji, and Lautok Nadi would do well to extend gracious invitations to the peo Suva to take part.

But, to a former tourist, th overseas should be to present a front and use all the publicity able to strengthen the attra already well known not try to mine them by petty rivalry whic only create confusion.

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ohnny In The South Seas

nny Frisbie, 29-year-old Poly-n dancing daughter of the late rt Dean Frisbie, is returning e Cooks in October. She and merican husband will stay for months at Rarotonga, which ny left in 1950 for the bright s of Hawaii and later Japan.

art from seeing relatives again vill be doing some work in the s to further her ambition of an authority on Polynesia. she will also get on with her nal writing.

ractive Johnny is the author, her writer father, of "Miss es from Puka Puka", and later er own "The Frisbies of the Seas", which she published in York last year. She is now ng on her first novel—an rical novel of the South ic.

and her husband—Hawaii TV nality Carl Hebenstreit, and children, Ropati, 4 and Carla, ve been living in Auckland, since June. They have no to go back to the US, and Hebenstreit is looking for a e to make a name for himself elevision in this part of the l.

nny was in Sydney in early ber, on a promotion arranged EAL and Woolworths, during she taped some TV appear-s to be released later in the h. The photograph above in Hawaiian dress was taken on arrival at Sydney.

there are opportunities here, would like to come to Sydney anently," said Johnny.

Sugar Report Sponsors New Mood Of Hope

From a Correspondent

Anything carrying so colourless a title as "Report of the Fiji Sugar Inquiry Commission", would not ordinarily expect to do much for the morale of anybody.

BUT there is a new spirit and a new vigour abroad in Fiji, and especially in the Northwest districts where sugar is the real life-blood of the people, following publication in September of the little blue-covered book with that name.

The sugar inquiry was ordered at the end of last year in an effort to sort out the economics and the many troubles of the industry upon which this British Colony depends.

The inquiry should have been got moving even earlier than it was, but in any case it was done earlier this year and all races of Fiji in September have been absorbing every word written by Sir Malcolm Trustram Eve and his two fellow commissioners. (For a summary of the report see p. 57.)

Even the man-in-the-street, the fellow to whom sugar is something to sweeten his tea with, has been discussing the report intelligently, for it has been the main topic of conversation. Farmers, shopkeepers, traders, all seem happier. The main message in the report is that there is good hope the sugar troubles will be solved, and that is good news for the entire economy.

Inclined to Wait

When the report was released the Government felt inclined to wait until the millers, growers and mill-workers first mulled it over and came to some agreement as to what they thought. But fortunately it soon realised that a Government's job was to give a lead, so it came out and said what it felt—that it supported the report's principal recommendations about the need to set up a Sugar Board and a Sugar Advisory Council. It promised to introduce legislation to the Legco "at the earliest possible moment". (A bill has already been prepared.) The Government said it would take urgent steps to meet the Commission's recommendation for an independent chairman—not from Fiji, Australia or India.

It is understood to be looking for a really top man, for it has accepted Trustram Eve's view that the right man in this position is vital.

Various other Government moves were made, all designed to show a note of urgency, as well they might.

The CSR, through the chief manager in Fiji, Mr. J. C. Potts, announced it considered the Commission's report was a blueprint for the industry, and designed to provide a stable industry. It said the key to progress was the arrival of the independent chairman, and it hoped the Government passed bills very soon.

In the canefields they have been saying the same things. The report will do quite well—speed is now what is wanted. There has been one suggestion that a board is not wanted—that a conciliation commissioner could be appointed—but there has been little support for that.

And the factions that have been anti-mill at all costs are visibly losing ground, and many farmers who delayed planting this year are openly regretting their actions.

If the Government really does act quickly, if a first class chairman is appointed and gets working straight away, if the Government firmly meets any effort to intimidate farmers (intimidation after the style of last year's tactics) then there is a very good chance that a new cane contract will be signed while the present mood of hope lasts.

Everyone agrees that delay will just mean more problems again for everybody.

Reds 'Active in West Pacific'

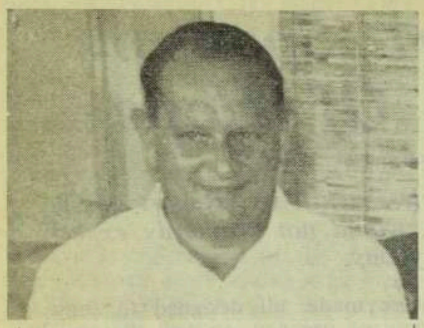
Communists were active in the Western Pacific, said the NZ Minister of Island Territories, Mr. Gotz, in the House of Representatives, Wellington, in September.

But he declined to give any details, "for security reasons".

He said there was no evidence of Communist influence in the Island Councils of New Zealand's territories.

Mr. W. A. Fox (Labour) said details of Communists should be made known to the House so the problem could be dealt with.

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Party Is Not Yet Dead

Papua-New Guinea's first political party — the United Progress Party—is not dead, but it is not exactly firing on all cylinders.

THIS is the main point that emerged from a meeting which the party called in Port Moresby in September to discuss its future.

A foundation member, Mr. R. F. Bunting (above), said it was clear the party was too early. There was no real support for it.

Mr. Ron Slaughter, MLC, (below), was sorry the party hadn't snowballed as he had hoped. A party was useful. But party politics might be a little premature after all.

Mr. Ian Downs, MLC, said he still thought the party was a good thing, and members would be there when people woke up to the need for a party.

Chairman of the meeting, planter Mr. Colin Sefton, said a decision on the next meeting could be left to the elected members when they decided the time was ripe. This was agreed to.



How That Legislature Has Changed!

From Debating Society To Legislative Council

By Stuart Inder

The time I last saw the Papua-New Guinea Legislat Council working it was a debating society with neither thusiasm nor hope. In Port Moresby in September I found operating as a Legislative Council.

IT's not yet a parliament, but nothing is now going to stop it from attempting to become one, for it has, for the first time, begun to feed from within.

The pressures of its own expanding confidence will defeat anybody or anything that attempts to repress it. Personalities are being built, alliances are being formed, critics are being forged and party politics are developing—party politics in the sense that political attitudes and a political conscience are being evolved, whatever party tags they may one day bear.

I have been a regular listener to the P-NG Legco since 1953, but I never thought I would find myself writing this only a few months after the Council had got going as a reconstituted body.

Settling Down

Certainly there had been walk-outs and revolt at the Government's refusal to make a legislature worthy of the name. But having got what they asked for—and even a little more—who could have predicted that within six months of its first meeting in April, the working parts would be settling down. The September meeting was only the third for the reconstituted Council of 37 (15 Government members including the president, 22 unofficial members including 12 elected).

I heard complaints that the recomposition was unfair—but the complaints were from *Government* members, who felt the Government should never have been forced into lobbying for support on touch-and-go occasions. But if that's an error in composition, then it's an error on the right side of the ledger. Nobody forgets the Government still has friends in high places who can reverse its defeats—although that mett going to become more risky Council gains still more confic

What use is a legislature th not got a fighting opposition who is an opposition to figh isn't a Government? If figh just another word for deba Council would be back where last year.

This Council has an oppo despite the pretence that distr the members all over the House elected European members wor

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VIP Lunch Wi A Difference

From a Honiara Correspond

The regular monthly info business luncheons with the Commissioner for the We Pacific, Mr. D. C. C. Tre now being held in Honiara, B are proving very popular.

Mr. Trench adopted the tem not long ago to give m bers of the Honiara busi community the chance to di informally their local proble

The luncheons are held a Mendana Hotel. Attendance usually around the 40 mark, planters, Chinese storeke and European businessmen turn up.

Mr. Trench has frequ undertaken to look into som the questions which are bro up at these informal lunch

Convenor of the luncheo Mr. A. Macartney, manage the Commonwealth Bank Honiara, and he, too, has co buted to their success.

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panese Nickel Interests In Indonesia?

From a Correspondent

NOUMEA article reprinted here from sian newspaper has caused amongst nickel producers.

ORDING to the article, the panese are soon to start im- nickel ore from Celebes in ia. These importations will in part the nickel ore now d in New Caledonia. The e refineries will submit a pro- to the Indonesian Govern- s follows:

n to advance five million ars to get the mines produc-

duction of the mines (at ent 3,000 tons) to be ex- ded to 10,000 tons and ulti- ely 40,000 tons per month.

richest mineral will be ex- ed directly to Japan. The rer minerals will be utilised ndonesia.

this comes about, it will do amount of harm to New ia's economy, which is based on nickel production. Stop- exports to Japan from here greatly diminish the present and ultimately cause a de- locally.

pan can procure richer and ore from Indonesia it will that Japanese refined nickel come even more competitive world market where New ian nickel is just holding its

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Japanese firm of Banno and ny, widely represented in the Seas before the war and par- y active in Fiji in the last few has recently established a de- ent company in P-NG.

neers have taken particular in- n the yet unworked iron ore s of Woodlark Island, eastern and also have looked at black eposits on Bougainville.

Australian BHP company was ed in the Woodlark deposits years ago but their investiga- ame to nothing. However, at ne iron ore could not be ex- and restrictions on Australian were lifted only a few ago.



Five-year-old Johnnie Irvine, is a freckled-faced boy who received 20 chocolate frogs cash payment, and holds an I-O-U for 20 more. The one in his hand didn't last any time at all.

Photo: Pat Robertson

New Frogs For Old!

From a Correspondent

There's a lot of little boy in every grown-up man! Well that's judging by the numbers of dads that turned up along with the young fry on Saturday, September 16, in Lae, for the purpose of exchanging a live toad for a chocolate frog.

HERE'S what happened: Wau farmers have been suffering heavy losses to their crops due to a pest, the Army worm. It was decided that a contingent of Lae's dense toad population be sent to Wau to make war on the pest.

(Lae's toads originated in Mexico, were sent to Hawaii, then to Queensland to eradicate the cane beetle there. From Queensland they were introduced to Lae by George Whittaker.)

The problem of sending a toad army to Wau lay in catching enough of the rather repulsive-looking, cold-skinned creatures that exude a slight poison when captured.

Mac.Robertsons, the chocolate makers of Melbourne, who also have planting interests near Lae, provided a solution by offering a chocolate "Freddo Frog" in exchange for every toad brought in alive. Ansett-ANA offered to fly the "Freddos" up free of charge.

So the hunt began. For several nights before the call-up, dads and their offspring could be seen out in their gardens and along the roadsides hunting the toads down with torches.

It takes two to catch a toad. The torch bearer shines the torch in the toad's eyes and be becomes immobile. The catcher then sneaks up behind him.

Mum Helped

Most mums did not take an active part in the toad snaring, but most were willing to help by carrying the cardboard boxes into which the toads were dropped.

And so Saturday, in the heart of Lae town, saw the hand-over take-over of toads versus frogs.

Only thing was there were not enough "Freddos" to go around, because the dads and their young-uns brought in the grand number of 13,000 live toads!

That's why some of the kiddies—and dads—came away with I-O-U promissory notes for "Freddos". These will be honoured by Mac. Robertsons when another batch is flown up from Melbourne.

Wau farmers will not be getting their toads for free. They are being asked to pay a small sum for each toad and the proceeds will go to the National Heart Appeal.



Toads—loads of toads—were the order of the day. They arrived bright and breathing in boot boxes, paper bags, carry-alls and anything else that a toad would stay put in.

Photo: Pat Robertson

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BSIP PLANS TO EASE LIQUOR LAWS

From a Correspondent

A bill to enable Solomon Islanders to drink beer without restriction will be introduced into the BSIP Legislative Council in December.

THE new bill will retain the present ban on the drinking of wines and spirits.

It is unlikely that the bill will be defeated, as the Government has a majority in the Council, but the measure will be sure to receive some criticism.

Most people give the Administration credit for its boldness in daring to introduce drink legislation so soon after the controversial Gaming and Lotteries Bill, which has virtually given the Melanesians an open go at gambling (see "Monte Carlo of the Pacific", *PIM*, Sept., p. 17).

The present liquor situation in the BSIP is that natives may drink beer only, and then only with a permit issued by a District Commissioner. To qualify for a permit, a native must be over 21, be of good character and receive an income of more than £100 a year.

Permits Easier

Very few permits have had to be withdrawn, and in the last few months there has been a very big increase in the number of permits issued. The increase has amounted to a liberalisation policy, designed no doubt to ease the natives into a position where restrictions could be lifted.

The new Liquor Bill will make a number of other changes, including a reduction in hotel hours, with a closing of bars in the afternoon.

There will be two kinds of hotel and club licences issued—one covering all forms of liquor, and a restricted licence for the sale of beer only.

Instead of a Protectorate Liquor Control Board, each district will have its own Liquor Licensing Board, with the District Commissioner as chairman.

It is impossible at the moment to predict how the Melanesians will take their new freedom, but the permit liberalisation policy seems to be working quite satisfactorily, and there are few drunks seen.



NEW AIR AGE FOR THE HIGHLANDS

The architect of New Guinea's most fantastic show, Western District Commissioner Tom Ellis (above) is now about to concentrate his renowned organising ability on another objective—that of establishing the Highlands' first major airstrip. *(For the show story see p. 25).*

THE pegs are already in the ground for the strip which will have a main runway of 9,000 ft with a 2,500 ft cross strip for light aircraft. The main runway will take aircraft up to DC6A freighter standard.

The site is at Kagamuga, near Korn agricultural station, about six miles out of Hagen.

Hagen's present strip—the one that took all the aircraft for the big show—is to be closed and the area used for housing. The present strip is 4,110 ft, and with an average of 300 DC3 movements a month, mostly from Madang, it has virtually reached saturation point. More than 4½ million lbs of freight were brought in to Hagen in 1960-61 on that strip.

Tom Ellis plans to get his big new gravel strip down in the next few months. Later it will be sealed. It will be more than just another airstrip for Hagen—it will usher in a whole new era of Highlands aviation, and make it possible for big aircraft to land right in the heart of New Guinea from Australia.

Rivalries Dela International Air Service

By a Staff Writer

International wrangling over to fly through the New He Condominium has been delayi Airways' projected fortnightl service from Fiji to Honiara, vi and Santo. The service was p to start last year, but could n permission because of interna complications.

WHEN these were sorted out nical considerations delaye of the service. These were ad and then the operators had to approval of a British Gover subsidy, which was expected ar

In the meantime they bega ning regular charter services the route at the request of the ern Pacific High Commission

In the last few months ther been further delays, caused b the French Government has he Fiji Airways has no rights licence since the company i part-owned by Britain. The owners are New Zealand and tralia, which have no reciprocal in the New Hebrides.

In early October new high conferences were being held effort to overcome this stalem

Meanwhile in Sydney, Mr Barthelemy, manager in Austr the French TAI airline, told that TAI was having a look possibility of competing wit Airways on the Fiji-BSIP rou

He said he visualised his co using DC6 aircraft, but this require improvement in some airfields. (Fiji Airways are seven-passenger Herons.)

He added that "a number o culties associated with landing in the British territories would to be smoothed out before TA establish its own service", I hoped something might be don year.

The long-suffering Honiara who see in an air service a w ful opportunity to end some Protectorate's isolation, are still ful that international rivalri jealousies will be resolved.. don't really care who puts t vice through—the more the —so long as it goes through

The proposed route will m big movement of traffic direc

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ZAF To Reduce Fiji Strength

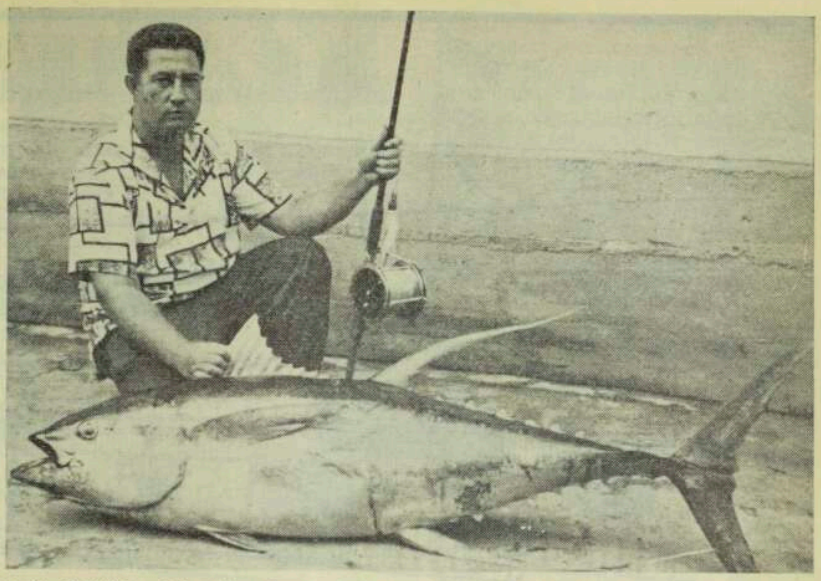
EW ZEALAND Government ecision to reduce the size of NZAF station at Laucala Bay will have serious repercussions i. The New Zealand Govern- expects to make a substantial of overseas funds through its n.

loss to Fiji will be twofold— reduction in the number of F men and their families in ill mean reduced spending in ores, and consequently less in circulation.

y local men employed on the are highly skilled, and will ttle chance of finding suitable tive employment. There will a reduction of skilled men in Z Ministry of Works which s the station.

r servicing of aircraft in will be carried out in New l. The Sunderland flying-boats, re than 20 years old, will be l, but they will be pro- ly reduced in number till a is made on a replacement — almost certainly land

RNZAF has become part and of the life of Fiji, particularly . The personnel take part in mmunity affairs, while the of mercy missions flown to g islands and to islands out- e group is almost beyond The reduction will begin April 1, 1962.



GOOD FISHING. Apia, West Samoa, fishermen have had a good year's fishing so far this year, with a number of outsized catches. Here is Cyril Curry, with a 156 lb yellow fin tuna he landed about 10 miles out from Apia—the largest yellow fin caught with rod and line by an Apia fisherman. Mr. Curry caught a 142 lb fish in the same spot a couple of years ago.—Photo: Samoana.

WHAT *IS* SAMOAN TRADE POLICY?

From a Correspondent

Did Prime Minister Mataafa speak out of turn when he said in New Zealand during his visit in August that West Samoa would welcome foreign investment? That question is being asked in Apia following publicity given to his New Zealand statements.

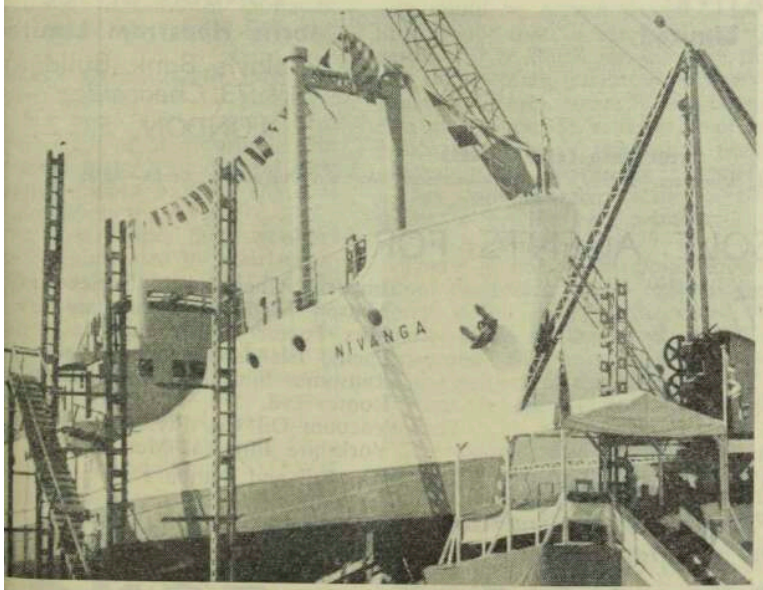
MATAAFA said in Auckland that Samoa would welcome capital particularly from Commonwealth countries, and when he was told by a reporter that Samoa had once discouraged a New Zealand ice cream factory from establishing itself in the Territory Mataafa replied: "That was before my time".

All this has been an unexpected revelation, representing an almost startling departure from the traditional conservatism, and regard for unanimity, that marks Samoan politics.

The Samoan Government has never revealed that it has any policy of support for foreign investment.

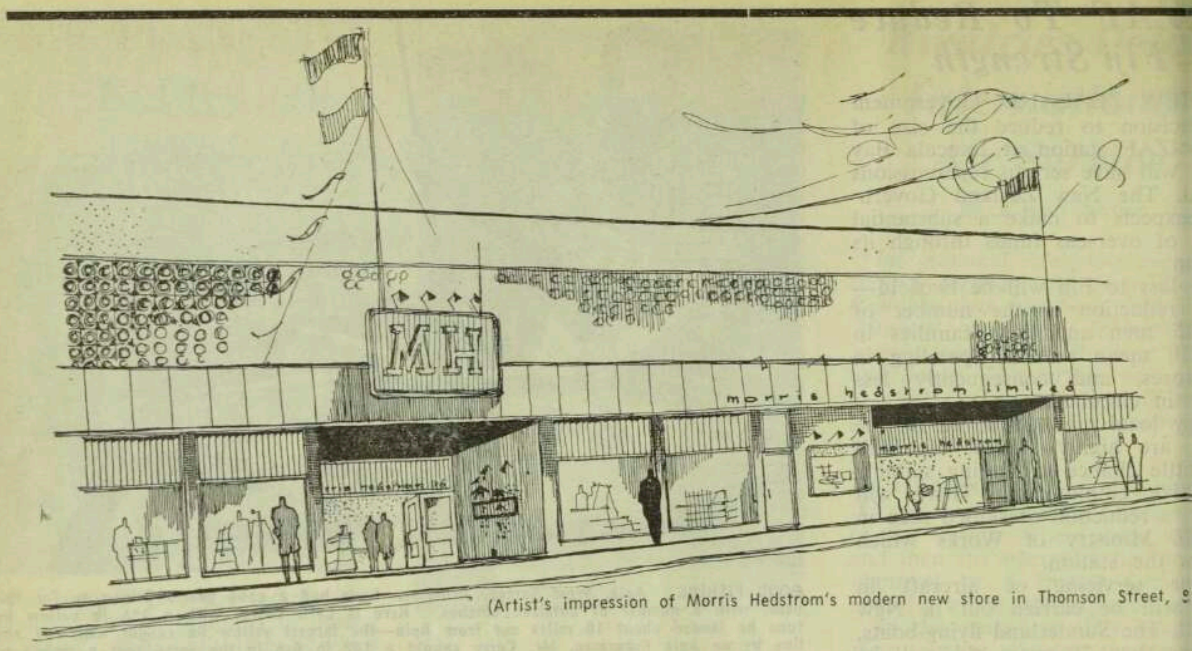
The use of foreign capital is, in fact, one of the many subjects now being thrashed out by the Economic Development Committee, which is formulating a development plan soon to be presented to the Legislative Assembly. If adopted, the plan would become Government policy.

Since his return to Samoa, Mataafa has observed a studied silence on the matter. He has not been available for interviews with the Press. At the same time, he has not denied the remarks attributed to him in New Zealand.



EIC VESSEL. The Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony is soon to take delivery of this win-screw cargo and passenger vessel, which was launched at the Hongkong and oa Dock Co. yards, Hongkong, in September. She is the "Nivanga", 137 ft, with modation for 56 passengers, 23 officers and crew. See "Pacific Shipping", p. 99.

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COMMENTARY

Problems Of nds Federation

matter of federation in the lands has come up again. From can Samoa there has come talk the possibility of a union be- American and Western Samoa, the Western Pacific there is talk of an association between P-NG and the BSIP (see be-

South Pacific politics progress, n expect more and more of kinds of proposals, and one need to be a prophet of an brilliance to predict that lay there will be unions of s sorts in the South Pacific, there has been, and continue in Europe. And, as in Europe, ents for and against them will as the Islands themselves . Nothing at all can be lost by the ball about regularly, for ever knows what the game reveal.

practicable is a Samoan fed- *at the moment?*

latest talk from American has been spurred by the g independence of Western in January. A New Zealand report says the move in Ameri- amoa is "strong", and that in ng term there is a prospect of being included in a Pacific Federation with the two s.

don't agree that the move in can Samoa for a union is but there has certainly been talk, all of it informal. One loesn't make a union and most can Samoans scoff at any idea nion with the west.

the first place, they wouldn't o be dominated by their neigh- (whose chiefs could outrank and secondly they haven't any on at all of dropping dear old Sam and his dollars. American 's revenue in the last financial was $1,168,000, but payroll for Samoan employees alone $1,400,000, and people from ates get an additional $318,000.

those figures must be enough licate that American Samoans dly in need of money to do all ngs that have to be done in ad- to paying Government em- s. They are certainly not likely t any money from Western , even if Western Samoa was at all interested in an association, which she certainly isn't, any more than Tonga is. And with an American Samoan population of 20,000, half of them of school age, things are not likely to get any better.

In short, American Samoans don't want union with West Samoa, any more than they want independence, because either way it would mean the end of the gravy train.

But for the long-term future, who can tell?

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Make a Move Towards Melanesian Union

HOW practicable is a Melanesian federation between Netherlands New Guinea, Papua-New Guinea and the British Solomon Islands Protectorate?

Speaking in Sydney in September, Mr. A. M. Healy, of the Australian National University, Canberra, made the very good point that if anybody thinks the idea is at all practicable, the time to start moving towards it is now, when it is possible to put the thought into local minds and have them get used to the idea.

Mr. Healy enlarges on his Sydney comment in the latest issue of the journal of the British Overseas Service, *Corona*. He says if a federation could be accomplished, there is little doubt that in the long run the result will be much more viable than any of the three territories separately. Practical moves towards an association made soon, he says, will not prejudice the right of the native people ultimately to decide for themselves —they will simply facilitate what seems to be the best solution.

This is talking sense.

There is not much point to continual discussion on a federation in every pulpit except the ones that count—those in the three territories concerned. But very little is heard on the subject in the Islands.

What is official thinking on the subject?

The people who shape policy in both Netherlands New Guinea and the BSIP would like to see a federation, and are in fact quietly working toward one. In Papua-New Guinea there is no such enthusiasm. Economically, the western and eastern sectors of an association would be the weaker partners, and P-NG is jealous of its own potential in that regard. It does not want to carry the other two territories.

But this view is a narrow, short-term one. There are many reasons why an eventual association between the three territories is desirable. The idea has been broached many times by many people over the years—long before Mr. John Kerr, QC, made it a topical subject for discussion in 1958.

If the Australian Government sees anything at all worth while in a political association of some sort among the three territories then—without prejudice—it can do no harm and probably a lot of good by saying so.

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A Sugar Scheme To Build On

WHAT can be said on the subject of the Fiji Sugar Inquiry Report that hasn't already been said in the report itself? The report is all that anybody could have hoped for—it's the blueprint for the future that everybody wanted—and to argue details now is merely to quibble.

Certainly final designs don't always follow blueprints exactly, but adjustments can be made here and there as the building job progresses. The first task is simply to get cracking. And that's the Government's job.

There must be no delays from now in getting the framework of the new design erected—the length of time taken so far is already too long. The big job of construction is still ahead. Surely nobody expects the architects of the plan to get in there with hammer and chisel and build the whole thing as well!

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The West New Guinea Problems Draw Nearer

WHAT would the Dutch do if Indonesia mounted a large scale invasion of Netherlands New Guinea soon? *PIM* asked, and answered, that question in August. "The Dutch", we said, "would contain the invasion just long enough to hand the whole mess over to the United Nations, for they haven't the military forces to be able to do any more".

Those were Dutch intentions in August, and thus the moves the Dutch made in the United Nations in September to offer the UN the chance to take over the country now, with certain safeguards, are of special interest.

Do the Dutch suspect that the

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Indonesians have finally worked themselves into a state to launch a full scale attack on the mainland? It could well be. And it would be better, of course, to hand over responsibility to the UN before that kind of trouble started. One might ask what else are the Dutch to do to extricate themselves from the position forced on them by their enemies.

With these recent events, the problems of the island of New Guinea are brought even closer. Already P-NG has felt the pressures which the Dutch have imposed on their side of the border, for the recent increased tempo of political and economic advances in P-NG is due to a very big extent to these NNG pressures, no matter how Canberra might deny it.

Perhaps the time is not far off when the internal problems of politics and economics will be added to by the physical problems of border control. Do we know now just who does cross our borders?

There always has been an intermingling of natives along the Territory's border areas and recently there was even one report that a native group well inside the Australian border honestly thought it came under Dutch control. But that is one thing. Mr. G. A. V. Stanley, DSC, a geologist well known in P-NG after 30 years residence in close contact with the natives, believes that numbers of Dutch New Guineans move right round the P-NG coastal areas continually without anybody realising it. Many come from as far off as the north west of NNG, out there towards the Indonesian islands, and work their way around the coast, stopping here and there en route, and so back to their own Territory. They are attracted by the bright lights and the urge to travel, as are many natives in the South Pacific, and they easily find jobs as technicians of a sort, and as motor drivers. The big use of native labour by the oil companies working in the west in the last few years has made it easier for these people to reach the big smoke. Mr. Stanley says there are probably as many as a 100 to 150 of them working in Port Moresby. Some get married and go no further.

Could the Indonesians now, or some time in the future, possibly make use of some of these people for intelligence work on the P-NG side of the border—just as they have made use of Indonesian sympathisers in the western isles of Dutch New Guinea during landings on that coast?

Problems like these will, as we have said, grow more rather than less.

The Editors' Mailbag

An Expedition For Paradise

Brisbane radiographer R. M. Taylor is hopeful of forming a group of 30 young married couples, anxious to start from scratch on an island of their own in French Polynesia.

He wrote to us recently asking for any information we could give him on conditions on Hiva-oa, 23 miles long by 10 miles broad, a fertile island of the Marquesas (it was once called "bloody Hiva-oa" because it resisted the French long after the other islands had been tamed, and was the last stronghold of cannibalism, fierce feuds and terrible customs). Paul Gauguin is buried on Hiva-oa.

We asked Mr. Taylor for more information about his own scheme, and in an informative and pleasant letter he tells us he has taken up with the Government in French Polynesia the matter of getting some land for his settlement scheme—private land, because no crown land is available.

He thinks a group of people, after a few years of solid work, could derive a reasonably good living from coffee.

He adds, "Strangely enough, the matter is being treated quite seriously by the many people I have discussed it with here in Brisbane. Persons experienced in coffee work have offered to teach the group all they can on coffee cultivation and husbandry.

"Two City Council engineers are working on the problem of electricity supply, members of the Royal Australian Army Medical Corps are working on a course of instruction in sanitation and general hygiene for an island community using such details as are slowly coming to light on the nature of the island and its health conditions. Several doctors have offered to do the physical on the members of the group when it is formed and while it is being formed, and to advise us on detailed matters of physical fitness maintenance and numerous other important points relative to the health of the community.

"A senior lecturer in the Department of Psychology at the University of Queensland has offered to arrange testing of the individuals volunteering to join the group and of the group itself to make sure that it will work successfully as a group under the conditions it will have to meet. After all, if the environm satisfactory the only other thin can go wrong lies in the psych of the members—their attitude tives, intelligence and so on.

"The general scheme is to lish the exact nature of the en ment in every possible detai then to pick people who willl factorily fit into such an en ment."

Mr. Taylor says that if he g far as selecting a party, married couples aged between 22-26 will probably be best.

History seems to show that expeditions into paradise neve out as planned. But we wish grapher Taylor luck, and leav that.

Where Is The Early Mining History?

Pacific Island Mines Limit Papua, who are especially int in gold on Misima, Eastern at the moment, have joined the seekers after Pacific inform Company secretary John S. W writes to say they are hopeful body may be able to turn u records of some of these H companies which at one time op in the Misima and Sudest areas want the information to help in their own operations.

Mr. Willcox adds, "In par we want information, including pectuses, reports to shareh technical reports, plans, etc., following companies: MI Block 10 Misima Gold Mine 1914-22; Gold Mines of Papu 1935-40; Misima North Ltd., 39. SUDEST; Any informati companies that worked there World War I, and on Lo Gold NL.

"We are prepared to pay a able price for any information may be forthcoming."

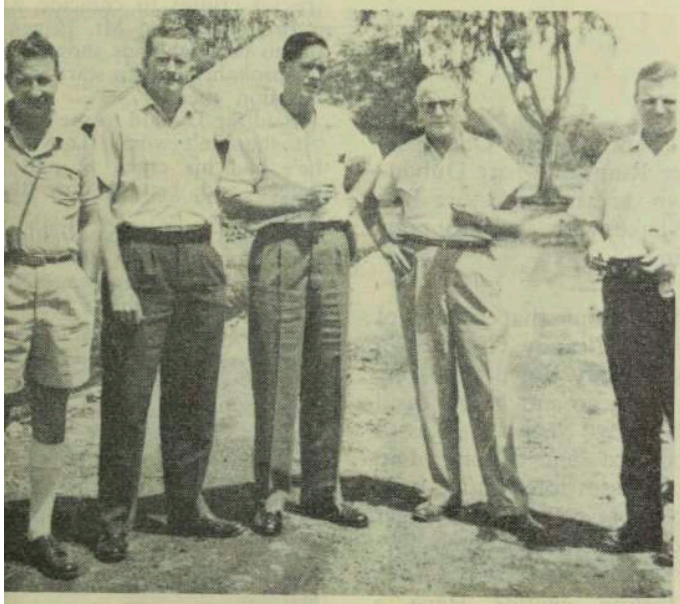
Anybody who can help the of progress—and be paid fo should send their material not but to the secretary of Pacific Mines, 117 Pitt Street, Sydney

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Mr. J. A. Henry, 75 Tauhinu Miramar, Wellington, E4, is l for early history of the Union Ship service to Fiji, Tonga and The earliest records don't seem available. Can anybody help

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AT THE SHOW. Among the many eating al fresco lunches from cardboard boxes at the Hagen showgrounds was Lady Cleland (seated left), wife of P-NG Administrator Sir Donald Cleland. Dozens of tables and seats were especially built for the show crowds, and two show rings provided a continuous spectacle of horse riding, cattle drafting, polocrosse, go-karting. Five of P-NG's six elected European members were at the show (centre). From left: Messrs. Lloyd Hurrell, John Stuntz, Ron Slaughter, John Chipper and Ian Downs, represent the entire Territory except the New Guinea Islands, whose member, Mr. Paul Mason, remained in Port Moresby. Neighbouring Wahgi, township of Minj tweaked Hagen's nose with its slogan (bottom), for Hagen claims it's a pretty good coffee town, too.

What is the Future of N. Guinea Shows?

From a Staff Correspondent

Nobody doubted that New Guinea's fabled Western Highlands could do it, although few could have believed they would do it with such fantastic success. But having done it, they have now precipitated a crisis of sorts: How can P-NG's growing programme of agricultural shows be brought under control?

TERRITORIANS now organise agricultural shows as often as Cook Islanders organise packing shed dances. There are agricultural shows from Wewak to Popondetta, from Kokopo to Sogeri, from Daru to Manus. The Morobe and Goroka shows especially have been turning into "musts" on the sightseeing calendars, and now that Mt. Hagen has added all the colour and weight at its command, the problem is to arrange some kind of rationalisation.

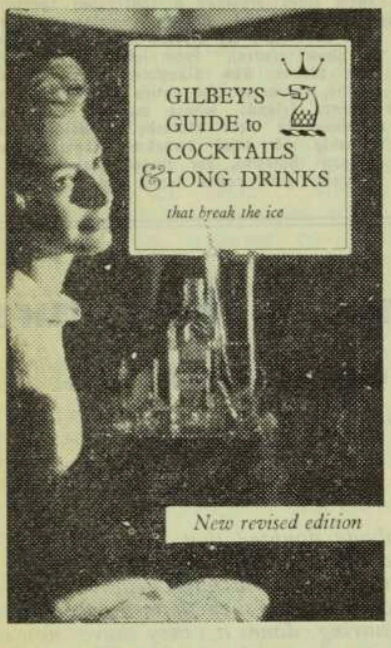
The Administrator, Sir Donald Cleland, and the tourist and travel organisations, both would like to see changes in show dates, but for different reasons.

To Sir Donald it's a matter of maintaining enthusiasm—of encouraging the natives in genuine displays, instead of their turning up with coloured beach towels around their waists and beer labels stuck on their foreheads. Too many shows reduce enthusiasm and spontaneity, apart from making great inroads into their time and lots of other people's.

The comment of a TAA official I spoke to in Port Moresby is typical of the tourist agency view.

They like shows—but they would like to see the districts confine themselves to holding them on firm dates so that the publicity and tourist machinery can get moving ahead of time. Overseas tourists, especially Americans, plan their schedules a long way ahead —often two years. (Over)

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Or a Rumbonnet: One part Skipper Rum, one part Dubonnet, two dashes Angostura Bitters. Shake with ice and pour with finesse.

Or what about that classic of cocktails, a Brandy Crusta? To 1½ ozs. Brandy Royal add ⅓ oz. White Curacao and 1½ oz. fresh orange juice. Shake well with crushed ice and strain. Dip rims of glasses into orange juice and then press into castor sugar for the final master's touch.

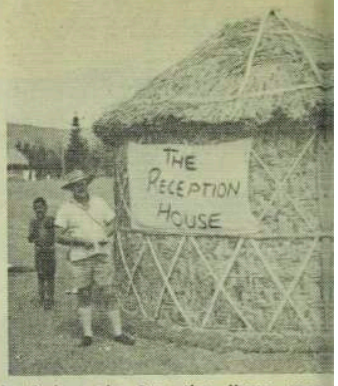
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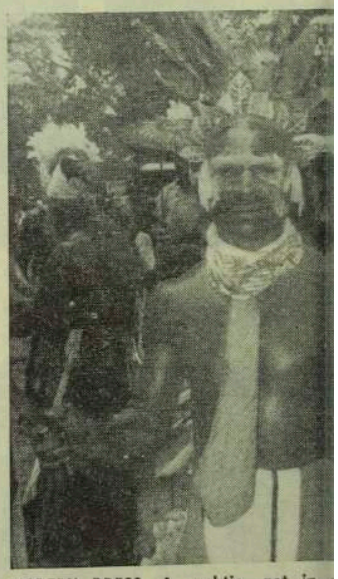
In Sydney the Reception House was place where people of unsound mi taken, as the wag who placed this the reception officer's grass hut at t airstrip well knew. Mr. Frank H Wau, stands by.

The Hibiscus Festival organ Suva have found that their September date each year is off. Shipping companies no special cruises to coincide wit

If Goroka and Mt. Hagen ing to be Highlands show com it's probably best to start some alisation there.

Said Sir Donald to me at th "It shouldn't worry Tom Ell he's had his crack at puttin bigger and better show tha body!"

Popular Western Highlan trict Commissioner Tom Ell man who always manages to unhappy, although its probab a trick of his facial expressio



MODERN DRESS. A necktie—not in slender style, either—and a bath to the waist, are sing-sing dress for t in September, not at Hagen but at Britain Agricultural Show at Koko kind of thing upsets Sir Donald Cl many others.—Photo: M. R. H

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he certainly should have noth-
be unhappy about at his organ-
of the Western Highlands' first
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and private building was
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nd they put on displays that
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Showgrounds Built

showgrounds appeared from
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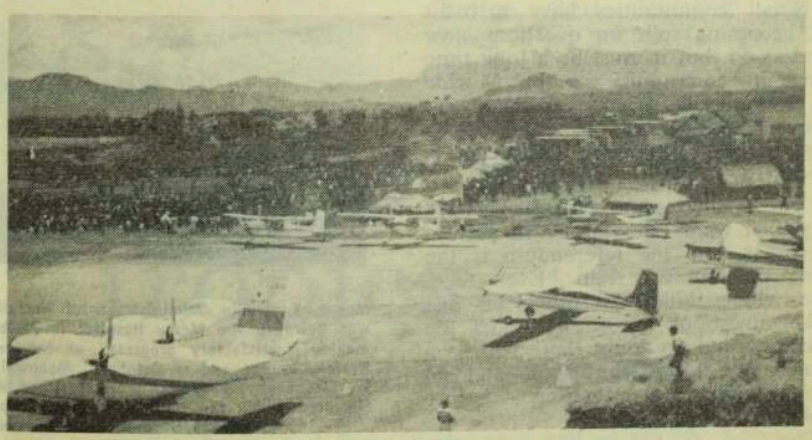
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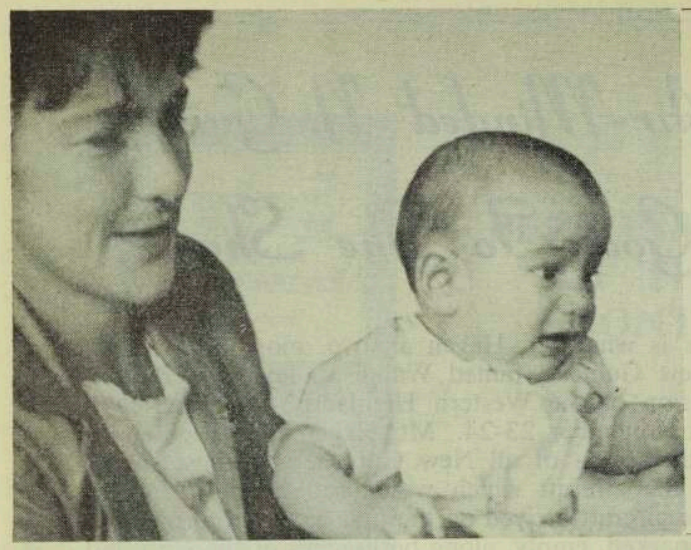
Air-Minded N. Guinea Goes To The Show

This is what Mt. Hagen airstrip, more than 5,000 ft. up in New Guinea's famed Wahgi Valley, looked like on the occasion of the Western Highlands' First Agricultural Show on September 23-24. Mt. Hagen that week-end was the meeting place of all New Guinea, and these are only some of the aircraft which were used to get them there. Sixty-nine aircraft arrived on the first day, and at one period 42 were parked, empty, along both edges of the strip and in special parking bays. In the background of the lower picture are the showgrounds black with some of the 50,000 natives who poured in from all directions.





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Young Adams of The 'Bounty'

There is a new Adams of the "Bounty". Here I is—Norfolk Island's latest John Adams, sixth generation descendant from the original John Adams the "Bounty", through his grandson, Josiah Adam who landed on Norfolk from Pitcairn during t big move in 1856. The latest bearer of a famo name is the son of Guildford and Joy Adams, Anson Bay. Mrs. Adams is originally from N Zealand. The last Adams to take the name John on Norfolk was John R. S. Adams, who is present in his fifties and still lives there. I descended through one of Josiah's brothers. T original John Adams was the assumed name Alexander Smith, the only mutineer to survive t quarrelling and bloodshed of the first years Pitcairn. Smith-cum-Adams emerged a spiritual changed man and assumed leadership of the sm community, laying its deep religious and mor foundations.

IS IT YES, THEY HAVE NO BANANAS?

From a Correspondent

It will be some months yet before Norfolk Island has the chance of telling the Australian Government—once and for all—just what kind of Government it wants for the future. It will get its chance at a referendum, which was promised the island by the Australian Minister for Territories, Mr. Hasluck, in August.

HOWEVER, the Australian Federal elections in December have made it impossible for anything to be done before the end of the year, and it will probably be well into next year before Norfolk goes to the polls to attempt to clear up some of the confusion which has been baffling everybody for so long.

Just what does Norfolk want?

Small communities have a habit of becoming split on questions now and again, but it must be a long time since any community was split as wide as Norfolk has been over the Local Government question, and even longer since any issue has been so confused.

The louder some Norfolk groups cry their wants, the darker the picture becomes, and the referendum is the only possible way out. Even then, the whole thing will hinge on just what questions are to be asked the electors, and no doubt there will be a great deal more confusion—and no doubt some recriminations — before this is worked out.

As the Minister has said, are probably four political pr to be looked at on Norfolk: scheme whereby the Norfolk Council will assume some functions of Local Government present Council has (b) a whereby the Council merely an advisor to the Administra the old Council did (c) a sche the Council to be given wid powers of lawmaking and co the budget, which is what mos bers of the new Council wan (d) a kind of Council-of-State ing with the Administrator.



Mr. R. S. Leydin, Administrator of Norfolk Island, who had a heart attack in Augu was flown to the Mercy Hospital in Melbourne in a special flight by RAAF Hercules making "satisfactory progress" at the end of September and was expected to ret Norfolk by the end of October. Meanwhile Norfolk has an Acting Administrator in W. McConaghy, a special projects officer with the Department of Territories, Canberra Hercules, which can land on a short strip, was the first Norfolk had seen, and this was taken as she came in over the island to pick up Mr. Leydin.

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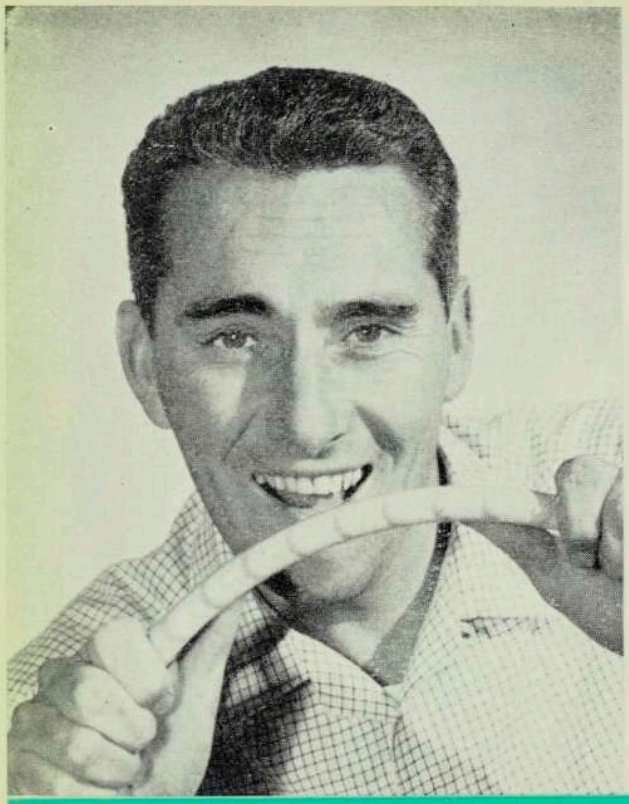
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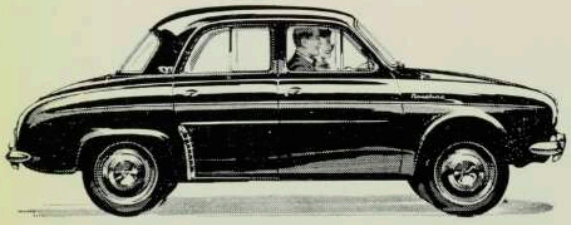
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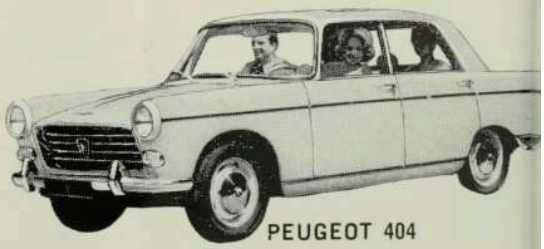


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Minister made it clear during sit that he did not regard the al views held by the majority present Council as necessarily the will of the people. The il, he said, did not have a te because people voted for nt reasons.

ey may have thought they had e either for apples or oranges they voted for either apples nges," said Mr. Hasluck. "In ome of them probably wanted s."

e the decision was made to hold rendum (which is what the il wanted) feelings on the island been running less high. At the f the Minister's visit it was ly armed warfare, with both ccusing each other of attempt- divide and rule. There were— till are—allegations of Red Nobody, fortunately, has ed that any members of the unist Party are behind the , but it has been suggested that eople are using well-tried Com- tactics because they happen to eir purpose.

Minister himself, during his ame face to face with a ham- d-sickle which somebody had l on the outside of the door he and Council members were d in committee. The hammer- kle obviously wasn't meant Minister, who was extremely d anyhow at having to hear ouncil's views behind closed

Council explained later that it xcluded the public "to avoid isleading reports which might lise Council's negotiations ne Minister"—an extraordinary

Minister met this problem by virtually nothing at the closed (except to stick up for the istrator when somebody on the l alleged that he, too, was at- g to divide and rule).

Obsession

open session followed the meeting, but the public had home by then. The Minister take any chances of any con- reports getting out *this* meeting, sooner had he returned to Can- than he had sent back for l distribution a report on vas said.

folk's obsession with politics has overshadowed its other big m—how it can earn an income own. It still lives on handouts from Australia, whose Territory it is.

There is no income tax, and very little to export. Norfolk lately has made some headway in getting New Zealand to relax some of her trade restrictions and take fresh green beans from the island, but there are still problems.

Tourism still looks the most likely possibility for the future. Qantas in December will turn its fortnightly service to Sydney into a weekly one, for the summer, and this should help get an increased flow.

Mr. Reg Ansett, of Ansett-ANA, still says he wants to build a tourist hotel on Norfolk, although most people had thought he had dismissed the idea when he failed to get a licence to operate air services to Norfolk. He has made no arrangements for getting land for a hotel.

