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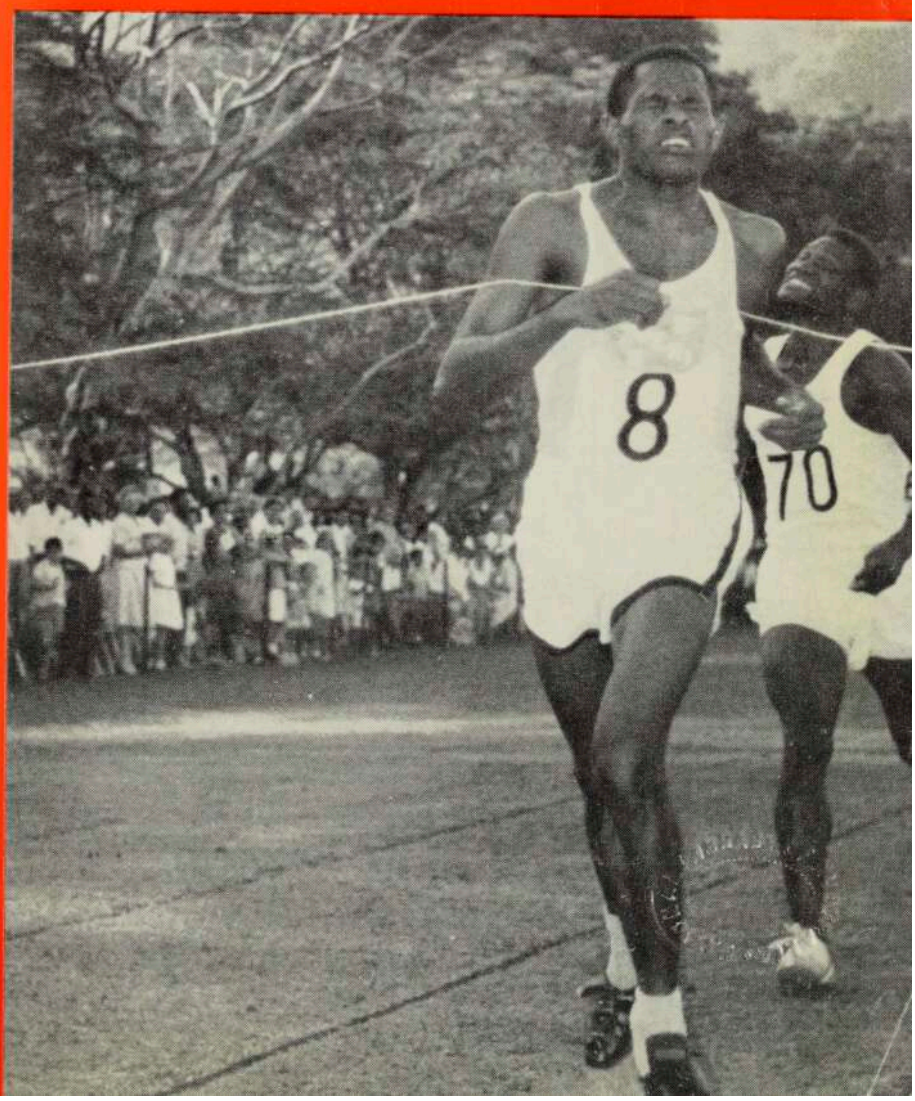
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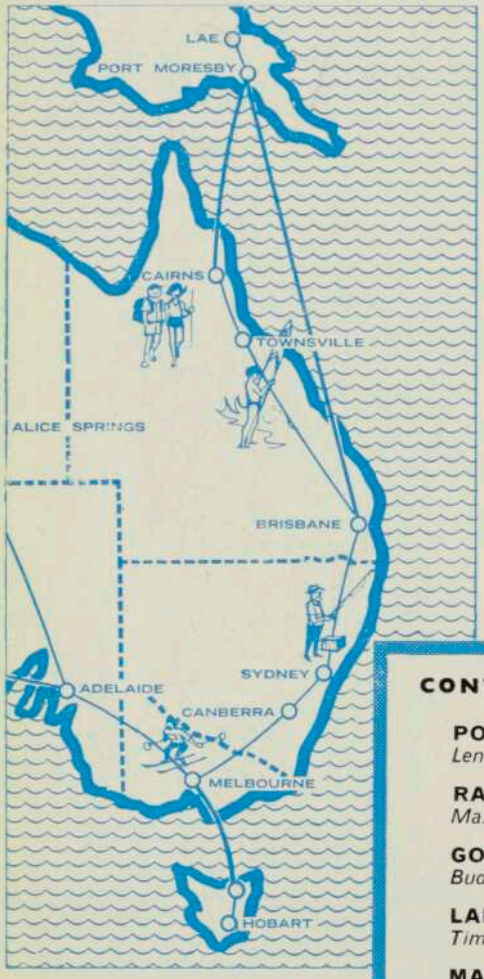
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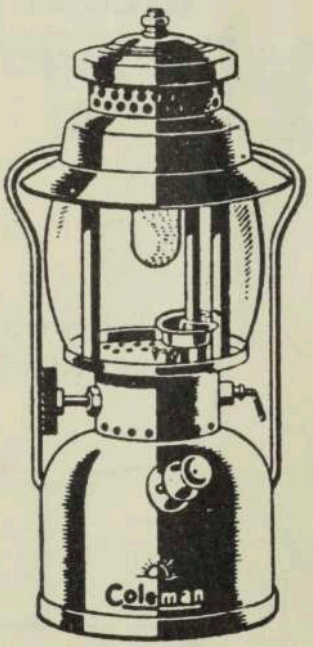
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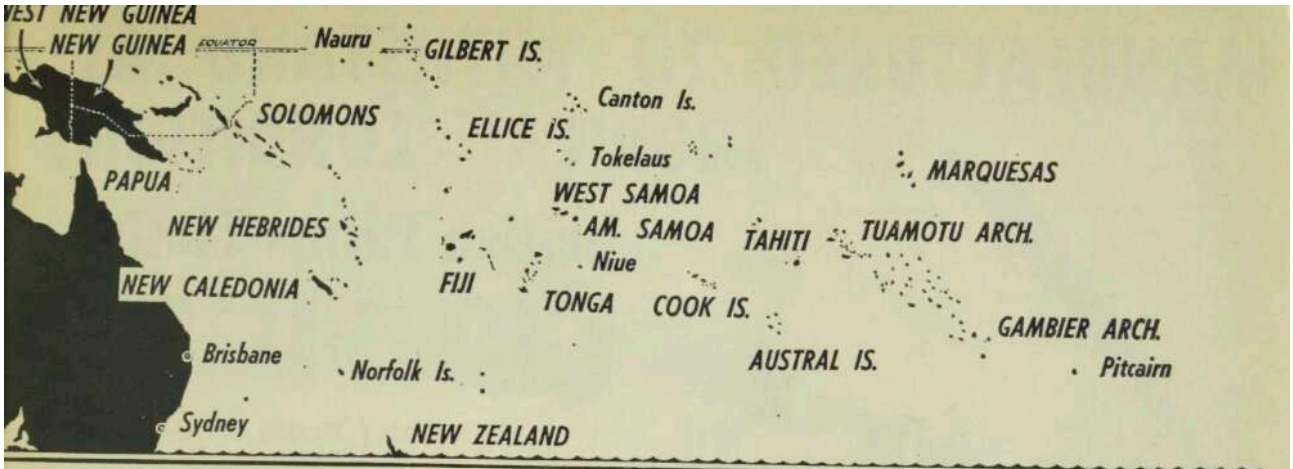
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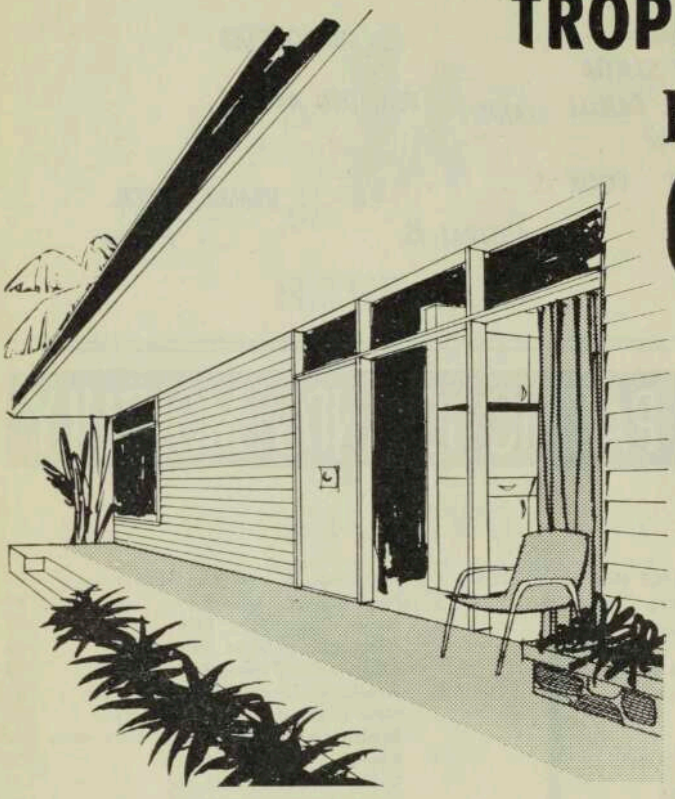
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GAMES VENUE

Hundreds of people from places as far away as Tahiti and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony will get their first glimpse of Suva in the next few weeks when they arrive in the Fijian capital for the First South Pacific Games. The Games will be held from August 29 to September 7. Suva (left, photographed by Rob Wright) will be the main venue of the Games. A four-page lift-out preview of the prospects of the competing territories will be found in this issue following page 74.

Refugees From The West Pose P-NG Problem

The only place that the border between West New Guinea and Australia's New Guinea territories has any positive existence is on the map. On the ground, it runs through swamps of the Fly River, in the Sepik heads through trackless rain forest, and cuts across jagged limestone ridges in the central Star Mountains. Nobody can be sure where it is, give or take a few miles.

BUT in July, a big group of native people made one fact quite plain —they did not want to go on living on the western side of it, and became refugees from Indonesia.

With wives, pigs, and all the food they could carry, they made their way overland from borderline villages just east of Merauke to settlements of kinsfolk along the upper and middle reaches of the Bensbach River, in Papua.

It took several weeks for the main body of people to cross into what, indisputably, was Australian Territory, but the movement still goes on, and as well as patrol officers can estimate, upwards of 400 men, women and children have changed sides.

Many small groups of West Papuans have crossed the borderline, in canoe and on foot, since Dutch rule ended in October last. Some have been permitted to stay, others were sent back.

But there never had been anything like the mass movement to the Bensbach River, and the Australian Administration was confronted with a situation it found impossible to control.

First news of the migration was flashed by Patrol Officer S. H. Cooper, when he found a steady stream of people heading eastwards through his camp at Weam, a few miles east of the border. Weam had been established late last year to help enforce the "closed border" policy adopted as a protection against disease and subversion, from an Indonesian western half of the island.

Like the posts at Vanimo, Imonda, Green River, Amanab and Kiunga, its job was to screen all migrants, and turn back those without traditional rights extending over the invisible border. It was also a keystone in a quarantine system devised to provide a buffer zone of immunity against the ingress of smallpox and cholera.

Vaccinated

A medical team was dispatched to Weam to vaccinate the migrants and quarantine their animals. Special airdrops of thousands of pounds of supplies had to be made because the new light aircraft strip at Weam was closed by heavy rains.

Meanwhile, with an embarrassing border situation looming, Western District Officer Ian Holmes was sent to try to persuade the people to return to their home villages. He failed. The westerners expressed plainly their dissatisfaction with the new Indonesian rule, although it is not clear whether anybody actually claimed he feared for his safety.

As Holmes was talking to one group, a jeepload of Indonesian troops, on border patrol duties, arrived to try to persuade the Papuans to return. They drove right up to his camp. The Indonesians asked if they could speak to the Papuans, and Holmes invited them to carry on where he left off. But several hours later, they gave up.

The Indonesians spent that night under Australian tents, sharing Australian food, and next day set off along the rough track back to Merauke. Reluctantly, Australia decided that the unwanted migrants would have to be allowed to stay. There were ties of kinship between them and the Bensbach people, and they did in fact own some land in Australian Papua.

Quarantined

The newcomers were accepted by the Bensbachs, who actually offered extra land for food gardens. The Administration imposed a strict quarantine, forbidding movement outside a defined area for six months. It was made clear that menfolk must build houses and establish settlements, and would not be permitted to move to the towns to seek employment.

No news of the movement was released by the Port Moresby Administration until all threat of a border "incident" had passed. When it did come, the announcement showed all the signs of having been wrung from unwilling lips. The names of responsible officials were obviously lacking from the statements that appeared in the Press. The Department of Information offered no information on the situation.

The political situation around Merauke has always been a confused one. Inter-tribal jealousies go back

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many years. There is a substantial Indonesian settlement of long-standing and at the same time, the area has been a centre of intense nationalistic feeling. During the "confrontation" period in 1962, Indonesians and pro-Dutch faced each other with anger, and at times with weapons. The United Nations managed to ride out its seven-months interregnum with only one or two incidents at Merauke, but it could do nothing to solve basic issues, and left behind an unstable and potentially dangerous situation.

Earlier Attempts

The refugees to Weam tried to move into Australian Territory 10 months ago, but were then persuaded to adopt a policy of "wait and see". Whether they are moving now out of a traditional fear of insecurity or because of repressive Indonesian measures could make a big difference to Australia.

Their presence on Australian territory is an affront to Indonesian nationalism, and a continuing challenge to the Indonesian claim that Papuans welcomed the end of Dutch colonialism.

The situation has all the ingredients of a major international incident, should Indonesia choose to exploit it. That she has not so far done so, but has in fact apparently publicly ignored the situation, gives some hope for the future.

But Australia should have learnt, from Weam, that its New Guinea administration cannot exist in a political vacuum. Sooner or later, it must stand and talk to Indonesia across the border with West New Guinea.

London Meeting Proposes Samoa's Entry To SPC

The five member nations of the South Pacific Commission met in London in July for a round-table talk on future developments in the Commission.

MAIN purpose of the meeting was to discuss the entry of Western Samoa to Commission membership. It was proposed that Samoa should be admitted as a full member, but ratification of this has to be made by the various Governments.

No official announcement has been made by any of the five Governments involved about the London talks—nor, in fact, has it been announced that talks took place—but it is expected that a firm announcement on Samoa's position will be made before the next session of the SPC, in Noumea in October. Developments will be discussed at that meeting.

Samoa became an independent State in January, 1962. The question of her future role in the SPC had been discussed by member Governments both before and after independence, but no firm policy had been arrived at.

As a full member, Samoa itself would benefit directly from the work of the Commission and thus would be in a somewhat different position from any of the present five members—Britain, the US, France, Australia and New Zealand—all of whom are metropolitan powers, whose territories benefit.

General Talks

The London talks also ranged over general proposals affecting the Commission's future development, including ways of allowing the indigenous people to take a more active part in the work of the Commission through a re-arrangement of functions. Proposals have had to be referred back to the member Governments.

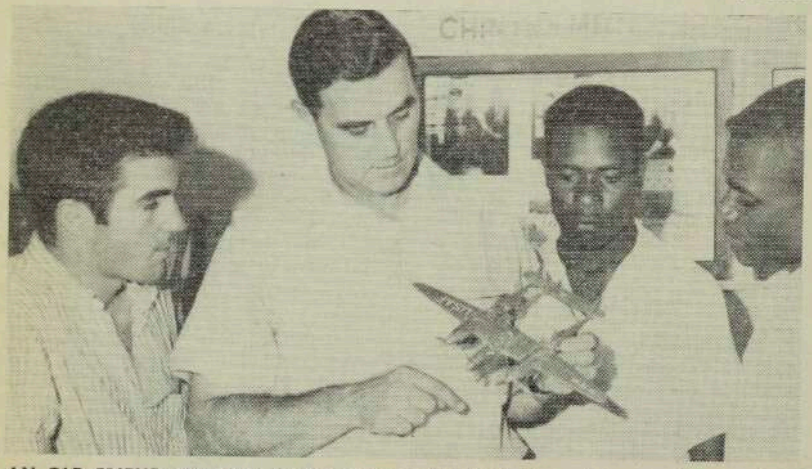
The talks also discussed a re-arrangement of financial quotas, made necessary by the departure of the Netherlands from the SPC last year and the new proposals affecting Samoa.

The Secretary-General of the SPC, Mr. W. D. Forsyth, was not at the talks but he flew to Canberra for discussions while the talks were still continuing, and later flew to Apia for discussions with Samoan officials.

Although the London talks were not designed as a review conference of SPC activities, they did fulfill that role to some extent and it is now possible that a formal review conference will not be held. Presumably, many of the member Governments believe that the occasional changes in direction the SPC needs to keep it an active and important force in the South Seas can be made through constant liaison via normal Government channels, and not through any big and formal review conference of the type held in Canberra in 1957.

FULL GAMES COVER IN SEPTEMBER PIM

PIM staff reporters will be at the South Pacific Games to bring PIM readers a full coverage of results, personalities and events. You'll find it all in the September issue.



AN OLD FRIEND RETURNS: US businessman Mr. Fred Hargesheimer, who was shot down over New Britain during the war while serving with the US forces, was visiting Rabaul again in July to check progress on the school he is having built for the villagers who helped him. He founded a trust fund in the US to do it. With Mr. Hargesheimer this time was his son Dick, 18 (left). Mr. Hargesheimer is explaining to two Nonga Hospital orderlies how his aircraft was shot down.
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GEIC To Have Executive Council

An Advisory Council for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony legally came into existence on July 1—and with it came the announcement that the Colony is also to have an Executive Council.

THE order which brought the Council into being was made by the Acting Western Pacific High Commissioner, Mr. M. D. I. Gass, while at Tarawa on July 1 during a tour of the GEIC. On June 29 he unveiled a commemorative plaque for the Council Chambers, which are at present being built at Bairiki, Tarawa. Mr. Gass made the announcement about the Executive Council.

Up till now, the GEIC has been the only British Pacific territory without any form of council representing the whole territory.

The Colony has been moving towards these important constitutional steps for some time. Some years ago the Magistrates' Conference, at which the native magistrates of every island gathered from time to time for discussion and instruction, gave place to the Colony Conference, held every two years.

In this the magistrates were joined by other members, some elected and some nominated. Views were exchanged on many aspects of the development and administration of the Colony, but this conference was an administrative arrangement rather than a constitutional concept.

Meanwhile administration of the individual islands had passed from a body entirely appointed by the Resident Commissioner to the partially elected Island Councils.

Unofficial members of the Advisory Council are: Messrs. E. H. G. Blacklock, Tebau Tiba, Falani Pasefika, Tobinabina Kirimaua, Kaubunang Iete, Kiabuke Maio, Tebao Awerika, Kiboboua Batika, and Moeafu Moti.

These members represent a good cross-section of the various regional, sectional and religious interests in the Colony.

The official members are the Assistant Resident Commissioner, Mr. R. Angeloni, the Chief Medical Officer, Dr. R. K. Bowman, the Senior Assistant Secretary, Mr. R. G. Roberts, the Information and Broadcasting Officer, Mr. Reuben K. Uatioa, and Mr. Henry F. Naisali, a senior executive officer with the Government.

The Council meets in September.



GOVERNOR SAYS GOODBYE

The retiring Governor of Fiji, Sir Kenneth Maddocks, continued his round of Pacific farewells in July and August. He leaves Fiji in September.

The new Governor will be Mr. Francis Jakeway, 48 (pictured above) who has been Chief Secretary of Sarawak, since 1959. Sir Kenneth has been Governor of Fiji since 1958.

Below, Sir Kenneth was welcomed by the Deputy Premier of Tonga, Prince Tu'ipelehake, when he arrived at Nukualofa by RNZAF Sunderland on July 4 for his farewell visit there. With his back to the camera is the British Consul in Tonga, Mr. E. J. Coode.



Mataafa Threatens To Ban Newspapers In Western Samoa

The continual criticism of the Western Samoan Government in the two weekly newspapers in the country has now irked Prime Minister Mataafa so much that he is talking of doing away with them. The two newspapers are the long-established *Samoa Bulletin* and the three-year-old *Samoana*.

MATAAFA vehemently criticised the two papers in a radio speech at the beginning of the year for what he called their "unfounded and false criticisms", (*PIM*, Feb. p. 127), and on July 16, he said in the Assembly in effect that if they did not shut up, the Assembly should shut them up.

The matter was raised when a member claimed the newspapers were "undermining authority" by publishing letters from villagers which were not always true.

Mataafa said in the Assembly: "Our present legislation and set-up is going side by side with long standing custom and tradition, but the introduction of newspapers is a newly instituted venture in this country.

"There is provided in the Constitution the right of free expression of opinion in newspapers by citizens of our country.

"However, if we feel newspapers conflict with custom or are not in the best interests of the country, it is up to this Assembly to do away with the existence of newspapers in our country."

Outspoken Editorial

Mataafa's latest outburst immediately brought an outspoken editorial from *Samoana* whose managing editor, Mr. R. F. Rankin, is a naturalised Samoan of New Zealand birth.

Samoana said that if the Prime Minister's statement was to be taken seriously, then Western Samoa's Constitution was not worth the paper it was written on.

"The primary purpose of the Constitution is to protect the people from the alienation of their rights by oppressive laws and lawmakers," the paper said. "Always the first step in the alienation of these rights is the suppression of the Press. Furthermore, any such step would be in de-

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fiance of the UN Charter of Human Rights."

Samoana pointed out that Mataafa was wrong in saying that newspapers were something new in Samoa, as they had, in fact, been published off and on since before the Prime Minister was born. One had played such a significant part in the achievement of Samoan independence that it was "ingloriously banned by the administration".

Samoana admitted that Western Samoa had occasionally been subject to "very poor journalism" over the past decade. But it thought this was a small price to pay for "the benefits derived to the country from the freedom of the Press to make enquiries and direct the spotlight of publicity on abuses that would otherwise have never been revealed and to help the public form an intelligently critical outlook without which no democracy could long survive."

PACIFIC REEFS CLAIM THREE MORE SHIPS

REEFS in the South Pacific claimed three more victims in July—the Samoan trading vessel *Fa'asalafa*, the Cook Islands trading vessel *Siren*, and Burns Philp's Samoan cutter *Aolele*.

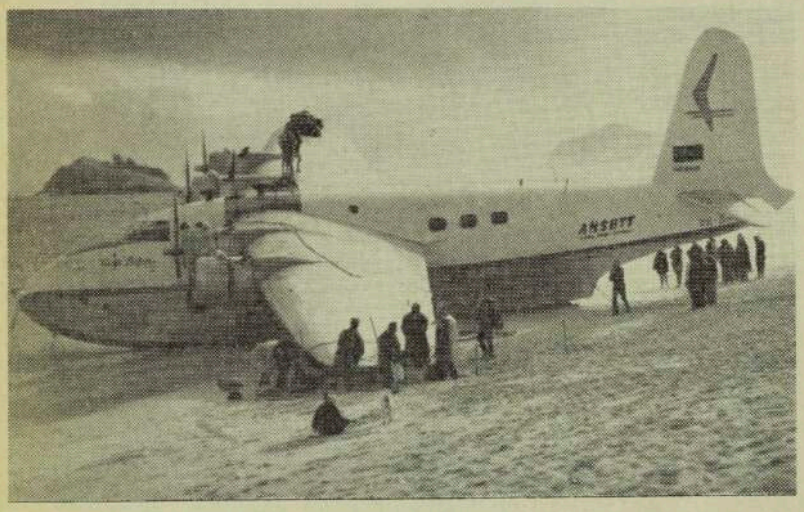
The *Fa'asalafa*, owned by the Oldehaver Co., of Apia, struck a rock near Apolima, off the western end of Upolu, on the night of July 17 while on her way to Sala'ilua, Savaii. She was badly holed and was abandoned.

The *Siren*, an auxiliary ketch owned by Don Silk and Bob Boyd, of Rarotonga, struck a reef while trying to enter Avatiu Harbour, Rarotonga, on the night of July 12, which was moonless and overcast. She became a total loss.

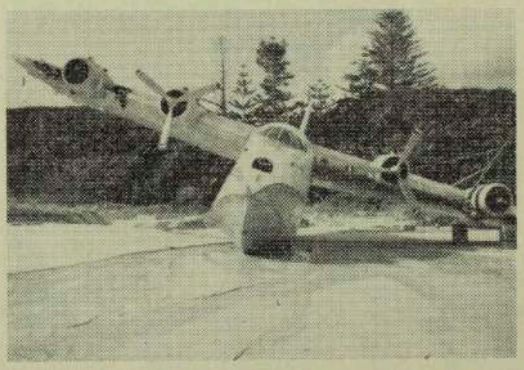
The *Aolele*, which was on her way from Apia to the Tokelaus to transfer a medical team from one island to another, ran aground on a reef at Swain's Island, about 350 miles north of Apia, on July 25. Salvage was impossible.

FLYING-BOAT WRECKED AT LORD HOWE

The "write-off" of a Sandringham flying-boat following storm damage to her at Lord Howe Island in July may speed up a decision on whether the island will get a land airstrip.







Three stages in the life and death of the flying boat "Pacific Chieftain". Top shows how she was found on the beach the first morning after she broke away from her moorings. Sand bags on one wing helped right her, and she was taken into the lagoon again. Next morning (lower left) she was found with one wing under water, and after vain salvage efforts she was finally dragged to Old Settlement Beach (right) and stripped.—Photos: Dick Morris.

ANSETT Flying Boat Services, which owned the Sandringham, one of two it used on the service from Sydney, do not plan to replace her until they know what the future of the flying-boat service is going to be.

"What's the point in spending a small fortune on another flying-boat if the Government decides to put in a landing strip?" said the company's general manager, Captain Stewart Middlemiss.

"We have been attempting to get a decision on the strip one way or another for a long time, and now somebody better make up their mind. In the meantime we'll fly one aircraft and hope the islanders will be sympathetic to the difficulties. We've done a pioneering job there and the service is no money-maker."

The damaged Sandringham was the recently-overhauled *Pacific Chieftain*, which reached Lord Howe from Sydney on July 4, with a big party of NSW bowlers en route to Suva for the South Pacific Bowls Carnival.

Overnight the aircraft broke from her moorings and grounded on the lagoon beach. Almost every able-bodied man on the island turned to and got the aircraft back into the lagoon, but the following day, after another wild night of weather, the Sandringham was found partly submerged at its new moorings. Attempts to bring her ashore failed and she was eventually blown ashore in such a damaged condition that she was stripped and abandoned.

A second Sandringham which picked up the bowling party later had to turn back to Noumea and the party arrived in Suva too late for the carnival.

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NEW VIEW OF SUVA

Air pollution from ji's cement factory Lami, Suva, is a ntroversial issue in e Suva area. This cent photograph, ken by the Fiji blic Relations ffice, illustrates the fect. Immediately ove the factory is robaba Peak, a vourite haunt of imbers and bush-alkers.

Photo: Rob Wright.



Optimistic Report On Misima Goldfield

An independent geologist reported in July that Papua's Misima goldfield was the most important and promising mineral deposit known to him in Australasia.

HE report of the geologist, Mr. Frank G. Forman, of Perth, was ade available at the annual meeting Pacific Island Mines Ltd., in Syd-y on July 31. Mr. Foreman had en sent to the field to study old cords of pre-war operations on isima, and to assess exposures made ring recent developments by Pacific and Mines.

A fortune in gold was taken out of isima before the war, but opera-ns closed down in 1941, because the war, and only in recent years s Pacific Island Mines, a newly-rmed company, been proceeding th explorations. New Guinea ople with knowledge of the early ining days have always said that isima could make more fortunes e day.

Chairman G. W. Noe reported to e annual meeting that the pro-amme of exploration of the Umuna d subsidiary lodes on Misima, hich had been going on since De-mber, 1959, was completed only on ly 20. The full results of assays ere not yet known, but "the results ceived so far are most promising".

The company, said the chairman, now had nearly exhausted the subscribed funds; but an Australian investor, Mr. John G. Fuller, of Sydney, had provided the company with an interest-free loan of £10,000 (which he could convert into shares at par) on condition that he received an option over a further 322,000 2/6d shares at par.

Interest of New Group

Mr. Fuller had joined the board, and it now was proposed to finance major exploration and development through an association with "one of the large overseas mining groups".

The chairman said that Mr. Fuller, before committing himself to Misima, had sent Mr. Forman to the field at his own expense.

It was also reported that the company is severely handicapped in its operations at Misima by lack of communications. The Catalina flying-boat service to Deboyne lagoon (30 miles away) is not satisfactory, and the Administration again will be asked to provide an air-strip.

Latest On Nauru Resettlement Progress

The Nauruans in July were still discussing resettlement proposals made by the Australian Government.

THERE is a possibility they are interested in settling on either Fraser or Curtis Island off Queensland, if various problems can be worked out satisfactorily for all concerned.

There has to be agreement made with the Queensland Government about the terms on which either island could be made available; there has to be agreement with the Nauruans on the conditions under which they would occupy the island; there has to be general agreement among the three trustee powers of Nauru about the final resettlement proposal.

Generally, progress has been reported as satisfactory with all sides confident that a solution will be found.

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COMMENTARY

Malaysia Can Affect South Pacific's Future

THE government of Malaya, under pressure from Great Britain, has joined with Singapore, Sarawak and North Borneo, to form the new Federation of Malaysia. Malaysia—at the beginning, at any rate—will be a friendly unit of the British Commonwealth. The map on this page shows the significance of that.

To the north of Malaysia lies southeast and central Asia, wherein are at least 1,500 millions of people, mostly hungry and under-privileged, and drifting steadily into the influence of Communism.

To the south and east of Malaysia lies Oceania—the West European countries of Australia and New Zealand, and many Islands Territories which are part of the Europeans' South Pacific political structure.

Inevitably, over-populated Asia will attempt to move into under-populated Oceania. Japan, in 1941-1945, tried to do just that by force of arms. Communist Asia will seek the same end, perhaps by force, but certainly by social, economic and political penetration.

The British, awake at long last to a danger that has been perceptible to less sluggish thinkers since World War II, now are trying to establish Malaysia. This is being done primarily as a tidier way of administering a jumble of scattered Asian territories, but actually to provide some barrier between a hungry Red Asia and the well-endowed countries of the South Pacific.

The establishment of Malaysia by the British is at least as significant to us as was the bumbling act of Australia, the United States and the United Nations in throwing the Dutch out of West New Guinea, and admitting the Indonesians.

The South Seas' Europeans, with islanders' help, probably could hold the Indonesians on the 144th Meridian; but, alone and unaided, we never could keep back the masses of Red Asia. With the West committed to the military defence of the new nation of Malaysia, our South Pacific security problem is simplified. But, of course, that does not remove the danger of socio-political penetration.

As was to be expected, the announcement of the Malaysia plan several months ago was greeted with shrill squawking by Indonesia. This, yelled Soekarno, is an attempt to stifle the nationalist growth of the Malayan peoples.

Probably, he is right. It would not be in the interests of the South Pacific's European nations that a man like Soekarno should be permitted to extend his Malayan empire over all the related communities, from Java and Sumatra, across Borneo, into the Philippines. Unchecked, and encouraged in his Napoleonic dreams by what he imagines was his "vast military success" in West New Guinea, that probably is what he would try to do.

An imperialist Indonesia could be a direct menace to the security of the South Pacific. Indonesia, already, is dominated politically by its 3,000,000 Communists. An Indonesian empire presided over by the conceited and unpredictable Soekarno, and extending right across our northwest into the Philippines, would give Asia the corridor into the South Pacific that Asia wants.

So Soekarno howled, and stirred up the Philippines; and that "independent republic", despite America's attempts to play it down, howled also.

This phase ended when Soekarno was persuaded to meet the Malayan Prime Minister, Tunku Rahman, and Philippines President Macapagal, in Manila, in June. After they had soothed him—and entertained him with a bevy of dancing-girls, which he never can resist—he reluctantly agreed that the formation of Malaysia might proceed, if the people of North Borneo and Sarawak were consulted, and accepted the proposed Federation.

In June, North Borneo and Sarawak (mainly Malay) readily signified assent; Singapore (mainly Chinese) also accepted, with some reluctance; little, oil-rich Brunei would not come in; and so the four (Malaya, Singapore, Sarawak and Borneo) agreed in London, on July 8, that the Federation of Malaysia should come into being on August 31.

Surrender to Soekarno

Whereupon Dr. Soekarno, in Djakarta on July 11, again cut loose, with renewed threats of "confrontation".

He accused Tunku Rahman of breaking his promise that the will of the people in the British territories should be ascertained before the Federation was formed and said: "I declare openly here that we, the Indonesian people, not only disagree with Malaysia, but we oppose Malaysia at all costs."

On the face of it, this was a declaration that his cold war upon the countries planning the new Malaysia would be resumed. The Tunku strongly denied he had broken his promise, in any way.

The Australian Prime Minister, returning from London and Washington on July 14, said that United States regarded the formation of Malaysia as a "Commonwealth matter"; and added that Australia was behind Britain in this plan.

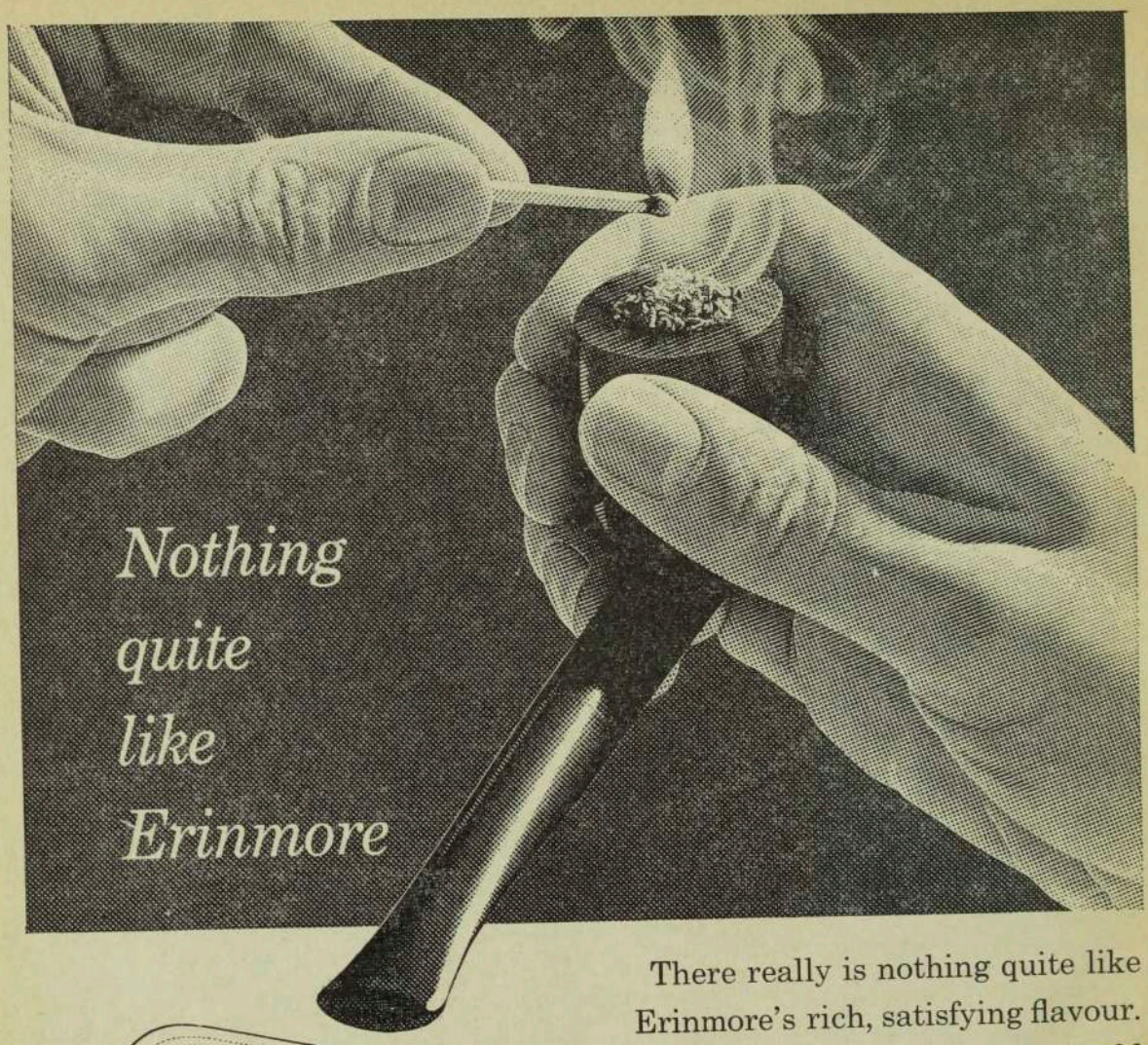
All parties worked on Soekarno, and got him to another "summit" on July 31.

But Soekarno beat them. It was announced, August 5, that the Malaysia plan will be held up while some UN agency "ascertains the will of the peoples of North Borneo".

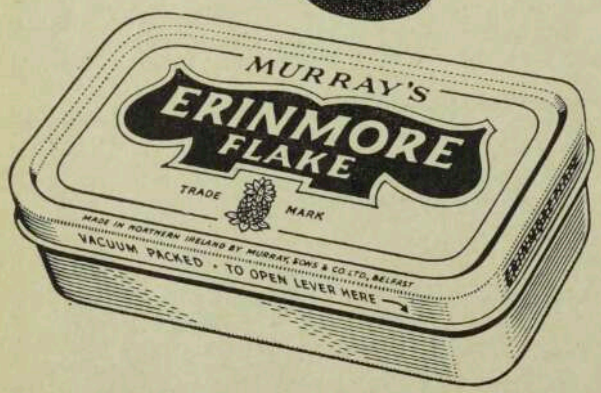
UK's surrender to the truculent Indonesian President was not explained. It all goes to show the delicacy



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of the situation that governs the future of our South Pacific world, in relation to Asia.

However, behind that ugly political cloud over our northwest frontier, there is a bright spot. It appears as a crack in the hitherto mighty wall of Muscovite-Oriental Communism.

Signs of an ideological split between Russia and China have been apparent for some time, and even while Soekarno was putting on his anti-Malaysia performance in June-July, the bitter quarrel between European and Asian Communists came out into the open, and Western leaders and commentators were beginning, cautiously, to hope it was irreconcilable, and to forecast a change in the shape of the 16-years-old Cold War.

While China is insisting, savagely, that there shall be no let-up in the Communist attack upon the Western system, even if it means nuclear war, the Russian *bloc*, under Khrushchev's leadership, shows now a disposition to argue that the two systems—Communism and Capitalism—can "co-exist" peacefully—and let the best system win!

If there is to be a new and better relationship between the West and the Soviets, the effervescent Soekarno may be cut down to size and put back in his box with a jar that could have interesting political results.

Muddled Thinking In Western Samoa

WESTERN Samoa's Prime Minister, Fiame Mataafa, once had the reputation of being something of a playboy and not the type of man who could successfully take on the responsibilities of a high office. But when he got his present job he proved his critics wrong, for his own sense of responsibility has appeared to grow at the same pace as his political responsibilities. He has been one of those plants destined to flower late.

It is a sharp disappointment, then, that he has thought fit—and not for the first time—to attack the Samoan newspapers, this time in terms which clearly must be construed as an attack on Press freedom and on democratic government.

This line will win him no friends, but many bitter critics, in the countries on which Samoa must lean so heavily in the next few years.

To ban the Samoan Press would be folly so preposterous that Mataafa and any Assembly members who happen to think the same way should purge their minds of the thought without waste of time.

Britain Should Stand Firm in Fiji

THE UN Special Committee on Colonialism deserves the scorn with which its recent pronouncements on Fijian affairs have been greeted in that Colony.

Most of its members showed themselves incapable of constructive advice on a difficult set of problems, no doubt because of their inexcusable ignorance of conditions in Fiji. Even the shire councillors of Bandiwallop, debating the need or otherwise for a new public urinal in the town, could be counted upon to arm themselves with more factual information on the subject than was apparently thought necessary by members of this international forum in debating the affairs of another country.

Some of the odd statements in the general debate are reported on p. 51 but the most useless came at the end, in the form of a Russian-inspired resolution calling on Britain to institute a common roll and transfer all power to the people of Fiji.

This completely overlooked the fact that the Fijian people, who are in the minority to the Indian population, have said clearly they do not want independence or to lose their ties with Britain. A common roll would result in their political and economic extinction.

The assertion by Britain that its policy was to bring the races closer together in a working partnership, to make one nation, able to be independent if that is what its people eventually chose, was ignored by the committee in the scramble of most of its members to condemn out of hand the myth of colonialism.

In these circumstances Australia's attitude to the committee's final resolution was a peculiar one. Australia generally gave Britain support during the debate (although not always with as much enthusiasm as one had the right to expect), but abstained from the vote. This abstention was correctly described by the *New Zealand Herald* as having "earned no credit for Canberra".

Apparently the view is held in Canberra that nothing is to be gained by Britain or the Fijians cocking the snook too high at the committee, because the committee may be expected to be with us for a long time yet. According to this view, the committee is not entirely composed of extremists, and too blunt a reaction in Fiji might serve to alienate the committee's moderate members, who on the next occasion would be inclined to throw in their lot with the extremist Soviet *bloc*. In other words, Fiji should attempt to make friends, not enemies, on the committee.

The final resolution passed by the Committee of 24 noted, "with regret", that the "adminstering power has still taken no effective steps to transfer all powers to the people of Fiji," and that "the Fiji Constitution, in particular those sections governing the electoral system and the composition and functions of the Legislative and Executive Councils, are not based on generally accepted democratic principles". The resolution also affirmed "the inalienable right of the Fijian people to self-determination and national independence and invites the administering power to work out, together with the people of Fiji, a new constitution providing for free elections conducted on the principle of one man one vote, and the creation of representative institutions in the territory; to take immediate steps for the transfer of all power to the people of this territory, and in accordance with their freely expressed will and desire and without conditions or reservations, to work out with the co-operation of the people themselves the integration of the different communities in the social, economic and political fields."

There is always something to be said for making friends. And certainly a comparison of the original Soviet draft resolution with the final one will show that the Afro-Asians considerably reduced the fire and brimstone language of the original so that it finally ended up as something moderate enough when compared with the usual immoderate anti-colonial standards of the UN.

And it is also true, for this is what the Canberra view seems to be proposing, that Fiji might as well get used to the UN spotlight.

But expediency, plus the desire for friendship at any cost, has brought about the downfall of too many Governments with right on their side but timid souls at the helm. Britain is right to stand firm.

If the Fijians do need some educating as to what to expect from UN members in a changing world, then certainly the type of people to be found in the Committee on Colonialism are in more urgent need of lessons in the art of recognising problems and proposing practical solutions instead of political slogans.

By voting with Britain against the resolution, Australia could have added a clear voice of protest. Instead she invites identification as a rather gutless wonder who turns the other way when her friends are being attacked in a back alley.

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Sir David Trench For New Post

HE Western Pacific High Commissioner, Sir David Trench, in July appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hong Kong in cession to Sir Robert Black who is ring.

ir Robert will leave Hong Kong at end of March and Sir David is ected to take up his new appointt soon after.

r David Trench is at present on e and is expected to return to iara on September 3. He took up ost of High Commissioner early 961 and he has been a popular in the post. His successor has been announced.

e WPHC is senior British officer he Solomons, the Gilbert and e Islands Colony and the New ides.

Solomons' Find

Stevenson Relic Was A Long Way From Home

Back of the wireless station on Vavaya Ridge in Honiara, some Solomon Islanders started digging a garden for themselves and up came an oblong brass plaque.

AS it appeared to have an inscription on it they handed it over to the police. The piece of brass measured 11 inches by six inches and appeared to have been a long time in the ground.

It was cleaned and photographed by the police, who found the inscription read: "This seat is the gift of the Robert Louis Stevenson Club, Edinburgh, to the official custodians of the grave". A quotation read:

> "To love is the great amulet which makes the world a garden, and 'hope which comes to all' outwears the accidents of life and reaches with tremulous hand beyond the grave to death."

The Government decided to make inquiries in Edinburgh, and in Apia, Western Samoa, where Stevenson lies buried—and the Apia inquiries soon brought results.

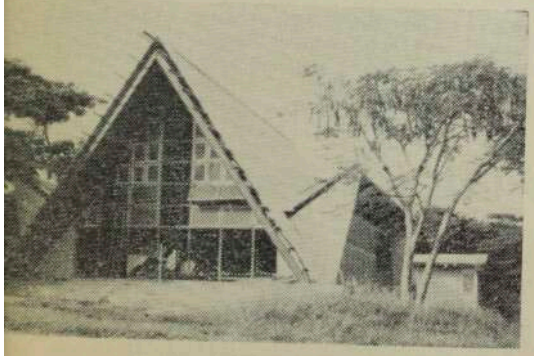
The plaque was last seen about 22 years ago on a seat which had been placed alongside the track to Mt. Vaea to give visitors a place to rest during their hour-long climb. The seat is not there now. Both the seat and the plaque had been donated by the Stevenson Club of Edinburgh.

How did the plaque wander from Apia to the Solomons?

Nobody can be certain, but both the Honiara police and Samoan Police Superintendent A. Phillip have a pretty shrewd suspicion that it was a case of wartime souveniring.

Samoa 22 years ago was filled with servicemen, many of whom moved to northern battlefields including the Solomons. And no doubt the Stevenson plaque went with them.

Samoa will now ask for the return of the plaque, and a new seat will probably be built to go with it.



VILA CHURCH

This new Presbyterian Church which in July was nearing completion in Vila, New Hebrides, follows the attractive modern trend in design. The church replaces one destroyed by the big hurricane of two years ago.

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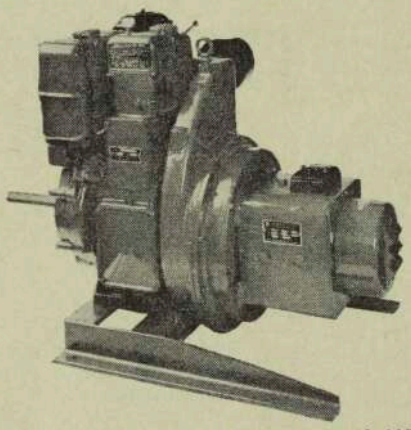
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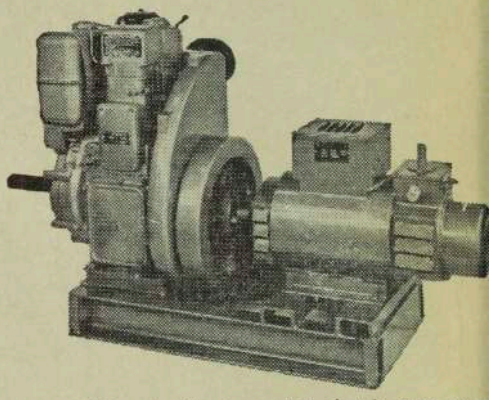
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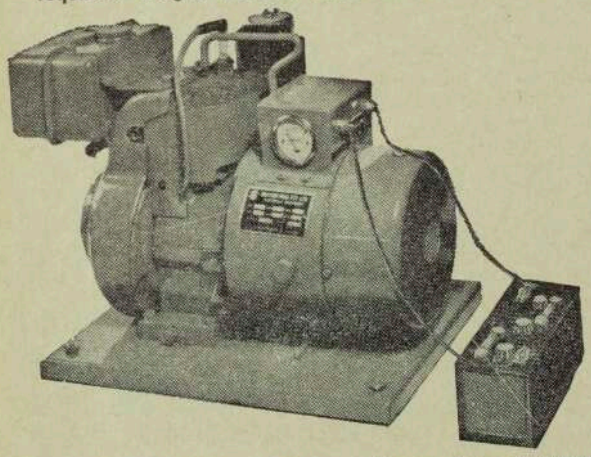
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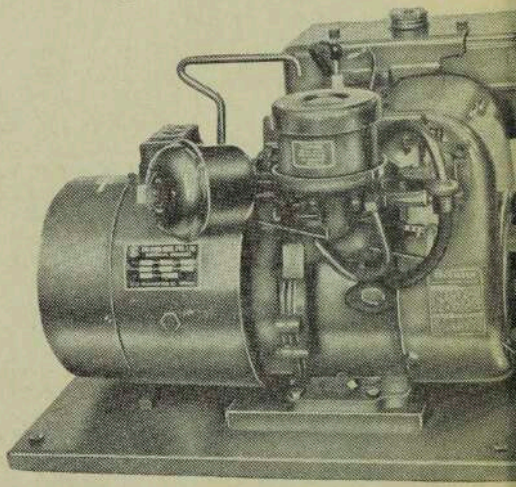
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NEW HEBRIDES TO LOSE ITS VIETNAMESE FIRST

Sixty Vietnamese from New Caledonia and 490 from Vila, New Hebrides, are expected to be on their way back to North (Communist) Vietnam in the British liner "Eastern Queen" by August 1.

The "Eastern Queen" arrived in Noumea on June 10 to start repatriating the Vietnamese, but the Vietnamese refused to embark until a supervisory mission from North Vietnam arrived. Later, it was decided that only 60 Viets would leave from Noumea on the first voyage—these being people who were originally in the New Hebrides—and that the rest would go from Vila.

The "Eastern Queen" was expected to leave Vila for Haiphong about July 31 or August 1. On her second voyage, she will take 550 Viets from Santo. After that the full-scale repatriation of Viets from New Caledonia will begin.

The Viets were brought into New Caledonia and the New Hebrides as indentured labourers before the war. Because of diplomatic difficulties they have been there ever since.

APPEAL SOUGHT IN NEW GUINEA LAND CASE

Leave to appeal against the judgment of P-NG Chief Justice Mann in the Varzin land case will be sought in the Australian High Court, it was announced in Port Moresby in July. The Administration and the Custodian of Expropriated Property will make the application.

THE Mann judgment was delivered in Port Moresby in June.

There has been uneasiness among property owners in New Guinea in recent months (see June *PIM*, p. 11, and July *PIM*, p. 19), since the Public Solicitor in New Guinea, on behalf of Tolai natives, challenged the validity of the Varzin plantation title. This changed to alarm when Mr. Justice Mann interpreted the Ordinances governing the situation as giving him authority to go back to the period *before the issue of the New Guinea land titles*, and to examine the conditions that then existed. Hitherto, it had been understood, the conditions pre-dating the issue of titles could not be re-examined, because such titles had been issued in accordance with the Torrens system.