Norfolk *deserves* to become a first class tourist resort. The climate is excellent, the scenery beautiful, the convict ruins fascinating, and Norfolk Islanders themselves are among the friendliest people in the South Seas. So long as you are not discussing politics, anyhow.

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Highlights of the P-NG Budget Session

Beer and Transistors v Court Houses

From a Staff Writer in Port Moresby

Now who would have guessed, before this 1961 Budget Session of the P-NG Legislative Council got going in its swank new Council Chambers in September, that the trappings of justice in the form of £70,000 worth of new court houses would have made such an impression on its members?

IT was a long session, but those court houses came up for heated discussion during the first hours, and were still being hurled about the chamber, as it were, at the closing stages.

One way or another, everybody, including the spectators, learned things one wouldn't expect to learn from a court house.

The court houses were listed in the Works Programme, which happened to mention that new ones were to be built on the outstations of Kerema, Tapini, Popondetta, Finschhafen and Kavieng and that additions were to be made to the court house at Kairuku.

Not Unnoticed

Ordinarily they would have passed unnoticed among the print, but not this time. For this was the time Harold Reeve, the Territory's brand-new Assistant Administrator for Economic Affairs, unfortunately chose to tell the House that cash was short and that the Administration planned to whack up the price of beer, spirits, lolly-water, cameras, radios and cars to balance the budget.

Tariff increases on all these things and a few others, said Mr. Reeve, would get the country another £85,000 for the remainder of the year.

The elected members didn't think this was a very good way of balancing the budget.

"In private enterprise when you plan to spend more money than you have," said nominated member B. Fairfax-Ross, "you cut your spending plans!" Whereupon he moved that the bill for the tariff increases be shelved for six months—which is the same as wanting to throw it out.

The Government got mad at this, and what followed then—and again later in the session when the question again came up—was rather fascinating.

Twice the opposition put their attack to the vote, firstly in the attempt to throw out the bill, and secondly in an effort to reduce the estimates by shelving the court houses until next year. They never came near to success either time.

All through the fighting, most opponents insisted that they weren't moving a vote of no confidence—they didn't want to overthrow anybody—they just wanted to indicate how some money could be saved.

Government members, although not by a long shot unanimous in their attitude until leader of the House Dr. John Gunther was able to get among them, took the stand that any attack on a financial measure was an attack on the Government and couldn't be allowed to succeed.

This is the attitude any Government has to adopt, but it's not a principle that's accepted in the Territory yet, where members are liable to shoot from the shoulder, frontier fashion—and leave the finer points of political strategy to the Canberra professionals.



Tolai Vin Tobaining, an elected representative for New Britain, heard the Tolais referred to as spoiled children from rich parents.



Mr. Lloyd Hurrell, an elected member for New Guinea Mainland, was short on hi entitlements.

As Ian Downs said, once tar creases are put on they are in to stay on. Because every d mental head happens to be sinc his appeal for things to be add the Works Programme, it d mean that they should be pro and the opposition's job is to money.

Mr. Fairfax-Ross, still the speaker in the House, said 9. cent. of the increased charges fall on the white population. Th patriate community at present resented 1¼ per cent. of the population, yet found about 95 per cent. of the revenue. The munity was already carrying as as it should be expected to bea nobody could tell him that could not be served this year out those court houses. There been an increase in tariff on l items in 1959, when income ta been introduced.

Wau planter, former-ADO Hurrell said a lot of things co looked at with the idea of money—such as Administration entitlements.

Perilous

Mr. Keith McCarthy, Direct Native Affairs: Why didn't you of that when you were an AD

Mr. Hurrell: I have only covered it since I have had years without leave in private prise!

Although this was not the debate it became perilously n at times as the Government me somehow found themselves up to defend (a) the need for wretched court houses and (b need for just about everythin in the budget.

Chief Collector of Customs Chambers, who interrupted his

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ith Chambers, Chief Collector of Customs, uced some interesting tariff figures.

ustralia to attend the meeting, figures designed to show that 's tariffs on most of the items were to go up were still lighter in many other South Pacific ories.

Gunther backed up the recital gures with a straight-out state- that the items the expatriates complaining about would still eaper than anywhere else in the Pacific.

s, though, was a pure shot in lark which hit home because ly on the other side of the had the facts to dispute it. facts are that, whatever tariffs say to the contrary, many of tems are cheaper in Fiji, and e cheaper much closer to home the Australian territory of Nor- sland, which for years has been pping bonanza for ship and air- rews lucky enough to call there.

Lower Elsewhere

e popular Japanese transistor which sells in Sydney for /-, is priced in Port Moresby 2/10/—but in Fiji at £A16. competition among Indian s willing to cut mark-ups dras- for quick turnovers makes this of price in Fiji possible—but figures won't show it.

it didn't matter, anyhow. Said Gunther, more than normally l, "As one of those charged advising on the fiscal policy I l like to say that we accepted avy responsibility and this we to discharge with our best en- ur. We wrestled with this year's ems . . . it is essential that the nistration be allowed to govern his of course means it is ready troduce its fiscal policies."

d so it was.

THE New Britain Tolai in many respects is "like a spoiled child from rich parents—unable to see the necessity for planning for the future or for self-discipline".

So said New Britain District Commissioner J. R. Foldi.

"What we really want is to pass a bill to make the Tolai loyal to his own people!" So said Rabaul businessman John Chipper.

"The Tolais must put their own houses in order," said Agricultural Director Frank Henderson.

"The Tolais should see that we are not going to give them the right to monopolies," said Wau planter, former ADO, Lloyd Hurrell.

The Tolais were certainly copping it from all sides. Here was a case where the native businessman was coming into competition against his fellow capitalist, and thus finding he was in a different kind of world.

The Administration took a hard-headed approach, yet not so hard-headed that it was entirely devoid of a paternalistic sympathy, and the mixture seemed to be to the taste of both sides of the House.

The occasion was the Cocoa Bill, which sought to help the Tolais out of the mess they have got themselves into with the Tolai Cocoa Project. Under this scheme, the Tolai cocoa growers of New Britain's Gazelle Peninsula have received Government-guaranteed loans of £170,000 to set

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up and operate central fermentaries.

The management has been in their hands, and the 17 fermentaries in their area have been producing high quality cocoa as well as being a valuable training ground in business and agricultural problems.

The project has received universal plaudits as a success, but in the last year or two it has struck trouble.

When the project started there were no other fermentaries, but competition from outside interests has brought things to a stage where new private fermentaries are handling almost as many beans as the project fermentaries, with the resultant loss of project revenue.

Traders are touting for business, sometimes carting unfermented beans long distances by truck, damaging their quality. Some accept beans at night, and the Government thinks this might be encouraging theft. One planter recently complained that thieves had stolen £10,000 worth of beans from his trees in 12 months.

Some "bootleg" fermentaries (as Mr. Foldi called them at one stage of the debate) are run by traders with many other interests, who close the fermentaries when cocoa prices drop and start up again when they improve. In the poor times the project fermentaries carry the baby.

What was to be done about protecting the Administration - guaranteed loans and bolstering the declining project business without bowing to Tolai pressure to have everybody *forced* to sell their beans to the project—or worse, to have native management given the powers to restrict competition in other ways?

As Dr. John Gunther said, t
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a Bates, a nominated member, had ds to say on behalf of her home town of Madang.

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Christopher Colombus and Cook subscribed to all the egulations we have today, the nd the Arunta would doubt- ain undisturbed in their hunt- nds in the continent of North and in Australia," com- Mr. Fairfax-Ross, who was at this further instance of eing taken from Australia and willy nilly on to the Terri- here conditions were so dif-

eship rules in a rowing boat," . Ian Downs, who used to be Navy.

"Lethal"

e is no more lethal weapon ands of a native than an iron otary mower, but neither is here," said Mr. Jack Chipper, led that in any case the num- ccidents in Rabaul in the last s could be counted on the f one hand, and that he had a sawmill for sixteen years t anyone losing a finger". h Director Roy Scragg came that and threw some figures e floor of the House that surprised Mr. Chipper and dy else.

e last five years, said Dr. 190 natives had died in the y in industrial accidents, out tal employment figure in in- of 7,000. 118 of these acci- dents had occurred on the New Guinea side.

There had been 200 industrial accidents a year in the Territory in the last five years and this was a higher rate than in Australia. These figures were for natives only.

The bill was needed, said Dr. Scragg, who felt that "certain things said by certain members" had indicated an "unawareness of the importance of industrial accidents".

The private members wouldn't have that, and stressed again they weren't objecting to industrial protection but to slow strangulation from red tape.

Yet there wasn't any doubt that somewhere along the way, despite their best intentions, the accident angle kept getting prominence and anyone could be pardoned for thinking the opposition was attacking what it said it wasn't.

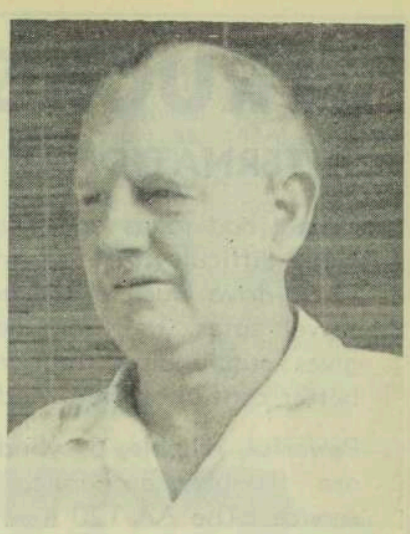
You could probably put it down to the enthusiasm of the debate.

There were some surprised looks when things turned out better than most people had hoped for. The Administration adjourned the debate and altered the bill in committee so as to delete some of the battleship rules for rowing boats. Village copra driers were not now "factories".

IT'S a good thing for most of the outer areas of Papua-New Guinea that there is usually somebody to champion their needs every so often



Mr. John Stuntz, elected member for Eastern Papua, spoke up for Milne Bay, but here he is with a short highlander at Hagen in September.



Mr. Keith McCarthy, Director of Native Affairs, frequently heckled Mr. Lloyd Hurrell, but privately they're friends.

in the Legislative Council. Most people in the Sepik, Bougainville or New Ireland probably suspect that without a mention in Legco now and again Port Moresby would forget they were there. Maybe Port Moresby already has, as it continues to add stretches of kerb and guttering out there in Boroko.

Biggest blast in support of the underdog this session came from John Stuntz, ex-Manly lifesaver, ex-patrol officer, now turned planter and elected member for Eastern Papua. He summed it all up very neatly when he said that the natives of the wide spread Milne Bay district of Papua were friendly and tractable and thus the district was ignored by the Government. The district had a "wonderful potential" but nobody was doing anything about it.

Free of Cults

The district had a population of 8,700 natives and 600 others, produced £925,000 worth of copra, rubber, shell, cocoa and coffee a year, was "remarkably free of cults and the attitude of the local native people towards the Europeans is the best I have seen in the Territory".

Mr. Stuntz said what the district needed was a larger scale planting, and use should be made of some of the 130,000 acres of uncleared, unused Crown land in the district. Some of the land was poor but there were 5,000 acres of land available in the Sagarai Valley which had proved itself as good rubber land. The valley could be reached by sea from Mullin's Harbour and a road of only a few miles could link it with Milne Bay. There was also some good land on Goodenough Island. (Over)

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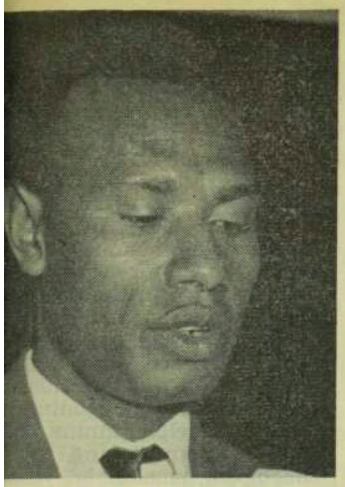
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Brokam, elected member for the New Islands, took a special interest in the cocoa bill.

the areas could be developed nly a few roads, and what was was a campaign to advertise ands for settlers.

Stuntz said local people to see more money spent on s for the district—particularly ima and one in the Es'ala dis-

sum up," said Mr. Stuntz, "we ncerned by the lack of recent ss."

Roma Bates, widow of a Madang District Commis- put a word in for her home

as a "ghostly town" these days d, because it was covered with om the roads, with wear and n drivers, pedestrians, throats es as the dust fogged the town. cal natives walked about with of rag or handkerchiefs cover- ir faces to keep out the dust, was coral and abrasive.

years people had promised to e roads, but Madang people sking, "How much longer?"

STUNTZ paid tribute to the ccess of the Ex-servicemen's Scheme in the Popondetta area by European and native ex- men are given long-term loans nting) and suggested the time rived to extend it to people than ex-servicemen.

this matter was taken up in letail by Mr. John Chipper, of , speaking shortly after Mr. He said there were men who mething to offer the Territory ad been too young to partici- n the war, or who had been to join the services for various s.

re were many men who had capital and were prepared to it and work it up in the in- terests of primary production, if there was a scheme that would give them assistance.

Territory bankers were already tied to a credit policy "formulated for, and in, Australia, and for some time past virtually no funds have been available from the banks for new primary development."

Mr. Chipper said even if funds were released in the future by the banks they would not be of the order which could help this kind of development.

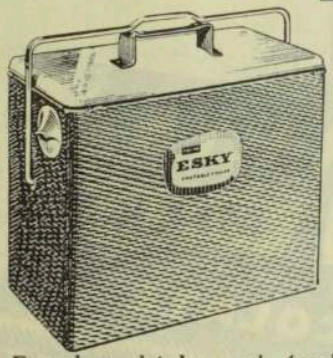
Mr. Chipper suggested a Credit Development Scheme which proposed that loans of a £25,000 maximum be made available to men not older than 50, who had lived for at least three years in the Territory, who could provide at least 15 per cent. of the total development cost.

The borrowers would have to prove they had financial ability enough to conduct their development. Interest and repayment would be along the lines of the present Ex-servicemen's Loan Scheme.

Footnote: The ex-servicemen's scheme has been operating for three years and has made 90 loans to European ex-servicemen, with another 12 at present being handled, and 70 loans made to native ex-servicemen. Loans approved total £1,970,000.

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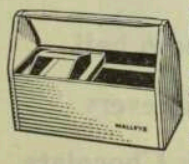
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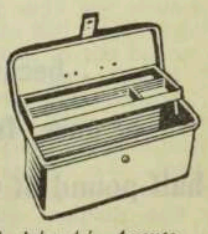
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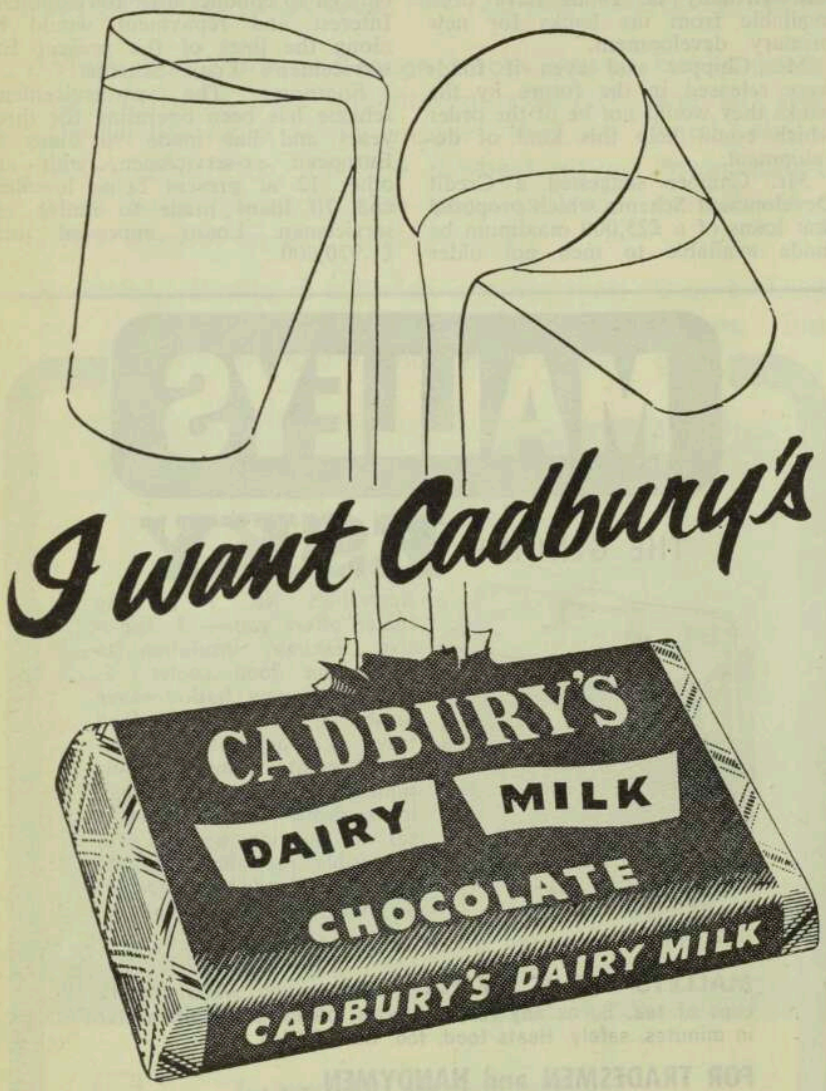
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Suva's busiest corner now has traffic lights. The famous traffic policeman under the yellow stand (below) won't be seen there again, for his stand has now been removed.
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The Day The Lights Came On In Suva!

From Elspeth Robbins

Visitors to Suva on the *Mariposa* on September 22 must e been astonished at the large numbers of people congre- ng on some street corners.

RE were people of all races d judging by the animated ex- ns and swooping arm gestures, ould suppose they were dis- the results of a gigantic fish- mpetition or were making a -Bomb protest.

Mariposa visitors were quite e that something entirely new ppening in Suva.

irst intimation that the traffic would be "on" that day oc- at breakfast time. My hus- knowing my Friday morning ons to the market, butcher and would take me past the newly l lights on Burns Philp's read out the announcement ehind the *Fiji Times*.

ng a mental note not to for- take two pep pills straight reakfast, I promptly rose to ver his shoulder at the big page spread of diagrams pub- under large headlines SUVA IC LIGHTS IN OPERA-

Very Technical

mpanying the diagrams was technical description (quote) hicle-actuated installation con- traffic detectors, a controller signal faces within the con- ne which extends about 100 om each signal light".

e up at this point because my l intensely dislikes sharing his nd said so. (Also one child to know where his socks were, another clamoured for 1/6 for a school photo and the third was feeding the cat—bacon of all things, at 7/6 lb!)

I was, however, interested to note that the little street just over Nubukalau Creek was called Margaret St. I didn't know that before.

"Which light do I look at when I want to go around to the market?" I enquired.



"I don't know—just get into the right lane," responded my husband, adding cautiously, "The diagrams are not exactly elementary." Quite apart from the fact that I had had only a cursory glance at the diagrams, *nothing* is elementary at that hour.

After delivering the children to school, we continued towards town. With another muttered reminder about "just keeping in the right lane", my husband disappeared into the comfortable, safe precincts of a Suva building.

I was surprised to find the thing was simple (my IQ rapidly rises as the early-morning-rush subsides) and the change over was a credit to the traffic control people and whoever else was responsible.

The intersection was literally studded with constables who directed the traffic *together* with the lights—and continued to do so throughout the day. There were lots of happy smiles and encouraging beckonings to help us on our way!

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This little drama was enacted over and over again, and how the watching crowds loved it!

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upon a Traffic Light Tour. every other car-owning was doing the same thing. tour was like a horse being ound the hurdles before a chase. We crossed back and cross the intersection from all and lanes, the children in the eat whooping loudly when the were green and groaning madly hey turned red against us. n my husband concluded I mpletely orientated with all ches, turnings and filterings, ded for home with scarcely a at the Hibiscus Festival lights about in the trees. Thank ss—only a policeman there— ght as we swept past one

dy, there's no lights *and* no an on this corner," remarked ngest as we turned again. with a genuine tinge of sad- e say farewell to that much aphed figure of the policeman yellow stand at BP's corner. xists, from now on, only on tcards.

d Like a Rubber Road

ample of an inventive turn d is seen in a 20 ft. stretch d near the Sineada patrol Papua's celebrated Milne

rubber road—the brainchild ADO Clive Single, of Baniara, a noted ideas man (recently n reported working on a flying e!).

curred to Single some months at if the local roads were sed, rubber trees could be on each side of them so ance material would be right d. There is a lot of rubber d from the Milne Bay district.

his experiment Single used he white liquid rubber straight e tree, which he bought from planter for a few shillings a With a hand pump he this on to a 20 ft. test strip lth of a wheel track, and be- set, put a thin sprinkling of n it. The next day he sprayed d coat of rubber and another l, and repeated this procedure eral more coats.

me across the result late one ainy night when I was hiking the two miles from the bay to the station. I wasn't expected and the station staff had long gone to bed, and I wasn't sure of the road anyhow, but despite the heavy rain and the circumstances I stopped at this stretch, puzzled.

What was it?

It was smooth like concrete, yet it wasn't concrete. It wasn't any coral mixture, although it showed up light against the gravel of the rest of the road. I gave up and kept walking.

Clive Single is not now at Sineada, but PO Des Pike has been keeping his eye on the experiment, and when I was given a closer look next day—this time with the aid of a Land-Rover—Des showed me that the test strip was beginning to peel here and there in fine strips. Otherwise it was still sound.

"Probably he should have put a few more layers on it," said Des. "It certainly fills the potholes anyhow."

The idea isn't probably too practicable using the ADO's methods, but there may be some other method that is. I don't know. Anyhow, it's an idea and it's a sample of initiative—and Native Affairs officers have never been accused of being deficient in either.—SI.

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With TOLALA

There were no punches pulled when Vin To Baining, the elected member for New Britain in the Legislative Council, spilled the beans about the Tolai Cocoa Project at the Council meeting in June. His candid comments on the operations of both native growers and "hungry" traders and the neglect to patronise the official fermentaries, put the spotlight on a situation which has unofficially been known to exist for many a moon, and he challenged the government to do something about it and thus enable the £100,000 still owing on the loan to be repaid. And in the September Legco something was done about it.

KEITH McCARTHY's somewhat naive reply, after his diplomatic opening ambit, congratulating the speaker on his eloquence and clear explanation, pointed out eventually that the government could make an iron law to compel growers to sell cocoa beans to only government-sponsored fermentaries but this, he added, was against our principles. "I do not think we are right in interfering with trade."

This brought forth an interjection from Horrie Niall of: "The Copra Board!"

I think the doughty Keith must have had his tongue in his cheek when he uttered that remark. Usually he is very down-to-earth and practical in his analogies.

But surely he could not have forgotten the numerous bureaucratic Boards that flourish in Australia controlling trade, prices and production of such things as eggs and milk, potatoes, fruit, wool, wheat and a dozen other of our primary products.

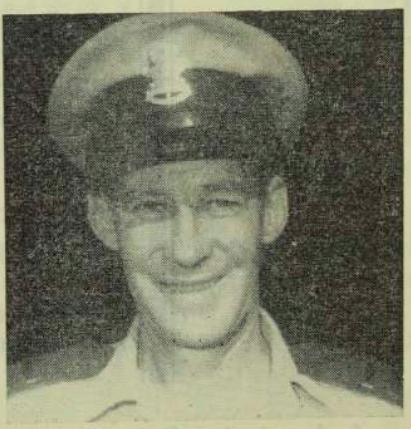
Incidentally, the present position of the Tolai cocoa growers is somewhat reminiscent of the early thirties in the Gazelle Peninsula, especially when the much discussed Two Mile Limit Ordinance was being debated in the TNG Legco. In those days planters were complaining of the loss of many coconuts from their estates when it was the practice for trading stations to be operating close to the boundaries of plantations and the nuts were sold to traders in the husk. Steps were taken to cancel such trading stations and a limit of two miles was stipulated for the granting of trading licences to other than the plantation owners. But profits were peanuts in those days of low copra prices; nothing compared to present potential profits on cocoa and/or copra.

Alerting Salesmen

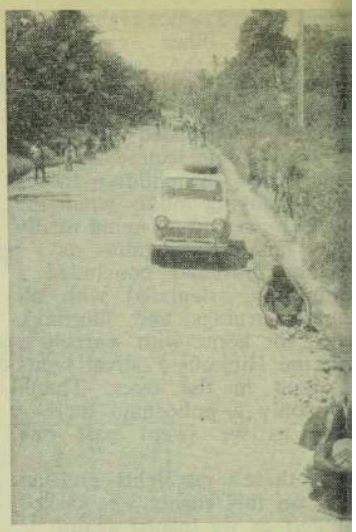
It was only a few weeks ago that P-NG newspapers were complaining of missing out on the Australian Trade Mission that was touring the Pacific to drum up trade, spurred on by the European Common Market.

Now that some financial wizards in Rabaul have worked out that there should be over £10 million hoarded away in native hiding places, we may expect to see an exodus from Australian commercial centres of high-pressure salesmen, eager to get their hands on this hoarded money and bring the careful New Guineans into line with the money-spending natives of Australia, who have such weak control of their appetites that they go into the red to the extent of over £400 million on H.P. (or is it merely an altruistic urge to maintain employment in secondary industries?).

It will be interesting to see whether the government is prepared to encourage this natural tendency amongst the natives to hoard or whether they will allow the experts at separating a man from his money all the privileges of changing the



FIREMAN. Station Officer Ken Bonnett, of Rabaul fire station, wears the new badges of rank for members of the fire brigade, now separated from the police. Shoulder badges for Station Officer are two silver bars on black epaulettes (for Fire Officer, one bar). The new cap badge is the Commonwealth coat-of-arms and crossed fire axes.
Photo: M. R. Hayes



AT LAST. The dusty Nonga-Rabaul Roc Britain, is at last being sealed after mas of agitation. When this photograp taken in September near the Catholic Volavola, the road had been sealed f than half its length. Photo: M. I

present-day satisfied native in individual intent on keepin with the white Joneses.

The potentialities of modern tralian economics being wha are it is a moot question whether some of the hoardin Guineans could not be bene used in Australia to give us lessons in the gentle art of living within our limitations.

But hoarding is an old Guinea custom. I remember terview with a new Ireland some forty years ago, wh opened a medium-sized ca wood trade box in his hut a eyes popped out when I saw it filled with gold and silver co

A large percentage of the consisted of the old Neu Compagnie bird-of-paradise c which I vainly attempted to by offering him twice their face but there was nothing doing.

Much of this hoard, I unde was purchase money paid fo down on the east coast of N land.

We have successfully taug New Guineans to relinquish of their old tribal customs; the become adept in the use and of alcoholic liquor, embezz forgery, drunken driving and other of our civilised vice virtues, so I suppose we will satisfied until we teach them become spend-thrifts and m their souls for the goods they need but which we want them.

On with the rat race in the name of progress!

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might have imagined that, ing the Rabaul fracas at the f July, there would have been e of letters to the editor ap- in southern newspapers deal- th the matter, offering varying s and solutions but, insofar as dney papers were concerned, rate, this was not the case. ey editors, probably, and wisely, realised the initial had greatly over-played the t and "least said, soonest i".

ey's modernised *Bulletin* 1) did, however, run a post- n from the pens of V. H. nder, "formerly an employer ur in Rabaul", as the period- scribed him but better known ls in the Territory as a scribe *Rabaul Times* some six years d D'Arcy Ryan, "an anthro- with wide experience in New ". Neither of whom broke rticular new ground.

F.'s "obvious solution" was triate the Sepiks. "It takes two e a quarrel and this action eliminate one of the two. But ically it would be ruinous to businesses, which depend for f their labour on the Sepiks." has something there, for un- ed "foreign" tribesmen allowed in in areas, hundreds of miles heir homes, are bound to rouble in the end.

agrees up to a point with but suggests "one of the first e could take in that direction be to avoid the patronising t for natives shown by Mr. nder. His attitude is unfor- typical of many Europeans Guinea and has done noth- ncrease our popularity there". ncludes:

riots in Rabaul are just an- episode underlining New s general problem: the don't like us, they don't like her, and they lack any imme- conomic incentive to work nd develop their country. It be naive to suggest that er to them and pay them would solve a problem as as this one; but it might be start.

e September 23 issue of *The* our old friend "Kassa" nd had a finger in the pie. Of timers none is more capable ssing the position, especially g the Sepiks whom, he it was absurd to class as one and in conclusion said:

) years of administration and exploration in New Guinea, I found no evidence of any racial clash. Headhunting and other tribal affrays there were, to be sure, but invariably caused by trespass and more often than not between peoples speaking the same language. The Rabaul riot was serious enough; and might have been much worse, but for Heaven's sake let us not make a Congo out of it.

The "post riot" peace feast, which received much publicity, was apparently another incident well over-played by the Press, which is greatly to be pitied. Surely it is time that accredited newspaper correspondents in P-NG adopted a more moderate and more truthful attitude towards local incidents for the good of Australia generally and the retention of confidence in their news value in particular.

My own advice to "foreign labourers" in Rabaul, if they desire to avoid such incidents in the future, is to stop pinching the bottoms of female Tolais.

It may be an old Roman custom, but it is definitely frowned on in Rabaul, sophisticated and all as it may be!

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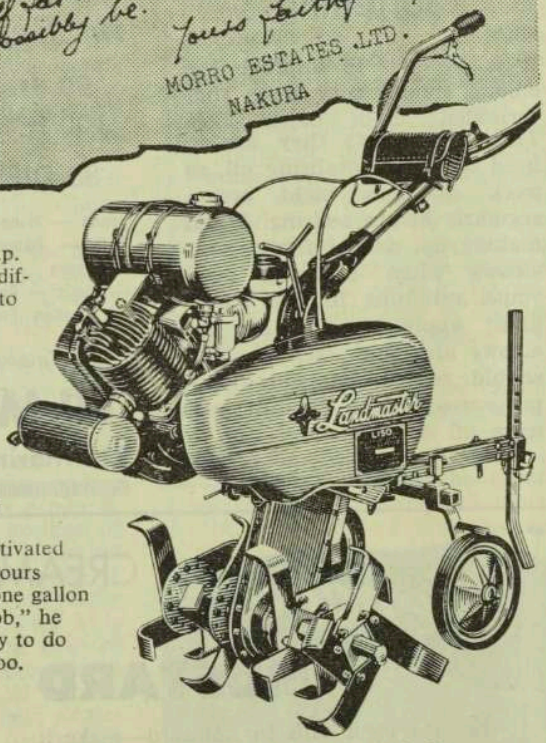
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They Fade Away

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I remember Bill as one o early Exproboard employees sta on the east coast of New Irelan one of the Red Cycle Mob, included such well-known char as "Blue" and K. T. Allen, Braddon, "Tony" Edgell, Tom and the Moccatto Brothers, Frankie Saunders sitting at his in Kavieng as District Super dent.

Several of them owned Red motor cycles, which tore up down the road at regular int They were all a good team Bill (perhaps because he was tain of the AIF Rugby Union in the UK in 1919), was an ac ledged leader.

He spent some time on the M goldfields after leaving the and later on he and Herk Br had a gymnasium and f school in Sydney before Bill l the land of the Stars and S He was Australian Vice Con New York for a period. . . M rest peacefully.

Left or Right Foot?

"Supercargo's" story about the Recruits Went Home" *PIM*, p. 76) had some good m it, and I was glad to see the a to debunk the idea that all birders were unscrupulous so's.

The writer's reference t Charles Read, the elongated that boarded island vessels into Sydney to give pratique, back vivid memories of So Islands' and New Guinea pas leaning over the rail when th tor's launch came alongside t fully watch which foot he first on the gangway.

It was an old Islands cus those days for passengers to whether it would be the right foot. And I have seen big change hands over this flutte

That New Guinea Seaport

Last month I tossed a casua tion into the pool of suggesti garding "Lae and Leahy" an result, received several lette and against.

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om a cross-word enthusiast: t do you suppose those mys- s gentlemen who construct word puzzles would do if they their three-letter word for A Guinea seaport?" He's got some- there, of course. But I still Leahy is a good idea.

in Ports

l talking about P-NG ports, it resting to compare the amount ade carried on in the Papuan New Guinea ports respectively e nine months ending March, Total imports were 26,658; exports £11,333,685. uch a healthy balance. In de-

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le wonder that occasionally re- are passed favouring decen- lion.

ood Kanda"

ctor of Forests Suttie is l as saying there is a £100,000 l export market for rattan cane the Territory.

as always surprised me why atural product of P-NG has been properly organised and es established for the manu- of cane furniture for the nds of new homes being l for Administration officials l of importing the weird- l modern chairs, tables, and ots which have become *a la* in the Jones' home over the ecade or so. Sales promotion sly on the part of southern re dealers.

why not organise some sales tion for P-NG cane furniture, is the natural material to be n tropic countries all over the 'Tis an industry awaiting de- ent and working cane comes l to the native people of both and would not be competing either Australian primary or ary industries.

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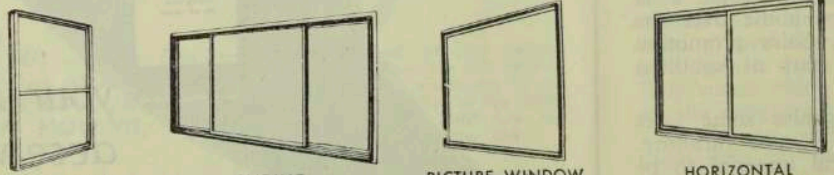
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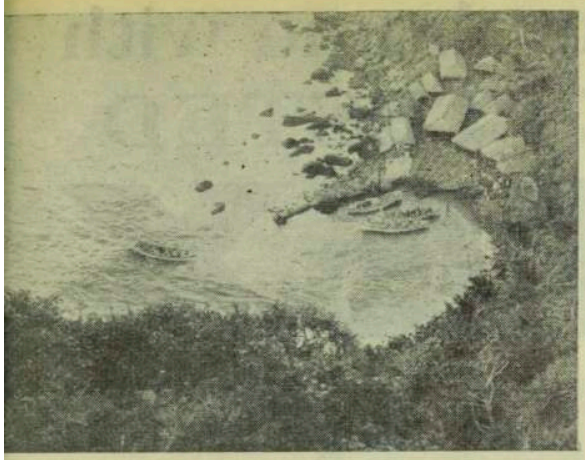
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us Bounty Bay on Pitcairn is being improved. Top left shows the Bay looking down above, with boats just about to set off from the landing to meet a ship. At right, Pitcairners manhandle rocks from the harbour as part of the improvement scheme.



E GOES! An explosion sends the waters of the bay a hundred feet into the air blasting operations to improve the harbour. Below is a close-up of the boat houses, are to have steel bearers instead of the wooden slipways. At right, men of Pitcairn te the tricky surf in the Bay as they head out to sea to meet an incoming ship. Photos are by M. D. Howse.

New Look For Bounty Bay

From a Correspondent

Pitcairn's famous Bounty Bay is not what it was. In one of the biggest undertakings on Pitcairn for many years, improvements are being made to the island's only safe landing spot.

THE new project is still only half completed, but steady progress is being made and the end should be seen next year.

The harbour is being deepened, improvements will be made to the slipway, the boat houses, jetty and flying fox.

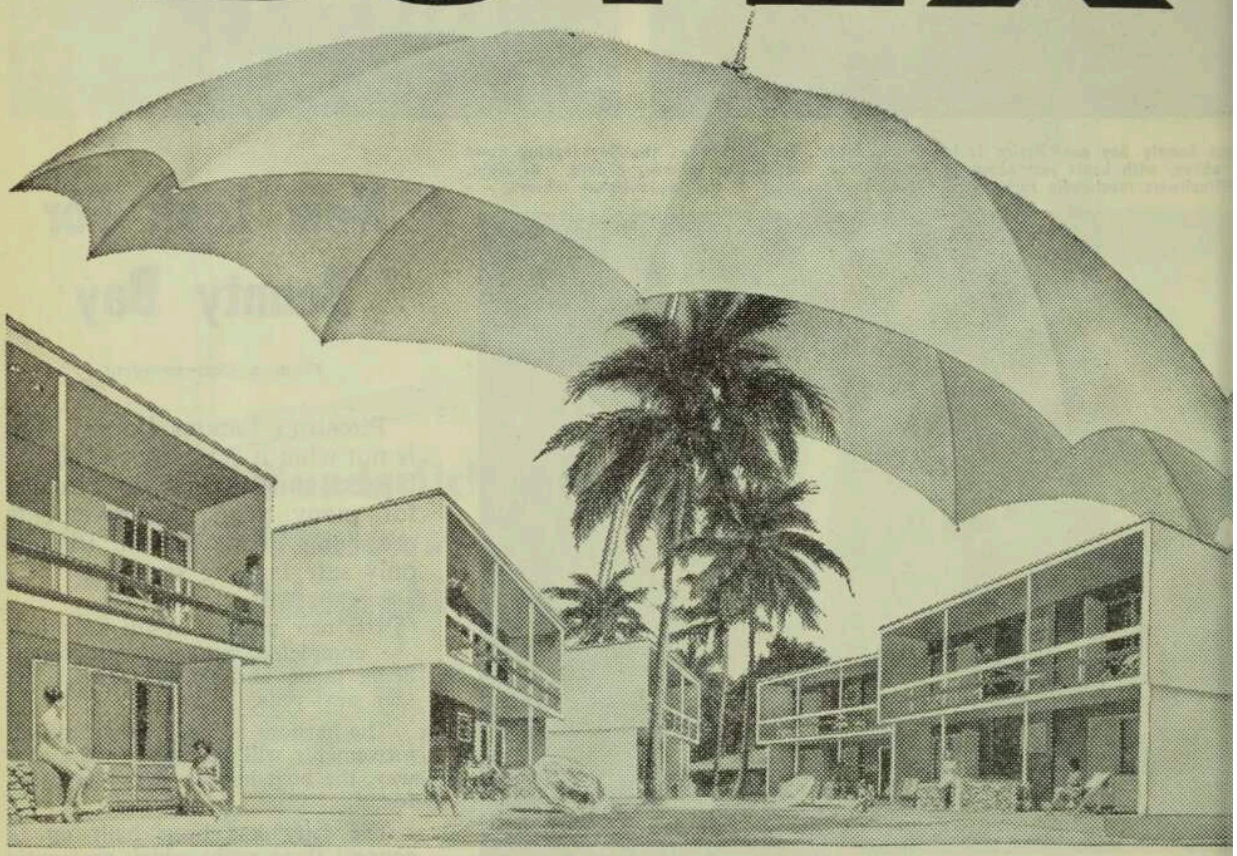
The jetty has been built up to connect three rocks which previously acted as the only breakwater. A railway line runs along the top of the





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works supervisor from Fiji, Mr. , prepares charges in empty tins at Bounty Bay.

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nd the wagon takes the heavier as it is unloaded from the boat 40 ft. to the tray of the flying

wall is to be built along the east side of the boatshed to nt the erosion which is at present gering buildings at the landing. present wooden slipway will be ed by steel bearers, and a new and flying fox engines have ordered. Erection of permanent ouses hasn't got past the in- ation stage at the moment.

st of these plans were worked ast year by a visiting engineer, F. Brocklehurst, and by Mr. F. am, a public works supervisor Fiji, who followed him to super- he harbour deepening.

eral tons of explosive were used. hard type of rock encountered progress much slower than was ted.

ce loosened, the rocks had to be andled by local labour working very trying conditions in the surf. They had no mechanical and boulders weighing many redweight often had to be shifted arrows made from 44 gallon s.

. Bradnam left because of illness the work has continued under vision of the Education Officer, M. D. Howse, and the Island cil.

Government subsidy in addition nds raised by the Pitcairners has it possible to buy an engine he new motor boat which is at nt being built. When the boat is finished the island will have two reliable motor boats, together with three 38 ft. rowing boats.

The motor boats will ease the present problem caused by the shortage of oarsmen. There is an increasing desire on the part of the younger men to immigrate to New Zealand and at present there are only 19 men under 60 on the island.

Under the best conditions, six men are required to man each rowing boat. And increasing amounts of cargo have made it necessary in recent years to take out the three boats at a time to meet the incoming ships.

Nevertheless the recent improvements to Bounty Bay are going to be a great help.

A report from Suva in September said British Petroleum recently made a special effort to deliver an order of 1,000 gallons of petroleum to Pitcairn. The order would have cost £3,300 to deliver, which would not make it economical, but company officials decided that it was worth the goodwill, especially as they could also send a film unit to make a film of the island.

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rease In Crime Major Fiji Problem

From a Correspondent

e increase in crime in Fiji ther disturbing.

RING the last two or three nonths there have been cases of r, thuggery, assault, arson, ng, forgery, theft and house-ng, with cases of rape thrown he whole calendar of crime to have found its way into the reports.

re has been an increase in of violence against the person, he Police Commissioner has d people not to fall for the old of offering a light when asked at night.

s type of thuggery has been pre- in Suva lately and cases have reported of people being as-d and robbed. Victims have d from young Indians to oldish eans.

the juvenile courts there have red youngsters of 13 or 14 who been charged and convicted of s of all kinds.

trying to get an answer to the problem, I have interviewed of the solicitors and barristers, officers and even some of the cted persons.

ere are many theories but there to be a common factor in most em: Unemployment.

great many of those convicted no work. A significant pro-on of the criminals are repeat lers. These have, mostly, *never* ed.

sily the biggest proportion are s who have either never been e villages or have left village life years ago.

ey owe no allegiance, or at least, t give any, to their chiefs.

is drift of Fijians towards urban has worried the Fijian Ad-tration for a long time, for it ndermined many of the precepts ijian customs.

here a Fijian leaves village life has found a job—and there are ands who do—no serious harm ne. This type of Fijian invari-honours his *koro* obligations.

ngs of drifting hooligans, with obligations, have infested the ts of Suva to such an extent in last two years that locals will go alone after dark in some ities for fear of an assault.

The fact that the police have not been able to clean up the gangs is not due to any lack of interest by the police. It is out of the question for police to patrol all the streets all the time.

The crime question does not apply only to Fijians of course. Nor is the increase in crime a local phenomenon —it is world wide.

But Fiji has special problems which have to be overcome, and this problem of urbanisation is one of the biggest. When the people are attracted from the country districts to the bright lights of the towns, where do they live?

A report in May *PIM* pointed out there is far less chance of rearing good citizens in slum conditions. And the fact is that a very big percentage of the Fijians and Indians responsible for the increase in crime have come from unappetising surroundings—often plain squalor.

And in the towns they have been camping in dismally depressing rooms or huts. Cheap, improved housing—better living conditions generally—are urgent.

But there are people who say there are other ways of overcoming the problem—and one is by rounding up the men who have never worked and getting them out of the towns into unemployment gangs. This, though, is a desperate measure, temporary at best, and surely it could be used only as a last resort.

The problem is ahead and it is one for the Central Government and the Fiji administration. Energy, determination and initiative are obviously required for its solution.



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Vide Support for South Seas' Inter-Church College

By Rev. L. D. Fullerton

The coconut curtain has been lifted and things will never be ame again. The Church in the Pacific is breaking out of its on.

POSALS to establish an 5,000 Central Theological e in Suva, for example, are ng wide support from churches Pacific.

rches in nine Pacific territories, nting Anglican, Congrega- Lutheran, Methodist and terian traditions, have officially d to participate in the scheme bstantial donations (totalling)) towards the cost of estab- t have already been promised. proposal provides for a central urch college in Suva, which esent an advanced course of rial training for up to 50 s. The scheme was formulated request of the Samoa Con- of Churches and Missions) by sultation on Theological Edu- held in Suva in May, which ganised by the International ary Council.

John Havea, the very able leader, said, with obvious at the final session of the ation: "Many of you won't how much these proposals o us Pacific Islanders. We've oping for this day for so long, s hard to believe that we have this stage. Setareki Tuilovoni irst discussed a central college is more than 10 years ago— ve were students in America."

Twelve Churches

the Consultation, the n, Congregational, Lutheran, list and Presbyterian churches various Pacific areas were y invited to participate in the

ill the end of September, the ng support had been received: churches had decided form- affiliate. TONGA—the Free an Church of Tonga; SAMOA Samoan Church (LMS); FIJI odist (Fijian and Indian es); POLYNESIA — The n Diocese of Polynesia; ISLANDS — Cook Islands an Church (LMS); DUTCH GUINEA—Evangelical Christ- Church (Dutch Reformed); A-NEW GUINEA—Lutheran Mission; NEW HEBRIDES—Presbyterian Church; MARSHALLS—Marshall Islands Church (Congregational); TAHITI—French Protestant; MELANESIA—The Anglican Diocese of Melanesia.

Rev. L. D. Fullerton, chairman of the Fiji-Indian District of the Methodist Church of Fiji, was recently appointed organising secretary of the Central Theological College for the South Pacific, which is to be established in Suva—an important development in the work of all South Pacific churches. In the September PIM, Mr. Fullerton told how a vital new era in the work of the Pacific churches had opened up following an historic conference in Samoa earlier this year, and in this article he underlines the significance of the establishment of the new Theological College.

Donations totalling £51,000 towards the cost of establishment, were from:

The Samoan Church (LMS), £2,000; The Australian Council of Churches (Department of Inter-Church Aid), £4,000; Methodist Board of Missions (Sydney), £5,000; International Missionary Council (Theological Education Fund), £40,000.

Some of the decisions to affiliate were taken with more than usual enthusiasm. When the Assembly of the Samoan Church decided to affiliate, one of the delegates rose and said: "I will pay the £50".

When the Fiji-Indian Methodist Synod resolved to affiliate, one of the Indian delegates, who moved the resolution, said: "It would be a good gesture if we paid the fee ourselves". Members agreed and the money was subscribed before the delegates left.

A little more time will be allowed to enable other churches to make formal decisions at their annual church courts. Steps will then be taken to call a provisional meeting of the College Council, which will consist of representatives of the participating churches which have paid their affiliation fee.

This provisional council will draft a constitution for the college and submit it for approval to the participating churches.

When approval is received, an official college council (of 10 members) will be formally constituted and incorporated. The council will be responsible for getting the college built, staffed and functioning.

The college will be based upon a standard of Christian doctrine to be agreed upon by the co-operating churches. Participating churches will be free, if they desire, to direct the discipline and devotion of their own students.

All students and staff will dine together but churches will be allowed to provide separate residences for their students if they wish. Plans provide for a student body of up to 50 and a teaching staff of six. The college, however, will probably begin with 25 or 30 students and four lecturers.

Unanimous for Suva

Suva was unanimously chosen as the site for the future college—"at a place conveniently near to the heart of a future university", the proposal says.

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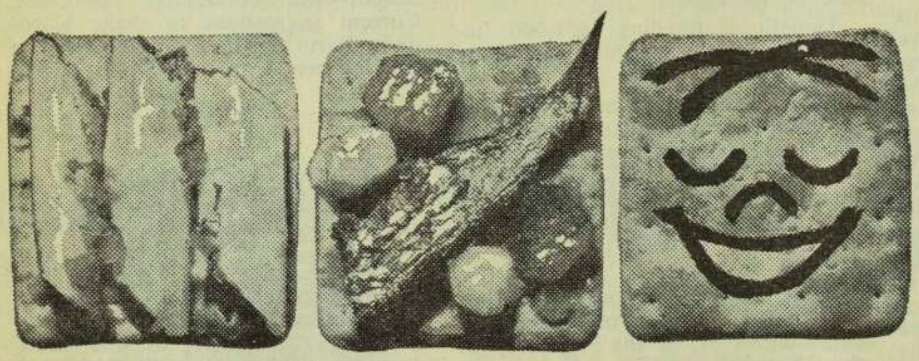
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The Background

Suva Consultation proved to
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a French missionary from
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, Americans from the Caro-
nd New Guinea, and repre-
sentatives of the International Missionary Council and the Australian Council of Churches.

Chairman was the Rev. Dr. Charles W. Forman, Professor of Missions at Yale University, USA. Professor Forman has travelled extensively in Asia, Africa and Latin America over the last couple of years advising on the development of theological education.

Bishop Lesslie Newbigin, General Secretary of the International Missionary Council, was present as chaplain and adviser.

The churches represented were Methodist, Anglican, Presbyterian, Congregational, Lutheran, Dutch Reformed, French Reformed and the Church of South India.

In discussion, four strong reasons were submitted for establishing a central college.

- To break the isolation of Pacific churches—separated from one another and the outside world by great stretches of water.
- To train ministers for a changing Pacific. Again and again delegates insisted that the Church is not taking "seriously and adequately enough the changing conditions of life in the Pacific". The new college would provide opportunities for research as well as teaching.
- To provide a higher level of theological training actually in the Pacific environment. Lecturers in the different theological colleges scattered in the Pacific are able and devoted men. But they are grossly overworked.