It is believed that both the Australian Minister for Territories, and the Administrator take a grave view of the possible effect of the Mann judgment on all freehold lands security in the Territory. It is likely, therefore, that all possible means will be taken to expedite the hearing of the appeal by the High Court.

The suggestion has been made—and is under consideration—that a combination of Territory property-owners should brief counsel, so that they may be associated with the Administration's appeal to the High Court.

Officialdom, however, may discourage such a move by private property owners, in case it should be misunderstood by the natives.

"The Tolais will be very cross if they lose the final decision," writes an old Rabaul resident. "I do not know what they will do—but they can make a further appeal, I suppose, with no cost to them."

The Varzin land title challenge, heard by Chief Justice Mann, was prepared by the Public Solicitor at no cost to the Tolais.



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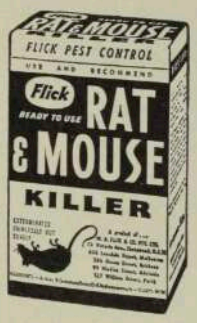
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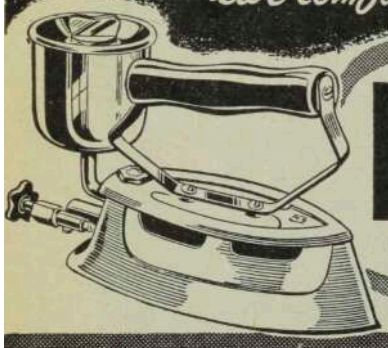
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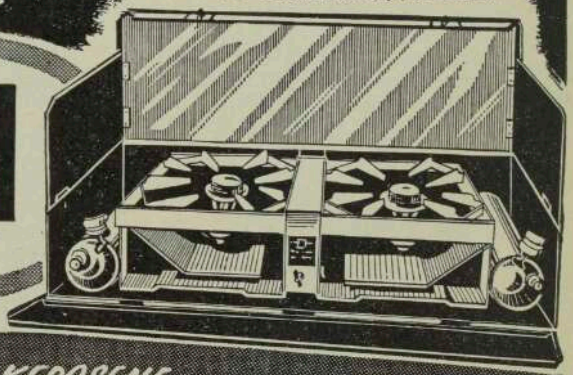
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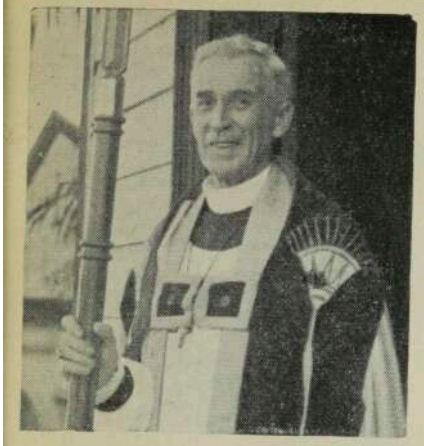
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Death Of Bishop Kempthorne At 77

The Right Rev. Leonard Stanley Kempthorne, who retired last year as Bishop in Polynesia, died in Suva on July 25 in his 77th year. He was Bishop in Polynesia for 39 years, during which he saw the Anglican Church soundly and effectively established in the diocese. He was a kindly, sincere and much-beloved man.

BISHOP KEMPTHORNE was born in Nelson, New Zealand, in 1886. He originally intended to be a doctor, but decided to devote himself to missionary work during his studies in London when he became closely associated with the Students Christian Union.

He was ordained by the Bishop of Willesden in 1914 as deacon of St. Paul's, London. In the same year, he went to West Equatorial Africa, and in 1920 to the Diocese of Singapore.

While in England in 1923, he was chosen as Bishop of Polynesia, a diocese which takes in Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, the Cook Islands, Tahiti and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands. Its headquarters are in Fiji.

On his arrival in Fiji, Bishop Kempthorne found there were only two priests to help him, few churches, and very little money. Added to these problems was the difficulty of getting about in his far-flung diocese.

But Bishop Kempthorne got about. He used trading schooners, cutters and visiting warships to call at other islands, and in Fiji he walked.

He used to relate that once, when he had to cross a flooded creek in the Tailevu district, he had to hold his head as high as he could to keep his nose out of the water.

"You afterwards got dry," he said, "by just keeping on walking. There was no drip-dry then, but just drip."

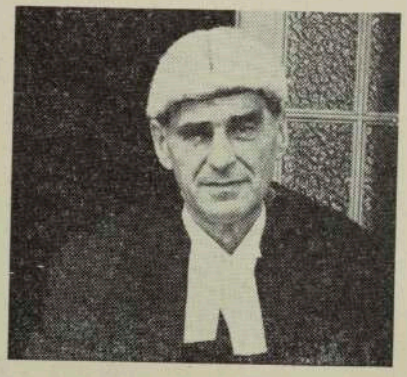
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The Bishop was particularly proud of the new multi-racial school at Denison Road, Suva. Another source of pride was that he saw the beginning of Holy Trinity Cathedral to replace the old Pro-Cathedral.

To solve the problem of obtaining sufficient priests for the diocese, the Bishop established St. John's House in 1958 to train students for the ministry.

Bishop Kempthorne was also greatly interested in the settlement of Solomon Islanders at Wailoku, Na, Matata (Lami), Wailailai (Levuka) and the Campbell Settlement at Savusavu.

Bishop Kempthorne was the second Bishop in Polynesia—after Bishop Twitchell. In many of his travels, he was accompanied by his wife who was of great assistance to him in all his work.



MR. JUSTICE MacDUFF DEAD

The Chief Justice of Fiji, Mr. Justice MacDuff, died suddenly in Suva on July 11. He was buried next day with military honours. This was the last photograph of him (taken by Stan Whippy, of "The Fiji Times"). For details, see p. 129.

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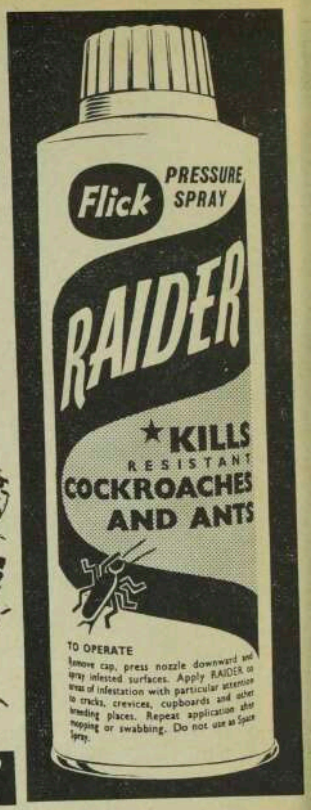
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World Bank Mission To NG Takes A Practical View

It is no secret, along the Administration corridors of Konedobu, Port Moresby, that Australia is relying on the visiting mission from the World Bank, currently in the Territory, to produce a formula for economic viability that will enable her to bow out of Papua-New Guinea when the signal is given in the political arena.

GIGANTIC health programmes have long been accepted as the order of the day in the Territory. The need for more strenuous efforts in education has gradually been realised. And the Territory has proved itself capable of adopting changed outlooks in the social and political fields.

But never has anybody seriously suggested that the Territory could balance its budget. Suddenly, with the onrush of political events, has come the realisation that the ability to pay its own way is one of the most important pre-requisites for independence in Papua-New Guinea.

At present, internal revenues account for about 30 per cent. of public expenditure in Papua-New Guinea. The balance comes from the annual free grants made by the Australian Government. The country depends heavily on imports, and according to world market fluctuations, exports, nearly all of them primary, meet only 45 per cent. to 55 per cent. of the external funds required.

Stress on Economy

The report of Sir Hugh Foot's visiting UN mission made clear last year that economic development must keep pace with the political. Hence the equal emphasis the Foot report placed on the extension of the franchise and parliamentary representation, and the stimulation of economic growth in the Territory.

Australia, which for so many years resented proposals of direct UN assistance in New Guinea, saw the wisdom of a thorough investigation by a World Bank mission. However, as in the matter of reform of the Legislative Council, she felt compelled to point out, perhaps rather petulantly, that she had thought of it first.

The World Bank team of 10 experts is now well on its way through the morass of problems that make up the economic situation in Papua-New Guinea. At first guarded in their statements, and reluctant to venture opinions, members of the mission have started to give clear hints as to the tenor of their report which is still a long way from the drafting stage.

As might be expected from such a group of practical men, their advice to Australia is going to be practical and direct—diversify industry, and make every penny spent on development count for production and economic growth.

Members have been staggered at the reliance of the highlands areas on one crop—coffee. The mission, having bumped in a Land-Rover convoy from Kainantu to Lae, looked back appalled at the funds spent on sealing suburban streets in Port Moresby; having flown over the vast grassy hillsides of the Highland valleys, asked why a cattle industry was so slow to develop; seeing the teeming

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seas around the islands, asked why no canneries had been built.

Nothing Starry-Eyed

At a meeting of the Kokopo Town Advisory Council in July, mission leader Mr. K. R. Iverson came out with a statement that proved members had not picked up any starry-eyed ideas of a great industrial future for the Territory.

"You'll go nowhere without improving your agricultural economy," he said. "You can have secondary industries only if the people have purchasing power, and purchasing power can come only from a better balanced and more efficient agricultural economy."

The members, in private conversations along their route, have indicated that they are inclined to think Australia's expenditure on social services praiseworthy, but economically foolhardy.

They have left clear impressions behind that they would like to see health and welfare budgets trimmed, and works programmes give priority to schemes that will directly encourage economic development. They are likely to propose schemes such as a canning industry for Rabaul, combining Japanese tuna-fishing skill with Tolai canning labour, as a means of attracting foreign capital, and providing local employment.

Employment Need

Less spectacularly, there will probably also be heavy emphasis on the need to capitalise on every crumb of an idea to boost employment and help swell export earnings.

Other economists have indicated that without fortuitous discovery of oil or other mineral deposits, the best hope for economic advancement of the Territory lies in marshalling the vast labour reserves of the country for planned agricultural development.

With inter-tribal strife virtually a thing of the past, and with even the modest increase in efficiency in subsistence farming that has come from the use of implements like spades and bush knives, a reservoir of "labour hours" has been created that is waiting to be tapped.

One of the main jobs of the World Bank mission will be to find the means, through incentives, to divert this labour potential to profitable production.

The saving grace for the economy of Papua-New Guinea may well prove to be the highly-developed subsistence life of the vast bulk of the population. From this basis of stability, economic growth and even viability may spring.

Fiji's RNZAF Laucala Bay Base Will Close

The Royal New Zealand Air Force flying-boat base at Laucala Bay, near Suva, is to close down as a result of a New Zealand Government decision to buy Lockheed Hercules transports.

THE Government has ordered three Lockheed C130E Hercules, and has also decided in principle to buy five maritime versions of the Hercules. A fact-finding team will shortly go to the US to make a final evaluation on these.

The *RNZAF News*, which is published at RNZAF Headquarters, Wellington, reports:

"The transport and maritime versions of the Hercules will replace other ageing and obsolete RNZAF aircraft, notably the venerable Hastings, which after many years of intensive flying are now approaching the end of their useful life, and the trusty Sunderland flying-boats, which have enjoyed an unrivalled period of service dating back to 1938. With the passing of Sunderlands, the flying-boat base at Laucala Bay will close and the new maritime aircraft operated from New Zealand."

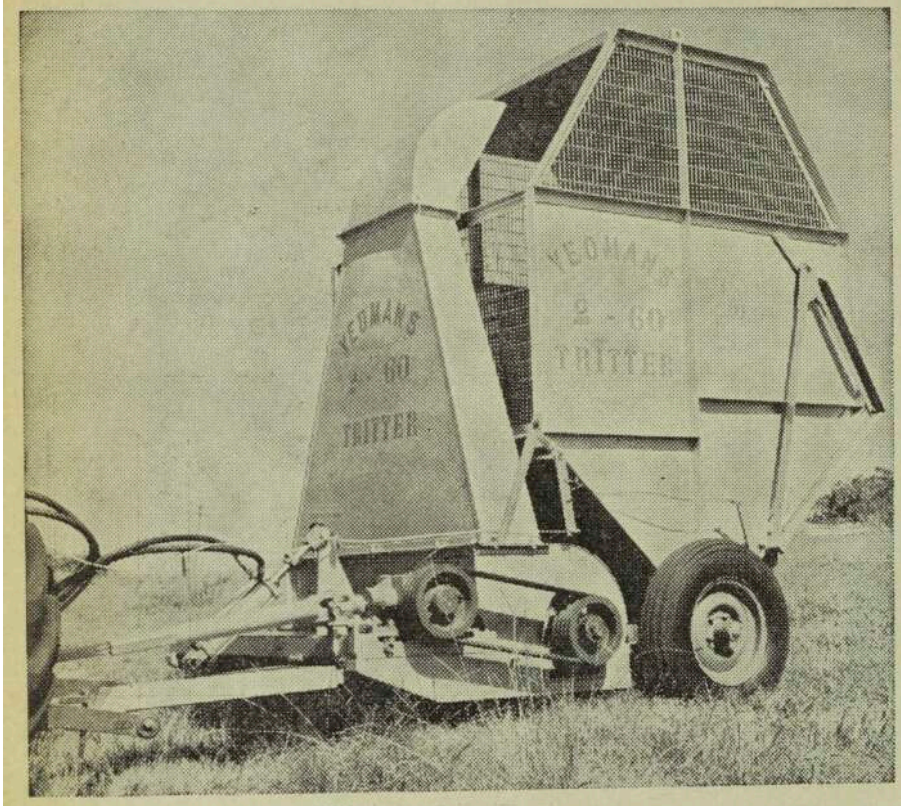
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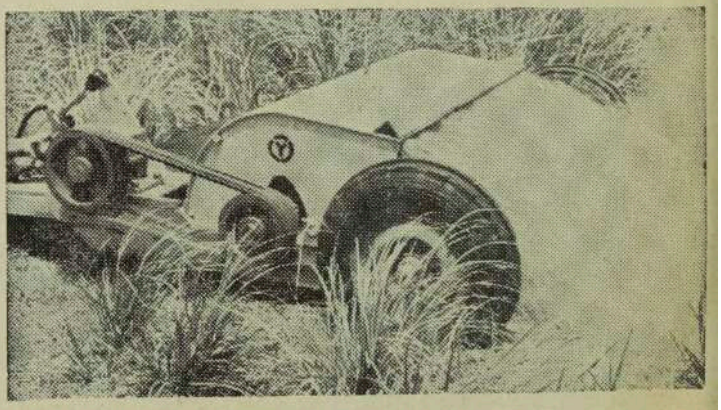
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New Party Puts Spotlight On P-NG Politics

Papua-New Guinea has never been a fertile field for political parties, and considerable doubts have been expressed about their value. But with the historic elections for the Territory's new House of Assembly less than eight months away, a new party has been founded, and possibly now is the time for it.

CALLED simply the New Guinea Party, it is only the second such organisation to be launched in the Territory. The first, the United Progress Party, in which Mr. R. F. Bunting was a leading light, won some seats in the Legislative Council at the elections of 1961, but failed to get two important candidates placed, and not long afterwards ceased to exist as a political entity. It was, it was admitted then, "before its time".

The New Guinea Party is being viewed in the Territory with all the suspicion that a hotel guest looks at mince on his breakfast menu. For the NGP is essentially a re-heat of the leftovers of the United Australia Movement, a right-wing organisation all but annihiliated at a meeting in Port Moresby last year, when it sought public support in the Territory.

Its sponsors are the same two Sydney men, solicitor Bruce Miles and barrister Jack Birney who launched the UAM. Its office bearers —Charlie Kilduff, president; Owen Powell, vice-president (both Port Moresby lawyers); and Mick Leahy, general secretary (pioneer NG explorer and miner, now a farmer of Zenag in the Morobe district); were amongst the leading local supporters of the UAM.

A New Direction

Mr. Miles admits that the NGP has taken up where the UAM left off, but he says the NGP is a more advanced step altogether, because the UAM was not a political party so much as "a general group dedicated to influencing the minds of the people who made the laws". The UAM, which also had supporters in Australia, was in reality a committee of about 100 men who thought the same and who carried no party membership credentials.

Mr. Miles says that the NGP will, on the other hand, attempt to influence the minds of the *electors*, and thus get active supporters into the law-making bodies.

Messrs. Miles and Birney visited New Guinea in July, with a constitution which they had prepared privately in Sydney, and which they announced ready-cooked. While in NG they approached Mr. Leahy to take on the job as secretary.

Asked in Lae by the *New Guinea Times-Courier* if a public meeting would be held to start the party and approve the draft constitution, Mr. Miles remarked wryly that he was a little wary of public meetings in the Territory.

The constitution, as announced, outlined as one of the main objectives of the party, the securing of a close association between Australia and Papua-New Guinea, with representation in the Federal Parliament. But it calls for Territory independence if the Commonwealth Government refuses such representation.

The party also lays stress on the

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need to protect Papua-New Guinea from attack from outside, either military or political; calls for the development of Papua and New Guinea as one state, and demands full Territory citizenship for all bona fide residents, irrespective of race, and equal political rights for all citizens. Observers in the Territory see the inclusion of the latter planks in the party platform as an attempt to gain popular support.

The UAM also had as one of its aims the securing of an elected New Guinea member in the Federal Parliament, and at the time put the proposal specifically to the Minister for Territories, Mr. Hasluck. Mr. Hasluck told the UAM that Cabinet had rejected the idea as being unnecessary.

Nobody takes the platform about political independence very seriously, either in or outside the party. Some of the office-bearers take the view that the party platform in its present state is just a political beginning, but at least something to build on. As a party, they think, it will get New Guinea people thinking politics—and enough of the electors' interest will rub off on the NGP to make it a going concern.

The party is probably aiming to get the greatest public support for its defence policy, and already it seems clear that one of its election issues



Mr. Mick Leahy.

is going to be the Indonesian threat from across the western border.

The immediate problem is to find candidates to stand. The party organisers have let it be known they would like to contest all 10 reserved (for non-indigenes) electorates if nominees are forthcoming. The task of finding, screening and priming the candidates is going to fall principally on general secretary Mick Leahy.

It is anticipated that little difficulty will be found in getting people to stand for the seats of North Markham, which includes the Huon Peninsula and Lae; South Markham, covering the Wau-Bulolo area; the Highlands, extending from Kainantu almost to Telefomin; and East Papua, which includes the whole of the Northern and Milne Bay Districts as well as the south-eastern section of the Central District.

There may be takers also for Port Moresby and one or two of the islands electorates. It will be interesting to see who these personalities will be.

The Chances?

And their chances? Not very bright, according to the best-informed observers in the Territory.

Main support will come from plantation and business interests, who stand most to gain by the implementation of a water-tight union with Australia, and from that section of the Public Service that holds bleak hopes of finding rehabilitation within the Australian employment structure after independence.

But it must not be forgotten that even in the reserved electorates voting will be from the common roll, and the number of enthusiastic NGP supporters on a list of some 40,000 to 50,000 people is likely to be very small.

The party's only hope of seeing a representative in the House of Assembly seems to lie in securing dynamic candidates, long-time residents who already have the friendship and confidence of a large section of the native people.

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Although New Zealand's Minister for Territories, Sir Leon Gotz, has stated that it would be a waste of of public money to send a Parliamentary fact-finding committee to the Cook Islands (see p. 59), a man we know in Rarotonga claims such a committee will soon be hot-footing it in that direction to find out "just what has gone wrong with the Cooks".

WHETHER this is the case or not, our man has definite views that the Cooks' first Legislative Assembly is largely to blame for the mess things are in.

He says this body has earned a reputation among the people for "ignoring the electors, and being utterly incompetent, dominated by three official members—the Resident Commissioner, Treasurer and Secretary—and a grinder of private axes".

Cripes!

"Putting matters briefly," he says, "during the past two years the Legislative Assembly has spent the better part of £2 million (£750,000 annual subsidy from NZ plus local revenue). This sum has largely gone on entirely unproductive capital expenditure.

"For instance, £8,000 (estimated) has been spent on erecting a power station in the Ngatangiia district of Rarotonga. It has now been discovered that insufficient subscribers are available to make it worth while operating this station. Anyone could have told the LA that before the project was ever begun.

"The Cook Islands' biggest and proudest white elephant, the notorious cooler, which cost £250,000 to build, again lost £16,000 last year without arousing comment by the members. The cool store attached to the cooler lost £12,000 ditto without comment.

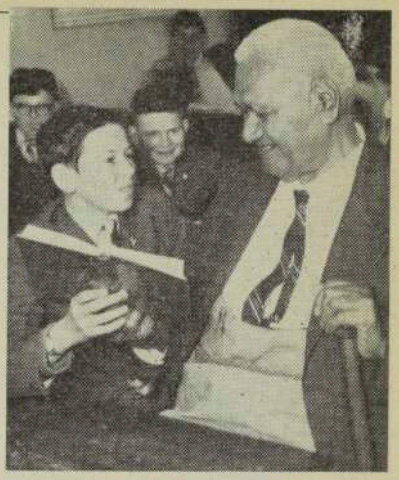
"Some £30,000 has been voted to build a laundry in Rarotonga. This will replace the present laundresses who cope satisfactorily with the washing of the hospital.

"The emporium will also be obliging enough to launder the clothes of the junior clerks ensconced in the boarding house called Rarotonga Hotel, and ditto the linen of the *Moana Roa*.



OLD AND NEW

Yet not so widely apart are these two New Guinea aircraft —the top one is a Fairy Fox which made the first direct flight to New Guinea in 1935, and the bottom one — the latest arrival — a TAA Piper Aztec which recently began charter services on New Britain. Piper pilot is a former Rabaul policeman, Noel Von Hoff. In the Fox, taken at Wau, are Mr. J. C. Thomson, looking at the camera, and Ray Parer, with his back to the camera. See p. 33 for details of this.



OLD BOY: When Sydney's famed Newington College celebrated its centenary in July, one of its oldest Old Boys, Moulton Finau, 80, flew from Tonga to go back to school. But it was just for old time's sake. Mr. Finau, who still practises law in Tonga, left Newington in 1901. His son, Tonga's Taxation Commissioner Lupeti Finau, was also educated there, and Lupeti's son, Stephen, is currently a student. Tonga's Premier, Prince Tungi, was also educated at Newington.

"I believe it is hoped that from all over the great wide Pacific Ocean hurrying liners and fast cargo boats will turn aside from their courses to get their laundering done by Rarotonga. (I visualise advertising posters of Rarotonga in the near future displaying soap suds instead of surf on the reef, and lines of washing fluttering in picturesque manner between the jagged peaks of the skyline.)

"The vast octopus of the Public Works Department, growing in healthy manner if not productive strength, was last year voted a generous £332,630, or almost half of the total NZ subsidy for the Cook Islands for the year.

"At a time when NZ is announcing the gradual reduction of European official staff in the Cook Islands, two or three new houses at some £4,000 each were erected in Rarotonga for European officials.

"Schools, springing up everywhere, still cost £1,000 per room or perhaps a cool £10,000 per school. They must, of course, be built up to NZ standards; nothing cool and cheap could possibly be used in the Cook Islands!"

Our man hasn't finished his outburst yet. He takes his second breath and continues:

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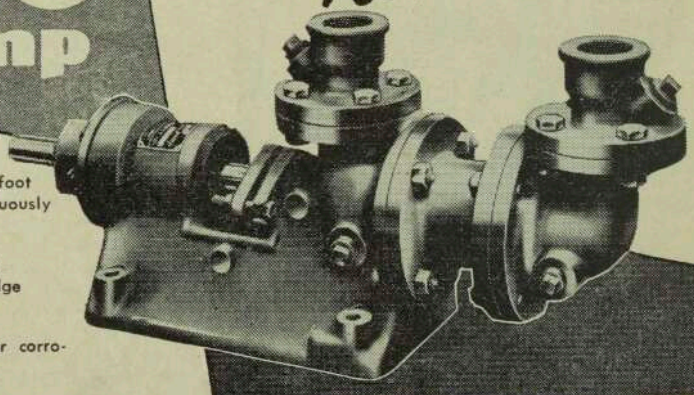
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SIGNS OF THE TIMES: It's been a long time since Rabaul's Queen Elizabeth Park was last closed to paying customers only, but this happened in July when the Territory Athletic Championships were held, and the Suva Games Fund Appeal was considerably swelled. The sign announces the races in Pidgin. Lower photograph shows a brand new sign now being used in Rabaul by the bomb disposal unit. For 18 years they have been making do with a rough sign on a piece of tin. On the day the new sign appeared practical jokers carted it off, but it turned up later.

planters who lack money for manure, wire netting, tractoring and seeds.

"No one seems to have pointed out to the Hon. Members that without the planters the Cook Islands are nothing.

"When I taxed one young member on this point, he assured me that 'social development *must* come before economic development. I mean, we must build good houses and schools and roads before we put money into land,' he said.

"I assured him equally strongly that this extraordinary theory was directly opposed to all writers on politico-economy, and everything that had ever been done in colonial administration throughout Africa for the past 100 years.

"Recently I inquired of another Hon. Member: 'I know the Resident Commissioner rules the roost in the Legislative Assembly, but do any of you ever get round to challenging some of the statements he makes?'

"'Oh, no,' the Hon. Member replied. 'We never do that.'

"'Just what *do* you do, then?' I asked.

"'Oh, we go home and talk about it to our families,' he said.

"The Maori population of Rarotonga simply ignores the Legislative Assembly as a great waste of time.

"While the proceedings of the present session were being broadcast the other night, I did a snap check by car of households in my district. Out of seven homes I visited, two were listening to Radio New Zealand, three sets were switched off, one was broadcasting Radio Rarotonga but the owner confessed he had been asleep, and the seventh was tuned in to KFBK in California.

"This is typical, alas, of the general interest being shown in the advent of self-government. The Cook Islanders just refuse to believe in it or take it at all seriously."

Samoa For The Samoans: But Who Are They?

THE policy of the Government of American Samoa is that that territory should be developed as much as possible for the benefit of the Samoan people. But it seems quite a few people there have been thinking lately that the Government's idea of who is a Samoan is rather cock-eyed.

Under recently-enacted laws, if you are a Samoa-born, full-blooded or part-Samoan who has served in the US armed forces, thus acquiring US citizenship, you are regarded as an alien in your own country. This means that you cannot buy or own land in American Samoa, you cannot work there without the Governor's permission, and you cannot be a member of the local legislature.

And if you were born in American Samoa but don't have 51 per cent. Samoan blood, you cannot be a shareholder in the Government-sponsored Samoan Development Corporation, which was formed to give the people of the terrtory a chance to participate in the economic growth.

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"Ask yourself if this is consistent with the principles of justice and equality of man, which is the very foundation of our Democracy," Pago Pago's *News and Views Bulletin*, which is published by the local Chamber of Commerce, said recently.

It added: "Hotel development in American Samoa should be a right and privilege extended to anyone born in American Samoa—regardless of colour, race, creed or blood count."

The same paper said that colour, race, creed and blood count should not be considered in determining whether you are an American Samoan or not. The only criterion should be: Were you born in American Samoa? Moreover, no law should arbitrarily take away a man's citizenship rights because he happened to be a citizen of the United States.

"There have been many things wrong in certain policies and actions by this present Government Administration," *News and Views Bulletin* went on, "but nothing quite as insulting, ill-considered and foolish as the present alien status of Samoans and part Samoans born here, but who are United States citizens."

Suva Finally Got It on Sunday

FIJI film censors, endowed with a little authority, are not slow to use it when the opportunity comes along, but something went wrong recently when the film, *Never on Sunday*, which is said to glamourise prostitution, was scheduled for exhibition at a Suva cinema.

They stepped in promptly and banned it, but found out the very next day that it had just been shown at the Nadi Airport cinema.

That sort of thing had happened before because films can be censored twice in Fiji, at Lautoka and at Suva.

The Lautoka censors had given the film an A classification (suitable only for persons over 17).

Had the proprietor of the Suva cinema been aware that the film had been screened at Nadi Airport he could have obtained the censor's certificate from there, and could have shown the film without referring it to a Suva censor.

Anyhow, in this case the exhibitors appealed against the Suva ban to the Fiji Film Control Board.

The board, without seeing the film, approved the ban of the censor, Mr. James Grundy, but when the exhibitors kicked up a fuss at this they agreed to see it, saying that they thought the exhibitors wanted a decision urgently, and that was why they had rejected the film.

After seeing it, the five members of the board unanimously passed it for adult exhibition. (One member confided later that if he had had to pay money to see *Never on Sunday*, he would have walked out.)

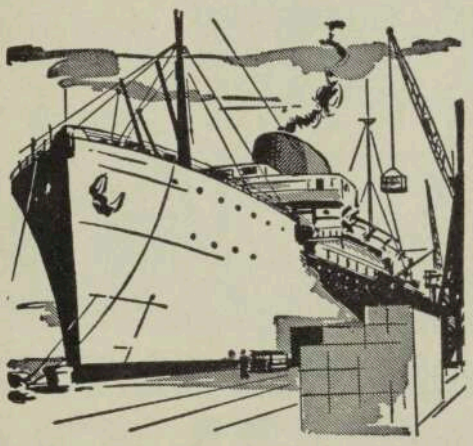
The next development was the resignation of Mr. Grundy, who gave no reasons.

And the final development was that the management, which had planned to screen *Never on Sunday* three times, showed it on five nights, and at two matinees, and had full houses every time.

Fiji's theatre operators claim that there is no need to censor films in the Colony, anyway, because all English-language films are censored in New Zealand before they reach Fiji. The Colony could save several thousands of pounds spent each year on censorship if it accepted the NZ ratings. Not to mention a few red faces.

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for business in July—with an entirely new face and new purpose.

The block is now BOAC House and the ground floor where the old bar was is now taken up with the BOAC booking office—whose decor includes a lake, a marble bridge, and a fantastic illuminated cloud mural.

We were on hand for the last day of business for the New Guinea Bar —so it was fitting we should turn up for the first day of business for the new tenants.

We had a nice time, thank you, but something was missing. Although there were aviation pioneers galore, there were none of the men who had helped make aviation history in New Guinea and the islands, and who used once to make a group of their own at the bar.

We drank BOAC champagne (beer and rum were the drinks in the Islands' bar) with Bob Howlett, formerly of Suva, who now represents the Fiji Visitors Bureau through his prosperous Sydney PR show, and with Bob Allender, former TEAL publicity manager, who recalled the time he went down with mumps at Fiji's Korolevu Beach Hotel. But we all agreed that it wasn't the same. Ushers really was just a distant memory.

The Pacific Air Gap

WHILE we're on the subject of aviation, and on BOAC in particular, there are still many people wondering whether BOAC proposes to bridge its South Pacific gap between Auckland and Honolulu, and if so, how. Does it want to fly the South Pacific, and if so will it fly its own flag or make some arrangement with, say, TEAL?

BOAC is playing its cards pretty close to the chest at the moment, but our tip is that it quite definitely plans to close the gap and that it wants to fly its own aircraft. There is traffic enough for BOAC, TEAL and Qantas across the Pacific.

But we suspect BOAC can't move until the Americans finally settle the last of their big Pacific basin aviation review and say just what rights out of Honolulu and Pago they are prepared to give whom. The Americans certainly have been at that particular exercise for a long time—surely too long.

First Flight Recalled

WE had a talk the other day with Captain H. T. ("Bunny") Hammond, who had arrived from Melbourne where he learned that Mr. J. C. Thomson, known to everyone as "Tommy", died suddenly in September last year. It was the first we had heard of Mr. Thomson's death.

"Tommy" Thomson will be remembered by many NG old hands as Ray Parer's passenger on the first direct flight from Australia to New Guinea in 1935 in a Fairy Fox. They arrived at Wau with only two drops of petrol in their tank! Their arrival coincided with the opening of the Parer family's new hotel at Wau.

"Tommy" lived in New Guinea for about three years, engaging in several activities, one of which was operating the Parer mine. During the war he worked with ANGAU on small ships plying between Australia and the Territory. He managed the Officers' Club at Lae in 1944.

"Tommy's" Melbourne flat was decorated with many New Guinea souvenirs and mementos, and he always retained his interest in New Guinea affairs. Mrs. Thomson still lives at St. Kilda, Victoria.

Said "Bunny" Hammond: "All the old hands of New Guinea aviation seem to be passing on now". But "Bunny" himself is still most active.



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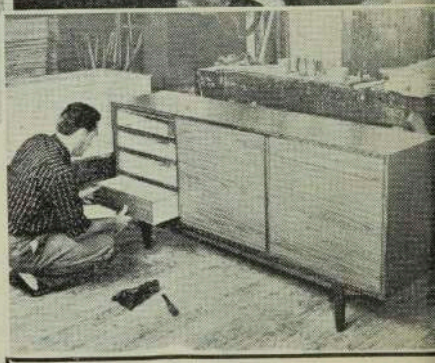
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Photo: S. A. Whippy.

Local Councils In The BSIP To Have More Power

A bill to grant new and more powers to local native councils was presented by the BSIP Government at the Legislative Council meeting in July.

THE bill is seen as a step towards self-government for the Solomon Islanders.

The bill provides for a system of local government applicable to everyone in the Protectorate. It will replace a 1953 ordinance on local government.

The bill follows the provisions of ordinances on local government in other colonial territories, with some modifications to suit local conditions.

It provides for the establishment of councils by warrant of the High Commissioner.

It is intended that all areas of the Protectorate shall come under the authority of either a local or town council, and that all residents in each council area, regardless of race or nationality, shall be able to stand for election, vote in the elections, and be subject to council by-laws.

Other provisions of the bill are:

- A council shall be a body corporate capable of sueing and being sued and of acquiring, holding and disposing of movable and unmovable property.
- All members of a council shall be elected.
- A warrant establishing a council shall specify what functions shall or may be performed by the council.
- Councils shall have the power to make by-laws to put into effect the functions conferred on them, but a by-law shall not have effect until approved by the High Commissioner.
- A council may levy rates on everyone within the area of its authority, and these shall be payable into council funds.
- Council messengers shall have powers of arrest without warrant corresponding with those of the police, and all persons so arrested shall be taken as soon as possible before a police officer, a native court or a magistrate.

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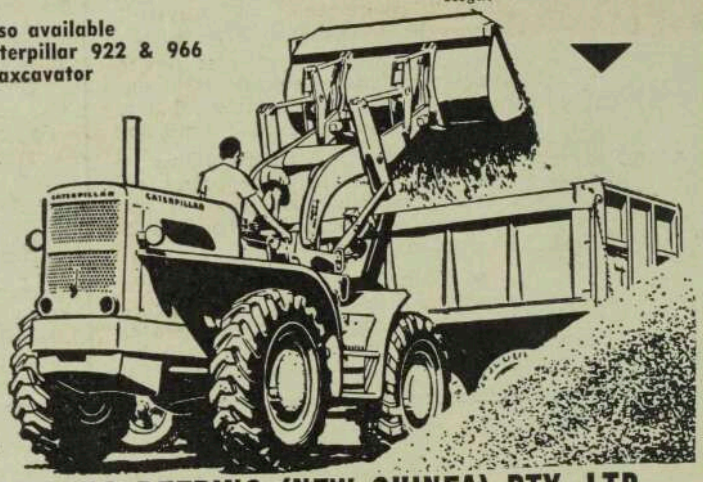
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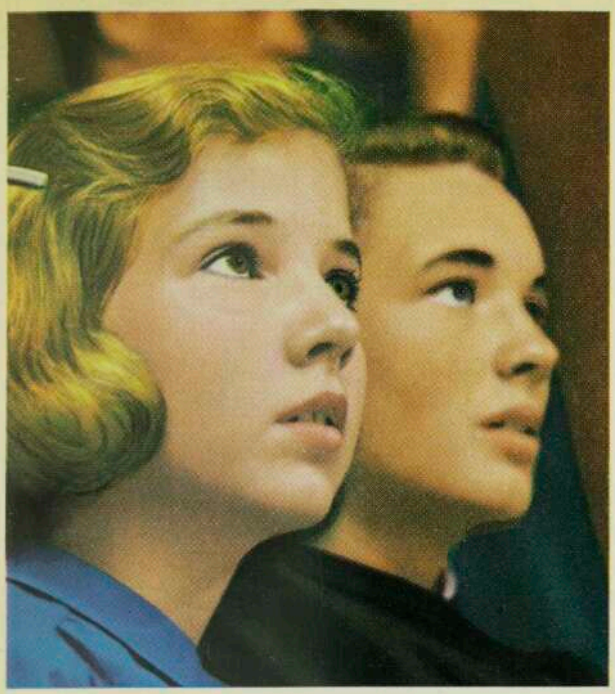
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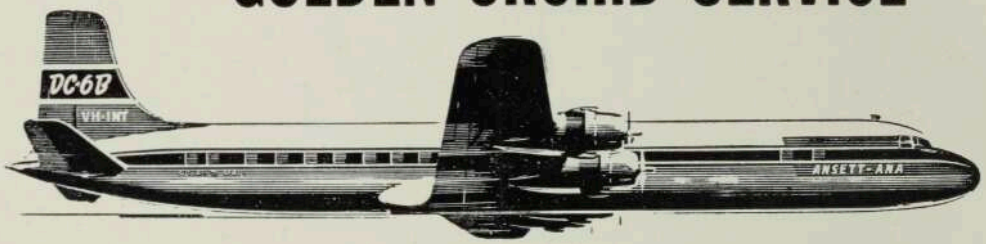
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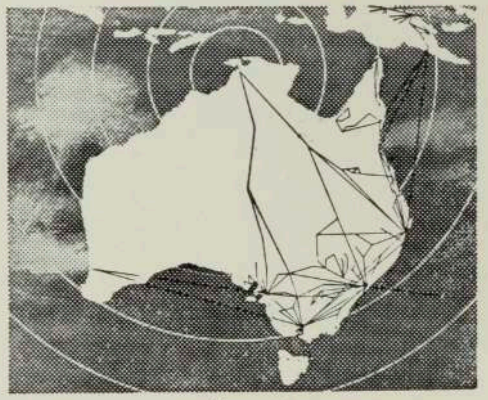


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France Faces Labour Problems Over Pacific Nuclear Base

France has run into a couple of problems in obtaining labour for its projected nuclear testing base at Mururoa Atoll, in the Tuamotu Archipelago, and associated projects elsewhere in French Polynesia.

ONE is that few of the 3,000 Tahitians living in Noumea are eager to return home to work on the base; the other is that Tahiti does not want members of the French Foreign Legion to be included in the labour and tactical troops.

The Governor of Tahiti, Mr. Aime Grimald, found that most Tahitians in Noumea were reluctant to go home to work on the base when he made inquiries among them recently to find out what skilled labour was available.

PIM's Noumea correspondent says the Tahitians generally have adapted themselves to life in New Caledonia; that they have good jobs there, and in many cases own their own homes.

Opposition to having members of the Foreign Legion as workers on the nuclear base was expressed in a unanimous resolution passed recently by Tahiti's Territorial Assembly. The resolution was to be sent to President de Gaulle.

French Defence Pattern

The Assembly said in the resolution that it had been officially informed that two battalions of Legionaires—labourers and engineers—were to be sent to French Polynesia, and it expressed astonishment that it had not been consulted.

The Assembly acknowledged the military value of the Legionaires, but said that "grave inconveniences" could follow the contact of a peace-loving population with elements noted for their violence. It asked that any military labour force should be drawn from forces other than the Foreign Legion.

Mr. Grimald told the Assembly that it had exceeded its powers in protesting against the Legion. The Assembly then agreed to soften the wording of the resolution, but it remained unanimously opposed to the arrival of Legionaires.

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France Rejects NZ Protest

The French Government has rejected New Zealand's protest against French preparations for nuclear testing in the South Pacific. The NZ Prime Minister, Mr. K. Holyoake, announced this in NZ's Parliament in July.

He said France had told NZ that suspension of testing without effectively controlled suspension of production and progressive elimination and verification of stocks of nuclear weapons would leave other Powers in possession of nuclear arms and France without them.

the building of the base at Mururoa is a result of France's determination to become an independent nuclear power.

The article was published in the *Revue de la Defense Nationale* for May. A translation of it was sent to *PIM* by the French Embassy in Canberra.

Atlantic Alliance

In his article, Mr. Messmer said: "The choice made in 1949 to associate France with its neighbours in Europe and in the United States in the Atlantic Alliance led to the creation of NATO and almost led to the European Defence Community.

"This alliance has permitted Europe, thanks to American protection, to resist Soviet pressure and to reconstruct itself materially and even militarily.

"From the start, the chief problem of the Atlantic Alliance has been the possible use of the atomic weapon, for, since 1945, and for a long time to come, the nations have been divided into two categories: those which possess atomic weapons and the others.

"Only the first are capable of defending their freedom and their life; the others are doomed to subservience or satellite status.

"The nuclear weapon does not permit France to become one of the world's giants, but it does permit it to be a quantity to be reckoned with as soon as its vital interests are at stake.

"That is why the Americans and Russians are hostile to the appearance of national nuclear forces which make their policy of hegemony more difficult, and risk compromising its results. That is why the nuclear armament of France is at the heart of French-American relations.

"Later, it will come into the forefront of European policy, for Europe cannot build itself into an entity merely on the basis of economical and technical communities, although these are necessary.

"In order for Europe to exist, it will have to assume the burden and the responsibility of its defence, and, for that, possess nuclear weapons.

"When we reach that point, we shall see that France's possession of national nuclear weapons will be a keystone in the building of Europe, and, because of this, the subject of the most impassioned debates.

"The dominant characteristic of our military policy is the decision taken by General de Gaulle to give France a nuclear arsenal, and this decision has such consequences that it will direct the destiny of our country for a long time to come."

Mr. Messmer said France would have three systems of armed forces, one of which would be the strategic nuclear force, or striking force. The "first generation" of this force would comprise 50 Mirage IV bombers with a range of 1,550 miles without refuelling, and of 2,975 miles with refuelling in flight by C-135 tanker planes.

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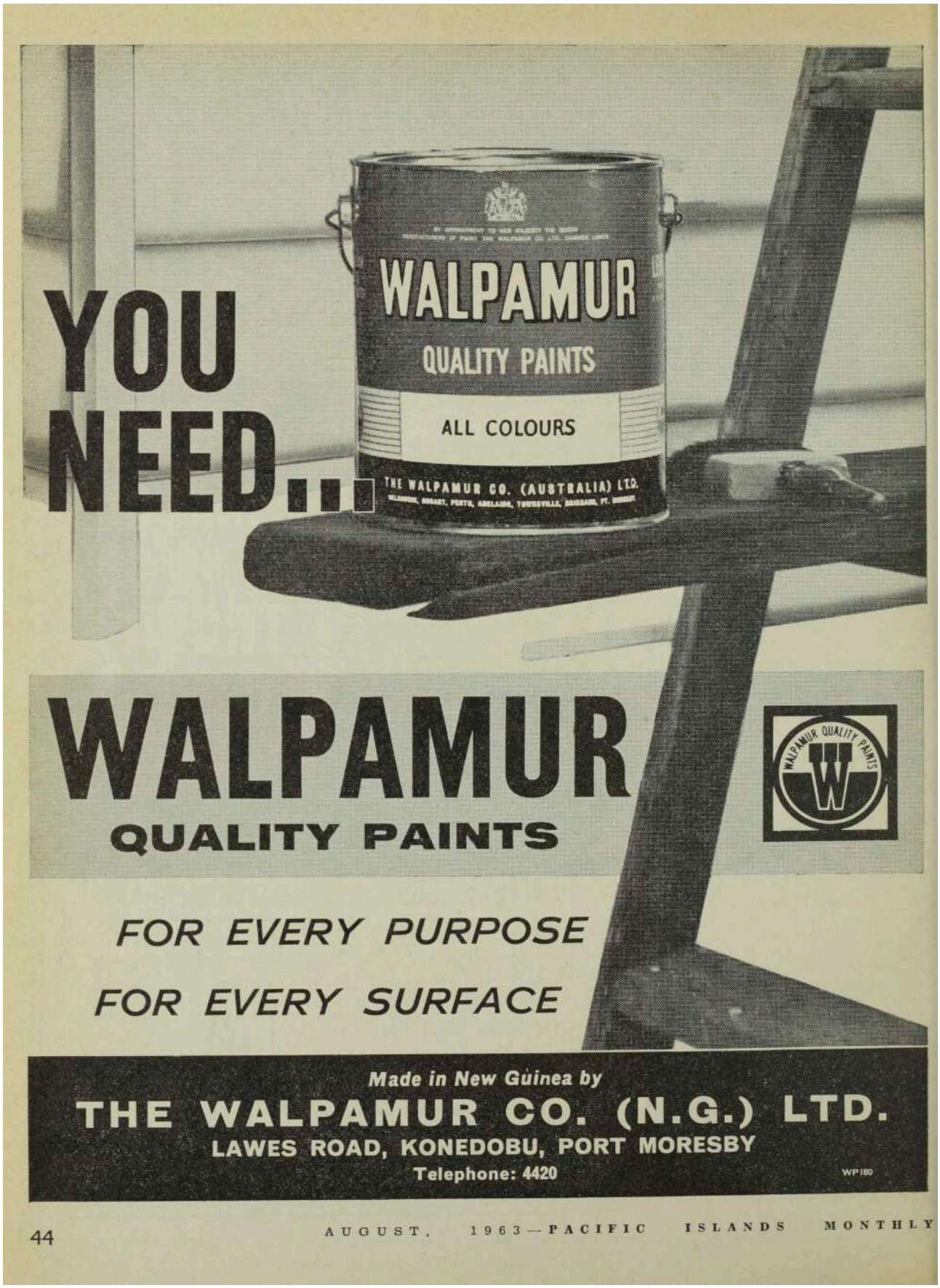
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would be operational before the end of 1963, and the 50th plane would be delivered by the end of 1966.

Beginning in 1968-69, the "first generation" force would be succeeded by a "second generation characterised by the thermonuclear bomb and the missile".

Mr. Messmer said that France's military budget was 3.7 billion dollars, or 22 per cent. of the national budget.

He added: "France knows and feels that it can only be defended with good weapons, i.e. with atomic weapons. A military policy that organises the manufacture of those weapons will give the French people confidence in themselves and will justify the sacrifices asked of them."

Pitcairn Islanders "Living In Fear"

THE people of Pitcairn Island are living in fear of what the future holds for their island as a result of the French Government's decision to hold nuclear tests in French Polynesia, according to a recent editorial in the island's roneoed newspaper, *Pitcairn Miscellany*.

The editorial said the Pitcairners also held fears for the people of the neighbouring Gambier Archipelago, many of whom were close relatives.

"Why should we, a helpless handful of people, be swept aside like a straw in the wind?" the editorial asked.

"Surely somewhere in the hearts of the French Government and its leader, President de Gaulle, there must be a feeling of guilt, that through their actions, people are having their freedom to live as they wish taken from them."

The editorial said the French claimed their possession of nuclear bombs and other weapons of mass destruction would greatly assist in maintaining liberty in the world, and that it was therefore essential for them to carry out the proposed tests.

It added: "At about the same time as Pitcairn was being settled by Fletcher Christian and his party, in France, a woman, Madame Roland, was being led out to be executed. As she approached the guillotine, she cried out, 'O Liberty! What crimes are committed in thy name.' This could easily be the cry of Pitcairn today."

Fiji Will Intensify Mineral Search

The search for mineral deposits in Fiji has continued for years, sometimes in spasms, and sometimes, when there has been the prospect of a strike, with unabated enthusiasm. Geologists recognise that there could be vast deposits in the Colony, but the big question has been to find them in payable quantities.

Now with a fairly strong team of experts the drive to find minerals, which will materially help the Colony's economy, is being intensified.

The total scheme envisages recurrent expenditure of £247,000 and capital expenditure of £75,000 between 1963 and 1969. It provides for a new headquarters, new equipment and additional staff.

The primary object of the scheme is to acquire geological information and by interpreting it to help in the search for natural resources. Geological mapping on a regional scale is the necessary prelude to more detailed investigations. The department has been given a target of 1969 to finish the preliminary mapping of the whole of the Colony.

At the same time the department will start a more specific survey of mineral resources and will systematically assess mineralised areas.

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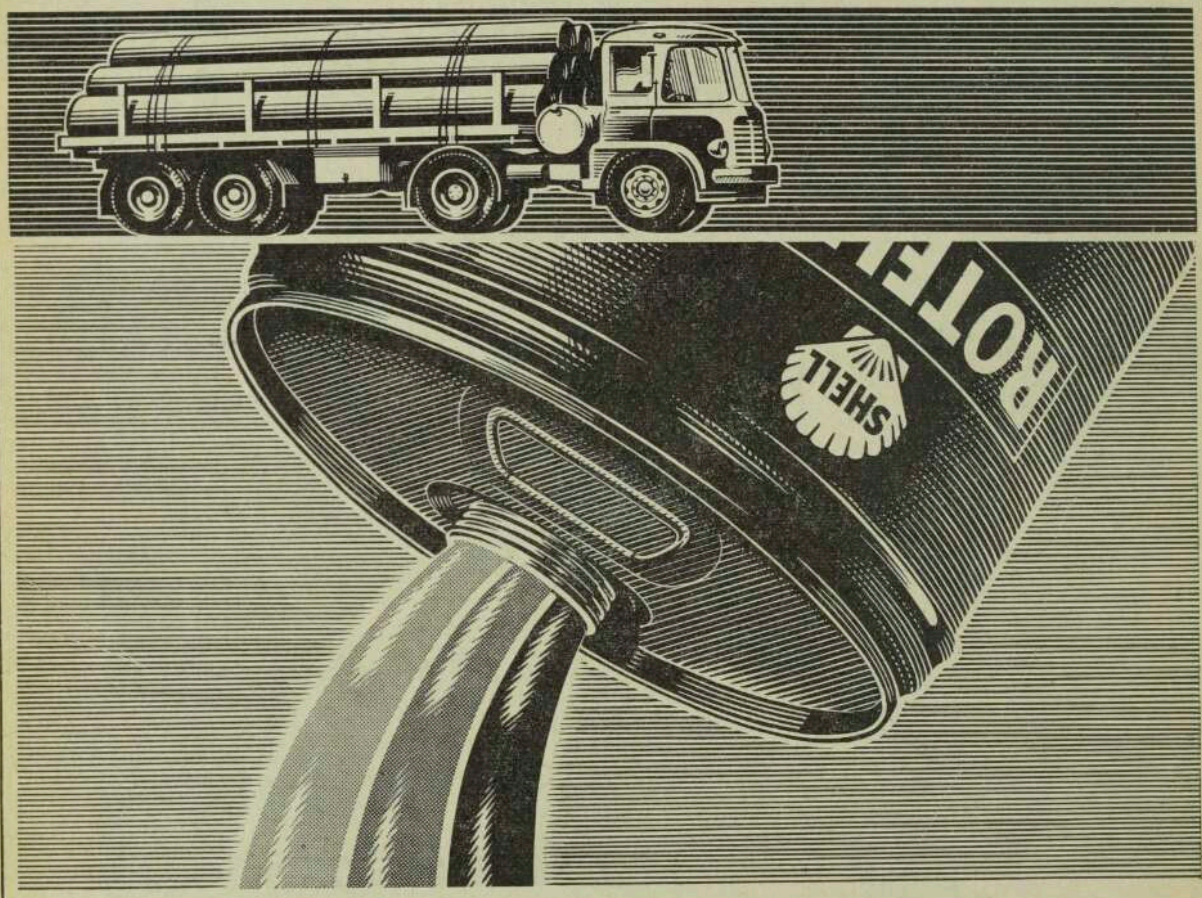
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TONGA GETS ITS WATER LAID ON

From S. A. Fanamanu

TONGA'S first water reticulation system, using underground water resources, has been installed at the village of Houma, about eight miles from Nukualofa. The system was installed under the direction of a project engineer of the World Health Organisation, Mr. B. L. Adan, of the Philippines.