Urgent Need

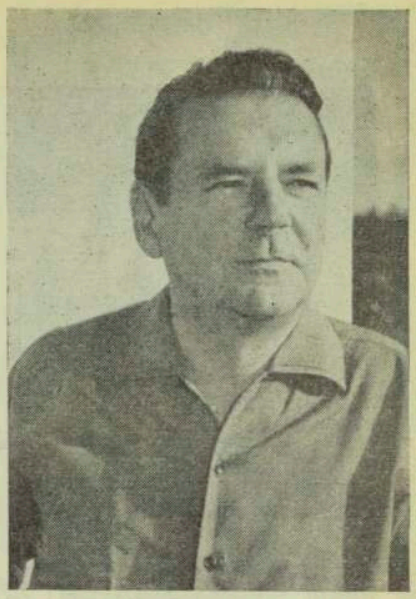
Professor Forman told the Suva Consultation: "I know no other part of the world where theological colleges are as poorly staffed as they are in the Pacific". He was also very surprised that there are so few Pacific Islander lecturers. It is clear that the churches individually haven't the resources to provide the theological training the modern Pacific needs.

- To enrich the whole Church. The central college will be a bridge that will enable the world Church and the Pacific Church to share their insights. It will also help the Church in the Pacific to express its own characteristics.

Bishop Lesslie Newbigin spoke of "the absolutely clamant necessity" of establishing an inter-church college such as the one proposed. Asia, Africa and Latin America have all had inter-church ministerial training colleges like this for years. It seems that now the Church in the Pacific considers that this is a project to get on with.

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One man who is interested in the "Joyita"—Viscount Maugham, nephew of Somerset Maugham. He was in Fiji recently where he is planning to make a movie about the "Joyita".

Photo: S. A. Whippy

NO HOME FOR "JOYITA"

From a Correspondent

The Suva City Council is not particularly interested in the fate of the "Joyita", which now lies a rotting hulk on the beach at Nasova, near Levuka. At their September meeting they considered a letter from artist Miss Mary Edwell-Burke suggesting that it might be moved to the Suva Botanical Gardens and used as a nautical museum.

MISS EDWELL-BURKE claimed that because of its history the derelict ship should be preserved for posterity, and that it would be a wonderful tourist attraction.

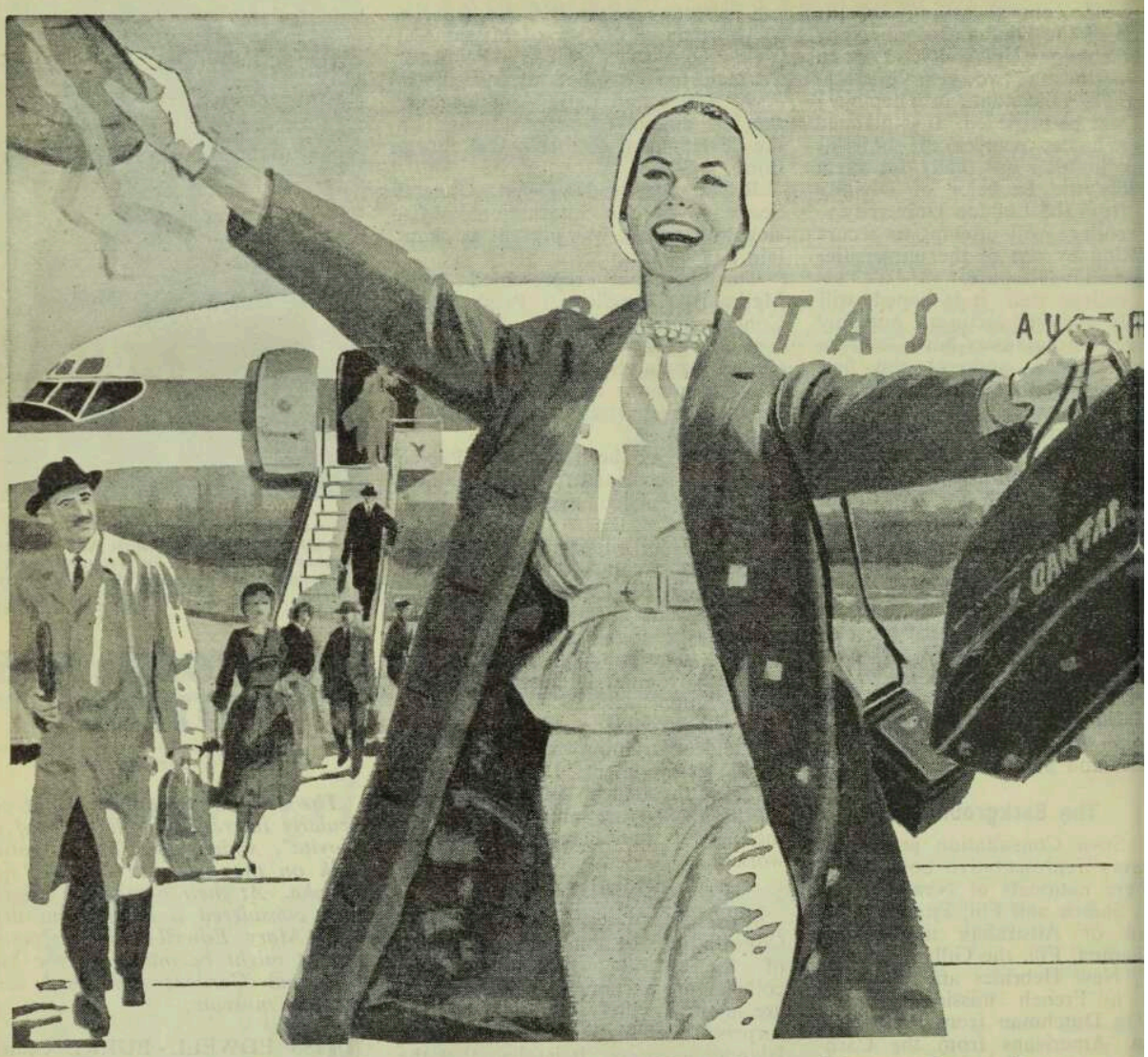
The *Joyita* went missing on a trip between Apia and the Tokelaus in October, 1955. She was later found floating about 90 miles north of Labasa in Vanua Levu and towed to Suva. There was no sign of the 25 passengers, and their fate has never been established.

The Mayor, Cr. C. A. Stinson, after reading the letter, asked: "What shall we do with the *Joyita*?"

Cr. Mark Israel: Leave it at Levuka.

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A CLOSE LOOK AT VITAL SUGAR REPORT

From R. W. Robson

LONDON, September 16

ere are very few people here are competent to discuss the ram Eve Sugar Report, and (from Colonial Office or associations) to talk; but e comments I have heard ost favourable.

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The Governor, presumably, will take the Report to the Executive and Legislative Councils. The latter will have the right to reject or amend all or any of the recommendations. The plan is submitted by the Commission "for acceptance as a complete scheme".

Neither Commissioners nor commentators may forget that the equally impressive Burns Report of 1960 was submitted as a "complete scheme", but was so emasculated by the non-acceptance of the principal recommendations as to be virtually useless; and that the valuable Shephard Report on the sugar industry, although officially approved, was never implemented, again as the result of Governmental weakness.

2. The Fiji Government is to appoint, at the earliest possible moment, an "independent chairman of the sugar industry" who is to live in Fiji, and devote the whole of his time to supervising the sugar industry generally, and co-operating with government, millers, growers, millworkers and farmworkers in securing the smooth and profitable operation of the industry.

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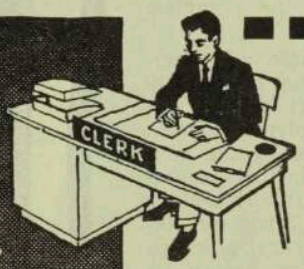
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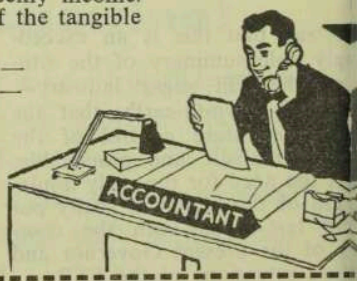
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it should be 82½ per cent. to the growers and 17½ per cent. to the millers; and the contract and formulae referred to above are based on that, That responsibility of interpreting and policing the contract is placed upon the bodies assisting the chairman of the industry (presumably, upon the Sugar Board, and not the Advisory Council).

6. It is proposed that the contract normally shall cover a period of 10 years, so as to assure the industry of normal working; but the first contract shall extend from the adoption of this system until 1970, and will cover the prices to be paid under the agreement of March 26, 1961.

Every person interested in the future of Fiji should, as a matter of duty, read this Report from cover to cover—it shows the precariousness of the Colony's present economic position, and how it can be much strengthened, if all parties concerned with the Colony's major industry will recognise the facts and pull together.

Some of the important points and comments made:

Blame for recent troubles and confusion in the industry is placed unequivocally upon Government, CSR and Indian growers.

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Letter To The Editor

UGAR REPORT WILL RESTORE CONFIDENCE

—The Sugar Inquiry Re- s a model for its lucidity, of presentation and ex- ce, which if acted upon bring lasting benefits to

see it—so important has the gar industry become to the ic well-being of Fiji—that y powers are being sought to it against irresponsible acts one who might hinder the in- No longer is it to remain the ng of hitherto irreconcilable s. Another important measure to control the very valuable nds, the total acreage of which tively small (125,000) com- o the overall acreage of arable

most vital recommendation is se the one seeking co-operation veryone connected with the in- and if this means to succeed, crimination must be laid aside, fresh start made.

"Good Fortune"

much emphasis cannot be laid good fortune that Fiji enjoys articipation in the quota allo- o her by the Commonwealth Agreement, which has eight o run, having regard to the critical market situation, due world prices and over produc- The benefits should be obvious but they should be brought o those people in Fiji who do preciate them.

e allocation of an extra 50,000 f sugar to Fiji's quota comes as recommended, through the races of the other participating rs of the Commonwealth Sugar nent, the Colony can indeed her lucky stars. But in any he industry must show that it ble of taking up its full quota y for the benefit of Fiji gener- nd acting responsibly, and not te its good fortune and heritage ourse to strife and internal dis- , otherwise the Colony could sastrous consequences if it lost its valuable quota. The Sugar y must realise that it has an ding responsibility to the Colony to make full use of its concessions, as well as insisting on its rights.

The Fiji Government, it is hoped, will act with speed to implement its part of the report. It must also assist in bringing harmony to the industry thus restoring confidence in the Colony, which is badly needed, as it took a bad shaking as a result of the unfortunate happenings last year.

The millers will no doubt expeditiously attend to their side of the bargain. They have made their mistakes, mainly in the field of public relations and dissemination of information relating to their activities. For instance reluctance to give information about their fixed Fijian assets when they were re-valued and in other matters, caused some doubts to be cast by some people on their business integrity.

Fringe Benefits

It was pleasing to see, however, that their reputation did not suffer on this score when these matters and their accounts were investigated and found in order.

It is also my opinion that the millers' services to their Fiji workers and to the growers would be better appreciated by both the latter, if the fringe benefits were lumped together and the benefit shown in cash and deductions made or charged for the benefits received.

No answer was given to the question why the millers' fixed assets were revalued in Fiji in 1957 and not in Australia. It appears to me that the industry in Australia being comparatively stable and not having to face the same issues as prevailed in Fiji, it therefore did not pose the same problems. Apart from bringing values up to date my guess is that the millers' directors, as prudent businessmen in re-valuing the fixed Fijian assets, had a two-fold purpose in mind (a) to bring values up to date and help towards a bonus issue, and (b) to meet any possible threat, had they been faced with no alternative but to get out of Fiji as best they could.

Yours,
David P. Ragg.
Suva and Sydney.

A series of checks carried out by the Fiji Public Works Department over the last six months has revealed that water has been running to waste from defective pipes in the Suva area at the rate of 37 million gallons a year. This is the loss of water on private property, with the leaks between the meters and the houses, so that consumers have had to foot the bill.

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South Seas Should Look to the North

LONDON PREDICTS A LEAN TIME FOR COCONUT PLANTERS

From Judy Tudor, in London



South Pacific copra producers who are currently having a lean may be in for an even leaner one in the next year. At least, s the opinion of London experts.

Y base their view on the fact at all other alternative vege- oils will be in abundant supply. give as just one example of this per cent. increase in soya bean tion in the United States.

the same time, the Mediter- countries are expected to have per olive crop; Nigeria, which he world in production of palm lm kernel oil and groundnuts, ected to carry on the good while the contribution of the to both departments—small tion to the rest of West Africa ill coming through in spite of ongo troubles".

the animal-oil front, new 's whale oil is expected to be ndant supply before that of ason's is entirely cleared; cer- Latin-American countries, not- eru, are producing more edible om anchovies than they can reasonably expect to export; and the same thing is being done with other small fish in the Northern Hemisphere.

Probably when the recent history of copra comes to be written it will be seen that the extraordinary boom in copra prices in 1959-60, which considerably enlarged South Pacific Islands planters' bank accounts, was a great misfortune to the industry at that time.

In theory, any vegetable oil can be substituted for another in the production of margarine and edible fats. In practice, the boys who actually have the job of doing it are reluctant to change formulae—but, once having done it, they are just as reluctant to change back. The change-over probably takes six months and that change from coconut oil took place during 1959-60 when copra prices were hitting new records.

The industry in UK and the Continent then became geared to alternative oils, and short of some panic shortage in those oils, it is going to be very difficult for copra to get back into the picture to the degree that producers would like.

Here in the United Kingdom, quite apart from the relative cost of the raw materials, groundnut (peanut) oil is favoured for the manufacture of margarine. This gives the product that appeals most to the consumer—and that, of course, in the ultimate analysis, is what matters to the producer.

In UK and the Continent, Unilever is dominant in the vegetable oil market, to the extent that the requirements of even its nearest rival are small beside those of this vast firm. What Unilever does and thinks, therefore, cannot help but be of interest to the South Pacific copra producer.

I remember, in the Depression of the 1930's, when Unilever was always thought of as a forked-tailed octopus, if such an animal is possible; and it was alleged about them that they dealt in all vegetable oils in order to manipulate one against another and so keep the prices at a low level.

Today we have got a much more realistic idea of the whole situation and call it by a much politer name—that is, "interchangeability".

The end products of Unilever and their rivals—that is, margarine, soap, washing powders and liquids—have above everything else to be cheap and to be within the reach of the lowest income group. It is obviously of little interest to the housewife whether Nigerian groundnuts or New Guinea copra go into these products—to them it's the ha' penny off that matters.

It can be regarded, therefore, as only normal business practice that the manufacturers of those products use the raw material that will give the consumer what she wants while still maintaining profits.

Probably what was not fully realised in the copra depression of the '30's was the advances made by science in making almost any vegetable or animal oil suitable for use in table or cooking margarine and fats. Even linseed oil has been made into margarine, experimentally; and oil from such a high-smelling commodity as anchovies can be successfully deodorised for the same purpose.

All this being so, and "interchangeability" being accepted as an unpleasant fact, what is the future of South Pacific copra? Today, in London, I asked the question of Mr. J. C. A. Faure, Unilever executive who is well-known in the Pacific.

According to Mr. Faure, the long-term outlook is reasonably good so long as the Islands producer does not look continually to the UK and Europe. The expansion of the Pacific market, he thinks, should be in the direction of the Far East—to Japan and China, particularly.

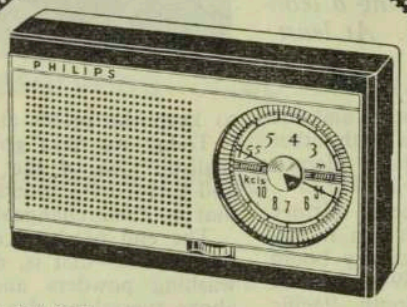
He does not think that the market that South Pacific copra has already got in Europe will be unduly affected, if and when England is accepted into the Common Market—about which event he seems to entertain doubts. The matter of duties, or lack of



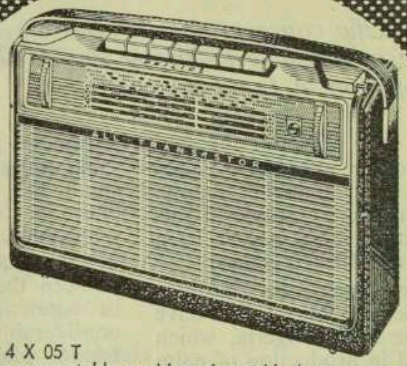
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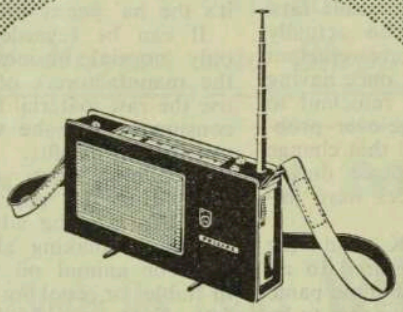
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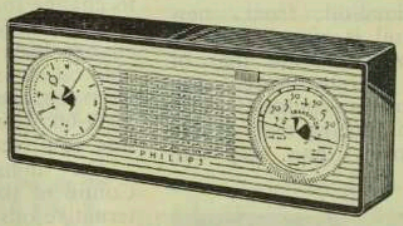
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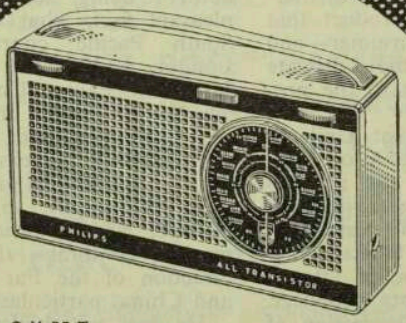
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interesting to know that al- h just after the war the story hat South Pacific copra was use- nless it was of such a high that it could be used in mar- , copra is now being used ex- ely in detergents.

ergents work just as well with- thering—but the housewife likes with her washing liquid or r, and demands it. This the facturer obligingly supplies, and athering agent is very readily factured from copra.

How Chairman Sees the SW Pacific

ilever chairman, Mr. G. J. Cole, leted a visit to Australasia, Port sby and the Solomons and ar- back in London at the end of This was his first trip to that of the world and although he mpressed by the up-and-coming and what he called "almost onfidence" of the Australians, sn't inclined to express the same ients about the BSIP, where his any has a very small piece of empire.

s the company's intention hence- he said, to plough such profits make there back into the Pro- ate. And, as I understand it, ven went to the extraordinary of intimating to the BSIP urer that they would not mind taxed more heavily if they l help the BSIP over some of ore difficult financial troubles— ution that probably doesn't get far, as it is suspected that the amount made in tax would be ted from the Colonial Develop- and Welfare Fund grant.

. Cole was not happy over the r position in the BSIP either— blem that has been a continuing ince the end of World War II l with many other people who had to make do with short contract labour in the S.W. c, feels that it needs a com- y new approach and a new line ought. He thinks that Nigeria a lot to teach us in the South ic about these labour problems.

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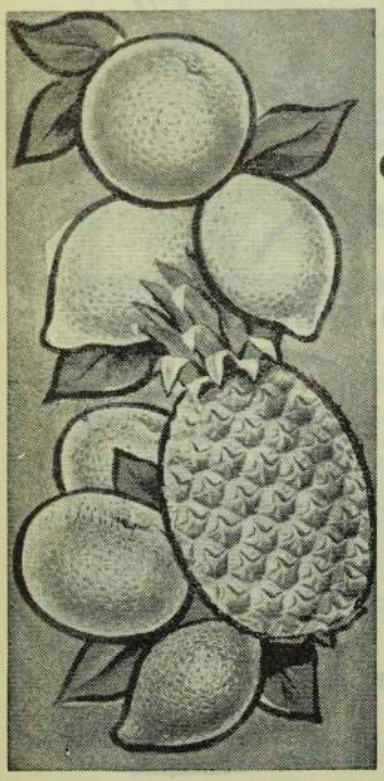
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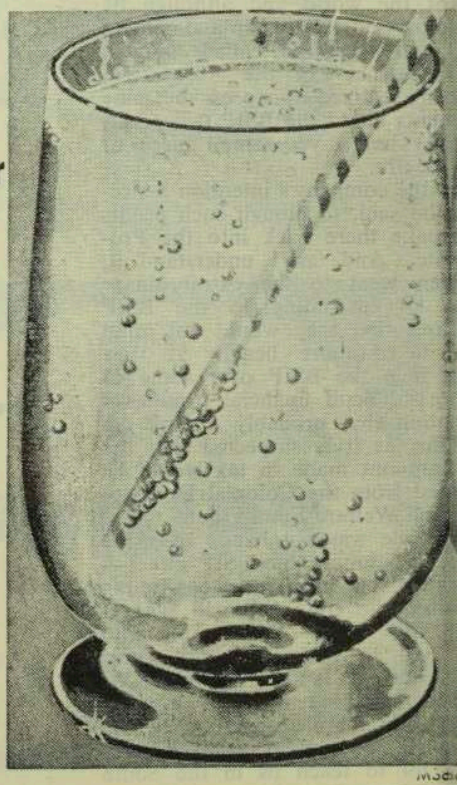
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The Month in Samoa

GOOD MEN BEING LOST TO SAMOA

From "PIM's" Apia Correspondent

While the Government continues to spend money on hurriedly training personnel in New Zealand who will be badly needed next year when independence comes, the steady exit of people who are already trained continues.

LAST month Public Works painter, former scholarship student and tradesman trained in New Zealand, Matisone Poka, left with his New Zealand wife to settle in that country where rates of pay and educational opportunities for children are so much better than in Samoa.

At the same time a Samoan radiographer trained in New Zealand under the scholarship scheme and who is also married to a New Zealand girl, put in his resignation in protest against conditions of employment in Samoa, He too, intends to settle in New Zealand.

Another well-qualified person who could find no recognition for his talents in Western Samoa left for American Samoa early in September,



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rights to land users. A com-
was set up to draw up legisla-
tion to this effect and during September, Mr. Ken Williams, Commissioner of the Maori Land Court at Rotoura, made his second visit to Samoa for consultations with this Committee. However, while all the experts agree that changes on land tenure are essential and that security of tenure and personal ownership of land are necessary, especially in connection with loans for development, Samoan members of the committee are reported somewhat apathetic and it appears that it will be some time before legislation will be enacted.

A GROUP of five Japanese scientists, four men and a woman, spent September travelling round Savaii measuring skulls, collecting hair samples and doing general anthropological study. They are Professor G. Shima, Dr. M. Suzuki, Dr. K. Terakado, Dr. N. Harada and Miss S. Hatanaka.

This trip follows a preliminary survey done by Dr. Suzuki and a Mr. Iwasa last year, and they have aroused considerable speculation, especially as none of the visitors speaks particularly good English or any Samoan, and have apparently never heard of the studies of Margaret Mead, the late Felix Keesing or other well known students of Polynesia.

MAIN event of importance in Western Samoa in September has been the Women's Interests Seminar held by the South Pacific Commission at Papauta Girls' School

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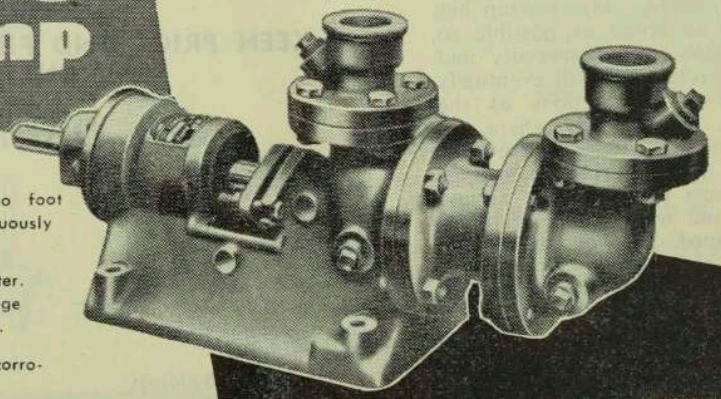
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out of Apia. Attended by 43 en from 15 Pacific territories, seminar is the first of its kind was the culmination of 2½ years' ning by Miss Marjorie Stewart, active SPC Women's Interests er.

e seminar was held from August September 21 with a full time from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day ding Saturday.

idies include the opportunities ducation and the development of ties for women throughout the l, the status of women in the c, the opportunities and respon- ies of women in meeting family ommunity needs, planning com- y education programmes, or- ing and conducting group ties, means of communication, he needs to be met for continu- nprovement in family life.

e South Pacific Commission has helped in this project by a ous grant from the United h Women of America, and g those attending the seminar as ltants are Dr. Mary E. Keister, Economic Officer of the Food Agriculture Organisation, from ; Miss Nicole Friderich, from Department of Education at SCO in Paris; and Miss Freda iam, from the Commonwealth nical Aid Scheme in London.

Miss Stewart said: "There is the slightest doubt that this ar has achieved a great deal in lating the thoughts of all who taken part".

NNIS has received a real boost n this area as a result of its ion in the First Pacific Games held at Suva in 1963 and there k of the Pago team making a lly visit for matches over endence Week.

ia tennis enthusiasts are con- lating themselves on the clean made by Western Samoan rs in the annual match against ican Samoa for the Ernest Reid orial Trophy. This is the first in four years that Western a has won the trophy and is the st victory margin in memory. teams were, Western Samoa G. M. Westerlund, R. Heke (Capt.) T. Anetipa, R. Rankin and L. ll, T. Leupolu and A. Maluai; ican Samoa, P. Reid (Capt.), unkin, S. Ho Ching and Hunkin, and R. Pritchard, H. Webb and paia.

EPENDENCE Week, by the ay, should really be something— te the chance of rain (*PIM* September, p. 16). The odds are a 55 per cent. chance of rain every day from January 1-5, when the celebrations take place. *Samoana* had suggested that the formal events take place in January and the spectator events take place in June, when the annual Flag Raising Day celebrations are always held in fine weather.

Nevertheless, they will go on as planned and a great deal of work has been put in by a committee under the energetic leadership of Secretary to the Prime Minister Eddie Stehlin. Sub-committees are dealing with everything from accommodation for the big influx of visitors expected, to the establishment of first aid posts and extra lavatories!

Events include marching, singing, dancing, band competitions, boat races, fireworks (by the Chinese community), float parades, horse racing, balls, and numerous cocktail parties. Shops will be closed for the week, but they can open on the Wednesday if they like.

Among the official visitors invited are NZ Prime Minister Holyoake and the former NZ High Commissioner in Samoa, Sir Guy Powles, who is now NZ High Commissioner to India. The Auckland Latter Day Saints' Band, which is comprised mostly of Samoans, has announced it will come over to take part in the band contest and a big number of Samoans living in NZ will also be here.

TUALAULELEI MAURI, an influential and sometimes controversial figure on the Samoan political scene over the past 20 years, died suddenly in his Apia home on September 8. He was 57.

A former Cabinet Minister and at one time in the running for the Prime Ministership, Tualaulelei was a member of the Samoan delegation to the first South Pacific Conference in Suva in 1950 and leader of the Samoan delegation to the second Conference at Noumea in 1953.

He was a member of the Samoan Parliamentary Delegation to New Zealand in 1955 and represented Samoa, together with T. R. Smith, at the first meeting of the Pacific Copra Boards in London in 1955.

Tualaulelei was defeated at the elections in February this year by Mr. Harry Moors, a former European who took Samoan status under the name of Afoafouvale Misimoa. Because of his occasional expression of anti-European sentiments, Tualaulelei's political motives were generally suspect by Europeans in Samoa but he was a very capable Minister.

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Pacific Islands Monthly MAGAZINE SECTION

When Gentlemen Wanted To Colonise New Guinea

From Judy Tudor, in London

The fact that a move made in London in the 1870's to colonise the shores of far-off New uinea with English "gentlemen" didn't eventuate wasn't because of any lack of determination the sponsors.

The colonisation move, in fact, caused quite a stir in the London of the day, and at one point leading missionaries petitioned the Colonial Secretary to prevent the gentlemen from being led to the land of milk and honey by one gentleman in particular—Lieut. R. H. Armit, RN (retired).

UT. ARMIT has another claim) fame. He is the probable r of *Wanderings in the In- of New Guinea*, a tale of ry and imagination, whose rship has been disputed since s first published in London by nan and Hall in 1875.

cover of that book gives the as "Captain J. A. Lawson", hen I came to England four ago I was determined to sh once and for all who Captain n was.

v, having been hot on a trail ars' cold, I'm of the opinion nlikely—failing something turn-) from a private source—that it ever be *proved* who did the *erings* job, although circum- l evidence is something else

is while I have been on this that I have uncovered some sting facts about Lieut. Armit's Guinea Colonising Association -a little known facet of New a history.

those who haven't read May, and July *PIMs*, *Wanderings in terior of New Guinea* purported an account of an expedition from near present-day Daru pua.

ot. J. A. Lawson, alleged that ind 32,000 ft mountains, Papuan called moolahs and other nens of flora and fauna which never been equalled. A few e in London believed what he Others regarded it as a cal joke.

o Lawson really was, and er he had written the book for e or for gain, has remained a ing newspaper and magazine ry ever since, first in England, nore recently in Australia.

At the Australian end, there has been a belief that Lawson was, in fact, W. E. Armit, an ex-policeman from Cooktown, Qld., who in 1883 led an expedition into the Astrolabe Ranges of Papua for the *Argus* newspaper of Melbourne. This idea was based entirely on the fact that two people have gone on record that they were told so by a son of W. E. Armit.

I have always found this hard to believe (a), because it seemed unlikely that Policeman Armit, who led a real expedition to Papua in 1883, would have written about an imaginary expedition 10 years previously; (b) because it didn't fit in with the little I knew of W. E. Armit and his family, who established themselves in Port Moresby after the 1883 expedition; (c) because when the book was published in London and reviewed, the author was right at hand there to answer his critics, and was not being a policeman in far-off Cooktown, Qld.; (d) because in some of the English witch-hunts for the culprit, a Lieut. Robert Armit was said to be the author and that it was the result of a £100 wager made in his club; and (e) because in an old publication which *PIM* recently brought to light, it was stated that around 1875, a New Guinea Colonisation Association was formed in London and that its chief architect was a Lieut. R. H. Armit, RN, who had been "surveying on the coasts".

As soon as I heard that there was a Lieut. R. H. Armit who was in London at the time *Wanderings* was published, and who had the necessary background for the job, my money was on the Royal Navy. The point was, of course, that we knew less of Lieut. Robert than we did of Policeman W. E. That was to be my task in London—to try to get something of Robert's background.

The publishing firm of Chapman and Hall is still in existence at an address near Fleet St., but the last Chapman and last Hall bowed out many years ago and the company is now just one of the Methuen Group. The Fred Chapman, who in May *PIM*, is recorded as being a personal friend of "Lawson", died in 1890. The present executive of the company had never heard of *Wanderings*, or of the mystery that had surrounded Capt. Lawson all these years. Their records didn't go back to 1875 and they hadn't a copy of the book they had published 86 years ago.

The Lords of the Admiralty

That was the end of the road as far as the publishers were concerned. My next line of attack was the Admiralty.

It's easier to get into heaven than get an audience with the Lords of the Admiralty or even one of their minor minions, but after two attempts I got as far as the Press Relations department. This branch may be equipped to dispense news of the latest atomic submarine but not to deal with a case like mine. The period I was interested in was, they said, almost 100 years ago—really! It was in actual fact 86 years ago, and Navy records must go back further than that, but I was finally persuaded to leave and put it down in a letter to the Secretary to the Admiralty.

I did, and their reply was that there had been a Lieutenant Robert H. Armit who served in the Royal Navy between September, 1866 and

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March, 1871, at which latter date he was placed on the retired list, from which he was finally removed at his own request in 1883.

While he was on active duty he had served in *HMS Challenger* and *HMS Virago*, both of which were "engaged on survey duties on the Australian Station".

The existence of Lieutenant Armit and his presence in Australia at the right period and in a position to hear about and become interested in the big island of New Guinea, was thus established.

Captain Lawson is known to have written two books, the second in 1880 called *The Wandering Naturalist* —a Story of Adventure. The British Museum library has both of them listed in its general index; but it took two visits to the library to find that their rare copy of *The Wandering Naturalist* had been lost during the Blitz.

During my first visit to the Museum, however, it had occurred to me that if Capt. Lawson *were* Lieut. Armit, Lieut. Armit might also have written under his own name—and here I struck pay-dirt.

The Museum library has three of his works: The *Wind and His Circuits —the Origin and Cause of Circular Storms, etc.*, published in 1870; *Light as a Motive Power*—a series of meteorological essays, published in 1875; and the *History of New Guinea and the Origin of the Human Race*, published in 1876.

The NG Colonising Association

The last-named turned out to be, in fact, part of a prospectus issued in 1876 with the idea of getting the Colonising Association Ltd. (New Guinea) off the ground.

The immediate objective of the association was to organise and equip a trading expedition to NG (meaning present day Papua), to set up settlements there if feasible (making them "model in every respect"), in anticipation of NG's eventual annexation as a British Colony.

The expedition was to consist, in the first instance, of about 50 men under the "guidance of from 10 to 12 gentlemen" and was to be despatched in one or two suitable vessels provisioned for two years.

The expedition would be under the command of Lieut. R. H. Armit, ". . . a gentleman whose personal qualities, attainments and experiences render him eminently fitted for the position". The expedition was to be "furnished with every requisite" for conducting every kind of scientific survey as well as for trading.

No land was to be occupied unless through friendly arrangements with the natives to whom the blessings of Christianity and civilisation were to be brought; and missionaries of all denominations were to be allowed to practise in the settlements, so long as they didn't interfere with secular affairs.

The expedition was to be financed —and here came the rub I imagine— by the sale of 700 debentures at a nominal value of £50, but issued at £25 (or at a discount of 50 per cent.) and carrying interest of 5 per cent. In addition, Gentlemen wishing to join the association with a view to taking part in the expedition would be asked to contribute 250 guineas; and Gentlemen or Noblemen who desired to assist the objects of the association could become patrons, presidents or vice-presidents and these should communicate with the secretary.

There were two London directors; and about a dozen from "abroad" of whom Lieut. R. H. Armit "late Admiralty Asst. Surveyor, formerly employed on the Australasian hydrographic surveys", headed the list. (An R. S. Armit, an engineer, was also a director).

All this information took up a few pages fore and aft of the real meat of the 37 page booklet—Lieut. Armit's own theories on New Guinea generally, the origin of race, and a letter-by-letter account of his fight with the London Missionary Society which bitterly opposed his colonisation scheme.

At the beginning of this booklet, Armit outlined the discovery and exploration of New Guinea up to the survey made by Captain John Moresby, in *Basilisk*, in 1873—and it probably was the fact that Moresby had recently published the report of this voyage, plus what Armit had himself learned of NG in Australia that was the inspiration behind this attempt to form a colonisation association.

The Antarctic Garden of Eden

So far as the discovery of New Guinea was concerned, Armit was accurate enough.

It was when he attempted to explain the origin of the races—and how black New Guinea man got there— that he employs the same imaginative talents as did Capt. Lawson. Armit was evidently a Fundamentalist—that is, he believed in the literal interpretation of the Bible—and he went to great lengths to fit the story of the Garden of Eden into a very badly assimilated idea of the recurrent ice-ages and intervening "hot" periods that the Earth has undergone. (Over)

Yesterday

In Suva, 20 years ago, gan of workmen were putting t finishing touches to the ne seaplane base at Laucala Be in preparation for the lon awaited overseas air link, Pan American Airways Clippe on their flights between t United States and New Ze land. This was the main Paci development that October, Islands residents cast unea eyes towards the Far E when American-Japanese ta on Pacific "stability" appear to be getting nowhere.

Here are other extracts fr "PIM" of October, 1941:—

Rear Admiral Thierry D'Argenl arrived in Tahiti to take over t post of Free French High Co missioner in the Pacific: a qu beginning to a stormy career. was the controversial figure w caused an explosion in New Ca donia some months later by d missing the popular Governor, He Sautot, who had earlier ralli Frenchman in the Pacific to t Free French flag. D'Argenl himself was eventually forced leave New Caledonia.

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Regulations came into force set up the New Guinea Co Marketing Committee to handle sales of the Territory's copra a guaranteed price. This was first step in the projected So Pacific Copra Pool.

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The two-years' task of tra ferring 2,000 Gilbertese from over-populated Gilbert Islands the Phoenix Group (Hull, Gard and Sydney Islands) was co pleted. But the last shipload v attended by tragedy—Mr. G. Gallagher, one of the most able the Western Pacific High Co mission young officers, who been in charge of the project, d suddenly at Gardner fr peritonitis.

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Another death recorded was t of BSI pioneer "Joe" Binskin. spent 50 years in the Solom running schooners, trading a finally, planting (at an estate had carved out of the virgin fo of Bagga Island, West Solomons).

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Unlike today, when Territo Minister Paul Hasluck seems to a permanent fixtures at Canbe there was another new holder the Territories portfolio this mon a Western Australian Senator, James Fraser. The eighth Minis in four years, he had had personal acquaintance with Territories over which he assu control—and the comments fr Papua and New Guinea w acidly.

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arting," said Armit, "with the hesis that the account in the Bible is a correct account of ion as far as the Caucasian, storic race, is concerned . . . nd that in the Northern Hemis- one white man and one white n were created, but no mention de of a black man or a black n. . . ."

nce had recently proved, he on, that the North Pole had at stage been semi-tropical and that st of the world had been frozen It was reasonable to suppose, ore, that the warm North Pole irst called life into existence, nat this was, so far as the white as concerned, where the Garden en was located.

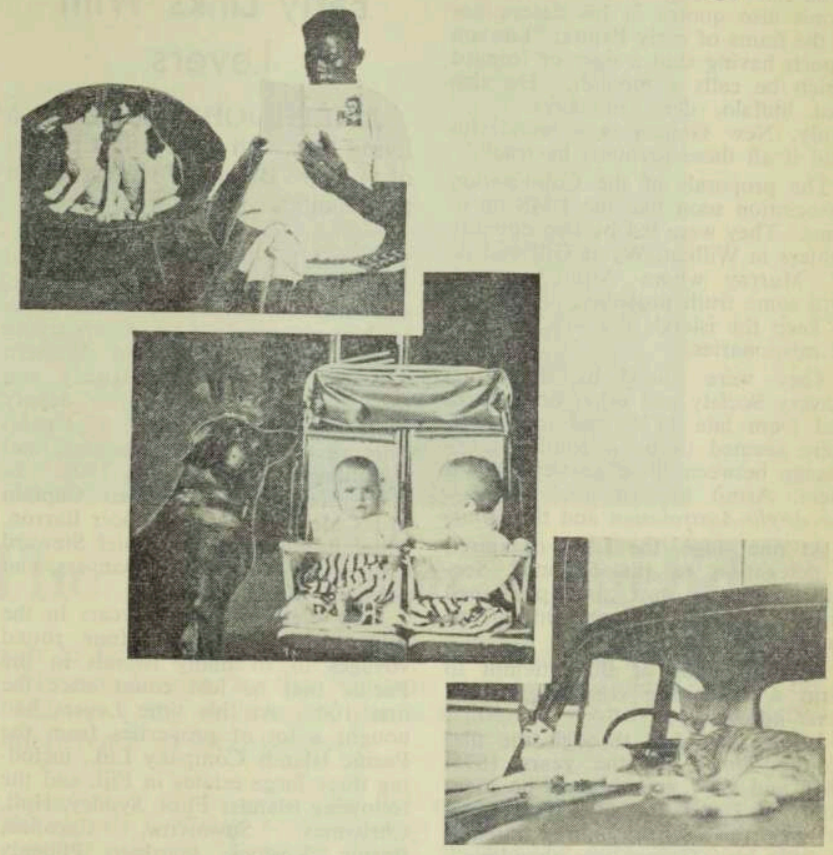
a similar line of reasoning, he nt, it was reasonable to suppose e South Pole—being completely ed in order from the North would be the cradle of the races—in fact, their Garden of He went on to enlarge on nique theory to show how the ces could have met and mingled l the equator about the time he e interested in New Guinea. was able to assure prospective rs that the part of New Guinea his association intended to was "salubrious" (although early missionaries had already riven out by fever); and stated ey expected to find gold, tin, , iron, sulphur, seed and pearl beche de mer, Indian teak, wood, cotton, nutmegs, cinna- ago, coconuts and breadfruit— which would have a ready in Australia and Asia he t.

he fauna he reports: "Captain y saw only wallaby in a wild and pigs and dogs in a tame He noticed, however, the spoor me large animal which he es to be rhinoceros".

ven't read Capt. Moresby's ac- of his voyage, but he didn't be the sort of man to suppose g of the sort; but Lieut. Armit n: "The Basle missionaries re- ild hogs and leopards in the coast. The Dutch mention bones having been brought to t Triton Bay. Mr. M'Farlane missionary stationed on Cape Peninsula who made several ons to the Gulf of Papua], having seen the spoor of in the mud along the river . . His party also saw, without of magnifying glasses, a bird be capable of carrying away ton of dugong in its claws".

(Continued next page)

Minding Is Catching



There's a lot of "minding" going on around P-NG these days.

Apart from the professional "minders" there are even dog-minders, cat-minders as well as baby-sitters for dogs.

Professional minders—of children—in all centres charge £3 per week for looking after small charges while Mums go out to work. A reliable baby-sitter can earn a £1 a night for looking after juniors while Mums and Dads have a bit of a break at a dance.

Charge made by most male baby-sitters is usually just a few cans of beer. Male baby-sitters are not always so popular though. One in Moresby was fired after lacing the baby's milk with rum in a desperate bid to get it off to sleep.

And how about the dog-minders? There's Buster the Alsatian whose job it is to stand guard over Ngaire and Nia, the Curtis twins of Lae. Buster is descended from a long line of watch dogs. His ancestors were introduced to the Territory as police dogs by the Japanese during the war.

But it is not always babies who have dog-sitters.

Some dogs have baby-sitters! Like Toby and Trixie, two pedigree foxies whose owner says she can't go out of an evening without her dogs "playing up". On one occasion they chewed up two mats and three cushions between them. So now she employs Koki. Koki is an excellent "minder" and makes his charges go off to sleep. His fees? One shilling per hour. Several other people interviewed admitted to employing baby-sitters for their dogs at night!

And the cat-minders? Here's a battle-scarred Red who once terrorised Lae's R2 area with his misdemeanours of stealing and fighting. All that has changed now—since Lucy, a little white stray kitten with a ginger tip on her tail walked into his life a few weeks ago.

Red adopted Lucy and looks after her like a mother, now stops home minding his small charge and minding his own business.—NC.

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If Mr. M'Farlane really said this, it appears that, as a liar, he was in the same class as Captain Lawson, whom Armit also quotes in his description of the fauna of early Papua: "Lawson reports having shot a tiger or leopard which he calls a moolah. He also shot buffalo, deer, monkeys. . . . Truly, New Guinea is a wonderful land if all these accounts be true".

The proposals of the Colonisation Association soon had the LMS up in arms. They were led by two doughty fighters in William Wyatt Gill and A. W. Murray whom Armit accused, with some truth probably, of wanting to keep the islands the sole preserve of missionaries.

They were joined by the Anti-Slavery Society and other do-gooders and from late 1875 well into 1876 there seemed to be a continual exchange between these gentlemen and Lieut. Armit in two publications—the *Anglo-Australasian* and the *Hour*.

At one stage, the LMS organised a delegation to the Colonial Secretary of the day, and petitioned Lord Carnavon to prevent Armit leading a party to Papua.

Nothing came of this attempt to form a colonising company, but I don't know why.

I have searched through the files of the *Times* for the years 1875, 1876 and 1877 and there is no mention that I can find of Lieut. Armit or why this first organised attempt to settle New Guinea was abandoned.

This theorising, while proving nothing, leaves us at least with the conviction that there were certain remarkable resemblances between Captain Lawson and Lieutenant Armit and that their writing styles were almost indistinguishable. It has never been certain whether Lawson's *Wanderings* was published as a joke or as an attempt to cash in on the interest there then was in strange lands.

Lieut. Armit's prospectus for the Colonising Association Ltd. (New Guinea), was written with the intention of interesting investors.

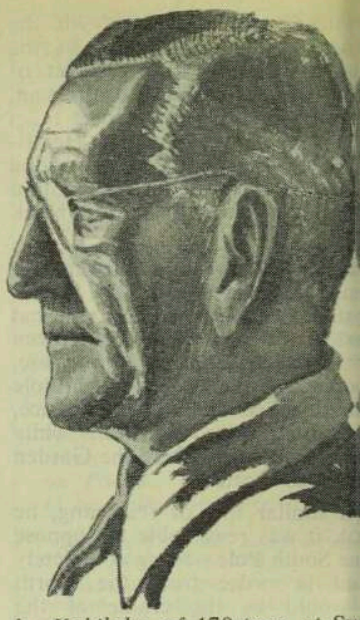
He knew, even if his potential customers did not, that most of it was based on hearsay, wishful-thinking and theorising. In the light of present-day knowledge of Papua, Lieut. Armit's account of that country was only slightly less ridiculous than that of Lawson.

Whether Armit and Lawson were one man or two, looking back on it after 86 years, their conduct seems odd for Officers and—as they would have described themselves—Gentlemen.

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JOSEPH JOHN WELLS is a living link with the earliest period of Lever Brothers' interests in the Pacific.



HE was born in London on August 27, 1888, did his schooling there, and sailed for Australia, via the Cape, in November, 1906. After trying Melbourne, Adelaide and Western Australia, he came to Sydney and took a job with Levers as deputy assistant supercargo in the SS *Upolu*. This vessel was of 1,141 tons, and was bought by Levers in 1903. In 1907 her officers included Captain Miles Menmuir, Chief Officer Barron, Chief Engineer Loder, Chief Steward Cullen, Supercargo Mr. Danvers, and assistant Mr. Buchanan.

Jack Wells spent two years in the ship, making three or four round voyages to so many islands in the Pacific that he lost count after the first 100. At this time Levers had bought a lot of properties from the Pacific Islands Company Ltd., including three large estates in Fiji, and the following islands: Flint, Sydney, Hull, Christmas, Suwarrow, Caroline, Burnie, Vostock, Gardner, Phoenix and Canton.

Their properties in the Solomons, purchased in 1905, included 25,870 acres from the natives, 12,000 from Government, and 51,000 from Captain Svensen, with headquarters at Gavutu. They also set up 17 trading posts to keep the home fires burning while the plantations were being cleared and planted.

The *Upolu* used to visit the Solomons and the eastern islands, the Gilberts and Ellice, the Union Group and Samoa, where a total of 300,000 seed coconuts were obtained for planting up the Solomons.

Copra was collected and taken to Sydney, where it was sold to Lever Bros. at Balmain. Other cargo consisted of ivory nuts and tortoise-shell. The currency used for trading was mainly dogs' teeth, imported from London, and porpoise-teeth, collected by fishermen in Sydney.

In 1906, the great repatriation of kanakas from Queensland began, and the work of landing the returned labour to their homes in the Solomons kept the ships and staff busy for a whole year.

In 1910 Levers built two vessels, the *Kobiloko*, of 170 tons, at Sy and the *Kulambangara*, 2,005 to Scotland; these vessels took ove Solomons trade and the *Upolu* sold in 1911 to the Brisbane M Company.

The eastern islands were fou be of little value to Levers, and put up for sale. The *Upolu* obtained gold-lip shell from Thu Island and this was plante Christmas and Suwarrow in lagoons, but there was no div at the time.

Flint, Suwarrow, Caroline Vostock were sold to S. R. Ma of Auckland, and the six isles Phoenix were sold to the Sa Trading Company. Christma sold to Father E. Rougier in and Levers concentrated their in in the Solomons.

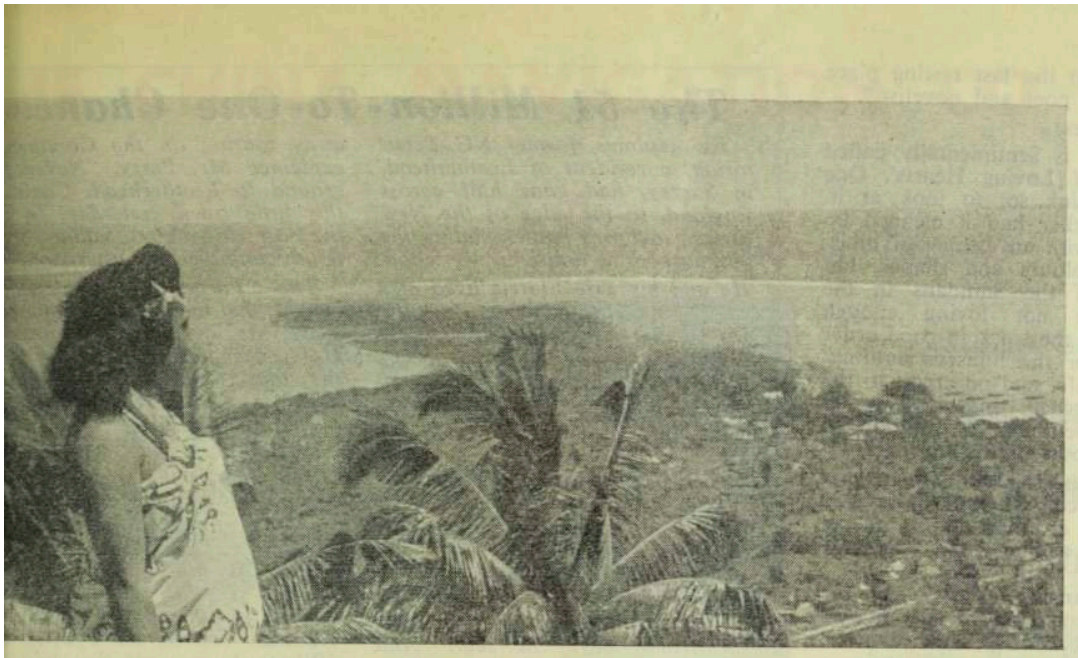
Long before this, Jack Well swallowed the anchor, or rath tally-book, and he worked in S until he joined the 19th Bat AIF. He was later transfer the 1st Cyclists' Battalion and f at the end of the war, to the unit which later grew into th Graves Commission. Jack married in 1916—his bride bein Hermione Guilda Carroll.

When Sydney *Smith's Weeki* started, Jack got a job in the and he was still there, as payn when the paper went out of c tion nearly 26 years later.

Although during his Island periences he had met Jack L in his *Cutty Sark* at Apia, and other characters who claimed t sailed with "Bully" Hayes, claims his time with the f

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War On The Stevenson Legend

Robert Louis Stevenson's claim to fame during his residence in Samoa was not as a story-er but as a man with money. He was known to the Samoans not as *Tusitala* ("Teller of les") as history has it, but as *Miliona* ("the millionaire, the rich man"). And the Samoans ren't terribly happy about his interference in local politics.

This will all sound like heresy to admirers of Stevenson, but the authority for it is West Samoa's sent Chief Judge, C. C. Marsack. His recently published book, "Samoan Medley" (reviewed in September 1) contains an attack on what the author calls the "Stevenson legend" which could have Stevenson fans king their fists from one end of the globe to the other!

dge Marsack's estimation, the venson Legend has snowballed t has "acquired a size and out of all proportion to the cts".

Judge says a little soft-hearted icism about RLS and his con- with Samoa can do no harm, odern Samoans in fact felt gratitude to his memory because his work had the effect of putting the country on the map.

But apart from that . . .

Tourists with preconceived ideas make a habit of visiting Stevenson's tomb, says the Judge.

Visitors from foreign parts, he says, and especially from the United States, "visitors who would not think of making a pilgrimage to Stratford-on-Avon, or to the Abbey, to the tombs of the real glories of British letters, feel that something fundamental in their visit to Apia would be lost if they did not toil up the muddy, stoney, and badly kept track



BOVE: Photograph ken from Mt. Vaea, here Robert Louis evenson was buried in 94. RIGHT: The evenson tomb on Mt. Vaea.

which leads to the last resting place of this minor poet and novelist."

He continues:

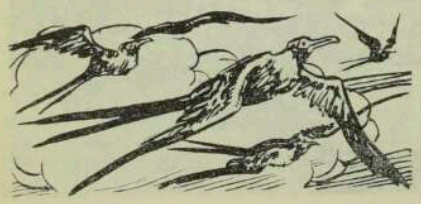
"The track is sentimentally called 'The Road of Loving Hearts'. One would not think so, to look at it. Colonel Voelcker had it cleaned up and planted with an avenue of hibiscus of all colours and shapes, but the hearts of the Samoans in the vicinity were not loving enough either to keep the track in good order or to care for the hibiscus cuttings. Very deplorable, and no credit to the persons concerned, and most upsetting to the sentimental tradition so dear to the souls of the tourists.

"Still, it must be admitted, if what I am told is correct, that those who complete the arduous climb are rewarded with a fine view from the summit of Vaea, and with a quickened heartbeat as they read the slightly misquoted *Requiem* engraved on The Tomb."

Judge Marsack thinks the Stevenson tradition owes much to the poetic translation of the word Tusitala as the "Teller of Tales".

He goes on: "I have talked to several old chiefs who knew him personally. They never refer to him as *Tusitala* and say that he was never known in the Territory by that name. *Tusitala* is a plain Samoan word meaning author or writer . . . thus merely described his occupation . . . I am told that during the four years or so he lived in Samoa he was referred to as *Miliona*, or shortly *Ona*: the millionaire, the rich man. That, according to my informants, was his claim to fame in Samoa. He could be relied on to dispense the traditional hospitality with a lavish hand; those Samoans who called upon him could be sure of being supplied with all the food they could wish.

"He did not, as many have tried to show in writing of Stevenson, endear himself to the natives by helping them along the road to a better understanding of the principles of civilisation. . . . In fact they were not very happy about his interference in local politics. But they forgave him much for . . . his splendid observance of Samoan custom in the matter of the entertainment of his guests with the appropriate food and drink."



The 51 Million-To-One Chance

Jos. Holmes, former NG Territorian, a resident of Leatherhead, in Surrey, had gone half across England, to the edge of the New Forest, and was contemplating the purchase of a house in Verwood. He and his wife Florrie lived at a small inn in Ringwood, while Jos. dealt with a solicitor.

Coming one morning out of the lawyer's office, Jos. was caught in a sudden fierce downpour. He dived into a doorway beside the inn.

In the doorway, similarly stormbound, was a young woman, with three small children. A five-year-old boy pranced before Jos. "I'm going to Australia today," he chanted.

The Holmes' nose twitched. "Australia, hey?" he said. "And what part of Australia, son?"—half hoping he'd say Sydney.

Mother interposed. "Not really Australia," she said. "But it's on the way. We're going to a place called New Guinea."

This was interesting. Jos. looked her over—she was easy to look at—and kidded, "Isn't there a place called Rabool?"

"Ra-bal," she corrected, courteously. "Yes, I know it."

"And Lae—isn't that in New Guinea?"

"Yes. Do you know New Guinea, then?"

Jos. proceeded warily. "There's a lass out there named Heather ——"

"Not Heather Seale?" she cried.

"Heather Seale is right," said Jos. "She's my daughter!"

The lady literally yelled. "But she's my friend. And you—why you must be Jos. Holmes!"

The downpour had stopped. She rushed outside, and around into the inn's backyard, where a man was gloomily attending to the needs of a touring car.

"Bill," she cried, "look who's here! It's Jos. Holmes. He and Florrie are staying here, in this hotel, with us!"

The husband, having sorted out the coincidences, dived for his pocket-book, and produced a letter, signed by District Commissioner Seale, addressed to Jos. Holmes, at Leatherhead, and commending to Mr. and Mrs. Holmes his good friends the Parry's, of the Department of Agriculture, now going on long leave. "Been away touring on the Continen explained Mr. Parry. "Never g around to Leatherhead. Came this little town yesterday, to p the car in—we're sailing fro Southhampton this afternoon."

The Parrys, I understar caught the liner with minutes spare. Mr. Parry, having met J Holmes, naturally took him i the inn, where they accomm dated a disproportionate quant of old English ale.

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Jos. told us the story, seated the lounge of their new home Verwood, to which recently th moved.

"A fifty-one million to o chance," I said.

The argumentative old N Guinean cocked an eye at "Where do you get that odd n lion from?" he demanded, putt the whole thing down to J Holmes' luck.

But there are now over fifty-o million people in the Uni Kingdom, and the chances meeting some one from NG sh tering in the same doorway m be at least that.—R. ROBSON.

A Brett Hilder Profi

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Smith's as the most interesting of his life.

Smith's also published the *A* the *Arrow*, and the *Daily Gu* They employed a medley of and back-and-white artists, fu or freelance, whose names f large *Who's Who* in journali those years.

When *Smith's* folded, Jack into the temporary obscurit deadly respectability of an ins office, from which he emer 1958 to regain his freedom in ment.

He and his wife now spen of each year in Sydney, and Goroka in the Eastern Highla New Guinea, where their tw live.

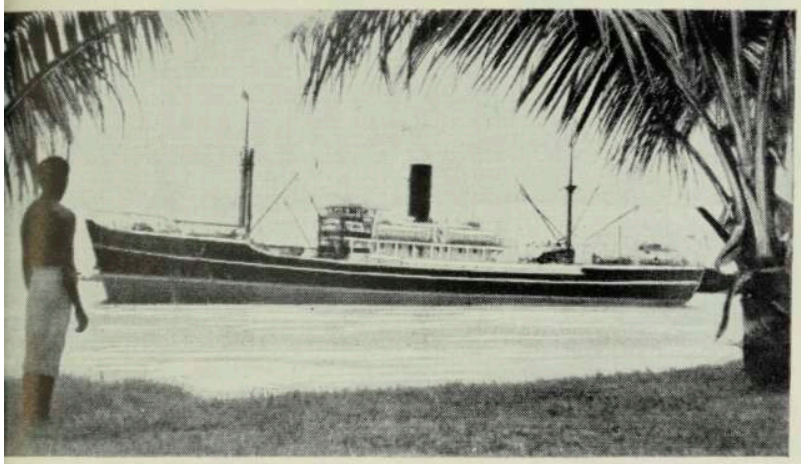
Both sons were wartime pilots with the RAAF but John a coffee-planter and trader, an is the manager of Cottee's Pass New Guinea. The Wells' als a daughter, Cynthia, living i Delhi, where her husband, Gillick, is Senior Trade Commi for Australia.—BRETT HILD

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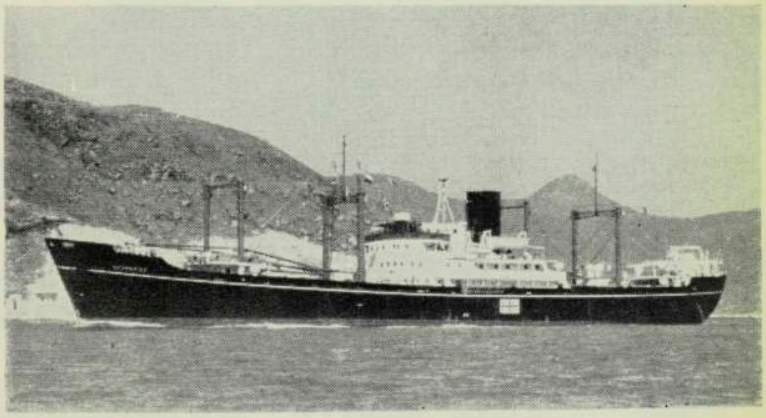
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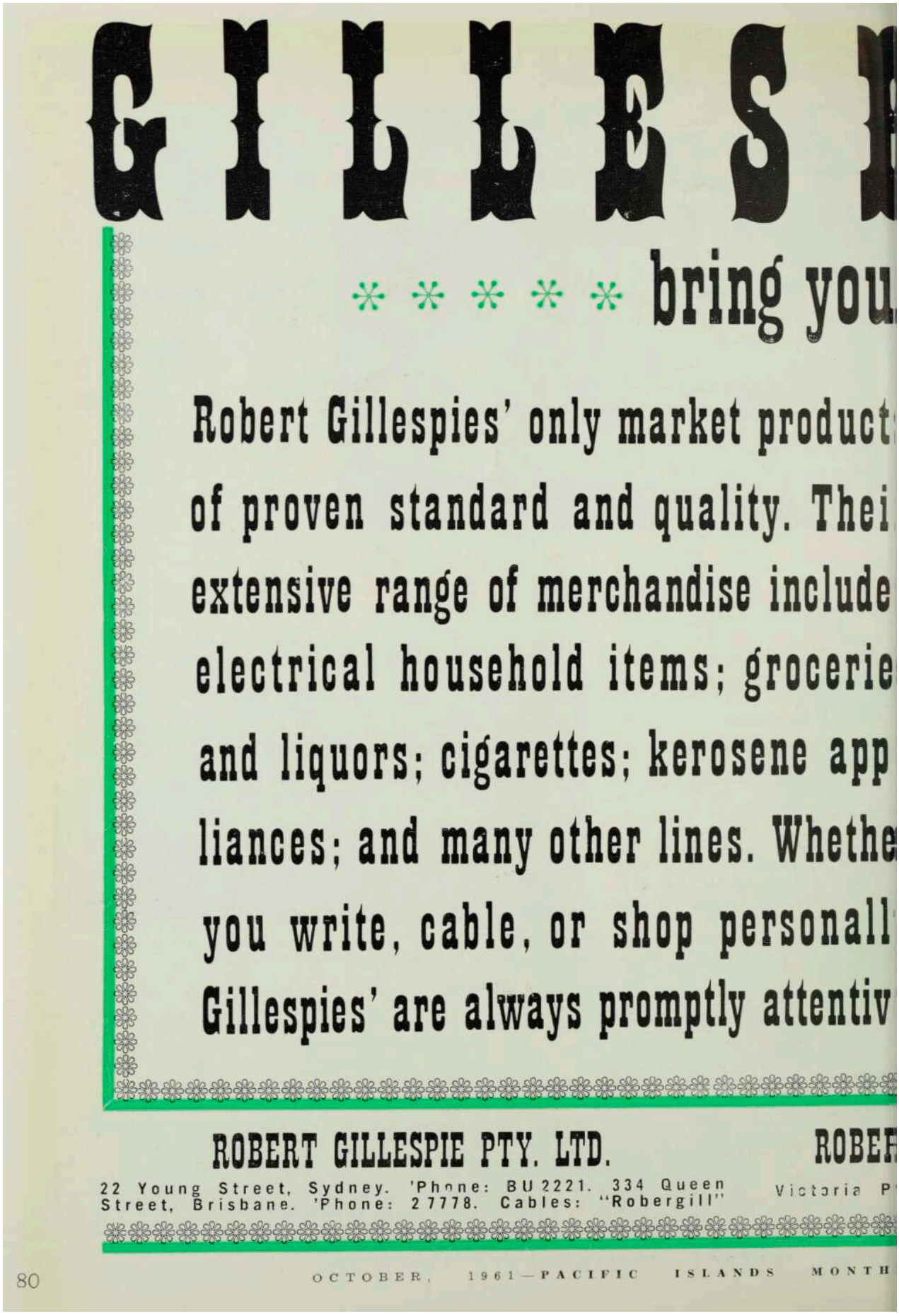
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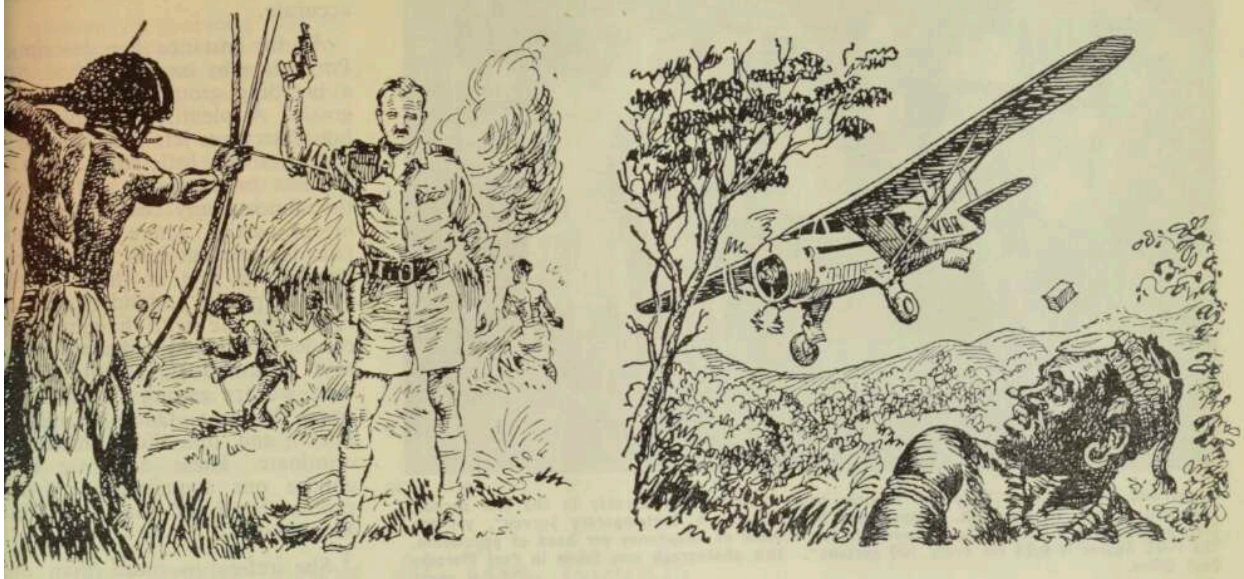
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THE MONTH'S NEW READING



Drawings from Helen McLeod's book, "Cannibals are Human".

The Future Of The White Man (And Woman) In New Guinea

That most unpopular word to the official mind, "insecurity", is discussed this month by two New Guinea authors writing in books which otherwise have about as much in common as Paul Hasluck has with Mick Leahy.

NE writer looks at the situation from the point of view of the inistration official who wants to e his career in the Territory. The r, the wife of an Assistant Dis- Officer, says bluntly what she ks about the situation as it affects ife and mother.

he Administration official's view- t is given by Mr. Brian Essai, merly principal of the P-NG lic Service Institute, in *Papua New Guinea: A Contemporary vey*. He has since left P-NG.

he book is published by Oxford, ch manages, I think, to give the ng impression in its dust cover b about the contents. The blurb, ch is usually the piece read by a son in a bookshop while he is iding whether to buy or not, says t Brian Essai's book is meant to sent "for the first time within the pages of a single volume", a comprehensive survey of the Territory and its developmental activities. The book, says the blurb, is designed to take the facts and put them together as a whole, and make them available to the public in a concise and easily read form.

Thus, the suggestion is that the book is a Papua-New Guinea handbook, and that there is no handbook available. But *The Handbook of Papua-New Guinea* has been available since 1954, and its third edition, 1961, was published earlier this year. It sells for 15/-.

Brian Essai's book is in reality what the cover says it is, "a contemporary survey", and it does what the author himself in a foreword says it is meant to do—it accents description and interpretation.

There is the difference. The *Handbook* gives the plain untarnished facts of the Territory, including a business directory, and makes no effort to interpret, and if this is what the reader wants there is no reason why he shouldn't save some shillings and buy the *Handbook*.

Mr. Essai's book also gives the facts, but he interprets them. He does a good and accurate job of this and his book can be recommended to anybody wanting a simple overall picture of what is going on in the Territory, and what the aims of the Government are for the future—all of it laced with facts and figures.

The book covers, briefly, the history of the Territory, its geography, its native people (including such things as co-operative enterprise and cargo cults) the government, public facilities, economy, education and health. There is also a very short bibliography—much too short probably—and statistical tables. All this gets into 255 pages.

A preface by Dr. John Gunther, one of the Territory's two Assistant Administrators, comments on the author's views about an *elite*. He says he does not agree with Mr. Essai's contention that the *elite* will be thwarted by the Administration's policy of uniform development. Dr. Gunther says that if the philosophies of the *elite* are sound the Administration will not frustrate them

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Papua and New Guinea's telephone services have expanded considerably in the last decade, says Brian Essai, in his book, "Papua and New Guinea: A Contemporary Survey", yet the Territory is "still a bad last in the world in the number of telephones per head of population. The P-NG figures is 0.24 for every 100 persons". This photograph was taken in Port Moresby Post Office.
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(although who, one wonders, is to decide whether they are sound?)

Dr. Gunther's preface has nothing to say about Mr. Essai's comments on insecurity of employment for Administration officers—which are just as important for NG as his views on the place of an *elite*.

Mr. Essai makes an appeal for the Government to rethink its policy in positive terms, not only for the benefit of the natives "but for the European resident who cannot be anything but unsettled in view of the uncertain political and economic future of the country."

He speaks up in particular for the young Administration officers who have 40 years of work ahead of them in the Territory, and who will face an uncertain future because they do not known how speedily the Papuanisation of the service will proceed, and how speedily local political agitation will result in their being kicked out of the country.

When the officer marries and has children his problems are multiplied. What of his children and their future? Where will he—and they—go when he has to leave the country?

This problem has, of course, been discussed frequently in *PIM* and elsewhere, and it is good to see Mr. Essai taking up the cudgels publicly. His appeal, generally, is for the Government to think much more seriously of the future of the very men who are bringing the natives towards self-government, and one hopes that the suggestions he makes will be listened to in Canberra.

In *Cannibals are Human*, Helen McLeod, wife of ADO J. S. McLeod, strikes a blow for the European women of the Territory.

There is nothing statistical about her book, which relates, in a breezy form, some of the highlights of 10 years in the Territory, during which she and her husband were posted to Yule Island, Mendi, and Misima.

Mrs. McLeod barely touches on her Misima days and promises to tell that story in another book—which no doubt will be just as forthright. The author lives near Sydney although her husband is now posted to Rabaul, but she was in the Territory from 1948 to 1958, and one gathers she was an independent spirit who had no sympathy for white women in the Territory who regarded their destiny as being "kept barefoot and pregnant in the kitchen". She proves her metal in accompanying her husband on a patrol from Mendi to Lake Kutubu and back at a time when Mendi had just been opened and a stretch of only a few miles around the station was officially safe. That was a fantastic trek and Mrs. McLeod does not exaggerate any of the hardships—on the contrary. She was undoubtedly the first white woman to do it and possibly the fact that she was a woman saved the entire party from being attacked on two or three occasions during that patrol.

Mrs. McLeod can be critical o fellow residents, but even when is being her most rude, Terr readers will have to admit she is being colourfully and refresh accurate.

As for instance her descriptio Port Moresby on her arrival: "It a breeding ground for rumours gossip. A plentiful supply of n house servants left the wives of residents with little work to do. idleness bred malice and scand the almost daily cocktail parties bridge parties, where sandwiches friends were cut into little piece one of the first of these casteb cocktail parties I attended, the ho regarding me with haughty, lan condensation and a disapproving said with bored, remote aloof "Oh, we are getting all sorts up since the war. Once the place select, and one didn't have to criminate. These days we hav choose our acquaintances from rabble that is all that is left in Moresby."

She refers in more than one stance to "boong" lovers, and labels her husband with this t (She also comments, in the forew that he has never read the book)

She says it seems to her that "boong lovers" of New Guinea " to educate the boongs to u against the Europeans and t them out. This ideal may not realised for a long time yet, bu appears to be the ultimate obje of the boong lovers' policy".

Many New Guinea women sympathise with Mrs. McLeod w she says in an epilogue that she New Guinea, perhaps for ever, cause it is no place in which to b up three infant white boys who entitled to belong mentally, physic and spiritually to their own race nation".

She adds: "Even though I H friendly feelings for the boongs most times, I do not care enc about them to dedicate my whole and the boyhood of my sons to t emancipation from the superstit ignorance, bloodlust and laziness have been their ingrained charac istics for thousands of years .

"In the interests of the Austra people and of the wider cause peace in the world, a willing part ship between the white guiders protectors on the one hand and many disparate native peoples of M Guinea, Papua and the islands on other, is highly desirable. To att that end, however, it will be ne sary to make those territories not c

fit for the natives to live in, lso for white men—and their nfolk and children— to live in, the full amenities of civilised

solution of problems will be in perpetual philanthropy. must be give and take on both –not all give on one side and ke on the other."

its own small way, Helen od's *Cannibals are Human* de- its place on the growing shelves rthwhile New Guinea books.—

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E FOURTH PAN BOOK OF SWORDS contains 150 cross- puzzles for a rainy day, thought- divided into Easy, Hard and r, but no Impossibles. (Great

Their Shorts Tell You Who

Those who didn't come in contact with Englishman David Attenborough during his two trips to the South Pacific in recent years have probably heard about him in the last few months now that the films of his expedition have been getting such a wide distribution. They have been seen in many of the Islands and are currently causing comment on Australian TV.

To date he has shown us, in some detail, the New Hebrides, Fiji, and Tonga and they are a pleasant change from another series at present being shown on national TV—a series having to do with Adventures in Paradise, allegedly sponsored by James Michener, but probably written by the copy boy—not that Michener himself has a reputation for sticking very close to the truth in his South Pacific writings.

In *Quest in Paradise*, Attenborough gets the same material as his TV shows into a book. Chapters on the New Hebrides, Fiji and Tonga deal with a visit he made to those places last year, but the first half of the book is comprised of an earlier trip to the Jimi Valley, in the New Guinea Highlands, to film the dance of the Bird of Paradise. On that expedition he went on patrol with PO Barry Griffin, whose work gets a flattering amount of attention as a result. PO Griffin, incidentally, has since then been host, on a patrol, to Gavin Souter of *The Sydney Morning Herald*, during which Souter wrote a series on New Guinea which won him a Walkley Award for Journalism—Australia's Pulitzer.

Attenborough's account of his New Guinea visit, and indeed, of his visit to the other islands, is generally accurate and of interest, although he breaks no new ground. The result is a well-illustrated travel book.

Among some of his local descriptions is this one I like: "Vila, New Hebrides, the seat of this curious administration, is even more cosmopolitan than one might suspect, for there are people of many more than two or three nationalities to be seen in the untidy main street which straggles along the waterfront. The diagnostic character, the distinctive field mark (to use ornithological jargon) which enables you to distinguish between various Europeans is provided by the short trousers they wear. If the trousers are exceedingly abbreviated and in some such colour as tomato or powder blue, then you can be reasonably sure that the wearer is a Frenchman. If, on the other hand, the shorts are so long that they flap around and half conceal the kneecap, and are in a more severe colour such as white or navy blue, then the owner is very probably English. Intermediate lengths usually indicate either a New Zealander or an Australian".

Attenborough's book gives an account of the Beqa firewalkers of Fiji, the Jon Frum cargo cult movement of Tanna, New Hebrides, and the Pentecost land divers, who jump from high towers with vines around their ankles.

In explaining the tradition con-

Accurate Look At The Islands

"How People Live in the Islands of the South Pacific" is a book igned for children, but it's adult fare too.

RE, for example, is the intelli- gent way the author explains of the differences between racial s in Fiji.

ians: "In some villages there is ergetic or well-trained man . . . e a lead. Very often one young will decide he wishes to become ore successful farmer and earn money by selling the crops he s. He may start off well but he ble to find his relatives come and nost of his profits from him . . . can see how today *kerekere* may bad custom."

dians: "You may think Ram [the farmer] has to work very hard long hours. Generally speaking s not true. Many of the jobs he to do take only a day or two help from his family. During of the year, such as harvest he is very busy, but at other s he may do very little work for ek at a time. People have calcu- that if all the jobs farmers like have to do were spread evenly the whole year, each man would to work only three days per ."

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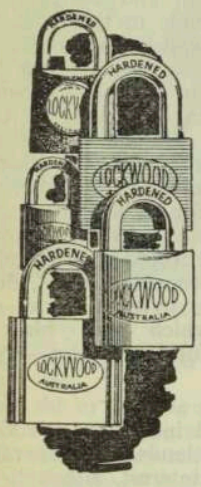
The author of this volume is R. Gerard Ward, Lecturer in Geography at the University of Auckland, who has recently been appointed Lecturer in Geography at University College, London. He has in the last few years done a great deal of research in both Fiji and Samoa.

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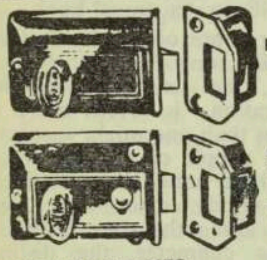
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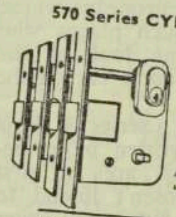
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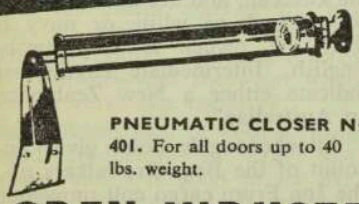
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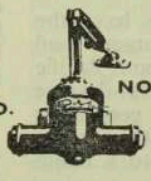


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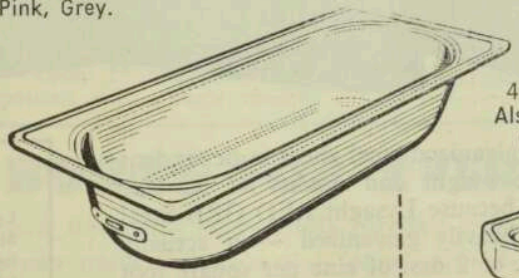
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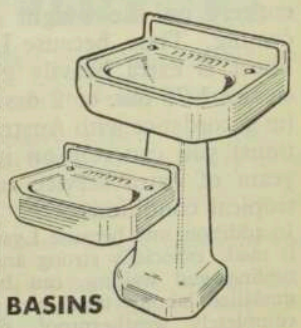


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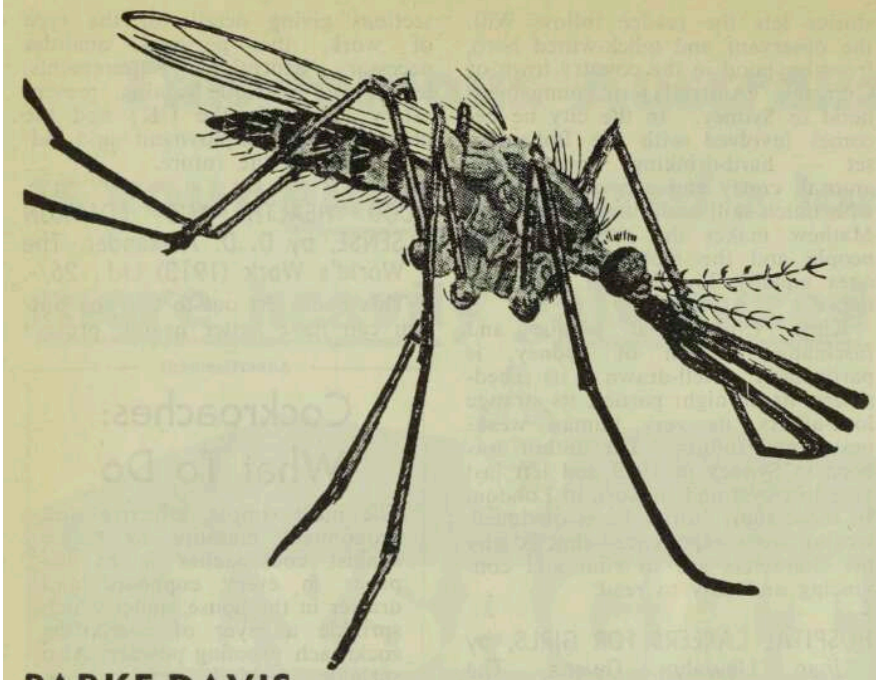
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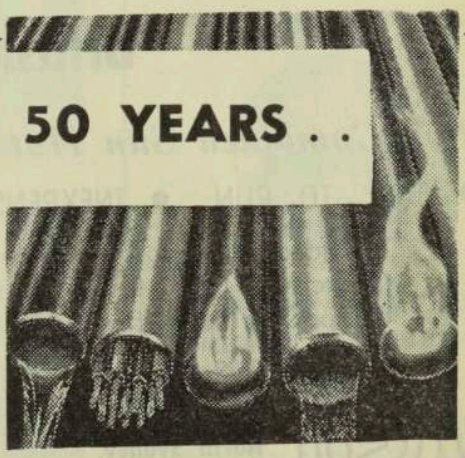
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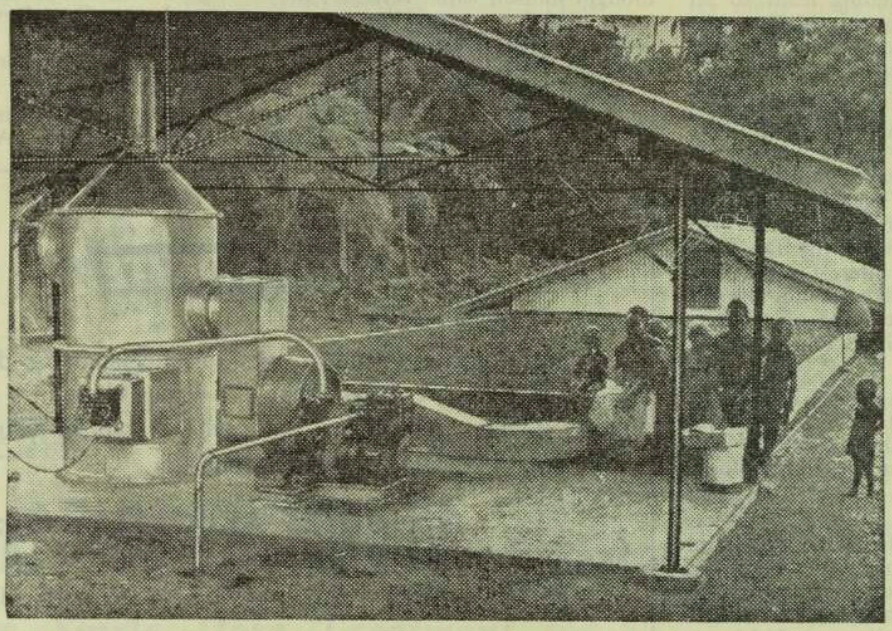
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far our optimism has been stified. The glorified beer —that new type hotel of Aus- suburbia that has everything a drive-in bottle department to r show on Saturday nights— invaded England yet.

honours still go to the ubi- s pub that, ranging all the way the depressingly decrepit to agrantly picturesque, flourishes usands upon every road, by- and village green, dispensing slightly flat (to the Australian), dark beer in pints and half- in the dozens of brands in beer comes in this country; onal nips of spirits; ham sand- and wedges of Melton- ray pie.

loesn't pretend to be anything hat it is—a calling place for ayfarer who wants a pint and k in a hurry; and the nightly g place of local customers vant a place to relax, to chew the state of the crops, the of the Clay Pigeon Club and unday's cricket match.

archaic law, more honoured breach, that in Australia re- a publican to provide food ccommodation as well as drink "stabling for his horse") has tossed into the discard in the d that originated it. Inns are mpelled to provide accommo- or meals and few do, other supply those doubtful victuals "snacks".

Mrs. Publican of the Cricket- rms does not "do" morning or snacks in the ordinary but on Saturday nights things t sausages come in in a large, pan and go into circulation; you are above that, there is ued chicken.

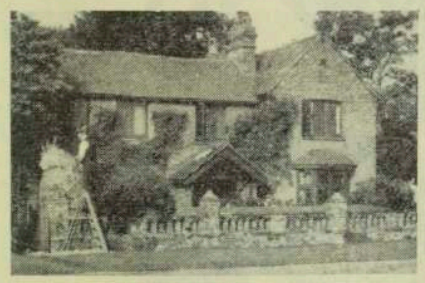
business part of our inn con- f a "public" and a "saloon", about as big as an ordinary an living room; and a "bottle g" that is a hatchway through ter wall patronised by the local sters buying Pepsi and Coke.

No Swill for The Odd-bods

Mr. and Mrs. Publican, with at weekends a third helper, serve in both public and saloon simultaneously by using the opening behind the bar, and can carry on a conversation in one while drawing beer from the wood in the other.

They've been a fund of information to us—about local history and current affairs as well as about running an inn. And for our part, we've been able to give out about such things as the six o'clock swill, after-hours trading, sly-grogging and the rest of Australian folk-lore.

They reckon that they have never heard of any of them and with this plus our strange drinking habits—we are the only people in the village





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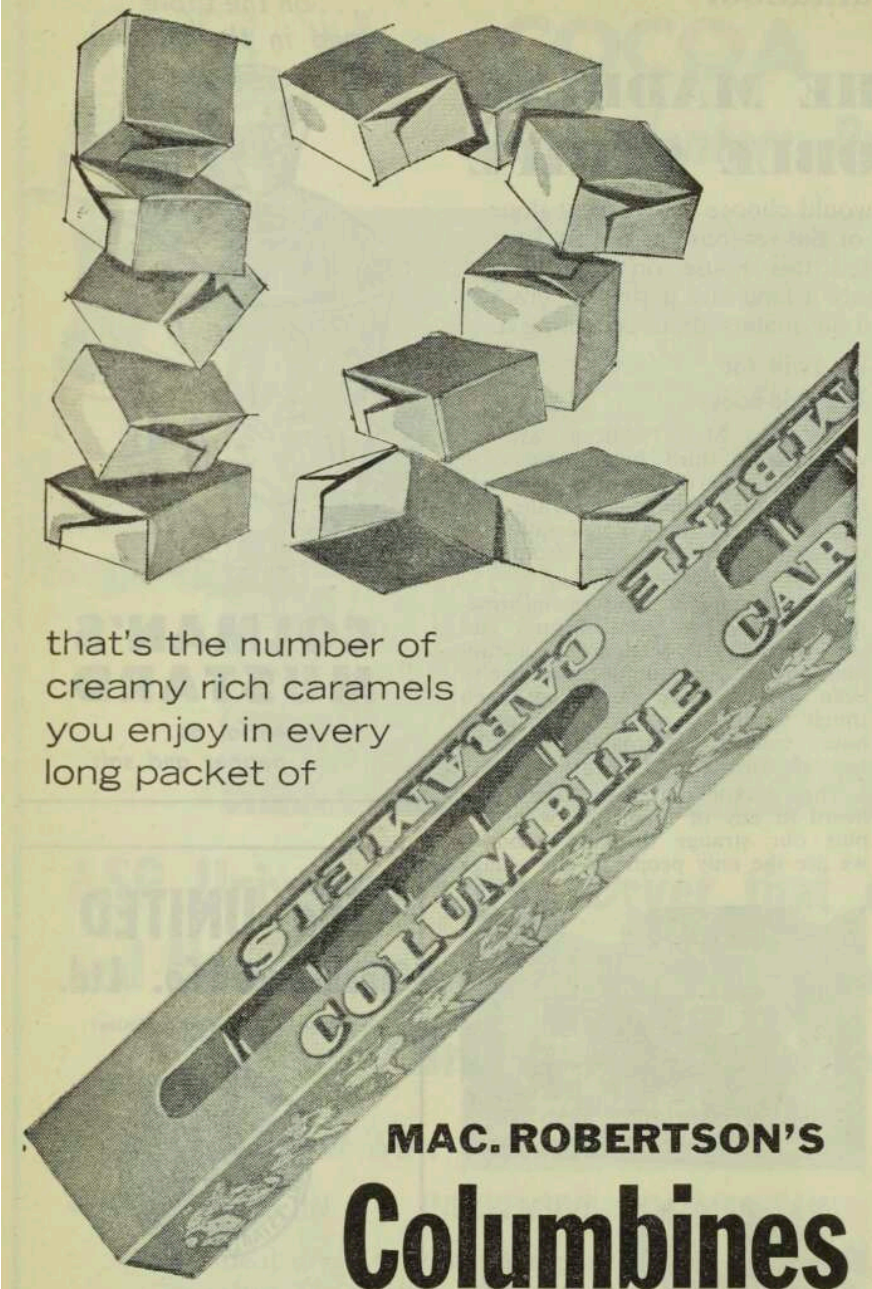
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who go for a pre-dinner drin seven instead of post-supper d ing from 8 to 10.30 p.m.—they in no doubt that we are odd from somewhere across the sea

Our Cricketers' Arms is thoug have been built about 1808, whi modern. This house we live in is to be 300 years old, which is *paratively* modern. The two o houses in the village are of the timbered variety — white-pa brick with dark beams of oak ning through them.

At one, "The Thimble", high man Dick Turpin once holed u casionally when operating on Great West Road to Bath, v runs near here; the other, the " nut Tree", is said to be 600 years (Getting away from antique an to 20th century glamour—at corner of the lane, beyond the brick wall, is the house where Novello lived until his death)

Most of this antiquity is a m of village legend rather than re and with the exception of the probably a good 20 per cent. of years could be lopped off all of t Farmlands now stretch on either of the road to Bath but the w area was once part of Windsor f in which Henry VIII and his C hunted. It is hard to believe that small domestic building such a "Walnut Tree" could have stood two centuries before that.

More easily authenticated is age of the Parish Church of St. G Stoke Poges—better known to Colonial youngster as the where Thomas Gray sat under a tree and reputedly composed th verses of the *Elegy Written Country Churchyard*. This chur known to have been in existence 1107 and there probably wa Saxon church on the same spo fore that.

Stoke Poges is less than 10 from here and lured by a lan the same name just outside Sl we set off to find whether there a country churchyard and a le lowing herds to wander slowly still left in that borough of attractive 20th century industry housing developments. We foun all right—about 37 years after National Trust and the more mercial elements of the Establ Church had got together to pre it for tourism for all time.

Paperweight Upkeep For Rude Forefathers

In a special parking area large motor coaches were disgo tourists of four nationalities, a dozen private cars were doing same thing in smaller quantities.

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us converged on the ancient
like an advancing army,
shly keeping to the path and
e grass as instructed by the
s.

churchyard has been enlarged
since Gray's day, the part
the road being modern. But
go up to the church porch,
ely turn your back on the
group which is looking suit-
blank while a guide instructs
volubly in their own language;
ermans who are taking photos
odd angles; and swarms of
ans who are interested in the
hat the adjacent Manor once
ed to the Penns, and that Penn
—both before and after
n who became a Quaker, sailed
e New World and founded
lvania—lie in the family vault
the church; you will recapture
chyard not very different from
. Like he said . . .

h those rugged elms, that yew-
s shade,
here heaves the turf in many
a mould'ring heap,
n his narrow cell for ever laid,
e rude forefathers of the
hamlet sleep.

e graves have subsided un-
into the turf since those
ut many ancient headstones
and even a few of the
"hurdles" that seemingly
graves at an earlier period.
yew tree is still there—bigger,
gnarled and just as church-
ly sombre. Today they use the
hat drop off to make polished
paperweights and paper-
which are on sale in the
porch with postcards, pamph-
d history books.

was buried in a tomb in the
ard in August, 1771—that is,
Australia became a penal
or had even been visited by
before the mutiny on the
that gave Tahiti its first niche
ry; and at a time when any
Islands on the map were
here as a result of accident
than design.

ugh he wrote other poems—
Favourite Cats drowning in
h Bowls and Distant Prospects
n College—the *Elegy* is his
nduring monument and has, as
one a deal of good for the
of St. Giles which inspired

church, of course, is an
monument in its own right
such is attacked by death-
beetle (not the Black Watch,
ard a tourist say), and other
eparable from age. For these
the church, the grounds and
even the "lea", which is maintained by the National Trust separately from the church, support the finest set of collection boxes I've seen. These with the profits from the yew-tree paperweights and the postcards in the porch, help stave off the march of time.

The amount of money needed annually to prop up Britain's ancient monuments must be fabulous and although it is a good thing that this work should be done, most visitors to this country would probably be glad to make a lump sum payment towards this on entry, and for the rest of their time in the UK be left to their illusions and enjoyment of history in peace.

The guardians of ancient monuments in other parts of Europe seem to manage better—at least there you can enter a cathedral without being informed by cunningly contrived notices that the whole edifice is in danger of collapsing on top of you if you don't immediately put a few lira, francs or marks in the collection box.

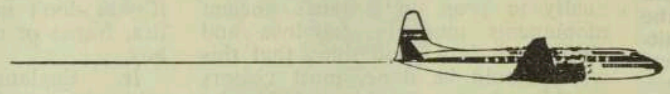
In England, ancient edifices other than public, are maintained far beyond the time when they would naturally fall down. This house we live in, for instance. (Over)

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TONGA. Once Nukualofa, Tonga's capital, was noted for its streets of grass. But arch of progress and the increase in traffic, has now made that impossible and these Nukualofa's main street, above, looks no different from those in most South Pacific towns.

Photo: Rob Wright

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tarted life as two cottages, down the middle with a party t has long since been made ne house and is owned by a n solicitor as a week-end re- The money that has been spent since it was built, perhaps at d of the 17th century, would uilt several modern houses but ould have spoiled its atmo- which here is more important he latest in domestic con- es.

s most recent form it has had athrooms added; it's been d; wired for electricity in a on of unconduited wires and flex that would make an ian building inspector swoon; ntrally heated from a thermo- ly controlled, oil-fired gadget asement.

dining room, and the drawing hat opens onto the garden at r, are charming; the kitchen, not being quite 1661 is cer- early 1900 (apart from a refrigerator and an electric and the whole thing is full rises—like guessing where the staircase must have been, and isting surviving staircase that eady thrown one member of ty, on her nose, into the centre hall mat; and the five oddly bedrooms; and the cellar we know was there until we put n ironing-board and it disap- through what we had imagined broom cupboard.

the house comes an amiable woman who has never lived anywhere else, to scrub and polish (on her knees—no electric polisher); and a gardener, two days a week, who has never lived elsewhere either. His working costume is tweed trousers, shirt with collar and tie, waistcoat and a cap. He looks like my idea of Lady Chatterley's lover; talks like him, too—except for the four-letter words.

We have passionate conversations about there being too much loime, loike, in the soil, a lot of which (in his estimation) is no good for noth- ing. Nonetheless, just at the moment this poor soil is producing apples, rhubarb, cabbages, cauliflowers, beet, vegetable marrows, carrots and so many scarlet-runner beans we bulge in the middle trying to cope. Lady C's pal tells me that the damned things will go on producing, loike, until the first frost.

While I have been writing this we have been having a junior heat wave and on several days of the last week I have been able to wear, for the first time in England, ever, shorts and a sun-top.

In these circumstances, the late warmth, this house with its antique quaintness, the pub, the Green, Gray's *Elegy* church and the hired help, combine into what might be called the expatriate Englishman's fanciful dream of home.

Alas, the weather boys promise us, tonight or tomorrow morning early, a cold front and a deep de- pression moving on the British Isles from Iceland, accompanied by high winds and rain. In such moments the bubble of the expatriate's dream— and mine—bursts. The house looks dark; the central heating is pushed up a notch or two; and we all climb back into wool suits.

But while the sunshine lasts, all that every homesick Englishman ever wrote from outposts of far-flung Empire comes true. And, even if the fantasy of it has to be financially supported by sixpences and shillings extracted from tourists and from the sale of paperweights hewn from famous yew trees, it's awfully easy to take.



See also Advertisement on page 64.

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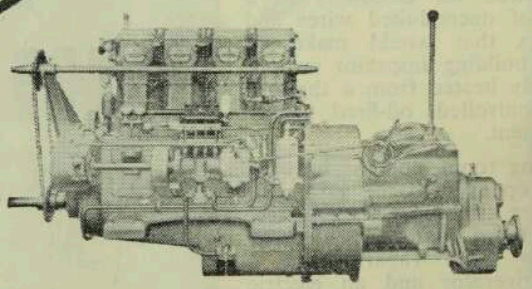
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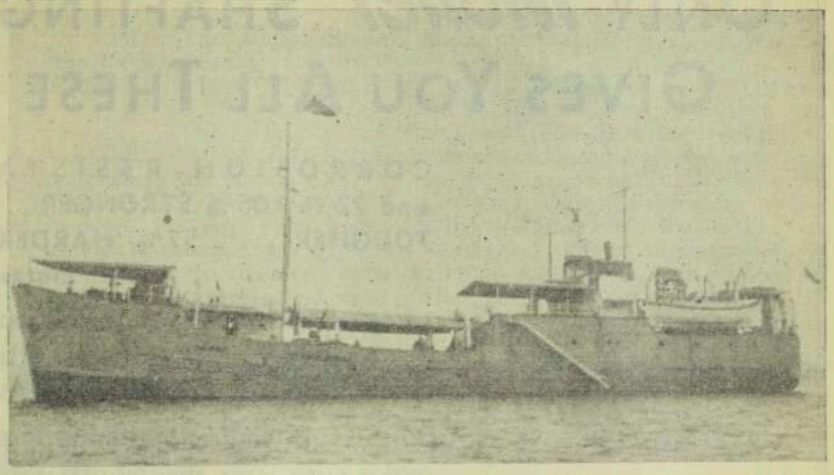
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"John Williams VI", the LMS ship based on Suva, is to be replaced next year by a new ship half her size. The new ship will be based at Tarawa, in the Gilberts. Building of the new ship will start in the UK at the end of this year. See p. 101.

Photo: S. A. Whippy

The GEIC's new twin-screw cargo and passenger vessel, *nga,* was launched in Hongkong on September 11 by Mrs. J. ewitt, wife of the Hongkong Government's Director of Marine.

Nivanga, 137 ft. overall, 28 ft. noulded breadth, and 10 ft. ded depth, is similar in design construction to the GEIC vessel *oria,* which was launched at oon docks almost three years *Nivanga* was launched at the kong and Whampoa Dock Co. yards, and she will be used in island service in the Gilbert and Group and for voyages to Fiji. *Nivanga* (see photograph in news pages of this issue) has nmodation for 56 passengers, 23 rs and crew.

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The *Nivanga* will replace two smaller Colony vessels, the RCS *Tematapula* and the RCS *Nareau,* both of which have been sold to concerns in the Marshalls.



Western Pacific High Commissioner, Mr. Trench, comes ashore at Ocean Island his first official tour of the GEIC recently, met by the Resident Commissioner, Mr. chi. Mr. Trench travelled in the "Coral Queen".