Water is pumped up by a windmill to two 5,000 gallon elevated tanks, from which it is reticulated all over the village by public taps, and also in the village of Vaotu'u about half a mile away. An electric motor has been installed to be used instead of the windmill in calm weather.

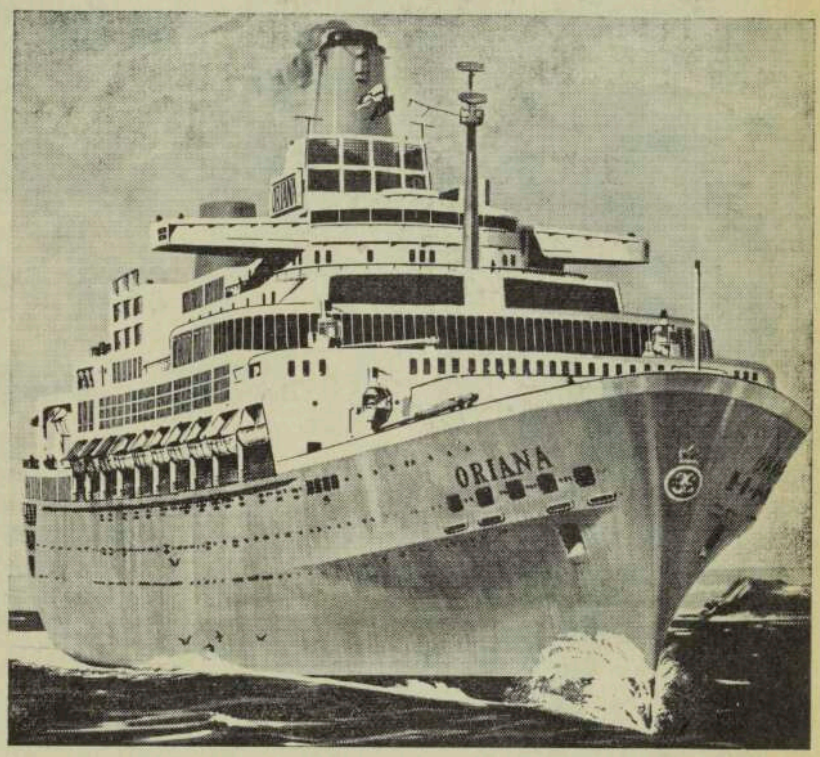
The water supply system is designed to enable houses in both villages to be connected to it without affecting the pressure in the main.

Representatives of member countries of the South Pacific Health Service inspected the system when they arrived in Nukualofa recently for their annual conference. The delegates also visited similar water supply schemes in other villages on Tongatapu.

These schemes are part of a UNICEF/WHO-assisted School Sanitation and Community Water Supply Project, requested by the Tonga Government.

The project takes in 20 village Government primary schools and 27 associated villages. Besides piped water, each school has a septic tank system using locally-made lavatory seats. A drinking fountain and a 100-ft hose to facilitate cleaning are also provided for each school.

The new latrines are a big improvement on the old, unhygienic pit latrines that were in common use; and the new water supply systems have produced flourishing flower gardens around the thatched Tongan houses and along the roadsides. Windmills are becoming a common sight on the island.



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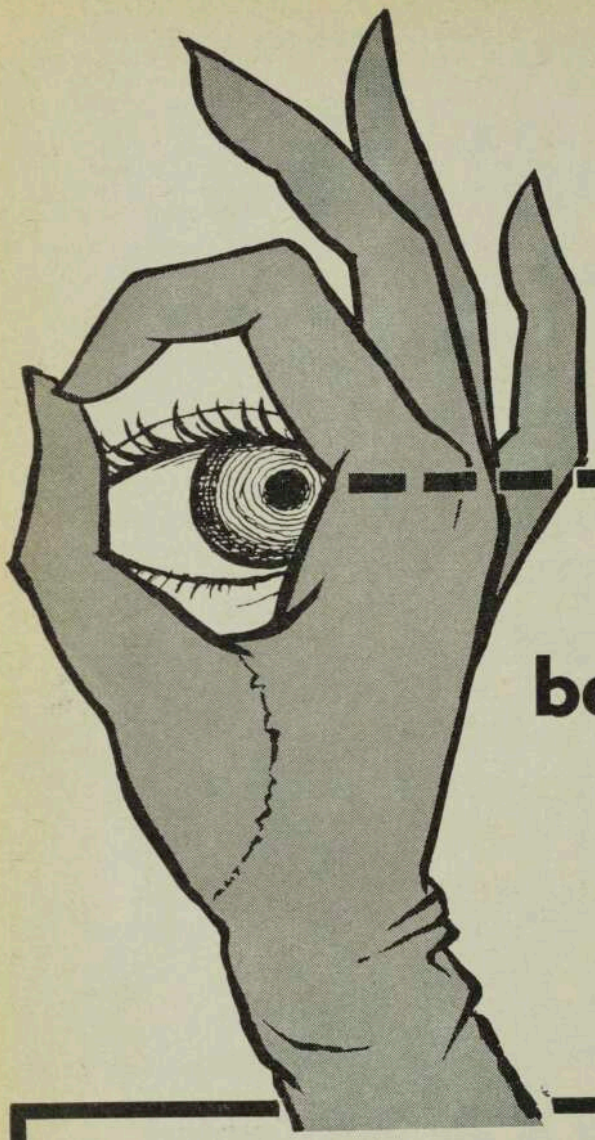
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Chances Of Fiji University May Be Surveyed

A university within the South Pacific Islands is a dream often discussed, but one that is only a little closer to reality than it ever was. No South Seas territory has any plans for a university at present, although an education commission currently working in Papua-New Guinea will report on the possibility of establishing a university there.

WEST New Guinea, under the Indonesians, claims to have a university, but this is something of a joke. A university without standards is worse than no university at all—a point which was made the other day by Mr. Harold Houghton, Deputy Adviser on Education in the UK Department of Technical Co-operation, after he had finished a fact-finding tour of Fiji.

Mr. Houghton paid particular attention to the possibilities of establishing a university in Fiji, and said bluntly he could see no hope of Fiji being in a position to award its own degree within the next 20 years.

The best Mr. Houghton could promise was a university college, but not for the next five years at least. He agreed there was ground for thinking seriously about the establishment of such a college as soon as the Colony knew its own needs for trained manpower, and as soon as finance could be found.

Must Be A Good One

He said that when he returned to England he would recommend that the UK Government send a team of education experts to Fiji to examine the matter thoroughly—as New Guinea is doing.

Mr. Houghton said that in all his discussions about higher education he had assumed that Fiji did not want anything but a good university.

"Nobody would have the slightest use for a bad university," he said.

If Fiji rushed into the project without the proper groundwork she would get something the very reverse of what she wanted, and certainly nothing of which she could be proud. Mr. Houghton said there was a lot of goodwill in New Zealand towards establishing a Fiji university, and probably also in Australia although help from that quarter was an unknown quantity.

Mr. Houghton said he would like to see other territories like the BSIP, the New Hebrides and Tonga as the recruiting ground for a university college.

When asked if they could be active partners in establishing a university he said that the suggestion did not make sense at present because the other territories lacked resources. If Fiji had to wait for them to come in she would wait a long time, he said.

A university college would be closely affiliated with a university overseas, and the course would be regarded as an integral part of the degree course of that university.

He added: "A lot of establishments in India are awarding degrees which I honestly think would not help the holder", he said. "Some of these degrees I would not regard as the equivalent of good honest sixth form work in a secondary school in Fiji".



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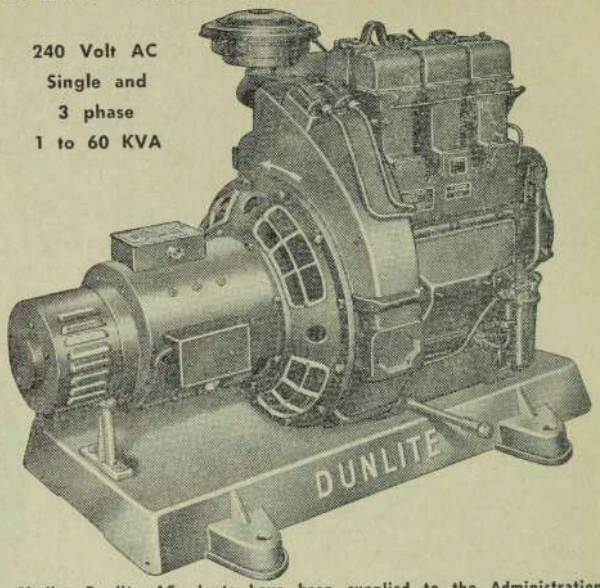
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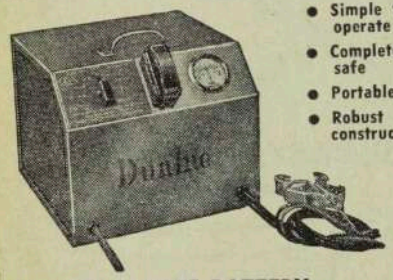
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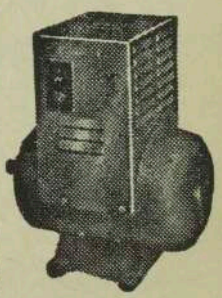
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U.N. IGNORANCE ON FIJI AFFAIRS APPALLING

From a Suva Correspondent

The appalling ignorance of Fijian affairs shown by Afro-Asian members of a 24-man United Nations Special Committee on Colonialism, which met in New York in June and July, brought some astounded reactions in Fiji.

THE UN did nothing to advance its aims in the Colony as a result of the woeful, sometimes ridiculous standard of the comments in New York.

The burden of the UN comment by people representing such places as Iraq, Yugoslavia, Cambodia, Poland, Ethiopa, Tanganyika and Syria was that Britain should do something urgently to give the poor downtrodden citizens of Fiji their independence. The fact that the Fijians have specifically said they don't want independence doesn't appear to have got through.

There were UN suggestions that Fiji's racial divisions might develop "along the same dangerous lines" as in British Guiana.

Many of the delegates repeatedly referred to Fijians when apparently they meant the entire population of Fiji, which is more than half Indian.

Others suggested that the Executive Council was controlled by the Governor and was merely "an instrument by which the Fijians were prevented from exercising the power of government", and that a majority of the members of the Legislative Council were "hand picked" by the Governor.

Fijian members of the Legislative Council were quick to say, with usual Fijian dignity, that some of the more voluble members should put their own houses in order before telling another country what to do. The four European elected members supported them, but the four Indian elected members chose to remain silent.

Russia's Request

During the committee's deliberations, Russia suggested that a UN "fact-finding team" be sent to Fiji. The Soviet delegate (Mr. Vladimir Brykin) said the committee could visit other colonial territories in the Pacific and report back before the next General Assembly in September.

Particularly some of the nonsense Mr. Brykin spoke left people in Fiji gasping. He had most of his facts wrong.

He said that Britain was cutting off the people of Fiji from contact with the outside world, and had given the UN extremely sparse information about the Colony.

The information, Mr. Brykin said, provided a picture of a "classical, old-time colony, with unlimited power in the hands of the Governor". Photographs in a London newspaper had shown the Governor and his wife borne aloft on a sort of dais by native Fijians "as if it were a Rolls-Royce".

[Similar treatment is accorded to other persons of high rank. It could even happen to Mr. Brykin himself should he make an official visit to Fiji and be received with traditional Fijian ceremonial.]

Tentacles

The Russian delegates said the British had their "tentacles" on all activities of the islands, including sugar, pineapple and copper.

[The British interest in sugar is practically nil. The growers get the biggest rake-off from sugar. There is now no pineapple canning—that industry folded up eight or 10 years ago. Presumably when he spoke of

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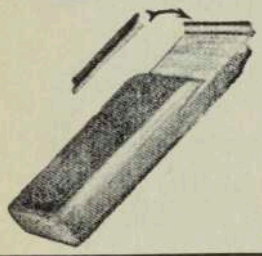
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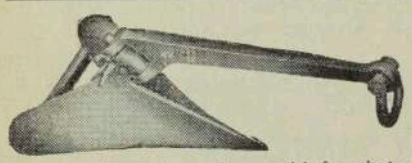
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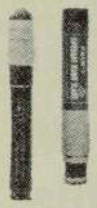
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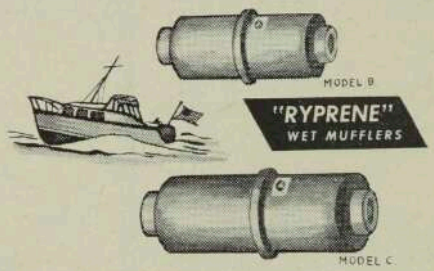
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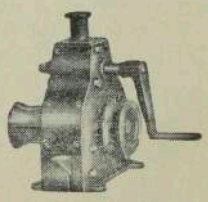
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Their "own Rolls-Royce". This picture of the Governor and Lady Maddocks being carried ashore at Kabara recently was the one that upset the Russian delegate.

copper, Mr. Brykin meant copra, for there is no copper industry in Fiji. Britain has no interest in copra, except that she buys a large slice of the Colony's output at good prices. Local interests (predominantly Fijian) control all the copra, except perhaps the Morris Hedstrom plantation, Taveuni. As Morris Hedstrom's are now owned by W. R. Carpenter and Co. Ltd., this plantation could be said to be Australian-owned.]

Mr. Brykin said agriculture was largely in the hands of plantations owned by British companies, and "plundering" methods of land tenure meant high rents and erosion of the land.

[This claim defies interpretation. It does not fit any known fact about agriculture in Fiji today.]

Mr. Brykin went on that the Governor could overrule any decisions of the Legislative and Executive Councils.

[In theory the Governor could. In practice the Governor has not overridden a Legislative Council decision for very many years, and Executive Council proceedings are confidential, and nobody tells what happens there.]

The British delegate to the committee, Mr. Cecil King, in putting Britain's case, said the communities of the Colony had to "come together in a common effort for the common good" and it was one of Britain's major objectives to do this. Communal ties and interests played a large part in the thinking of the Fijian and Indian communities.

Mr. King told the committee that the franchise had been increased in April, when Fijians and all women voted for the first time. Each of the three major races had increased representation in the Legislative Council. The council now had to consider measures to be taken in political, economic and social fields.

With an expected increase in population from 428,000 to 500,000 by 1968 it was essential to expand agricultural production to maintain the present standard of living.

The Australian delegate, Mr. David Hay, defending Britain, said there was no need for the committee to take immediate action.

"The primary task of the administering authority must be to promote common cultural, social and economic purposes which will tend to stimulate political aspirations which will be aspirations of both groups," Mr. Hay said.

Those aspirations, in turn, would determine where self-government would be granted, and the committee should avoid imposing its views from outside.

Mr. King, before the committee went into a huddle to decide what it would do, took the opportunity of dealing with a petition sent to the UN Secretary-General (U Thant) by the "Fijian Western Democratic Party".

The document claimed that the Fijian people, "although constituting over half the population", were not adequately represented in the administration and were mere automatons.

This party was founded by Apisai Tora, also known as Mohammed Tora, a Fijian turned Muslim.

Mr. King warned the committee against heeding the opinions of a party which had been on the losing side in the recent general elections.

Later, after the committee had also discussed British Guiana, Mr. King laid it right on the line when he said Britain did not intend to share its responsibilities, and no "investigators" from the committee would be allowed in any British colonial territory.

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(See also stories on pp. 13 and 55.)

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FIJIANS WON'T BE RUSHED

Four Fijian members of the Legislative Council, three of them elected, were quick to issue a statement saying that the United Nations Special Committee on Colonialism should not interfere unless the people of the country sought it through their acknowledged leaders.

THESE members were Ratu Edward Cakobau, who is Council of Chiefs representative in the Legislative Council, Ratu K. K. T. Mara, Semesa Sikivou and Ravuama Vunivalu. The other two Fijian members of the Council, Ratu Penaia Ganilau, and Ratu George Cakobau, were in the United States at the time.

Their colleagues in Fiji were confident that Ratu Penaia and Ratu George would agree with the view expressed. Incidentally, Ratu Penaia and Ratu George, were ordered by the Fijian Affairs Board not to go anywhere near the committee.

The statement read:

"Whatever the committee of 24 might have to say about the government of our country, the Fijian members of the Legislative Council, on behalf of our people, want it to be known that we do not desire their interference nor are we impressed with their much publicised utterances.

"As far as the political future of this Colony is concerned, in January this year we submitted a memorial to the United Kingdom Government for consideration and approval. Until a decision has been made on it, we are quite happy to wait.

Don't Interfere

"We refuse to be rushed or dragooned into making rapid and ill-conceived political changes. The committee should therefore not interfere in our own affairs unless we, the people of this country, seek its assistance through our acknowledged leaders."

The four European elected members of the council supported the statement by the Fijians.

Mr. J. N. Falvey said, "We should keep in mind that the Communist members of the committee must have obtained their misinformation from people in Fiji. The sources are not hard to guess".

Mr. R. G. Kermode said that Fiji did have problems, which she was seeking to solve amicably. But it was irritating to read statements by some members of the committee, telling Fiji what to do when, in their own countries, they did not have the general harmony, prosperity and contentment which Fiji enjoyed.

He said a responsible and constructive debate would be of help, but anything along those lines was too much to expect from a committee of the UN, when the UN itself, as a body, advocated that lack of education, political immaturity or lack of economic stability or independence, should not stand in the way of political independence.

Mr. R. A. Kearsley considered that the idea of sending a UN fact-finding mission to Fiji was harmless enough in itself, as Fiji had nothing to be ashamed of and a great deal more to be proud of than Syrians, Iraqis, Ethiopians and Cambodians.

He suspected that the fact-finding mission idea originated in Fiji, and there was cause for suspicion that efforts were being made locally to engineer a situation which would appear to justify UN intervention of the West New Guinea variety, to be followed by complete independence, severance from Britain, a common roll, etc.

Mr. F. G. Archibald said that considering there were three main races in Fiji, the record for racial harmony was unsurpassed anywhere in the world. He had yet to hear of any desire to break away from British rule.

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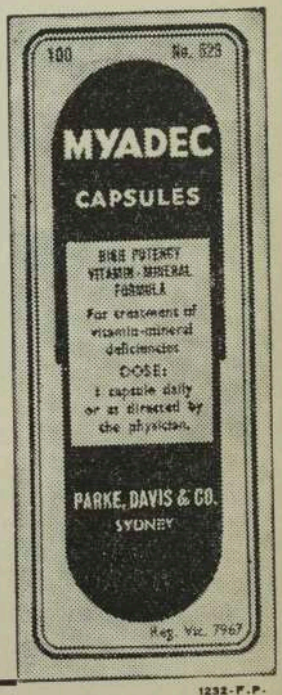
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VANUA Levu people have been complaining for years—with some truth—that the main island of Viti Levu, on which Suva is situated, always takes the cream from international tourism. They say that Viti Levu designs its tourists' traps to keep visitors on that island once they land by ship or air.

Last year the P & O-Orient top brass, on the look-out for something different, decided to try Savusavu as an experiment.

The experiment was such a success that within 24 hours of the *Orcades*' departure in June the Union Steam Ship Co. Ltd., of Suva, agents for P & O, announced they would recommend another P & O-Orient liner to make a cruise there next year.

Savusavu is not normally equipped to handle such an invasion, for it has little more than a dozen shops, most of them well-worn wooden shacks, a small hotel, only sufficient transport for local requirements, and no wharf capable of taking such a large liner (although a good wharf nevertheless).

But those handicaps did not deter Savusavu. The people set to work with their well-known enthusiasm to arrange entertainment, a Fijian feast, reef exploring and shell collecting expeditions, a visit to a copra plantation and a tour for photographers.

P and O also played a part in taking ashore portable equipment, such as conveniences and bathing sheds, a buffet to cater for those who did not go to the feast or where unable to be fed at the Hot Springs Hotel, or at Mr. C. G. O. Parr's estate, Muanicula, which operates on a miniature Korolevu scale.

The Hot Springs Hotel was well decorated, and the management provided an extra lounge which, before it was transferred to the hotel, served Savusavu as a town hall. Unable to cope with the influx of visitors on a scorching day, even with an augmented staff, the hotel had to call on the *Orcades* to lend a few stewards to help out.

Fijians came from villages many miles distant to watch the *Orcades* sail to within half a mile of the wharf before dropping anchor. As the visitors were ferried ashore in the ship's boat they were given a warm welcome, and the women were garlanded with flowers.

At Yaroi Village the tourists saw a copra-cutting contest, and the cooking of Fijian dishes such as yams, dalo, and pigs in a lovo (underground oven). They saw Fijian handicrafts being made, and watched Fijian women perform a number of mekes.

The visitors bought Fijian baskets and mats by the hundred, but practically ignored duty-free transistors, tape recorders, and cameras, which Suva traders had sent to Savusavu a day or two beforehand in the hope of extra trading before the *Orcades* called at Suva next day. The general reaction of the tourists was, "We want do our shopping at Suva tomorrow".

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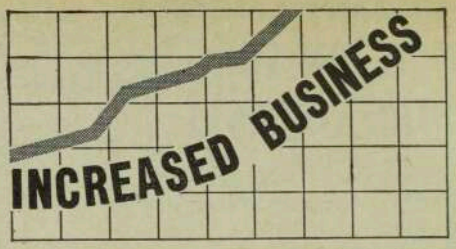
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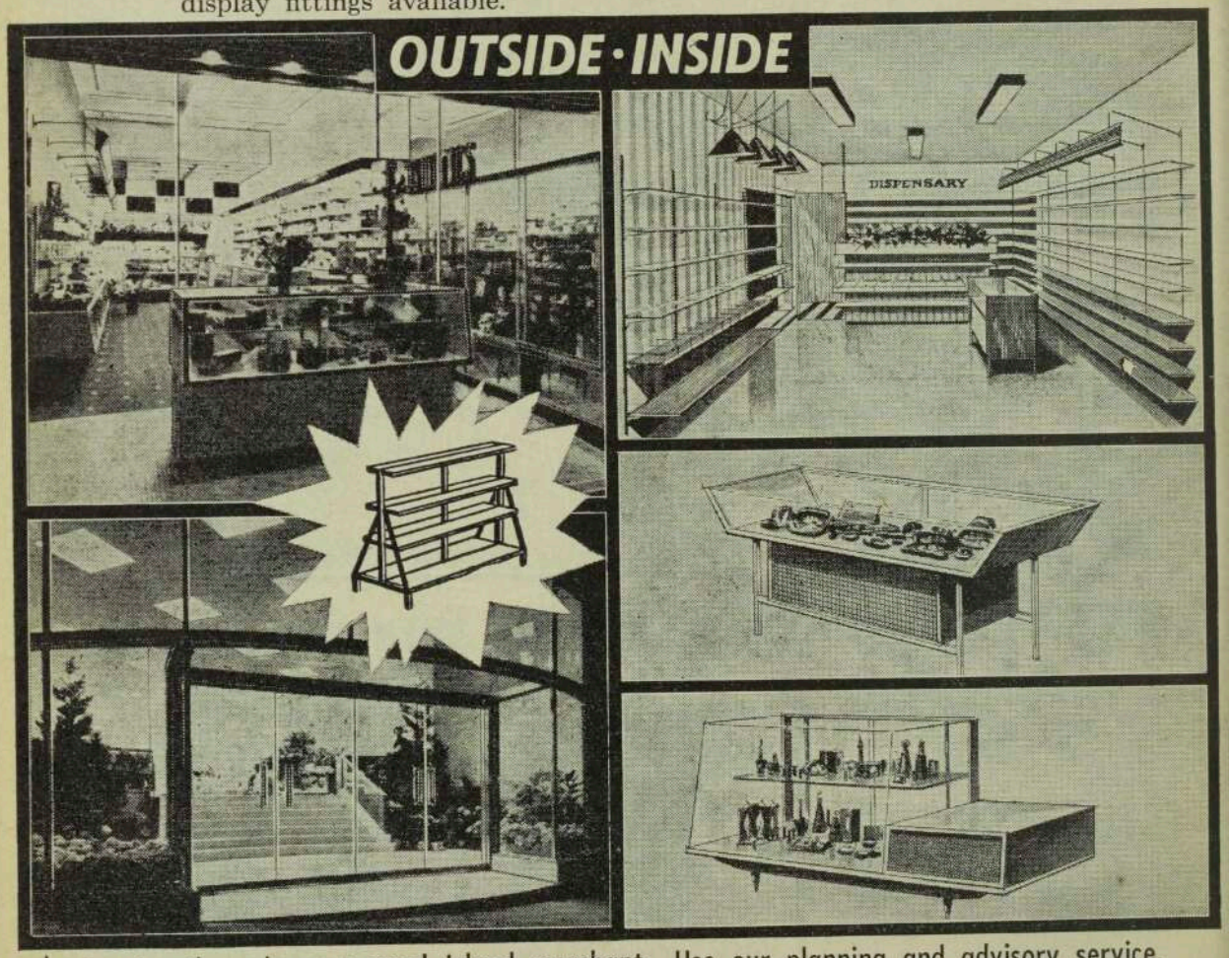
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NZ Reporter Lifts The Lid Off The Cook Islands Stew

In normal times, the 18 scattered atolls and islands that make up the New Zealand-administered Cook Group seldom merit more than three or four columns of news space in NZ newspapers in the course of a month.

BUT times have not been normal lately—not since the *Auckland Star* sent reporter Noel Holmes to the Cook Islands to write the first objective report on the territory since another *Star* reporter, Antony Alpers, did the same thing about seven years ago. (*PIM*, Nov., 1957, p. 107).

Beginning on May 30, Holmes published a series of 12 "state of the nation" articles which really lifted the lid off New Zealand's administration of the territory.

The articles brought a point-for-point reply from the Minister in charge of the Cooks, Sir Leon Gotz, that occupied almost as much space as the articles.

Holmes' main conclusion was that, despite a subsidy from NZ of £750,000 a year, the Cook Islanders were so badly off economically that a parliamentary fact-finding committee should be sent to the group at once to see how matters could be improved.

The gist of Sir Leon Gotz's reply was that Holmes had painted a distorted and rather gloomy picture of conditions in the group and that a fact-finding committee was unnecessary.

To this Holmes replied that it would be more accurate to say that he had painted a picture that the Minister did not want to see.

Angry Despair

Holmes' series of articles began with the charge that, despite appearances, many Cook Islanders were on the verge of angry despair.

The reason for this was that too many of them were flat broke—so much so that they could see no sign of ever being able to make ends meet.

Worse still, a "significant section" of the islanders were deeply and hopelessly in debt to the New Zealand Government and people, who had committed them to expenditure over which they had no control, debiting them with 5 per cent. interest, which not one in 20 of them understood.

The people in debt, Holmes said, were citrus growers on Rarotonga,



New Zealand's Minister of Island Territories, Sir Leon Gotz.

Aitutaki, Mauke and Atiu who were involved in the Government's citrus replanting scheme.

This scheme, begun in 1939 and modified in 1945, provided for the Government to plant and maintain growers' plots, debiting the growers with the cost of labour and materials and charging interest on the debts.

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Further Into Debt

However, on Atiu and Mauke, the cost of producing a case of fruit had been higher than the market price for the fruit, so that growers got further into debt with every case they produced.

As a result, all 279 growers on Atiu and Mauke were still in debt; while on Aitutaki, 190 out of 201 were in debt, and on Rarotonga, 115, out of 214 were in debt.

The total debt amounted to £177,000, on which the NZ Treasury had been collecting 5 per cent. interest. This had recently been reduced to 1 per cent.

Holmes said that the citrus scheme had been a failure for four reasons. Plots were too small for economic working, the type of trees planted had not been a happy choice, nobody had anticipated that the scheme would be so costly to run, and no thought had apparently been given to whether all the fruit produced could be marketed.

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Fruit Distributors Ltd., the NZ organisation which markets Cook Islands fruit under charter to the Government, was replaced by one with a strong growers' representation, with the first duty of ensuring that all possible fruit was disposed of in NZ.

He also thought that growers should be given a 49 per cent. interest in Island Foods Ltd., a NZ company (Greggs, of Dunedin) which has successfully operated a juicing plant and cannery on Rarotonga since 1961 and which is expected to take 120,000 cases of citrus fruit this year. (This company pays growers less for their fruit than they get on the export market.)

Debt "Should Be Cancelled"

Holmes added that as NZ taxpayers would never again see the money they had put into the citrus scheme, the debt owed by growers should be cancelled without qualifications.

Turning to other crops, Holmes said that before Cook Islanders were encouraged to cultivate such things as coffee, peanuts, pepper and spices, they should be given a written guarantee that their harvests would be accepted and paid for at fair world prices.

As for copra, he suggested the setting up of copra boards on the northern atolls to make sales through a central board on Rarotonga, thus eliminating the loss of profits to middle-men. He said the adoption of modern methods should also be encouraged and the making of coconut oil considered.

On bananas, Holmes said that an inquiry should be made into the economics of exporting bananas in the hand or bunch.

Holmes also suggested that:

- Rarotongans should be given a vote on the vexed question of allowing Japanese tuna fishermen to land on Rarotonga with catches of tuna for canning, as many people there had fears about undesirable repercussions resulting from such an arrangement.
- Efforts should be made to develop tourism in the group.
- Because of the poor shipping services in the Group, the possibility of developing an internal air service should be investigated.

Holmes said that if air strips had been built—as the late Prime Minister Peter Fraser had wanted to do years ago—instead of spending money on relatively unsuccessful reef blasting, many of the problems of the



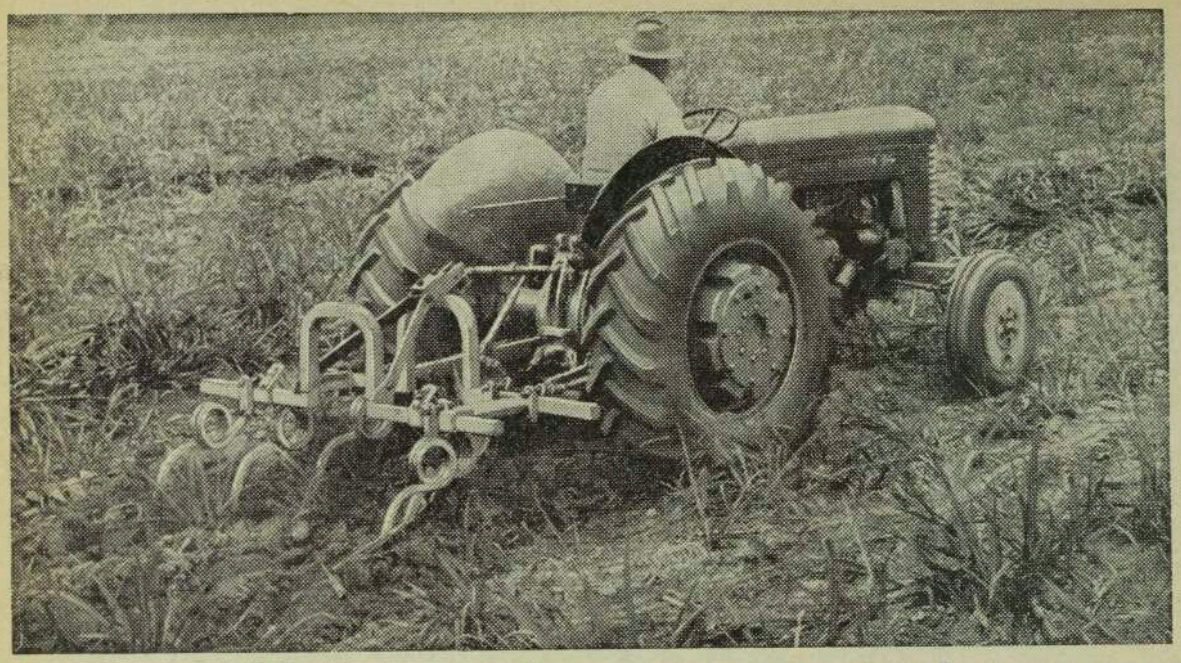


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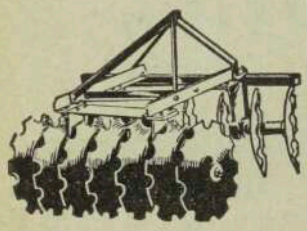


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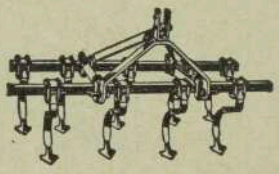
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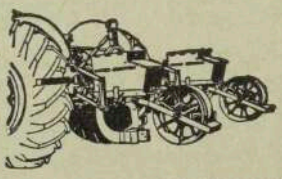


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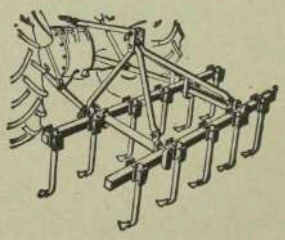


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Mr. A. O. Dare, Resident Commissioner in the Cook Islands.

group, particularly those concerning the perishability of fruit, would have disappeared by now.

Holmes said there was one aspect of NZ's administration that could not be criticised. This was its willingness —in fact, its determination—to give the Cook Islanders independence as quickly as possible.

However, some Cook Islanders were a little bewildered at having responsibility thrust on them so suddenly, and many were having second thoughts about their decision last year to take over their own affairs.

"We can well afford to make haste slowly, allowing the Cook Islanders to take over only when they feel like doing so," Holmes said.

Holmes said that NZ had done good things in the Cook Islands, especially in the fields of health, education and housing, and that where he had no criticism he was full of praise.

Well-Meaning Bumbling

He added that he had a high regard for those administering NZ's Island territories; that Sir Leon Gotz undoubtedly had a more intimate knowledge of the Pacific and its problems than any of his predecessors; that the Resident Commissioner, Mr. "Olly" Dare, and his Administration officers could not have been more helpful; and that many of them went out of their way to point out past mistakes and steps that might be taken to improve matters.

"It can be said quite truthfully," Holmes added, "that if we have bumbled in the past, it has been well-meaning bumbling; if we have suffered from a lack of continuity of policy, it has been the system at fault rather than the people involved.

"I imagine that some controversy might follow these articles. This is to be welcomed for, as was the case in 1957, nothing but good can come of a public examination of our record in the Islands."

In his reply, Sir Leon Gotz agreed that nothing but good could come from Holmes' public examination of the record, but he said that Holmes had over-emphasised many of the shortcomings and had made some errors of judgment.

On Holmes' charge that "too many islanders are broke," Sir Leon said: "I have seldom met an Islander who felt that he wasn't.

"For all that, I don't intend to dispute this point, except to say that the efforts over the past years to improve housing and health conditions, to diversify crops and teach improved methods of cultivation, to explore new outlets for locally-grown crops and to encourage secondary industry into the group have been directed at rectifying this situation. It cannot be done overnight."

To refute Holmes' statement that Cook Islanders had no hope of being anything else but broke, Sir Leon quoted export figures for the past three years. He said that exports

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rose from £464,000 in 1960 to £598,000 in 1961, and to over £710,500 last year.

"These figures represented an increase of 28.8 per cent. in 1961 and 18.8 per cent. in 1962, and I doubt whether any country could show such spectacular results in its efforts to raise production and put more cash in the pockets of the people," Sir Leon said.

"To anticipate any possible criticism that I am painting a rosy picture to justify my administration of the portfolio of Island Territories, let me quote some interesting facts from 15 years ago.

"They reveal that average export receipts in the Cook Islands rose from £256,000 during the period 1945-52, to £435,000 during 1953-57 and to £535,500 in 1958-62.

"I would agree that there is room for still further improvement, but if too many Islanders are 'flat broke' now, I fail to see how they survived at all 15 years ago."

Sir Leon Gotz said that Holmes' suggestion that a Parliamentary fact-finding committee should be sent to the Cooks was "completely unnecessary" and would be a waste of public money. He added wryly: "The last Parliamentary committee resulted in the citrus replanting scheme, which is so much criticised by Mr. Holmes."

However, Sir Leon said that the citrus scheme should not be judged as a failure without considering it "in its proper perspective as the major contributor to the economy of the Cook Islands".

No Incentive

"Without this scheme," Sir Leon said, "there would be no canning factory and, therefore, no incentive to embark on a major pineapple replanting venture, or to harvest other products such as passionfruit and papaws; there would be less opportunity for employment, less earnings from inter-island freights on citrus fruit, and less revenue from taxation and other sources for the Legislative Assembly.

"I agree that the position of growers on two of the four citrus-producing islands is not happy. But the fact that, at the end of last season, 99 growers on Rarotonga and 11 on Aitutaki had fully cleared their debts, speaks for itself.

"The number of debt-free growers is steadily rising year by year as production continues to increase."

Sir Leon said that the reduction of interest rates on growers' loans from 5 to 1 per cent. and the abolition of interest on loans made to the Fruit Control Scheme had given immediate relief, particularly to growers whose indebtedness was high.

More important, a decision to reduce the rate of debt repayment from two-thirds to one-half of the proceeds from the sale of fruit had immediately put more cash into the pockets of growers on the three islands now supplying their entire crop to the canning factory.

Sir Leon added: "In spite of this, however, I readily concede that some other means of assistance should be looked into.

"At the same time I cannot agree that all debts should be written off.

"The key to the continuing success of the citrus replanting scheme lies in increased production.

"Unless individual producers are prepared to make the necessary effort to raise production to an economic

Islanders In New Zealand

About 6,500 islanders from the Cook, Niue and Tokelau Islands were living in New Zealand at March 31, 1963, says the annual report of the NZ Department of Island Territories.

Of these more than half live in the Auckland metropolitan area, although there are small communities in Wellington, Hawke's Bay and Tokoroa, and some, especially Cook Islanders, are widely scattered throughout New Zealand as far south as Invercargill.

The number of islanders arriving in New Zealand during 1962 —either as visitors or for long-term residence—was less than in previous years, there being 563 from the Cook Islands and 176 from Niue.

On the whole their health and general conduct is good, says the report, and the majority find little difficulty in adapting themselves to their new environment.

In addition to welfare services provided by the Departments of Education, Justice, Maori Affairs and Labour, widespread welfare work amongst islanders in New Zealand is carried out through church organisations, of which the Pacific Islanders' Congregational Church and the Roman Catholic Church are numerically the most important. To assist these two churches in their welfare activities among the islanders the Government makes available an annual subsidy.

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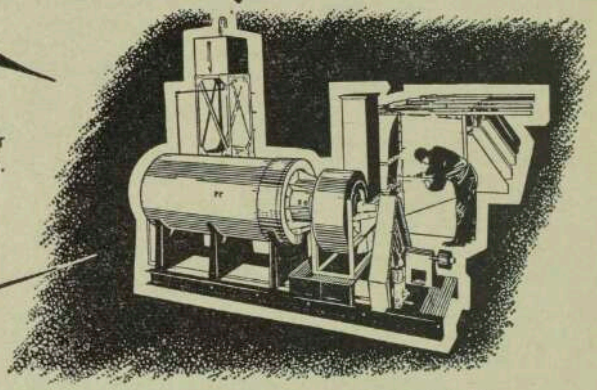
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level, they will always be in financial trouble, no matter what other concessions are granted in the future."

Sir Leon Gotz said that he did not think that the charter of Fruit Distributors Ltd. should be revoked, as, in his opinion, it had "done a very good job in promoting the sale of citrus produced in the Cook Islands at the best price obtainable." However, it was unfortunate that Cook Islands citrus, through no fault of its own, did not appeal to every palate in NZ.

Sir Leon agreed that Holmes had made a good point in suggesting that growers should have an interest in the Gregg cannery, but he thought the company should be given time to find its feet before this issue was taken further.

Sir Leon said that Holmes' suggestion that Cook Islands growers should be given written guarantees that their harvests would be accepted and paid for at fair world prices was "completely impracticable".

Copra Boards Necessary

But he agreed that the setting up of copra boards was necessary to exploit the available potential throughout the group, and he said this matter was being actively considered by the Cook Islands Legislative Assembly.

Referring to the proposal to can Japanese-caught tuna, Sir Leon said: "The possibility of a tuna-canning industry is certainly a live issue in the Cook Islands.

"On my recent visit I made it quite clear that when negotiations between Greggs and the Japanese interests concerned had been concluded, the full proposals would be presented to the Legislative Assembly for consideration and final approval.

"The fears held in Rarotonga that, by intermarriage, the Japanese might acquire land rights is, of course, quite ridiculous, as, unlike under New Zealand law, it is not possible in the Cook Islands for land to become owned by persons other than Cook Islanders or the Crown.

"Without going further into the pros and cons of the proposal, the decision whether or not to allow the establishment of a local tuna-canning industry will be decided by the elected representatives of the people of the Cook Islands, and nobody else.

Private Enterprise

On tourism, Sir Leon said: "Let Rarotonga have a tourist industry by all means, but surely it is up to private enterprise to encourage and develop this theme."

Referring to transport, Sir Leon said: "Possibly internal (air) services will come in time, but let's concentrate on other priority development problems first.

"I readily agree that the general condition of inter-island shipping leaves much to be desired, and it was for this reason the NZ Government introduced a subsidy scheme 2½ years ago to induce local owners to raise standards.

"This scheme has been taken up by the Assembly under the new financial arrangements and the three licences offered by the Assembly were eagerly taken up. This augers well for the future and we hope very soon to see at least two 'classed' ships in operation."

On self-government, Sir Leon said: "Political development must go hand in hand with economic, social and cultural development, and for that reason NZ has submitted to the Assembly a plan of constitutional steps which could be taken to lead the people to full internal self-government.

"There is no intention to bustle them into accepting a programme for the future. On the contrary, the members of the Cook Islands Legislative Assembly have been asked to give full and careful consideration to the suggested timetable and then to de-

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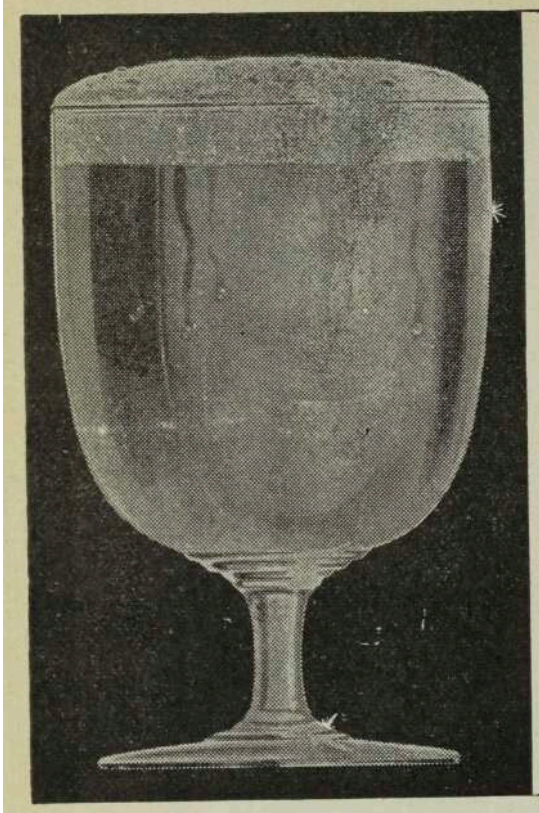
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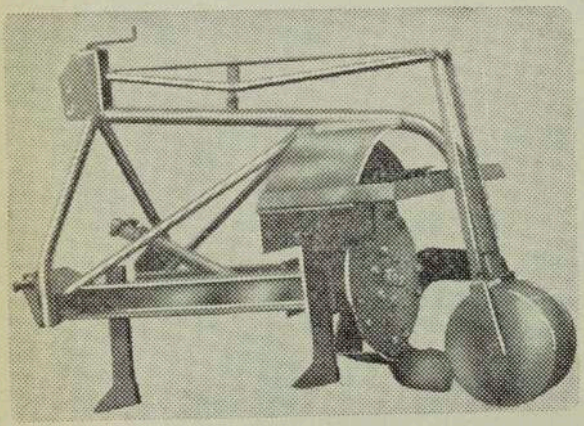
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cide for themselves what their political future is to be.

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No Proof

In reply to Sir Leon's reply to his series of articles, Holmes said that the Minister had produced no proof that he had painted a distorted picture of Cook Islands conditions. Sir Leon's figures showing that exports had increased since the war did not prove that the islanders were better off.

"We might just as easily note that the subsidy from NZ was £18,000-odd immediately after the war and today it has grown to something like £750,000," Holmes said.

"That is, while exports have merely trebled themselves, the subsidy has been multiplied 40-odd times—from which we might deduce that the Cook Islanders are spectacular losers in the struggle for financial independence."

Holmes added that Dr. R. G. Crocombe, of the School of Pacific Studies, Australian University, had asserted in a recent paper that the per capita income from Cook Islands exports, corrected to values of the day, was actually less now than it was in 1924-28.

Holmes reiterated his suggestion that Rarotonga should have the final vote on whether Japanese tuna fishermen should be allowed into Rarotonga, as elected representatives of (say) Penrhyn or Mauke were not deeply concerned about the matter.

Summing up, Holmes said: "No matter how hard we have tried, we have been unable to make the islands self-supporting, while maintaining for the people a reasonable standard of living.

"Nor has anybody been able to suggest any way of making the islands self-supporting. All the indications are that we will have to subsidise the territories for ever."



Women working in the citrus-packing shed at Avarua, Rarotonga.

From the Islands Press

MUCH of the report (of Western Samoa's Public Accounts Committee for the year ending December 31, 1961) makes sorry reading—a tale of inefficiency, a disregard for the articles of the Constitution, lack of co-operation between departments, and some downright dishonesty.

Monies have been spent in excess of appropriations and Cabinet Ministers have exceeded the powers given them by the Constitution and have ignored recommendations in previous reports.

There are continuing losses and increasing administration costs due to weaknesses in control and supervision in various departments. Perhaps the most disturbing feature of the report is the large increase in dishonesty and irregularities, involving a total sum in excess of £1,270.

Fifty-five cases occurred in 1961 compared with 17 in the previous year, and of the 55, government employees were involved in 25 of them, which is more than the total number for the three previous years.

Altogether the report has not increased the confidence of the public in the administration or the Government.—*Editorial in the "Samoa Bulletin", Apia.*

THE blundering that recently resulted in $15,000 going down the drain, plus the precious time and sweat lost in the construction of the new terminal building (at Tafuna Airport, American Samoa) must not be allowed to go unnoticed.

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The people of the United States and the people of American Samoa pay in the long run for costly mistakes like this. We must demand of our local administration a speedy correction and some sort of safeguard to ensure that this type of waste does not occur again.—*Editorial in "News and Views Bulletin," Pago Pago.*

THE mass of material of a sordid nature, made available to our youth as well as the adults of this Colony (of Fiji), has a definite detrimental effect upon the thinking of the people who feed upon it.

A perusal of film advertisements reveals so many labelled, "Persons under 17 not admitted". By the description of many of these films, it often seems a pity that anyone at all is admitted.

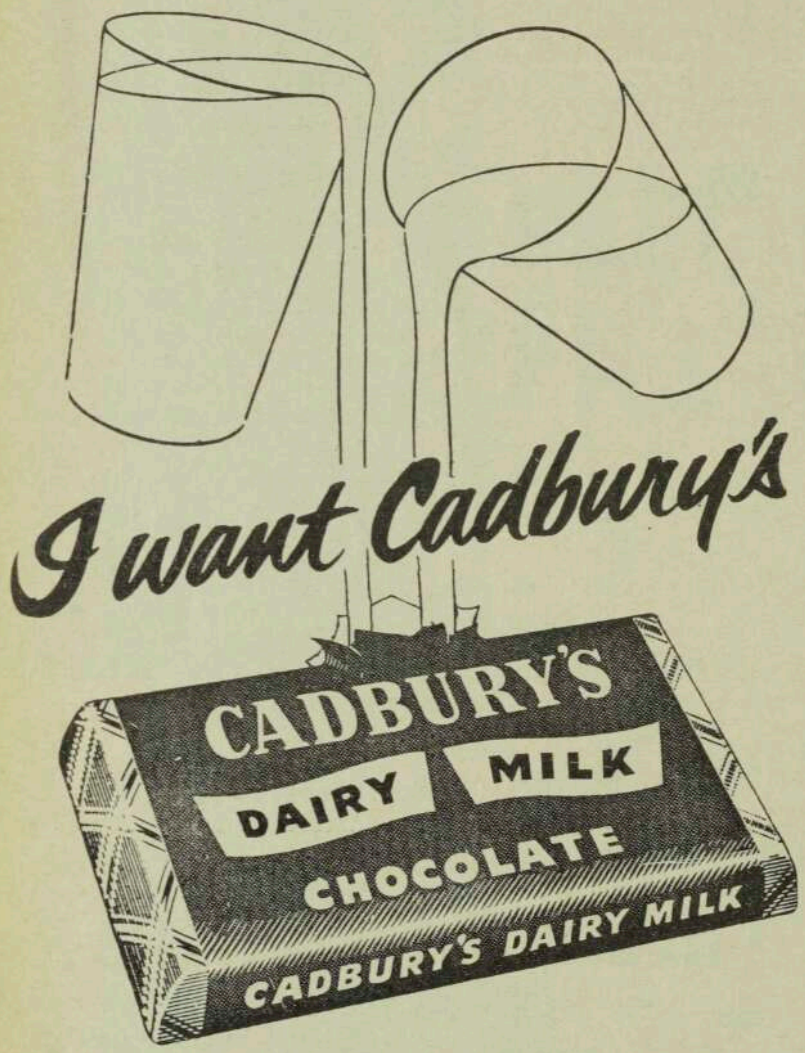
In my opinion, the portrayal of lurid, passionate, sensual material glorifying the lower nature of man and woman is one of the reasons for the increase of crime labelled indecency, indecent exposure and indecent behaviour.—*Letter from K. J. Tamavua, in "The Fiji Times".*

WHILE attending the new Infant Welfare Clinic in Port Moresby at the same time as a Papuan woman with her baby, I discovered that a very vigorous campaign of non-discrimination was in full swing. We were carefully ushered in the same door, attended by the same sister and ordered similar treatment.

But here the non-discrimination ended. While both our babies were ordered almost the same treatment, mine was only ordered, the other was GIVEN free, together with a supply of milk, vegemite, bottle and teat.

I am quite prepared to pay for milk, vitamins and medicines that my family needs, and I realise that some of the Papuans are not in a position to do so. But, please, can't we stop all this nonsense of "There must be no discrimination?" There is discrimination, and it is against us!—*Letter from "Expatriate Mother" in the "South Pacific Post", Port Moresby.*

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Census Figures Tell An Old Familiar Tale

More evidence of the population explosion going on all over the Pacific was revealed by recent censuses in New Caledonia and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony.

IN New Caledonia, preliminary results show that the island now has a population of 82,000—an increase of 13,520 in the past seven years.

The Melanesian proportion of the population is now 45 per cent., and the European is 35 per cent. The remaining 20 per cent. comprises Wallisians, Tahitians, Vietnamese and Indonesians.

Forty-two per cent. of New Caledonia's population lives in Noumea—35,500 against 22,250 in 1956. Of this figure, 61 per cent. are Europeans, 24 per cent. Wallisians, Tahitians and Indonesians, and 15 per cent Melanesians.

GEIC Figures

In the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, preliminary figures indicate a 30 per cent. increase since the last census in 1947. This means that the population is now about 46,800 compared with 36,000 16 years ago.

The preliminary figures also show that Tarawa's population has increased by 121 per cent. since 1947, and there have been increases of 75 per cent. and 131 per cent. at Abemama and Aranuka respectively.

To cope with the increase, which is particularly acute in the Gilbert Islands, the Solomons' Land Department recently completed a survey of 57 plots for the resettlement of Gilbertese families in the Shortlands.

A further 40 lots of smaller areas, comprising well planted coconut land, have been surveyed on Laumono and Bakaulonai Islands. These smaller lots are to be complementary to some of the garden land plots on the mainland.

Three village sites have also been surveyed at Komaliae Point, Komaliae Bay and Malehuna Point.

Erromanga, The Martyr Isle, May Hear The Woodsman's Axe Again

The New Hebrides island of Erromanga, once famous for its sandalwood trade and the number of missionaries murdered there, may be in the news again soon as a forestry centre.

A FIVE-LINE paragraph in a recent news bulletin issued by the French Administration in the New Hebrides suggests this.

The paragraph said simply that a Mr. Williams, "equally representing M. Rouleau, now absent from the archipelago", had left Vila for Erromanga on June 10 in the vessel *Bel Ami* to investigate the possibility of exploiting timber resources in the south of Erromanga.

Two things that make this news item significant are:

- It is understood that joint forestry legislation, drawn up earlier this year, was designed to cover the possible exploitation of timber on Erromanga. (The chief Forestry Officer in the BSIP, Mr. K. W. Trenaman, made a special visit to Vila to discuss the legislation.)
- M. (Claude) Rouleau, mentioned in the news bulletin, has had his eye on Erromanga's vast, but little-known timber resources for more than 10 years.



The Rev. John Williams, Erromanga's first missionary martyr.

Dense Forests

In a letter to *PIM* in March, 1952, M. Rouleau said that the density of the forests on the south of Erromanga was so exceptional that the forestry people of Australia and New Zealand would find it difficult to believe that such stands of timber could exist.

He said the density of kauri and tamanu was considerable. Over 150 million super feet of timber had actually been surveyed, but it was more likely that twice that amount was available.

Roads, M. Rouleau said, would have to be built and considerable capital put into bulldozers, milling machinery, shipping, etc. But with Australia's building needs, this vast quantity of excellent timber at her doors should easily provide the stimulus for the necessary capital.

M. Rouleau also made these points: Lane Pool, an Australian forestry expert, had described the forests in a radio broadcast as the most beautiful he had ever seen.

- Erromanga had no fever, an equable climate, a rich soil capable of growing every kind of temperate vegetable and fruit, and was excellent for stock. But its exploitation had undoubtedly been held back by its early history of savagery.

Erromanga is some 60 miles south of Vila. It is 35 miles long and 25 miles wide at its broadest point, with three peaks from 2,500 to 3,000 ft high.

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News of this discovery brought scores of sandalwood ships to Erromanga during the next 30 to 40 years. But some of the sandalwooders were so ruthless in their methods that hundreds of natives were killed.

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Blackbirding Trade

By that time the missionaries had made some progress, but the notorious blackbirding trade was in full swing and hundreds of Erromangans were inveigled off to work on the cotton and sugar plantations of Queensland and Fiji. Many of them did not return.

The labour trade went on into the early years of this century—until the native population had declined from several thousands to 800 or 900.

Since then, little has happened at Erromanga apart from the establishment some years ago of a sheep station, now abandoned because of lack of shipping. By 1960, the population was down to 589.

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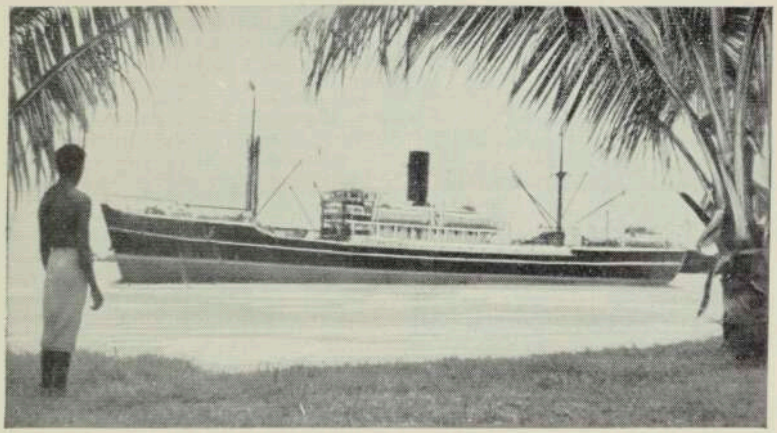
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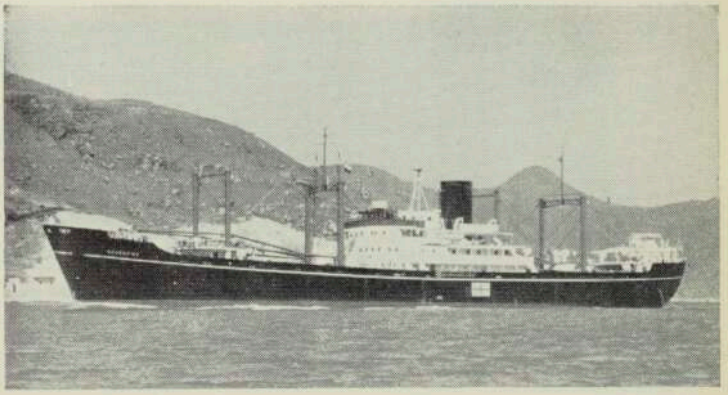
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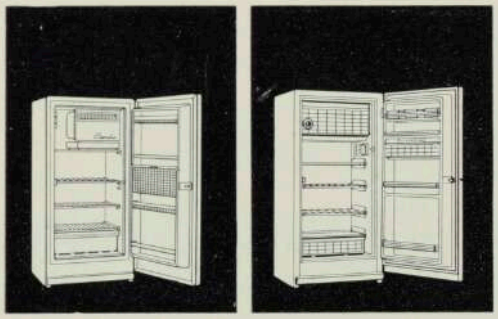
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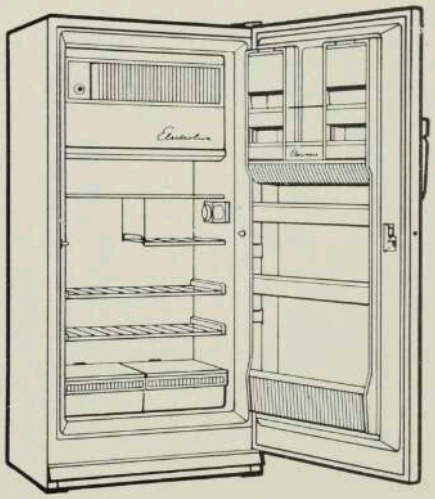
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Bruce Richter, of Port Moresby, winning the 100 yds. sprint in the record Territory time of 10 sec. flat at the P-NG amateur athletics championships at Rabaul on July 6. Left to right are Muga, Richter, K. Wong, J. Vuia and Sale. The photo was taken by C. H. Meen.

South Pacific Games Preview

International Experience Will Help Papua-New Guinea Team

From Kevan Gosper, P-NG team manager at the Perth Games and a former Australian Olympian.

A strong, enthusiastic team of 70 sportsmen and women will represent Papua-New Guinea at the first South Pacific Games. The team, headed by Mr. C. Y. McCubbery as general manager, will take part in athletics, basketball, soccer, lawn tennis, boxing and swimming.

THIS will be the largest contingent of any kind to represent the Territory in any international forum, but not the first.

Last year, P-NG entered the stage of international sport at Perth by sending 10 athletes, four boxers, one weightlifter and seven lawn bowlers to the British Empire and Commonwealth Games.

The experience gained there will stand the team in good stead at Suva.

The Territory's track and field reprentatives, captained by the experienced and speedy Bruce Richter, contains good material by South Pacific standards.

At the Papua-New Guinea Territory Championships and Suva Games trials, held in Rabaul in July, certain performances were most encouraging.

Bruce Richter won the double sprint with an "even time" 100 yards and a snappy 22.3 sec. 220 yds. He capped these performances with a fine anchor leg in the short relay in what appeared to be his best run of the championships. Richter, with Commonwealth Games experience and more than six "sub-10" sec. 100 yds. sprints behind him, will be a strong contender for sprint titles in Fiji.

The high jump event should establish the supremacy of New Guinea's Edward Laboram in the Pacific. Laboram rose to 6 ft. 6 in. in Perth last year before he was eliminated. This proved both his ability as a jumper and his big-time competition temperament.

His best performance since is 6 ft. 5 in. and only the lack of any close competition for the past 18 months has prevented him from going higher.

The javelin event will probably reveal the superiority of Fiji, as they have throwers capable of 230 ft. or more. New Guinea's best is infantryman Oe who is currently throwing the spear around 210 ft. This lad is a steady performer who represented P-NG in Perth in 1962.

Our other representative, high jumper Laboram, is now around the 200 ft. mark and expresses shy confidence of equalling Oe's distance.

A new event to New Guinea is the pole vault. However, from out of nowhere a student, Malatana, came out at the recent Territory Championships and soared over an uncoached 11 ft. 3 in. This was a spectacular performance even though world records for this event are beyond 16 ft. With technical assistance, Malatana may ascend to 12 ft. at Suva.

Among the Territory's other representatives, miler Mike Joyce is running under 4 min. 35 sec. for the four-lap event. Charles Harrison is sprinting the 440 yds. at 50 sec. as well as broadjumping 22 ft. 6 in. and triple jumping 45 ft.

P-NG's remaining three sprinters Vuia, Sale and Muga are even time runners for the 100 yds., with Vuia capable of 22.5 sec. for the 220 yds.

Vela and Joyce will both contend the 800 yds., Vela being the better of the two with the ability to run a two-minute half mile.

Hiob will throw the discus creditably, and jumping performances by Tolom and Bola should register between 22 and 23 ft. Quarter-miler Maina and sprinter Muga will make up the balance of the men's athletics team.

Two women athletes, Lydia Ellison and Iva Haro, will be the first two Papua-New Guinea women to represent their country in international sport. Lydia is considerably superior to any other girl in the country and runs strongly. However, the women athletes have a big gap to bridge before they approach the Betty Cuthbert-Wilma Rudolph standard.

Tremendous Progress

Considering that 18 months to two years ago a pair of running spikes was literally unheard of in P-NG, tremendous progress in athletic standards and general public support has been achieved.

The standard of organisation and conduct of the Territory Championships held in Rabaul equalled any meeting of similar size I've seen anywhere in the world.

Editors' Note: P-NG's basketball soccer, tennis and table tennis teams, and its boxers and swimmers are also expected to provide strong competition at the Games. The swimming representative on the council of the Territory's Games Association, Mr. G. Toogood, says swimming trials on July 7 were "highly successful".

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Tonga Tipped For Rugby

SOME DARK HORSES AT THE GAMES

Tonga's best hope of winning a gold medal at the South Pacific Games may rest with its rugby team.

TONGA built a strong, determined team to beat Fiji in 1959, and if most players of that team are still playing, it will be hard to beat. Tonga's game is based on hard slogging play in the forwards to wear the opposition down, giving the backs a chance late in the game.

Boxing is another field in which Tonga will probably do well, particularly in the heavier divisions.

Because of lack of detailed information about the capabilities of sportsmen in American Samoa, Niue, the Solomons, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, French Polynesia and the New Hebrides, it is difficult to assess the chances of those territories at the Games.

Other Territories

However, it can safely be said that American Samoa will probably put up a good showing in basketball as basketballers there get plenty of practice against US Navy teams.

Unless athletes from Niue, the Solomons and the New Hebrides pull some unexpected performances out of the hat, it looks on paper as if their chief purpose will be to gain experience and show the flag.

The dark horse of the Games could well be French Polynesia. This territory will have a strong contingent of 48 athletes, whose performances, except in soccer, are little known in other parts of the Pacific. In soccer, French Polynesia will undoubtedly provide New Caledonia and Fiji with strong opposition.

The GEIC's contingent, a small one, may show out in athletic events, as four of the athletes, currently working at Nauru, have been training under former Australian Olympian R. Morgan Morris. In trials for the Games, they are reported to have produced "most reasonable times".

Nauru, which will have the smallest Games team, could well carry off a disproportionate number of medals as one of its four representatives will be Morgan Morris, who has no doubt passed on much of his Olympic know-how to the other three.



Cook Islanders To Concentrate On Three Fields

From a Rarotonga Correspondent

The Cook Islands team, announced on June 21, consists of six boxers, six tennis players and nine athletes (eight men and one woman). The male athletes will compete in the 100, 200, 800, 1,500, 5,000 and 10,000 metres races, and the 4 x 100 metres relay.

IN recent trials, none of the male athletes bettered the records of the Fijian Amateur Athletic Association.

The best prospects in the 100 metres event are Kimi Henry and Tutavake Tutai, who covered 100 yards on June 15 in 10.4 sec. These two runners also look the best bets for the 200 metres. They have registered 23.2 and 23.5 sec. respectively over 220 yards.

In the 800 metres event, Maruaau Nooau Raui should be well in the running. He has done 880 yards in 2 min., 8.7 sec., which is 4.1 sec under the Fijian association's record.

Reasonable Chance

The same runner seems to have a reasonable chance in the one-mile race. In one trial for this event, he registered 4 min. 46.6 sec. This was 13 sec. below his previous best time, but 11 sec. under the Fiji record.

In the 10,000 metres event, the best Cook Islands prospect is Ka Paiti, who has done six miles in 38 min. 34.5 sec.

Marion Puri, the only woman athlete from the Cooks, will take part in the 100 and 200 metres events. In trials over 100 and 200 yards on June 15, she registered times of 12.2 and 28 sec. respectively.

Western Samoa May Win Gold Medal For Basketball

From R. F. Rankin, in Apia

Western Samoa's women's basketball team is the only Samoan team likely to win a gold medal at the South Pacific Games, according to a local basketball official—and a good many other knowledgeable sports followers in the territory agree with her. However, there might be some surprises at individual sports, particularly running.

"OUR basketball team is easily the best we have produced yet," Mrs. Ene Sofara, a selector, said in mid-July.

"Basketball has been improving every year and this team is much stronger than the Samoan team which made a very good showing in Fiji about four years ago."

Mrs. Sofara said the team was particularly strong in attack. In the final trials before selection, goalie Sialafua scored 16 times out of 17 attempts.

There were 19 teams in the senior basketball competition in Western Samoa this year and the sport is growing stronger every year.

Although the standard in rugby has been steadily improving and the Samoan team could surprise, officials are not predicting any easy victories.

"It's not a bad team," says selector-coach Mr. H. A. (Ash) Levestam, "but I am afraid we might be outweighed. Average weight of the forwards is 14 stone and of the whole team about 13 stone 10 lb."

Mr. Levestam said that he and fellow coach Gordon Lorimer were concentrating on fitness and teamwork. The back line was very fast and had several really outstanding players, but some experts saw a weakness in the inside backs. The forwards were fit, tough and mobile, Mr. Levestam added.

Referee's View

New Zealand international referee R. Forsyth, who refereed a couple of main games in Samoa earlier this year, claimed that the best Samoan club teams were on a par with any club team in Taranaki, his home province and the home of a number of All Blacks.

In men's volleyball and basketball,

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LICKED!

This new series of Fiji stamps which will commemorate the First South Pacific Games includes a picture of hockey players—but hockey is not one of the sports at the Games! The error occurred because the designs for the stamps were chosen in the middle of 1962 when it was thought that hockey would be in the programme. Royal approval had been given to the designs and printing had started before hockey was omitted from the final programme. Many of the designs are based on Rob Wright photographs. The stamps were released on August 6, but there will be a special cancellation at the temporary Buckhurst Park post office (the main venue for the Games) on the opening day of the Games.

organiser Sam Atoa says: "We are going in as the underdogs, but we could surprise."

The team is largely made up of schoolboys. In inter-island basketball matches with Tutuila, honours have gone either way and no superiority has been established.

Volleyball was introduced by the Latter Day Saints Mission about five years ago and is now extremely popular in the villages. The team expects to do better in volleyball than basektball.

Although athletics is only in its infancy in Samoa, some quite impressive talent has already been uncovered.

Coach Bob Batchelor, a former field star in the US, makes the following predictions based on this year's performance figures from other territories:

Shotput, second or third; women's discus, second or third; men's 1,500 metres, first; women's 800 metres, second or third; hop step and jump, second or third; and women's relay, second or third.

Tennis Chances Slim

Western Samoa's tennis team has been weakened by sickness and by the fact that two top women players are representing the country in basketball.

However, even at full strength the team is only of the standard of a strong country or suburban club in New Zealand.

The men are strong natural players and will give any competitor a good game, but only one of the women players is above the generally poor average.

In short, in tennis, Western Samoa seems to have little chance of reaching the finals.

Fiji Expects To Do Well In Many Fields At The Games

From Norman Baxter in Suva

Fiji sports officials are confident that Fiji will put up a strong fight in most sports at the Suva Games, and that in athletics, boxing, swimming and table tennis it should do particularly well.

THE Fiji athletics team has a good chance of taking out several medals because they will be used to the track, even though weather has hampered training. Aspirants for selection in the team have been training hard.

In the men's track events Fiji has a wealth of sprinters, but Olympic and Commonwealth Games man, Sitiveni Moceidreke, is a doubtful starter because of a spiked ankle.

In the distance events, coaching has brought to light hitherto unknown talent, and the final trials are expected to see several runners return good times.

Viliame Liga (javelin) and Mesulame Rakuro (discus and shot) have had a wealth of overseas experience. Mesulame has taken part in two Olympic Games and three Commonwealth Games. Viliame was in the 1962 Commonwealth Games and has had several seasons in Queensland.

In the jumping events Fiji is not so well off, but again contenders have been improving rapidly under coaching. The pole vault, hurdles, hammer throw and steeplechase are not normally included in Fiji programmes, and it is difficult to assess Fiji's chances.

Three women stand head and shoulders above all other contenders —Ana Ramacake and Maca Vakalala (1962 Comonwealth Games) in the sprints, and Turukawa in the shot, discus and javelin.

With the exception of the high jump, pole vault and perhaps the 400 and 1,500 metres, Fiji should be well up in the men's events.

The lack of information about women athletes in other territories makes it difficult to assess the Fiji women's chances, but it seems reasonable to suggest that they should do well.

Soccer

In soccer, Fiji's team should have a useful blend of experience and youth, well able to battle with the New Caledonia team, which must start favourites.

The return of J. I. Lal and Vinod Lal (not related) from NSW, where they played for a year, will strengthen the team considerably. Both players toured NSW in 1961, and J. I. Lal played for Fiji as far back as 1952.

J. Warner, who has had experience of soccer in England, looks certain to be selected.

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Fiji's rugby team will be weakened by the loss of several players to English Rugby League.

"Old hands" still playing good rugby include Jo Saukuru, a prop forward, Tomasi Naidole a clever centre, Eremasi Lovodua, a match-winning winger in his day, Nemesio, halfback, Inoke Tabualevu, an attacking five-eighths and a brilliant goal-kick, Nacanieli Nabaro, once a fine lineout forward, and Jone Tabaiwalu, a tough lock, who can last out 80 minutes of hard rugby.

Fiji boxing officials are confident their team will do well.

Maiula Lasarusa, who went to Perth and was never really fit there because of an illness, has been boxing well since his return and recently knocked out Malcolm Burnell, of Sydney. Moses Evans, a bronze medal winner at Perth, is expected to do well among the light-middleweights.

Among the light-heavyweights, Josefa Tukana could easily be the winner. At Perth he gave a much more experienced boxer from Scotland considerable trouble for the first two rounds.

A promising middleweight is Cama Tuimasi, who has only been boxing for a year. Welterweights Sainivalati Cawa and Josefa Tusoba are strong contenders for places in the team. Of the heavies, two policemen, Peniasi Kali and Veramu, stand out, and whoever is in the team may take a medal.

Swimming

Much more organised swimming in the last 12 months has given Fiji swimming officials high hopes that the Colony will gain a few medals.

At the first Games trial, the police team recorded 1 min. 58.9 sec. for the 4 x 55 yds. relay, which is a good time by any standards.

But over the longer distance of 4 x 110 yds. no team has recorded anything like a proportionate time.

At a recent carnival, Sefanaia Koroi, a contender for a place in the Games team, swam the 220 yds. breaststroke in 3 min. 11.9 sec.

Marika Sau, a policeman, has done the 110 yds. backstroke in 1 min. 25.3 sec.

Among the women, Adi Winikiti has done the 440 yds. freestyle in 6 min. 50.6 sec., and Anareti Ranadi recorded 1 min. 19.3 sec. for the 110 yds. freestyle.

Under an American coach, Mr. Tom Hill, the US Vice-Consul in Fiji, the Fiji indoor basketball squad has made good progress.

Mr. Hill thinks Fiji has a chance, but it will meet strong opposition from New Caledonia and American Samoa.

As indoor basketball in Fiji is played predominantly by Chinese, most of the Colony's representatives will be Chinese. Cliff Hoy may be the only European and Terio Vakatawa the only Fijian.

With several players of almost the same standard, the Fiji table tennis selectors named 12 men and six women to take part in trials before choosing their teams of four men and two women.

Table tennis was firmly established in Fiji six years ago, and with intense competition each winter the standard of play has improved rapidly. Those who have been overseas have lifted their play.

Tennis

Fiji's tennis team is a mixture of overseas players with wide experience, and local men and women who have done well in Fiji title play. B. Morgan, the No. 1 man, won the Fiji open singles in the last two seasons, and is in peak form. K. Ladd, runner-up to Morgan in 1961, is a former member of the New South Wales squad, and is capable of playing top-class tennis.

Two others, Rahimzullah and Satyanand, have dominated Indian tennis for the last three seasons.

Fiji's four women players, Miss Fay Blomfield, Dr. Annie Lowe, Mrs. June Carver and Mrs. A. Connolly have had plenty of experience. The first three are winners of championships in Fiji.

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team was the first named and it had a good blend of age and youth, and a hard core of experience. Three of the team, Anarieta Vakalala, Lucy Mar, and Ruci Koroi, toured New Zealand with a Fiji basketball team in 1958.

Fiji expects its strongest opposition will be from Western Samoa.

Volleyball

In volleyball, Fiji is merely "flying the flag", for, as host territory, she felt bound to enter in each sport. Volleyball is played but little, and midway through July there was not even an organised body of any sort to conduct the game.

Then a Suva Association came into being, and after negotiations with Nadi it was decided to meet towards the end of the month to form a Fiji Association, which will barely be affiliated with the Fiji Amateur Sports Association in time for the Games.

As in most other sports, those interested in volleyball do not know how they measure up with players in other territories.

New Caledonia Has High Hopes Of Several Medals

New Caledonia's contingent of 68 athletes has high hopes of carrying off medals in a number of fields in the South Pacific Games. It will probably do particularly well in soccer, tennis and table tennis, and in several swimming and athletics events.

THE contingent will consist of 18 soccer players, 20 athletes (including two from Wallis Island), 10 basketballers, eight tennis players, eight swimmers and four table tennis exponents. Ten officials will accompany the contingent.

In soccer, New Caledonia will probably field the strongest team in the Games. For several months, the players have had the benefit of a coach especially sent from France to prepare them for their Fiji contests; and just before leaving for Suva, they will have gained valuable experience from three matches against Ajaccio (Corsica), which recently won the amateur championship of France. The Ajaccio team was due to arrive in Noumea on August 12.

New Caledonia's swimmers are something of an unknown quantity, as, until the New Caledonian Swimming League was formed in Noumea a few months ago, organised swimming in the territory had been sadly neglected for several years.

Valuable Experience

New Caledonia's basketball team expects to defend its colours honourably following valuable experience gained against a touring New Zealand team a couple of months ago.

New Caledonia's chances in table tennis depend largely on whether any Vietnamese players are included in the team. The Vietnamese are the best table tennis players in the territory, but up to mid-July it was not known whether they would consent to play under New Caledonia's emblem and colours.

PIM has received little information on the capabilities of New Caledonia's athletes, but it seems fairly certain that its team of 20 will win a medal or two.

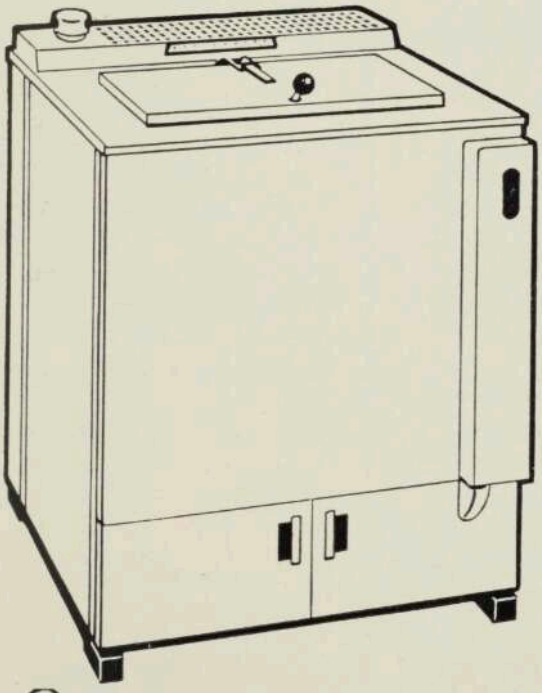
In tennis, the territory will probably put up a strong performance as that sport is well to the fore in New Caledonia.

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LONELY, NEGLECTED RAPA MAKES DO WITHOUT MONEY

By Joe Pachernegg, who visited Rapa recently with his wife, Benita, in their yacht "Okeanos"

Seven hundred miles south-south-east of Tahiti, in the kingdom of eternal winds and the mighty albatross, is the island of Rapa, a tiny speck of mountainous land in a vast and empty sea. It is the last outpost of Polynesia towards the cold Antarctic.





● **Wind-blown rain clouds almost invariably hang over lonely Rapa, which is in the track of the South-East Trades. Below: Joe Pachernegg inspects Morongo Ute, one or Rapa's old fortresses.**

FORTRESSES (*pares*) on the steep ridges of the mountains bear witness to the heroic past of the few hundred people who live there, virtually forgotten by the modern world.

A century or so ago, the waters around Rapa were sailed by many square-riggers and Yankee whalers. Now they are empty and visitors to Rapa are rare.

Our visit to Rapa in the *Okeanos* was one of the highlights on our recent voyage from Tahiti to Valparaiso, Chile, and one of the rewards for all our labours and hardships of the past.

Heavy rain and wind-swollen clouds hung over the ocean as we approached the island early one morning. Visibility was limited to only a few miles.

Then, as the sun rose higher and the sky began to clear, Rapa suddenly appeared as a steep cliff jutting out through the murk over the sea, less than 10 miles away towards the south.

We steered towards the eastern part of the island—towards Ahurae Bay. As the bay opened up ahead, we saw a few red roofs of a settlement nestling peacefully on the edge of the sea beneath the mountains. This was Ahurae, one of Rapa's two small villages.

At the entrance to the bay, a husky boat's crew rested on their oars, awaiting our approach.

"Iorana!" they shouted, as we downed sails and they came alongside with a few strong strokes. Although the morning was fresh and windy, the men were clad only in tattered shorts. They had *leis* on their heads and were full of laughter. An old man called Tuaraina came aboard.

"Good evening. Me pilot," he said confidently, shaking our hands. Then his knowledge of English deserted him, and he simply took the wheel and steered the *Okeanos* into the anchorage off Ahurae.

Visitors Galore

Many boatloads of curious and inquisitive islanders were soon all around us, shouting the warm greeting of "Iorana!" They crowded on board and tumbled below, critically examining our unexpected ship and her treasures from the outside world.

With them, came other visitors—the famous flies of Rapa, a big, blue-black, utterly persistent species. They seemed to enjoy our unexpected arrival just as much as the people.

Meanwhile, the people having heard that we had not eaten breakfast, they pressed us generously to come ashore at once and eat with them. This was the beginning of a happy and friendly association that lasted throughout our visit.

Rapa is about four miles long by four miles wide. It is of volcanic origin, with ridges and valleys running down to the sea like the tentacles of a giant octopus.

In the lower parts, the valleys are covered with brushwood, and a few crooked trees are scattered here and there. On the slopes and the knife-sharp ridges is a hardy type of grass. Otherwise, the mountains are bare.

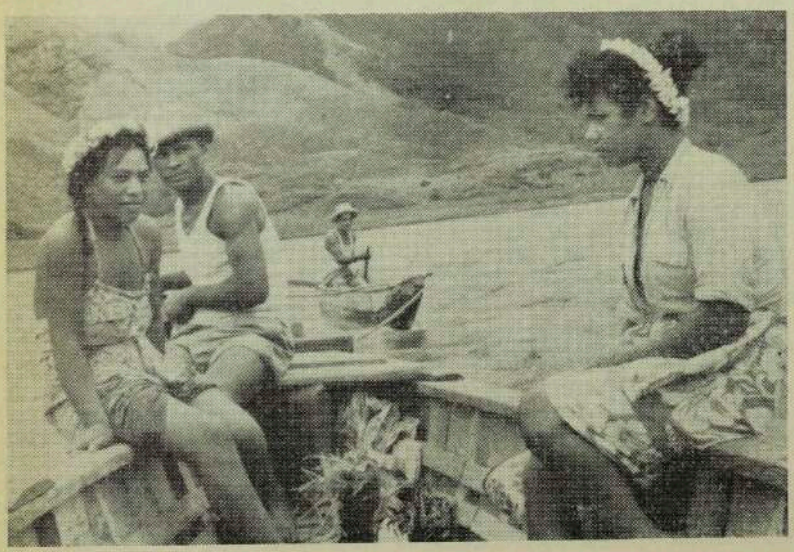
Some time in the distant past, Ahurae Bay, now a deep scar in the land, must have been a mighty crater which exploded in a terrific eruption. It is a bad anchorage for small ships. Even on so-called calm days, a fresh breeze whistles through the entrance to the bay. At other times, strong willywaws frequently sweep over the mountains in chain-torturing gusts.

In our case, a jagged coral bank astern of us was just waiting for our anchor to drag. So after several anxious days and nights, we found a

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more protected and peaceful anchorage behind Katuni Point, a longish distance from the village.

From our yacht, the remains of Rapa's fortresses were clearly visible on the jagged peaks and the ridges. Clouds and cool mountain winds swept them always.

With awe and profound respect, we frequently thought of the hardy race who built and lived in them. According to history and word-of-mouth, 400 to 500 people lived in each one in the old days, now many generations ago.

About a dozen, much eroded fortresses still exist. The names of some of them are Morongo Ute, Pukataketake, Vairu and Ruatara. Thor Heyerdahl, the well-known Norwegian anthropologist, excavated Morongo Ute during his Easter Island expedition several years ago.

One beautiful day, we wandered up to Morongo Ute. It was quiet up there. A herd of wild goats was wandering over the ridges some distance away, while the wind played in the grass and whipped eerily around the walls of the fortress.

Clouds drifting endlessly in from the sea frequently veiled the island's pinnacles and the other fortresses from our view. In the clear periods, we could see the water-filled taro patches down at the end of the bay glittering in the sun like carelessly strewn mirrors.

Morongo Ute consists of steep earthern walls and large platforms, where the old warriors used to live in grass houses called *fare aretu*. It is on a roof-shaped ridge, at the other end of which is Pukataketake, the fortress of a neighbouring clan. Between the two, there is a deep ditch right across the ridge.

An attack on these fortresses must have been a difficult undertaking, for an enemy caught in the ditch could have been speared like a bogged pig.

The total population of Rapa at one time is estimated to have been between 6,000 and 8,000. But continuous warfare between rival clans apparently reduced it to only a few

● TOP: The people of Rapa prefer their old-style reed houses, called "fare niau" to more solid constructions of coral blocks.

● CENTRE: A chief of Rapa, Tavana, and one of his men.

● BELOW: These husky, healthy islanders are typical of the people of Rapa, where the women do as much hard work as the men.

Photos: Joe Pachernegg.

thousand before the white man came; and the arrival of the white man reduced it even further.

Rapa was discovered by Captain Vancouver on December 22, 1791. When the first missionaries arrived from Tahiti in 1826, its population was estimated at well over 2,000. Ironically, so it is said, the first ship to bring the white man's God also brought diseases, which wiped out the people by the hundred. Forty years ago, the population of Rapa was down to 120 christianised souls.

As the men of Rapa were (and still are) good seamen, many left the island in the 19th century in schooners from Tahiti. Whalers and passing sailing ships also took many away. Others, again, were taken off by Peruvian slavers to work—and die—on the guano islands off the coast of Peru.

The few men who remained on the island were almost worth their weight in gold and did not move a finger. All work was done by the women and girls, and the men, when hungry, were fed by the women by hand.

The Amazons

Nowadays, the women still do much of the hard work, but it is shared by the men. The hardest jobs are digging and planting the taro patches, which involves standing all day up to the hips in muddy water; and rowing the narrow, Yankee-type long boats.

At rowing, the women and girls can keep a better stroke than the men, which is something you would have to go a long way in this world to see elsewhere.

The population of Rapa now stands at about 450, with a bigger proportion of children than any other island in Polynesia that we have seen. The ratio is actually about 150 children to 100 men and 200 women.

The islanders are simple, good-hearted people, who asked us to be their guests many times during our stay. Their staple food is poi, taro, bananas and fish. Food grows in abundance as the island has a temperate climate and plenty of rain.

The more substantial houses on the island are of coral blocks. They are built with much labour. Mortar is made from sand and burnt coral. The architecture is square and squat, with a strong French influence.

Many of these houses are roofless ruins as a result of the cyclonic winds which sweep over the island. Others are tightly shuttered and unused, as the people prefer to live in older-type reed houses called *fare niau*. These are cosy and slightly dejected

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Yesterday

The issue of *PIM* for August, 1943, was mainly a hotch-potch of small bits and pieces. "Real news from the Pacific front is scarce these days—or dwarfed by events in the Mediterranean," a staff writer said. Such news as there was included the following items:

Captain C. E. Hart, a Solomons Islands planters who had remained on his plantation in the Tulagi area after the Japanese invasion, told in Sydney how he had recovered his valuable collection of stamps from the pockets of a dead Japanese soldier a week after it had been stolen from his house.

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American writer Robert Dean Frisbie, who had just published a book called *Marooned by Request*, the story of his and his family's experiences on Suwarrow Island during a hurricane in 1942, was expecting to leave Rarotonga for service with the US forces in Hawaii.

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Wasps, reportedly, were being rushed to New Guinea by plane to kill green bugs that threatened the food crops cultivated in Army-operated farms in the forward areas. "One is moved to wonder", a *PIM* writer wrote, "what has become of the super-wasps that were native to most parts of New Guinea; but perhaps these wasps spurn such trival prey as green bugs—they prefer humans on the hoof".

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Western Samoa, less affected by wartime conditions and limitations than most other Pacific territories, was enjoying prosperity. But householders were complaining about lack of fresh meat. The shortage had been caused by the opening, about a year earlier, of a number of restaurants and hamburger shops which took much of the fresh meat available.

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Three parties of American draft dodgers, who had sailed in small cutters from California to Tahiti, had shipped out again as crew members of a cargo ship, leaving their cutters behind. On their arrival in Papeete, they had been treated as enemy aliens, were kept under guard, and were told to get going or their boats would be confiscated.

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After months of persistent effort, the Board of the Methodist Overseas Mission received an official assurance that some of its missionaries would be allowed to return to Papua. Due to a misunderstanding, Methodist missionaries had been sent to Australia during the general evacuation of Papua in January and February, 1942, while missionaries of other denominations were allowed to remain.

MAGAZINE SECTION



Tongan Delicacy

In these columns in the May issue of PIM, we published a picture of an old Tongan octopus seller in Nukualofa, taken by August Hettig just before the war. We asked whether Nukualofa still had any octopus sellers. The answer, apparently, is yes, as Mr. Hettig has now sent us another octopus picture, reproduced above, which shows how the Tongans spread an octopus in the sun to dry before cooking it for food. Mr. Hettig says that a "feke" (Tongan for octopus) is a delicacy among Tongans, especially when boiled in coconut cream—which turns it an almost chocolate colour—and eaten with baked yam.

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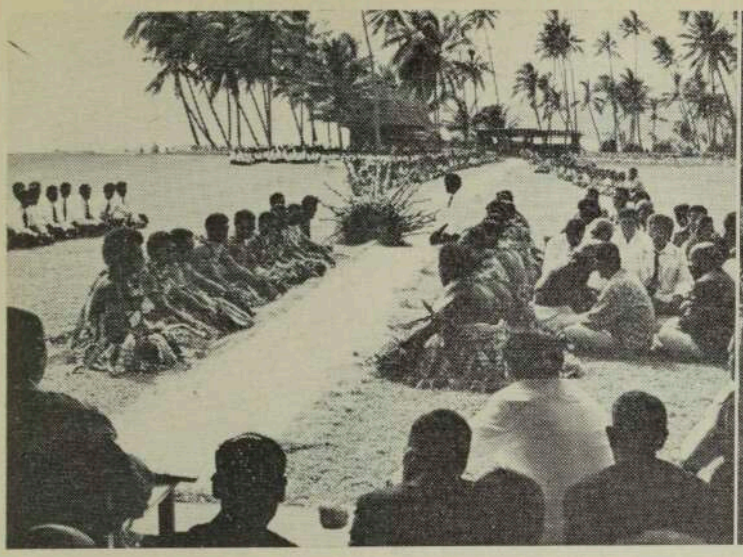
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Colourful ceremonies, feasting, and a wide variety of entertainment marked the 102nd anniversary of the Richmond School at Richmond, Tavuki, Kadavu, recently. The school is believed to be Fiji's oldest existing school with a continuous record of service.

The Governor, Sir Kenneth Maddocks, and Lady Maddocks, making their last official visit to Kadavu, attended the celebrations, during which a memorial grove of coconuts was planted. The picture at left shows a big yaqona (kava) root being presented. At right is Richmond's new £2,500 church which was officially opened by Lady Maddocks. The church was erected by a Fijian builder and paid for by the people of Kadavu. It has seating for 320 people.

Kadavu is Fiji's fourth largest group of islands. When the Methodist Church held its first conference at Tavuki, Kadavu, the seat of the Roko Tui Kadavu, in 1857, it was decided that the island should stand on its own feet as a circuit, and that a school for Fijian children should be started there. Accordingly, in 1861, the Richmond School was established.

Photos: Rob Wright

lean-to's which stand in the shadows of the real houses.

Grassy roads wind through the village of Ahurae, punctuated here and there by very modern-looking water taps. Uncultivated flowers grow brazenly near the continuous trickles from the taps.

There are also some carefully nurtured plots of tobacco, for imported cigarettes are almost unknown.

The French Administration in Tahiti maintains a weather station on the island, and—to judge by the noise and eagerness of the pupils—a pretty efficient school.

A small aid post in a slightly neglected state is apparently mainly used for confinements. Another building in Ahurae is a tightly-shuttered co-operative trade store, which seems to be in a permanent state of emptiness due, no doubt, to lack of goods and lack of money. Money, in fact, is virtually non-existent. Not once during our two-week stay did we hear the word mentioned.

A ship from Tahiti comes to Rapa twice or, at most, three times a year. The island has little to export, although a much bigger trade could be developed if the French Administration took an interest in the island.

Cattle, for example, seem to thrive; potatoes, tomatoes and coffee are doing fine; and many varieties of fruit trees could be introduced. At present, Tahiti imports potatoes and coffee from America and France at screaming prices.

The only white man who lives on Rapa is, surprisingly, a French nobleman, Count le Champs de Verneix. The count, a friendly man of over 60, spent some years with the Australian Army during the war.

He speaks excellent English and remembers nostalgically the days he spent in Australia. On the far end of Ahurae Bay, he has built himself a little homestead—hidden among orange trees and coffee bushes, and isolated from everybody.

The count first came to Rapa in 1930. "I had a title, inheritance and wealth," he says, "but also duties towards my family.

"Now I am free. Here on Rapa, I live close to the earth, and everything I need I produce myself. Here I have peace."

The count now devotes himself to growing coffee and raising cattle—a crossbred strain of Angus and Hereford which came originally from Australia.

The count says that the reason his coffee grows so well is that hundreds of people are buried under his land. And he adds: "They were not killed in the fighting, but in the epidemics."

This warm-hearted race has certainly suffered frightfully under the advance of the white man's civilisation; and it is to be hoped that the Administration will do something to improve the island's sanitation and give the people a better economic future.

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TROBRIAND ISLANDS PEARL BUYERS HAD THE GAME SEWN UP

By Basil Hall

The Trobriand Islands, off the northern coast of Papua, are as near to the islands of one's dreams as any in the wide Pacific Ocean.

THE people are fair-skinned and pleasant, the climate is good and even pearls were to be had there before the war.

Those who bought the pearls really had the game sewn up. Of course, they had their troubles.

For one thing, the village people, who lived along the three-fathom lagoon around which the island of Kiriwina wraps itself, were apt to be busy with garden work about the end of the year when skin-diving conditions were at their best.

Any inducement to go swimming for pearls aroused official wrath, for an offering of cash or hand-out kai kai, was rightly considered to be no substitute for a well-filled yam house.

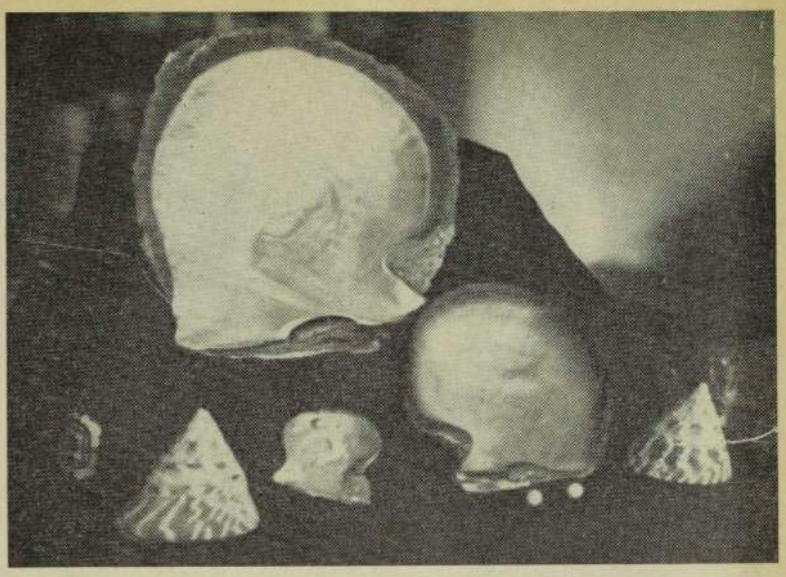
Pink Champagne to Match

Besides that, the ruling prices for pearls had dropped between the two World Wars. The happy days when Russian aristocrats matched pink champagne with rosy-tinted Trobriand Island pearls and Indian nabobs offered fantastic amounts for anything that took their fancy, were gone forever.

Pearls worth about £9,000 are shown among Papua's list of exports in 1911. But, when I was in the Trobriands at the beginning of 1939, the declared value of pearls sent abroad had fallen to something like £2,000.

Not that anyone paid much regard to figures, for, unlike other kinds of fishermen, pearlers keep their own council, and seldom talk about the "big ones."

Whatever their size, pearls obtained in the Trobriands were never of first quality. What made them attractive was that they were to be had without much outlay, and pearl-buying—as distinct from the pearl-shell trade as it is understood in places like Torres Strait—could be relied on to show a reasonable profit.



TYPES OF PEARLSHELL: Second from the left is a "lapi lapi" oyster shell from the Trobriands with a pearl blister. Next to it (right) is a black lip shell, below which are two beads cut from fresh water mussel living in the Mississippi River, which is now a base for culture pearls. The big shell (top) is a gold lip MOP. The two at each end of the bottom row are trochus.

The small, thin-shelled oysters, locally called "lapi lapi," have always provided an easily-gathered form of food, and, for that reason, the Papuan Administration reserved the fishing rights exclusively for the natives.

Pearls found could be looked on as a bonus, and there were enough to keep several full-time buyers happy.

Among the buyers was Raphael Brudo, who had once lived in Paris, and who dealt direct with associates in France and elsewhere. A cultivated man with a prodigious knowledge of pearls, he was always good company.

A nephew of his named Henry was a buyer on his own account, but Brudo's keenest competitor was Charley Lumley, who, helped by a kindly and energetic wife, was even more active in shipping yams and other garden produce to the Papuan mainland.

Down Sinaketta way, Vic Poole, another old-timer, was smoke-drying beche de mer. Because his boys were diving for these cucumber-like creatures that add a spice to Chinese cookery, he was obliged to take out a pearl-buyer's licence.

Such a licence cost £50 a year, but with that bit of paper, all a man needed to set up in business was a couple of caddies of tobacco and a roll of old newspapers for cigarette making.

He could hardly go wrong. All he had to do was sit on his veranda, and wait for things to come in.

Mainly it would be seed pearls or blisters still attached to the shell, but every now and then a pearl of gem class would turn up.

Prices paid differed widely. I remember one pearl of five carats being bought for 6/- in cash plus five sticks of tobacco, a box of matches and three handfuls of betel nut.

As against that, a pair of armshells of the kind to which the Trobriands Islanders attach great ritual importance, were hanging on a nail in Henry Brudo's store. Years before his father had bought them for £7.

Graded Wax Beads

Although old men used to come in just to look at them, theft had never been attempted. It was generally understood that the armshells could only be redeemed with some outstanding pearl.

Charley Lumley's principals in Australia sent up sets of graded wax beads to give him some idea of what was wanted.

But Raphael Brudo could string a necklace with the best of them, and numbered among his clients dealers in Bombay who yere always on the look out for pearls of unusual shape.

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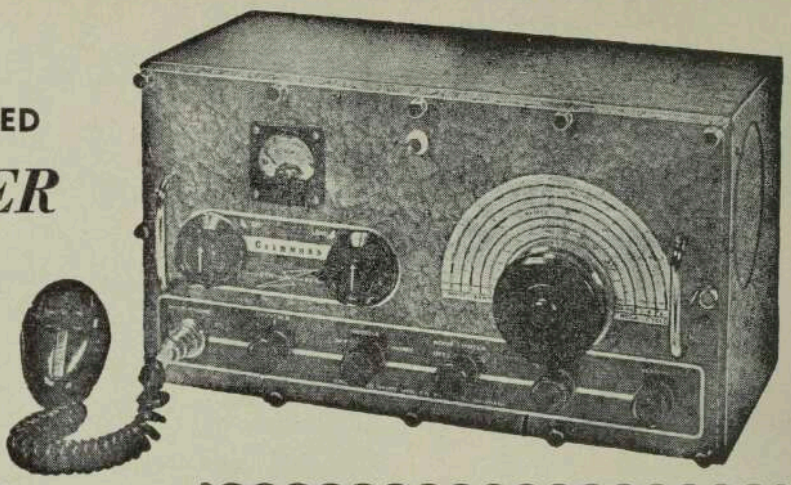
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Pearl buyer Raphael Brudo photographed at Losuia, Trobriand Islands, in 1939.

On a previous visit to India, he took with him a selection of pearls weighing 6 lb. avoirdupois and sold them for £2,000.

In the lush days that were still talked about, he might have got five times as much.

There are experts in Bombay who can almost remake a pearl to enhance its value. However, that sort of thing is a chancy business at best, for, in removing one or more layers of nacre from a pearl to improve its shape or colour, there is no certainty of success. And, whichever way it goes, the pearl is left smaller.

Sometimes a pearl is bleached to improve its appearance. For this operation tropical sunshine is essential.

The pearl to be treated is first drilled in the ordinary way, then placed in a tightly corked bottle of clear glass containing peroxide of hydrogen, to which one-third of its weight of ether has been added.

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There are tricks with probes and tiny mirrors and ultra-violet rays, mainly directed towards the detection of fraud.

Culture pearls would never stand a chance of getting by—or that's what pearl-buyers in the Trobriand Islands used to say in those carefree days before the war.

NG'S HIGHLANDS ARE A REAL EYE-OPENER

By Elizabeth Burchill

To visitors, travel in the Highlands of New Guinea opens up a whole new world of wonder, and to those who have lived in other parts of Papua and New Guinea it provides a fascinating experience.