Photo: David Lopian

● EXPLOSION. Mr. H. J. Hempel was taken to Honiara hospital in a serious condition with burns and shock following an explosion aboard his 50 ft. trading vessel, *New Life,* at the small jetty at Point Cruz, Honiara, on September 21. Mr. Hempel is a private contractor, and in the engine room he was welding the fuel tank when it exploded. Mr. Hempel and the bosun, John Toliole, who was assisting him, were both thrown by the blast to the other side of the engine room, and two natives on deck fell down the hatch to the engine room. Some others dived overboard. One of the natives who fell down the hatch, Joe Dickinson, and Mr. Hempel, were both unconscious. Toliole acted quickly, got both unconscious men out, and then extinguished the fire with bags soaked in water.

● WEATHER TROUBLES. The New Hebrides British Residency vessel *Euphrosyne II,* which doesn't like bad weather anyway, really turned its nose up when it was due to leave Vila for Tanna and the southern islands on September 14. She was delayed 48 hours, and when she finally did get away she returned to harbour after three hours' sailing. Finally on September 16, en route for Tanna, she was forced to heave to for five hours.

● OFF THE AIR. The *Colorado del Mar* dragged and broke the submarine telephone cable between Vila and Iririki Island while dropping anchor on September 15, leaving the British Residency and Paton Memorial Hospital, both of which are on the island, without communications to the mainland. Within a few days emergency cable was being laid.

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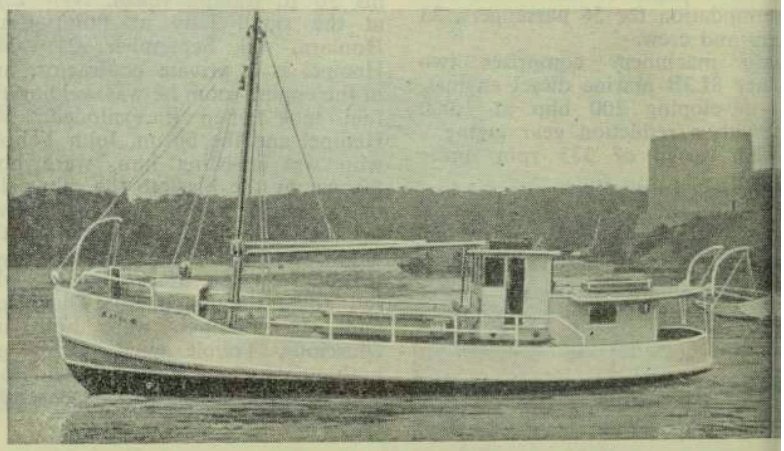
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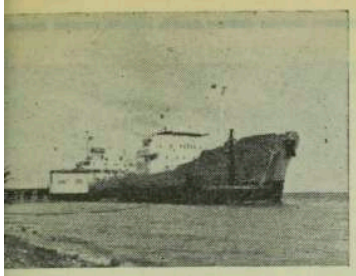


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'S VISIT. From the Antarctic to the — the Norwegian owned tanker ov", seen here in Lae, New Guinea, she recently brought a first shipment dard Vacuum super grade petrol. Both and Vacuum announced simultaneously ility of the new petrol in Port Moresby e. The "Thorshov" had just returned efuelling one of the whaling fleets in the Antarctic.

Photo: Pat Robertson

MISHAP TO *VITI*: Although ss signals were sent out by the n motor ship *Viti* after she a rock pinnacle off Whangarei s on September 9, she was able ch Auckland unaided.
ned now by Mr. C. A. Odell, as bringing timber from Ballina, when she struck Bream Rock .10 a.m. about a mile off garei Harbour entrance, and a oot hole was ripped in the bow water line. Fresh water tanks d the point of impact are said ve cushioned the shock.
i's distress call was heard as far as Honolulu. A preliminary y was to be held into the nt.

SAME NAME, NEW SHIP: *Williams VI*, the London onary Society vessel based at is to be replaced in 1962 by a ship, to be based at Tarawa in ilberts. No new name has been n for the new ship, but it will bly be *John Williams VII*. The t *JW*, has accommodation for ck and seven saloon passengers. as built in Hull in 1946, bought e LMS in 1948 and converted. was launched by Princess aret and named after the 19th ry missionary, murdered in the Hebrides in 1839.

e new vessel will have a steel and keel, accommodation for assengers, and a wooden hull so repairs can be made at Tarawa.

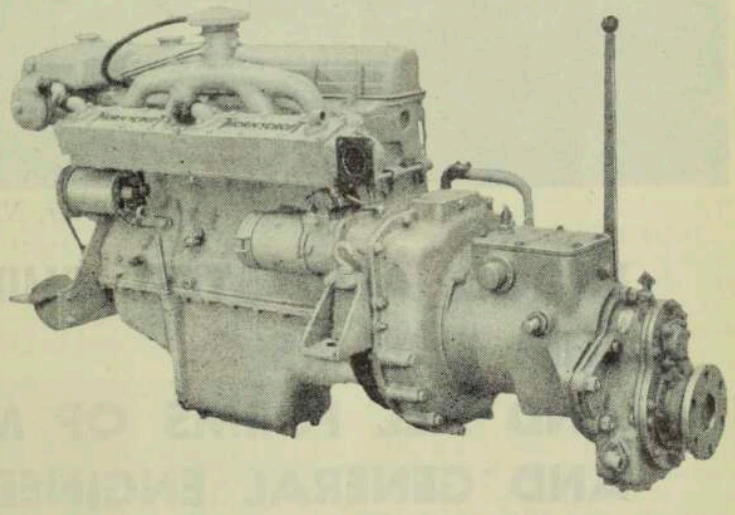
DOUBLE CANOE: Possibly ast double canoe (*drua*) to be in Fiji arrived in Suva on Sep- er 18, from Kabara in the Lau p. Named *Gaunavou* the canoe the journey specially for the Hibiscus Festival. She was on ay and took people for cruises nd the harbour. On arrival, the crew in traditional dress pursued a number of fleet footed young women through the city as part of the Fijian custom known as *cere*.

● US VISIT: The United States Navy ship *Burton Island* is scheduled to visit Suva, Fiji, from October 20 to 22.

● A BOOK ON *JOYITA*: Someone advertised in the Samoa *Bulletin* on September 15, offering to pay "good prices" for any photographs or negatives if possible, of Captain "Dusty" Miller of the ill-fated *Joyita* or any of the passengers and crew who left on board the vessel in October, 1955. Personal information was also sought. Maybe someone has a book in mind, or perhaps Viscount Maugham wants authentic material for the film script he is writing based on the story of *Joyita's* disappearance.

● NO COALS FROM NEWCASTLE: Figures published in Noumea show that the Nickel Co. received during August more than 20,000 tons of coke from Bremen, Germany, delivered by three British ships, *Ashburton*, *Waybank*, and *Southbank*. Other shipments are to arrive. According to the Nickel Co., German coke is not only cheaper but better quality than Australian coke.

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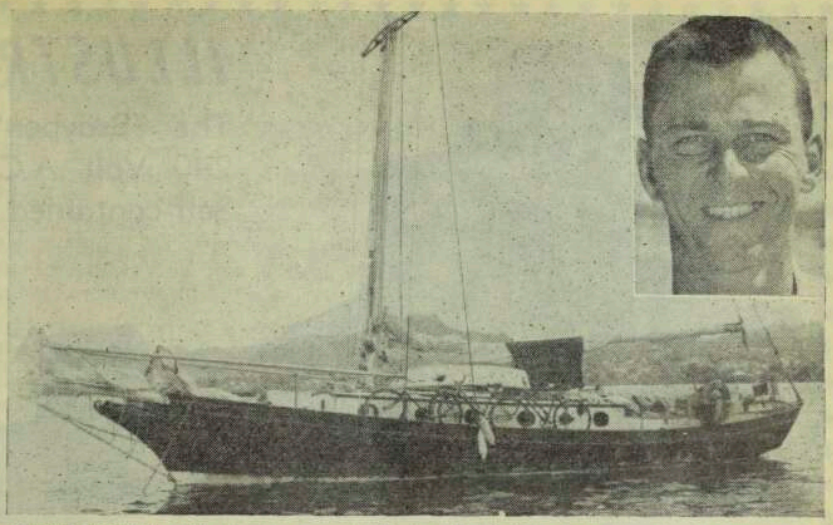
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SHIPPING CALLS: There has a marked increase in shipping t Avarua, Cook Islands, in the 3 months. Southbound ships of atson Line began making regu- its to Rarotonga in mid-1960 ad made six calls by March, elping to improve contact with ands and the outside world. tober, 1960, the old *Maui* e was replaced on the New d-Cook Islands run by the larger and faster *Moana Roa*. calls included five by vessels of ion Company, and two each by usader Line and Reefer Ship- o. The cruise ship *Bergensfjord anje* also visited Rarotonga.

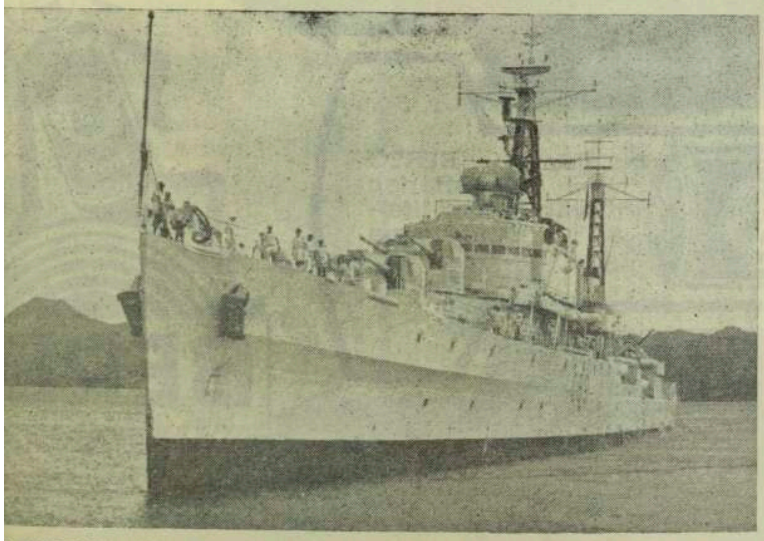
ISH BITES MAN: Returning to a Malaita, BSI, village in canoe after dark, a man was in the right knee joint by s of a fish, the terminal three of both jaws breaking off at n level and remaining in the int. Each jaw was about half n wide at its broken end and etween 24 and 30 teeth, a of an inch long. The fish is a "Bokofu" on Malaita. It is ly four feet long, and is thin ake like, after the pattern of h. It is reported to use great o follow flying fish, and it is to have been after one of when it attacked the man in oe.

IRST LINK: The first section round the world Common- telephone cable—across the —is nearing completion. The British cable ship *Monarch* sailed from Southampton early in September, to lay the last 500 mile stretch. Approximately 2,100 nautical miles of submarine cable and 86 submerged repeaters or amplifiers, will have been used for the trans-Atlantic section. The second section of the £Stg.80 million cable project will link Canada with New Zealand and Australia in 1964. A start will be made on laying the cable between Australia and New Zealand next year.



STRUCK TROUBLE. The American owned "Yankee Doodle", in Suva recently with its owner, a former school teacher turned manufacturer of school athletics equipment, Mr. Jack Marston (pictured), his wife and 11 year old daughter. Also on the yacht were an Auckland couple, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, who joined at Honolulu "Yankee Doodle's" next port of call is Auckland where the Smiths will leave her, and the Marstons will go on to Sydney. They are due back in Mr. Marston's home town, Portland, Oregon, in September next year. "Yankee Doodle" struck Belcher's Rocks about 10 miles from Suva, on August 22, but there was no damage to the steel hulled yacht.

Photo: S. A. Whippy



APPROACH. When HMNZS "Royalist" approached Suva wharf recently carrying the ealand Governor-General, Viscount Cobham, who had been making a South Pacific the ship came in at too wide an angle and was put astern for a third of the ance of the dock and had to make a second approach. Here she is coming in.

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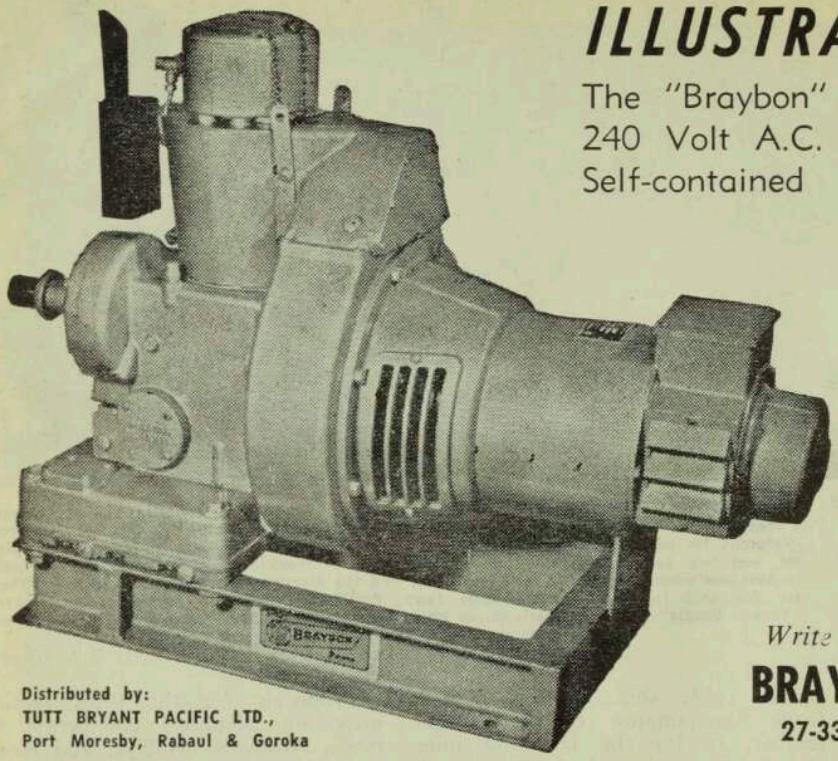
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● TARAWA MASTER RETIRES: Captain Bill Farrell, Gilbert and Ellice Islands senior ship's master, has left Tarawa on pre-retirement leave. Captain Farrell first went to the Colony in 1950 and for 11 years had been Master of RCS *Nareau* which until the arrival of RCS *Ninikoria* in 1959 was the Resident Commissioner's touring vessel. RCS *Nareau* has been sold.

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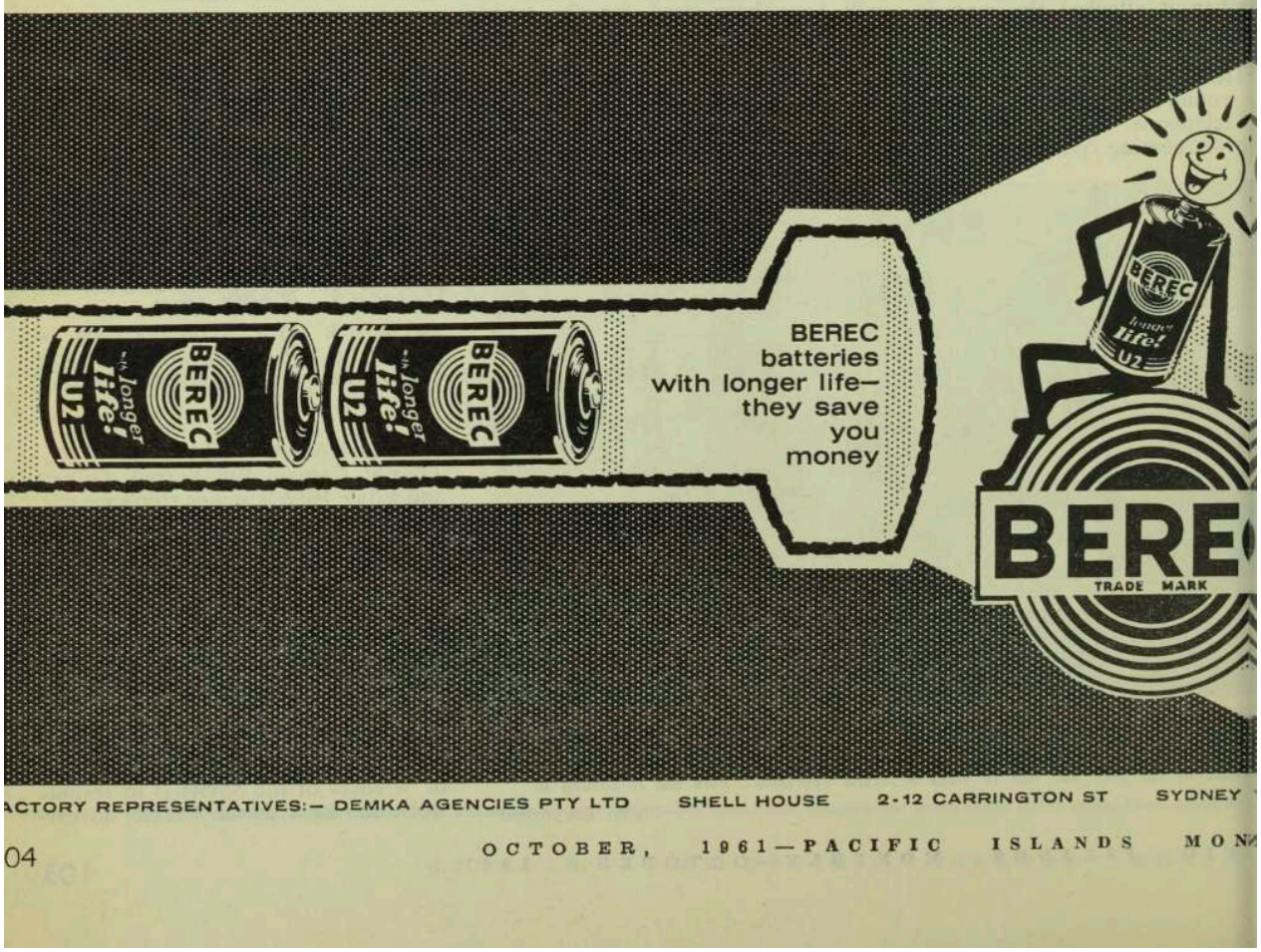
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ismic and acoustal soundings, nvestigation of circulation and re of water masses. *Vityaz* visit Honolulu for the Pacific e Congress where light was to d on the results of its 12 years in the Pacific and Antarctic hen proceed to Tahiti before g a large oceanic survey to

SUVA-LEVUKA BOAT RACE: eeting of Suva boat owners d in September that the Suva-a boat race should be revived ession Weekend in Fiji. It will e a yacht race but one open craft. Entry fee will be £1/1/-. e race will start in the Kaba it is hoped that cutters and ships will take part. Com- organising the event on the er 7 week-end comprises n Hough, Messrs. Harry Houng Walter Whippy, Wilfred Bentley, wins and Willoughby. Mr. W. nson won the Vacuum Oil Cup 0 in the motor ketch *Argo*.

SHIPPING CATTLE: Kar- New Guinea Line 600-ton (see *PIM*, August, p. 97) has orted over 500 head of cattle w Guinea in the past year. It ed the old *Slevik* which trans- many cattle while chartered lama Estates. The No. 2 hold *evik* is partitioned to take 90 cattle. On a recent trip from to Lae, 86 head of Zebu cross were loaded at night direct road transports. At first some took fright when the vessel sailed, but all settled down and arrived in Lae, remarkably clean after a week on board.

● NEW BOAT FOR STC: An 83-ft motor vessel, *Pipi Gari*, has been launched in Hongkong for the Steamships Trading Company, of Papua. Built by Pacific Islands Shipbuilding Co., the vessel launched in September will join a fleet of 16 others on the coastal trade.

● NEW ZEALAND TUNA FISHING: J. Wattie Canneries Ltd., has purchased the Bluff crayfishing vessel *Olwyn* with a view to establishing a tuna fishing industry at Gisborne. The company has engaged an American expert, Mr. Darl W. Phillips, who will operate the 57-ft boat. Although the *Olwyn* is smaller than Japanese craft used in the Pacific and not ideal for the tuna industry, she was the best available at the time and will be adapted for long line fishing. If investigations prove successful, the company will approach the NZ Government for licences and if warranted, larger boats will be used. Four attempts by the cannery to import Japanese tuna have been refused by the NZ Government because of import restrictions.

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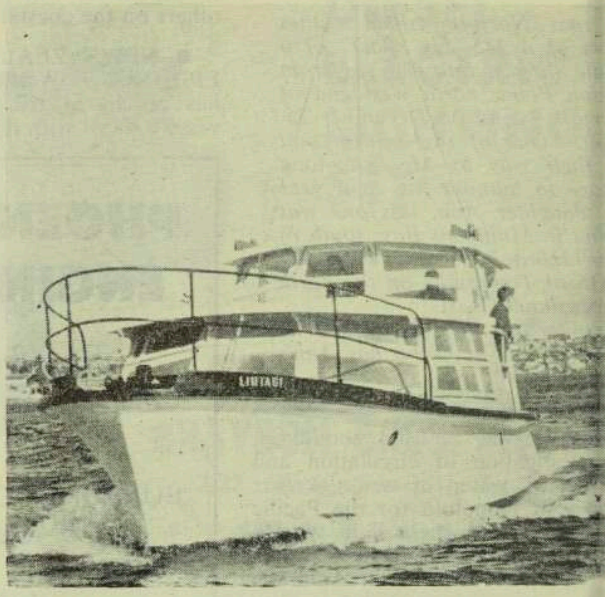
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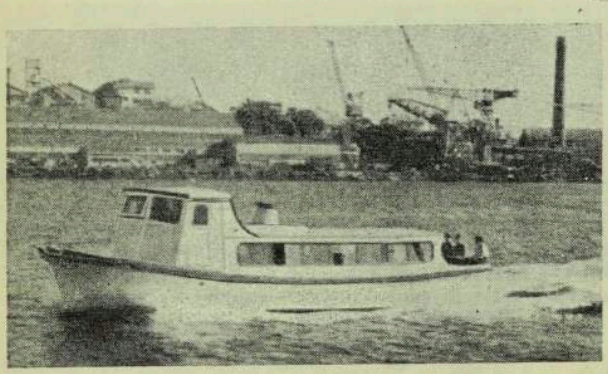
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veen 70 and 80 Japanese fish- oats are now in the South based at Samoa, and the Hebrides, hauling an of 17,000 tons of tuna a Japan is exporting frozen tuna e quantities, particularly to the States, which took 134,000 1959.

SIP ADDITION: A recent n to the BSIP commercial fleet *Lilihina*, built and fitted out by Roderick J. Cox, of "Lilihina" ion, Marovo Lagoon, New a.

ship, a 38-ft copra and general vessel is of 10-ton capacity, as designed by Sydney naval ct, Arthur N. Swinfield. It onstructed mainly of local by Mr. Cox, with one native t. It is double planked and l on heavy scantlings. Beam feet 4-inches, draught 4-feet, ower is a 6-cylinder diesel ing 85-hp.

vessel is busily plying general and copra in the Western t.

Cox has had experience in g dinghies and large sea-going rans, mostly in Queensland.

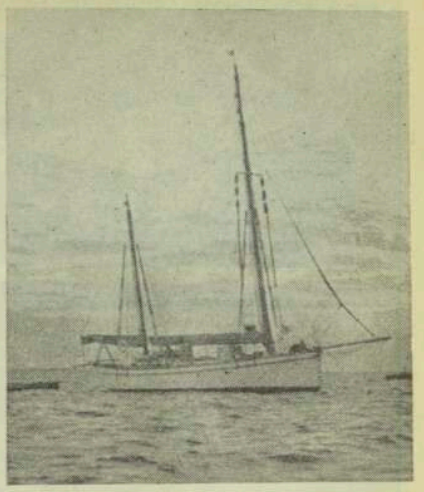
HIPPING LINE WITHOUT : When the 4,324-ton liner (built 1926) left Sydney for time on August 15, its owners the Australian Oriental Line, had no ships in service. Captain Eric Beehan, in command on this final voyage to the Hongkong shipbreakers, also took another AO Line vessel *Changte*, to the breakers' yards earlier this year. *Taiping's* regular master, Captain T. Haworth was to join the ship in Brisbane. The ship has been on the Australia-Far East run for many years.

News of Cruising Yachts

● *L'EOLE*, 30-ft two masted yacht owned by the late Guy Clabaut who died from the rigours of his around world voyage (see *PIM*, September, 1961) has been sold in Noumea for about £1,000 at auction. New owner is Andre Gaillard, a local business agent. *L'Eole* has an electrically welded metal hull, no motor and has about a 12-foot beam.

● *DOROTHEA*, a 31-ft cutter built in England in 1934, was due to leave Papeete for Honolulu in September with skipper Peter Tangvald, of Norway, aboard. With a French friend, Tangvald has spent the last three months sailing the Tuamotus, Tahiti, Moorea, Bora Bora, Huahine, Raiatea and Tahaa. *Dorothea* has no engine, no electricity, no winches, radio, etc.

● *TIBURON*, owned by American Ed Vessey, which sailed from Samoa to Fiji and New Zealand, was due to leave Auckland in September on its way back to Tonga and Samoa. While in American Samoa earlier this year, Ed married a Samoan girl Volita who is cruising with him.

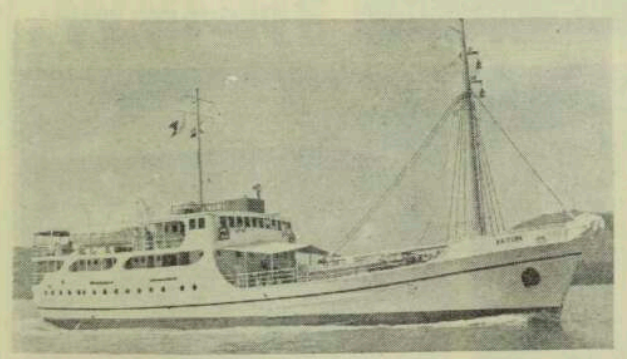


"Si Yi Pambili" was wrecked in the Austral Group in August. See p. 111.

● *SEA CHANTY*, skippered by E. C. Monk, left Whangarei, NZ, on September 16 on a return trip through the Pacific to Canada. *Sea Chanty* arrived in NZ about two years ago after a two year voyage. Crew for the return trip is Messrs. L. Connell and J. Bauer, of Whangarei, and M. Turk, of Auckland, with Canadian E. C. Monk at the helm.

● *MAKOA*, also from the US, left Papeete about the same time with

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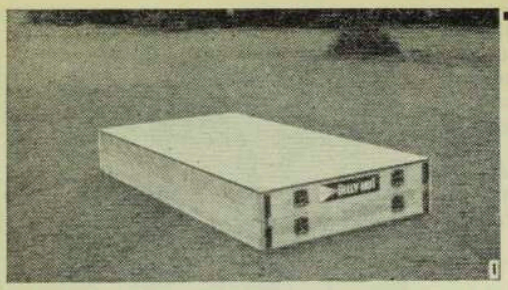
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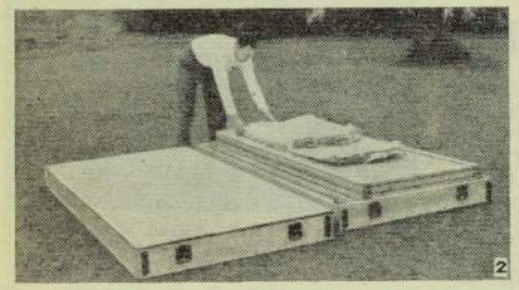
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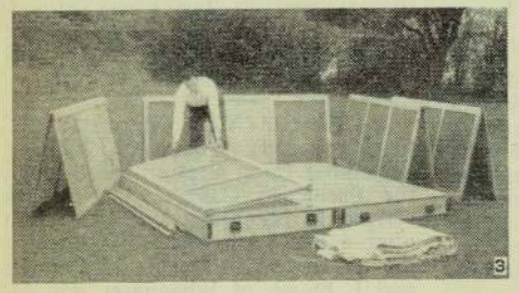
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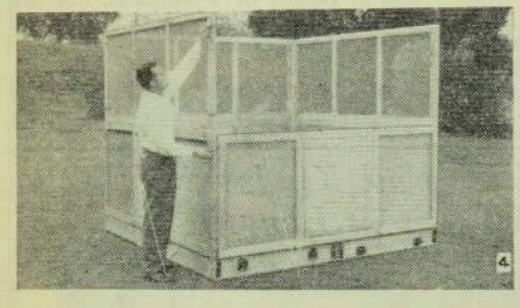
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MARINERO, 38-ft ketch, from ado (California), with Mr. and Floyd E. Christenson and son aboard which has been in e, since January was due to end of August for the Cook arotonga and Fiji, with crew r Fred Sibthorpe.

GOOD NEWS, 55-ft yawl, on a the world voyage, and one of its in the Tahiti-Honolulu race, Suva in September.

MANU RERE, 34-ft gaff rigged er skippered by Wes Herr was ve Papeete in September for with one Tahitian, one Aus- and one American aboard.

EA FEVER, owned by Larry argaret Alexander, with young hnny aboard, left Papeete in for the Leeward Islands, nga, Tonga and Fiji.

PHOENIX, the 30-ton yacht made world headlines when Dr. Earl Reynolds sailed her into the Bikini atoll area as a protest against American nuclear tests in 1958, may well be on the front pages of the Press during October. For the pacifist Dr. Reynolds left Hiroshima, Japan, on September 25 bound for Vladivostok to protest against Russia's resumption of H-Bomb tests. He was accompanied by his wife, son, daughter and one crew member. Some 1,500 people farewelled the yacht which has six months food and water aboard but no Russian entry visa.

● *FAIR WEATHER*, a 57-ft gaff rigged schooner, on a 10 year world cruise has left Acapulco, Mexico, and is bound for the Marquesas. On board are the Adams family, Bill, wife Suttie, and children Rick 19, Jon 16, Suttie 11 and Patrick 7. Making up the crew is Vern Hansen.

● *DIANA*, 41-ft ex-Falmouth quay punt, has been the floating home for seven years of Mr. Norman Egerton Young, CB, CMG, MC, aged 69. In 1954, when he retired Mr. Young boarded the yacht to circumnavigate the world and has since visited 201 ports and anchorages. Most of recent years' sailing has been done in the Pacific and New Zealand waters, although during September he

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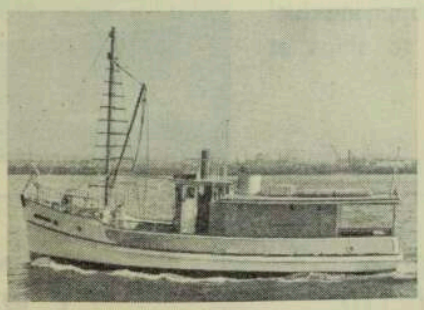
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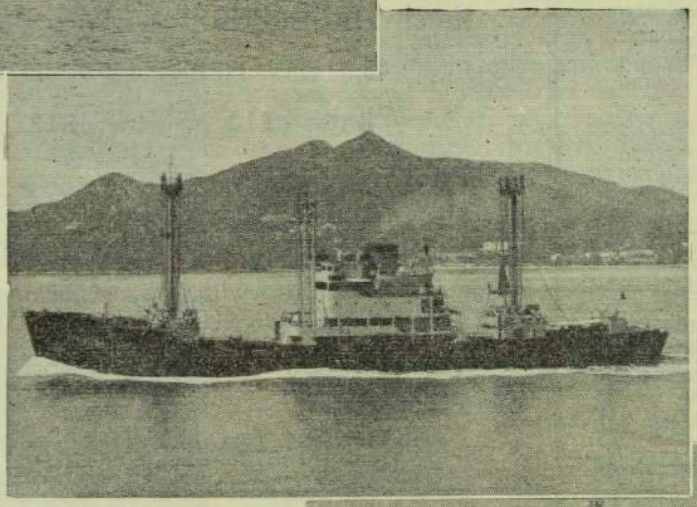
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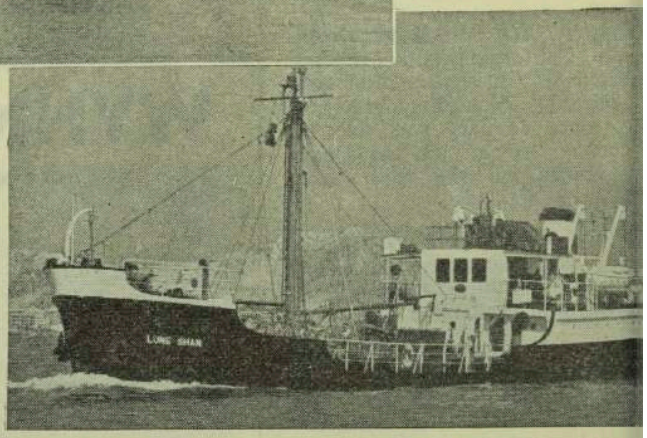
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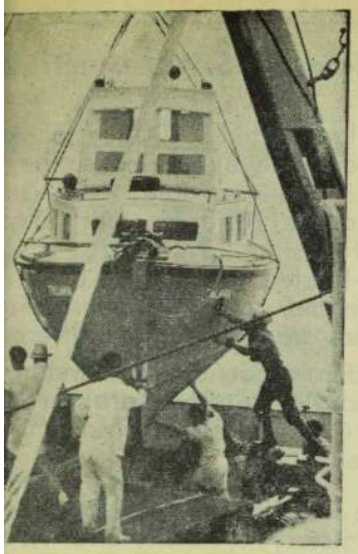


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BAUL. Rabaul interests recently pur- the "Talama" from Australasian n Company, Port Moresby, but instead g her to Rabaul she was shipped aboard "Soochow". Here she is arriving in Rabaul.
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aking his third visit to Fiji. g Gibraltar in 1954, Mr. arrived in New Zealand in then sailed 1,000 miles along eat Barrier Reef on the Aus- coast in company with , the smallest craft to sail handed around the world.

RADE WINDS, a 40-ft -sail cruiser" was expected to t the end of September on a from Lake Macquarie (NSW) ua-New Guinea, with Mr. and ames Hedwell and children, l, 17, Phil, 11 and Pam, 14. Hedwells bought the cruiser *Winds* last year and said that lready proved its seaworthiness ip to Noumea with a previous In New Guinea, Mr. ll will look for work and con- loing anything, including "skin-

EW WORLD, 28-ft yacht with d Greda Graeber, a young couple who are now ised Canadians, was due to uckland in September, if keep- their original plan from in May. While in Papeete, rked as an extra on "Mutiny Bounty".

AYLIS, a 60-ft over-all ketch craft, has now probably in Papeete after sailing Panama Canal on delivery from France. Owner Capt. Darnois, was aboard with crew (all who live in Papeete) Serge Arnour, Laris Kindinis, and one woman, Joulette Goiran, aboard. *PIM's* last report came from our man in Fort Amador, Panama Canal Zone.

● *SI YI PAMBILI*, 42-ft ketch, with five men on board was wrecked on the reef at Rurutu, in the Austral Group, 300 miles south of Tahiti about August 21. The ketch on a pleasure cruise, and owned by two Rhodesians, called at Rurutu to take on water before continuing from Tahiti to Auckland. When leaving the island's lagoon, heavy seas smashed the ketch against the reef. All were saved including an Australian J. C. Harvey, 27, of Adelaide, who returned to Australia by air on September 25 from Tahiti. According to Mr. Harvey the men spent three weeks on the island before being picked up by the trader *Paraita* and taken to Tahiti.

● *SEPTEMBER SONG*, having stopped over in Port Moresby, P-NG, for the last 10 months, was due to depart in September for return to the United States via Colombo, Ceylon, Aden, Suez and the Mediterranean. Finance for this stage of the journey was raised by Mrs. Lee working in the Magistrate's Court and Dr. Lee practising dentistry and making a number of ABC talks.

● S. K. WING, aboard the ketch *John Hanna*, at Watchorn Anchorage, San Pedro, California, writes a friendly letter asking for information about the schooner *Canton*—or more likely, any piece of it—in Canton Island in the Phoenix Group. Mr. Wing, who is a descendant of a long line of Englishmen despite his name, says his great-great-grandfather discovered Canton by accidentally running aground on it and he would like to hear of anyone with any knowledge of the disaster or of the location of any remains.

● *ATEA*, from the Bay of Islands, NZ, arrived in Avatiu Harbour (Cook Is.) via Tahiti in August with owner R. M. McIlvride, his wife and daughter Patricia, Harry Hudson and William Roberts. Leaving Tahiti on July 20, *Atea* called at Moorea, Raiatea and Bora Bora. Next port of call for McIlvride, who is commodore of the Bay of Islands Yacht Club, will be Suva, Fiji.

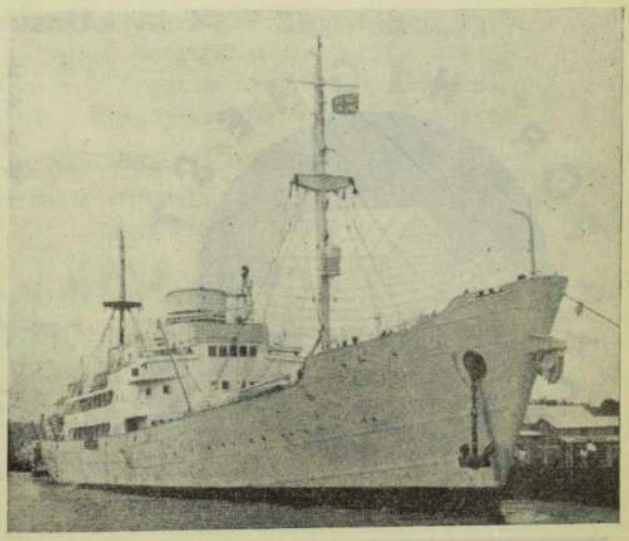
● *TANGANUI*, also arrived in August at Avatiu (Cook Islands) from Tahiti with W. N. Alfred and B. T. Clifford, Auckland yachtsmen aboard. *Tanganui* will also head for Suva.

● *SVEA*, an American yacht from Tahiti, in the Cooks in August with R. Y. Kettredge, Mary Kettredge and Robert Kettredge aboard, was to go on to Nukualofa, and then join the yachting procession to Fiji.

● *KEHUA*, made the fourth yacht from Tahiti to arrive in Avatiu Harbour in August.

● *EVE*, 29 ft yacht, reached Vila from Tahiti on September 3, and following a battery explosion on board the craft in Vila harbour, one of the crew members, M. Sauzier was taken to hospital in a serious condition.

● *NELEH*, 34 ft ketch, with Captain Louis Reese, and Teero Raa, was in Honolulu from Tahiti after a 56 day passage reported by the Cap-

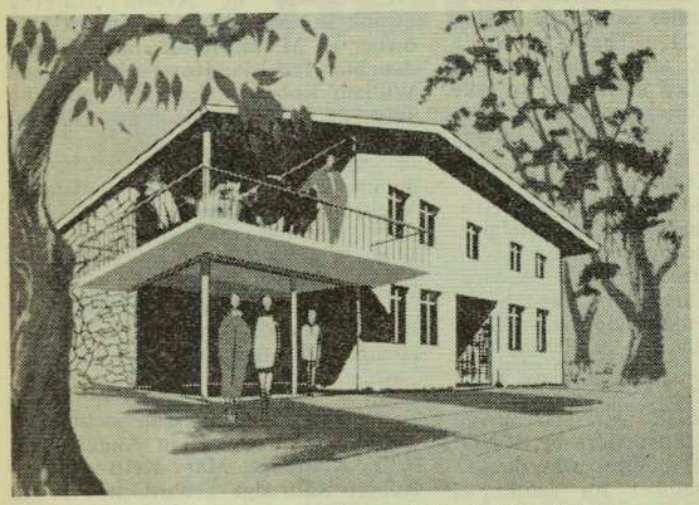


HERE AGAIN. Back in South Pacific waters again, the Russian research vessel "Vityaz". See p. 103.

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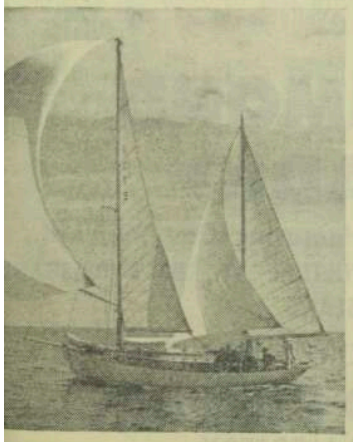
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to be very rugged—two good and 54 days of storms. Also in lulu from Tahiti is the *Farida*, ketch with Mr. and Mrs. Claude on and two crewmen, and *ess*, schooner with Bob Ferris hree crewmen, 31 days out of Bora.

PATSY JEAN, 33 ft ketch, is in lulu with Brian White and two nen, after a leisurely cruise from Cooks, through Christmas and ng Islands. One member of the Amosa Arona, of Rarotonga, a Honolulu correspondent he njoying Hawaii and sent his re- to family and friends back

WESTWARD HO, a yawl re- bought by a missionary with iling experience for a planned ar trip in the South Seas con- g the natives, returned to Hilo, ii, a few hours after putting out,



rst's "Staghound", a 40 ft ketch which n seen in the New Hebrides, the Solomons abaul lately. Hurst is an American.

beset by sea sickness and a leaking ship.

● *POSEIDON*, with Jack and Leah Wheeler and family, is reported outward bound from Honolulu to Truk, where Jack has a Government job in the radio field. The Wheelers cruised extensively through the Pacific several years ago in their ketch *Gemini*.

● *RAMONA*, motor sailer with Captain Malcolm MacDougall, has sailed from the Marquesas to Maui, Hawaii in 22 days. Crewmen include Ralph Sprague, of Auckland, who is living aboard the *Ramona* in Honolulu.

● *C'EST LA VIE*, 23 ft sloop left Sydney on October 2 bound for New Zealand and Tahiti. On board were two Sydney men, Lyall Price, 26, of Dee Why, and John Pryke, 25, of Queenscliff.

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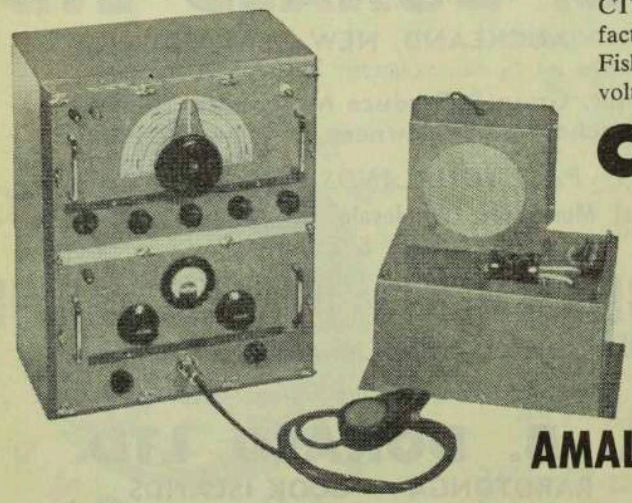
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Pacific Report

The month's round-up of news and pictures of people and events, from *PIM* correspondents in the South Pacific.

's Hibiscus Festival 'Best Yet'

e 1961 Hibiscus Festival came went at Suva in September and al opinion was that it was the yet, in spite of unfavourable ier. Suva had a week of fun with gh variety to satisfy even those ed to be choosey about their tainment.

ne events which featured in vals in years gone by were ed (the wheelbarrow derby, and night of feasting and dancing the coconut trees at Nukulau l were two examples).

w this year were a radio and ical goods exhibition, a trade a handicraft exhibition and a esian night.

e Miss Hibiscus contest when of the most beautiful young en of the Colony vie for a orous trip overseas again took of place.

years gone by the name of Miss cus was not known till about p.m. on the last night of the al. But the Suva Junior Chamf Commerce, who runs the conhad to bow to the wishes of the al organisers, and announce the early in the week so that Miss cus could be guest-of-honour at arious functions.

issing this year was the mounting ement and tension as followers e candidate speculated on their e's chances, and the breaking of ension as the winner's name, after ble delays, was finally announced the balcony of the Grand Pacific l. The public was so critical of 961 procedure, that 1962 is likely ee a reversion to the 1957-60 tice.

is year's contest was flat—not use of the 18 beauties who vied the title and a 42-day Pacific e by one of the Matson liners other fine prizes—but because of change.

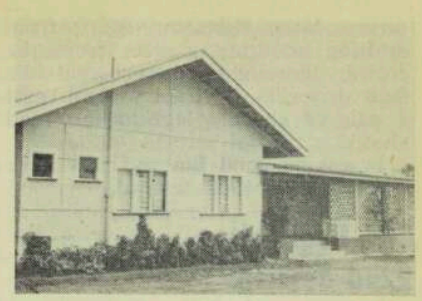
he 1961 Miss Hibiscus is 17-year-Laurayne Thurley, a stenographer employed by Hunt's Travel Service, who sponsored her. Her prizes were worth between £1,200 and £1,300. Second was Miss Mary Keni, 23, a hospital nurse, and in third place was Miss Lois Gibson, 18, a broadcasting panel operator.

Unfortunately this year there was no *Manoora* to bring free-spending Australians to Suva for the fun. But the *Oronsay* and *Mariposa* provided compensation. The *Oronsay* on a trip south delayed her departure for an hour so that passengers could watch the Fijian firewalking ceremony.

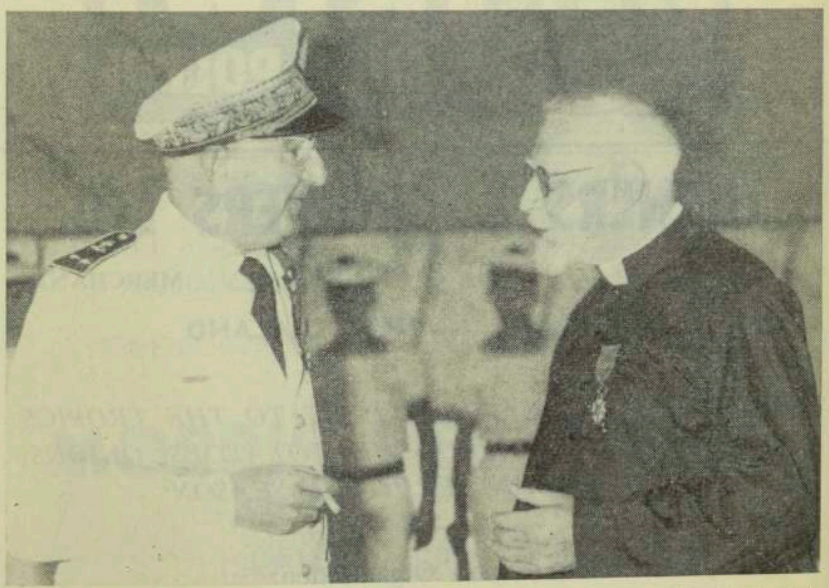
The climax to the festival was a procession of floats through Suva on the last day, a procession which was gay and colourful and thoroughly enjoyed by upwards of 23,000 people, in spite of the threatening rain. This annual procession seems to get better and better every year, and is the result of much thought, imagination, ingenuity and improvisation.

Many persons thought the Club Hotel float the best of all. It featured its "Starlight" barbecue and wonder of wonders those on the float produced real barbecued chicken and the real liquor to go with it. This float deservedly won first prize in its section!

When the spectators became tired of looking at the floats and trying to work out what they represented they were able to concentrate on the Miss Hibiscus candidates who were float passengers. And one previously as-



COUNTRY CLUB. The Mt. Hagen Country Club, above, was an important scene of festivities during the Mt. Hagen Show in September, but there is a possibility the Administration may buy the clubhouse for use as a new District Office for Hagen. Many club members would like to see a new home built near the golf course and the present building would be ideal for the Administration just where it is.



FATHER GOUPILLAUD HONOURED. During the visit of the French frigate "Francis Garnier" to Pago Pago in September, Rear Admiral Andrew H. S. Martinet and Captain Fouiere honoured Father Alexandre Goupillaud, of American Samoa, by presenting him with the French Cross of the Legion of Honour in recognition of his 52 years in Samoa, his continuance as a loyal citizen of France and the care he has maintained of the graves at Massacre Bay where in 1787, twelve Frenchmen lost their lives in the ill-fated La Perouse expedition. Following two days of receptions and festivities, Mass was held on the ship, attended by Gov. and Mrs. H. Rex Lee, their daughters, numerous department officials and a Catholic Church choir. Father Goupillaud officiated at Mass. He is 78.

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piring Miss Hibiscus, apart from drawing admiring glances from the crowd, thoroughly disconcerted the float driver as he tried to look past a pair of shapely legs to the road ahead.

It was all good fun and now Suva waits for the 1962 festival.

SPC Begins Its 22nd Session

Progress made during the past year by the South Pacific Commission in its three main fields of work—economic development, health, and social development—will be reviewed at the Commission's twenty-second session, which will open in Noumea on October 12.

Among the topics for discussion will be the Commission's activities with the three training schools—in literature production, boat building, and fisheries—now running in the British Solomon Islands; the just-concluded women's interests seminar in Western Samoa, and health education training courses held in various territories throughout the year.

The Commission will also study, and decide action on, recommetions it has received from meeheld under its auspices earlier inyear. These include the South PGames meeting in March, setechnical meeting on co-operativeApril, health education conferenMay, youth study group in Isymposium on tropical cropsAugust, and urbanisation advcommittee meeting in Septembe

The Commission will also replans being finalised for the holof the fifth South Pacific Confein Pago Pago, American Samoa, July. The Conference is a regimeeting of Pacific Islands peaconvened by the Commission ethree years.