AFTER a spell of nursing in Rabaul with the Administration, I flew to Mt. Hagen, in the Western Highlands, for a "look see" at this colourful area, the subject of many books and articles.

By land and air, I saw government-established areas, recently-opened-up outposts, and primitive tribes who are destined to be brought into a completely new way of life that took Europeans centuries to develop and assimilate.

From Mt. Hagen I went by Land-Rover, with a European medical assistant to the Wabag sub-district station. The winding mountain road, formerly a pig track, extends for 70 miles with many hairpin bends and wooden bridges.

Opened less than two years ago, it was made by primitive men with primitive tools under the supervision of patrol officers with rocks and sand gathered from the rivers.

Highlights of the drive are unsurpassed mountain scenery, deep, mysterious valleys, sparkling waterfalls, native houses low and round like mushrooms, avenues of fairy-like casaurina trees, and picturesque thatch-covered bridges reminiscent of Japanese pergolas over tumbling mountain streams.

Outstanding Hospital

On the way to Wabag, I got off at Mambisanda, 30 miles from Mt. Hagen. This is the medical headquarters of the American Lutheran Mission, Missouri Synod. Opened in 1948, it is the most outstanding hospital in the Highlands.

Set on a mountain range a mile from the road, the European and native buildings of the mission command a magnificent view of Mount Hagen (12,000 ft.), the substantial high school buildings of the mission in the valley below, and extensive areas of cultivated farm land.

The modern, well-equipped Mambisanda Hospital serves 33,000 natives in an area of 40 square miles. It has 150 beds for natives, a small ward for Europeans, two operating theatres, a pharmacy, X-ray, laboratory and other features unusual in an outpost hospital.

As nights in the Highlands are cold, respiratory diseases are prevalent and cause many deaths, particularly among children.

At Mambisanda a steam room has been built to deal with this problem.

In charge of the hospital is Dr. Clarence Connor, an American who gave up a lucrative practice in Chattanoonga, Tennessee, to come to New Guinea with five young children over two years ago because he wanted to heal "really sick people" and advance the cause of Christianity among the heathen.

Physician, surgeon, obstetrician, dentist and maintainence man, he daily encounters "killer" diseases such as pneumonia, meningitis, malaria, leprosy and tuberculosis in severity and quantity never before experienced.

He keeps the hydro-electric plant in running order and was responsible for the highly efficient steam room which has greatly reduced deaths among children with respiratory complaints.

Radio Contact

Radio contact has been maintained daily with the eight outstations of the mission for the past four years. This has proved a great boon in dealing with the medical problems and other emergencies of Eupropean missionaries.

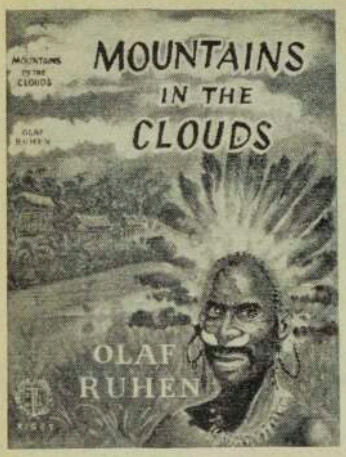
During major operations, anxious relatives of native patients watch from a glassed-in observation room.

Once when the doctor amputated a badly crushed leg, the sightseers wailed and cried, then retrieved the severed limb from the floor of the theatre, and buried it with all the ceremony and wailing that accompanies a pagan burial service for a dead person.

Fifty children attend the primary school on the Mambisanda mission station. They are taught by a trained native teacher.

Thirty-five preaching stations are supervised from Mambisanda. These are in charge of native evangelists.

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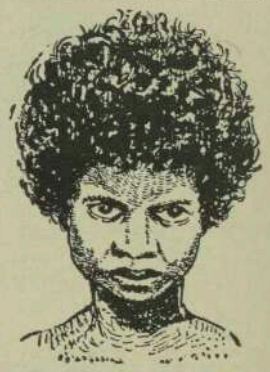
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Today and Yesterday in

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BY OLAF RUHEN

The massacre of 317 Chinese, the legend of "Nick the Greek", cannibals, and other exciting stories are included in the vivid and colourful pages of this comprehensive history of Australia's New Guinea Territories. Olaf Ruhen, the author, has travelled extensively throughout the islands visiting remote areas. He has also carried out extensive research into the history of the territory and in doing so has written a unique and interesting story. Illustrated with many wonderful photographs.



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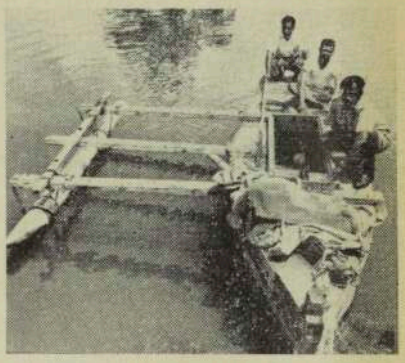
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THE MONTH'S NEW READING

With Judy Tudor

They Survived For 102 Days On A Pacific Coral Reef

In broad outline, the story of the Tongan castaways who were wrecked on Minerva Reef, from July to October, 1962, is known to Pacific Islands readers, but a new book gives the story in detail, as assembled and told by an experienced writer. It is one of the most gripping and dramatic things in the long history of Pacific Ocean shipwrecks.



The outrigger built by the castaways, which got news to the outside world of the Tongans' plight. It is now owned by the people of Tonga as a monument to men of initiative and courage.
Photo: Stan Whippy.

THE 20-tons cutter *Tuaikaepau*, bound for Auckland, left Nukualofa on July 4, with Captain David Fifita, six crew and 10 passengers. In the darkness of July 7, she was smashed on Minerva Reef, 380 miles south-east of Suva, and sank immediately.

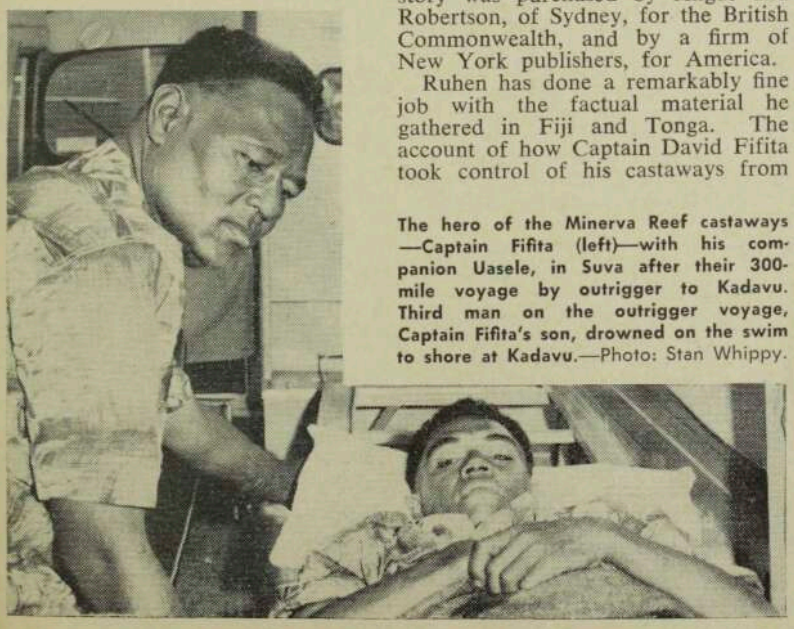
The 17 men scrambled on to the reef, with little food and equipment. The reef was awash at high tide. Their plight appeared hopeless. But over a mile away the hull of a wrecked Japanese wooden trawler, 80 feet long, lay on its side.

How those 17 Tongans got to the trawler; made and maintained a fire; found enough food to keep alive; constructed a still from which they got fresh water; and, virtually without tools, built from the trawler's wooden planks a boat 18 feet long, in which Captain Fifita and two others sailed 300 miles to Fiji within eight days—all this makes one of the most extraordinary stories of human survival and ingenuity in the history of the sea.

Tongans Benefit

After the story of their discovery was broadcast to the world in October, 1962, and the survivors (four died) were in hospital, *The Fiji Times*' editor, Mr. L. G. Usher, made a contract with the Tongans under which the newspaper would purchase their story, and sell it for their benefit. *The Fiji Times* then engaged Australian author Olaf Ruhen to meet the castaways in Tonga and write their story; and the story was purchased by Angus and Robertson, of Sydney, for the British Commonwealth, and by a firm of New York publishers, for America.

Ruhen has done a remarkably fine job with the factual material he gathered in Fiji and Tonga. The account of how Captain David Fifita took control of his castaways from the moment of the wreck, maintained their morale and imposed discipline, built a boat and sailed it to Fiji, and kissed his drowning son goodbye before he swam ashore and sought help for the party left on the reef, is Olaf Ruhen at his best.



The hero of the Minerva Reef castaways —Captain Fifita (left)—with his companion Uasele, in Suva after their 300-mile voyage by outrigger to Kadavu. Third man on the outrigger voyage, Captain Fifita's son, drowned on the swim to shore at Kadavu.—Photo: Stan Whippy.

Drama Builds Slowly

The book has something of the characteristics of Hemingway's *Old Man and the Sea*.

It opens in a low key, with the Pacific as a background, and quietly builds up to the drama of the reef, as Fifita fights and schemes to impose his discipline on the castaways for the common good—in fact, for the survival of them all.

Fifita emerges as the hero of the story—a man with the strength of character and shrewd commonsense which would make him a leader in any company in similar stress.

Ruhen, who made good use of hitherto unpublished diaries, brings out through the story the strong Christian principles which motivated the castaways in their daily tribulations. Wesleyan Tonga is a kingdom of churchgoers and the nearness of the average Tongan to his God could not be better portrayed than in the story of the Minerva Reef.

Minerva Reef is well illustrated, and the quality of its production (the American edition has not yet appeared) will help ensure its sale—to the financial benefit of the 13 castaways who survived the ordeal.

(MINERVA REEF. Published by Angus and Robertson. 25/-.)

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New Guinea Described And Debunked

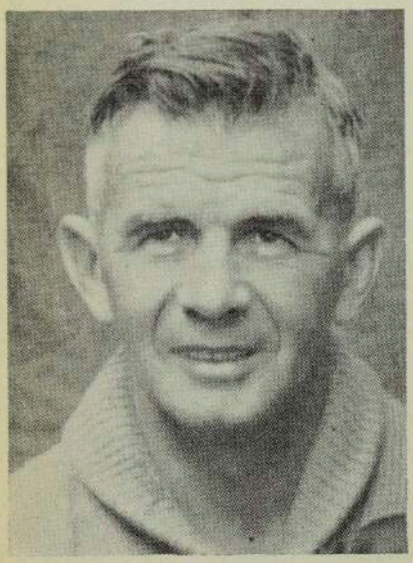
Have you ever wondered *why* we are trying to make a united nation out of Papua and New Guinea?

WHAT kind of planner decided that this huge area, with its vast diversification of peoples and conditions—it has anywhere from 500 to 700 separate languages—could with advantage be brought under one control and one flag?

Some answer to the puzzle may be found in Olaf Ruhen's new book, *Mountains in the Clouds.*

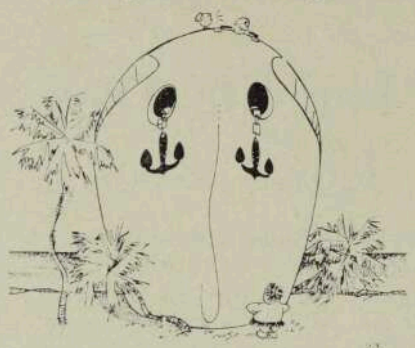
In an easy narrative style, he tells the story of Papua and New Guinea, from the first recorded appearance of European voyagers, through the periods of trader penetration, missionary contacts, "black-birding", annexation, colonisation, exploration, planting, two World Wars, Japanese invasion, goldfields exploitation, administrative experiments, native religious frenzies, to the final absurdity of trying to turn this great hotch-potch of primitive peoples into a united self-governing nation inside a decade.

The boundaries of the Territory were never laid down in accordance with ethnic, climatic and economic considerations: they were formed, catch-as-catch can, by the Powers in last century's jealous land-grabbing, and given their present shape by European exploitation of the islands' natural resources.



Olaf Ruhen, who published two books last month—"Minerva Reef" and "Mountains in the Clouds"—both reviewed here. Ruhen is a New Zealander who for many years has lived in Sydney.

Kupa's Pacific



"Drop anchor, captain?"

Some day New Guinea may be a united nation—it has the people and the resources—but, as Ruhen says in his last paragraph:

> *"The greatest need of New Guinea is time: time to teach the young, time to stabilise the legend, time for the young to grow old, time to cement the scattered fabric of its evolutionary thoughts . . . time to build an ideal and a constitution . . . ".*

And, under the present crazy processes of decolonisation, there just isn't time.

Ruhen has wandered far and wide through the Territory, and browsed through a thousand records; and, with his infallible nose for the unusual, the picturesque and the bizarre, he has gathered material which he has strung together in a fascinating narrative, to give us a connected picture of New Guinea—especially the New Guinea that preceded World War II.

Famous and legendary characters pop up on almost every page—Nick the Greek; William MacGregor and Hubert Murray, administrators; Jack Hides and Mick Leahy, explorers; Queen Emma, pioneer planter; Cecil Levien, goldfields developer; "Pard" Mustar and Ray Parer, the first of the airmen—they and a score of others take their place in a fascinating story.

This book, while a useful history, is an example of forthright debunking.

Ruhen argues that much of the "murderous treachery" ascribed to the natives in last century was directly

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the result of "black-birding" and cheating and rapine by the lowest class of whites.

He has something scathing to say about the way in which the Australians "expropriated" the German property in New Guinea.

He rips away a veil which hid the manner of the establishment of certain industries in the Morobe goldfields.

He tells again the story of the bumbling and stupid Canberra bureaucrats who left many hundreds of Australian men in Rabaul in early 1942, to be destroyed by the Japs.

And he says this of Australian operations in New Guinea in 1944, after the Americans had "leap-frogged" on northwards beyond New Guinea:

"Allied mopping-up operations on the New Guinea mainland . . . seemed and still seem to have had no other purpose than to establish, or to bolster, the reputations of some high Australian officers, and to keep them in active commands. In some instances these mopping-up operations were conducted in areas the Americans had already by-passed. We can regret the lives wasted in these operations, and moralise that the price paid for certain small ribbons was far too high."

Many older Australians will endorse that comment.

Why did the publishers of this book not provide an index! That way, it would have had much value as a reference book. But, withal, it is a lively, fascinating story.—RWR.

(MOUNTAINS IN THE CLOUDS. Published by Rigby Ltd., Adelaide. 30/-.)

The Queen In Australia

The story in pictures and narrative of the visit to Australia in February-March, 1963, of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh was published in June.

In format and design the new book follows that of the Royal Visit book of the first Australian visit 10 years earlier and as such will be of interest to Australians and all those who like collecting "Royal" books.

The book was designed, written and the photographs, black and white and coloured, taken by the Australian Department of News and Information. It is published by Angus and Robertson Ltd. at 30/-.

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Author Hugh Clark (left) photographed on a visit to Nauru recently, with Nauru's Head Chief Hammer DeRoburt.

Prisoners Of The Japs

It seems a remarkable thing that almost 20 years after the end of World War II a readable new book can appear about the experiences of a group of Australians taken prisoner by the Japs.

HUGH CLARKE has just published such a book in *The Tub*, which tells the story of some members of the Australian 2/10th Field Regiment who were taken prisoners in Malaya in 1942 and survived Changi, the Burma railway, the Nagasaki dockyards of Japan, and finally the Nakarma coal mines. It is written, certainly, as a novel, around four main characters and an old tub that one of them picked up, but the events are true and the characters are real though disguised, and only for the sake of the narrative flow was the novel form adopted by Clarke.

"I don't appear in the story. I was the observer," says Clarke, who today is the officer-in-charge of the publications section of the Australian Department of Territories, Canberra, and as such has close interests in the Islands.

"None of the four main characters is me, although some of the things that happened to the characters, in fact, happened to me."

Tony was the man with the tub—an ordinary galvanised iron wash tub which he acquired by accident and which became such a part of his life, and the life of others, that even when it had out-worn its usefulness as an item of equipment it had taken on a new role as a symbol of the necessity to carry on. In Clarke's book the tub fulfils another purpose as a cleverly handled literary device to keep the narrative moving through what might otherwise be unconnected stories.

Clarke has some of John O'Grady's skill in reporting the Australian idiom, such as this example when Tony steps forward to address a non-English-speaking Japanese sergeant with an enormous set of teeth "protruding from his face like a cowcatcher on a Queensland outback train":

" 'Strike me bloody pink, sergeant,' Tony said, with a broad, disarming grin. 'You would be about the ugliest poor bastard I have seen in my life!'

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"Turning to the apprehensive work party Tony added, 'Be on the teeth, will you? Ever seen anything more like a Moreton Bay shark in yer life?' "

There are good and bad Japs in this story and there is evidence enough of the atrocities we have come to expect from Japanese war activities, yet they appear here as atrocities without horror—as if the passage of years had mellowed the author's recollections of those unhappy days. This absence of heat makes it a better book, and a worthwhile addition to the unofficial history of the war.

Hugh Clarke has the manuscript of a second book with his publishers. Titled *The Utmost Clerk*, it is a humorous account of life among Canberra civil servants since the war.—S.I.

(THE TUB. Published by The Jacaranda Press. 22/6.)

FANTASIES FOR JUNIORS

Not since the non-existent Captain Lawson published *Wanderings in the Interior of New Guinea* in 1875, has there been such literary bally-hoo put between the covers of one book as in *Mountain with a Secret*, received this month.

WRITTEN by someone called Rene Guillot and translated by someone called John Marshall, it is designed as an adventure book for youngsters. The action is supposed to take place on a "farm on the Pacific Island of New Guinea" and judging from the fact that the farmer is named Joost van der Landen, his nephew is Johan, and a missing white boy gone native is called Hendrick, one assumes that it is supposed to be former Dutch New Guinea.

A lot of extraordinary things have gone on in West New Guinea from time to time, but they all pale into

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insignificance beside the fevered wanderings of Rene and his illustrator who seem unable to make up their minds whether they are in the "Pacific Island of New Guinea", amongst the Dyaks of Malaysia, the Incas of South America or the wide open cattle country of Central Australia.

It seems that Guillot has quite a fame amongst distinguished book reviewers on *John O'London's, Times Literary Supplement,* etc. Serve the whole lot of them right if they were all dumped in New Guinea and allowed to stew in their own juice.

(MOUNTAIN WITH A SECRET. Published by Collins. 17/-.)

Two books for smaller children are also in the realms of fantasy—or in the Old China that no longer exists.

Little Pear and the Rabbits and *Wu, the Gatekeeper's Son* are both by Eleanor Frances Lattimore, who has a whole string of infants' books —all about China—to her credit.

These are suitable for children who are just beginning to read for themselves. But whether there is any point in encouraging children to believe that Chinese people still run round in pigtails, or dressed up like Mandarins, is open to doubt.—JT.

(WU, THE GATEKEEPER'S SON; LITTLE PEAR AND THE RABBITS. Angus and Robertson Ltd. 13/6 and 15/- respectively.)

Two Novels Of Note

In a reading world that has largely turned away from fiction, only the great reach the best-seller class. Both Morris West (*The Shoes of the Fisherman*), and Pierre la Mure (*Clair de Lune*) come into the category.

AUSTRALIA'S Morris West has gone a long way since he wrote the buried-treasure trifle, *Gallows on the Sand;* or *Kundu,* the sexy piece about a New Australian doctor in the Highlands of New Guinea.

Although we have said before that he has now joined the ranks of those who tend to make a literary gimmick of their religion, it is equally true that few have done it with less literary soul-searching and sentiment. It is some sort of fantastic commentary on the age of the 1960's and its staple, paper-back literature of souped-up sex, and violence, that any writer can draw sufficient drama from a religious situation to make not only a great novel but also one that sells.

In *Shoes of the Fisherman,* West takes on a large proposition—one which is normally veiled by myth and mystery from Catholic and Protestant alike—when he purports to reveal, as the central motif of the story, the innermost feelings and reactions of a Pope, newly-elected in 1963.

Although the novel was written long before, by coincidence it was published about the time of the death of Pope John and the election of his successor. But there all resemblance stops. West's College of Cardinals does not elect a Pontiff from Milan but, to their own surprise, a Cardinal lately emerged from behind the Iron Curtain.

Earthiness

The ensuing conflicts between the fixed, traditional ways of the Vatican and those of the new Pontiff who has spent more time in Communist prisons and Siberian concentration-camps than in church, provides much of the background to the story; and the relationship between the Pontiff and the Russian, Kamenev, some of the drama. Subsidiary stories that run through the main theme—that of the American correspondent and his Italian mistress included—provide the essential contrasting earthiness.

Morris West is a living example to young Australian writers who are forever being urged by their betters to get away from eucalypts and the wide-open spaces. West is now well set in neutral ground in Italy and there certainly is no whiff of gum-leaves in this little lot.

(THE SHOES OF THE FISHERMAN. Published by Heinemann. 26/-.)

PIERRE la Mure's new novel *Clair de Lune* is, as might be supposed, the story of France's greatest musician, Claude Debussy who, in the tradition of the 19th century, reached fame only through a series of garrets, poverty, bills and exotic love-affairs.

In a short life of 56 years, lived either at the bottom of a pit of depression or on the Olympian heights of happiness, Debussy's music shocked the stolid Wagnerian purists of his day. Ethereal, soulful and even sinful they found it; only late in his life did Debussysm became a musical movement that revolutionised French musical habits.

Irresistible to women, his love affairs ranged from Russia to Italy but shocked few of his contemporaries until, in a Paris where extra-marital exercises were the norm, he left his first wife, ran away with his mistress and subsequently married her. Emma and their daughter, Chouchou, were with him when he

On Cricket And Snakes

FOR those with specialised Australian interests are *With the MCC in Australia, 1962-63* by the late Johnnie Moyes and Tom Goodman; and *Reptiles of Australia* by Eric Worrall.

A. G. "Johnnie" Moyes wrote more dissertations and ball-to-ball descriptions of Test Matches than any other man, but he died before the present volume was completed. The torch was taken up by another expert, Tom Goodman.

The book they have jointly produced might be regarded by the non-cricketing public as an autopsy but it will no doubt be Sacred Writ to hundreds of thousands of enthusiasts in Australia and cricketing countries overseas.

The MCC tour of Australia in 1962-63 was to be devoted to brighter and better cricket but it didn't turn out that way. The authors explain why.

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Probably not even Eric Worrall, who collects snakes, writes about them and talks about them on TV and radio, can love them but if someone had to write an exhaustive account of the Australian varieties there probably is no better man for the job.

His new book describes also lizards, turtles, crocodiles and other reptiles peculiar to the Australian continent and the whole job is regarded by the experts as the most complete ever produced. There are 60 pages of illustrations, some of them in colour.

(WITH THE MCC IN AUSTRALIA, 1962-63. Angus and Roberson Ltd. 27/6; REPTILES OF AUSTRALIA. Angus and Robertson Ltd. 57/6.)

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died of cancer in March, 1918, in Paris.

Like his biographical novel, *Moulin Rouge*, la Mure has written *Clair de Lune* directly into English, without the services of a translator. He was a correspondent for a French newspaper in the United States when World War broke out and scuttled his newspaper. He decided there and then to write in English—with the result that *Moulin Rouge* took several years to write and *Clair de Lune* not much less.—JT.

(CLAIR DE LUNE. Published by Collins. 32/6.)

NO ONE could come any more international than novelist Max Catto. So far as the backgrounds of his novels (and he is almost as prolific as Mr. Gardner) are concerned he is tied to some sort of jet-propelled typewriter. His stories whip madly around between Equatorial Africa, South Sea Islands, Central America, leaving his readers faint and dizzy, and while we presume that Mr. Catto is an American, he has achieved such national interchangeability that we can no longer be sure even of that.

The Tiger in the Bed, the latest of his works, is backgrounded in Brazil where 65 womanless men have been confined to an oil drilling site so long that they have produced their own kind of spontaneous combustion. In the explosion, seven of them have died and the story is told through witnesses at the court of inquiry presided over by Colonel Manuel Cardenas, who has his own unorthodox methods of getting them to talk.

The story has all the well-tried ingredients—action, sex, suspense, and exotic location.

(THE TIGER IN THE BED. Heinemann. 22/6.)

Best Of The Paperbacks

Practical:

CHILDBIRTH WITHOUT FEAR by Grantly Dick-Read. The book that has already made millions of friends amongst women the world over. This is the first British paperback edition—it has been revised and extended and has a new chapter on how every woman can be her own midwife in an emergency—What Every Woman Ought to Know, even if it scares her half to death. (Pan Piper; 7/6.)

HOW TO STUDY by Harry Maddox. Everything is made easy these days by psychology—even this subject. (Pan Piper; 5/6.)

LOVE AND MARRIAGE by Dr. Eustace Chesser, who sets out to show that marriage isn't all sex—although the reader can judge from this book that sex seems to have something to do with it. (Pan Piper; 5/6.)

MRS. BEETON'S ALL ABOUT COOKERY. About the only original Beeton about this edition is the name and, in fact, the most the publishers claim for it is that it is "drawn from" the famous Victorian who was born in 1836, married at 20, died at 29 of a complication following childbirth and spent four years preparing her cookery classis. This first paperback edition has 1,500 recipes and a great deal of other 1963 information. (Pan Piper; 11/-.)

THE PAN BOOK OF DOGS by Catherine Fisher; and THE PAN BOOK OF HOME PETS by Katharine Tottenham, are precisely what the titles say they are. Pets for the purpose of this exercise cover all the well-known varieties plus some exotic ones like monkeys, lizards and even alligators. (Pan Piper; both 5/6.)

Psychology:

THE OUTSIDER by Colin Wilson; and THE BATTLE FOR THE MIND by William Sargant; both deal with modern man in some of his aspects. *Outsider* is an "inquiry into the sickness of mankind in the mid-20th century", and examines some deviations from the norm. Sargant shows, on the other hand, that beliefs, good or bad, can be forcibly implanted in the human brain—i.e., indoctrination. (Pan Piper; 7/6 and 5/6.)

For Students:

The Pergamon Press, Headington Hill Hall, Oxford, has recently launched the Commonwealth and International Library of Science, Technology, Engineering and Liberal Studies. The aim is to provide students with a series of low-priced, soft-covered textbooks, and 25 titles covering all departments of the Humanities and the Disciplines have been published. The three examples we have received are EQUATIONS AND GRAPHS, A HANDBOOK OF ALGEBRAIC TECHNIQUES by K. Austwick, MSc., at 17/6 Stg.; Volume 1 of GENERAL ENGINEERING SCIENCE by G. W. Marr and R. C. Layton, at 12/6 Stg.; and a SYMPOSIUM ON TEACHING RUSSIAN edited by C. V. James, at 21/- net. The books are bound in a plastic, linen-like material but are also available in hard covers (at extra cost). A full list of what is available can be obtained from the publishers.

Sport:

SKI WITH ME by Ruedi Wyrsch, is not a paperback but an illustrated booklet. The author is a Swiss champion who is one of the increasing number of European ski-instructors who come to Australasia for the southern winter. He is instructor for the North Canterbury Ski Club, NZ, and writes expressly for people ski-ing under NZ and Australian conditions. (Published by Whitcombe & Tombs Ltd., Christchurch, NZ; price not stated.)

Novels:

Novels this month include Nevil Shute's RUINED CITY, one of this author's early stories; ANNIE'S CAPTAIN by Kathryn Hulme, who hit the best-selling jackpot with THE NUN'S STORY; THE VIEW FROM THE FORTIETH FLOOR by Theodore H. White, who produces one of those monumental excursions behind the scenes of American Big Business—this time with a national magazine as the background motif; and CLOSER TO THE SUN by George Johnston, part of the husband and wife writing team of Johnston and Clift who, like the central characters of this story, are an Australian couple living on an Aegean Island. (Three Pan and a Fontana; priced at 5/6, 7/6, 7/6 and 5/6 respectively.)

Thrillers:

Amongst the month's crop: THUNDERBALL by James Bond (for which the publishers have gone to the trouble of punching two realistic bullet-holes in the paper cover); FEAR IS THE KEY by Alistair Maclean, who moves into Florida for the background to guns, gangsters and sudden death; and a QUESTION OF PROOF by Nicholas Blake, in which he concerns himself with grisly goings-on in a hay paddock. (Pan Fontana and Fontana; 5/6, 4//- and 4/- respectively.

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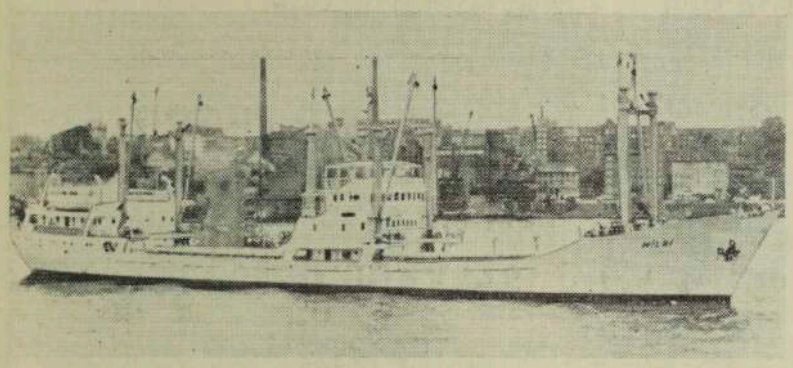
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The Tonga Copra Board's new ship "Wilri", which will be renamed "Niuvakai".

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PRINCE TUNGI BUYS SHIP FOR TONGA COPRA BOARD

Tonga's Premier, Prince Tungi, bought a motor vessel of 2,600 tons dead weight for the Tonga Copra Board during his recent two-month tour overseas.

THE ship will be used to carry cargoes for the Pacific Coconut Processing Corporation in Pago Pago, in which the Tonga Copra Board has a 40 per cent. interest.

Prince Tungi was accompanied on part of his overseas tour by Tonga's Chief Harbourmaster, Captain J. T. Sutherland. He returned to Nukualofa on July 7 after visiting England and the Continent, India, Honolulu, Japan and the Samoas.

Ships were inspected in Holland, North Italy, West Germany, Denmark and Sweden. The final choice was the first ship inspected, the *Wilri*, which will be renamed *Niuvakai*.

The new name, which is taken from Tongan history, may be roughly translated as "look-out post". In the old days, when Tongans were defending a fortified area, all the surrounding trees and foliage, except one tree, were cut low to provide a clear view. The remaining tree was used as a lookout post or watchtower, and was called the *niuvakai*.

Like the *niuvakai* of the past, the new ship will be used as a means of looking out new business prospects both within and beyond the Kingdom of Tonga.

The *Niuvakai* was built by Neptune shipyards at Rostock, Germany, in December, 1959. She is 276 ft. long and has a beam of 39 ft. Registered tonnages are 1,820 gross, and 1,069 net. The ship's engine is a Deutz diesel 1,650 bhp, and she has a speed of about 12½ knots.

Her cargo capacity is 123,654 cu. ft. of grain or 115,426 cu. ft. of bales.

Navigation equipment includes radar, gyro compass with automatic steering, echo sounder and radio telephone. Radio equipment similar to that installed in the *Aoniu* and *Hifofua* is to be fitted.

The *Niuvakai* was due to sail from Rotterdam to Norway on July 12 to load 2,300 tons of ferrochrome for Japan.

From Japan, she is expected to bring a cargo of cement and construction material for Tonga.

As a Tonga certificate of registry was sent to Captain Sutherland in Rotterdam, the vessel will sail under the Tongan flag on her delivery voyage. She is expected in Tonga in September.

● MORE SHIPS VISIT FIJI: The number and tonnage of foreign-going ships entering Fiji in 1962 were again a record, according to the Colony's 1962 Trade Report. The entries totalled 427, compared with 363 in 1961 and 317 in 1958.

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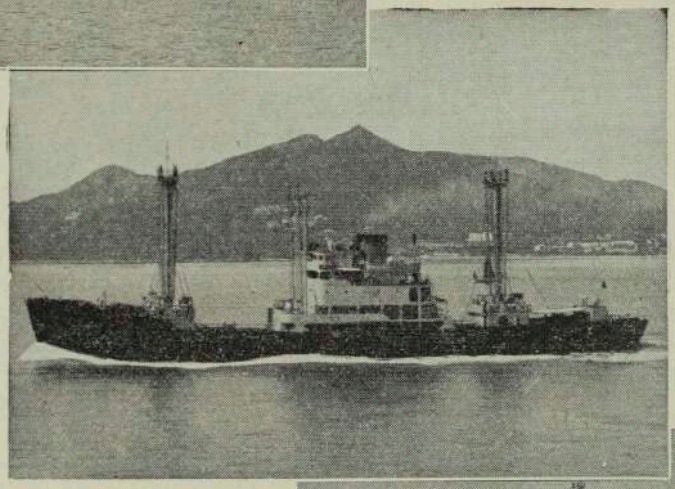
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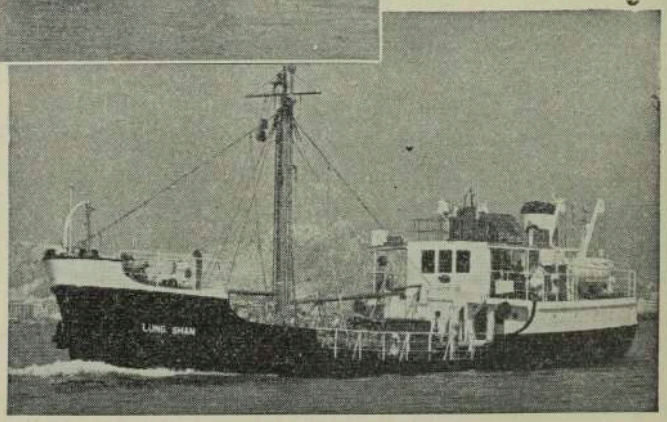
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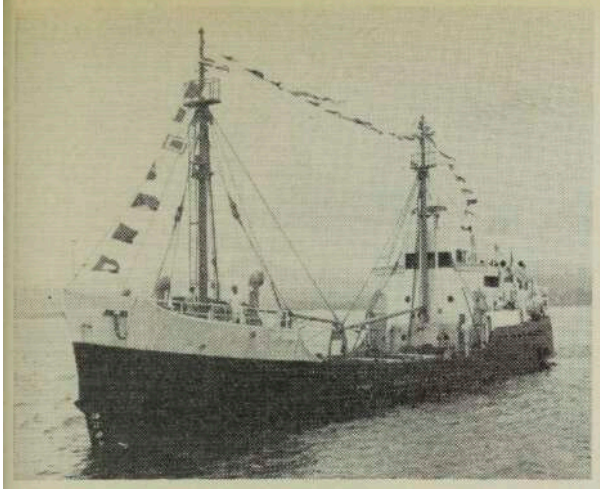


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ON FIJI RUN: Island Transport Ltd.'s recently-purchased ship "Komaiwai", formerly "Parndana", has taken over the run in Fiji waters of the "Ai Sokula", which was damaged when she hit a reef early this year. W. R. Carpenter and Co. (Fiji) Ltd. is managing agent in Fiji for Island Transport. The ship's master is Captain Alf Peckham. — Photo: Stan Whippy.

nage of 1,336,628, against 1,203,350 in 1961 and 1,161,601 in 1958. The number and tonnage of ships have increased each year for the last 10 years. In 1952 the number of entries was only 171 with a tonnage of 553,633.

The Trade Report says that the continuous rise must be attributed more to increased international shipping services than to anything directly related to Fiji's trade.

Ships of United Kingdom register were highest in numbers (103) and by far the highest in tonnage (704,887). Japanese ships were next in number (94), but as a great many of them were from fishing fleets the tonnage was relatively small (88,882). These figures compared with 32 Japanese fishing ships in 1960 with a tonnage of 50,627.

There were 72 ships of New Zealand register, tonnage 153,636, which made that country Fiji's second most important carrier. The United States was third with 27 ships with a tonnage of 117,588.

In all, ships of 24 countries were represented, including Norway 80,945 tons, Australia 34,655 tons and Singapore 33,053 tons.

The total cargo handled at all ports rose sharply from 561,000 tons to 623,000 tons, but that was still appreciably below 1959 and 1960, when the figure was close to the 650,000 tons mark each year.

As in the past Lautoka was the main port for exports (sugar and gold), and Suva for imports, but Lautoka imports have ben rising.

● DOCK FIRM'S CENTENARY: The Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., shipbuilding and ship repairing firm which has built and repaired many ships in the Islands trade over the years, celebrated its 100th birthday on July 1. To mark the occasion, the company published an attractive 44-page booklet, with some colour illustrations, to demonstrate the range of its activities. The company has five building berths and four dry docks. Among the ships it has built in recent years is the GEIC's MV *Nivanga*.

● NO REASON FOR SINKING FOUND: The Rabaul Coroner, Mr. J. F. Winkle, announced in July that no reason could be established for the sinking of the MV *Polurrian*, with the loss of 53 lives in March.

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Mr. Winkle was giving his finding following an inquest into the death of the *Pollurian's* captain, Dallas Henderson ("Peter") Fenwick, of Rabaul. (*PIM*, May, p. 177.)

He said Fenwick had died by misadventure by drowning off West Bougainville as a result of the ship's foundering.

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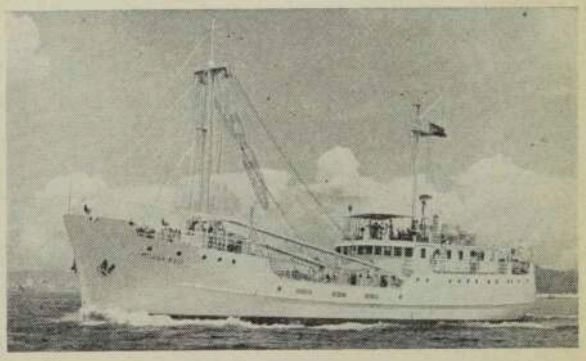
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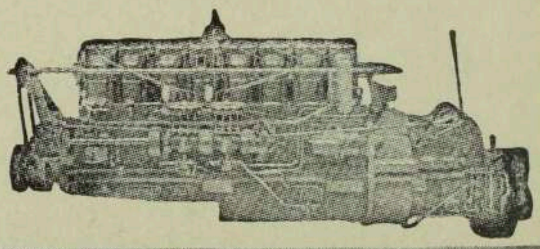
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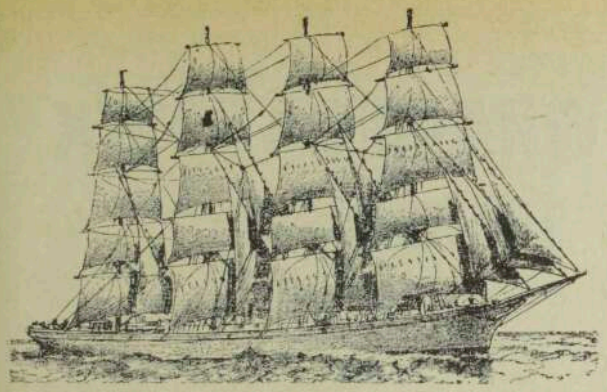
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The "Falls of Clyde" as she was when Capt. Matson bought her in 1898. The picture is reproduced from the "San Francisco Call" for December 21 of that year.

Polurrian, a 339-ton trader owned by the Bougainville Co. Ltd., left her home port of Rabaul on March 15. After calling at several islands, she left Sohano at 5.30 p.m. on March 28 bound for Rabaul, a journey which normally would have taken slightly less than 24 hours.

Mr. Winkle said she had foundered between 9 and 10 o'clock at night.

"It is abundantly clear from the evidence that MV *Pollurian* listed to starboard and thus capsized completely by the starboard so that she lay with the keel upwards and more or less parallel to the water before finally subsiding," Mr. Winkle said.

"A picture of events immediately prior to listing and capsizing, however, is not so readily available from evidence.

"Of the 29 survivors, only five were awake at the relevant time and able to give any information."

Mr. Winkle said the evidence excluded the possibility of collision with any object, of explosion on board, or of any substantial abnormality or violence of the elements.

He added that he was satisfied that there was no evidence the ship's behaviour pointed "with even a reasonable degree of possibility" to instability because of lack of water in the ballast tanks.

Mr. Winkle said there was no evidence to support allegations made by a woman survivor, Jeanne (Jenny) Viva, who claimed certain surviving crew members forced her and her husband and two children off a raft.

The two children died of exposure and Mrs. Viva's husband was taken by sharks. Mrs. Viva was in the water almost three days.

"I think the possibility of hysteria cannot be overlooked," Mr. Winkle said.

● SALE OF *WANGANELLA*: Negotiations had been all but completed in mid-July for the sale of the liner *Wanganella* to a firm which will build a big hydro-electric scheme at Laka Manapouri in the far south of New Zealand's South Island. The ship will be used as a floating hostel for 400 workers. The ship's Sydney agents said that all scheduled voyages would be made up to August 31.

The *Wanganella*, a former trans-Tasman liner, has been owned by the Hong Kong Shipping and Trading Company, of Hong Kong since August, 1962. Since then she has made tourist cruises in the Pacific.

● MINE MENACE WILL GO: Six ships of the RAN's 16th Minesweeping Squadron will clear mines from Tonolei Harbour on the south coast of Bougainville in October. About 150 mines were dropped in the area by US aircraft in 1943.

● OLD SAILER SAVED: Ship-lovers in Hawaii and the mainland United States have saved the four-masted ship *Falls of Clyde* from being used as a breakwater in Canada. By June 29, they had raised the necessary $18,950 to buy the ship, which in recent years has been used as a barge at Lake Washington, Seattle. Eventually, it is hoped to raise about $180,000 to restore and re-rig the ship as she was when she was launched in Glasgow in 1878, and to make her part of Hawaii's Bishop Museum.

A move to save the ship from destruction was begun several years ago by Mr. Karl Kortum, director of the Maritime Museum in San Francisco. Others, including Captain Fred K. Klebingat, an occasional *PIM* contributor who is research associate at the museum and a former crew member of the *Falls of Clyde*, lent their support. Finally, the Bishop Museum and Honolulu's Chamber of Commerce, sponsored a fund-raising project, which was supported by newspaper publicity.

An Alaska bank, which held a mortgage on the ship, set July 1 as the deadline for her purchase—so the necessary money was raised with only two days to spare. A cheque for $5,000 was contributed by the Matson Line, whose founder, Captain William Matson, bought the *Falls of Clyde* from British owners in 1898.

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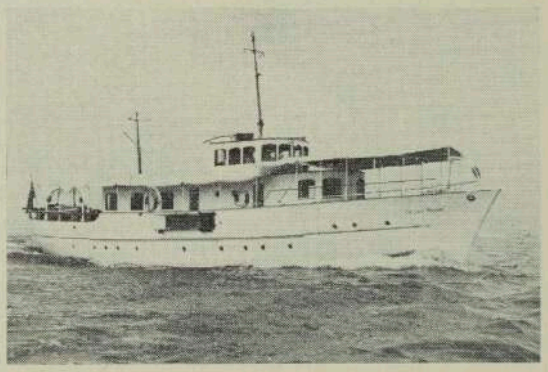
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● RAFT VOYAGE BEGINS: William Willis, the 70-year-old American raftsman, began his attempt to drift on a 10-ton raft from the Peruvian coast to Australia on July 4.

Willis' raft, called *Age Unlimited*, was towed out of Callao harbour to a point 45 miles off the Peruvian coast and cast adrift in the Humboldt Current. Accompanied by two cats, Willis hopes to drift north to Samoa, then south-west to Sydney, a distance of about 10,000 miles. He expects the voyage to take three months.

Nine years ago, Willis drifted the 6,700 miles from Callao to Pago Pago on a raft called *Seven Little Sisters*. His latest voyage is a challenge to the traditional limitations of age and a protest against the tendency to set arbitrary age limits for retirement.

Age Unlimited is made of three pontoons filled with plastic material to prevent sinking in case of leakage. It has a wooden deck with a circular steel bridge, a 10-ft. jib boom, a triangular 33-ft. main mast and a 20-ft. mizzen fitted with dacron sails. It is steered by a wheel and a rudder.

● NEW LAUNCH FOR TONGA: A 52-ft. 6 in. launch to replace that of the Governor of Ha'apai, which was lost in a hurricane in 1961, was commissioned in Tonga on July 12.

Called *Fangailifuka*, the vessel is the sister ship to the *Fonualei* which is stationed at Vavau and the *Ulufonua*, stationed at Nukualofa, which plies regularly between Tongatapu and Eua. An improvement on the latest vessel, however, is the incorporation of 1,350 cu. ft. of refrigerator space in the forward hold.

The new launch will provide a much needed regular service in the transportation of fresh fruit and vegetables, etc., from Pangai to Tofua Island and Kao Island.

Supplies can also be brought to Nukualofa for the Government market or to link up with the *Niuvakai* for the Samoan markets.

● GEIC CREW: On a recent visit to Tarawa, the tanker *Pacific Enterprise* engaged a crew of 10 Gilbert and Ellice Islanders in place of her previous Chinese crew. All the men had had experience on Colony ships and most had been overseas before. As the *Pacific Enterprise* visits Tarawa every three months or so, the men will not lose contact with their homes.

The GEIC Administration is keen to place crews on other overseas vessels, as employment opportunities in the Colony are very limited. The islanders make good seamen.

● *TOFUA'S* NEW MASTER: Captain Peter Bennett, formerly master of the *Matua*, has been appointed to succeed Captain N. H. Pearson as master of the *Tofua*. Captain Pearson retired in May.

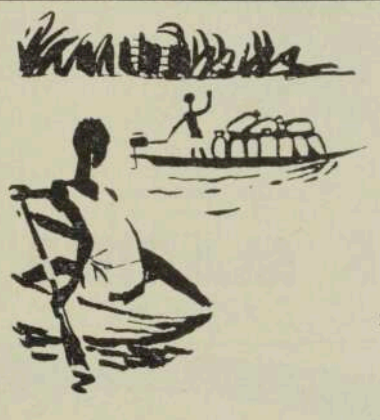
It was erroneously stated in *PIM* for July (p. 101) that Captain John Kirk, the present master of the *Matua*, would succeed Captain Pearson.

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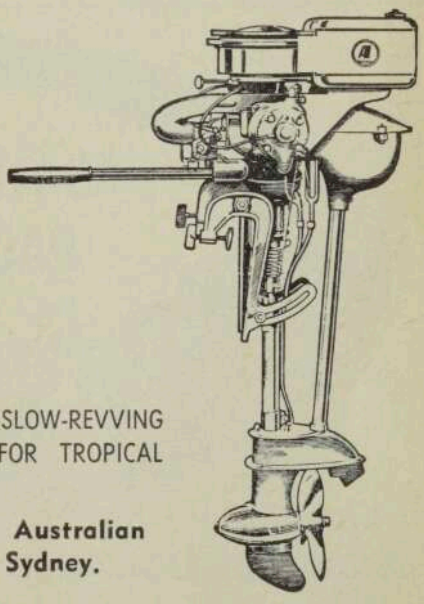
Captain Bennett was in command of the *Matua* almost continuously from October, 1957, until his new appointment.

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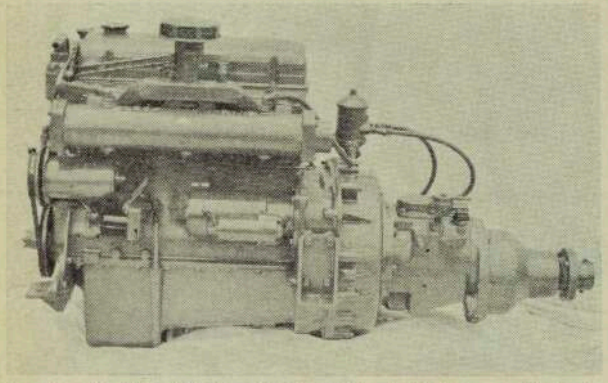
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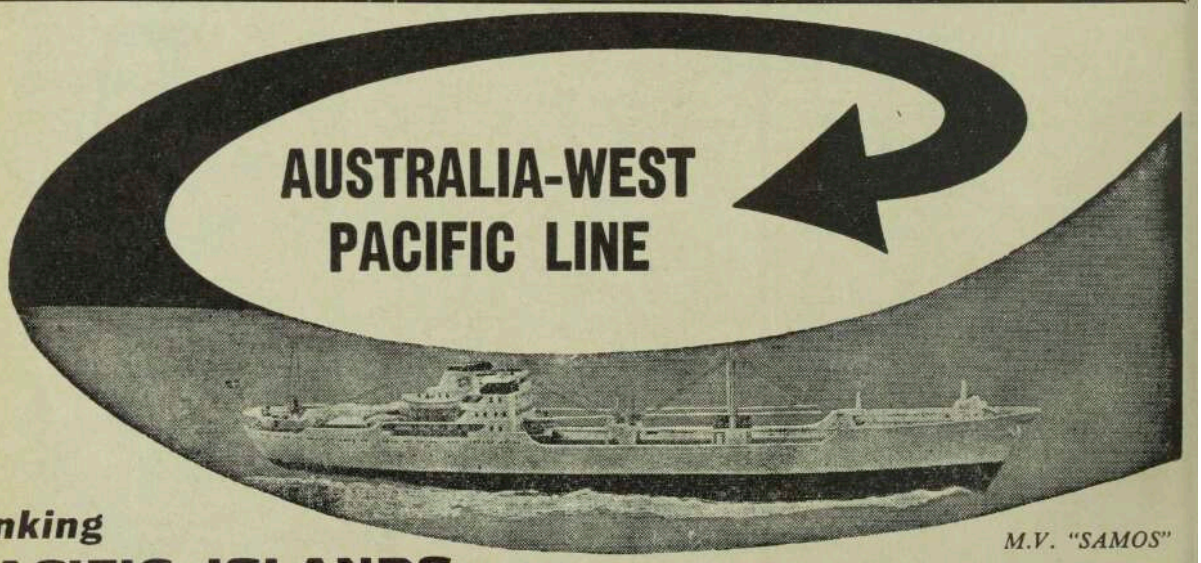
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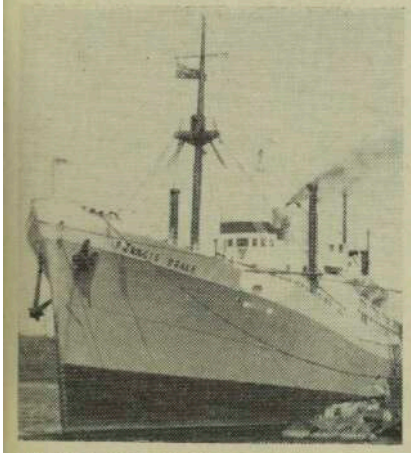
Cruising Yachts

● *AEGEAN*, 38 ft. ketch, which left Vancouver, Canada, in September last year, reached Suva on June 4 from Nukualofa to do a spot of painting, etc., before going for a cruise round Fiji and then on to New Caledonia and Australia "if all goes well". *Aegean's* crew is a family affair, with Mr. C. D. Nordlund, skipper, his wife and two daughters aged eight and three.

Mr. Nordlund said in a friendly note from Suva that since leaving Vancouver *Aegean* had called at the Marquesas, Tuamotus, Tahiti, Raiatea, Huahine, Tahaa, Bora Bora, Rarotonga and Nukualofa.

● *BEN GUNN*, 41 ft. ketch, which was in the South Pacific last year under skipper Hank Horn, was sold in Honolulu in June to Robert Kellogg, former owner of the 60 ft. schooner *Flying Fish*.

● *BLUE PETER*, Bill Phillips' 40-ton Hong Kong-built motor yacht, which had been a familiar sight in Suva for nearly a year, reached Honolulu on June 21 and found a hostile group of US Customs agents awaiting her. Mr. Phillips was charged with violating a section of the "Trading with the Enemy Act", and more than 250 Chinese artifacts —jade, porcelain, coins and wood carvings—were removed from the bulkheads of his ship over the next two days. Mr. Phillips was told not to move *Blue Peter* without permission. *Blue Peter* is registered in Panama.



SEEN IN RABAUL: The Dominion Navigation Co. Ltd.'s 7,500-ton vessel "Francis Drake" (above) and a sister ship "George Anson" are now operating a regular passenger-cargo service from Sydney to Japan and Hong Kong via Manila and Keelung, returning via Guam and Rabaul. The round voyage takes from 45 to 52 days. On the "Francis Drake's" last visit to Guam, passengers and crew took up a collection to help pay for damage caused by Typhoon Olive on May 1.

PIM's Honolulu correspondent says that Mr. Phillips, a semi-retired San Diego advertising and public relations executive, bought the artifacts in Hong Kong. He apparently did not obtain the usual Certificate of Origin (required by the US from Americans to prove that the goods did not come from Red China) believing that, as the artifacts were to be built into his vessel, the certificates were not required.

Blue Peter has had a long run of trouble. After being towed to Suva from the Koro Sea after engine failure last August, she set off again in late September on a cruise home to San Diego via Hawaii, got as far as the vicinity of Canton Island, had another engine breakdown, and was towed back to Suva again. *Blue Peter* then remained in Suva until making her latest voyage to Honolulu.

● *C'EST LA VIE*, Lyall Price's 23 ft. sloop, left Honolulu for Tahiti in June with crewman Tu Mihi. *C'Est La Vie* arrived in Honolulu several months ago following a cruise of the South Pacific which began in Sydney in the latter half of 1961.

● *DIDA*, a ketch, arrived in Noumea from Vila in mid-July after several weeks in the New Hebrides. The ketch had come from the Solomons and is four years out of Jamaica.

● *GITANA*, 34 ft. yawl, arrived in Honolulu from Tahiti via Raiatea recently with Bill and Marcie Taylor, and their three children, Linda, Teri and Jeff. The voyage from Raiatea took 29 days. The Taylors experienced five days of calms at 10 degrees south, and they reefed through much of the doldrums. Dead batteries meant no motor power and added a few days to the passage. The Taylors planned to return home to California after a month in Honolulu.

● *HUNAKAI*, 36 ft. Block Island ketch, last reported in Papeete in March, reached Suva on July 1.



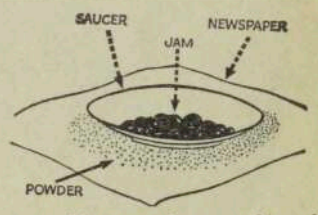
"Mareva", a 65 ft. Norwegian-built trawler yacht, at Honolulu. (See p. 105.)
Photo W. R. Roll.

After leaving San Pedro in July, 1962, with Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Christopher and their children, Corey, 13, and Dane, 11, *Hunakai* sailed to the Marquesas, cruising through a greater part of that archipelago, then on to the Tuamotus and Tahiti.

Six months were spent in the Society Islands, then it was on to Pago Pago, Savaii (Western Samoa) and Suva.

The Christophers stayed at Pago Pago for two months while Mr. Christopher underwent an operation, and between Savaii and Suva they spent a short time on a reef.

From Suva they plan to move on to the New Hebrides, the BSIP, New Guinea, Bali, Djakarta, Singapore, Hong Kong, Manila, Yokahama and



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then home in the 1964 Northern Hemisphere spring.

Mr. S. Larsen joined the ketch in Pago Pago as a crew member.

Mr. Christopher, a manufacturer at Acapulco, Mexico, says he is taking a two-year vacation, and is then going back to work.

● *KALONA*, yacht, reached Hawaii on June 22 after an uneventful 19-day voyage from Tahiti and left again for San Pedro on June 26. *Kalona* had an all-Sydney crew from Tahiti — skipper Dick McIlvride, David Lewis, John Hislop and Helen Waters. Two others—Wayne Dumbleton, of New Zealand, and Steve Tarr, of Hanford, California—were added for the trip to San Pedro.

● *KOAE*, 30 ft. ketch from Seattle with C. B. Taylor, a former US naval man, his wife, and one crewman, reached Suva on June 5 from Nukualofa.

Koae left the American west coast on July 7, 1962, on a trip which may take her round the world.

Stops have been made at Hawaii, Tahiti, Moorea, Huahine, Haupiti, Mopelia, Aitutaki, Rarotonga, Nukualofa and Vavau.

Crewman Ross Foster, of Seattle, who joined *Koae* in Moorea left the ketch in Suva to return home, but Mr. and Mrs. Taylor expect to replace him in Suva.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor expect to stay in Fiji until after the South Pacific Games, and then move on to New Zealand, Brisbane, Indonesia, Ceylon, and on round the world.

They built their trim little 7-ton yacht in 1958 and earlier made a voyage in her from the US west coast to Tahiti and back.

● *KRISTINA*, 24 ft. Lapworth-design sailboat, arrived in Honolulu on June 27 after 19 days of "Sunday sailing" from California. Her best day's run was 150 miles.

Kristina is the smallest all-fibreglass sailboat to make the Pacific run to Honolulu. She is owned and skippered by Wayne Kocher and carries two other crew members. Kocher plans to head for Tahiti after working for several months in Honolulu.

● *LOBO DEL MAR*, 30 ft. Tahiti ketch of Newport Beach, California, with Terry Dalton and his wife, reached Suva from Nukualofa on May 27 in the course of a round-the-world cruise. *Lobo del Mar* will eventually go on to the New Hebrides.

PACIFIC SHIPPING

● *MALABAR VIII*, a marconi staysail schooner, left Honolulu for Palmyra on June 16 with owners Dan Burhans and Jerry Hyatt, three University of California oceanographers, and a crew of three. At Palmyra, the oceanographers, Dr. Gordon Groves, Frank Snodgrass and Jim Carr, were to spend three days investigating "vibratons" in 100 ft. of water, the results of which will help to forecast weather and tidal waves.

Malabar VIII was then heading for Tahiti, the Tuamotus, Samoa and Fiji.

● *MAREVA*, 65 ft. Norwegian-built trawler yacht, arrived in Honolulu on June 22 after an 11¼-day voyage from Newport, California. *Mareva* will leave for Tahiti soon following some minor alterations. She is owned by Spencer Murphy.

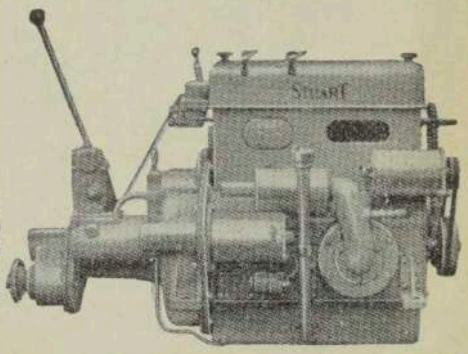
● *MARIS*, 36 ft. yawl with Sydney artist-yachtsman Jack Earl and his son Mick, reached Tahiti from Russell, NZ, on June 18 in the course of a world cruise. *Maris* covered the 3,400 miles from Russell in 24 days, said to be a record for a boat of her size.

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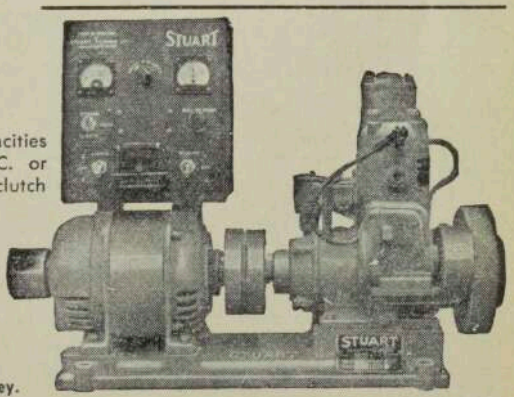
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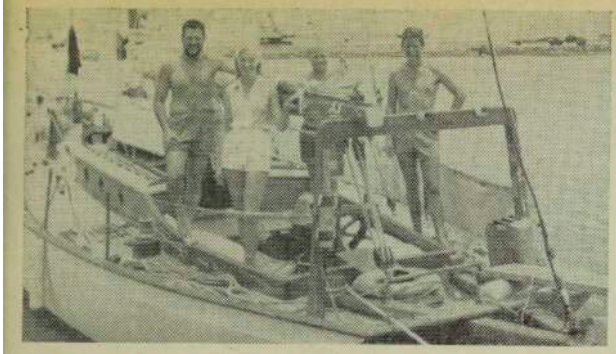
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FROM SYDNEY: The yacht "Kalona" had an all-Sydney crew when she arrived in Honolulu from Tahiti recently. Members of the crew, from left to right, are Dick McIlvride, skipper, Helen Waters, David Lewis, and John Hislop. (See page 105.) Photo: W. R. Roll.

PACIFIC SHIPPING

● *NINA*, a 10-ton Auckland ketch, arrived at Rarotonga on June 18 after a 20-day passage from Auckland. The yacht, skippered by Mr. J. Samson, a Canadian, has an all-girl crew consisting of his wife, Pat, Miss J. Cameron, of Sydney, and Miss J. MacNicol and Miss L. Hellyer, both of Auckland.

The yacht is making a five-month voyage to Honolulu via Tahiti and the Marquesas. The crew hoped to reach Papeete in time for the Bastille celebrations on July 14.

● *SALTY*, a 36 ft. German sloop, which was seen in the Pacific last year, was wrecked on Wharton Reef, 240 miles north of Cairns, Queensland, on June 29. Wharton Reef is 15 miles off the coast.

Salty's crew of three Germans—owner-skipper Arthur Menkhoff, 37, Siegfried Metschaulat, 31, and Horst Kasber, 24—were rescued by the lighthouse and supply ship *Cape Leeuwin* on July 1. They were later transferred to the coastal trading vessel *VFC2*, which brought them to Cairns on July 7.

The three men were extremely lucky to be rescued as the *Cape Leeuwin* visits the little-frequented Wharton Reef area only once every four months to check an unmanned light.

Menkhoff said in Cairns that the wreck had followed a misunderstood order to the man at the helm.

He said the crew worked for two days easing the vessel off the reef and caulking leaks as they went. Then, as *Salty* slipped free, she toppled on her side and was holed on a huge rock, sinking within seconds.

For the rest of that day and that night, the three men huddled on the roof of the cockpit while sharks circled them. The *Cape Leeuwin* found them next morning.

Salty, lone-handed by Menkhoff, left Hamburg on April 13, 1961, bound west around the world. In the Pacific, she called at Papeete, Nukualofa and Whangarei, NZ. Menkhoff later added two countrymen to his crew.

● *SARI MARAIS*, 45 ft. yacht, skippered by Royce Hubert, of Portland, Oregon, arrived in Suva from Vavau on July 1. She is on a voyage round the world.

The cruise started at Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands, in May, 1960.

In the Pacific, *Sari Marais* has called at the Galapagos, Marquesas, Tuamotus, Tahiti, Cook Islands, Auckland, and Tonga, where 12 islands were visited in three months. While in Tongan waters the yacht spent 11 hours on a reef at Haano, near Haapai.

From Suva, Mr. Hubert plans to sail to the New Hebrides, New Caledonia, Australia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Ceylon and on around the world. He expects to reach North America again in about five years.

● *SEA WIND*, 38 ft. ketch with Malcolm and Muff Graham, reached Port Moresby on June 25 after "a slow, miserable voyage" across the Coral Sea from the New Hebrides due to a cyclonic depression. *Sea Wind* had arrived in Vila in mid-May from Suva. She began a cruise round the world in San Diego, California, about two years ago.

Mrs. Graham said in a cordial note from Port Moresby: "We left Vila on June 2 after a most enjoyable visit. The anchorage was perfect and the natives and Europeans very generous and kind.

"We sailed to Havannah Harbour and joined the ketch *John Hanna* (which had also reached Vila from Suva in May) and swam in beautiful coral waters and explored the island for caves. Later on we sailed together to Nguna Island, where we again found more warm and friendly hospitality. There are some excellent native musicians on the island. They came aboard to serenade one evening.

"On June 9, we parted with *John Hanna* and sailed away from the beautiful New Hebrides. Our only regret is not being able to spend more

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NEW SUVA WHARF: This recent aerial photograph by Rob Wright of the Suva dock area shows the city's new wharf, the last stage of which was officially opened by Fiji's Governor, Sir Kenneth Maddocks, on June 7. In the immediate foreground are the two slipways, which are a part of the project, and the ship-refitting berths. An overseas freighter is alongside the new north face of Suva wharf, while two other overseas vessels are against the main face. Prince's Wharf at the south end is principally for local shipping.

time in them. We are running behind schedule, but still plan to go to Bali and Singapore."

● *SEAWYF*, a 16-ton Canadian yacht, reached Suva on July 1 from Apia, with skipper W. Rudolph, of Vancouver, planning to stay in Fiji for several weeks, including a month at Kadavu.

Seawyf will then leave for New Caledonia and Brisbane. After about four months in Australia present plans are to return to Canada, via New Zealand and Tahiti.

Seawyf left Canada in July, 1962. She cruised off the Mexican coast, and then visited the Marquesas, Tuamotus, Tahiti and Western Samoa before coming on to Suva.

Skipper Rudolf speaks proudly of his all-girl crew of two, Virginia Cook, and Terai Mara, who joined *Seawyf* in Tahiti.

● *TOLOA*, a yacht from Vancouver, which arrived in Nukualofa late last year aboard the *Thorsile*, was still in Nukualofa in June.

● *VALKYRIE*, 32 ft. ketch of Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands, arrived in Suva on June 20 from Hawaii via Samoa, with owner John Goetzche and Rolf Novak. The ketch left Hawaii on April 18. She is on a voyage round the world.

Mr. Goetzche sailed from Detroit, Michigan, six years ago, on a business-pleasure trip. After calling at many points on the US eastern seaboard, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Caribbean, Mr. Goetzche sailed through the Panama Canal, and has been cruising in Pacific waters ever since.

Mr. Goetzche plans to stay at Suva for some weeks and then sail for New Zealand, Australia, Papua-New Guinea, and the Philippines.

● *OPPORTUNITY*, 34 ft 9 in. American yawl skippered by Charles McCudden, of Seattle, left Rarotonga for Pago Pago on June 13 with the American yacht *Andra*, with skipper R. D. Sewell and two crew members. They had reached Pago by early July.

Andra had arrived in Rarotonga from Moorea on May 16. A later visitor to Rarotonga was the Sydney yacht *Solo*, which arrived on June 26 from Nukualofa en route to Tahiti with skipper Vic Meyer and Bob Brinkman.

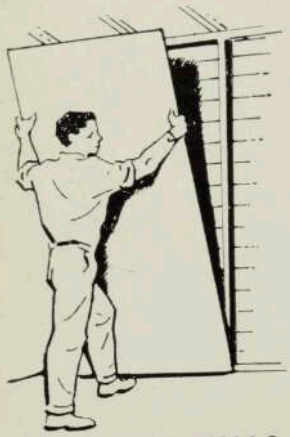
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SO it was all the more pleasing for me to read about Raka Motu, a descendant of the old Hanuabadan Chief, Boe Vagi, who raises and lowers his flag every morning and evening. Good luck to him and I hope he delegates some tradition-loving neighbour to carry on when he joins his ancestors, seeing that he has no children of his own.

As a race we Australians are not a flag-waving people in comparison with other nations. Before the Australian occupation of German New Guinea in 1914 it was the usual custom for almost every plantation, no matter how isolated, to have its flagstaff from which flew the flag of its owner's nationality, punctiliously dipped to every passing vessel, which naturally returned the salute. And what a kick was got by the "flag boy" whose job it was to "look out belong flag!"

Pomp and ceremony are dear to the heart of the New Guinean and it was a great disappointment to them when, after the advent of the Australian troops, the custom was virtually abandoned.

This was due most likely to a ban on flying the German flag, which was only natural, but then later, when the properties changed hands, the new owners (most of them Australian ex-servicemen) had "had" ceremonial and couldn't care less now they were wearing their bowler hats.

Pay Packets

In a recent issue of *South Pacific Post*, given front page display, there was the interesting news of "more cash to be rammed into the already well-stocked pay packets of second and third division (Public Service) workers". It further stated that the "Administration's already huge wage bill could rise from nearly £9 million this financial year to a fat £11 million next year".

That's a lot of chips in anybody's money; but seeing that it is being spent for native welfare it would be, presumably, impolitic to make any adverse comment.

Nevertheless, stodgy fuddy-duddies like myself cannot help but cast their minds back a few years and compare the remuneration received in the days gone by when pay packets rarely reached an annual four figure amount, even for officers in the upper echelon.

In the 1920's and 1930's salaries for European employees in New Guinea averaged from £240 to £400 a year. A married man invariably received £400.

For Government officials there would be a bit of sugar on the side in the shape of "travelling allowances", "expenses" and so forth. Plantation overseers and/or managers would probably have an extra windfall with commission on recruits and copra produced.

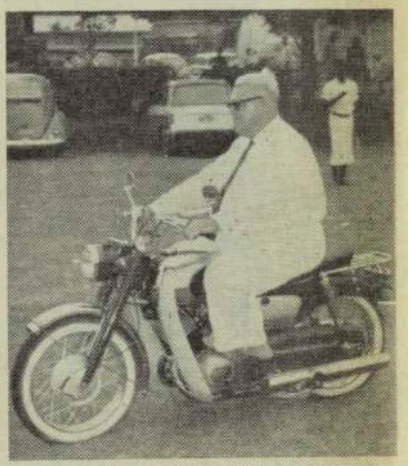
I remember when I first went to the old German colony in 1911 as a lay missionary. I received £100 a year and I cannot recall having suffered any special degrees of penury as a result of the low income, due no doubt to the fact that there were no Japanese to keep up with in those days and it was quite the thing to curb one's appetite to suit one's budget.

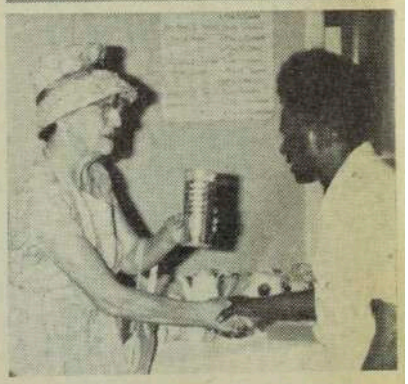
Certainly there were numerous little perks I had—like cheap board and lodging. A sympathetic Government also allowed imports duty free to mission workers.

Between the wars it was the European clerical worker in the towns who had an uphill job making ends meet on his £360 a year. There was a rather high standard of sartorial elegance to be maintained in the wearing of well-laundered white suits—the Way of Life then. A slap-happy system of "chits" prevailed in the clubs and pubs where men gathered to drink, and this encouraged the liberal consumption of liquor when all a man had to do was sign his name for a round of drinks. The reckoning at month's end proved invariably an unpleasant shock and put many an enthusiastic imbiber well in the red.

When a good clerical man got in the red in the German days, some of the more considerate business managers would temporarily transfer him to a plantation and allow him generous commissions on copra pro-







THE RABAUL SCENE: Top—Mr. and Mrs. D. McClelland, of Kieta, Bougainville, after their recent marriage in Rabaul. The bride was Miss Elaine Kaufmann, of Arawa plantation. Centre—New Britain District Commissioner J. R. Foldi rides a Japanese motor cycle at the Rabaul Apex Trade Fair—and rides it well, too. Lower—Nonga hospital clerk Taupa, at the annual Rabaul Flower Show run by the Methodist Church, receives a special prize for a native garden from well-known Rabaul resident Mrs. Una Adams.—Top photo by C. H. Meen.

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duced, new land planted up and on recruiting labourers. This would bump up his monthly salary and thus "square" their books. That is what might be termed a cordial employer-employee relationship, tending towards happy co-existence. I don't recall that this way of life was continued after Australia took over the reins of Government. Those German times were the Bad Colonial Days!

On the other hand, the plantation man of the time, even on £200 a year, plus his commissions, was far better off. No chits or sartorial standards to contend with; he grew his own vegetables and fruit; there were fish in the sea, pigeons and pigs in the bush, and if he could not wangle a few sticks of tobacco or pounds of rice from the labourers' rations occasionally it was just too bad.

Glancing at a Sydney advertisement of vacancies in the P-NG Public Service I note that a male librarian "to administer regional Public Library, Rabaul" starts off at £1,241 p.a. and a female of the species collects £1,053; a senior marketing officer in the Department of Forests commences at £2,546 p.a., while a female Welfare Officer in the Department of Native Affairs starts off on £1,603 increasing to £1,823 p.a.

It would seem that P-NG is headed for the same pernicious rat-race of wages chasing the cost of living as prevails in Australia. It will be interesting to see, when the time comes, how independent New Guineans will deal with such a legacy left them by the Administration which is their present guide and mentor.

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There is no doubt but that New Guinea has become, more than ever during the past year, a haven for the peregrinating politician, diplomat, economist and scientific observer engaged in "fact-finding missions".

The latest team of investigators comprises four "Australian university students" due to depart in August to "investigate the development of higher education". They will spend three weeks in the Territory and report their findings to the Commission on Higher Education in P-NG.

They will certainly accomplish something if they can evaluate the education situation throughout both Territories in three weeks.

New Guinea has been a fruitful guinea pig for wandering scientists for many years. Botanists, geologists and anthropologists toured the old German colony at the turn of the century, filling tomes with their expert observations, but little is available for Australians who do not read German.

Even Parkinson's *Thirty Years in the South Seas*, a recognised classic of the early days, although diligently translated by the late Noel Barry into English, has not been published. I wonder why? Noel Barry, an expert German scholar, was engaged for some years as translator in the New Guinea Administration. On his retirement from the service he received every encouragement from the then Judge Phillips (later Sir Beaumont) to make the translation, for the judge realised what a valuable addition Parkinson's records would be to New Guinea literature.

With the advent of Australia to the Mandated Territory came an influx of English-speaking anthropologists: Pitt-Rivers, Margaret Mead, Gregory Bateson, Miss Powdermaker, Beatrice Blackwood, Camella Wedgewood, and then at regular intervals came touring Australian politicians on "fact-finding missions".

I travelled up from Sydney with one such party in 1923 in the *Matarам*. Senator Crawford, of Queensland, was the leader and with him were, among others, Senators Benn and Bennie from Tasmania, old Senator Donald Grant from Sydney

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ISLANDS INTEREST: Married at the Tega Lutheran Church, Mt. Hagen, New Guinea, recently were Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Manton. Mr. Manton has business interests at Hagen, and the bride, formerly Miss Vera Schwartz, is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Schwartz, of Madang.

and a young live-wire MHR named Francis Forde, not long elected for the Quenesland electorate of Capricornia. He was about the only one who seemed to take the trip seriously. He was forever asking questions and making notes in his little black book.

Incidentally, Forde was the only one who looked decently dressed; the others, especially when we arrived at Rabaul, were sartorially embarrassing in their coloured shirts, no coats, southern pants held up by conspicuous braces (and Donald Grant favoured a red bandana handkerchief around his neck!) There were a few raised eyebrows as they stepped ashore at Rabaul to receive a VIP welcome, red carpet and all.

I suppose such rig worn by visiting politicians would go unnoticed in these days?

Footnote

The present address of Mrs. Edie Huson, wanted by a reader (Talk-Talk, June, p. 117) is 32 Veterans Parade, Collaroy Heights, NSW. Although now over 80 she lives alone and is still very active—to the extent of having terraced her own garden with local stone.

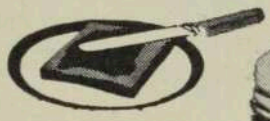
Our information comes from Mr. J. Cook, now living in the Parramatta district, but once a resident of Emirau Island, off New Ireland. Mr. Cook was at Emirau when the German raiders landed survivors from the ships they had sunk at Nauru and elsewhere around December, 1940. He still has the diary he kept at that time.

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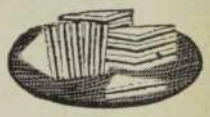
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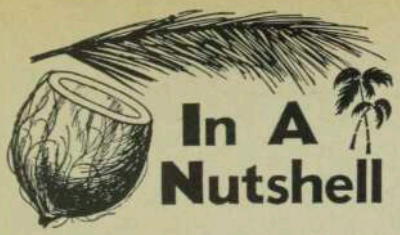
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In A Nutshell

"Open go" drinking for everyone will come into force in New Caledonia on October 1. The Territorial Assembly decided to abolish racial discrimination in the purchase and consumption of alcohol on the last day of its session in July, following a long debate. Until now, natives have been limited to the consumption of beer.

● A total of 473 primary schools were in use in the BSIP at the end of 1962, according to the annual report of the BSIP Education Department. Of these, all but 11 were run by missions. The 11 exceptions were four Government and seven local council schools. During 1962, there was an increase of 1,231 children at primary schools over 1961. The number of teachers in registered schools increased by 79, including 38 qualified teachers.

● A horrified crowd at Magenta aerodrome, near Noumea, saw a member of the Noumea Parachutists' Club meet instant death when he landed on the gable of a shed's roof after a parachute jump on June 30.

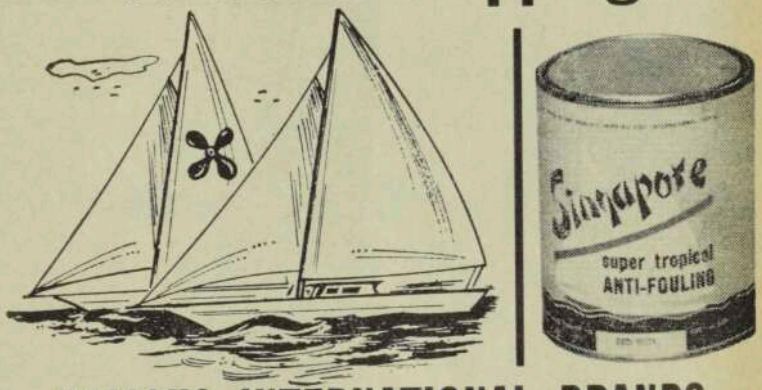
The victim was Andre Vitella, a 40-year-old bachelor, who was one of three to make jumps from 1,500 ft. The other two landed safely, but Vitella was carried over the shed by the wind.

It was the club's first fatality. Since October, 1961, members of the club have made 1,000 jumps, with only three (official) accidents. One of the accidents occurred early in June when a woman parachutist plunged into the sea after a jump from 4,000 ft. (*PIM*, July, p. 125).

● Rats have been causing concern in two parts of the Pacific recently. In Noumea, fears of bubonic plague have been aroused following the finding of dead rats on the city's footpaths. And on Matasso Island, New Hebrides, rats have become so prevalent that the islanders have complained that their food supplies are continually being eaten.

The finding of dead rats in Noumea prompted an editorial in a local paper calling on health authorities to check whether the rats had been poisoned

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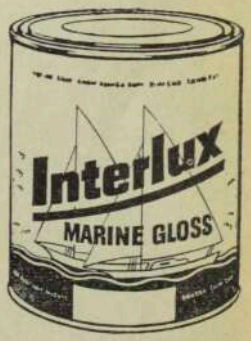
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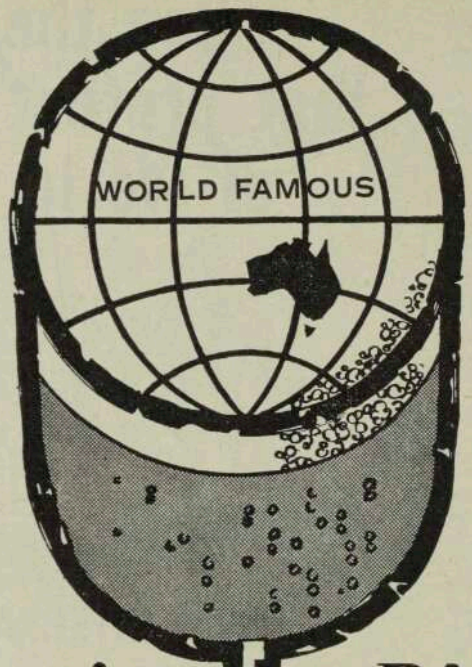
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or had died "naturally", and if the latter whether they showed any signs of plague.

The paper said that as a large part of Noumea's mixed population lived in dubious hygienic conditions, the city was always at the mercy of an epidemic. It added that rat plagues had caused numerous deaths in New Caledonia in recent years—64 in 1900, 28 in 1901, 21 in 1906, 37 in 1912, and 10 in 1942.

In the New Hebrides, the British District Agent responsible for Matasso Is. recently made a public appeal in Vila for unwanted cats, especially females, to take to Matasso to combat the rat plague there. Matasso Island is about half way between Efate and Epi.

● Pago Pago's "Turtle", the turtle-shaped auditorium opened in July last year for the fifth South Pacific Conference, has been officially named the Lee Auditorium in recognition of Governor H. Rex Lee's devotion and hard work for the people of American Samoa. A general memorandum conferring this name on the auditorium was signed recently by Acting Governor Owen S. Aspinall. Governor Lee is at present in the United States. He will return to Pago about the end of August.

● The first shipment of logs from Baga Island, BSIP, was expected to be made on July 15 in the Japanese ship *Daiko Maru*. The ship was to carry more than half a million super feet to Japan. After August, more than a million super feet will be exported each month. The British Solomons Forestry Company, a Japanese firm, has timber-cutting rights on Baga Island for five years.

● At the end of 1962, 47 co-operative societies, with a total membership of about 3,500 were operating in the BSIP. The total capital invested was £28,500, an increase of more than £6,000 over the previous year. More than £24,000 of that capital is invested and owned by Solomon Islanders. The remainder is loan capital invested in two ships the *Simon Galu* and *Ara Ni Ulu*.

● The Baptist Mission at Baiyer River, 40 miles north of Mt. Hagen in the Western Highlands, will start a dairy cattle farm in December. It will supply milk for the local Baptist hospital and provide training in agriculture and animal husbandry for Highlands boys.

● During the last 18 months, 30 American, Dutch, Australian and English anthropologists have done re-



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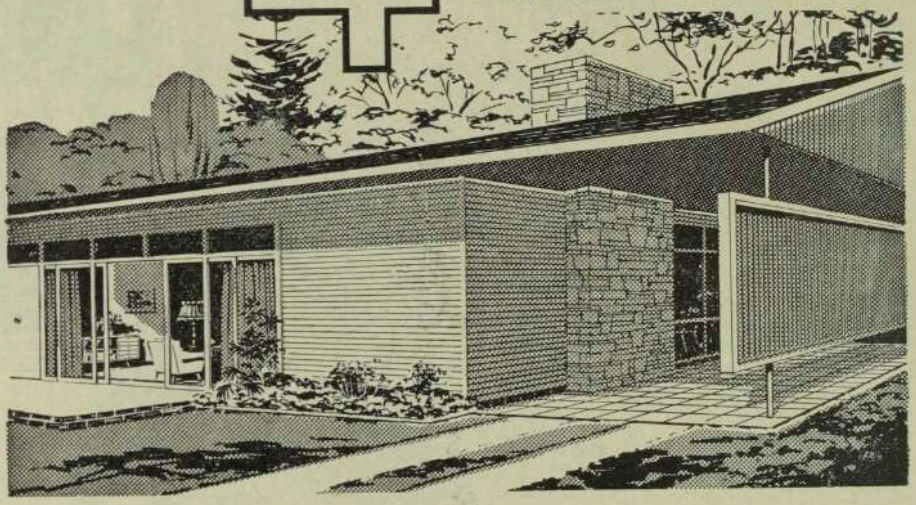
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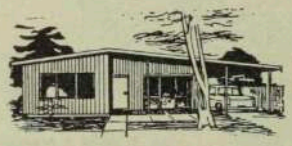
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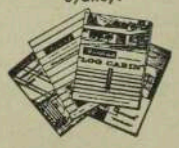


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search in Papua and New Guinea. At the beginning of July, 18 were still there and four more were expected in the next few weeks.

● A "pay as you earn" system of income tax may be introduced in Fiji at the beginning of 1965. The Commissioner of Revenue, Mr. D. J. Barnes, has sent a letter to employers asking for comments, suggestions or criticisms on a proposed PAYE system.

● Timber rights to about 110,000 acres of forest land in southern Bougainville will be offered for sale about mid-August. Announcing this, P-NG's Administrator, Sir Donald Cleland, said the land contained about 500 million super feet of merchantable timber and was near Tonolei Harbour. The Administration acquired the rights to the timber last year.

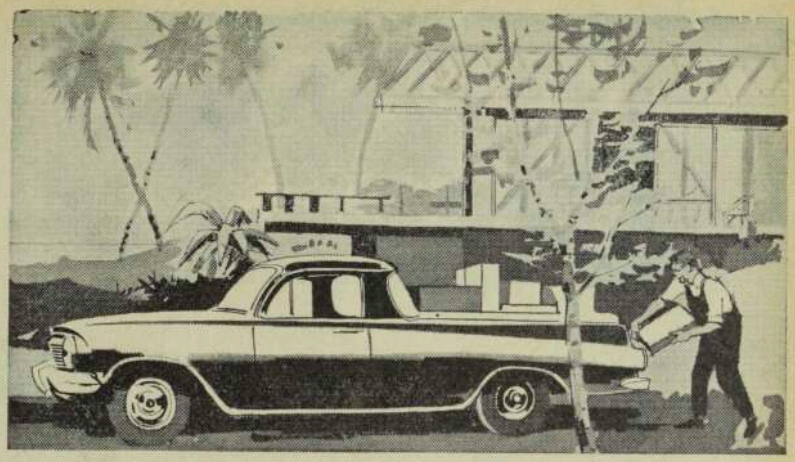
● The weather coast people on Guadalcanal are so happy about the BSIP Medical Department's anti-malarial campaign—no deaths since the first spraying—that they have agreed to provide carriers for the spray teams without pay. At the first spraying, they insisted on being paid. Results from some 3,500 blood specimens taken on Guadalcanal show that the incidence of malaria has dropped from 30 per cent. to 8.8 per cent.

● A US Government Survey Mission arrived in the US Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Micronesia) in July to survey economic, political and social developments in all districts and make recommendations for the accelerated pace of development in the Territory. The mission is led by Mr. Anthony Solomon, President Kennedy's Special Consultant.

● A contract for the construction of more than $1 million worth of concrete block houses—75 in all—for the US Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands was let to the Guam construction company of Jones and Guerrero Co. Inc. in July. The houses are for teachers as part of an accelerated elementary school programme in the Territory.

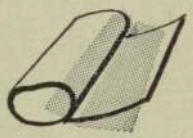
● Volunteer labourers have recently been building a road to the top of Alava, a mountain behind Pago Pago, American Samoa, where the South Pacific's first TV towers will be situated. The TV station will service American Samoa but transmission will be picked up in Western Samoa, too.

● Work on the reconstruction of the former cable station on Norfolk

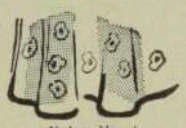




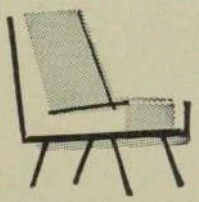
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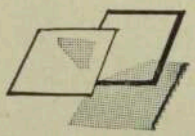
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THE LAE SCENE: Lae (New Guinea) resident, Mr. Michael Powell, currently studying medicine at Queensland University, recently took attractive Brisbane girl, Miss Susan Robson, as his bride. Many New Guinea people attended the Brisbane ceremony. Mr. Powell is the son of Lae residents Mr. and Mrs. Terry Powell. BELOW, a group of gay Lae people, in vintage dress, acted as the crew of a vintage car which was raffled in aid of the Suva Games appeal at a Lae fun day.

Island as a 50-bed tourist hotel is expected to start about the first week of August following the arrival of MV *Tulagi* with materials. The work will be carried out by Sabemo Pty. Ltd., a Sydney building firm.

The new hotel, The Kingfisher, will be operated by Empress Australia Ltd., which expects the hotel to be opened by the end of September. The company had previously set late August or early September as the opening date (*PIM*, June, p. 21).

● France's national holiday, Bastille Day, normally celebrated on July 14, received quite a switching around in the New Hebrides this year. The celebrations were held on July 20 in Vila, 24th in Lamap, 27th in Santo and the 30th in Tanna—so that the visiting French warships *La Capricieuse* and *La Dunkerquoise* could be at each place to show the flag.

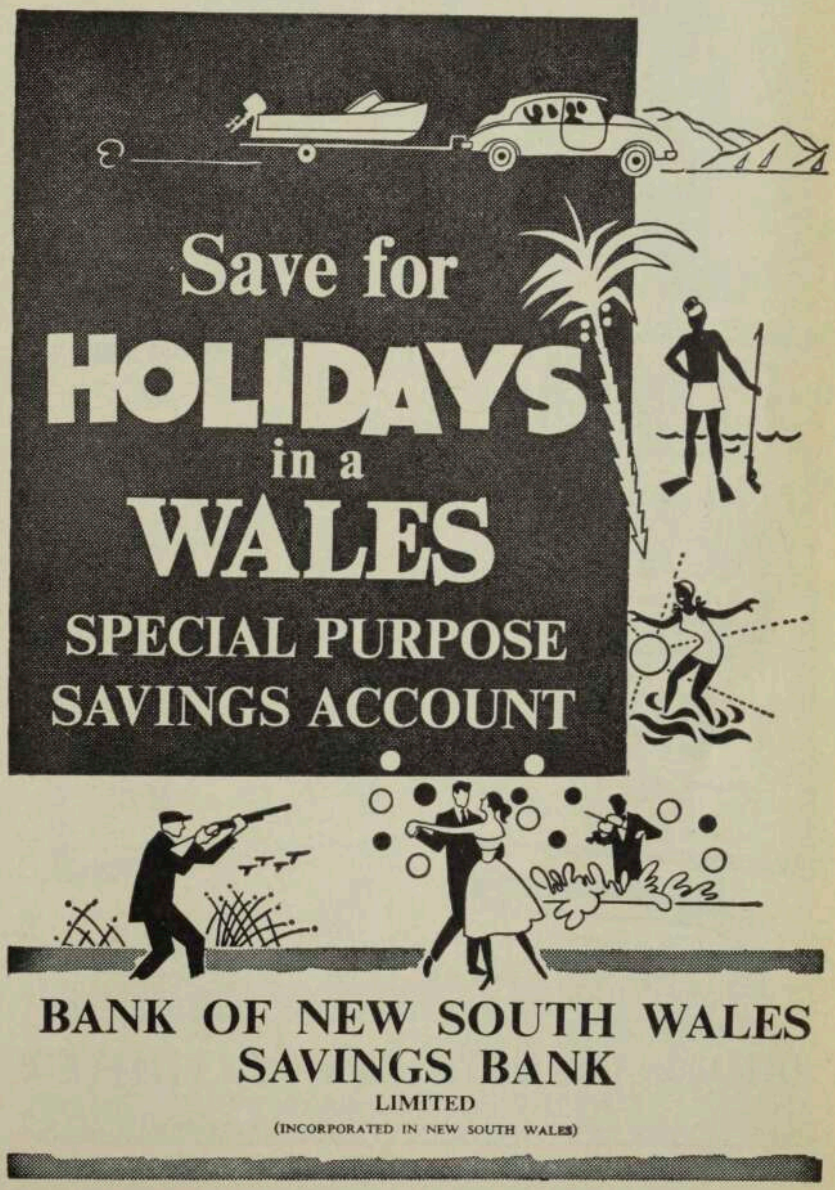
● RAF Valiants from Britain, based in Queensland, continued their aerial photographic survey of the Solomons and part of the New Hebrides in July.

● Lopevi volcano, New Hebrides, which erupted violently in July, 1960, after being dormant since 1939, was again very active in July and was inspected by the Condominium Mines Officer, Mr. R. Priam.

● The Papua-New Guinea Department of Public Health has finished a smallpox vaccination campaign during which 208,000 people in the Sepik District (90 per cent.) were vaccinated. A tuberculosis survey covering about 12,000 people, was to begin in mid-July in coastal villages between Wuteng, on the West New Guinea border, and Aitape, in the Sepik District.

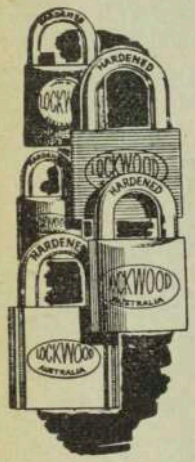
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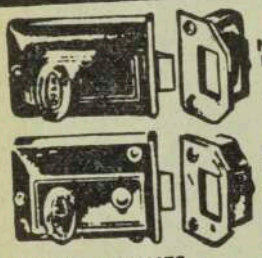
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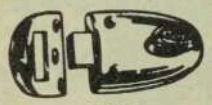
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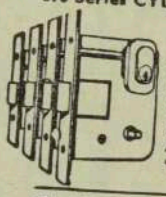
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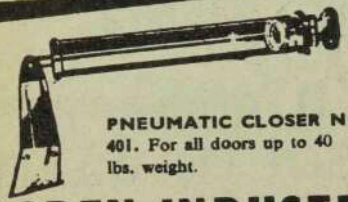
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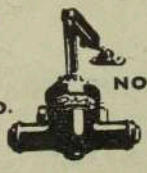
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AFTER 13 years of service with the South Pacific Commission in Noumea, Miss Muriel Mathisson, a New Zealander, has returned to Auckland to live. Miss Mathisson served as secretary to four Secretaries-General of the Commission, Sir Brian Freeston, and Messrs. R. Bedal, T. R. Smith and W. Forsyth, who is currently in office. From 1943 to 1947 she worked in a civil capacity with the United States Forces in Noumea—in the "Pentagon", the building that became and still is the headquarters of the South Pacific Commission.

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Mr. L. R. Rex, Niue's delegate at the last three South Pacific Conferences has been appointed Community Development Officer on Niue. For the past six years, Mr. Rex has been organising teacher and inspector of schools, Niue. He has also been official interpreter to the Government and High Court since 1953.

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The Rev. John Sturney has succeeded the Rev. Bernard Thorogood as London Missionary Society missionary at Rarotonga. Mr. Sturney, who is married with two children, was previously stationed at Aitutaki. Mr. Thorogood has been appointed to Tarawa, GEIC, with his wife and son John. The popular Thorogoods were given many farewells before they left the Cook Islands. Besides their church work, they gave much valuable service to the Library-Museum project, the Boys Brigade, Girl Guides and women's institutes. The building of the Takamoa Hostel for Tereora schoolchildren was due to their initiative and resource.

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Dr. J. A. Kay, who has been appointed Chief Medical Officer on Niue, is expected to reach the island in the *Tofua* in August. Dr. Kay, who is attached to the South Pacific Health Service, is married with three children.

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Hard-working secretary of the New Zealand Lepers Trust Board, Mr. P. J. Twomey, was making another South Seas visit in July, and was last reported headed for the New Hebrides after calling at Fiji.

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Mr. John Mogeridge, of the Directorate of Overseas Survey, flew from Honiara to the UK in July for medical treatment after being injured in the back and neck by a jeep at Gizo.

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Mr. Edwin Gold, an old Islands hand who settled on Mangaia, Cook Islands, about 40 years ago, has been in hospital there lately with a mysterious illness. Long-time readers of *PIM* will remember Mr. Gold as a contributor of many brightly-written articles and news items back in the 30's and 40's.

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Mr. Dave Kay, secretary of Burns Philp in Vila for several years, left the New Hebrides to take up a new position in Australia early in July. Mr. Kay was an active member of the Vila Cricket Club, Ex-Servicemen's Club and Golf Club, and was a referee in the local soccer association. His wife was an outstanding social worker in Vila.

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Mr. Justin Lewis, 38, has been appointed Fiji's Attorney-General. He replaces Mr. A. M. Greenwood, QC, who retired in April. Mr. Lewis has been in the Colonial Service since 1953. He came to Fiji then as a Crown Counsel. He became Solicitor-General in 1956 when Mr. Greenwood, who held that post, was promoted to Attorney-General.

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Mr. Harry Jackman, Assistant Director of the Department of Trade and Industry in Papua-New Guinea, arrived in Saipan, the US Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, on July 6 to take up a temporary post for six months as Co-operatives Officer for the Trust Territory Government.

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A British trade unionist, Mr. Dave Barrett, left Fiji in July after spending six months in the Colony to give advice and help to the Fiji trade union movement. Mr. Barrett was sent to the Colony by the British Trade Union Congress. He ran classes for trade union officials and organised a new union for factory workers.

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Emosi Vuakatagane, an executive officer in the Fiji Lands Department, will begin a year's course in public administration at Manchester University in September.

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Mr. G. I. Firmston-Williams, manager of the Fiji Development Co.

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Ltd., a subsidiary of the Colonial Development Corporation, has been appointed CDC Regional Controller in the Caribbean. He will leave Fiji early in August. His successor is Mr. S. Hunter, manager of the agricultural section of the Fiji Development Co.

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The London *Evening Standard* music critic recently described the daughter of a P-NG Administration official as the "successor to Australia's Miss Joan Sutherland". The girl is Miss Barbara Holt, daughter of Mr. Percy Holt, a teacher at Hawain Technical School, in the Sepik. Miss Holt has been singing in Britain and on the Continent, and has been invited to appear in this year's Wagner Festival at Bayreuth.

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Fasuanga Fuimaona, a Western Samoan agricultural officer, arrived in P-NG recently to study Territory methods of growing and processing cocoa and coconuts on behalf of the West Samoan Government.

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A Papuan who may have established a world record for Government service retired on June 28. He is Mr. Kabua Gairo of Hanuabada village, Port Moresby, who worked for the Administration for 67 years. He was awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours list for meritorious service.

Kabua joined the Administration as a messenger for Sir William MacGregor in 1896. He was Supreme Court Interpreter from 1924 until his retirement.

Among 70 people who attended a farewell to Kabua in the Supreme Court, Port Moresby, were Acting Chief Justice Ollerenshaw, Mr. Justice Smithers, barristers, solicitors, court officials and leading European and native citizens.

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Mr. Rowan Nicks, a surgeon with a visiting Australian thoracic team surgeon, removed a piece of an arrow head from a man's chest at Port Moresby General Hospital. The patient, Herega, of Tari in the Southern Highlands, was hit by the arrow 10 years ago. He received 23 pints of blood during the operation.

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Rusiate Nayacakalou is the first Fijian to become a Doctor of Philosophy. He took his final examinations in London in May. Dr. Rusiate gained his BA and MA degrees in Anthropology at the University of Auckland. He is now doing research at the University of Hawaii.

Australia's first Nauruan wedding took place in Canberra on June 21 when two young students Labi Harris, 22, and Susan Arran, 20, were married at St. Columba's Presbyterian Church. Labi is studying accountancy and Susan is doing a secretarial course at Canberra Technical College.

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Mr. G. des Granges has been elected president of the New Hebrides Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, which held its inaugural meeting in Vila on June 14. Mr. des Granges is also president of the local Agricultural Association and is a member of the Economic and Social Council of the French Republic.

Other officers of the chamber are: Mr. J. Stegler, vice-president; Mr. J. Chauveau, secretary; and Mr. G. Meyer, treasurer. Mr. Stegler is Vila manager of Burns Philp; Mr. Chauveau is manager of CFNH; and Mr. Meyer is manager of the Bank of Indo-China. The chamber has decided to hold its next meeting in October.

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Mr. J. Chapman, of the BSIP Forestry Department, left the Protectorate in June to take up a new appointment with the Woods and Forests Department in South Australia.

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Mr. Lew Priday, who spent six years in New Caledonia during the war and has made several visits since, will be returning to Noumea in August for an indefinite stay.

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Mr. Murray Groves, senior lecturer in Social Anthropology at the University of Auckland, has recently been teaching anthropology at the summer session of the University of Hawaii after doing the same thing during the 1962-63 academic year at Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts. He will return to Auckland in September after a few weeks in Samoa and Fiji.

Another anthropologist from Auckland University, Dr. R. N. H. Bulmer, will return to the NG Highlands in August to resume a study of the Karam people begun several years ago. Dr. Bruce Biggs and Mr. Andrew Pawley, also from Auckland, will join him at Christmas to continue linguistic researches begun by Dr. Biggs.

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Mr. David Pitt, an anthropology graduate from Auckland Uni., has been awarded the B.Litt. degree at Oxford for a thesis on economic development problems in Polynesia.