Work Starts On Forari Manganese

Extraction has begun of mganese ore from the depositsForari, on north-east Efate, Hebrides. It's at present being dertaken on a trial basis to sany teething troubles, but the FrCFPO company hopes to loadfirst ship for export in Decembe

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Rabaul—At Last—Gets Its Own Radio Station

From a small hut in Rabaul October 2, local people began hing from a new radio station withcall sign of VL9BR. Announcemcame over largely in Tolai, the lvernacular, with some in English Pidgin.

The new station is the first number to be established in Pby the Administration. But this won't be run by the Administrafor long, because it's now beennounced that the ABC will take Rabaul broadcasts soon.

Since the war a broadcasmonopoly has been held by the tralian Broadcasting Commiswhich has both short and medwave transmitters at Port Moresb

There have been no transmioutside of the capital, although fitime to time there have been cplaints in the Islands areas that trmission from Port Moresby is satisfactory because of the mtains.

This year's P-NG Budget provfor money for the new Rabaul stawhich is meant to be the forerun



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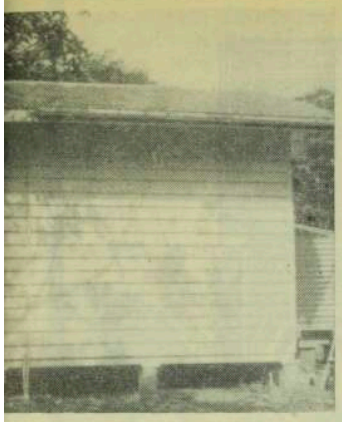
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npretentious building—formerly the Commissioner's office—is headquarters ul's new radio station, to be officially on October 30. It has been air-conditioned. See below.
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ossibly six stations located hout the Territory, all with coverage only.

Rabaul one has a frequency 40 k/c in the 60 metre band, power of only 250 watts. It ng the normal communication itters of the Posts and Tele- Department, and the Exten- Services Branch is providing mmes and studio staffs.

en the ABC gets going in l it will put in a separate studio ransmitter. A site has already selected for the ABC in l.

nwhile, new station manager ie Administration's VL9BR is Roger Wilson, who has been a cast officer with the Adminis- i's Broadcast Section for two He will be the English an- er, and Samson, of Nodup, will lai announcer.

adcast times will be from 5.55 o 9 p.m. Mondays to Fridays. eek-ends broadcasts will be 6.40 p.m. to 9 p.m. The even- ews sessions will be relayed the ABC in Port Moresby.

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son behind the Administration's st in having its own broadcast- tations is that the ABC must lly cater for European nces and cannot be expected to a big percentage of its time to minating the kind of official ial the Administration wants lay to the natives.

ABC, as a separate commis- of the Commonwealth, is not dent in any way on the Ad- tration, nor does it take in- ions from the Administration— int which many P-NG people, ding Admin. officials, are not e of.

One of the most enthusiastic supporters of a separate station for Rabaul has been the New Britain District Commissioner, Mr. J. R. Foldi, who has felt, like other local residents, that the Islands area has been badly done by with radio broadcasting. Many people listen regularly to Radio Honiara, because the reception is often better than reception from Port Moresby.

Shortage of Tradesmen Holds Back NC Building

As everybody forecast, the building industry in New Caledonia, now enjoying a boom, is finding itself short of technicians following the departure of the Vietnamese. Good bricklayers, masons and plasterers are worth their weight in gold. Foremen tradesmen especially are hard to find.

A survey of the labour shortage in the building trade was recently conducted by a local newspaper and the various builders of Noumea aired their grievances and offered a few suggestions. These ranged from training young labourers at night courses, to suggestions that tradesmen be brought from France.

The young New Caledonian does not seem to favour entering into the various branches of the building trade. He would much rather drive a truck or work at the smelters, earn-

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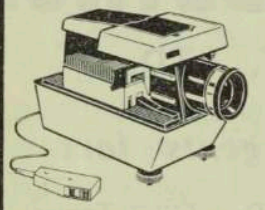
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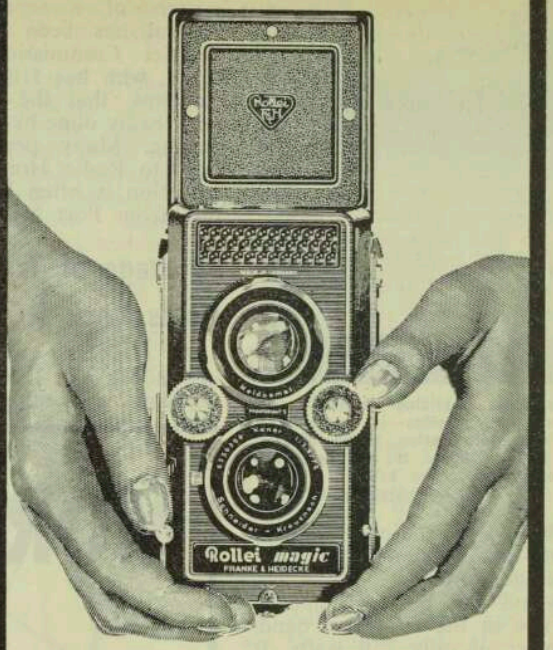


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higher pay. Others favour serv- in shops whilst a considerable ber continue their studies in ce for the higher professions.

oumea's oldest established builder the shortage of tradesmen is ng back the industry. He cited se where he had to lop two s off a building, being unable omplete it in the time needed to lack of tradesmen.

himself is turning more and to Australian techniques. He already constructed several d buildings by the "lift slab" ique and others are going up. of the builders are in favour ringing specialised labour from ce, the main objection being that pecialists brought out may take o their heads to become build- themselves instead of working mployers. This has happened in al cases recently.

e most popular solution seems to give accelerated training to youngsters already in the trade.

End To eration Carrot"

e New Caledonian Government eptember 1 stopped "Operation ot", under which, by arrange- with a New Caledonian firm, as flew to Noumea from Sydney week family pack cartons of ables (*PIM*, August, p. 15). Government stopped Australian rts of potatoes and vegetables to ct local production, which has ed glut proportions. However, oes and vegetables are still ing New Caledonia from pe.

getables should become scarce before the end of the year, locals hope "Operation Carrot" begin again.

ezzlement Charge: to 'Stop Drinking'

member of one of Papua's most inent native families was put on -months good behaviour bond in Papua-New Guinea Supreme t in September on a charge of zzling £95 from the funds of native Local Government Coun- or whom he works.

e native, Rima Gavera, clerk Hanuabada Council, Port esby, is the brother of Willie ra, an unsuccessful candidate e last Papua-New Guinea Legis- e Council elections.

e Chief Justice, Mr. A. H. n, granting Gavera a bond, ed him to stop drinking alcohol.

Rains Cause Delays In the New Hebrides

Heavy rains in September caused serious flooding of Vila's Bauer field, resulting in the airstrip being closed to TAI's Skymaster from Noumea. The aircraft was diverted to Santo on several occasions.

Partway through the month Vila had recorded more than 10 inches of rain, although the average for September is less than four inches, and the record for a September is 11.44 inches.

The rains did not make any easier the work on construction of Vila's important new Central Teacher Training College, although the frame- work was erected by mid-September and the entire contract is expected to be finished by the end of November. The construction is being handled by an Australian firm.

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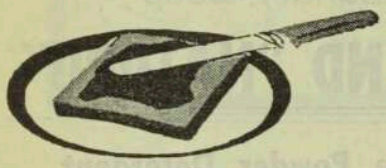
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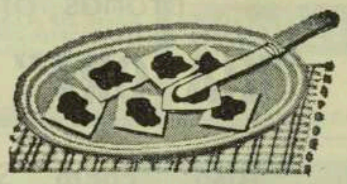
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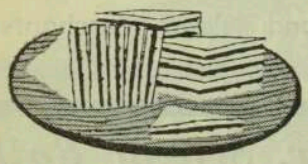
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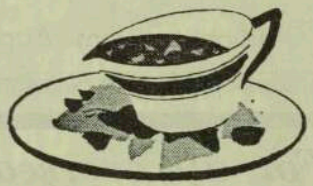
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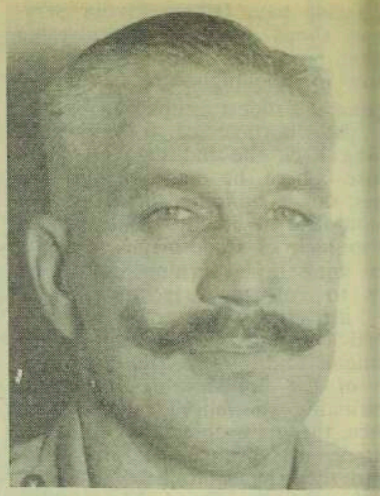
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BACK AT WORK. After 12 months' leave, of it spent in Australia, Rabaul police o Inspector E. B. (Ernie) Young, has retu to Rabaul to take up his duties.
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in September by the P-NG Direc of Forests, Mr. W. R. Suttie.

Mr. Suttie said surveys carried by the Forest Project Manager, Ron Prior, during the past months, had shown that there w excellent supplies of natural c suitable for the manufacture of c furniture. Commercial varieties rattan cane grew in tropical r forest areas and in the foothills the coastal rain forests.

Samples of this natural cane been sent to Australia during last few months to trade test Australian market. Manufactur reports from Australia w "promising".

It was now proposed to s samples to Hongkong, where the port of cane for furniture manu ture during a six-months' period year amounted to more t £700,000.

Australia spent about £150,. yearly importing cane, princip from Malaya, for furniture ma facture. Australian buyers paid tween £235 and £325 per ton rattan.

Mr. Suttie said it was anticipa that first quality rattans from Territory could be competitiv marketed in Australia. Prelimin basic surveys gave every indicat that there were first class projects private enterprise—European and digenous—to exploit the Territo rattan cane potential as a n economic project.

To gain the confidence of the ov seas markets, Mr. Suttie continu it was essential that standard gra for cane be strictly observed.

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M. G. Ragg
es Fiji

pular Mr. M. G. (Mossie) Ragg,
erly Fiji police quartermaster and
aster, who became secretary of
Royal Suva Yacht Club on his
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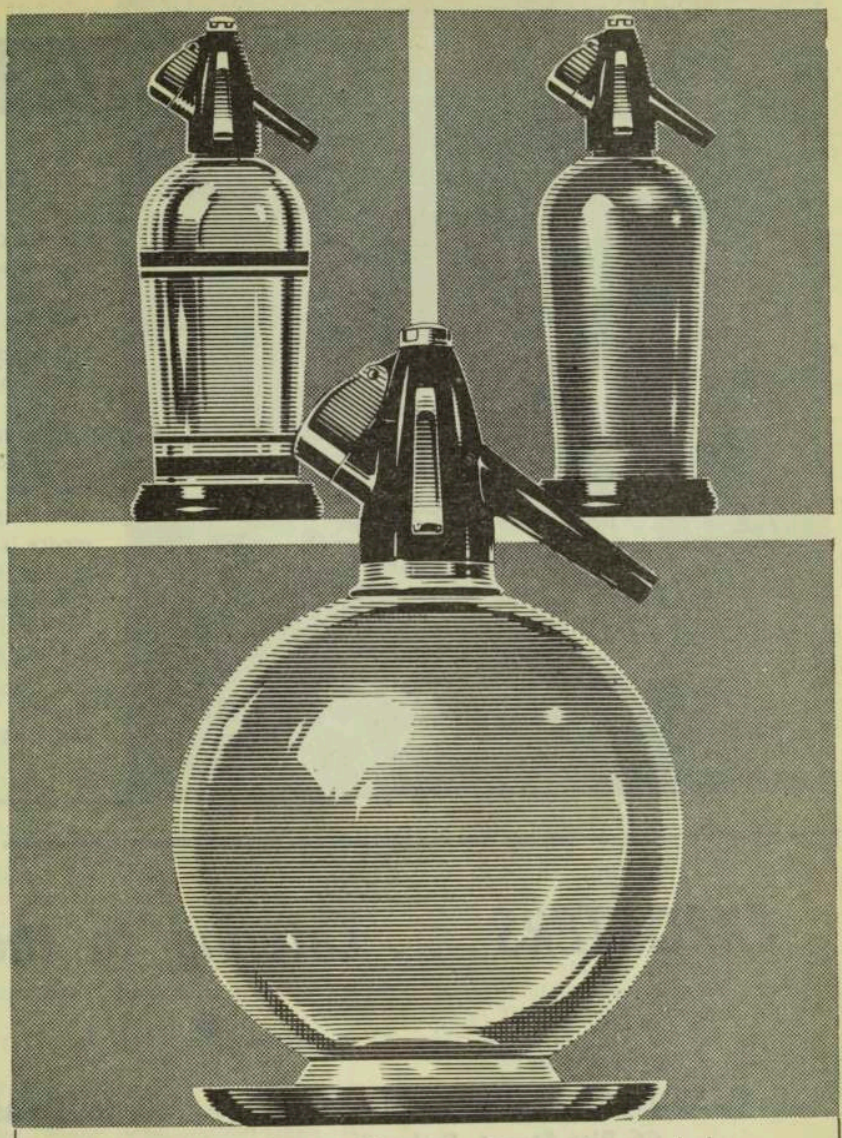
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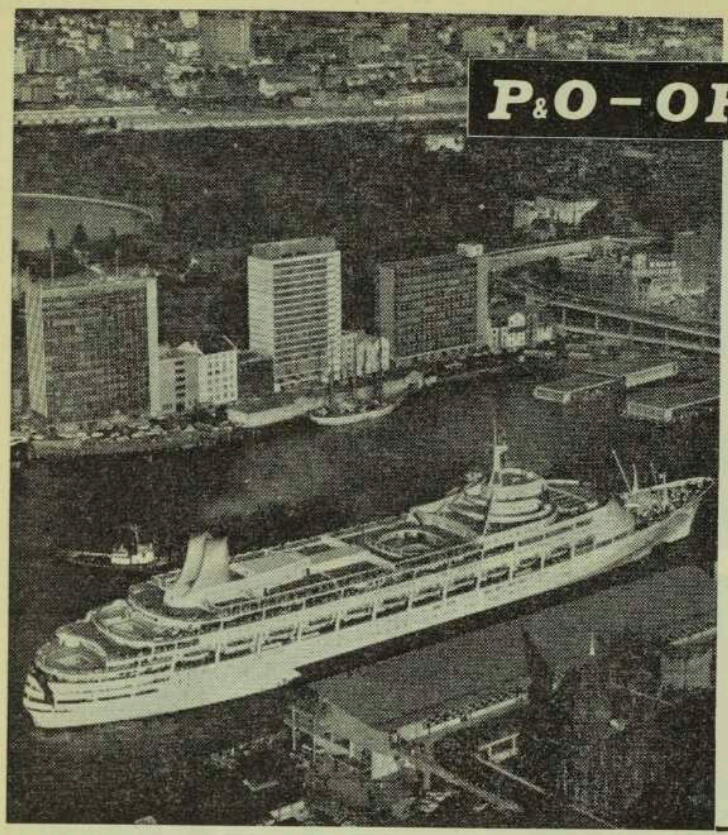
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ting fire to a neighbour's house
a mother and seven children
sleeping, Mr. Justice Knox-
r said in the Supreme Court
utoka, Fiji, in September:
e gravity with which the legis-
has rightly viewed the offence
son is not perhaps sufficiently
iated in certain quarters. This
a particularly shocking case.
were seven children sleeping
kum Chand's inflammable little
when the accused, a neighbour
ld acquaintance, wilfully set it
He did this with stealth and
dead of night. By the grace
iod all the children were
out unharmed. I consider the
sentence is one of ten years'
onment."
accused was Ram Swami
, alias Rama, a farmer of Yasi
Tavua.



The Seventh-day Adventist's new church in Nukualofa, Tonga. See below.
Photo: K. Fanaika

a Gets First
lon Tower

en Salote and her sons, Crown
Tungi, Premier of Tonga, and
Tu'ipelihake, Minister of
were present on a great
on for the Seventh-day Adventist
n in Tonga recently — the
tion of the largest church be-
g to the denomination in the
l Pacific.
dedication was a nice blending
ristian and Tongan custom.
urch is in Nukualofa.
n the Queen arrived, she was
d by Pastor A. G. Jacobson,
nt of the Advent Mission in Tonga, and together they walked up the church driveway covered by the traditional "red carpet" of Tonga—a single piece of native tapa 100 feet long and nine feet wide, prepared for royal occasions.

Beulah Mission school children in white formed a guard of honour, young girls reclined gracefully on either side of the church steps, and the band played the Tonga National Anthem.

The Queen unlocked the church door, and then pressed the button to start the chimes ringing out loud and clear from Tonga's first carillon tower.

Pastor R. R. Frame, assistant secretary of the Australasian Division of SDA's, in Sydney, gave the dedicatory address, and Pastor O. D. F. McCutcheon, president of the Central Pacific Union, offered the dedicatory prayer. Dr. C. M. Churchward, of the Free Wesleyan Church and translator of the revised Tongan Bible, pronounced the benediction.

Much of the work of building the modern church was done by church members from 3 a.m. till they had to go to their daily employment, and again in the evenings. The basement of the building is a youth hall.

There were nearly 1,000 people at the feast following the service. The banquet "tables" extended for 300 yards and carried literally tons of food. The British Consul and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Coode, and many officials of Government and other mission bodies were among the visitors at both service and feast.

New Departures From Old Customs

It is said that one of the greatest barriers between free social tings of European and Indian is the tendency towards segregation womenfolk by the Indian. In Suva, more cosmopolitan than the th and West districts, this has not been so marked, but it still exists a large degree.

In the West there is a slow drift towards European dresses, particu- where there are girls working in stores. And the number of these is rapidly increasing as parents overcome their antipathy.

A strong impetus towards slackening of racial customs was recently n in Nadi under the leadership of Mrs. Doris Prasad, wife of a rmacist, who was educated in New Zealand and there graduated MA.

Mrs. Prasad is president of the Nadi Women's Cultural and Sports b and in August started her members on a programme of basketball, is, hockey and badminton, together with home pursuits such as ng, cooking and child welfare.

About 500 people attended the opening of the basketball season, five women's teams played in the tournament. This was a real arture from established customs for a predominantly Indian town as Nadi. Reaction from other Indian women was altogether good, amongst the crowd it was noticed that there were many teenagers ring standard pattern European dresses—another new departure.

A prominent Indian pointed out the part that women in India were playing and gave his opinion that Fiji Indian women should follow example.—AJCF, Nadi.

BSIP's Serious 'Flu Outbreak On Wane

Honiara's Asian 'flu outbreak in August turned out not to be Asian 'flu but a different type of influenza. Nevertheless, it was still a serious outbreak, with several deaths following complications and with about 70 per cent. of the native population of Honiara affected (*PIM*, Sept., p. 20).

The Central Hospital was full to overflowing and because there was only a skeleton staff on at the hospital (due to sickness among the staff) all surgical operations were cancelled for a week.

Red Cross volunteers helped at the hospital.

In September the epidemic was on the wane in Honiara although cases

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began to appear along the Guadalcanal coast and on other islands.

The same epidemic took a toll in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony in July, and there is no doubts held in the BSIP that the epidemic was brought back from the GEIC aboard the *Coral Queen*, the Government ship. The Government has been criticised.

It'll Be Toot-toot In Suva Soon!

Suva will soon hear the toot of a train whistle. The Suva wharf contract involves casting about 900 prestressed concrete piles some distance from the wharf site, and as these piles will range between 80 and 100 feet in length they will need something substantial to carry them.

The contractors for the wharf, Christiani-Nielsen and Gammon (Fiji) Ltd., have laid a railway from the casting site, across the Queen's Road, thus creating something of a level crossing hazard. The gauge is 3 feet 6 inches (the same as Western Australia from where the contractors obtained their locomotive wheels and shafts) and much wider than the CSR train lines in north-western Viti Levu.

But the contractors are not leaving themselves open to action for damages, for they plan to install elaborate warning system motorists. The first appearance the train led by a diesel locomo is likely to cause much raising eyebrows among the Fijian Indian population who have n seen a train before.

In 1932 the firm of Fiji Buil laid rails across the Queen's R while a loco with 20 waggons ca spoil for a reclamation job. A 3 6 inch gauge line ran to sev places in the town.

Three Fijians Die After Eating Fish

The bodies of three Fijian yo aged 18, 14 and 13, were all fo lying not far from each other Labasa, Vanua Levu, in Septem It is believed the boys all ate poiso fish. The three boys had left hom go fishing and it is thought they *sumusumu* fish, which is know the "puffer fish" because it infl itself when it is touched. I poisonous during the spawning se and its roe is particularly virule

P-NG Enters The 'Questioning Phase'

Some interesting points on na alism—and how it is likely to a Papua-New Guinea—were made Sydney in September by Mr. A. Healy, of Kenya's Education vice, who is at present on a rese scholarship at the Australian Nati University, Canberra. Mr. H was addressing a symposium on Guinea organised by the Austr Institute of International Affairs

Among the points Mr. Healy m were:

- Internationally, Australia very much on the defensive over Guinea. Its special social and po cal limitations are being pleade extenuation, but this is beginnin wear a little thin, for "one m almost imagine that there are primitive peoples anywhere else"
- What has been done in Guinea represents a compromise tween what the old guard wants what new ideas and new pres compel. There is still emphasis Government from above, on gra ism. Australian policy is in "founded on the theory of an state; founded on a presumption what the natives become and will accord with Australian in tions".
- If modern colonial hi shows anything it is that event a point comes at which pol liberty, in the sense of the reje



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OANS IN NZ. This group of West Samoan public servants is the third group to undergo training in New Zealand, where they recently arrived. Their training is arranged by Department of Island Territories and other NZ Government departments, with the cost by NZ under its scheme of educational aid for West Samoa, which is designed among things to help the Samoan Public Service take over when independence comes next ary. Occupations in this group include those of stores officer, clerk, immigration officer road foreman. Photo: Samoana

bedevilled by mutinies and near-mutinies?

And why is it not spreading enlightenment through its former members in the way that the Indian Army spread knowledge through the Indian villages?

These were some of the questions posed in the Australian House of Representatives when the Defence Estimates were under discussion in September.

Mr. Dan Mackinnon (Liberal, Vic.) suggested that some of the trouble might be due to the size of the unit. If it were expanded to brigade strength it might be possible for its officers to make service in P-NG a career, he said. (Over)

netropolitan control, becomes nount, and to that everything vill be sacrificed. It is Baldwin's n that "good government is no tute for self-government".

The colonial nationalist has, in wn way, a stereotyped and un- d notion of liberty, but he re- it as a fundamental right is being withheld. Anything no matter how well intentioned, nt, or benevolent, he regards as sult and an imposition. For this n the very governments which their own preconceptions about ays in which nationalism should op, and the pace at which it d develop, are the least prepared ndle it. No government has yet a way round it. Britain began ognise the new order of priori- t the end of the war.

Because a prior sense of com- y is lacking in colonial nation- nationalists usually appear to istrators as merely political ors. The result is the familiar sion of "prison graduates" be- g political martyrs, becoming ministers, for which British es are so renowned.

New Guinea is just beginning ter the questing, questioning which will test our basic as- ions.

The principle of self determina- mplies not only that dependent s choose what their futures be, but that they choose the t which to choose. To say that etermination may come sooner we expect is not to advocate it, o advocate hasty Australian awal; but "if we recognise that y come, we should be better ed when it does come."

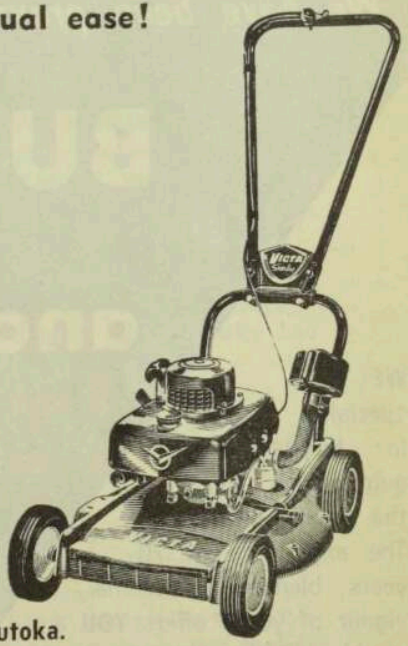
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Sydney-Vila Phone Link

PIM's Vila, New Hebrides, respondent Reece Discombe October 9 spoke to a PIM tor, Stuart Inder, in Sydney in of the first radio-telephone ls to be made between the centres.

The call was put through from a at the invitation of the ineer-in-charge of the New brides Radio Telecommunica- ns Department, Mr. R. binson, as one of a series of s.

permanent radio-telephone ice between Australia and a is expected to commence netime in the next few weeks, n official approval is given. link will probably be open 45 minutes a day and sub- bers in Vila and in Australia be able to make calls direct n their telephones.

n recent months, New Heb- s subscribers have been given ct telephone services to Santo to Honiara, BSIP.

The signal during the Sydney s of October 9 was excellent, h perfect reception.

Mackinnon said that the short of service with the regiment it impossible for Australian s and NCO's to learn either nguages of their men or how ntrol native troops.

e average Papuan is not an man to handle," he said. "He an approach completely dif- from that adopted by officers Australian Army toward the they command.

we maintain the idea of hav- Pacific Islands Regiment it be as well for ourselves and -NG if the officers achieved a understanding of their men."

Mackinnon suggested that the of the Fiji Regiment should nsidered when examining the ility of increasing the size of IR.

e Fiji Regiment was of great to Malaya in the campaign t Communist terrorists," he "Its service in Malaya reflected glory and credit on the Fijians comprised it."

Mackinnon said that when in he had heard that it was not s easy for members of the PIR establish themselves when they he force.

In many instances they were no longer fitted for village life and they became disgruntled, he said.

Mr. Mackinnon suggested that the PIR could be given technical and trade training which would enable its members to play a useful role when they returned to civilian life.

Mr. Bryant (Labour, Vic.) supported the plea for trade training, particularly in engineering services.

He urged, too, the granting of commissions to native members of the regiment.

If a free and independent New Guinea were to be developed, the country must have its own people running its affairs, Mr. Bryant said.

"Surely one place in which we could start to develop that kind of spirit is in the defence services," he added.

"If these men are good enough to be made warrant officers, they are good enough to become commissioned officers."

Mr. Bryant's suggestions were more constructive than those of his colleague, Mr. Johnson (Labour, NSW).

Said Mr. Johnson: "Moving about the Territory one sees nothing of defence significance apart from the Pacific Islands Regiment, playing its Scottish band, and half disciplined, as recent events have proved."

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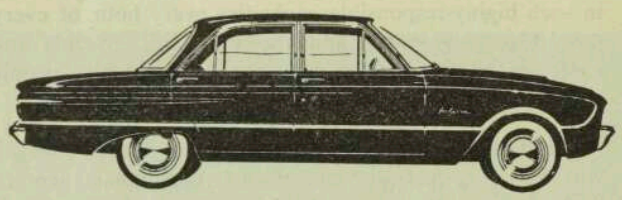
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Suva, Like Tonga, Wants Roller Skating

A Fiji firm, the Whan Cor tion Company, has asked the Council for permission to l roller-skating rink in a buildi Ellery Street, Suva. A director company, Mr. Eric Emberson in September that if the appli was approved the company hop have the rink operating in Dec at the latest.

Suva had a temporary skatin during the war, but it was down afterwards.

Mua, a few miles o Nukualofa, Tonga, has had a skating rink since about 1957. owned by a Swiss, Mr. Julius

Sudden Death in Suva Of Tongan Delegate

A Tongan delegate to the I Youth Fellowship Conference near Nausori, Fiji, in Septem Tevita Solofoni, 35—died in a few hours before he was d return to Tonga.

He had become ill suddenly o morning of September 16, an taken to the Colonial War Me Hospital Suva, but died two later. More than 300 people, i ing Tongans living at Suva, att his funeral.

Rev. and Mrs. S. G. C. Co Retire from Fiji

After 25 years in Fiji, the man of the Methodist Mission Mr. S. G. C. Cowled, and Cowled, left Suva at the end o tember on retirement. Because ness Mr. Cowled was not a accompany his wife to all the well functions arranged in honour. A long report of the of Mr. and Mrs Cowled in Fij published in *PIM* in August, p They will settle in Sydney.

Suva Hopes For Regular South Pacific Trade Fair

Suva may become the home South Pacific-wide Trades an dustries Fair. This is the hope o T. Blanchard, chairman of the mittee which organised the Hi Festival Trades and Industries in Suva in September. The Suv was the first of its kind in Fij was confined to firms tradi Fiji.

Mr. Blanchard said the orga were looking ahead to make th

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Parachuting—In Three Lessons

rench instructor for New donia's Parachute Club, M. er Malaussena, gave Vila, Hebrides, people a thrill ntly when he made three onstration jumps over Bauer-, Vila.

is jumps, arranged by the etic Association, were from ew Hebrides Airways Drover, ed by Australian Paul Bur-

nfortunately, the wind was able and in his first jump a low altitude M. Malaus- landed in a coconut plan-n.

is second, a free fall from 00 ft to 1,300 ft before he ed the chute, was spectacu- including the finish, when he ed in some trees.

his third fall he jumped 5,000 ft, and planed down a little more than 1,200 ith the aid of a pair of lman's wings", before he d his chute. He landed with-2 ft of his ground marker. bout 500 enthusiastic people hed the demonstration.

next year and hoped it would e other islands in the South He said already considerable had developed in the UK, lia and New Zealand.

plan is to run the fair in ction with the Hibiscus Week ies each year.

in Fiji At Age of 101

Indian who first went to Fiji the indentured labour system 2 died at Muanivatu, Fiji, on ber 8 at the age of 101.

was Mr. Ghulam Hussain, who his term of indenture at Koro- nd then settled at Muanivatu rest of his life. He left a wife, hildren, 57 grand-children and eat-grandchildren.

uva Point Airport t Least Five Years

Nausori Airport, about 12 from Suva, is to be kept ser- e for the next five years, so ities will have time to decide r an airstrip to replace it can lt on the coral at Suva Point. was decided by the Develop-ment Priorities Committee in Suva in early October, when the question came up as to whether money should be spent on improving Nausori or whether a new airport should be built at Suva. It is a subject that has been discussed a lot in Suva in the last 12 months.

The Committee decided that there was no prospect of funds becoming available for large scale work at either Nausori or Suva. However, they agreed that one of the improvements necessary at Nausori in the interim would be the sealing of the road from the town of Nausori to the airport, which would give air passengers an all-sealed road from Suva.

Arrests Made By Papuan Patrol

P-NG Administration patrols investigating tribal killings 22 miles south of Menyamya, made a number of arrests in September.

The killings occurred in a tribal clash on the Papuan side of the Papuan-New Guinea border, and earlier reports (*PIM*, Sept., p. 119) said about 30 were dead.

The patrols were led by ADO A. T. Carey, and PO T. Steen, of Kerema, and ADO J. Hastings, of Menyamya.

The killings occurred among the Kukukuku people, who are well



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The End of an Old Tradition

Vale Mocambo! There were many sad faces on Saturday, September 30, at the closing down of the Fiji Mocambo Hotel at Nadi. Many thousands of travellers through Nadi had stayed a while there, and gone away intrigued with its Fijian atmosphere.

The famous transit lounge, dimly lit, walled with bamboo and masi, with the thatched hut bar in the corner has been the scene of many parties, many meetings, and has watched many strangely dressed people pass through it. For its good-bye party, Tony Wilkinson, the manager, staged a party in the old tradition, with all races taking part in a wildish 'houlie' which lasted till the small hours. Many of the fittings were souvenired, and the notice 'Male showers', which has tickled the fancy of travellers for many years, was early missing.

There are still a few who remember the Mocambo as a converted Army barracks, whose partitions did not reach the ceilings in the bedroom blocks until 1952, when Barry Philp took it over.

Never classed as a luxury hotel, it was comfortable, homey, attractive to drink in and had an atmosphere which will probably never be duplicated.

Of late years, particularly since it was the staging point for USAF crews, the back wall of the bar, the refrigerator door, and the fittings have borne decorations of all sorts of peculiar things from drawings to USAF and RAF service banners and badges.

The new, plush, carpeted, Mocambo on the hill above the airport will carry on the name—but it won't be quite the same.—AJCF.

known for their fierceness and fighting abilities.

While the native people in the vicinity of Menyamya are friendly now, Kukukukus who live on the Papuan side of the border, in very rough, mountainous country, are still liable to carry out traditional fighting raids.

Copra Prices Continue A Gloomy Descent

Copra is continuing its gloomy descent and the lowest price this year for Philippine FM copra was recorded during September when the average for the month was £Stg.58/17/6 a ton.

The Papua-New Guinea Copra Marketing Board predicted in its September report that "such is the gloom over the market at present many dealers believe we will see even lower levels in the near future".

Most European consumers are well covered for the next two or three months, and there are still plenty of supplies coming forward.

The P-NG report says prices are causing considerable concern in the Philippines and the Government there is reported to be planning some kind of control over pricing and marketing, although it is not known what measures are proposed. Indonesia is said to be actively supporting the Philippine scheme.

Indonesia has already declared copra an essential commodity and the Government now controls marketing and distribution.

Copra is still getting active co tition from other oil seeds, par larly soya bean. Recently the of edible oils has dropped and dictions are that coconut oil p will follow them down.

(For a more detailed repor the influence of other oils on copra market see p. 63, "Lo Predicts a Lean Time for Coc Planters".)

Gilbert Islanders In Copra Boycott

Natives on several central is in the Gilberts in September b a copra boycott.

They were reported to be gruntled with the 2½d a lb they receiving for Grade 1 sun copra, and refused to cut.

The islands concerned are Ma Tarawa and Butaritari, but a Ta correspondent reporting in early tober said it was possible the bo might have spread to other isla

The correspondent said that d September many letters had sent from Tarawa to all isl asking islanders to stop cutting c The letters bore no signatures were postmarked Tarawa. The l sent to northern islands bore legend, "From Your Brothers i South", and letters going to south bore the signature "From Brothers in the North".

Gilbert and Ellice Islands' production is marketed in Eu through the official Copra Boar prices based on Philippines less stabilisation fund charges.

New Luxury Hotel Opens at Nadi

Fiji's newest luxury hotel, the Mocambo, opened on Namaka near Nadi Airport, on Octob The hotel has a 24 hour a la meal service.

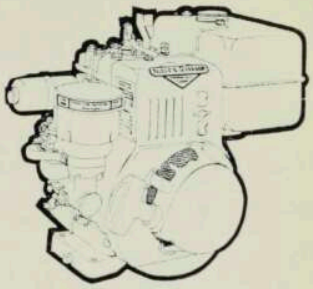
The hotel was created in just 200 working days, with owner Barry Philp on the job abou hours a day. There are 32 bedr so far available.

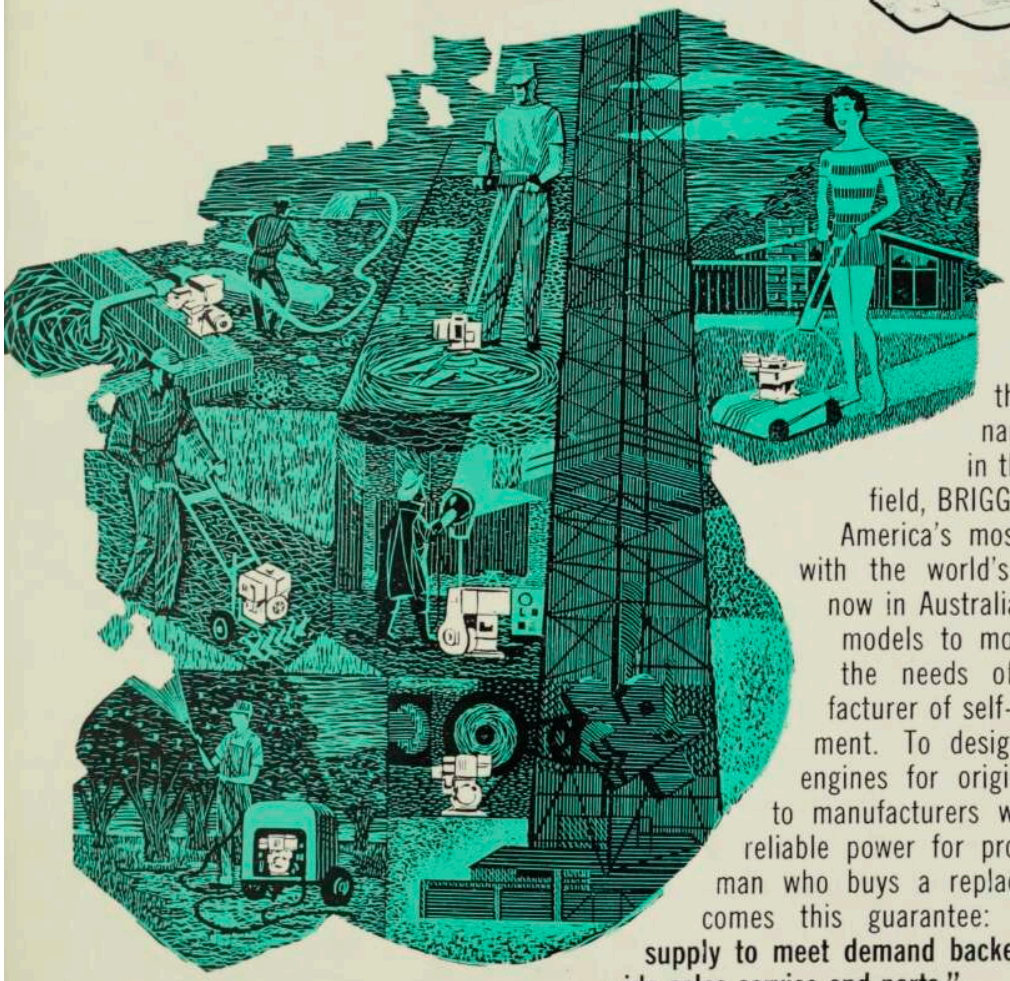
Like the old Mocambo at the port, the new one has Fijian in many places, with a bures decorated with masi and bam The ceiling of the lounge is al masi and bamboo and coconut tr hold up the ceiling there. Co thatch is used for decorative in other places in the modern which has air conditioning.

There is also a swimming p

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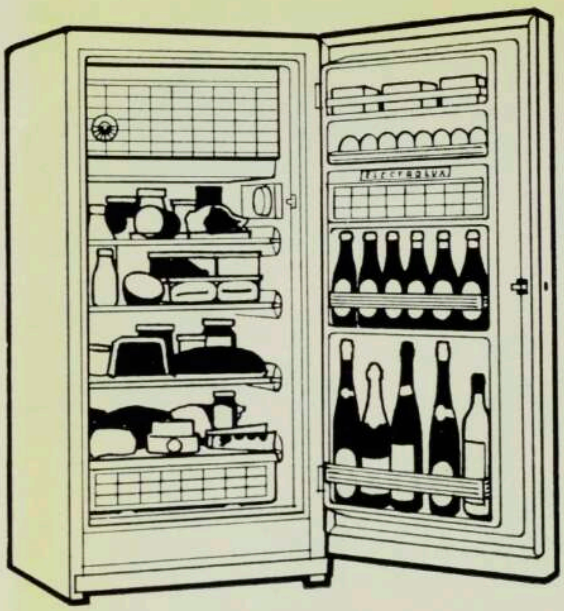
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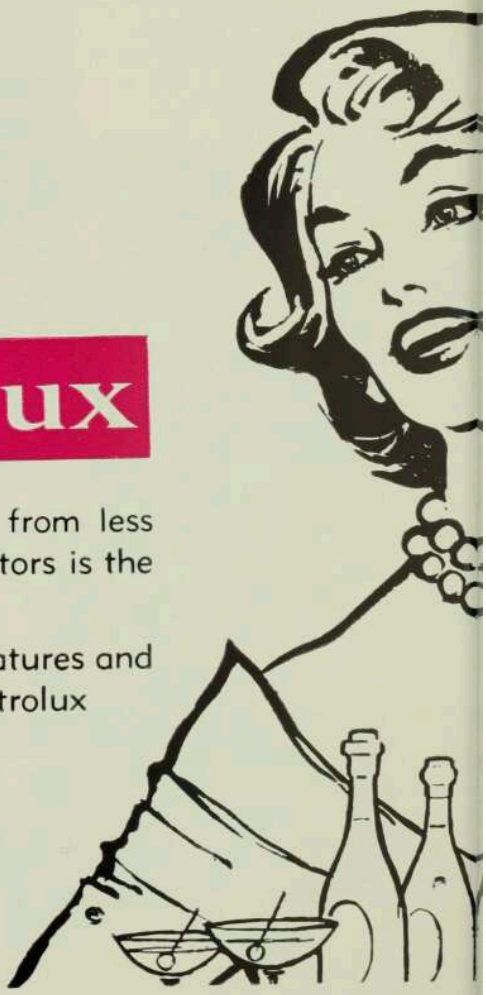
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ht Rescued After ssing 24 Hours

ight persons were rescued from island of Malomalo, about 10 s off Nadi Bay, Fiji, in early ober, after their yacht had been rdue at Nadi for more than 24 rs.

hey were Mr. Paddy Doyle, of th Pacific Hostings, Nadi; Cap- Jack Adriance, Flight Officer K. ghorne, Flight Stewardess Peggy her, Flight Stewardess Stella arro, Flight Stewardess Guldrun sner, all of Pan American Air- s, Captain Ian Gemmell and ht Engineer Derek Stubbs, of AL.

he party left Nadi for a picnic Malomalo aboard the yacht *uka*, and were on their way home n she capsized. The party was in water for about 22 hours.

liss Navarro could not swim and was helped by the others with aid of an inflated car tube. Over- t the party lashed themselves to overturned *Levuka*, making a call every five minutes to help themselves awake and as a k that everyone was there.

ney saw flares fired by searching s during the night but they were found. During the next day they unable to attract the attention passing boat or a searching air- .

ney finally decided to abandon the t and swim for Malomalo with aid of anything buoyant, but ng this successful move they some bad moments with two by sharks.

rt Story Over ged Wreck

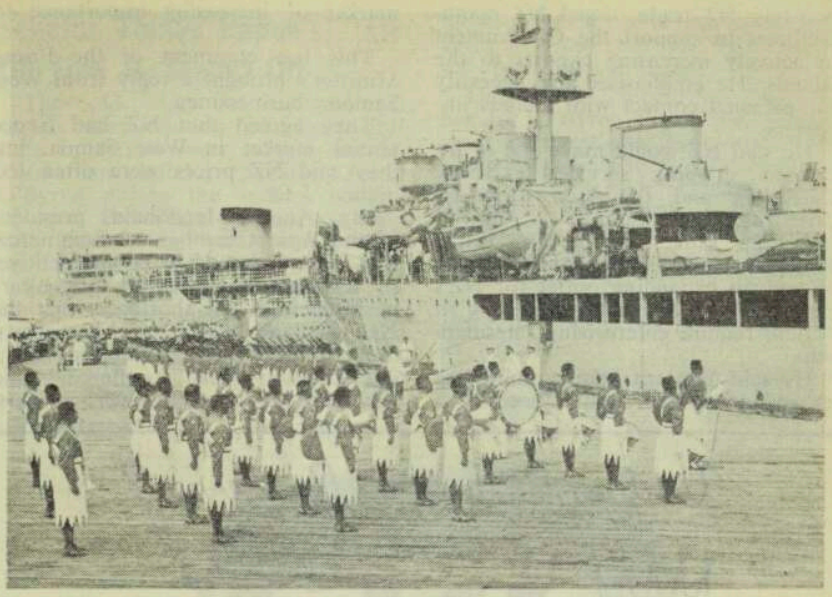
series of stories published in earlier this year about an old k believed to be that of HMS *lora*, of mutiny of the *Bounty* , had a sequel in Sutherland, , Court on October 6.

31-year- yachtsman was charged having obtained a cheque for by falsely pretending that he discovered a wreck, and re- red a bell from it, on the North nsland coast last year. The tsman is Donald Frederick h, mercer, of Munro Avenue, awee. He was alleged to have ined the cheque from John Ed- Linghan of Killara, NSW, on ch 20.

cording to the charge the bell scribed "the gift of Lady Her- daughter of Sir John Knatch- of Mearchim Hatch, in Kent, in Kingdom of England, Nov. 30, 1711". The charge said that a syndicate called the Pandora Salvage and Recovery Syndicate had been formed to recover the wreck "and that for payment of £500 Linghan would receive one-eighth share of all income from the wreck".

Police described Smith's story of the finding of the wreck as "a giant hoax". They said the bell claimed to have been recovered from the wreck had been at Lockhart River Mission for 35 years, and that the charge stemmed from publicity given to the wreck in newspapers all over the world.

Smith was remanded to Nov. 3 on bail.



FRENCH VISIT TO SUVA. When the French navy frigate "Francis Garnier" sailed into Suva in September after visiting Tahiti and American Samoa, Rear-Admiral Martinet, Commander-in-Chief of the French Forces in the Pacific, was given an official welcome at the wharf by the Fiji Military Forces. Later the Governor, Sir Kenneth Maddocks, returned a call made by Rear-Admiral Martinet to Government House. The "Francis Garnier" was launched in 1937 as an Italian naval frigate. She has 170 officers and men, most of whom were able to take part in Suva's Hibiscus Festival celebrations. The vessel later left Suva for Noumea. See also photo on p. 115.—Photo: Rob Wright.

Got Stuck Into It

A man belonging to Leleppa Island, not far from Vila, New Hebrides, has a couple of shark's teeth in his possession to prove his fish story.

He was in his canoe near the island recently when a large shark which had been following his outrigger suddenly decided to attack. It bit the outrigger, overturned the canoe and sent the native into the sea. He hurriedly clambered out on to the overturned canoe and watched the shark make off—presumably with toothache, because it left two of its teeth embedded in the outrigger.

NZ Takes a Closer Look at Islands Trade

Following the success of Australia's recent South Pacific trade mission, which visited New Caledonia, Fiji, Samoa and the New Hebrides, the Wellington (NZ) Manufacturers' Association will make an urgent investigation into ways of building up exports of NZ manufactured goods to the Islands.

In September the association appointed a committee to look at the possibilities of boosting exports, including a private enterprise trade mission to undertake a sales survey in the South Pacific.

The retiring association president, Mr. G. S. Amos, told the association how he had met in Noumea and Fiji members of the Australian trade mission, and how he had been impressed with the way the task was handled.

Another member, Mr. D. Hudig, said, "If we leave it to the Australians, we will be denied this market for all time."

Elsewhere at about the same time, the NZ Trade Commissioner for the Pacific, Mr. K. W. Davies, who always works hard in the interest of

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boosting NZ trade, urged NZ manufacturers to support the Government in actively increasing exports to the Islands. He emphasised the necessity for personal contact with Islands importers.

He said NZ would make use of increased shipping services to New Caledonia and the New Hebrides when they began soon.

In the same month, NZ Prime Minister Holyoake said the Pacific offered an expanding outlet for NZ's exports, but the task of getting it "would require enterprising salesmanship."

He said Western Samoa, following its independence, should become a market of increasing importance to NZ.

This last comment of the Prime Minister's brought a reply from West Samoan businessmen.

They agreed that NZ had a potential market in West Samoa, but they said NZ prices were often too high.

Mr. Angus Macdonald, president of the Apia Chamber of Commerce, said NZ goods had to be competitive.

"It seems that after all these years of protection and shortages, that the New Zealand businessman has grown used to the customer accepting without question what is offered," said Mr. Macdonald. "However, it must be remembered that Samoa is t to buy from anywhere in the wo and, in such conditions, no busin man is going to pay £1 for someth from New Zealand that he can for 10/- elsewhere."

Mr. Macdonald said that, in s of the relatively large volume trade with New Zealand, few N Zealand salesmen visited Sam "Those who do come usually r resent old established lines."

Mr. S. V. MacKenzie said that w businessmen from the rest of world interested in the Samoan m ket, the time was passed when Islands could be regarded as "dumping ground for poor qua produce".

A major point of criticism aga New Zealand exporters and ma facturers is that they make practic no effort to see that their prod are made known to the buying p lic, said Mr. R. F. Rankin, manag director of Samoa Newspapers L and editor of *Samoana*.

"During the past year," he s "we have carried a large variety advertisements for Australian, Am can, English and German goods, during the whole of that period only New Zealand goods adverti were a best selling brand of toba and washing soap."

He said that falling trade figu were the result of complacency inaction on the part of New Zeal businessmen.

Recruiting Team In Fiji

From a Correspondent

Fijian soldiers will agai serve with Commonwealt forces. A recruiting team fro Britain was in October interview ing and testing applicants fo service in the British Army o British terms of service and British rates of pay.

The team's arrival recalls statement by Ravuama Vun valu, MLC, president of the Suv branch of the Fijian Associa tion a few months ago, suggest ing that a battalion of Fijian be recruited for service any where in the Commonwealth a a means of easing local un employment.