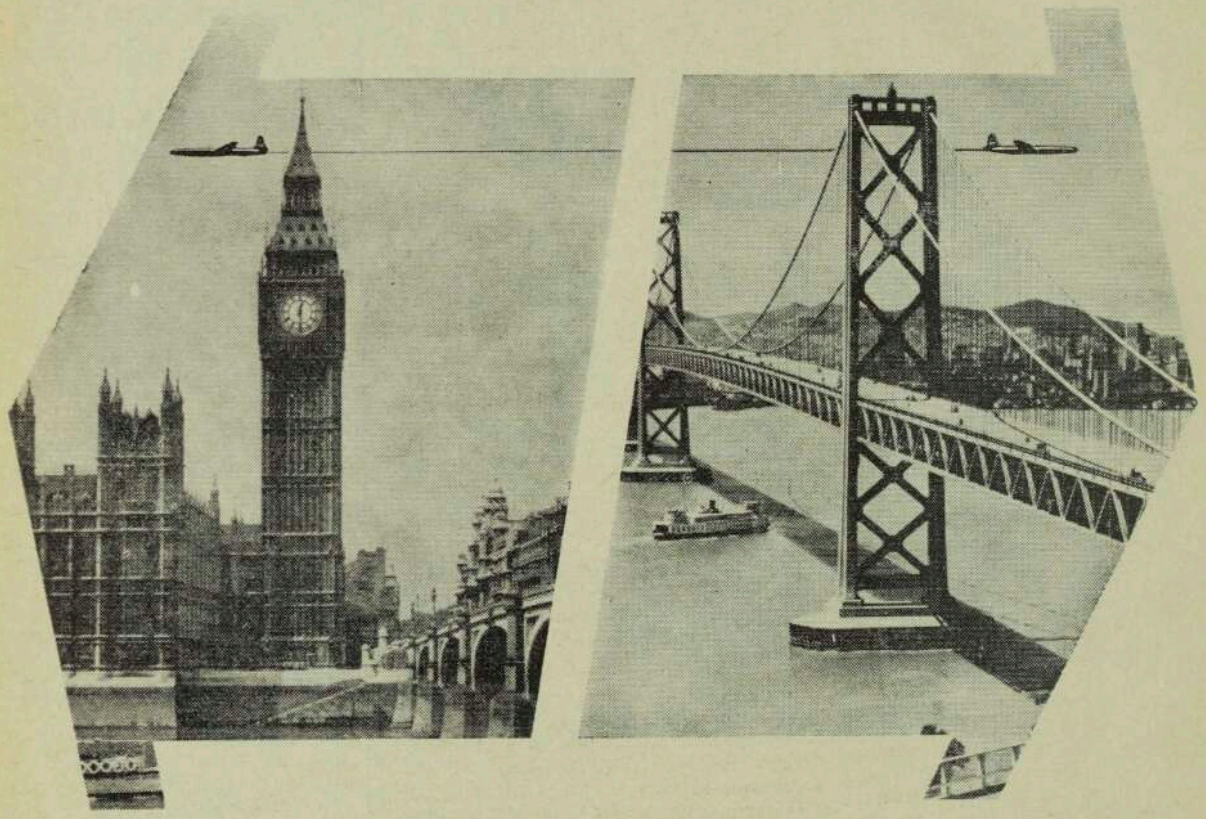
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DEATHS OF ISLANDS PEOPLE

Mrs. M. V. Head

Everyone on Niue mourned the death recently of Mrs. Malamatagoloa Viola Head, MBE, a member of a large and well-known family on the island and a tireless worker in the Education Department and for the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She was 81.

Mrs. Head's grandfather was one of the early pastors on Niue. After education in Samoa and Sydney, Mrs. Head returned to Niue in 1915 as the island's first SDA missionary, and in the same year she joined the Education Department. She married George Allen Head in 1919 and they adopted several children.

Mrs. Head went to NZ in 1953 as one of Niue's representatives to meet the Queen. Her many years of service to Niue were recognised in 1958 with the award of the MBE.

Bishop Kempthorne

The death occurred in Suva on July 25 of the former Bishop in Polynesia, Rt. Rev. L. S. Kempthorne. See p. 19 for details.

Father A. Gerstner

The Roman Catholic parish priest at Wewak Cathedral, Father A. Gerstner, died suddenly in Germany recently.

Father Gerstner, who was 66, went to P-NG as a missionary in 1928, and opened mission stations at But, Vanimo and Ulupu in the Sepik district.

Brother Paul Studler

Brother Paul Studler, a well-known Roman Catholic missionary who went to Papua-New Guinea 54 years ago, died at the Nazareth Mission, near Port Moresby, in July.

He was born in France in 1887.

He was one of the pioneer missionaries of the Enongi Mission where he worked for about 15 years. Later, he worked at Kubuna, inland from Yule Island.

In 1955, Brother Paul was one of the pioneer missionaries of the Nazareth Mission and assisted with the building of mission residences.

Mr. Herbert Gordon Carter

The death occurred in Sydney in July of Mr. Herbert Gordon Carter, who played a prominent part in the development of electricity supplies in New Guinea.

After being chief electrical engineer to the New South Wales Government when the Burrinjuck hydro-electric scheme was designed and built, Mr. Carter joined Donohue and Carter, a firm of consulting engineers to Bulolo Gold Dredging Ltd., which designed and built the first hydro-electric scheme on the Bulolo River in New Guinea.

Later, he was instrumental in floating a company which became known as Rabaul Electricity Ltd. and which obtained the franchise to supply power to Rabaul in the early thirties.

For some years until his death, Mr. Carter was a member of the board of New Guinea Goldfields Ltd.

Mr. E. A. G. Seagoe

Mr. Ernest Arthur Goldfinch Seagoe, MBE, a well known personality in the New Hebrides for 42 years, died in Sydney on June 9 at the age of 77. Mr. Seagoe went to the New Hebrides in 1906, the year the Anglo-French Condominium was established, and left there in 1948. He was originally secretary to Commander Rason, of HMS *Royalist*, who represented the British Government on the Joint Naval Commission in the New Hebrides. In 1908, he became the first British Agent in the Group, and later he was Commandant of the British Police. Mr. Seagoe's son Geoffrey still lives in the New Hebrides.

Mr. Justice MacDuff

The Chief Justice of Fiji, Mr. Justice MacDuff, died suddenly at his home at Suva on July 11. Since the middle of June he had been presiding at the half-yearly session of the Fiji Court of Appeal.

A New Zealander by birth, Mr. Justice MacDuff served in Fiji in a number of capacities. At the end of 1944 he became Assistant Legal Adviser to the Western Pacific High Commission.

A month later he took on the additional post of temporary Solicitor-General for Fiji.

From 1946 to 1948 he was a District Magistrate in Fiji, and he was then Chief Magistrate till 1953, when he was transferred to Kenya as a puisne judge.

He returned to Fiji in June, 1962, to succeed Sir George Lowe as Chief Justice.

In World War II he served with the 2nd NZEF in the Middle East, and won the Military Cross during the 1942 fighting in the Western Desert.

Mr. Justice MacDuff, who was born in December, 1905, is survived by his widow, two sons and one daughter. Picture, p. 19.

Mr. H. Bielby Evans

Mr. H. Bielby Evans, a well-known personality in New Guinea in pre-war days, died at Lindfield, NSW, on July 19, aged 75.

Mr. Evans went to Rabaul in 1921 as chief accountant for the then newly-formed Expropriation Board. He later became a public accountant in Rabaul, and then took up trading and planting interests at Buka Passage, Bougainville. In 1934 he returned to Rabaul, where he lived until he settled in Sydney in 1940.

Mr. Evans is survived by his widow, Mrs. R. C. Evans; three sons, Messrs. Hal, George and Keith Evans; and a daughter, Mrs. W. J. (Gwen) Allman.

Mr. Ernest H. B. Britten

One of New Guinea's most highly-esteemed "old-timers", Mr. Ernest H. B. Britten, died at his home in Pymble, Sydney, on July 29, after a lengthy illness, aged 66.

"Ernie" Britten was one of the only two survivors—the other was Jack Thurston—of the Nakanai massacre, of 35 years ago. He went to New Guinea in 1926, seeking his fortune on the goldfields; and he was with a party of prospectors which had gone into the interior of New Britain. Their camp was attacked in the night by Nakanai natives, and Britten and Thurston escaped by diving into the jungle—all the others were murdered.

Mr. Britten joined the Administration as Overseer of Native Labour and long was known as "Master Darby"—the name always given then to the official who occupied the post first filled by Mr. Darby. When the war came, Mr. Britten joined ANGAU; and in 1946 he went back to Rabaul as ADO. He served with distinction in Rabaul, Wau and Lae during the next 10 years, as ADO and magistrate, and as an adviser in the Native Affairs Department; and he retired about 1955. He is survived by his wife, Florence, and his daughter, Jeanette.

Mr. Maurice Janisel

New Caledonia lost a much respected citizen and pioneer agriculturist in July with the death of Mr. Maurice Janisel at the age of 86. Mr. Janisel arrived in New Caledonia in 1901 and became a rice-grower at Pouebo on the then inaccessible north-east coast. He harnessed a nearby waterfall for hydro-electric power in 1915 (a decade before Noumea got electricity), and built two canals from his property to the sea to ship his rice.

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Fiji 'Should Keep It's Head' In Sugar Price Boom

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S a result of the removal of Cuba as a source of supply, the world mand for sugar has increased arply over recent months. All the ne that could be harvested in Fiji the past season has been harvested roduction, 248,000 tons, as against 5,000 tons in the previous year) d all the sugar that Fiji can supply s been sold overseas.

Naturally—and quite properly, for gar is by far Fiji's major industry his has created a feeling of timism throughout the Colony; and ain, quite naturally, the wage-ners are beginning to demand a ger share of the Colony's increased ome.

And this has created among nomists a fear of inflation.

t is mostly unlikely that this fitable world demand for sugar l continue. Sugar is almost al-ys in over-supply and it is very ly that Cuba will be back pre-tly with new supplies for the rld market. Then the task of ing Fiji sugar will be as difficult always.

t would be unwise to allow the nomy of Fiji industry to be nged by higher wages on the mption the better conditions will tinue indefinitely in the sugar in-try. It is easy to increase wages difficult to go in reverse, and dare not take the risk.

Population Problem

he other factor is Fiji's popula-increase. Population is now ut 420,000 and the Government failed to make adequate pro-ons for the population needs ugh the expansion of old in-ries and introduction of new.

uch has been done by Britain in iding development loan money in other ways, but generally it been too little and too late and at the moment cannot provide gh jobs.

he work force is increasing at the rate of 9,000 a year but the new jobs becoming available each year, based on the colony's present economy, are not more than 300. That way lies social disaster.

The answer, of course, lies in new industries to provide more employment, and new industries are discouraged by an uncontrolled wage spiral.

Fiji should take a lesson from New Caledonia's present plight. Growth of population and shrinkage of the French Territory's production of metals have made it imperative that other old industries be expanded and new ones introduced.

But France, in recent years, gave New Caledonia a large measure of self-government, based on a common roll. As a result, the local administration now is controlled by the working class — mostly industrial Leftist — and wage rates and social welfare payments have risen to fantastic levels. In so many words, the price of labour has made the establishment of secondary industries in New Caledonia impossible and the expansion of agricultural and pastoral industries — the only remedy — exceedingly difficult. Without liberal subsidies from metropolitan France, New Caledonia's economy would collapse.

Headaches

The incoming Governor of Fiji is presented with a nasty headache. It is a headache that can be dealt with only if every race and every class in Fiji joins with the Government in seeking a remedy.

It is to be hoped that, in appointing this new Governor, the British Colonial Office has found a man equipped with experience and wisdom, and with enough ruthlessness to force the three chief communities to realise that each has a definite obligation to help the Government in finding a solution for the Colony's growing problems.

Prospects of Fiji's Gold Industry

Industrial trouble has been threatened at the Emperor and other gold mines in Vatukoula, Fiji, in recent weeks. A flying visit to Fiji was made by Mr. N. E. Nilsen, former general manager, and after consultations between Mr. C. W. Cayzer, the present general manager, Mr. Nilsen, and representatives of the union and of the Fiji Department of Labour a settlement satisfactory to all was reached, with the condition that there should be industrial peace in the goldfields town for two years.

There was general relief at the settlement. The mining company is engaged on an expensive programme of developing the ores lying at deep levels, which are believed to be very valuable; but it is not at present producing much in the way of profits. Any increase in its costs might have caused the company to withdraw from Fiji altogether.

The company employs about 1,500 people at Vatakoula, mainly Fijians, and the town of Vatakoula, which lives entirely on the goldmine, now has a population of about 6,000. If development and production proceed at Vatukoula, as now planned, the work-force employed in gold mining, and the output of gold, could double within a few years.

Fiji Banana Industry Is Stagnant

The Fiji banana industry is not dying, but it is stagnant, with only two faint rays of brighter hope for the future. These are a promise of an agreement by New Zealand to take between 180,000 and 192,000 cases a year for the next four years, and the

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possibility of developing the market in Japan.

The former Fiji Director of Agriculture, Mr. J. M. Watson, who retired a few months ago, describes the New Zealand quota as depressingly small, but at least it gives suppliers a small guaranteed market. But before the trade with Japan can be developed properly, production will have to be stepped up and quality improved.

Last year Fiji shipped only 149,934 cases of bananas to New Zealand, compared with 201,879 cases in 1961 and 201,075 cases in 1960. There were two experimental shipments, totalling 8,656 cases to Japan.

Rabaul Registers The Long Way Round

Papua-New Guinea company executives responsible for the registration of legal documents in accordance with Administration laws complain that the Administration has provided no machinery in Rabaul for registrations connected with such things as company changes, the stamping of documents, probate and estates. Under present conditions the documents have to go to Port Moresby (it costs 2/8 to send a share transfer by registered mail) with the usual lengthy delays connected with Government departments.

"We would much rather have registration facilities here than a new Court House, on which they propose to spend £150,000," said one company manager.

Mr. Dudley Jones has recently transferred his legal practice from Rabaul to Queensland and now there is only one qualified lawyer left in Rabaul, Mr. Warner Shand. Mr. Shand does not like it, however—he says that a law practitioner in a big town like Rabaul has a much more comfortable existence if he has at least one opposite number.

New Slipway and Freezer For Hebrides Fishing Company

The South Pacific Fishing Company, a New Hebrides organisation which exports frozen tuna, celebrated its fifth anniversary in July with festivities at Vila and at its best at Palekula, Espiritu Santo.

During the celebrations at Palekula, the French Resident Commissioner, Mr. M. Delauney, officially opened a new slipway capable of taking ships up to 450 tons. The slip will eventually be enlarged to take ships of 750 tons.

Mr. Delauney's British counterpart, Mr. A. M. Wilkie, officially opened a new freezing plant which will enable the company's annual production of frozen fish to be increased from 4,000 to 6,000 tons.

The South Pacific Fishing Company has nine ships and 350 employees, of whom about three-quarters are Japanese. The other employees are Gilbert and Ellice Islanders and New Hebrideans.

Shares in the company are held by two Japanese firms, Mitsui and Taiheiyo Suisan Kaisha, one American firm, Washington Fish and Oyster Ltd., and a New Hebrides firm, D. J. Gubbay and Co. Ltd. Mr. Donald Gubbay is managing director.

The company expects to export about 6,000 tons of frozen tuna this year. About 80 per cent. of the exports go to the United States, particularly Hawaii, in the company's ship *Santo Maru*. The remainder goes in equal quantities to France and Japan.

Exports for the first quarter of this year were worth £61,514 Stg.—the most valuable New Hebrides commodity for the quarter after copra. The copra exports were worth £375,046 Stg.

TRADING NOTES

COPRA BOARD SURPLUS: The chairman of the Papua and New Guinea Copra Marketing Board, Mr. I. McDonald, announced in July that the Board had a trading surplus of more than £690,700 for 1962. He said the surplus would be distributed to copra producers at the rate of £6/15/6 per ton of copra delivered to the Board during 1962.

DEVELOPMENT LOAN SUCCESS: Fiji's 1963 Development Loan was fully subscribed. The loan, for £1¾ million, closed in July. The money will help to finance this year's capital development programme which will cost more than £3 million.

FIJI EXPORTS UP: Fiji's exports for the first five months of 1963 were nearly 57 per cent. higher than in the first five months of 1962. They were valued at over £4,800,000, or £1¾ million more than in the corresponding period last year. Imports were valued at £7,600,000 —7½ per cent. more than in the first five months of 1962.

COCOA CO-OPS.: Vella Lavella, BSIP, cocoa farmers have decided to form two co-operative societies centred at Barakoma and Lambu Lambu to purchase and process their wet beans. It is intended that both societies will start processing the cocoa in January, 1964.

NEW COPRA PORT: Vanikoro has been declared a port of export for copra. Producers from the outer islands will now be able to export copra direct with the prior authorisation of the BSIP Copra Board, instead of first shipping to Honiar Temporary grading facilities are bei organised, but it is hoped that an offic trained in copra grading will be post to Vanikoro early next year. The fi direct shipment was made in July, wh the "Samos" loaded 50 tons

KINJIBI SHOWS PROFIT: Kinji Holdings Ltd., formerly Goroka Coff (Holdings) Ltd., earned a net profit £3,715 for the year ended Decemb 31 compared with a loss of £11,438 1961.

Directors say in the annual repo that they are seeking substantial sourc of income outside coffee. Unless furth income sources are found no divide can be expected for five or six yea they say.

BANK'S NEW BRANCH: The Bank Baroda Ltd., Bombay, which oper its first branch in Fiji at Suva in 19 now has opened another branch in Colony. This is at Lautoka. T manager is Mr. I. M. Francis w at the age of 34, is possibly one of youngest bank managers in the So Pacific.

COFFEE EXPORTS: No restricti will be placed on the export of co from Papua and New Guinea u September 1, the chairman of Coffee Exports Committee, Mr. W. Conroy announced in July.

The Stock Market

SYDNEY SALES PRICES

	June 21	July
Bali Plantations . .	4/6	4/8
Burns Philp	74/-	79/6
Burns Philp (SS) .	48/6	47/9
Choiseul Plntn. . .	220/-	230/-
C.S.R. Co.	64/9	65/6
Dylup Plantations .	5/8	5/6
Fiji Industries . . .	13/3	13/6
Hackshall's	15/3	15/3
Kerema Rubber . .	3/9	3/3
Koitaki Rubber . .	13/6	16/-
Lolorua Rubber . .	8/3	8/9
Makurapau Plntn. .	2/9	3/6
Mariboi Rubber . .	4/10	6/-
Pacific Is. Timbers .	2/1	2/1
Palgrave	2/9	2/7
Plantation Holdings .	3/2	3/4
Queensland Insurance	94/-	100/-
Rubberlands	3/-	4/5
Sandy Creek	6d	6
Sangara	1/-	1(
Sogeri Rubber . . .	5/6	6/6
Sthn. Pac. Insurance	29/-	29/6
Steamships Trading .	12/-	12/6
W. R. Carpenter . .	27/-	30/7
Watkins Consolidated	2/11	2/9

OIL AND MINING SHARES

	Dec. 4, 1958	May 24, 1963	July 19
Emperor . .	b9/-	b4/7	b5
Loloma . .	b30/-	s53/-	b5
Bulolo G.D.	b32/-	s64/-	s62
N.G.G. Ltd.	b2/3	b1/11	b2
Oil Search .	b9/9	b1/9½	b2
Ent. of N.G.	s11d	b3½d	b3
Pac. I. Mines	—	b1/8	b1
Ditto Opt. .	—	b6d	s8
Papuan Apin.	b4/6	b4/3	b5
Placer Dev.	b91/-	s240/-	s22
Timor Oil .	n.q.	b8d	b1

Sydney Stock Exchange share pric dex for "Ordinaries" on July 23 335.55, a month ago, June 21, it 319.87.

Produce Prices

(Unless otherwise stated, quotations are in Australian currency. Aust. £ equals approximately 16/- Stg.. NZ, or W. Samoa; 18/- Fiji; 20/- Tonga, Solomons & WPHC areas; 196 Pac. Frs.; $US2.25.)

COPRA

PAPUA-NEW GUINEA:—All production is delivered to Copra Marketing Board, controlled by six members, including three planters' representatives; and the Board directs distribution and sales, and makes payments to the producers. Production goes mainly to (a) Unilever, in UK, (b) Australia for local consumption, (c) crushing-mill in Rabaul, and (d) Japan (surplus as available). Prices generally tally with ruling rate in Philippines, with premiums for hot-air dried.

P-NG Board's Tentative Purchase Prices for copra delivered main ports are: Hot-Air Dried, £59/-/- per ton; FMS, £57/10/- per ton; Smoke-Dried, £56/10/- per ton.

FIJI:—No Government control—producers sell where they wish. Bulk of copra goes to crushing-mills in Suva. July 22 prices were: HAD £F52/12/6, FM £F50/2/6.

WESTERN SAMOA:—Official Copra Board takes all production, sells same and makes payments to producers. It goes mainly to Abels Ltd., NZ crushers, and to Unilever, UK. Local price recently was £56/12/6 Samoan, first grade.

TONGA:—Sales are under Government control. Part of production goes to Europe, under arrangement with Unilever controlled by Philippines prices, and part on to open market.

SOLOMON IS.:—All production marketed through official BSI Copra Board, at prices based on Philippines rate. Output goes to Unilever, UK; to Australian crushers; and the balance on to the open market. Local price in July was: 1st grade, £52/-/-; 2nd grade, £50/10/-; 3rd grade, £48/-/- per ton, f.o.b., BSIP ports (Honiara, Yandina and Gizo).

GILBERT AND ELLICE:—Production marketed in Europe through official Copra Board, at prices based on Philippines rates less freight, etc. The Government subsidy to producers is: £7/15/5 per ton for 1st grade, and £3/14/7 for 2nd grade.

NEW HEBRIDES:—On July 19, the copra price was approximately £40/-/- (8,000 Pac. francs) per ton delivered Vila/Santo. French price then was 890 francs per metric ton, c.i.f., Marseilles.

COOK IS.: Copra goes to Abels, Ltd., of Auckland, who operate the only NZ copra crushing mill. Price paid is average London price for previous three months, less handling charges. Price for third quarter, July-Sept., 1963, is £NZ56/15/11 1st grade, £NZ55/10/11 standard grade—both f.o.b., Rarotonga.

OTHER PRODUCE

COCOA:—Islands prices are usually based on the rates for Ghana cocoa which on July 19 was £Stg.199/-/- per ton, c.i.f., Sydney.

P.-N.G.: Sydney buyers on July 19 reported: Quote No. 1: In store, Rabaul, export quality £220 per ton, or on wharf Sydney, according to quality: £199-£220; quote No. 2: Best quality, on wharf Syd., Melb., £230-£240; in store, N.G. ports, £210 (for UK, Continent and USA shipments).

W. SAMOA:—Nominal prices quoted in Sydney, July 19, were: Grade 1, £Stg.250: grade 2, £Stg.235, f.o.b., Apia.

COFFEE.—P.-N.G.: July 19, good quality A grade, per lb, 4/- to 4/2; B grade, 3/9 to 4/-; C grade, 2/9 to 3/4, c.i.f., Sydney.

Overseas c.i.f. coffee prices were reported on July 19 as: Kenya AA, f.a.q., £Stg.350, A £Stg.325, B £Stg305; Uganda Robusta £Stg.219.

PEANUTS. — P.-N.G.: Sydney agents reported July 19:—f.o.b., Lae; Kernels—white Spanish 1/5 lb.; virginia bunch 1/8 lb.

RUBBER.—P.-N.G. price is based on Singapore rate, which on July 19 was: No. 1, RSS, Spot, 71⅞ Straits cents per lb (25.06d Aust.).

VANILLA BEANS: Victor Karp Tulk & Co., Sydney, reported July 19: White and yellow label processed, standard packs, 32/-, green label 31/-, c.i.f., Sydney.

RICE (Aust.): Prices until May 1, 1964—**P.-N.G.**: Dry brown and dressed, 112 lb bags, 5 tons and over, £58/10/- per ton, f.o.w. Vitamised and enriched white, 112 lb bags, 5 tons and over, £65/-/- f.o.w. **Other Pac. Islands:** Dry, white or brown, etc. £67/10/- (any quantity), f.o.w., Sydney or Melbourne.

PEARL SHELL.—Quotations for **Australian M.O.P. Shell** on July 19 by Sydney independent shell agents were: Sound £750, D £500, E £300, EE £190 (in store Sydney). **Cook Islands: Penrhyn** £NZ425 (approx.), f.o.b., Rarotonga.

TROCHUS.—Sydney buyers on July 19 indicated the following quotations to Islands producers: No. 1.—**Papua**—nominally £95 per ton, f.o.b., Papuan ports; **N.G.**—£90, c.i.f., Sydney; **B.S.I.**—£90, f.o.b., Honiara. No. 2.—**Papua**—£100 per ton; **N.G., B.S.I.**—£100 per ton.

GREEN SNAIL SHELL.—Sydney buyers quoted on July 19: No. 1: £250 per ton, f.o.b., Islands port. No. 2: £290 (best quality), on wharf, Sydney; or £295 f.o.b., Islands port.

CROCODILE SKINS.—on July 19 Sydney buyers quoted for 12 in. and over first grade quality as follows: **P.-N.G.**—22/6 per in., f.o.b. P-NG ports, small scale (salt water); large scale (fresh water) 15/3 per in. **B.S.I.** 22/6 (small scale) del. Sydney.

PAPUAN GUM: £82/15/- f.o.b. Islan port.

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SHARK FINS: Suva merchants of F4/6 per lb for well-dried fins of co mercial quality. Sydney buyers quote to 8/- lb., ex-store Sydney, according quality.

London and US Quotations

Copra: LONDON, July 19, Philippines, bulk, $181 US (equal to £Stg. 64/14 per long ton, c.i.f., UK/Nth. Europe ports. Malayan, FMS, delivered weigh c.i.f. UK/Nth. European por £Stg.66/10/- per long ton. NEW YOR July 19, Philippines, $165 US per sh ton, c.i.f., Pacific Coast ports. CEYLO 890 Rupees per ton c.i.f.

Coconut Oil: LONDON, July 19, Ceyl 1% in bulk £Stg.102/-/- per ton, c.i UK/North European ports. Straits, £Stg.96/10/- c.i.f.

Rubber: LONDON, July 19, c.i.f., R No. 1 Spot, 21⅞d Stg. lb, Sept. sh ment 21 5/16d Stg. lb. June 21⅝d Stg.

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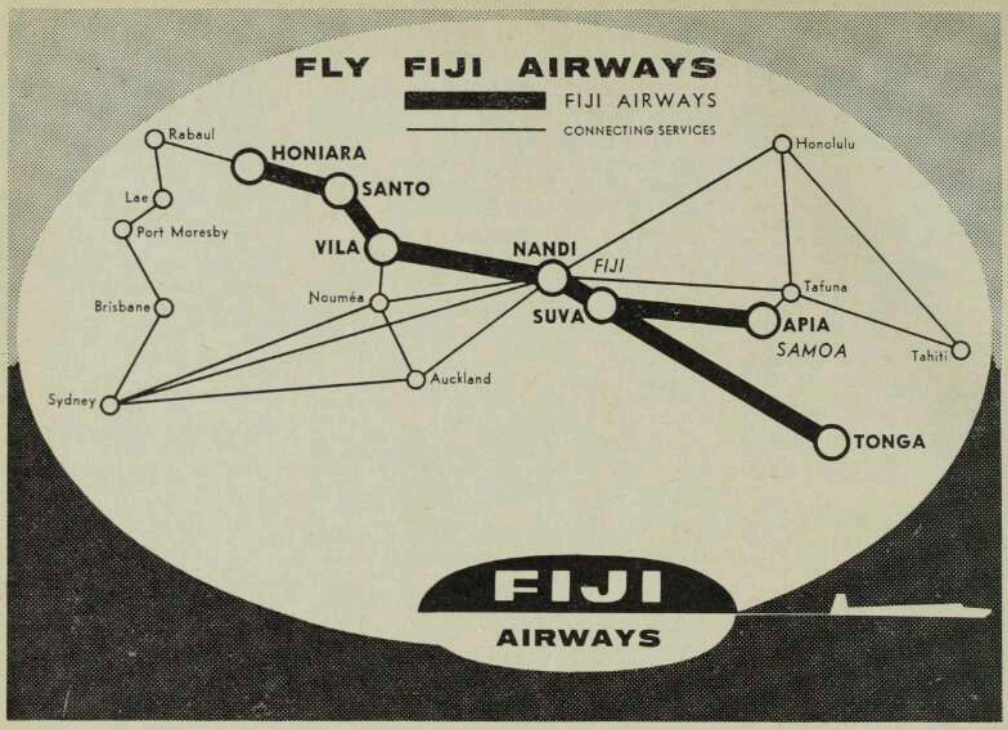
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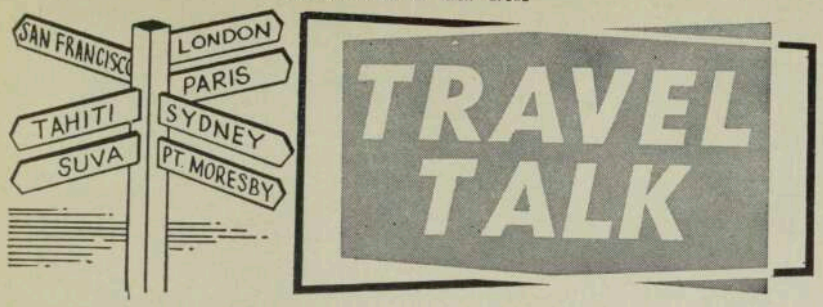
While Fiji Airways will continue to operate their regular weekly services from Suva through Nadi, Vila and Santo to Honiara (departing Suva every Monday, departing Honiara every Wednesday) **as from Thursday, 19th September, they will operate extra flights departing Suva every alternate Thursday and departing Honiara every alternate Saturday.** For further details contact your Travel Agent or

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How To Make The Most Of A Trip To Fiji

Visitors to Fiji for the South Pacific Games from August 29 to September 7 will undoubtedly want to see and do as much as they can during their stay in the Colony. So this month, we're making most of our Travel Talk a handy guide for such visitors.

EXCEPT for those with plenty of time, tourism in Fiji is pretty well confined to the main island of Viti Levu, to Vanua Levu, the next largest island, and to Ovalau, a small island off the coast of Viti Levu.

Viti Levu has the big international airport at Nadi; the capital and chief port, Suva; the Colony's second largest town, Lautoka (about 17 miles away from Nadi); plenty of hotels; and a 300-odd miles road that completely circles the island.

Vanua Levu, north of Viti Levu, is connected with Suva by air six days a week. The flight to Savusavu, on the tropical south coast, takes about 50 minutes, out over the Koro Sea; and on to Labasa, on the drier north coast is 15 minutes longer. Both towns have hotels; there is also a small bungalow resort about seven miles out of Savusavu, on the Hibiscus Highway.

Ovalau, on which is the old capital of Fiji, Levuka, is close to the eastern coast of Viti Levu and can be reached by bus and daily launch from the mainland. There is an hotel at Levuka.

Local Transport

The local airline, Fiji Airways, operates scheduled air services between Suva (Nausori) and Nadi international airport and to four other airports in the Colony. Charter services are also operated to the private airstrip at Korolevu Beach Hotel, on Viti Levu, and to two other small airstrips.

There are over 800 registered taxis in Fiji, mostly Indian-owned and operated, so taxi transport is no problem and reasonably cheap. Some people who wish to visit Suva from Nadi, take a taxi around Queen's Road one way and fly back to pick up planes again at Nadi (or the other way around). The taxi costs about £7 or £8 and allows the visitor to see something of the coastal scenery.

Hire-and-drive cars are available at Suva and at Nadi Airport, both the Australian Holden and the English Morris cars being available, by the hour, half day, day or week. Holden rental is about £16 per week plus 9d per mile; the Morris is £13 per week plus 7d per mile.

Buses ply every road in the Colony capable of taking a bus. For those who like to see how the people of a country live, a bus trip is one way of doing it. This sort of transport is cheap and entertaining if not as comfortable as going by car. It is possible to go right round Viti Levu by bus, in short stages, staying at hotels en route.

Car and coach tours that take in Fijian villages, dancing, kava ceremonies and swimming beaches are easily arranged both from Suva and from Nadi Airport or any of the hotels around the airport. In Suva, regular launch excursions run to the local reefs and also to the Rewa River.

In Suva visitors should see the Botanical Gardens and the Museum which is located in them; and a visit to the market is a must. The market is situated near King's Wharf and is a block square. It is notable not only for the variety of goods sold but for the opportunity it gives of studying the several races of people who go to make up Fiji's population.

Stallholders sell not only fruit, vegetables, fish and sea foods but every variety of woven mat, bag, shell necklace and other curio.

For certain luxury goods, notably cameras, projectors, binoculars, transistor radios, watches, tape recorders and liquor, Fiji is now duty free. Other items that make good tourist "buys" are Indian silk saris, scarves, silver and tortoiseshell jewellery, woven baskets, mats, tapa cloth, and Fijian dolls.

Locally made clothes from imported fabrics are also attractive to tourists. These can be made to measure within a few days and some ready-made sports clothes for women are also available with a Fiji flavour.

The Fiji Visitors Bureau will make the visitor welcome and supply any information he might need.

For Australiana Collectors

VISITORS to Australia who, in the past, have frequently complained that there is nothing distinctively Australian to take home can now see how mistaken they are, all in one spot, at Travellers' Fair, in the York Room, Hotel Metropole, at the corner of Young and Bent Streets, Sydney.

Travellers' Fair stocks only Australian-made goods. It aims to solve the gift and allied purchasing problems of interstate and overseas visitors by presenting a wide range of popular items and thus saves the busy traveller time.

Representative of the goods available at Travellers' Fair are opals, furs, sheepskin coats and rugs, woollen items (including sportsware, blankets and travel rugs), kangaroo and other leather articles, table mats, tea towels, toys, ceramics and woodwork.

Original art work includes paintings, drawings, contemporary sculpture and Aboriginal bark paintings. Among the bark paintings are sought-after items from Arnhem Land.

A selection of Australian gemstones designed by Hungarian-born Elizabeth Reimer is prominent among a display of costume jewellery.

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SHIPPING TIME-TABLES

All sailings are approximate and may vary by as much as two weeks.

Sydney-Fiji

MV Rona (4,500 tons) leaves Sydney approximately every three weeks for Suva and Lautoka with cargo and passengers. Next Sydney sailings: Aug. 16, Sept. 6 (approx.).

Details from Colonial Sugar Refining Co. Ltd., 9 Bent St., Sydney (B 0151).

Sydney-Fiji-Tonga-Samoa

Union Steam Ship Co. maintains monthly services from Melbourne and Sydney (periodically from Adelaide) to Lautoka, Suva (including transhipments for Vavau and Niue), Apia and Nukualofa.

Next sailing: Waiana Sept. 13 (approx.).

Details from Union Steam Ship Co. of NZ Ltd., 247 George Street, Sydney (B 0528); or other branches and agents.

Sydney-Fiji-Vancouver

Pacific Shipowners, Ltd., of Suva, normally operate a service three times yearly with the Lakemba along the above route.

Next sailing from Sydney: Sept. 12 (approx.).

Details from American Trading and Shipping Co. Pty., Ltd., 19 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 4147).

Sydney-New Caledonia-New Hebrides-Fr. Polynesia

Vessels of Messageries Maritimes Line, from Marseilles, via West Indies and Panama, call about every six weeks at Papeete (with occasional calls at Taiohae, Marquesas Group), Vila, Noumea and Sydney, and return by same route.

Next inwards voyage, ex-Marseilles:

Oceanien: Taiohae Aug. 30, Papeete Sept. 1-4, Vila Sept. 11-12, Noumea Sept. 13-17, New Hebrides Sept. 18-24, Noumea Sept. 25, Papeete Oct. 1-5.

Caledonian: Papeete Oct. 6-9, Vila Oct. 16-17, Noumea Oct. 18-21, arr. Sydney Oct. 24.

Next outwards voyages, ex-Sydney:

Tahitien: Dep. Sydney Aug. 5, Noumea Aug. 8-11, New Hebrides Aug. 12-18, Noumea Aug. 19, Papeete Aug. 25-29, Taiohae Sept. 1.

Caledonien: Dep. Sydney Oct. 26, Noumea Oct. 29-Nov. 1, New Hebrides Nov. 2-8, Noumea Nov. 9, Papeete Nov. 15-19, Taiohae Nov. 22.

Polynesie maintains monthly passenger sailings between Sydney, Noumea, Vila, Pt. Sandwich (occasionally), and Santo.

Next Sydney sailings: Aug. 9, Aug. 30, Sept. 20.

Details from Messageries Maritimes, 36 Grosvenor St., Sydney (BU 2654).

Sydney-NZ-Fiji-Tahiti Panama-UK

Southern Cross and Northern Star each make four round-the-world voyages per year, two west-bound, then two east-bound, calling at Fiji and Tahiti every trip.

Northern Star: From Southampton (UK), via Sth. Africa at Sydney Sept. 11-13, Wellington Sept. 16-18, Auckland Sept. 20, Suva Sept. 23, Papeete Sept. 27-28, thence via Panama to Southampton, arr. Oct. 22.

Southern Cross: From Southampton (UK), via Sth. Africa at Sydney Oct. 16-18, Wellington Oct. 21-23, Auckland Oct. 25, Suva Oct. 28, Papeete Oct. 28, thence via Panama to Southampton, arr. Nov. 27.

Details from Shaw Savill Line, 8a Castlereagh St., Sydney (BW 1828).

Sydney-Norfolk Is. New Caledonia

Colorado del Mar and Milos del Mar (owned by Societe Maritime Caledonienne, Noumea) carrying cargo only, make a regular three weekly voyage from Sydney or Melbourne to Norfolk Is., New Caledonia (Noumea).

Next sailings: Colorado del Mar from Sydney Aug. 28, Milos del Mar Sept. 18 (approx.).

Sydney-Norfolk Is.-New Hebrides-BSI-Bougainville

MV Tulagi leaves Sydney about every six weeks for Norfolk Is., Vila, Santo, Honiara and BSI ports, Bougainville ports. Next Sydney sailing: Sept. 12 (approx.).

Details from Burns, Philp and Co. Ltd., 7 Bridge Street, Sydney (B 0547).

Sydney-Papua-New Guinea

Malekula sails from Sydney for Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Lae, Madang, Alexishafen, Wewak, Rabaul, Pt. Moresby, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Aug. 30 (approx.).

Malaita sails from Sydney for Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Rabaul, Lombrum, Lorengau, Madang, Lae, Samarai, Brisbane, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Sept. 17 (approx.).

Bulolo sails about every six weeks: Sydney, Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Samarai, Lae, Madang, Rabaul, Samarai, Pt. Moresby, Brisbane, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Aug. 23 (approx.).

Montoro sails from Melbourne for Sydney, Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Samarai, Rabaul, Kavieng, Wewak, Madang, Lae, Pt. Moresby, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Sept. 18 (approx.).

Burnside and Braeside sail about every four weeks from Sydney for Singapore and call (if cargo inducement offering) at Pt. Moresby (Papua) and Indonesian ports. Next Sydney sailing: Burnside Sept. 20.

Details from Burns, Philp and Co., Ltd., 7 Bridge Street, Sydney (B 0547).

Shansi: Leaves Sydney about every four weeks for Brisbane, Rabaul, Kavieng, Madang, Lae, Pt. Moresby, Sydney. Next Sydney sailings: Aug. 27, Sept. 27.

Soochow: Leaves Sydney every four weeks for Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Samarai, Lae, Madang, Rabaul, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Sept. 9.

Details from New Guinea Australia Line (Swire and Yuill Pty., Ltd., agents), 6 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 1712).

China Navigation Co. Ltd. vessels Anking and Anshun call at Pt. Moresby, Papua, on their way north from Sydney to Hongkong. Next vessel:

Anking: Dep. Sydney Aug. 14 for Brisbane Aug. 17, Pt. Moresby Aug. 21-22, thence Manila and Hongkong.

Anshun: Dep. Sydney Sept. 18, for Brisbane Sept. 20, Pt. Moresby Sept. 24-25, thence Manila and Hong Kong.

Details from Swire and Yuill Pty. Ltd., agents, 6 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 1712).

Elizabeth Boye: Leaves Sydney approximately every five weeks for Port Moresby, Wewak, Madang, Lae, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Aug. 28 (approx.).

Slitan: Leaves Sydney approximately every five weeks for Brisbane, Pt. Moresby, Rabaul, Wewak, Madang, Lae, Sydney. Next Sydney sailing: Aug. 20 (approx.).

Details from Karlander NG Line (F. H. Stephens Pty., Ltd., agents), 13 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 8311).

Austasia Line's vessel Matupi runs between Australian ports (turn round at Adelaide) and Papua-New Guinea.

Matupi: Dep. Melb. Aug. 20, Sydney Aug. 26, Brisbane Aug. 29, Pt. Moresby Sept. 5, Lae Sept. 10, Madang Sept. 12, Rabaul Sept. 15.

Details from Blue Star Line (Aust.) Pty., Ltd., 17-19 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 1271).

Sydney - P-NG - Far East

Australia-West Pacific Line's Motor-vessels maintain services between Australia and Hongkong via Islands ports.

Southbound vessels call at: NG, BSI (quarterly), New Hebrides (irregularly), and Australian ports. Northbound vessels

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from Sydney call regularly at NG ports.

Milos: From Hong Kong and Manila due Rabaul Sept. 6-7, Lae Sept. 8-10, Brisbane Sept. 14-17, Sydney, arr. Sept. 19 (approx.).

Tenos: From Hong Kong, at Rabaul Aug. 19-20, Madang Aug. 21-22, Lae Aug. 23-24, Brisbane Aug. 28-30, Sydney arr. Sept. 1 (approx.).

Details from Wilh. Wilhelmsen Agency, 13 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 6301).

Dominion Navigation Co. Ltd. (UK) vessels maintain monthly service between Sydney and Japan (via Manila, Hongkong and Keelung), return via Guam and Rabaul.

George Anson: Dep. Sydney Aug. 24, Brisbane Aug. 26, Manila Sept. 7, Hong Kong Sept. 10, Japan Sept. 19, Guam Oct. 1, Rabaul Oct. 5, arr. Sydney Oct. 12.

Francis Drake: Dep. Sydney Sept. 25, Brisbane Sept. 27, Hong Kong Oct. 12, Japan Oct. 25, Guam Nov. 1, Rabaul Nov. 6, Sydney arr. Nov. 13.

Details from H. C. Sleigh Ltd., 115 York Street, Sydney. Tel. (2-0253).

Sydney-Tahiti-Europe

Nederland Line Royal Dutch Mail's Oranje sails irregularly from Sydney for Europe, via NZ, Papeete and Panama Canal; occasionally calls are made also at Suva.

Next northbound Tahiti call: From Sydney, at Papeete Jan. 6-7, 1964.

Next southbound Tahiti call: Sept. 24-25, due at Sydney Oct. 4.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 261 George St., Sydney (2-0573)

Sydney-(or NZ)-North America

Cargo vessels operated by the Union Steam Ship Co., maintain two-monthly service across the Pacific, from Melbourne and Sydney to Vancouver and USA ports. Occasionally calls are made at Fanning Island.

Waihemo: From U.S., due Rarotonga Aug. 16 (approx.).

Waitemata, from NZ ports, makes three or four trips yearly to Vancouver (via Rarotonga and Papeete).

Details from Union Steam Ship Co of NZ Ltd., 247 George St., Sydney (B 0528); and other branches and agents.

Europe-Tahiti-New Caledonia BSI-P-NG-West NG

A regular service from the Continent and UK, via Panama, to Tahiti, New Caledonia, BSI, P-NG and West NG is operated jointly by Nederland Line Royal Dutch Mail and Royal Rotterdam Lloyd.

Main Lloyd (NL): From Continent and London, due Papeete Sept. 3, Noumea Sept. 11, Honiara Sept. 14, Pt. Moresby Sept. 16, Rabaul Sept. 19, Lae Sept. 21, Madang Sept. 23, Kota Baru (if sufficient inducement).

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 261 George St., Sydney (2-0573).

Europe-Tahiti-New Hebrides-New Caledonia-Australia

Messageries Maritimes cargo vessels run monthly between France and Noumea via East Africa and Australia. From Sydney, vessels go to Brisbane and Noumea; return to France via Australian coastal ports.

Next sailings from Sydney: Vivarais Aug. 26 (Noumea Sept. 2). Vanoise Sept. 23 (Noumea Sept. 30).

Other MM vessels run between France and Sydney, via Panama Canal and Pacific ports. Next vessels: Godavery, (Papeete Aug. 25, Vila Sept. 4, Santo Sept. 6, Noumea Sept. 8, Australia Sept. 16)). (Name not available), (Papeete Sept. 11, Vila Sept. 23, Santo Sept. 24, Noumea Sept. 25, Australia Oct. 3).

Details from Messageries Maritimes, 36 Grosvenor St., Sydney (BU 2645).

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.

Van Noort calls Lautoka Aug. 23, Suva Aug. 24. Van Neck calls Lautoka Sept. 24, Suva Sept. 25.

Details from Royal Interocean Lines, 261 George Street, Sydney (2-0573).

Far East-P-NG-BSI-New Hebrides-Fiji-New Caledonia

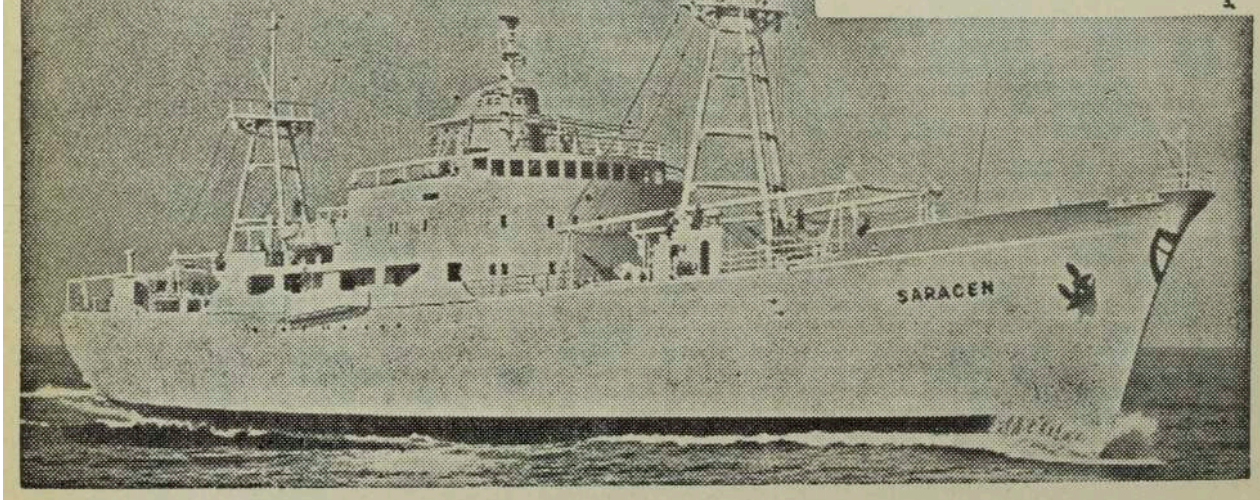
China Navigation Co., Ltd., vessels maintain monthly service from Japan southwards through P-NG, BSI, New Hebrides, Fiji and N. Caledonia; usually return to Japan direct.

Chengtu: from Japan, due Honiara Aug. 16, Santo Aug. 19, Vila Aug. 22, Suva/Lautoka Aug. 25, Noumea Sept. 3, thence to Japan, due Sept. 19.

Chekiang: From Japan, due Rabaul

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Aug. 13, Pt. Moresby Aug. 22, Suva/Lautoka Aug. 28, Noumea Sept. 6, Honiara (opt.), thence Japan, due Sept. 23.

Chungking: From Japan and Hong Kong, due Wewak Sept. 13, Madang Sept Sept. 16, Lae Sept. 19, Kavieng Sept. 22, Rabaul Sept. 25, Pt. Moresby Oct. 2, Suva/Lautoka Oct. 7, Honiara (opt.), Oct. 15, thence to Japan due Nov. 3.

Details from China Navigation Co., Ltd. (Swire and Yuill Pty., Ltd., agents), 6 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 1712).

New Zealand-Cook Is.

NZGS Moana Roa (40 passengers) makes approximately monthly voyages from Auckland (NZ) to Rarotonga (Cook Islands), with calls at Niue and some other Cook Islands when cargo warrants.

Details from NZ Department of Island Territories, Wellington (Tel. 45-117), or any office of Union SS Co. of NZ, Ltd.

NZ-Fiji-Tonga-Samoa

Tofua maintains a service from Auckland to Suva, Nukualofa, Vavau, Niue, Pago Pago, Apia, Suva and return to Auckland. Next Auckland sailings: Aug. 20, Sept. 17, Oct. 15.

Matua maintains a service from Auckland to Lautoka, Suva, Nukualofa, Apia, Suva, and return to Auckland. Next Auckland sailings: Sept. 3, Oct. 1.

Details from Union Steam Ship Co. of NZ, Quay and Commerce Sts., Auckland. (Tel.: 49-430).

NZ-New Caledonia - P-NG-Far East

Crusader Shipping Co.'s cargo vessels, running between NZ and the Far East, call at New Caledonia and Papua, and, in some instances, Guam. Next voyage: Knight Templar: Dep. Auckland Oct. 12 for Noumea Oct. 15, Pt. Moresby Oct. 19, thence Singapore, Pt. Swettenham, Manila, Hongkong and Shanghai.

Details from Shaw, Savill Line, agents, 101 Queen St., Auckland. (Tel. 30-310).

New Zealand-Tahiti

New Zealand Shipping Co. Ltd. vessels, operating between NZ and UK, via Panama, make a call every two months at Tahiti, northbound and southbound.

Next northbound voyage: Remuera, dep. Wellington Aug. 24, due Papeete Aug. 29.

Next southbound voyage: Ruahine from London, due Papeete Aug. 27.

Details from NZ Shipping Co. Ltd., Customhouse Quay, Wellington, NZ.

Crusader Shipping Co. Ltd., Wellington, NZ, makes a call every two months (approx.) at Papeete on north-bound voyages of its West Coast Nth. American service. Next voyage: Saracen dep. Auckland Sept. 20 (approx.), at Papeete Sept. 26 (approx.).

Tonga-Fiji-Samoa

Tonga Shipping Agency operates a cargo and passenger service between Nukualofa and Fiji (Suva, Lautoka, Ellington, Rotuma) with MV Aoniu. Calls are also made as required at Apia (W. Samoa) and Pago Pago (Am. Samoa). Turn-round in Suva is usually two days, and the Agents there are W. R. Carpenter (Fiji) Ltd.

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 sailings, ex-London: Aug. 15, Sept. 12, Oct. 10.

UK-Papua-NG-BSI

Bank Line operates a direct service from Europe to P-NG and BSI, vessels going on to Australia for cargo-loading and returning to UK via Suez. Next vessels:

Eastbank: From Continent and London, due at Pt. Moresby Aug. 21, Samarai Aug. 23, Lae Aug. 24, Madang Aug. 26, Wewak Aug. 28, Rabaul Aug. 29, Kavieng Aug. 30, Honiara Sept. 1.