Major G. H. Worsley, leade of the team, said in Suva tha 100 men of all races in Fiji wi be selected—and that 200 applie on the first day's testing.

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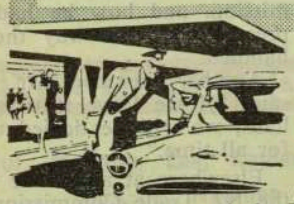
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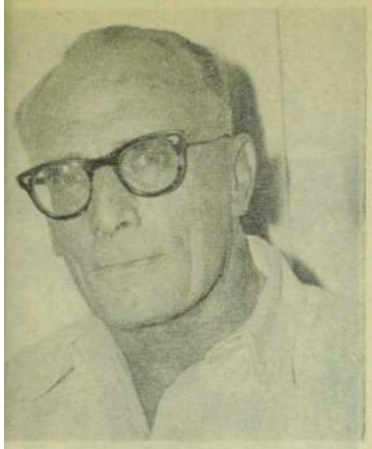
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Mr. John Chipper, MLC.

ey're Hoarding Om. (They Say)

oards of notes and silver total- £10m. are hidden in natives' es and villages throughout ua-New Guinea, a committee of aul accountants has estimated.

he accountants believe that the d will increase without benefit nyone unless a wide policy of in- ment education comes into opera-

he accountants are supporting es for safe and attractive in- ment so that the native people learn to use the money.

the Legislative Council in Sep- ber an elected member for New ain (Mr. John Chipper) appealed a unit trust investment plan on lines of plans now operating suc- fully in Australia.

e suggested an honorary board of nessmen and Government officers dminister the trust.

e said the plan would put idle ey to work, give investors a e of proprietorship in their ntry, assist economic progress provide maximum returns consis- with safety of capital.

practising accountant, Mr. Ray- d Lord, said in Rabaul that Mr. pper's suggestion followed an ex- ive survey of taxation and in- ment Rabaul accountants recently ied out.

usinessmen in Rabaul said that n natives' hoards existed for ific purposes, which meant that money was not lost to circula- but was merely delayed.

Rabaul motor trader, Mr. J. K. wling, has told how one group of ves paid entirely in silver for a 00 truck. They brought the ey from their village in sacks boxes.

Senator Thinks Papua's Oil Find is Sealed Off

The old bogy of international cartels manipulating oil finds—this time in Papua—was trotted out by Tasmanian Labour Senator Justin O'Byrne during the second reading of the Petroleum Search Subsidy Bill, 1961, in the Senate at Canberra on October 3.

Senator O'Byrne had earlier received answers to questions upon notice about Oil Search Ltd., and Australasian Petroleum Co. Pty. Ltd., and whether the Minister for National Development would investigate a report that oil was present in the two Papuan wells drilled at Barikewa and Iehi but had been sealed off for future reference.

During the debate on the bill, Senator O'Byrne urged the Government to investigate the circumstances of developments in the Barikewa-Iehi basin. He referred, in particular, to an article about drilling there written by Dr. Gerrit Mulder, Fellow of the Australian National University, which contained "certain deductions and certain statements, the authenticity of which should be tested to the ultimate".

Senator O'Byrne alleged that a vital section of Iehi well, between 5,790 ft and 8,923 ft, had been left



untested. Why is not further testing being done now? he demanded.

"I believe there is oil there, in the Barikewa-Iehi area," said Senator O'Byrne. "I believe that that is the only place in Australia or in its territories from which we shall get oil. I do not believe that we will find oil in commercial quantities on the Australian continent. This continent is too old for that purpose. It came up from the sea too long ago.

"Papua, however, came up from the sea comparatively recently, geologically speaking. The sedimentary basins there are newer than those on the Australian continent. Plankton is compressed under the sea to form oil pockets. The strata in which those pockets are held in Papua rose to the surface comparatively recently. There is more likelihood of our getting oil from Papua than from anywhere on the Australian continent.

"There is oil all over that archipelago. In Sumatra, to the north, there is oil in plenty, and Sumatra is on the same continental shelf as Papua. . . .

"I agree with Dr. Mulder when he says that the presence of oil in the Barikewa-Iehi basin has been more or less established, but at the moment it is in the hands of the powerful international oil organisations."

The Senator went on to give details of alterations in shareholdings in the operating company in Papua agreed to by British Petroleum Co. and Standard Vacuum Co., following meetings by their top representatives in London and New York. He indicated that these transactions could mean that, over a period of four years, BP and Vacuum could be paying only 60 per cent. of future oil drilling costs while the balance would be made up of 20 per cent. from Australian investors in Oil Search Ltd.



CHASED TO TAHITI. In a hectic three 10,000 mile flight along the TEAL Coral R to Tahiti, host-compere of the Austra television programme "Revue 61", Digby W (right) and scriptwriter Chris Beard (left) filmed in a "chase" sequence for a seq of a national programme. The "chase" w commenced in the TEAL Sydney travel o continued through the South Pacific inclu New Zealand, Fiji, Eastern Samoa and clim in Tahiti with Digby borrowing the local engine in his endeavour to catch Chris Be

and 20 per cent. from Federal Go subsidies.

In a brief reply, Senator Spoo (Minister for National Devel ment) said: "There is not the slig est ground for any thought that a where in this field of oil search th has been any concealment of resu To think that there has been is being foolish. If ever a door w wide open, it is the door of t company. It is open to the officers my Department and of the Pap and New Guinea Administrati Those officers see the results as t come to hand."

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Nauruans Told To Leave Guest-house

Racial discrimination by Australi hotels has been causing the Comm wealth Government some embarra ment, says *PIM's* Canberra cor pondent.

A Townsville publican was p licly rebuked by the Prime Minis after he had refused a drink t Kenya education officer, Mr. Ger Kalya.

Said Mr. Menzies: "I deplore a discourtesy to any visitor to t country from overseas, whatever

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Old Wreck Found

Vila businessman Reece Dis-mbe believes he has discovered mains of a sandalwood vessel ecked at Dillon Bay, Erro-anga, New Hebrides, in 1848.

The vessel was the "Eliza-th", possibly from China, hich is referred to in several rly histories as being wrecked the spot where Mr. Discombe und her during a diving expe-ion. It is believed all the crew re lost except for two Poly-sians who were later eaten the local cannibals.

Erromanga is the famous artyr isle" where in 1839 the uth Seas missionary Rev. John lliams was killed and eaten.

Mr. Discombe was at Erro-nga on a contract to re-float d take to Vila a small vessel "Tebakor" when he read a ok, "Erromanga, the Martyr e" which told of the wreck the "Elizabeth", so he went ing for it. He located iron tenings and nails, among er things.

r of his skin and from what-country he comes. I am sure Australians will share my feel-n this."

e hotel-keeper did nothing to matters when he explained that id not know of Mr. Kalya's

I had known who he was I l have told him to go into the te bar, have a couple of drinks *hen go,"* he said.

e ink on newspaper reports of surprising remark had barely when three Nauruan women ran racial discrimination in Mel-e.

ey were asked to leave a guest-by a proprietress who sought ggest that her rooms were re-l for "naice" people (like diplo-

e Nauruans were Miss K. Keke, Elinor Harris and Mrs. Agnes , who were returning from the en's Interests Training Seminar ged by the SPC in Apia in mber.

e guest-house, described as a ry private hotel" at South , told the women there had been take in their bookings, and the n then stayed at a Salvation hostel. The Nauruans behaved dignity and told the Press they want to comment. The mana-geress said she had been "shocked" at their arrival.

The incident got wide publicity in Australian newspapers, and among the people who wrote to the Press attacking the guest-house's action was the Rev. John Robinson, now Chairman of the Congregational Union of NSW, who was on Nauru for seven years until 1953. He said both Agnes Waga and Elinor Harris were his friends and both had stayed in his own home.

He added:

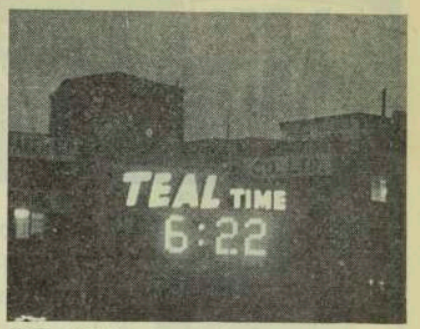
"Such treatment as this is worse when viewed in the light of the fact that it is not many months since the Australian representative on the UN Trusteeship Council in New York said that the Australian Government was prepared to consider receiving the Nauruan community (numbering about 2,000) into Australia when, due to the total removal of the phosphate deposits, Nauru is no longer habitable.

"Should this come to pass, is this the sort of treatment they may expect?

"It needs to be remembered, sir, that such happenings as this could very well have very serious repercussions for Australia in the Trusteeship Council.

"Let it not be forgotten that the phosphate deposits on Nauru are vital to Australia.

"We have been responsible for bringing about an almost complete change in the ways of life of the Nauruan people and surely this puts us under some obligation to them."



SIGN CLOCK. New Zealand has got its first direct read sign clock, which now operates at the foot of Emily Place, Auckland, and can be seen along Custom Street and across the Queen Street intersection. The clock operates 24 hours a day, with five foot figures in lights changing the time every minute.

60 Indonesian "Invaders" in NNG

About 60 Indonesians, heavily armed, "invaded" Netherlands New Guinea south of Sorong in mid-September. Local natives reported their arrival from prows, and police caught six of the party the first day.

The military then moved in and rounded up others, but not before police Sergeant W. E. Carli was caught by the infiltrators and killed. A number of Indonesians was also killed.

A Hollandia correspondent said morale of the group appeared not to be high—on one occasion a number of them fled when troops appeared and left their weapons behind, including mortars, and sabotage material. By the end of September most of

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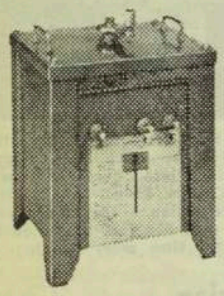
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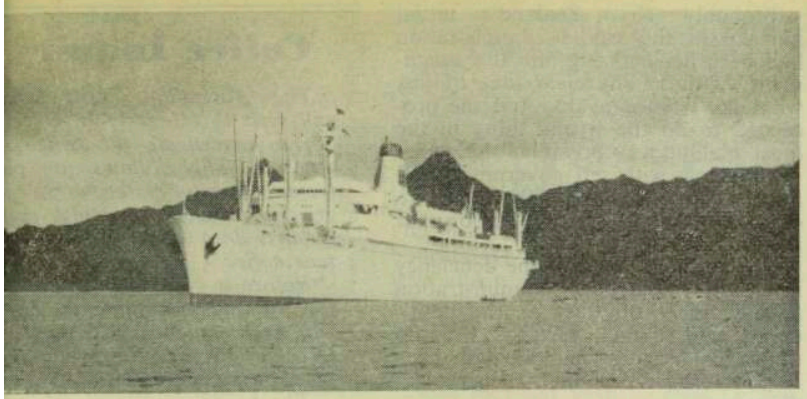
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Matson liner "Monterey" at Rarotonga on one of the regular southbound calls. Cook nders now make use of her to head for the bright lights—and not come back. See below.

nvaders had been either killed or ired.
me of those captured said the ose of the landing was to cause st among the natives, and stir rouble against the Administra-

ks' Departures ious Problem'

e September call of the Matson *Mariposa* to Rarotonga com- d the first twelve months of lar calls to the Cooks by Matson ls on their southbound voyages. e figures show that for the 12 hs 376 people travelled from the s to NZ by Matson vessels— than 330 of them Cook ders.
great majority were people in working age group, and many of left jobs to seek higher paid in NZ.
report from Rarotonga in Sep- er said that "if migration of g people continues on the pre- scale for another year or two, uld lead to a serious shortage bour here for essential services pose some serious problems for Government".

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w Zealand and America were lly to blame for the fact that ern Samoa was at present a in the archaeological world, J. Crate Larkin, Jun., of the ropology department of the ice P. Bishop Museum, Hono- said at Pago Pago.
. Larkin claims the area was cted from an archaeological t, because America thought New nd was covering the field and Zealand thought it was being led by America through Hawaii.

Consequently, neither had done any research.
Dr. Larkin would like to see a combined American-New Zealand research team move into West Samoa.

75 Years Of Tongan Stamps

The seventy-fifth anniversary of postal services in the Kingdom of Tonga will be commemorated by a special issue of stamps to be put on sale on December 1.
The stamps were designed by Mr. D. M. Blakely, of Nukualofa, and will be on sale for nine months or until stocks are exhausted. There will be five stamps, 1d, 2d, 4d, 5d, and 1s, and first-day covers will be available from the post office in Nukualofa on the day of issue.

Samarai For a Nautical School?

The Milne Bay District of Papua would like the Samarai area to be considered as the site of an Administration nautical school. Mr. John Stuntz, MLC, said in the September meeting of Legco in Port Moresby that he understood the Administration was looking for a slipway for a nautical school, and Milne Bay people suggested that the Samarai area was the place for it because it was "the most geographically central point in the Territory". The bulk of the Administration's small-ship fleet was centred at Samarai, and a slipway was already handy.

Germans "Should Get Credit For W. Samoa"

It was essential that NZ realised the whole foundation of West Samoan development had been laid by the German Administration of the

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Territory, said Father A. J. McKay, in Christchurch, NZ, in September.

Father McKay was a Roman Catholic missionary in the two Samoas for many years and returned to Christchurch last year, where he is now teaching.

"To be fair, New Zealand only had to carry on where the Germans left off," he said. "We did no real pioneering but were just content to follow.

"With their dignity, integrity, their capable training of leaders, and their whole administration, the Germans did a brilliant job in spite of some mistakes. I don't believe this is fully appreciated in New Zealand."

Probably New Zealand's initial mistake in the whole administration had been her entering into the assignment "without any clear idea of just what she wanted to do. And she proceeded to do the wrong thing in the most blatant way possible," he said.

And now with self government imminent, New Zealand had shown no clear-cut policy of preparation for the change.

The responsibility for the deficiency in New Zealand's administration should lie at the feet of the politicians, said Father McKay. Frustrations in Western Samoa had been largely caused by their general indifference.

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Coffee Inquiry

The Australian Tariff Board will visit P-NG early in December to investigate the coffee industry. This follows the pleas from Territory growers for greater protection against rising imports into Australia of overseas coffee.

Before it goes to the Territory for a first-hand inquiry, the board will hear evidence in Sydney, on October 23, and in Melbourne on November 13.

The board's terms of reference include the needs of the Territory industry and Australia's responsibilities towards P-NG.

In spite of such criticism, however there was much that could be set on the credit side of New Zealand administration in Samoa. A great deal has been done in the fields of health, medicine, education and administration of justice.

It was still possible to feel confident about the future. With goodwill on the part of Western Samoan leaders who were "wise, shrewd and prudent", the nation's independence could be furthered happily and with prosperity, he said.

Pacific Airlines

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the Far East through Melanesia, the Central Pacific and return, not passing Australia.

It will also probably mean an international air service for the BSIP because there will be tourist traffic enough to support one.

Float planes would probably be best suited for this area, and many Papua New Guinea fliers in September were casting their eyes towards the BSIP in the belief that invitations to form local air companies might soon be made.

There are a number of small healthy P-NG charter services operating now, and others are being formed.

Although there has been no official announcement, Qantas in December will use Boeing 707's on its Sydney-Noumea service, to replace the present weekly Electras. The Electras have had to compete with TAI's DC-6B. The Qantas service to Noumea is a "political" service—it's not economic—and the Qantas attitude seems to be that in the circumstances they are better off competing against TAI without the bigger jet.

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P-NG Legco

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team, but then, they always did. t is more interesting is that the ed native members are develop- a pattern despite earlier fears n the Council that they would ame ducks. "Brown brother" is ng out not to be brown brother , but another bloke with a point iew—and if that isn't political ess then I'm a Tolai!

t only have the Europeans d to tell the native members they think of their views— id of sitting quietly while some em made painful asses of them- ; but the natives are also oping political views about each

sonalities stand out. The native er developing most prominently to be Somo Sigob, a shrewd man representing New Guinea al. He looks like being a natural can.

uben Taureka, hailed only a time ago as being a Papuan , is now politically dead—killed overnment patronage.

t-European John Guise still has roblem ahead of him—whether e identified with the native e or the European. He has a in both camps yet, and stands ance of being politically un- ar in both. His gift of the he is a better speaker than European members—may even out to be a handicap.

parliamentary traditions are on people like these, for they eople to examine, and for the time Council members are ning to examine each other.

Government members too have given a new lease of life. The lays have gone when most sat Sepik carvings and left all the g to one or two.

ere was a great deal of give and in the September debates, with Government members giving as as they got. At one time the ary for Law, Mr. W. W. ins, was even willing to dive in ffer Mr. Downs an explanation why P-NG now had two ant Administrators, but fortun- for the Government Mr. Downs eaded off with an adjournment n so the back-room boys could time to think out an explanation.

John Gunther has developed a real Government leader, with ajor fault—he continues to take attack on the Government as a personal whack on his own head, an attitude which is guaranteed to create ulcers for himself but none for the opposition.

But men like that are also in the parliamentary tradition.

DEATHS OF ISLANDS PEOPLE

Ron Pickwell

The death occurred in Sydney on September 8 of one of New Guinea's pioneer Medical Assistants, Ron Pickwell, who had been holidaying in Queensland from his home in Melbourne. He was accompanied by his wife and was staying a few days with his eldest son, Dennis, in Sydney when he suddenly became ill from a heart condition and died two days later.

Ron Pickwell went to New Guinea for the Exproboard shortly after World War I, in which he served, and was posted as a plantation overseer to the Manus district. Later he was appointed a medical assistant on Kalili (New Ireland) plantation, during the time of Mr. Mirow, whence he transferred to the Administration in the same capacity. He served as Senior Medical Assistant in Rabaul, Kieta, Sohano, Madang, Namatanai and other stations.

In 1942, when the Japs landed, he and a party of Europeans and natives, numbering over 90, walked from the Wewak area to Daru in Papua, a strenuous trek. One of the party was Jack Thurston. Later on, Pickwell joined up with ANGAU.

Ron was a great favourite with all whom he met and his home, with his charming wife, Ruth, was ever a popular rendezvous for itinerant islanders.—*G.T.*

Ratu George Cokanauto Tuisawau

A Fijian whose grandfather signed the Deed of Cession under which Fiji was ceded to Britain, died in Suva in September. He was Ratu George Cokanauto Tuisawau, OBE, paramount chief of Rewa. He was 60.

He was a grandson of the Roko Tui Dreketi who signed the Deed of Cession.

Ratu George was installed as Roko Tui of his own Province of Rewa in 1936. In the following year he became a member of Legislative Council with which he was connected for 20 years.

The Hon. Charles Arthur Banks

The Hon. Charles Arthur Banks, CMG, chairman of Placer Development Limited and formerly president and managing director of that company, died in Vancouver on Sept. 28, aged 76.

The late Mr. Banks was born in NZ and had a distinguished career in the field of gold mining engineering and his talents were also used in public responsibilities in Canada. From 1946-50 he was Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia.

Mr. Banks was instrumental, with the late Mr. William A. Freeman of Sydney, in forming Placer Development Limited in 1926 and was managing director through the next 31 years. He played a major role in the formation and development of Bulolo Gold Dredging Limited. His guiding hand in the New Guinea enterprise was recognised in the 1937 Award of the Gold Medal of Mining of the Metallurgical Society of America, for the development of remote mines by air transport

The world-wide interests of Placer Development Limited grew from the vision of Mr. Banks.

He leaves a widow, Mrs. "Bunty" Banks.

Mr. J. B. Stinson

A pioneer Fiji businessman, Mr. J. B. Stinson, collapsed and died in Suva on October 2. He was 80.

The late Mr. Stinson was born in Toronto, Canada, and went to Fiji in 1902 to visit his uncle, Rev. William Floyd, who established the Church of England in Fiji. Mr. Stinson set up a photographic business at levuka. He married in Fiji, returned to Canada in 1907 but four years later he and his wife returned to Fiji, where he took up a copra plantation, which he later sold.

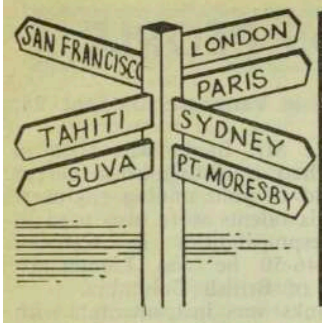
He opened a photographic business in Suva in 1938, and in 1946 handed the management of this business to his son, Mr. C. A. Stinson, the present Mayor of Suva.

The late Mr. Stinson's wife died last year. He left seven children.

William Thornton Watson

The death occurred in New York on September 10 of William Thornton ("Wid") Watson, a NZ-born pioneer of New Guinea. He was in his 74th year. In his early years he was an international footballer, and went to New Guinea after Warld War I with the Expropriations Board. He became prospector and trader. In World War II, although he was rejected as being "too old" (he was decorated in World War I) he joined the Militia and soon made a name for himself in training the Papuan Battalion. He left a wife and two children. See "Tolala's tribute", p. 44.

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TRAVEL TALK

What do tourists look for during their tours? How are they attracted to one place more than another? American tourist and travel expert Bill Mullahey gave some of the answers in Port Moresby in September—and what he had to say is of more than ordinary interest to South Pacific islands other than Papua-New Guinea.

MR. MULLAHEY is Pan American Airways' Regional Director for the Central and South Pacific, and also chairman of the Research and Survey Committee of the Pacific Area Travel Association.

He had just taken in a week's tour of the Territory and will make a report on its tourist potential to the 11th annual conference of PATA in Hongkong in January. P-NG is looking around at the moment for ways of building up its tourist income.

Mr. Mullahey said that while the tourist potential of the Territory was unlimited, a lead from the Government was essential. He said that for every £1 the Government contributed towards the development of a tourist trade, it would receive many more times the amount back in various ways.

The Government profited from excise on liquor and customs duties, and when employment was created, it benefited from increased earnings, because more income and company taxes were paid.

In Hawaii, it had been established that the Government received back, in direct and indirect taxes, 20 to 30 more times the amount of money it spent to attract tourists.

Mr. Mullahey said he was particularly impressed by the NG Highlands, and also by Madang. He suggested that accommodation facilities should be planned along tourist roads, so that the places where visitors stayed overnight had the external appearances of native villages.

The sites, localities, basic layout, and planning of these "visitor villages" should be controlled, so that an initial installation of, say, 20 units, could be easily increased to 40, or 80 more units. It was important to plan such essentials as the dining room, lounge room, office and kitchen, so that pre-planned additions could be easily made to the central block.

Mr. Mullahey said that the buildings could be constructed with local materials, but it was essential that the design should be unique to the Territory.

For instance, the pagoda and tori were unique to China and Japan, and the haus-tambaran could become a unique Territory symbol, bringing to the mind Papua and New Guinea whenever it was seen in pictures or illustrations.

Decorative motifs should be drawn from a wide variety of indigenous and colourful artifacts, handicrafts, and arts. Unique food dishes could be invented, using local foodstuffs, fruits, nuts, and vegetables.

New cocktails and mixed drinks should also be invented and presented in a variety of indigenous gourds, bamboo, or other containers.

Menus, and drinks menus could be written in Pidgin English, or one of the colourful local dialects, with translations in brackets.

Mr. Mullahey stressed that consideration should be given to the world "image" of Papua and New Guinea.

This "market image" or identification should take as many forms as possible. For Hawaii, the Diamond Head, lei, hula girl, aloha shirt, perfumes, maitai drink, and other identifications had been established.

For Papua and New Guinea there was, perhaps, some headland, volcano, or frequently photographed mountain view which could uniquely identify the Territory. Other suggestions could include a decorated shield, face mask for the Sepik, or the hr tambaran.



A haus-tambaran—will it do for the Guinea tourist image?

Visitors would be as interested "life-seeing" as they would be "sight-seeing". Therefore, village should be made accessible, while intefering with or altering indigen cultures.

Mr. Mullahey stressed that country built up a tourist trade w out effort, and some countries relied almost exclusively on tou for their livelihood.

Development capital should made available to reputable dividuals and c panies, perh with the ende ment of the G ernment who sa to gain a great out of it. One t of tourist penditure immediately accrued taxes, while the total penetrated elements of the local economy, viding employment and training the local people.

A healthy tourist trade encour the development and the quality variety of locally grown foodst encouraged the direct sale of cot industry products and curios.

On balance of payments, relati minor amounts were spent foreign products, such as refrigerators, wines, liquors. major expenditures were made w the local economy, the money H spent on employees' wages, struction materials, labour, and

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Norfolk Island is more rugged than most people realise.

ruction and promotion of the of local goods.

. Mullahey concluded: "What ins, now, to be done, is for body, the Government, business s, particularly hotels, and the e generally to co-operate fully veloping the tourist trade. With ing and sufficient support and ıragement, the tourist trade become the Territory's most able industry".

s The Time To Norfolk Island

RFOLK Island seldom rates a nention in the Federal Parlia- but in September it found an ected champion in Mr. Clyde ron.

returned from a holiday in lk Island full of praise for its t attractions.

e island was the best and pos- the cheapest place in Australia quiet holiday, he said.

. Cameron urged the Govern- to seal the island's air strip. raised the Government's decision end £20,000 on restoring the old ct relics.

is all very well for Norfolk lers to say, 'Let us forget about ," he said.

was a tragedy when the early rners decided to set fire to the elics and burn the settlements. ever we have an opportunity to nber how inhuman were the of the British Empire not much than a hundred years ago, we only to go to Norfolk Island to ne evidence."

. Cameron appealed to the rnment to preserve the cottage Norfolk Island in which the al W. C. Wentworth was born. . Cameron's praises of Norfolk ell deserved, and now is a good to plan a holiday there. Qantas, the only company to provide air services, in December will begin a weekly Skymaster service from Sydney for the summer.

At present the service is fortnightly, which means you spend either one night or a fortnight on the island. After calling at Norfolk from Sydney, the Skymaster goes on to Auckland and returns to Norfolk and Sydney the next day. Times are in *PIM's* air schedules.

You can also get there aboard BP's *Tulagi* from Sydney, taking five days, but the *Tulagi* makes a six weeks' trip to northern groups too, and since she has passenger accommodation only for 12, she is always booked out.

By air is the best way to visit Norfolk. Distance is 900 miles from Sydney and 600 miles from Auckland.

Climate is equable (mean temperature 80 and minimum 50). There are an amazing variety of walks on the five by three mile island—some of them strenuous ones. There is horse riding and plenty of excellent fishing, golf, tennis and bowls. There are several taxis on the island but one guesthouse offers free transport.

Norfolk is mainly for those looking for a quiet restful holiday with plenty of interesting scenery and friendly people. The famous Norfolk Island pines present a backdrop not seen anywhere else in the South Seas and the convict ruins of the old penal settlement are good for several days of solid study.

There are few stores, but the shopping is extremely cheap—cheaper probably than anywhere in the Pacific except Hongkong.

The only hotel has been recently extended, and more extensions are on the way. It will be able to take 52 guests from December 23. The hotel is at Kingston, but the guest houses are in the centre of the island, two miles from the beach. The Hotel Paradise is about a quarter of a mile from the beach.

The hotel is licensed but the guest houses aren't. At the guest houses, guests can have their own liquor which they buy from the Administration-run Liquor Store at prices cheaper than in Australia or New Zealand. The Scotch is usually bottled in Scotland!

Norfolk Island has its own Tourist Bureau, which has a lady in charge who handles all inquiries and will make bookings free of charge.

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Malaita sails from Sydney, Bris- Cairns, Port Moresby, Samarai, , Lombrum, Lorengau, Madang, Lae, ai, Brisbane, Sydney. Next Sydney s: Oct. 20, Nov. 28 (approx.).

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Soochow: Leaves Melbourne for , Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Rabaul, , Lae, Port Moresby, Sydney. dney sailing: Oct. 13. Next Sydney : Nov. 28, Jan. 5 (approx.).

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Aros: Dep. Hongkong southwards Oct. 30 for Nth. Borneo, Tarakan (for bunkers), Rabaul Nov. 14-15, Lae Nov. 16-18, Brisbane Nov. 22-24, Sydney Nov. 26.

Samos: Dep. Japan (Moji) Nov. 14 for Hongkong, Madang Nov. 27-28, Lae Nov. 29-Dec. 1, Rabaul Dec. 3-4, Honiara Dec. 6-7, Vanikoro Dec. 9-12, Santo Dec. 13-14, Vila Dec. 15, Brisbane Dec. 18, Sydney Dec. 22 (approx.).

Milos: Dep. Sydney Nov. 15 for Brisbane Nov. 17-20, Lae Nov. 24-25, Madang (opt.), Rabaul Nov. 26-27, Manila Dec. 3-4, Hongkong Dec. 6-7, thence Japanese ports. Dep. Moji Dec. 19 southwards for Hongkong, Nth. Borneo, Rabaul, Lae, Brisbane and Sydney, due Jan. 18 (approx.).

Details from Wilh. Wilhelmsen Agency, 13 Bridge St., Sydney. (BU 6301).

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		ORIANA	IBERIA	ORSOVA	ORCADES
SYDNEY	depart	Nov. 7	Nov. 21	Dec. 6	Jan. 3
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Nov. 10	Nov. 24	Dec. 9	Jan. 6
SUVA	arr/dep	Nov. 13	Nov. 27	Dec. 12	Jan. 9
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Nov. 17	Dec. 2	Dec. 17	Jan. 14
VANCOUVER	arr/dep	Nov. 21-22	thence	Dec. 22-24	Jan. 19-20
SAN FRANCISCO	arr/dep	Nov. 24-25	to	Dec. 26-27	Jan. 22-23
LOS ANGELES	arr/dep	Nov. 26	Mexico,	Dec. 28	Jan. 24
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Nov. 30	Panama	Jan. 2	Jan. 29
SUVA	arr/dep	Dec. 6	and	Jan. 9	Feb. 5
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Dec. 9	UK	Jan. 12	Feb. 8
SYDNEY	arrive	Dec. 11		Jan. 15	Feb. 11

Details from P. and O.-Orient Lines of Aust. Pty., Ltd., 2-6 Spring St., Sydney. (B 0532).

USA-Tahiti-Cook Is.-NZ-Sydney-Fiji-Samoa-Hawaii

		MONTEREY	MARIPOSA	MONTEREY	MARIPOSA
SAN FRANCISCO	depart	Nov. 3	Nov 24	Dec. 18	Jan. 7
LOS ANGELES	arr/dep	Nov. 4	Nov. 25	Dec. 19	Jan. 8
PAPEETE	arr/dep	Nov. 12-14	Dec. 3-5	Dec. 27-29	Jan. 16-18
RAROTONGA	arr/dep	Nov. 15	Dec. 6	Dec. 30	Jan. 19
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Nov. 20	Dec. 11	Jan. 4	Jan. 24-25
SYDNEY	arr/dep	Nov. 23-26	Dec. 14-17	Jan. 7-10	Jan. 28-31
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Nov. 29-30	Dec. 20	Jan. 13	Feb. 3
SUVA	arr/dep	Dec. 3	Dec. 23	Jan. 16	Feb. 6
PAGO PAGO	arr/dep	Dec. 4	Dec. 24	Jan. 17	Feb. 7
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Dec. 9-10	Dec. 29-30	Jan. 22-23	Feb. 12-13
SAN FRANCISCO	arrive	Dec. 15	Jan. 4	Jan. 28	Feb. 18

Details from Matson Lines, Berger House, 82 Elizabeth St., Sydney. (BU 4272).

Biak and Sorong (every two months), NNG; thence Manila, Hongkong and China thence West Africa and return to Australia. Next Sydney sailings: Tjiliwong Nov. 6, Tjimanuk Dec. 3.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George St., Sydney. (BU 6771).

Netherlands NG - P-NG

MV Karossa (Dutch KPM Line) operates from Singapore about every three months to Portuguese Timor, Netherlands New Guinea ports (Sorong, Manokwari, Biak, Seroei, Sarmi, Hollandia, Fak-Fak, Kaimana, Kokonao, Merauke), and Port Moresby in Papua-New Guinea; return by same route. Next Port Moresby call: Dec. 11.

MV's Kaloekoe and Kasimbar, three monthly services on route as above—but omitting call at Port Moresby.

MV Sungei Bila operates from Manokwari to Geelvink Bay ports; and occasionally from Hollandia to Wewak, Madang, Lae and Rabaul, in P-NG.

UK-Papua-NG-BSI

Bank Line (Andrew Weir & Co. Ltd.) operates a direct service from Europe to Papua-New Guinea and British Solomon Is., vessels going on to Australia for cargo-loading and returning to UK via Suez. Loading brokers in London are Bethell, Gwyn and Co. Ltd. Next vessels:

Lindenbank: From Continent, due Pt. Moresby Nov. 8, Samarai Nov. 10, Lae Nov. 12, Madang Nov. 14, Wewak Nov. 15, Rabaul Oct. 17, Kavieng (opt.), Honiara Nov. 21.

Firbank: From Continent, dep. London Nov. 15, due Pt. Moresby Dec. 20, Samarai Dec. 22, Lae Dec. 23, Madang Dec. 26, Wewak Dec. 28, Rabaul Dec. 29, Kavieng (opt.), Honiara Jan. 1.

Details from Bank Line (A/asia.) Pty. Ltd., 269 George St., Sydney. (BU 2041).

Europe-Tahiti-Noumea-BSI-P-NG - Netherlands NG

A regular service from the Continent and UK, via Panama, to Tahiti, New Caledonia, BSI, P-NG and Netherlands NG is operated jointly by Nederlands Line Royal Dutch Mail and Royal Rotterdam Lloyd.

Madison Lloyd (RL): From Continent, due Papeete Nov. 17, Noumea Nov. 25, Honiara Nov. 29, Pt. Moresby Dec. 2, Rabaul Dec. 5, Lae Dec. 8, Madang Dec. 10, Alexishafen Dec. 12, Hollandia Dec. 14, Biak Dec. 20, Manokwari Dec. 23, Sorong Dec. 26, thence Europe via Borneo, Far East and Suez.

Karachi (NL): From Continent, dep. London Nov. 20, due Papeete Dec. 17, Noumea Dec. 25, Honiara Dec. 29, Pt. Moresby Jan. 1, Rabaul Jan. 4, Lae Jan. 7, Madang Jan. 9, Hollandia Jan. 12, Biak Jan. 18, Manokwari Jan. 21, Sorong Jan. 24, thence Europe via Borneo, Far East and Suez.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George St., Sydney. (BU 6771).

NZ-Papua-N. Guinea

Cargo vessels of Crusader Shipping Co. (UK), running between New Zealand and Japan, call occasionally at Pt. Moresby (Papua) and Lae and Rabaul (New Guinea) on their northbound run.

Next vessel: Port Montreal dep. Auckland Nov. 25 for Pt. Moresby Nov. 30, Lae Dec. 1, Rabaul Dec. 2, thence Japanese ports.

Details from Shaw, Savill Line, agents, 101 Queen St., Auckland. (Tel. 30-310).

Far East-Sth. West. & Central Pacific

China Navigation Co., Ltd., vessels maintain monthly service from Japan southwards through P-NG, BSI, New Hebrides, Fiji and N. Caledonia; usually return to Japan direct.

Chungking: From Japan and Hongkong, due Madang Oct. 25, Lae Oct. 28, Kavieng Oct. 31, Rabaul Nov. 2, Pt. Moresby Nov. 8, Honiara Nov. 11, Suva/Lautoka Nov. 15, Labasa and Apia (dates to be fixed), Noumea Nov. 30, thence direct Japan, arr. Dec. 19.

Chekiang: Dep. Japan Nov. 13, Hongkong Nov. 21, Wewak Nov. 29, Madang Dec. 1, Lae Dec. 4, Rabaul Dec. 7, Pt. Moresby Dec. 14, Honiara Dec. 17, Suva/Lautoka Dec. 21, Noumea Dec. 27, thence direct Japan, arr. Jan. 18.

Chengtu: Dep. Japan Dec. 8, Hongkong Dec. 16, Madang Dec. 24, Lae Dec. 27, Rabaul Dec. 30, Samarai Jan. 1, Pt. Moresby Jan. 7, Santo Jan. 11, Vila Jan. 13, Suva/Lautoka Jan. 16, Noumea Jan. 23, thence direct Japan, arr. Feb. 9.

Details from China Navigation Co., Ltd. (Swire and Yuill Pty., Ltd., agents), Bridge St., Sydney. (BU 1712).

Sydney-New Hebrides-BSI Bougainville, Etc.

MV Tulagi makes a round trip Noumea, Is., Vila, Santo, Honiara and BSI ports, Bougainville ports, leaving Sydney about once every six weeks. Next Sydney sailing Nov. 9 (approx.).

Details from Burns, Philp and Co., Bridge Street, Sydney. (B 0547).

Sydney-New Caledonia-New Hebrides-Tahiti

Vessels of Messageries Maritimes leave from Marseilles, via West Indies and Panama, call about every six weeks at Papeete, Vila, Noumea and Sydney, and return by same route.

Next inwards voyages, ex-Marseilles: Caledonien: Papeete Nov. 19-23, Vila Nov. 30-Dec. 1, Noumea Dec. 2-6, Sydney Dec. 9

Tahitien: Papeete Dec. 29-Jan. 2, Vila Jan 9-10, Noumea Jan. 11-15, Sydney Jan. 18.

Next outwards voyages, ex-Sydney: Melanesien: Dep. Sydney Nov. 7, Noumea Nov. 7-11, Vila Nov. 12, Papeete Nov. 27-Dec. 2.

Caledonien: Dep. Sydney Dec. 14, Noumea Dec. 17-20, Vila Dec. 21-29, Papeete Jan. 4-9.

Polynesie (Messageries Maritimes) maintains about monthly passenger sailings between Sydney, Noumea and New Hebrides (Vila and Santo). Next Sydney sailings: Oct. 27, Nov. 17, Dec. 8.

Details from Messageries Maritimes, Grosvenor St., Sydney. (BU 2654).

Europe-Sydney-Noumea

Cargo vessels of Messageries Maritimes Line maintain regular monthly service between France and New Caledonia via Fr. East Africa, Ceylon and Australian ports. Each has accommodation for passengers. From Sydney, vessels call Brisbane and Noumea; then return to France via Australian coastal ports.

Next sailings from Sydney for Noumea: Velay Nov. 17; Ventoux Dec. 15.

Other Messageries Maritimes vessels run regularly between France and Sydney, via Panama Canal and New Caledonian ports. Next vessels:

Iraouaddy: Sydney Nov. 6, Vila Nov. 7, Noumea Nov. 14, returning to Dunkirk via Australian ports.

Kouang-Si: Papeete Dec. 5, Noumea Dec. 15, Sydney Dec. 25, Vila Dec. 31, Noumea Jan. 2, returning to Dunkirk via Australian ports.

Details from Messageries Maritimes, Grosvenor St., Sydney. (BU 2654).

NZ-Fiji-Tonga-Samoa

Tofua maintains a service from Auckland to Suva, Nukualofa, Vavau, Pago Pago, Apia, Suva and return to Auckland. Next Auckland sailings: Nov. 7, Dec. 12.

Matua maintains a service from Auckland to Lautoka, Suva, Nukualofa, Apia, Suva, Lyttelton, Wellington and return to Auckland. Next Auckland sailing: Nov. 23, Dec. 22.

Details from Union Steam Ship Co. of NZ, Quay and Commerce Sts., Auckland. (Tel. 49-430).

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Sydney-Pacific Ports-Panama-UK

y Savill's liner Southern Cross makes round-the-world voyages per year, vest-bound, then two east-bound, at Fiji and Tahiti every trip.
ent voyage: From Southampton h. Africa, at Suva Oct. 24, Papeete 28-29, thence via Panama to mpton, arr. Nov. 23.
voyage: Dep. Southampton Dec. 5, nama, due Papeete Dec. 29-30, Suva Sydney Jan. 13.
ils from Shaw Savill Line, 8a eagh St., Sydney. (BW 1828).

lew Zealand-Cook Is.

S Moana Roa (40 passengers) makes imately monthly voyages from nd (NZ) to Rarotonga (Cook), with calls at Niue and some Cook Islands when cargo warrants.
ils from NZ Department of Island ries, Wellington (Tel. 45-117), or ice of Union SS Co. of NZ, Ltd.

America-Tahiti-Central Pacific-NG

ic Islands Transport Line's vessels le and Thor I maintain approxi- six weeks service from Pacific Nth. America ports to Pacific

I: Dep. San Francisco Nov. 4, Los Nov. 5-7, Papeete Nov. 17-20, Pago Nov. 24-25, Apia Nov. 26-27, Suva -Dec. 1, Noumea Dec. 3-5, Rabaul -12, Pago Pago Dec. 17-20, Los Jan. 1-4, San Francisco Jan. 5, isle: Dep. San Francisco Dec. 23, geles Dec. 24-27, Papeete Jan. 7-9. Pago Jan. 12-13, Apia Jan. 14-16, an. 19-20, Noumea Jan. 22-24, Apia Pago Pago Feb. 5-7, Los Angeles -24, San Francisco Feb. 25.
ls 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- ervice from Los Angeles with the , Sierra and Ventura. Terminal in Australia, vary with cargoes . Vessels call at Papeete, Pago Suva, Sydney, Brisbane, etc.
trans-Pacific sailing: Sonoma Nov. n Brisbane.
ls from Matson Lines, 82 Elizabeth dney. (BU 4272).

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ican Pioneer Line has seven ships r Gem, Isle, Glen, Reef, Surf, Star on US Atlantic Coast-Panama- service with periodical calls at on southbound voyage. Next Papeete Pioneer Surf Oct. 24, Pioneer Reef .
ls from Wilh Wilhelmsen Agency, ge St., Sydney. (BU 6301).

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 he above route with calls at Suva, a and Honolulu. Next Sydney Jan. 22 (approx.).
ls from American Trading and Shipping Co. Pty., Ltd., 19 Bridge St., Sydney. (BU 4147).

Sydney-Fiji

MV Rona (4,500 tons) leaves Sydney approximately every three weeks for Suva and Lautoka with cargo and passengers (accommodation for eight). Next Sydney sailings: Oct. 20, Nov. 20 (will extend to Apia and Nukualofa).

Details from Colonial Sugar Refining Co Ltd., 9 Bent St., Sydney. (B 0151).

Sydney-(or NZ)-North America

Cargo vessels Waihemo and Waitomo, and others, operated by the Union Steam Ship Company of NZ, Ltd., maintain a monthly service across the Pacific from Sydney to Vancouver and USA ports, via Suva, Lautoka, Nukualofa and Apia, as cargoes offer. Occasional calls are made at Fanning Island. They have limited passenger accommodation.

Next Sydney sailings for USA, via Islands ports: Waiana Oct. 18 (approx.), Waihemo early Nov. (after survey).

The Waitemata, from NZ ports, makes 3-4 trips yearly to Vancouver (via Rarotonga and Papeete).

Details from Union Steam Ship Co. of NZ Ltd., 247 George St., Sydney. (2-0528).

UK-Panama-Samoa-Fiji

The Fiji Direct Service is maintained by Conference vessels, sailing at regular monthly intervals out of London, via Panama, for Apia, Suva and Lautoka. Bethell, Gwyn and Co., Ltd., act as Loading Brokers in London.

Next sailing dates from London (subject to alteration) are as follows: Nov. 16, Dec. 28.

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Far East-Fiji-NZ-Sydney

Royal Interocean Lines operate a service from Singapore to Fiji, NZ, and Australia, with three vessels (Van Cloon, Van Noort and Van Neck) calling periodically at Suva and/or Lautoka. Next calls at Fiji: Van Noort Lautoka Nov. 7, Suva Nov. 8; Van Neck Lautoka Dec. 17, Suva Dec. 18.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George Street, Sydney. (BU 6771).

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, Fiji, Tahiti and Panama Canal, giving Sydney-Papeete connection; occasionally calls are made at Papeete on southbound trips.

Next outwards voyage: Oranje dep. Sydney Jan. 10 (at Papeete Jan. 17-18).

Next inwards call at Papeete: Oranje Dec. 8-9.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 255 George St., Sydney. (BU 6771).

The Italian Sitmar Line (Panama flag) vessels sail from Sydney for Europe, via NZ and Panama at irregular intervals with eastbound calls two or three times yearly at Tahiti.

Next outwards Sydney sailing: Fairsky Dec. 27 (Papeete Jan. 5-6).

Details from Navcot Aust. Pty., Ltd. 58 Margaret St., Sydney. (BU 3464).

New Zealand-Tahiti

New Zealand Shipping Co. Ltd. vessels, operating between NZ and UK, via Panama, make a two-monthly call at Tahiti, northbound and southbound.

Next northbound voyage: Ruahine, ex-Wellington, due Papeete Dec. 18 (approx.).

Next southbound voyage: Rangitoto dep. London Nov. 17, due Papeete Dec. 13 (approx.).

Details from NZ Shipping Co. Ltd., Customhouse Quay, Wellington, NZ.

Regular two-monthly calls at Papeete and occasionally at Suva are made by Tasman Pacific Services (a West German shipping company) with its vessels Cap Corientes and Cap Domingo, which run between NZ ports (including Napier) and the west coast of North America and return.

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 Fiji (Suva and Lautoka) with MV Aoniu, 500 tons gross. Calls are made, as required at Haapai, Vavau, Niuatoputapu and Niuafoou; also occasionally at Apia, Western Samoa. Turn-round in Suva is usually two days, and the Agents there are W. R. Carpenter (Fiji) Ltd.

Next scheduled voyages from Nukualofa are: Oct. 30 (Pago Pago Nov. 2, Apia Nov. 3); Nov. 11 (Suva Nov. 13-16); Nov. 18 (Pago Pago Nov. 23, Apia Nov. 24, Tokelaus Nov. 24-Dec. 1, Apia Dec. 1).

AIRWAYS TIME-TABLES

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICES

1. Australia (or NZ)-Fiji-Hawaii-N. America

(First and Economy Classes)
BY QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS
(Boeing 707 V-Jets)

NORTHBOUND

Tues., Thurs. and Sun.: Sydney (dep. 7 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 12.15 a.m., dep. 1.30 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco.

Wed. and Sat.: Sydney (dep. 7 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 12.55 a.m., dep. 1.30 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco, New York, London.

Fri.: Sydney (dep. 7 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 12.15 a.m., dep. 1.30 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco, extending to Vancouver.

SOUTHBOUND

Mon. and Fri.: London, New York, San Francisco, Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 4.10 a.m., dep. 5.15 a.m.), Sydney (arr. 7.15 a.m.).

Tues., Thurs. and Sun.: San Francisco, Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 4.30 a.m., dep. 5.15 a.m.), Sydney (arr. 7.15 a.m.).

Sat.: Vancouver, San Francisco, Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 4.10 a.m., dep. 5.15 a.m.), Sydney (arr. 7.15 a.m.).

(International Dateline is crossed between Nadi and Honolulu.)

Qantas Electra International Mk. II aircraft, under charter to TEAL, from Auckland, connect at Nadi on Thursday and Saturday with Qantas northbound flights, and on Thursday and Saturday with southbound flights (see Table 17).

TEAL Electra International Mk. II aircraft from Auckland, New Zealand, connect with Qantas northbound flights at Nadi on Wednesday, Sunday and Monday and Thursday (from Christchurch connecting at Auckland with chartered Qantas aircraft) and at Nadi on Tuesday and Sunday (to Auckland) and Wednesday (to Christchurch) for southbound flights.

BY PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS
(Intercontinental Jet Clippers*)

Tues., Thurs. and Sun.: Dep. Sydney 5 p.m. for Nadi (arr. 10.55 p.m., dep. 11.59 p.m.), Honolulu and Los Angeles (arr. Tues., Thurs. and Sun. 4.30 p.m.). Connections at Honolulu for San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

Tues., Fri. and Sun.: Dep. Los Angeles 8.30 p.m. for Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 5.45 a.m. Thurs., Sun. and Tues., dep. 7 a.m.) and Sydney (arr. 9.15 a.m., Thurs., Sun. and Tues.).

(International Dateline is crossed between Nadi and Honolulu.)

* PAA use DC7C aircraft on connecting services Auckland, Nadi, Tafuna (American Samoa), and Honolulu (see table 20).

BY CANADIAN PACIFIC AIRLINES
(Super DC6B, Bristol Britannia and DC8 Jet)

Sat.: Dep. Sydney 8 a.m. by DC6B for Auckland, Nadi (arr. 9 p.m., dep. 10 p.m.), Honolulu (arr. Sat. 12 noon, dep. Sun. 3 a.m. by DC8), arr. Vancouver 7.35 a.m., dep. Sun. 3 p.m. by Bristol Britannia for Edmonton, Amsterdam (arr. Mon. 4.10 p.m.).

Sat.: Dep. Amsterdam 1.25 p.m. by DC8 for Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver, Honolulu (arr. 10.50 p.m., dep. Sun. 6.30 p.m. by DC6B) Nadi (arr. Tues. 5 a.m., dep. 6 a.m.), Auckland, Sydney (arr. 4 p.m.).

(International Dateline is crossed between Nadi and Honolulu.)

FAR EAST SERVICE

1A. Sydney-Pt. Moresby-Manila-Tokyo

BY QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS
(First and Economy Classes)
(Super Constellation)

Wed.: Dep. Sydney 3.30 p.m., Pt. Mor... arr. 10.45 p.m., dep. 11.45 p.m., Ma... arr. 7.30 a.m. (Thurs.), dep. 9.30 ... Tokyo arr. 5.30 p.m.

Fri.: Dep. Tokyo 11.59 p.m., arr. H... kong 8 a.m. (Sat.), dep. 2.15 ... Manila arr. 4.15 p.m., dep. 5.15 ... Pt. Moresby arr. 5 a.m. (Sun.), 6 a.m., Sydney arr. 1.15 p.m.

[Note: As this is an Internat... service, Qantas is not permitted to ... Sydney-Pt. Moresby or Pt. Moresby-Sy... passenger traffic.]

SECTIONAL SERVICES IN PACIFIC

2. Sydney-New Guinea

Trans Australia Airlines and Ansett-... operate from Sydney to Lae and r... with DC6B's. TAA runs the se... Saturdays, Mondays, Wednesdays; An... ANA Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays.

NORTHBOUND

First and Tourist Classes
Sat. and Mon. (TAA)

Dep.	Arr.
Sydney, 9.45 p.m.	Brisbane, 11.45...
Sun., Tues.	**Sun., Tues.**
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 12.45 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6.15...
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 7 a.m.	Lae, 8...

First and Tourist Classes
Tues., Thurs., and Fri. (A/ANA...

Dep.	Arr.
Sydney, 9.45 p.m.	Brisbane, 11.45...
Wed., Fri., Sat.	**Wed., Fri., Sa...**
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 12.45 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6...
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 6.45 a.m.	Lae, 7.45...

First and Tourist Classes
Wed. (TAA)

Dep.	Arr.
Sydney, 8.20 p.m.	Brisbane, 10.20...
Wed.	**Thurs.**
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 11.20 p.m.	Townsville, 2.15...
Thurs.	
Dep.	Arr.
Townsville, 3.15 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6.1...
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 7 a.m.	Lae, 8...

SOUTHBOUND

First and Tourist Classes
Tues., Thurs., and Sun. (TAA)...

Dep.	Arr.
Lae, 9.30 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 10.3...
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 11.30 a.m.	Brisbane, 4.4...
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 5.30 p.m.	Sydney, 7.3...

First and Tourist Classes
Wed. (A/ANA)

Dep.	Arr.
Lae, 9.30 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 10.3...
Dep.	Arr.
Pt. Moresby, 11.30 a.m.	Townsville, 2.1...
Dep.	Arr.
Townsville, 3.05 p.m.	Brisbane, 5.5...
Dep.	Arr.
Brisbane, 6.25 p.m.	Sydney, 8.3...

First and Tourist Classes
Fri. and Sat. (A/ANA)

Dep.	Arr.
Lae, 9.30 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 10.3...

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2A. Qld.-New Guinea

S-PT. MORESBY-LAE-TOWNSVILLE with Fokker Friendship Prop-Jet

(First Class Only)

lon.: Dep. Cairns 3.10 p.m., arr. Pt. resby 5.30 p.m. (Oct. 30, Nov. 13, Dec. 11, 25, etc.).
Ved.: Dep. Lae 12.30 p.m., arr. Pt. resby 1.30 p.m., dep. Pt. Moresby p.m., arr. Cairns 4.45 p.m., dep. p.m., arr. Townsville 6.30 p.m. v. 1, 15, 29, Dec. 13, 27, etc.).

AIRNS-PT. MORESBY-CAIRNS , with Fokker Friendship Prop-Jet (Commencing Oct. 21)

it.: Dep. Cairns 3.35 p.m., arr. Pt. esby 5.45 p.m. (Oct. 21, Nov. 4, 18, 2, 16, 30, etc.).
un.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 9.05 a.m., Cairns 11.15 a.m. (Oct. 22, Nov. 9, Dec. 3, 17, 31, etc.).

IRNS-PT. MORESBY-BRISBANE A, with DC4 (Air Cargo Only)

on. (Nov. 6, 20, Dec. 4, 18, etc.): Cairns 6.30 a.m., arrive Port esby 9.25 a.m. Dep. Port Moresby 0 a.m. (same day), arr. Brisbane m.

P-NG Internal Services

Operated by TAA

MORESBY-LAE-PT. MORESBY (Fokker Friendship Prop-Jet)

es.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 6 a.m., arr. 7 a.m. (Oct. 31, Nov. 14, 28, Dec. 26, etc.).
ed.: Dep. Lae 12.30 p.m., arr. Pt. esby 1.30 p.m. (Nov. 1, 15, 29, 13, 27, etc.).

RABAUL-LAE (Fokker Friendship Prop-Jet)

es.: Dep. Lae 8.45 a.m. Rabaul arr. a.m. (Oct. 31, Nov. 14, 28, Dec. 26, etc.).
ed.: Dep. Rabaul 10.10 a.m., Lae 12 noon (Nov. 1, 15, 29, Dec. 13, tc.).

T MORESBY-BAIMURU-KIKORI (Catalina)

Port Moresby, Kerema, Baimuru, ri, returning same day via Baimuru, ma.

ORT MORESBY-DARU (DC3)

i.: Via Baimuru, returning same via Balimo (Nov. 3, 17, Dec. 1, 15, tc.).

(Catalina)

urs.: Dep. Port Moresby 6.30 a.m. Daru, Lake Murray, D'Albertis, arr. a.m., returning same day via , Kerema (Nov. 9, 23, Dec. 7, 21).

MORESBY-SAMARAI (Catalina)

oresby, Samarai each fourth Mon., rting Port Moresby 8 a.m., re- ing same day (Nov. 6, Dec. 4).
n.: Port Moresby, Samarai, Esa'ala, Port Moresby 8 a.m., returning day (Oct. 30, Nov. 13, 27, Dec. 25).
Moresby, Samarai, Deboyne each h Monday, dep. Port Moresby 8 returning same day (Nov. 20, Dec. tc.).

E-MADANG-WEWAK-MANUS-IENG-RABAUL SERVICE (DC3)

ri.: Dep. Lae 7 a.m., Madang arr. a.m. Wewak, Manus, Kavieng, ul, arr. 3.45 p.m.
Sat.: Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m., Kavieng us, Wewak, Awar (on request), ang Lae. arr. 3.55 p.m.

TRAL HIGHLANDS (DH Otter)

ep. Lae 7 a.m. for Wabag, calling at any of: Goroka, Nondugl, Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Baiyer River, Wapenamanda, Wabag. Arrival back at Lae depends on stops made.

LOWER HIGHLANDS (DH Otter)

Tues.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m. for Goroka, calling at any of: Aiyura, Kaiapit, Kainantu, Gusap, Goroka, Arona. Arrival back at Lae depends on stops made.

(Note: Fortnightly calls at Dumpu Oct. 31, Nov. 14, 28, Dec. 12, 26.)

PT. MORESBY-WAU-BULOLO-LAE (DC3)

Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 10.30 a.m., Wau arr. 11.25 a.m., dep. 11.45 a.m., Bulolo arr. 12 noon, dep. 12.15 p.m., Lae arr. 12.45 p.m.
Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m., Bulolo arr. 8 a.m., dep. 8.15 a.m., Wau arr. 8.30 a.m., dep. 8.50 a.m., Pt. Moresby arr. 9.55 a.m.

MADANG-MT. HAGEN (DC3)

Sat.: Dep. Madang 11 a.m., Mt. Hagen arr. 12 noon, dep. 12.30 p.m., Madang arr. 1.30 p.m., with calls at Minj and Banz as required.
Wed.: Dep. Madang 3 p.m., arr. Mt. Hagen 4 p.m.

LAE-GOROKA-MADANG (DC3)

Tues.: Dep. Lae 9.05 a.m., Goroka 10 a.m., then via Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Madang arr. 1.30 p.m.

MT. HAGEN-LAE (DC3)

Thurs.: Dep. Mt. Hagen 6.20 a.m., then Minj, Goroka, Lae arr. 9 a.m.

PT. MORESBY-GOROKA-MADANG (DC3)

Sun., Tues., Thurs.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8 a.m., Goroka arr. 9.50 a.m., dep. 10.30 a.m., Madang arr. 11.05 a.m.
Tues. and Sun.: Dep. Madang 7.30 a.m., Goroka arr. 8.05 a.m., dep. 8.30 a.m., Port Moresby arr. 10.20 a.m.
Thurs.: Dep. Madang 7 a.m., Goroka arr. 7.35 a.m., dep. 8.30 a.m., Pt. Moresby arr. 10.20 a.m.

LAE-RABAUL-LAE (DC3)

Tues., Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Lae 9.20 a.m., arr. Rabaul 11.55 a.m.
Sun., Tues., Thurs.: Dep. Rabaul 6.15 a.m., arr. Lae 8.50 a.m.
Sat.*: Dep. Rabaul 8 a.m., Hoskins 9.30 a.m., Finschhafen 11.05 a.m., arr. Lae 11.40 a.m.
Thurs.*: Dep. Lae 9.45 a.m., Finschhafen 10.35 a.m., Hoskins 12.15 p.m., Rabaul 1.25 p.m.

* Calls at Kandrian, Jacquinot Bay (New Britain), on request.

LAE-FINSCHHAFEN (Cessna)

Tues.: Dep. Lae 7.15 a.m., arr. Finschhafen 7.55 a.m., dep. 8.15 a.m., Lae arr. 8.55 a.m.

RABAUL-BUIN-RABAUL (DC3)

Fri. and Alt. Mon. (Oct. 30, Nov. 13, 27, Dec. 11, 25): Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m., Buka, Wakanai, Aropa, Buin arr. 11 a.m., dep. 11.30 a.m., Aropa, Wakanai, Buka, Rabaul arr. 3.30 p.m.

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Wed., Fri., Sat.: Dep. Rabaul 5.45 a.m., Lae arr. 8.25 a.m., dep. 9.20 a.m., Rabaul arr. 12 noon.
Wed., Fri., Sat.: Dep. Madang 7 a.m., Lae arr. 8.45 a.m., dep. 8.55 a.m., Madang arr. 10.35 a.m. (11 a.m. Fri.).
Wed., Fri., Sat.: Dep. Goroka 7.55 a.m., Lae arr. 8.45 a.m., dep. 8.55 a.m., Goroka arr. 9.45 a.m.
Fri.: Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m., Wau arr. 9.25 a.m., dep. 9.45 a.m., Goroka arr. 10.40 a.m., dep. 11 a.m., Madang arr. 11.35 a.m.

Other Ansett-MAL scheduled internal P-NG services (by DC3 unless otherwise stated) include:

Mon.: Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.
Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Rabaul.
Tues.: Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m. for Madang, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae.
Dep. Minj (by Norseman) 2.30 p.m. for Goroka, and return Minj.
Wed.: Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.
Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m. for Goroka, Madang.
Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Momote, Kavieng, Rabaul.
Dep. Madang 8 a.m. for Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Madang.
Dep. Wewak (by Norseman) 8.30 a.m. for Lami, Nuku, Wewak.
Dep. Wewak (by Cessna) 8.30 a.m. for Maprik, Yangoru, Wewak.
Thurs.: Dep. Madang 7.30 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Madang.
Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m. for Kavieng, Momote, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae.
Dep. Wewak (by Cessna) 8 a.m. for Telefomin, and return Wewak.
Fri.: Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.
Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m. for Wau, Madang.
Dep. Lae 7 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Momote, Kavieng, Rabaul.
Dep. Madang 8 a.m. for Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Madang.
Dep. Goroka (by Piaggio) 11 a.m., for Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Wabag, Mt. Hagen, Banz, Minj, Goroka.
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Sat.: Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m. for Goroka, Madang.
Dep. Minj (by Norseman) 7.30 a.m. for Mendi, Tari, Mendi, Minj.
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 9 a.m. alt. Sun. (Nov. 4, 18, Dec. 2, 16, 30, etc.), calls at Madang and Wewak, and arr. Hollandia 1.35 p.m.
Dep. Hollandia 10 a.m. alt. Mon. (Nov. 6, 20, Dec. 4, 18, etc.) and with calls at Wewak and Madang, arr. Lae 3.25 p.m.

BIAK (NNG)-LAE

NNG Airlines with DC3 Aircraft

De Kroonduif NV (Netherlands New Guinea Airlines) maintains a fortnightly service between Biak, Hollandia and Lae with DC3 aircraft. It connects with KLM's DC8 service to Europe (see table 4).

Alt. Sat. (Oct. 28, Nov. 11, 25, Dec. 9, 23, etc.): Dep. Biak 2 p.m., arr. Hollandia 4.10 p.m.; next day (alt. Sun.) dep. Hollandia 8.30 a.m., arr. Lae 12.30 p.m.
Alt. Mon. (Oct. 30, Nov. 13, 27, Dec. 11, 25, etc.): Dep. Lae 6.15 a.m., arr. Hollandia 9.05 a.m., dep. 10 a.m., arr. Biak 12.05 p.m.

NNG INTERNAL SERVICES

NNG Airlines

DC3 aircraft link Biak with Hollandia (see above), Sorong, Merauke, Tenah Merah, Kaimana, Manokwari, Kebar, Wamena, Ransiki, Genjem; Twin Pioneer to Seroei, Steenkool, Manokwari, Noemfoer, Inawatan, Teminabuan, Sorong; Beaver to Wasior, Fakfak, Kaimana, Teminabuan, Ajamaroe, Napan, Wisselmeren, Kokonao, Inawatan.

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DC8 aircraft dep. Biak Mon. and 4.35 p.m. for Japan en route to Am dam (arr. Tues. and Sat. 7.30 a.m.). Amsterdam Wed. (3 p.m.) and Sat p.m.) for Japan and Biak arr. Fri. a.m.) and Sun. (11.20 p.m.).

5. N. Guinea-Solomons

TAA, with Fokker Friendship Prop and DC3 Aircraft

Alt. Tues. (Fokker): Dep. Lae 8.45 for Rabaul, Buka, Munda Honiara arr. 4.50 p.m. (Oct. 31, 14, 28, Dec. 12, 26, etc.).

Alt. Wed. (Fokker): Dep. Honia a.m. for Munda, Buka, Rabaul Lae arr. 12 noon (Nov. 1, 15, 29, 13, 27, etc.).

Alt. Mon. (DC3): Dep. Lae 6 a.m Rabaul, Buka, Munda, Yan Honiara arr. 4.40 p.m. same day 6, 20, Dec. 4, 18, etc.).

Alt. Tues. (DC3): Dep. Honiara 7 a.m Yandina, Munda, Buka, Rabaul, arr. 3.25 p.m. same day (Nov. 8 Dec. 5, 19, etc.).

6. Sydney-Noumea

QANTAS, with Electra International M

Fri.: Dep. Sydney 9.15 a.m., arr. No 1.45 p.m.

Fri.: Dep. Noumea 2.45 p.m., arr. S 5.35 p.m.

7. Paris-Sydney-Noumea-I Tahiti-USA-Paris

TAI, with DC8 Jet Aircraft

Dep. Paris Mon. 1.10 p.m., eastboun Athens, Teheran, Karachi, Bam Saigon, Djakarta, Darwin, Sydney Wed. 7.05 a.m.).

Dep. Sydney Wed. 8.05 a.m. for No (arr. 11.40 a.m., dep. 3 p.m.), Nadi 5.50 p.m., dep. 6.50 p.m.), c International Dateline, Papeete Wed. 1.10 a.m., dep. 2.25 p.m.), Hon Los Angeles, Montreal, Paris (arr 7.55 a.m.).

Dep. Paris Wed. 5.30 p.m., westboun Montreal, Los Angeles, Hon Papeete (arr. Thurs. 7.55 p.m., Sat. 1.40 a.m.), crosses Interna Dateline, Nadi (arr. Sun. 4.20 dep. 5.20 a.m.), Noumea (arr. 6.30 a.m., dep. 8.30 a.m.), Sydney 10.40 a.m.).

Dep. Sydney Sun. 11.40 p.m. for Du Djakarta, Saigon, Bangkok, Ka Teheran, Rome, Paris (arr. Fri. 1

7A. Tahiti-USA

TAI, with DC8 Jet Aircraft

Thurs.: Dep. Papeete 10.30 p.m. fo Angeles, arr. Fri. 8.25 a.m.

Fri.: Dep. Los Angeles 12.30 a.m Papeete, arr. 6.45 p.m. same day

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0. New Caledonia-New Hebrides

TAI with DC4 aircraft

Fri.: Dep. Noumea (N. Cal.) .m. for Vila (arr. 8.55 a.m., dep. a.m.), Santo (arr. 10.45 a.m., dep. 5 p.m.), Vila (arr. 1.30 p.m., dep. p.m.), Noumea (arr. 4 p.m.).

N. Caledonia-Wallis Is.

TAI with DC4 aircraft

ly (second Wednesday), from mea on Nov. 8, Dec. 13, etc. Noumea, Wed., 7 a.m., arr. Wallis 2.30 p.m.; dep. Wallis Is. Thurs. 0 a.m., arr. Noumea 5 p.m. same

. Norfolk Is.-Auckland

by Qantas Skymaster (Charter)

t. (Nov. 4, 18, Dec. 2, then weekly): Norfolk 4 p.m., arr. Auck- 7.45 p.m. Ret. next day, Sun. v. 5, 19, Dec. 3, then weekly) dep. kland 10.30 a.m., arr. Norfolk 1.30

13. Auckland-Sydney

S and TEAL jointly, with Lockheed International Mk. II's

Dep. Auckland 9 a.m., arr. Sydney a.m.

un.: Dep. Auckland 7 p.m., arr. ney 9.20 p.m.

Dep. Auckland 10.30 a.m., arr. ney 12.50 p.m.

except Mon.): Dep. Sydney 1 p.m., Auckland 6.35 p.m.

Wed., Fri., Sat.: Dep. Sydney 12.30 , arr. Auckland 6.05 a.m.

Thurs., Fri.: Dep. Sydney 10 a.m., Auckland 3.35 p.m.

3A. Auckland-Brisbane

S and TEAL jointly, with Lockheed International Mk. II

)ep. Auckland 9 p.m., arr. Bris- 11.35 p.m.

Dep. Brisbane 12.30 a.m., arr. land 6.25 a.m.

. Sydney-Christchurch

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Ved., Thurs.: Dep. Sydney 9 a.m., Christchurch 2.50 p.m.

Wed., Fri.: Dep. Christchurch 4 arr. Sydney 6.20 p.m.

Christchurch-Melbourne

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Fri.: Dep. Melbourne 8.30 a.m., Christchurch 2.40 p.m.

6. Sydney-Wellington

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Dep. Sydney 12.15 p.m., arr. ngton 6.15 p.m.

Dep. Wellington 4.30 p.m., arr. ey 6.45 p.m.

17. Auckland-Melbourne

QANTAS AND TEAL jointly, with Lockheed International Mk. II

Tues.: Dep. Auckland 6.30 p.m., arr. Melbourne 9.50 p.m.

Sat.: Dep. Auckland 10.30 a.m., arr. Melbourne 1.50 p.m.

Wed., Sun.: Dep. Melbourne 11 a.m., arr. Auckland 5.25 p.m.

18. Auckland-Fiji

TEAL, with Lockheed International Mk. II's

Tues., Sat., Sun.: Dep. Auckland 8.30 p.m., arr. Nadi 12.15 a.m.

Wed., Fri.*: Dep. Auckland 8.30 p.m., arr. Nadi 12.15 a.m.

Wed., Sun.: Dep. Nadi 8.45 a.m., arr. Auckland 12.35 p.m.

Tues.: Dep. Nadi 1.30 p.m., arr. Auckland 5.20 p.m.

Thurs, Sat.*: Dep. Nadi 5.30 a.m., arr. Auckland 9.25 a.m.

* Wed., Fri. flights ex-Auckland, and Thurs., Sat. flights ex-Nadi are operated by Qantas under charter to TEAL.

19. Fiji-Christchurch

TEAL, with Lockheed International Mk. II

Wed.*: Dep. Nadi 8.45 a.m., arr. Auckland 12.35 a.m., dep. Auckland 2.20 p.m., arr. Christchurch 4 p.m.

Wed.*: Dep. Christchurch 6 p.m., arr. Auckland 7.30 p.m., dep. Auckland 8.30 p.m., arr. Nadi 12.15 a.m.

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20. NZ-Fiji-Am. Samoa-Hawaii

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Dep. Auckland 5.30 p.m., Sun. and Thurs., arr. Nadi 10.15 p.m.; dep. Nadi Mon. only 12 noon, crosses International Dateline, arr. Tafuna (American Samoa) 4.05 p.m., Sun., dep. Tafuna 5 p.m., arr. Honolulu 5 a.m. Mon.

Dep. Honolulu 12.45 a.m. Tues., arr. Tafuna 8.30 a.m. Tues.; dep Tafuna 9.15 a.m., crosses International Dateline, arr. Nadi 11.20 a.m. Wed.; dep. Nadi 7.15 a.m. Sun., Thurs., arr. Auckland 12.05 a.m.

21. Fiji-Am. Samoa-Tahiti

TEAL, with Lockheed International Mk. II

Mon.: Dep. Nadi 3.30 a.m., crosses International Dateline, arr. Tafuna Sun. 7.10 a.m., dep. 7.45 a.m., arr. Papeete Sun. 12.50 p.m.

Mon.: Dep. Papeete 7 a.m., arr. Tafuna 10.25 a.m., dep. 11 a.m., crosses Dateline, arr. Nadi Tues. 12.40 p.m.

22. Fiji Internal Services

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Suva-Labasa-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat.

Suva-Labasa-Savusavu-Labasa-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Tues.

Suva-Savusavu-Matei-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Mon.

Suva-Savusavu-Matei-Savusavu-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Wed.

Suva - Savusavu - Labasa - Savusavu - Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Thurs., Sat., Sun.

Suva-Ura-Suva: Dep. 7.45 a.m. Thurs., Sun.

Suva-Labasa-Matei-Labasa-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Mon.

Suva-Matei-Labasa-Matei-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Fri.

Suva-Levuka-Suva: Dep. 8 a.m. Tues., Wed.

Suva-Kadavu-Suva: Alternate Fri., dep. 2.30 p.m. (Nov. 10, 24, Dec. 8, 22, etc.) and alternate Mon. dep. 8 a.m. (Oct. 30, Nov. 13, 27, Dec. 11, 25, etc.).

Details from Fiji Airways, Ltd., Victoria Arcade, Suva.

22A. Fiji-Tonga

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron aircraft

Dep. Suva (Nausori) 7. a.m. alternate Thurs. (Nov. 2, 16, 30, Dec. 14, 28, etc.) arr. Nukualofa (Fua'amotu airfield on Tongatapu) 11.15 a.m.

Dep. Nukualofa 9.30 a.m. on return flight alternate Sat. (Nov. 4, 18, Dec. 2, 16, 30, etc.), arr. Suva 11.45 a.m.

After December 8

An additional flight, alt. Fri. (Dec. 8, 22, etc.), will increase the frequency of this service to weekly.

Dep. Suva 7 a.m., Fua'amotu arr. 11.15 a.m., dep. 12.30 p.m., Suva arr. 2.45 same day.

Details from Fiji Airways, Ltd., Victoria Arcade, Suva.

22B. Fiji-Western Samoa

Fiji Airways Ltd., with Heron aircraft Commencing Nov. 9

Dep. Suva (Nausori) 7.45 a.m. alt. Thurs. (Nov. 9, 23, Dec. 7, 21, etc.), crosses International Dateline, arr. Faleolo (Western Samoa) 1.25 p.m. alt. Fri. Nov. 10, 24, Dec. 8, 22, etc.).

Dep. Faleolo 10 a.m. alt. Sat. (Nov. 11, 25, Dec. 9, 23, etc.), crosses International Dateline, arr. Suva 1.40 p.m. alt. Fri. (Nov. 10, 24, Dec. 8, 22, etc.).

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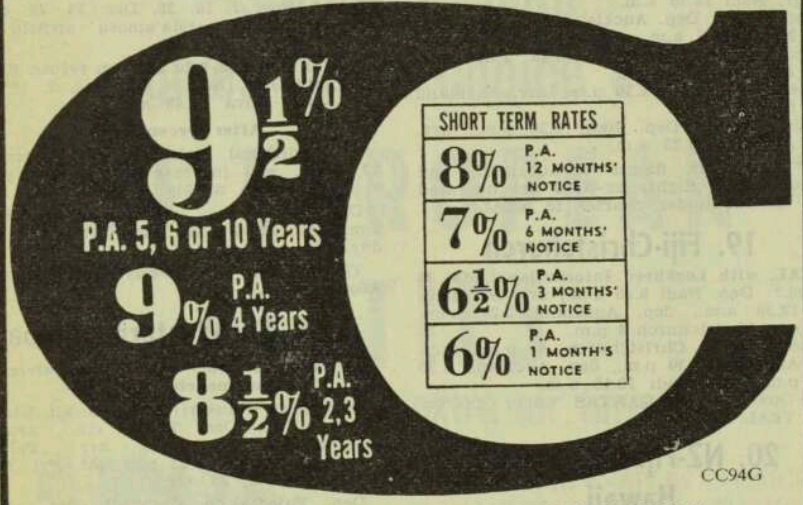
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24. New Caledonia-New Zealand

TAI with DC4 Aircraft

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Pacific Commerce and Produce

)ANTAS FIGURES REFLECT LOSS OF P-NG

)m our Canberra Correspondent

s of Papua-New Guinea ser-
s is reflected in the accounts
Qantas Empire Airways, Ltd.,
sented to Federal Parliament
October.

chairman, Sir Hudson Fysh,
aid that the company's with-
l from the Sydney-NG service
he internal P-NG services was
in the modest increase of only
r cent. in the number of pas-
s carried.

the 12 months to March 31,
the company carried 204,121
gers, compared with 201,051
e year ended December 31,

tas withdrew from the Sydney-
ervice in July, 1960, and from
nternal Territory services in
nber, 1960.

s followed a Commonwealth
nment decision to include the
s in the Australian domestic
k.

is report, Sir Hudson recalled
g and happy association which
mpany enjoyed with P-NG.
association began with war-
ervice in 1942 and continued
h the Territory's post-war de-
ent period.
arly half our present inter-
al captains received invaluable
g and experience in New
a," he said.
nditions there were particularly
able for pilot training."
Hudson thanked the Adminis-
and customers for the valuable
t.
also paid a tribute to the staff
eir loyalty and splendid work,
under very arduous conditions,
lding up a good record of effi-
ir services in the Territory.
tas' profit fell from £853,963
9 to £671,892 in the 15 months
rch 31, 1961.
£283,968 was earned in the
ree months and only £387,924
final 12 months.
longer period covered by the
ts was due to a change in the
e date.
Hudson Fysh warned that the carrying capacity of international airlines, with the introduction of jet travel, was growing faster than traffic.

P-NG Development Corp. Takes Over From Hamac

The Hamac group of eight hotel, plantation, shipping and trading companies was finally removed from liquidation proceedings by order of the P-NG Supreme Court, effective midnight on October 6.

Thus, the way was cleared for Papua and New Guinea Development Corporation Ltd. to take over control of the companies, as it now holds over 90 per cent. of the paid capital of the parent concern, Hamac Holdings Ltd.

There was a P-NG Supreme Court hearing on October 5 when the interests seeking liquidation of Hamac claimed that the conditions imposed by Mr. Justice Mann in July, in his conditional judgment, had not been complied with. But His Honour ruled in favour of re-instating the Hamac group.

In a Press statement, issued in Sydney on October 11, P-NG Development directors announced that it would pay 7½ per cent. dividend on ordinary shares for the current year; steps would be taken to obtain Sydney Stock Exchange listing; and a complete overhaul of the Hamac companies was now in progress.

P-NG Development has arranged to acquire the Cosmopolitan Hotel, Rabaul. Its cattle-raising and meat production division would contribute steadily to income, as well as providing fresh meat for its hotels. The plantations were increasing in value and productivity each year.

WRC Group's Profit Higher—Dividend 15 Per Cent.

W. R. Carpenter Holdings Ltd., Islands traders and merchants, raised their ordinary dividend from 13¾ per cent. to 15 per cent., after earning group profit of £982,181 for the year ended September 30. This is an increase of £138,186 on the 1959-60 profit of £843,995.

Group results this year do not include the accounts of Mandated Airlines Ltd., New Guinea, which was sold to Ansett Transport Industries Ltd., as from July 1, 1960.

Profit of the parent company itself is up from £412,517 to £1,742,496.

Despite the increase in group profit, provisions are lower. Tax provision is cut by £113,625 to £500,644 and depreciation by £58,151 to £314,110.

The company is paying a final dividend of 4½d a 5/- share—7½ per cent. This confirms the 15 per cent. annual rate indicated by the interim 7½ per cent. paid earlier in the year.

Koitaki Rubber Co.'s Profit Eases

For the year ended June 30, 1961, profit of Koitaki Para Rubber Estates Ltd. fell by £3,741, to £39,864. This was after unstated tax and depreciation and an unchanged special amortisation provision of £5,000.

The company will pay a final dividend of 12 per cent., making 22½ per cent. for the year. Dividend will take £33,754, the same amount as the previous year's dividend, which was equal to 45 per cent. on capital before a one-for-one bonus issue.

Fiji's Own Cement Expected Soon

The company's new cement works at Wailekutu, near Suva, will be producing in a few months' time, Mr. Maurice Scott (chairman) told shareholders at the first annual meeting of Fiji Industries Ltd. in Suva on September 5. Many difficulties have been faced and overcome, and the Fiji Government has given every assistance in this new venture, he said.

Mr. Scott added that it was "significant and encouraging" to note the keen interest taken by ordinary individuals in Fiji who had subscribed to the company, and particularly that so many young Fijians had invested money in the project.

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Burns Philp (South Seas), W. R. Carpenter, Dickson Primer, and Development Finance Corporation.

The company was incorporated on April 8, 1960, and has not yet begun trading. Its loss of £7,620 to June 30 last represents the difference between expenses £11,669 and income received on deposits (less income tax) £5,049. This has been charged against establishment costs.

PI Mines to Concentrate On Misima's Umuna Lode

Prospecting has been actively continued on Misima Is., south-eastern Papua, during the past six months reported Mr. G. W. Noe, chairman of Pacific Islands Mines Ltd. on September 15. Principal conclusions drawn from the results of this work are:

(a) Although grade on a tonnage basis is still to be determined by further investigation, prospects for establishing adequate reserves to support a large, profitable mining industry on Misima have become clear. This view is supported also by independent mining groups presently showing interest in the property as a possible field for large capital investment.

(b) The dominant lode structure already known on Misima is the Umuna lode, which will be the principal factor in determining the economics of the field.

(c) Determination of reserves will involve deep exploration and the logical target for this is the Umuna lode. So the Board proposes to direct the company's resources largely towards the proving of this lode structure.

An exclusive prospecting licence covering 25 square miles on Sudest Is., 60 miles south-east of Misima, has been granted to the company. Between 1888 and 1912, Sudest was an important producer of alluvial gold. The lode prospects on the island, comprising widespread occurrences of gold-bearing quartz, are virtually untested. The geological environment is similar to that of Misima. There is no organised mining on the island at present.

Directors say the present financial position of PI Mines Ltd. is "very satisfactory". Existing funds are sufficient to maintain the Misima operations on the present scale for at least 12 months.

Steady 12 Per Cent. Dividend For Steamships Trading Co.

Presenting the Directors' Report to the 37th annual general meeting of Steamships Trading Co. Ltd., shipowners and merchants, Papua, on October 16, Mr. E. V. Crisp (chairman) said net profit for the year ended June 30, 1961, was £246,455, a rise of £49,050.

Profit was reached after tax of £56,000 (up £11,000), and depreciation £63,189 (up £1,689).

Dividend on the 1,176,316 ordinary shares is the same as last year—12½ per cent.; and 10 per cent. on 50,000 preference shares.

General reserve holds £1,250,000; and £206,096 has been carried forward in the profit and loss account.

P-NG Will Borrow More Money

Papua-New Guinea is to continue its borrowing programme, which has already gained it £600,000 since the first Territory loan was launched two years ago.

The Administration passed a bill in the September session of the Legislative Council which will enable the Territory to borrow a further £1 million for general works and services, without limiting the borrowing to the present financial year.

The Australian Loan Council has limited the Territory to borrowings of £500,000 for 1961-62, but the bill will enable the Territory to extend if the opportunity arises.

Queenslanders Out To 'Kill' NG Peanut Industry

Queensland peanut growers are still up in arms about the importation into Australia of New Guinea peanuts, and they are making a concerted effort to "kill" the industry.

Last May, the Commonwealth Tariff Board refused to grant a protective tariff on NG peanuts. The Queensland Peanut Marketing Board has recently requested an emergency tariff, pending a further inquiry by the Tariff Board.

Chairman of the QPM Board (Mr. N. J. McAllister) said: "We are not going to stand by and watch this invasion of our market. The use of native labour to grow peanuts in NG to undersell Queensland-grown peanuts is having an adverse effect on the industry.

"We have met the New Guinea growers and discussed a common marketing plan. Our suggestion so far has not been accepted; now we are prepared to fight to retain what is ours.

"Anyway, New Guinea peanuts are inferior in quality and taste," he added.

New Tax Procedure For P-NG Investment

Changes in tax return procedures aimed at facilitating investment in Papua- New Guinea, were announced by the Assistant Administrator for Economic Affairs, Mr. Harold Reeve, in September.

Mr. Reeve told the Legislative Council that in future only a single tax return would be necessary from residents in Australia whose territory income was solely derived from dividends, interests or pensions.

In the past they lodged two returns—and it had been claimed that this discouraged Australians from investing in the Territory.

"No Australian taxpayer receiving dividends, interest or pensions as sole income from the Territory need henceforth lodge a Territory return," Mr. Reeve said.

Fiji Not Yet Self-Supporting In Rice

Rice imports into Fiji in 1960 were 5,100 tons but, while lower than the 1959 figure of 8,092 tons, were still too high, stated the Director of Agriculture (Mr. J. M. Watson) in his 1960 report issued in September.

Commenting on the rice industry in the Colony, a Suva correspondent says that Fiji should soon approach the point at which rice production will take care of the Colony's rice consumption—namely, around 19,000 tons per annum. Fiji expects to grow 18,000 tons this year.

In recent years, rice production tended to decline, while rice importations increased, with consequent pressure upon Fiji's valuable overseas exchange.

A duty on imported rice was imposed, to stimulate local production; but it was discovered that some unscrupulous importers were juggling their supplies, so as to get higher prices for Fiji-grown rice, which they represented as imported. A law was passed, to stop this commercial thievery.

Attempts are being made, by both Government and CSR Co., to establish rice-growing as a major industry in the Rewa Valley, to take the place of the sugar cane production which was abandoned there in recent years. It is felt that Fiji should not only consume much larger quantities of rice, but that eventually Fiji should itself be a rice exporter.

Economic Outlook

FLUCTUATION of the "ordinary" index on Sydney Stock Exchange confined within a narrow margin of a point or two daily throughout the month—299.67 on September 11, 299.5 October 13.

The market has been listless, buyers mainly standoffish. Annual re of firms listed on 'Change, many closing lower profits as the result of late 1960 economic "squeeze", did litt encourage investment.

Some activity was injected into market on October 11, when Broken South Ltd. and Consolidated Zinc Pty. two of Australia's largest mining gr announced £5½ million plans to re-old copper mines at Cobar, far west N and, at the same time, Broken Hill revealed a takeover offer of £17½ m by Ben Union Corp., registered in bourne with an issued capital of whose board include several Chinese nessmen from Hongkong. The offer later withdrawn.

Two well known Sydney pastoral ag firms, Dalgety and Co. Ltd. and the Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Ltd., are merging in a £6 million to be ratified by shareholders in De ber. The new concern, known as Da and New Zealand Loan Ltd., will be biggest pastoral company in the worl

Dalgety's are familiar to most Isl people—for many years they have agents in Sydney for the Fiji Governm During the past 18 months, however, Fiji began calling for tenders, in for much of its overseas purch Dalgety's have been concerned m with personnel recruitment for the Co The combined firm will continue as representatives.

SYDNEY SALES PRICES

	Sept. 5, '61	Oct.
Bali Plantations . .	10/3	9/
Burns Philp	92/6	91/
Burns Philp (SS) . .	50/6	49/
Choiseul Plntn. . . .	160/-	b145/
C.S.R.	£60/5/-	£63/
Dylup Plantations .	8/6	7/
Fiji Industries . . .	15/-	15/
Hackshall's	13/-	14/
Kauri Timber	13/9	12/
Kerema Rubber . . .	6/-	6/
Koitaki Rubber . . .	15/3	16/
Lolorua	8/6	8/
Makurapau Plntn. .	3/-	2/
Mariboi Rubber . . .	9/-	8/
Norfolk Is. Whaling .	2/8	2/
Pacific Is. Timbers .	5/6	5/
Palgrave	3/10	4/
Plantation Holdings .	3/9	3/
Queensland Insurance	98/6	120/
Rubberlands	6/2	5/
Sangara	2/7	2/
Sogeri Rubber . . .	8/3	8/
Sthn. Pac. Insurance	30/-	29/
Steamships Trading .	43/-	41/
W. R. Carpenter Hold.	30/6	33/
Watkins Consolidated	6/3	5/
Timor Oil	6/-	5/

OIL AND MINING SHARES

	July 9, '58	Sept. 5, '61	Oct.
Emperor . .	b5/9	b2/6	b2/
Loloma . .	—	s41/-	b4/
Bulolo . . .	b35/-	s55/-	b/
N.G.G. Ltd.	b1/9½	b1/9	b/
Oil Search .	b2/6	b2/0½	b/
Oriomo Oil .	—	b1½d	b/
Ent. of N.G.	b7d	b2½d	s4/
Pac. I. Mines	—	b96/-	b/
Papuan Apin.	b9d	b3/1	b/
Placer Dev.	b86/6	b173/-	b/

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COPRA

British Ministry of Food 9-years ct, which governed copra prices ua 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- as made its own arrangements for on and marketing of copra.

A - NEW GUINEA:—All production vered to Copra Marketing Board, ed by six members, including three s' representatives; and the Board distribution and sales, and makes its to the producers. Production ainly to (a) Unilever (30,000 tons contract covering 1961), (b) Aus- 30,000 tons for local consumption), shing-mill in Rabaul (40,000 tons),) Japan (300 tons per month or available). Prices generally tally uling rate in Philippines, with ns for hot-air dried.

January 1, 1961. P-NG Copra Tentative Purchase Prices, for elivered main ports: Hot-Air Dried 0/- per ton; FMS, £A53 per ton; Dried, £A52 per ton.

—No Government control—producers ere they wish. Bulk of copra goes hing-mills in Suva. On Oct. 7 were: HAD £F45/10/-, FM /-.

TERN SAMOA:—Official Copra akes all production, sells same and payments to producers. In 1961, 00 tons will go to Abels Ltd., NZ , and about 6,000 tons to Unilever, of an estimated 15,000 tons pro-

A:—Sales are under Government Part of production goes to Europe, arrangement with Uniliver con- by Philippines prices, and part pen market.

MON IS.:—All production marketed official BSI Copra Board, at prices n Philippines rates. Of the rate's 1961 output (about 20,000 4,000 tons will go to Unilever, 00 tons to Australian crushers; balance sold on the open market. rice in Oct.: 1st grade, £49/-/-; de, £47/10/-; 3rd grade £45/-/- f.o.b., BSIP ports.

RT AND ELLICE:—Production d in Europe through official Copra at prices based on Philippines ess "stabilisation fund" charges.

HEBRIDES:—On Oct. 5, the copra as approx. £A35/-/- (7,000 Pac. per ton delivered Vila/Santo. price then was 80/81 heavy er metric ton, c.i.f., Marseilles.

IS.:—Subject to the copra provisions between Cook Is. and Abels, Ltd., of Auckland, rate the only NZ copra crushing e price paid is average London r previous three months, less charges. Price fixed for last of 1961 is £NZ52/13/3 1st grade, /3 standard grade—both f.o.b., ra.

AUS: Price is based on the London price for the month prior ent to Auckland crushers.

OTHER PRODUCE

COCOA:—Islands prices are based on the rates for Ghana cocoa which on Oct. 9 was £Stg.167/10/- per ton, c.i.f., Sydney.

W. SAMOA:—Nominal price quoted in Sydney on Oct. 6: grade 1 £S230, grade 2 £S215, f.o.b., Apia.

P.-N.G.: Oct. 9—Quote No. 1: £195 (top grade), £185 (medium), £175 (low). Quote No. 2: £180 (good quality), £170 (medium), £160 (low).

COFFEE.—P.-N.G.: Oct. 9, good quality A grade, per lb, 4/- to 4/2; B grade, 4/-; C grade, 2/6 to 3/-, c.i.f., Sydney.

Overseas coffee prices were reported on Oct. 10 as: New season, Kenya A, f.a.q., £Stg.443, B £Stg.365, C £Stg.330, TT £Stg.325; Tanganyika A £Stg.435, B £Stg.355, C £Stg.325, TT £Stg.325; Buguishu A £Stg.345, B £Stg.330.

PEANUTS: P.-N.G.: F.o.b., Lae, Oct. 9, Kernels: White Spanish, 1/4 lb; Red Spanish, 1/2; Virginia Bunch, 1/7. In shell, 1/- lb. (del. buyer's store, Sydney).

RUBBER:—P.-N.G. price is based on Singapore rate, which on Oct. 9 was: No. 1 RSS, Spot, 84⅛ Straits cents per lb (29.34d Aust.).

VANILLA BEANS: Victor Karp, Tulk & Co., Sydney, reported Oct. 9: White and yellow label, processed, standard packs, 47/-; green label, 45/-, c.i.f., Sydney.

RICE (Aust.): Prices as from May, 1961—**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. Vitamised and enriched white, 112 lb bags, 5 tons and over, £63 f.o.w.; under 5 tons, £63/10/-. **Other Pac. Islands:** Dry, brown, etc., 5 tons and over, £64/10/-; under 5 tons, £65 per ton, f.o.w., Sydney or Melbourne.

PEARL SHELL.—Quotations for **Australian M.O.P. Shell** on Oct. 9 by Sydney independent shell agents were: Sound £A825, D £A550, E £A300, EE £A190 (in store Sydney). **Cook Islands: Penrhyn** £NZ500 (approx.), f.o.b., Rarotonga.

TROCHUS: Quote No. 1.—**Papua-N.G.** —£145 per ton, c.i.f., Sydney; **B.S.I.**—£150 per ton, c.i.f., Sydney. Quote No. 2: **Papua-NG, B.S.I.**—£150 per ton.

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(£1 Australian is equal to about 2.25 US Dollars; £1 Aust. equals approx. 10½ Rupees).

Coconut Oil: LONDON, Oct. 6, Ceylon, 1%, in bulk, £Stg.86/5/- per ton, c.i.f., UK/North European ports. Straits, 3%, £Stg.81/-/-, c.i.f.

Rubber: LONDON, Oct. 6, c.i.f., RSS No. 1, Spot, 24¾d. Stg. per lb.; RSS Jan., 1962, 24⅞d. Stg. lb.; Oct. shipment 24⅜d. Stg. lb.

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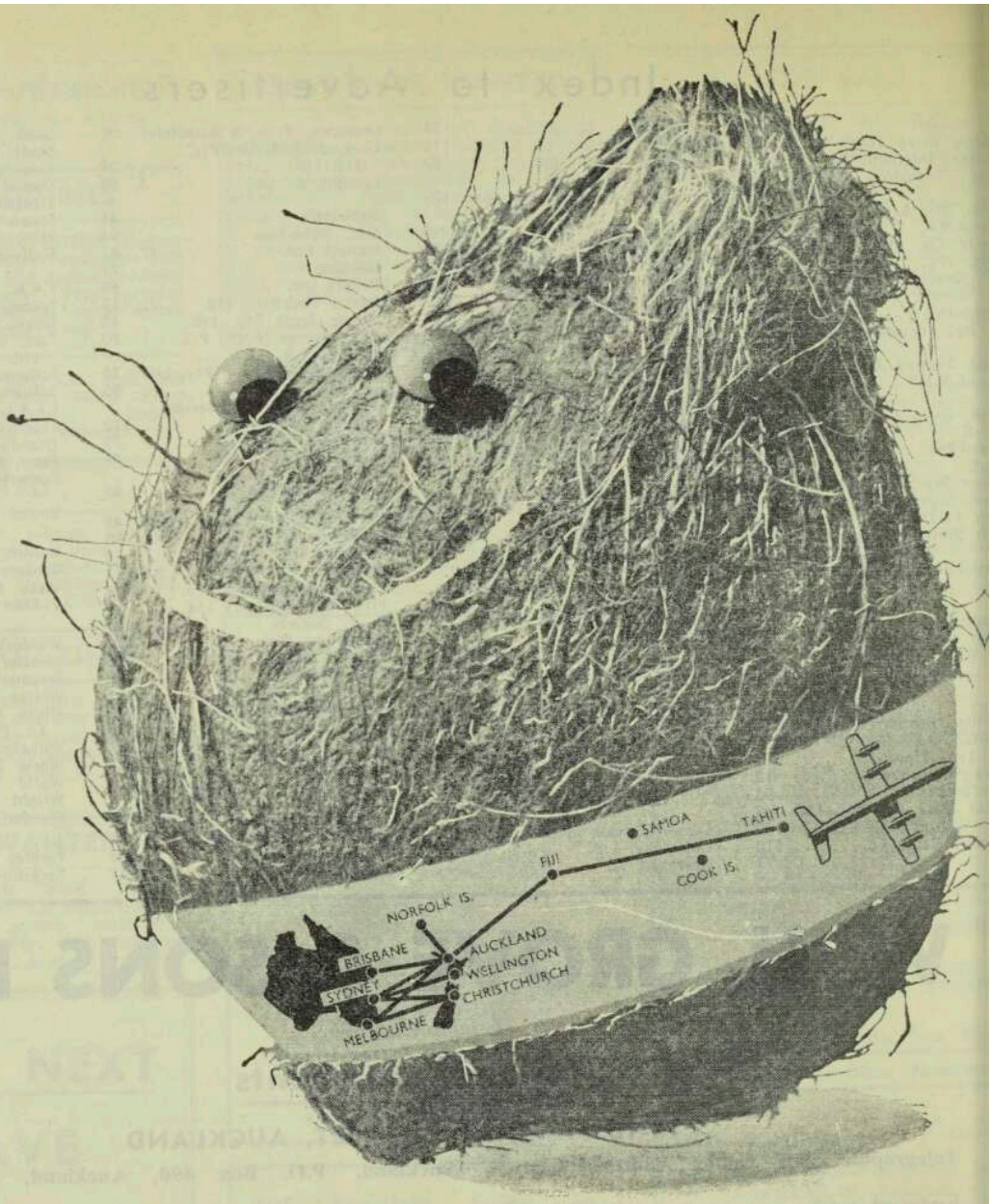
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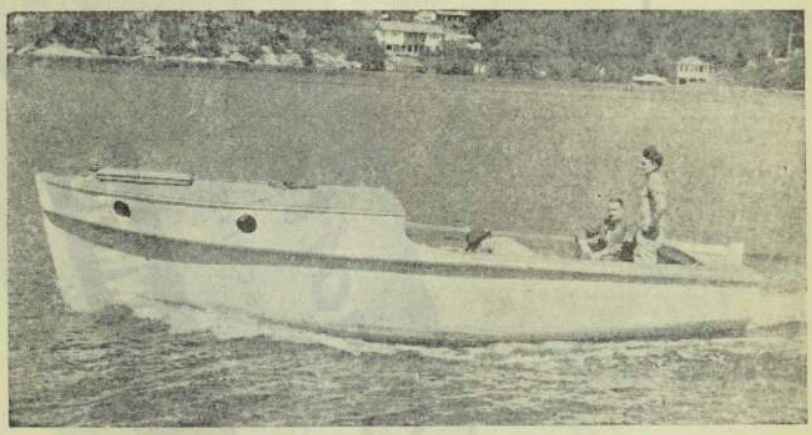
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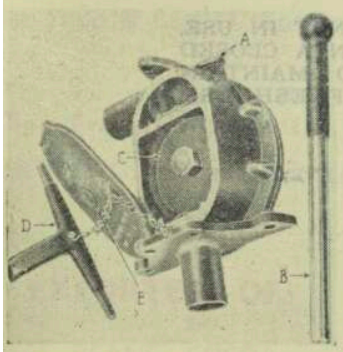
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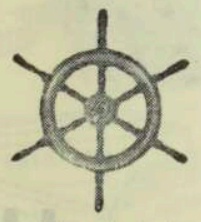


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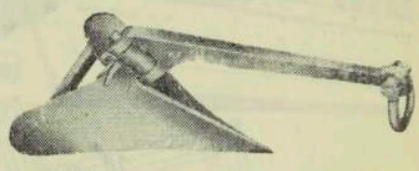
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