Cedarbank: From Continent, dep. London Aug. 20 for Pt. Moresby Sept. 28, Samarai Sept. 30, Lae Oct. 1, Madang Oct. 3, Wewak Oct. 5, Kota Baru (if inducement), Rabaul Oct. 10, Kavieng Oct. 12, Honiara Oct. 14.

Details from Bank Line (A/asia.) Pty Ltd., 269 George St., Sydney (BU 2041).

USA-Tahiti-Am. Samoa-Fiji-Australia

Matson-Oceanic Line operates a five weeks passenger-cargo service from Los Angeles with the Sonoma, Sierra and Ventura. Terminal ports, in Australia vary with cargoes offering. Vessels call at Papeete, Pago Pago, Suva, Sydney, Brisbane, etc.

Next trans-Pacific sailings: From Brisbane, Ventura Sept. 10 (approx.); Sonoma Sept. 30 (approx.); Sierra Oct. 2 (approx.).

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SYDNEY	depart	Via	Sept. 20	Oct. 24	Via
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	the	Sept. 22-23	Oct. 27	the
SUVA	arr/dep	Panama	Sept. 25	Oct. 30	Panama
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Canal	Sept. 29	Nov. 4	Canal
VANCOUVER	arr/dep	Aug. 28**	Oct. 3-4		Nov. 9-10
SAN FRANCISCO	arr/dep	Aug. 29-30	Oct. 6-7	Nov. 9-10	
LOS ANGELES	arr/dep	Sept. 1-2††	Oct. 8	Nov. 11	
HONOLULU	arr/dep	Sept. 6	Oct. 12	thence UK	Nov. 15
SUVA	arr/dep	Sept. 12	Oct. 18		Nov. 22
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Sept. 14	Oct. 20	via West	Nov. 25
SYDNEY	arrive	Sept. 17	Oct. 23	Indies	Nov. 28

** Los Angeles. †† Vancouver.

Details from P. and O.-Orient Lines of Aust. Pty., Ltd., 2-6 Spring St., Sydney (B 0532).

USA-Eastern Pacific-NZ-Sydney-Central Pacific-Hawaii

		MONTEREY	MARIPOSA	MONTEREY	MARIPOSA
SAN FRANCISCO	depart	Aug. 4	Aug. 29	Sept. 19	Oct. 13
LOS ANGELES	arr/dep	Aug. 5	Aug. 30	Sept. 20	Oct. 14
BORA BORA	arr/dep	Aug. 13	Sept. 7	Sept. 28	Oct. 22
PAPEETE	arr/dep	Aug. 14-16	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 29-Oct. 1	Oct. 23-25
RAROTONGA	arr/dep	Aug. 17	Sept. 11	Oct. 2	Oct. 26
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	Aug. 22-23	Sept. 16-17	Oct. 7-8	Oct. 31-Nov. 1
SYDNEY	arr/dep	Aug. 26-29	Sept. 20-23	Oct. 11-14	Nov. 4-7
NOUMEA	arr/dep	Sept. 1	Sept. 26	Oct. 17	Nov. 10
SUVA	arr/dep	Sept. 3	Sept. 28	Oct. 19	Nov. 12
NIUAFOOU	arr/dep	Sept. 4	Sept. 29	Oct. 20	Nov. 13
PAGO PAGO	arr/dep	Sept. 4	Sept. 29	Oct. 20	Nov. 13
HONOLULU	arrive	Sept. 9-10	Oct. 4-5	Oct. 25-26	Nov. 18-19
SAN FRANCISCO	arr/dep	Sept. 15	Oct. 10	Oct. 31	Nov. 24

Details from Matson Lines, 50 Young St., Sydney. (BU 4272).

Details from Matson Lines, 82 Elizabeth St., Sydney (BU 4272).

American Pioneer Line ships on US Atlantic Coast-Panama-Sydney service make periodical calls at Tahiti on southbound voyage. Next Papeete calls: Pioneer Gem Sept. 9, American Flyer Oct. 9.

Details from Wilh. Wilhelmsen Agency, 13 Bridge St., Sydney (BU 6301).

USA-Tahiti-Samoa-Fiji-New Caledonia

Pacific Islands Transport Line's vessels Thorsisle and Thor I maintain approximately six weeks service from West Coast Nth. American ports to Pacific Islands.

Thor I: From US at Papeete Aug. 19-21, Pago Pago Aug. 25-28, Apia Aug. 29-30, Suva Sept. 2-3, Noumea Sept. 5-7, Apia (open), Pago Pago Sept. 10-12, Los Angeles Sept. 25-27, San Francisco Sept. 29.

Thorsisle: Dep. San Francisco Sept. 10, Los Angeles Sept. 11-14, Papeete Sept. 25-27, Pago Pago Oct. 1-4, Apia Oct. 5-6, Nukualofa Oct. 9-10, Suva Oct. 11-12, Noumea Oct. 14-15, Apia (open), Pago Pago Oct. 19-21, Los Angeles Nov. 3-5, San Francisco Nov. 6.

Details from General Steamship Corporation Ltd., 1 Bush St., San Francisco, USA and Islands Agents.

AIRWAYS TIME-TABLES

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICES

Australia-Fiji-Hawaii-USA

BY QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS

(Boeing 707 V-Jets)

NORTHBOUND

Tues., Thurs. and Sun.: Sydney (dep. 7 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 12.40 a.m., dep. 1.25 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco.

Mon., Wed. and Sat.: Sydney (dep. 7 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 12.40 a.m., dep. 1.25 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco, New York.

Fri.: Sydney (dep. 7 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 12.40 a.m., dep. 1.25 a.m.), Honolulu, San Francisco (extends to Vancouver alternate weeks; from Sydney, Aug. 16, 30, Sept. 13, 27, Oct. 11, 25, etc.).

SOUTHBOUND

Mon., Wed. and Fri.: New York, San Francisco, Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 3.25 a.m., dep. 4.15 a.m.), Sydney (arr. 6.30 a.m.).

Tues., Thurs. and Sun.: San Francisco, Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 3.25 a.m., dep. 4.15 a.m.), Sydney (arr. 6.30 a.m.).

Sat.: San Francisco (service begins from Vancouver alternate Sats.: Aug. 17, 31, Sept. 14, 28, Oct. 12, 26 etc.), Honolulu, Nadi (arr. 3.25 a.m., dep. 4.15 a.m.), Sydney (arr. 6.30 a.m.).

(International Dateline is crossed between Nadi and Honolulu.)

BY CANADIAN PACIFIC AIRLINES

(Bristol Britannia and DC8 Jet)

NORTHBOUND

Alt. Sat. (Aug. 10, 24, Sept. 7, 21, Oct. 5, 19, etc.): Dep. Sydney 11 a.m. by Britannia for Auckland (arr. 4.50 p.m.).

Weekly from Auckland, dep. 5.35 p.m. every Sat. for Nadi (arr. 9.40 p.m., dep. 10.35 p.m.), Honolulu (arr. Sat. 10 a.m., dep. Sun. 10 a.m. by DC8), Vancouver, Amsterdam (arr. Mon. 2.25 p.m.).

SOUTHBOUND

Weekly from Amsterdam, dep. 2 p.m. every Sat. by DC8 for Vancouver, Honolulu (arr. Sun. 10.35 p.m., dep. Sun. 11.55 p.m. by Britannia), Nadi (arr. Tues. 7.20 a.m., dep. 8.05 a.m.), Auckland (arr. 12.15 p.m.).

Alt. Tues. (Aug. 20, Sept. 3, 17, Oct. 1, 15, 29, etc.): Dep. Auckland 1.05 p.m. for Sydney (arr. Tues. 3.35 p.m.).

(International Dateline crossed between Nadi-Honolulu.)

Australia-Fiji (or Am. Samoa) Hawaii-USA

BY PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS

(Intercontinental Jet Clippers)

NORTHBOUND

Sun., Thur.: Dep. Sydney 5 p.m. for Nadi (arr. 10.45 p.m., dep. 11.30 p.m.), Honolulu and Los Angeles (arr. Sun., Thurs. 5.25 p.m.). Connections at Honolulu for San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

Tues.: Dep. Sydney 5 p.m. for Pago Pago, Am. Samoa (arr. 12.55 a.m., dep. 1.45 a.m.), Honolulu and Los Angeles (arr. Tues. 5.25 p.m.).

SOUTHBOUND

Tues., Fri.: Dep. Los Angeles 8 p.m. for Honolulu, Nadi, (arr. 4.15 a.m., Thurs., Sun., dep. 5 a.m.) and Sydney (arr. 7.20 a.m. Thurs., Sun.).

Sun.: Dep. Los Angeles 8 p.m. for Honolulu, Pago Pago (arr. 4.10 a.m. Mon., dep. 5 a.m.) and Sydney (arr. 8 a.m. Tues.).

(International Dateline crossed between Nadi-Honolulu, and Sydney-Pago Pago.)

Australia-New Caledonia-Fiji-Tahiti-USA

TAI-Air France with DC8 Jet

Wed.: Dep. Sydney 8.45 a.m. for Noumea (arr. 12.20 p.m., dep. 2.15 p.m.), Nadi (arr. 5 p.m., dep. 5.50 p.m.), cross International Dateline, Papeete (arr. Tues. 11.55 p.m., dep. Fri. 8.15 a.m.), Los Angeles (arr. Fri. 7.30 p.m.). Immediate connection by Boeing non-stop to Paris.

Sat.: Dep. Los Angeles 1 a.m., Papeete (arr. Sat. 6.15 a.m., dep. Sun. 1.40 a.m.), cross International Dateline, Nadi (arr. Mon. 4.25 a.m., dep. 5.25 a.m.), Noumea (arr. Mon. 6.30 a.m., dep. 8.30 a.m.), Sydney (arr. Mon. 10.25 a.m.).

AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND

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Sat.*: Dep. Auckland 11 a.m., arr. Brisbane 1.30 p.m.

Sat.*: Dep. Brisbane 3 p.m., arr. Auckland 8.45 p.m.

* Also on Sun. Aug. 25.

Auckland-Melbourne

QANTAS-TEAL with Electra Mk. II's

Wed., Fri.: Dep. Auckland 8.30 a.m., arr. Melbourne 11.30 a.m.

Thurs., Sat.: Dep. Melbourne 12.30 p.m., arr. Auckland 7 p.m.

Sydney-Auckland

QANTAS-TEAL, with Electra Mk. II's.

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Daily: Dep. Sydney 1 p.m., arr. Auckland 6.35 p.m.

Additional Wed., Fri.: Dep. Auckland 1 p.m., arr. Sydney 3.35 p.m. Dep. Sydney 4.30 p.m., arr. Auckland 10.05 p.m.

Additional Mon. Aug. 19 only. Dep. Auckland 7 a.m., arr. Sydney 9.05 a.m. Dep. Sydney 11.30 a.m., arr. Auckland 5.05 p.m.

Additional Sun. Aug. 25 only. Dep. Sydney 12.30 p.m., arr. Auckland 6.05 p.m.

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BOAC, with Comet IV's.
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USTRALIA-PACIFIC ISLANDS

Sydney-Lord Howe Is.

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Sydney-Norfolk Is.

ANTAS, with Skymaster DC4 Aircraft

t.: Dep. Sydney 8 a.m., arr. NI 2.45 p.m. Flight extends NI-Auckland-NI. (See "Inter-Territory Services").
n.: Dep. NI 2.45 p.m., Sydney arr. 6.45 p.m.

Sydney-New Caledonia

QANTAS, with Boeing 707 Jet

urs.: Dep. Sydney 10.15 a.m., arr. Noumea 1.45 p.m.
urs.: Dep. Noumea 3 p.m., arr. Sydney 4.50 p.m.

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Mon., Wed. and Sat. (TAA)

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isbane, 12.40 a.m.	Pt. Moresby, 6.10 a.m.
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Tues., Thurs. and Fri. (Ansett)

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Dep.	Arr.
Moresby, 7 a.m.	Lae, 8 a.m.

SOUTHBOUND

Tues., Thurs., and Sun. (TAA)

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isbane, 4.50 p.m.	Sydney, 6.55 p.m.

Wed., Fri. and Sat. (Ansett)

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isbane, 4.50 p.m.	Sydney, 6.55 p.m.

Qld.-Papua-New Guinea

AA, with Fokker Friendship Prop-Jet

t. Mon.: Dep. Townsville 12.30 p.m., Cairns arr. 1.25 p.m., dep. 2.30 p.m., arr. Pt. Moresby 4.50 p.m. (Aug. 5, 19, Sept. 2, 16, 30, Oct. 7, 21, etc.).
t. Wed.: Dep. Lae 12.30 p.m., Pt. Moresby arr. 1.30 p.m., dep. 2.15 p.m., Cairns arr. 4.35 p.m., dep. 5.35 p.m., arr. Townsville 6.30 p.m. (Aug. 7, 21, Sept. 4, 18, Oct. 2, 16, 30, etc.).

CAIRNS-PT. MORESBY-CAIRNS
Ansett, with Fokker Friendship Prop-Jet

Alt. Sat.: Dep. Cairns 3.35 p.m., arr. Pt. Moresby 5.55 p.m. (Aug. 10, 24, Sept. 7, 21, Oct. 5, 19, etc.).
Alt. Sun.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 9.05 a.m., arr. Cairns 11.25 a.m. (Aug. 11, 25, Sept. 8, 22, Oct. 6, 20, etc.).

INTER-TERRITORY SERVICES

Fiji-Am. Samoa

PAA, with DC7C Aircraft

Mon.: Dep. Nadi 12 noon, cross International Dateline, arr. Pago Pago (Am. Samoa) 4.05 p.m. Sun.
Tues.: Dep. Pago Pago 9.30 a.m., cross International Dateline, arr. Nadi 11.40 a.m. Wed.

Fiji-Am. Samoa-Tahiti

TEAL, with Electra Mk. II.

Mon.: Dep. Nadi 3.30 a.m., cross International Dateline, arr. Pago Pago Sun. 7.10 a.m., dep. 7.45 a.m., arr. Papeete Sun. 12.50 p.m.
Mon.: Dep. Papeete 7 a.m., arr. Pago Pago 10.25 a.m., dep. 11 a.m., cross International Dateline, arr. Nadi Tues. 12.40 p.m.

Fiji-New Hebrides-BSI

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron Aircraft

Mon. and alternate Thurs. (from Sept. 19): Dep. Suva 9 a.m., Nadi arr. 9.40 a.m., dep. 10.25 a.m., Vila arr. 1 p.m. Next day (Tues. or Fri.) dep. Vila 8 a.m., Santo arr. 9.15 a.m., dep. 9.45 a.m., Honiara arr. 1.40 p.m.
Wed. and alternate Sat. (from Sept. 21): Dep. Honiara 6.45 a.m., Santo arr. 10.40 a.m., dep. 11.10 a.m., Vila arr. 12.25 p.m., dep. 1.10 p.m., Nadi arr. 5.45 p.m., dep. 6.30 p.m., Suva arr. 7.15 p.m.

Fiji-New Zealand

PAA, with DC7C Aircraft

Sun., Thurs.: Dep. Nadi 5.30 a.m. for Auckland, arr. 10.15 a.m.
Sun., Thurs.: Dep. Auckland 5.30 p.m. for Nadi, arr. 10.15 p.m.

TEAL, with Electra Mk. II's.

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Tues.: Dep. Nadi 1.30 p.m., arr. Auckland 5.20 p.m.
Thurs., Sat., Sun.: Dep. Nadi 5.45 a.m., arr. Auckland 9.35 a.m.
Wed., Fri.: Dep. Nadi 8.45 a.m., arr. Auckland 12.35 p.m.
* Wed., Sat., flights ex-Auckland, and Thurs., Sun., flights ex-Nadi are operated by Qantas under charter to TEAL.

Fiji-Tonga

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron Aircraft

Alt. Thurs. (Aug. 22, Sept. 5, 19): Dep. Suva 7 a.m., arr. Nukualofa 11.15 a.m.
Alt. Sat. (Aug. 10, 24, Sept. 7, 19): Dep. Nukualofa 9.30 a.m., arr. Suva 11.45 a.m.
Alt. Sat. (Aug. 17, 31, Sept. 14, 28): Dep. Suva 7 a.m., arr. Nukualofa 11.15 a.m., dep. Nukualofa 12.30 p.m., arr. Suva 2.45 p.m.
Details from Fiji Airways, Ltd., Victoria Arcade, Suva.

Fiji-Western Samoa

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron Aircraft

Alt. Thurs. (Aug. 15, 29, Sept. 12, 26, Oct. 10, 24, etc.): Dep. Suva 7.45 a.m., cross International Dateline, arr. Apia 1.25 p.m., Wed. (Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23, etc.).
Alt. Thurs. (Aug. 15, 29, Sept. 12, 26, Oct. 10, 24, etc.): Dep. Apia 10 a.m., cross International Dateline, arr. Suva 1.40 p.m. Fri. (Aug. 16, 30, Sept. 13, 27, Oct. 11, 25, etc.).

New Caledonia-New Hebrides

TAI, with DC4 Aircraft

Thurs., Sat.: Dep. Noumea 8 a.m. for Vila (arr. 9.55 a.m., dep. 10.30 a.m.), Santo (arr. 11.45 a.m., dep. 1.15 p.m.), Vila (arr. 2.30 p.m., dep. 3.05 p.m.), Noumea (arr. 5 p.m.).

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TAI, with DC4 Aircraft

Fri.: Dep. Noumea 8.30 a.m. for Auckland, arr. 3.10 p.m.
Fri.: Dep. Auckland 5 p.m. for Noumea arr. 10 p.m.

New Caledonia-Wallis Is.-Tahiti

TAI, with DC4 Aircraft

Monthly service (second Sunday).
Sun. (Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, etc.): Dep. Noumea 11 p.m. for Wallis Is. (arr. Mon., 6.30 a.m., dep. 8 a.m.), cross International Dateline, Papeete arr. Sun. 7.05 p.m.).
Tues. (Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Oct. 15, etc.): Dep. Papeete 8.30 a.m., cross International Dateline, Wallis Is. (arr. Wed., 3.15 p.m., dep. 4.45 p.m.), Noumea (arr. Wed. 10.15 p.m.).

Norfolk Is.-New Zealand

TEAL, by Qantas Skymaster (Charter)

Sat.: Dep. NI 4 p.m., Auckland, arr. 7.45 p.m.
Sun.: Dep. Auckland 10.30 a.m., arr. NI 1.30 p.m.

P-NG-Solomons

TAA, with Fokker Prop-Jet and DC3.

Alt. Tues.: Dep. Lae (DC3) 6 a.m. for Rabaul, Buka, Munda, Yandina, Honiara, arr. 4.20 p.m. (Aug. 13, 27, Sept. 10, 24, Oct. 8, 22, etc.).
Alt. Wed.: Dep. Honiara (DC3) 7.30 a.m. for Yandina, Munda, Buka, Rabaul, Lae, arr. 3.45 p.m. (Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23, etc.).
Alt. Tues.: Dep. Lae (Fokker) 9 a.m. for Rabaul, Buka, Munda, Honiara, arr. 4.20 p.m. (Aug. 6, 20, Sept. 3, 17, Oct. 1, 15, 29, etc.).
Alt. Wed.: Dep. Honiara (Fokker) 6.45 a.m. for Munda, Buka, Rabaul, Lae arr. 12 noon (Aug. 7, 21, Sept. 4, 18, Oct. 2, 16, 30, etc.).

P-NG - West NG

TAA, with DC3 Aircraft

Alt. Tues. (Aug. 6, 20, Sept. 3, 17, Oct. 1, 15, 29, etc.): Dep. Lae 9 a.m. for Madang, Wewak, Kota Baru, arr. 1.35 p.m.
Alt. Wed. (Aug. 7, 21, Sept. 4, 18, Oct. 2, 16, 30, etc.): Dep. Kota Baru 11.35 a.m. for Wewak, Madang, Lae, arr. 5.05 p.m.

BIAK (WEST NG)-LAE
Garuda Indonesian Airways (DC3).

Alt. Tues. (Aug. 13, 27, Sept. 10, 24, Oct. 8, 22, etc.): Dep. Biak 6.15 p.m., Kota Baru, arr. 8.25 a.m., dep. 9.25 a.m., arr. Lae 1.30 p.m.
Alt. Wed. (Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23, etc.): Dep. Lae 9.15 a.m., Kota Baru, arr. 12.15 p.m., dep. 1 p.m., arr. Biak 3.10 p.m.

Tahiti-Hawaii

TAI, with DC8 Jet Aircraft

Alt. Wed. (Aug. 21, Sept. 4, 18, Oct. 2, 16, 30, etc.): Dep. Papeete 3.30 p.m. for Honolulu, arr. 9.05 p.m.
Alt. Thurs. (Aug. 22, Sept. 5, 19, Oct. 3, 17, 31, etc.): Dep. Honolulu 11.45 p.m. for Papeete, arr. alt. Fri. 5.20 a.m.

South Pacific Airlines with Super-G Constellation Aircraft

Fri.: Dep. Honolulu 11.30 p.m., arr. Papeete Sat. 8.30 a.m.
Sat.: Dep. Papeete 10 p.m., arr. Honolulu Sun. 7 a.m.
Details from South Pacific Airlines, 311 California St., San Francisco, USA.

Tahiti-USA

TAI, with DC8 Jet Aircraft

Fri. and alt. Wed. (Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23, etc.): Dep. Papeete 10 a.m. for Los Angeles, arr. 9.15 p.m.
Sat. and alt. Thurs. (Aug. 15, 29, Sept. 12, 26, Oct. 10, 24, etc.): Dep. Los Angeles 1 a.m. for Papeete, arr. 6.15 a.m.

W. Samoa-Am. Samoa

Polynesian Airlines Ltd., with DC3 and Percival Prince Aircraft

Between Western Samoa and American Samoa—flight time: 45 minutes.
Dep. Faleolo (W. Samoa): Sun. 7 a.m., 3 p.m.; Mon. 9.15 a.m.; Tues. 8 a.m.; Wed., Thurs., 9.15 a.m.; Sat. 2 p.m. Return from Pago Pago same day.

W. Samoa-Cook Islands

Polynesian Airlines Ltd., with DC3

Between Western Samoa and Cook Islands (Aitutaki and Rarotonga).
Dep. Faleolo 8 a.m. each alternate Friday. Return Saturday.
Agents: Gold Star Transport Co. Ltd., Apia; R. E. Pritchard, Pago Pago.

INTERNAL SERVICES

Fiji

Fiji Airways, Ltd., with Heron and Drover Aircraft

Suva-Nadi-Suva: Two flights daily (Wed., Fri. and Sun. morning timetables 30 mins. earlier): Dep. Suva 8 a.m., arr Nadi 8.45 a.m., dep. Nadi 9.15 a.m., arr. Suva 10.05 a.m.; and dep. Suva 3 p.m., arr. Nadi 3.45 p.m., dep. Nadi 4.10 p.m., arr. Suva 5 p.m.—all Heron flights.
Suva-Nadi: Dep. (Drover) Suva alt. Wed. 3.05 p.m., arr. Nadi 3.55 p.m. (Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23, etc.).
Nadi-Suva: Dep. (Drover) Nadi alt. Thurs. 6.15 a.m., arr. Suva 7.05 a.m. (Aug. 15, 29, Sept. 12, 26, Oct. 10, 24, etc.).
Suva-Labasa-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Wed., Thurs., Fri. and Sat.
Suva-Labasa-Savusavu-Labasa-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Tues.
Suva-Savusavu-Matei-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Mon.
Suva-Ura-Savusavu-Suva: Dep. 7.20 a.m., Wed.
Suva - Savusavu - Labasa - Savusavu - Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Thurs., Sat., Sun.
Suva-Ura-Suva: Dep. 7.20 a.m., Sun.
Suva-Labasa-Matei-Labasa-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Mon.
Suva-Matei-Labasa-Matei-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m. Fri.
Suva-Savusavu-Suva: Dep. 11 a.m., Wed.
Details from Fiji Airways, Ltd., Victoria Arcade, Suva.

French Polynesia

RAI, with DC4 Aircraft

Services to the Leeward Group (Isles Sous le Vent), Society Islands.
Mon., Wed., Sat.: Dep. Papeete 8.15 a.m., Raiatea arr. 9.05 a.m., dep. 9.35 a.m., Bora Bora arr. 9.55 a.m.
Mon.: Dep. Bora Bora 4.30 p.m., Raiatea arr. 4.50 p.m., dep. 5.10 p.m., Papeete arr. 6 p.m.
Wed., Sat.: Dep. Bora Bora 10.30 a.m., Raiatea arr. 10.50 a.m., dep. 11.10 a.m., Papeete arr. 12 noon.
Details from RAI, Quai Bir Hakeim, Papeete, or any TAI office.

New Caledonia

TRANSPAC, with Herons and Rapide

Noumea-Mare: Tues., Fri. dep. Noumea p.m. for Mare, Noumea, arr. 4 p.m.
Noumea-Lifou: Tues., Wed., Fri. de Noumea 8.15 a.m. for Lifou, Noum arr. 10.15 a.m. Sat.: Dep. Noum 2 p.m. for Lifou, Noumea, arr. 4 p.
Noumea-Ouvea: Tues. dep. Noumea 10 a.m. for Ouvea, Noumea, arr. 1.30 p. Sat.: Dep. Noumea 8 a.m. for Ouv Noumea, arr. 10 a.m.
Noumea-Houailou-Koumac: Wed., Fri. d Noumea 1 p.m. for Houailou and Ko mac, Noumea, arr. 4.25 p.m.
Noumea-Isle of Pines: Mon., Wed., F Sat. dep. Noumea 10.30 a.m. for I of Pines, Noumea, arr. 11.45 a.m. Tu and Thurs.: Dep. Noumea 8.10 a.m. Isle of Pines, Noumea, arr. 9.50 a.

New Hebrides

New Hebrides Airways, with Drover.

Mon., Thurs.: Dep. Vila 8.30 a.m. Tanna, arr. 9.15 a.m., dep. 3 p.m., arr. Vila 4.45 p.m. (Usua a flight is made from Tanna to eit Aneityum, Futuna, Aniwa Erromanga before the schedu departure for Vila).
Tues.: Dep. Vila 8.30 a.m. for Tongoa, a 9.05 a.m., dep. 10 a.m., Vila, arr. 10 a.m. (with extension to Pentecost a Santo on demand).
Details from New Hebrides Airwa Vila.

Papua-New Guinea

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PT. MORESBY-LAE (Fokker Prop-Jet

Alt. Tues.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 6.40 a. arr. Lae 7.40 a.m. (Aug. 20, Se 3, 17, Oct. 1, 15, 29, etc.).

LAE-RABAUL-LAE (Fokker Prop-Jet)

Alt. Tues. Dep. Lae 9 a.m., Rabaul a 10.55 a.m. (Aug. 20, Sept. 3, 17, C 1, 15, 29, etc.).
Alt. Wed.: Dep. Rabaul 10.10 a.m., I arr. 12 noon (Aug. 21. Sept. 4, Oct. 2, 16, 30, etc.).

PORT MORESBY-DARU (DC3)

Alt. Fri.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8.45 a.m. Daru, returning same day via Bali arr. 2.25 p.m. (Aug. 9, 23, Sept. 27, Oct. 11, 25, etc.).

PT. MORESBY-WEST. PAPUA (Catalin

Wed.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8 a.m. for Kere Baimuru, Kikori, Paibuna, Kerema, Moresby, arr. 3.25 p.m.
Alt. Thurs.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 7 a.m. Daru, D'Albertis Junction, L Murray, arr. 1.25 p.m. (Aug. 15, Sept. 12, 26, Oct. 10, 24, etc.).
Alt. Fri.: Dep. Lake Murray 7 a.m. Daru, Pt. Moresby, arr. 11.40 a (Aug. 16, 30, Sept. 13, 27, Oct. 25, etc.).

PT. MORESBY-EAST PAPUA (Catalin

Alt. Mon.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8 a.m. Samarai, Esa-Ala, Samarai, Moresby, arr. 4.30 p.m. (Aug. 12, Sept. 9, 23, Oct. 7, 21, etc.).
Fourth Mon.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8 a for Samarai, Deboyne, Samarai, Moresby, arr. 4.30 p.m. (Aug. 19, S 16, Oct. 14, etc.).
Fourth Mon.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8 a for Samarai, Pt. Moresby, arr. 4 p.m. (Sept. 2, 30, Oct. 28, etc.).

LAE-MADANG-WEWAK-MANUS-KAVIENG-RABAUL SERVICE (DC3)

Mon.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m. for Mada Wewak, Manus, Kavieng, Rabaul, 4.05 p.m.
Mon.: Dep. Rabaul 7.30 a.m. for Kavie

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Manus, Wewak, Madang, Lae, arr. 4.05 p.m.
Sun.: Dep. Lae 9 a.m., for Madang, Wewak, arr. 11.55 a.m.
Tues.: Dep. Wewak 6 a.m. for Madang, Lae, arr. 8.45 a.m.
Wed.: Dep. Kavieng 6.30 a.m. for Rabaul, arr. 7.30 a.m.
Fri.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m. for Madang, Wewak, Manus, Rabaul, arr. 3.25 p.m.
Tues.: Dep. Rabaul 12.45 p.m. for Kavieng, arr. 1.45 p.m.
Wed.: Dep. Rabaul 8.10 a.m. for Manus, Wewak, Madang, Lae, arr. 4.05 p.m.

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS (DC3)

Wed.: Dep. Madang 9.40 a.m. for Wabag, Wapenamunda, Baiyer R., Hagen, Banz, Minj, Goroka, Lae, arr. 3.55 p.m.
Thurs.: Dep. Lae 9.40 a.m. for Goroka, Minj, Banz, Hagen, Baiyer R., Wapenamunda, Wabag, Madang, arr. 4 p.m.
Sun.: Dep. Mt. Hagen 6.40 a.m. for Goroka, Lae, arr. 8.40 a.m.
Sun.: Dep. Lae 9.40 a.m. for Goroka, Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, arr. 12.45 p.m.

PT. MORESBY-POPONDETTA-LAE (DC3)

Thurs.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 11.30 a.m. for Kokoda (opt.), Popondetta, Garaina, Lae, arr. 2.05 p.m.
Thurs.: Dep. Lae 7.40 a.m. for Garaina, Popondetta, Kokoda (opt.), Pt. Moresby, arr. 10.15 a.m.

PT. MORESBY-WAU-BULOLO-LAE (DC3)

Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 10.45 a.m. for Wau, Bulolo, Lae, arr. 1.20 p.m.
Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m. for Bulolo, Wau, Pt. Moresby, arr. 10 a.m.

MADANG-GOROKA-LAE (DC3)

Tues.: Dep. Lae 9.40 a.m. for Goroka, Minj, Banz, Hagen, Madang, arr. 2.10 p.m.
Mon.: Dep. Madang 11.30 a.m. for Hagen, Banz, Minj, Goroka, Lae, arr. 3.55 p.m.

PT. MORESBY-GOROKA-MADANG (DC3)

Sun., Tues., Thurs.: Dep. Pt. Moresby 8 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, arr. 10.50 a.m.
Sun., Tues., Thurs.: Dep. Madang 7.30 a.m. for Goroka, Pt. Moresby, arr. 10.20 a.m.

LAE-RABAUL-LAE (DC3)

Tues., Thurs., Sun.: Dep. Lae 9.30 a.m., arr. Rabaul 12.05 p.m.
Sun., Tues., Thurs.: Dep. Rabaul 6 a.m., arr. Lae 8.35 a.m.
Sat.: Dep. Rabaul 9 a.m. for Jacquinot Bay, Hoskins, Talasea, Kandrian, Cape Gloucester (on request), Finschhafen, Lae, arr. 2.10 p.m.
Tues.: Dep. Lae 10 a.m. for Finschhafen, Kandrian, Talasea, Hoskins, Jacquinot Bay, Rabaul, arr. 3.10 p.m.

LAE-FINSCHHAFEN-LAE (Cessna)

Thurs.: Dep. Lae 7.30 a.m. for Finschhafen, Lae, arr. 8.45 a.m.

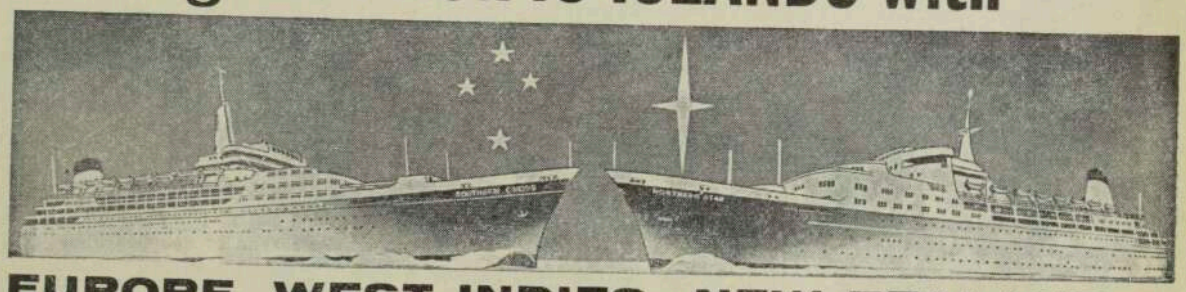
RABAUL-BUIN-RABAUL (DC3)

Fri. and alt. Wed. (Aug. 14, 28, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23): Dep. Rabaul 8 a.m. for Buka, Wakunai, Aropa, Buin, Kieta, Wakunai, Buka, Rabaul, arr. 3.20 p.m.
Alt. Wed. (Aug. 21, Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, 23, etc.): Dep. Rabaul 9.30 a.m. for Buka, Wakunai, Kieta, Buin, Wakunai, Buka, Rabaul, arr. 4.50 p.m.

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Mon.: Dep. Lae 6.30 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Rabaul, arr. 11.35 a.m.
Dep. Goroka 7.45 a.m. for Kainantu, Lae, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Lae, Goroka, Mt. Hagen, arr. 5 p.m.
Tues.: Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m. for Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae, arr. 3 p.m.
Wed.: Dep. Lae 6.30 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Momote, Kavieng, Rabaul, arr. 4 p.m.
Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, arr. 12.15 p.m.
Dep. Lae 9.20 a.m. for Rabaul, arr. 12 noon.
Dep. Rabaul 5.45 a.m. for Lae, arr. 8.25 a.m.
Dep. Madang 7 a.m. for Goroka, Lae, arr. 8.45 a.m.
Dep. Mt. Hagen 6.30 a.m. for Banz, Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Lae, Goroka, Madang, arr. 3.45 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Wewak 6.15 a.m. for Goroka, Wewak, Vanimo, Wewak, arr. 2.45 p.m.
Dep. Madang 8 a.m. for Mt. Hagen, Banz, Minj, Madang, arr. 11.45 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Goroka 8.15 a.m. for Mt. Hagen, arr. 8.50 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Mt. Hagen 6.30 a.m. for Banz, Goroka, arr. 7.30 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Wewak 8.30 a.m. for Lumi, Nuku, Wewak, arr. 11.05 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Wewak 1 p.m. for Maprik, Yangoru, Wewak, arr. 2.45 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Mt. Hagen 9.30 a.m. for Mendi, Erave, Ialibu, Kagua, Mt. Hagen, arr. 12 noon.
Thurs.: Dep. Madang 7.30 a.m. for Goroka, Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Goroka, arr. 2.30 p.m.
Dep. Rabaul 7 a.m. for Kavieng, Momote, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae, arr. 4.40 p.m.
Dep. (Cessna or Piaggio) Mt. Hagen 1.30 p.m. for Banz, Minj, Goroka, arr. 2.50 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Wewak 8.30 a.m. for Telefomin, Wewak, arr. 11.40 a.m.
Dep. (Cessna) Wewak 8.30 a.m. for Aitape, Sissano, Vanimo, Dagua, Wewak, arr. 12.15 p.m.
Dep. (Cessna or Piaggio) Wewak 3 p.m. for Angoram, Wewak, arr. 4 p.m.

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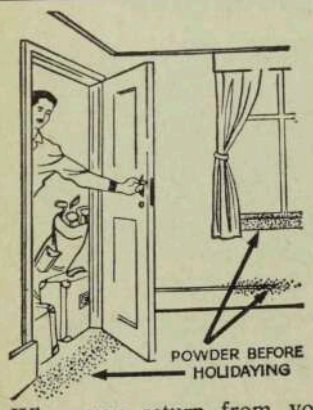
Fri.: Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, arr. 10.35 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Lae 9.05 a.m. for Kainantu, Goroka, Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Wabag, Mt. Hagen, arr. 1.10 p.m.
Dep. Lae 9.20 a.m. for Rabaul, arr. 12 noon.
Dep. Wewak 6.15 a.m. for Madang, Lae, arr. 8.50 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Goroka 7.30 a.m. for Lae, arr. 8.25 a.m.
Dep. Rabaul 5.45 a.m. for Lae, arr. 8.25 a.m.
Dep. Lae 6.30 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Momote, Kavieng, Rabaul, arr. 4 p.m.
Dep. Goroka 7.45 a.m. for Wau, Pt. Moresby, Wau, Lae, Goroka, arr. 2.40 p.m.
Dep. Madang 8 a.m. for Mt. Hagen, Banz, Minj, Goroka, Minj, Banz, Mt. Hagen, Madang, arr. 3.30 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Mt. Hagen 9.30 a.m. for Mendi, Kagua, Erave, Ialibu, Mt. Hagen, arr. 12 noon.

Sat.: Dep. Lae 8.55 a.m. for Goroka, Madang, arr. 10.35 a.m.
Dep. Lae 9.20 a.m. for Rabaul, arr. 12 noon.
Dep. Madang 7 a.m. for Goroka, Lae, arr. 8.45 a.m.
Dep. Rabaul 5.45 a.m. for Lae, arr. 8.25 a.m.
Dep. Rabaul 6.30 a.m. for Kavieng, Momote, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae, arr. 4.40 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Wewak 8.30 a.m. for Ambunti, Burui, Wewak, arr. 10.05 a.m.

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Mon.: Dep. (DC3) Pt. Moresby 7.30 a.m. for Popondetta, Pt. Moresby, arr. 9.30 a.m.
Dep. (DC3—freight only) Pt. Moresby 10 a.m. for Kokoda, Pt. Moresby, arr. 12.20 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 8.30 a.m. for Rorona, Aroa, Kairuku, Bereina, Tapini, Bereina, Kairuku, Aroa/Rorona (opt.), Pt. Moresby, arr. 2.20 p.m.



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Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 6 a.m. for Tapini, Woitape, Pt. Moresby, arr. 8 a.m.

Tues.: Dep. (DC3) Pt. Moresby 6.30 a.m. for Popondetta, Pt. Moresby, arr. 8.30 a.m.
Dep. (DC3) Pt. Moresby 9 a.m. for Garaina, Lae, Garaina, Popondetta, Pt. Moresby, arr. 2.35 p.m.
Dep. (DC3) Pt. Moresby 9.15 a.m. for Daru, Balimo, Daru, Pt. Moresby, arr. 5.50 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 8 a.m. for Woitape, Tapini, Pt. Moresby, arr. 10 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 12.30 p.m. for Cape Rodney, Paili, Pt. Moresby, arr. 3 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 3 p.m. for Rorona (opt.), Aroa (opt.), Kairuku, Bereina, Pt. Moresby, arr. 4.55 p.m.

Wed.: Dep. (DC3) Pt. Moresby 7.30 a.m. for Popondetta, Kokoda, Pt. Moresby, arr. 10.10 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 8 a.m. for Baimuru, Erave, Mendi, Kagua, Erave, Pt. Moresby, arr. 3.10 p.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 8 a.m. for Tapini, Woitape, Pt. Moresby, arr. 10 a.m.
Dep. (Piaggio) Pt. Moresby 3 p.m. for Rorona/Aroa (opt.), Kairuku, Bereina, Pt. Moresby, arr. 4.55 p.m.

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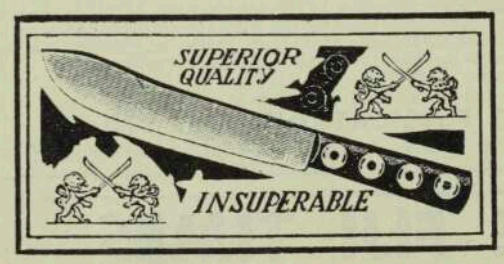
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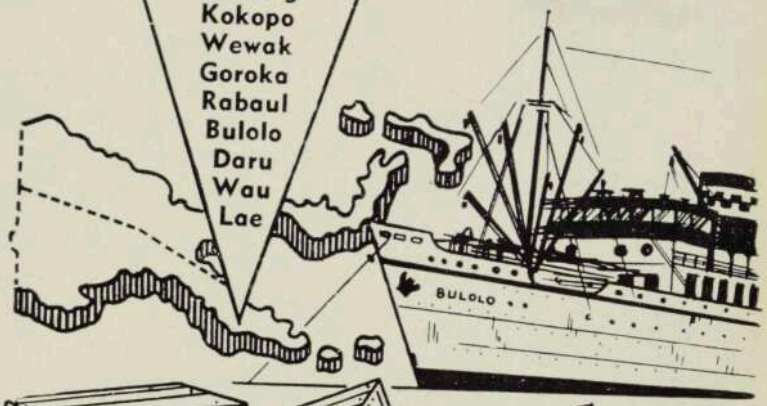
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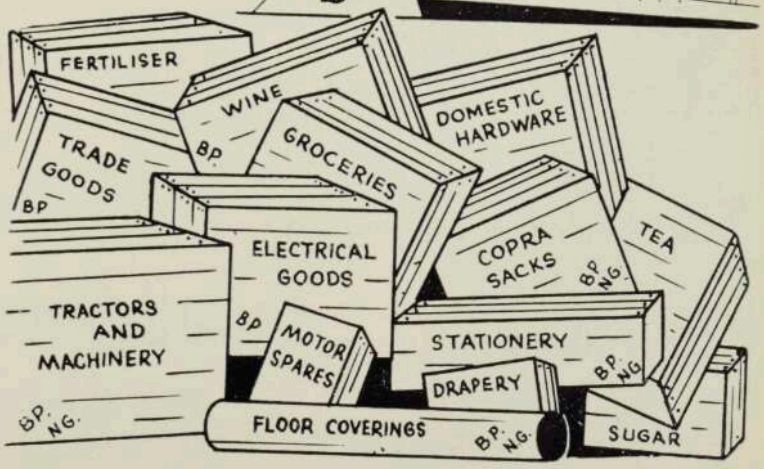
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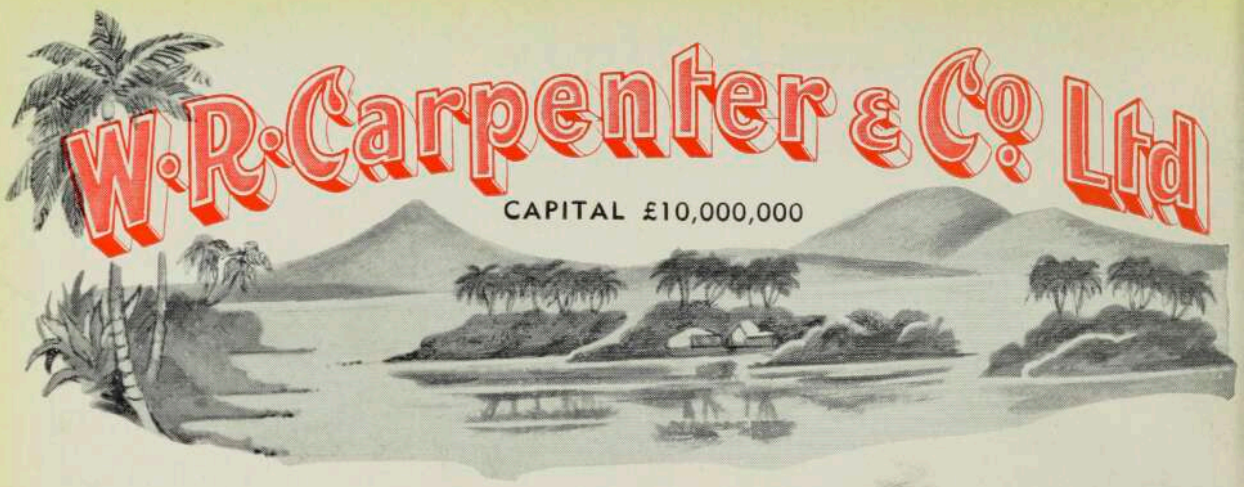




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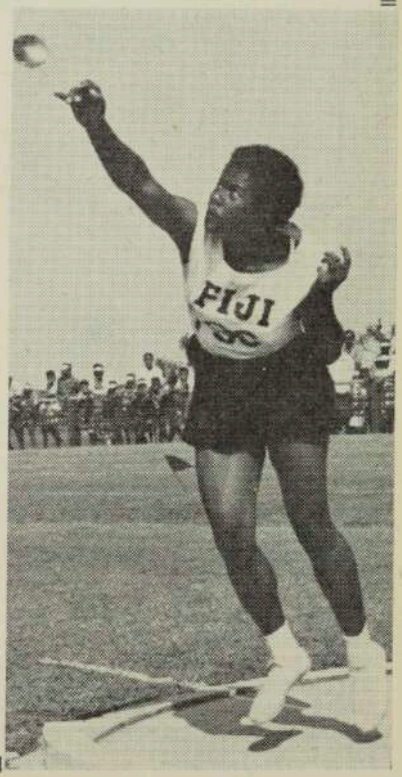
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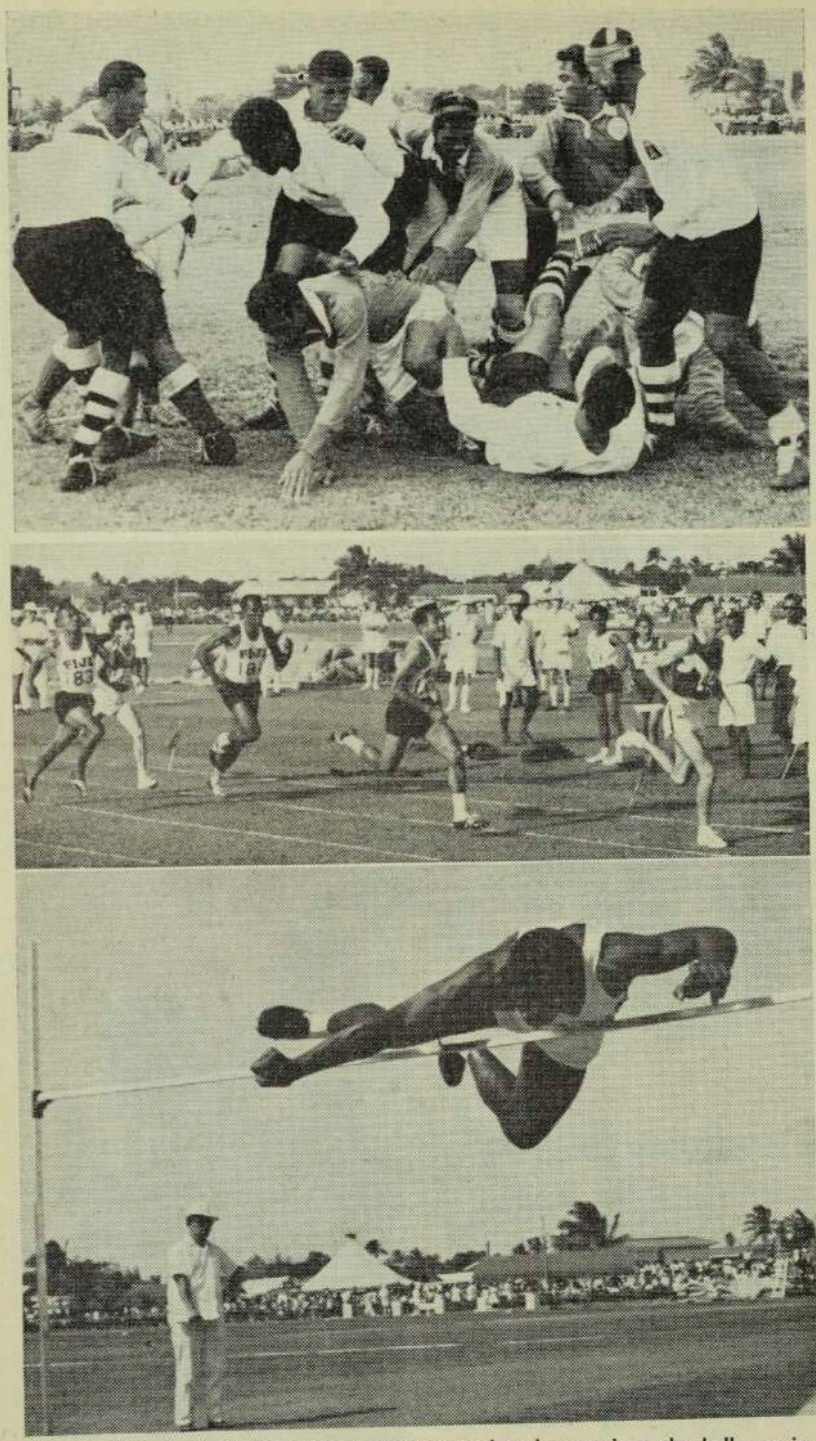
Sixteen-year-old French Polynesian hurdler Helene Sarciaux (left) and Fiji's Merewai Turukawa (shot put) won the first gold medals for their teams. Merewai's was the first awarded at the Games.—Photos: Stan Whippy (left) and Rob Wright.



FIRST SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES,

SUVA, FIJI,

AUGUST 29 — SEPTEMBER 7, 1963



THE GAMES IN PICTURES: Nobody (top) seemed to know where the ball was in this incident in the Rugby clash between Western Samoa and Fiji (striped socks) early in the Games. The Fijians won 29-6. The centre picture shows Rabaul schoolteacher M. Joyce (Papua-New Guinea) winning the final of the 800 metres race from S. Naivalurua (Fiji). His time for the event was 2 min. 2.4 sec. Below: P-NG high jumper Edward Laboran wins a gold medal with a leap of 6 ft. 3 in. The next best competitor could only manage 5 ft. 11 in.

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Change In Rules For 1966 Noumea Games

A change in the rules under whic some team sports are played will giv territories a better opportunity t prove their skill at the Second Sout Pacific Games, to be held in Noume in 1966.

THE decision to alter the com petition rules was made at meeting of the South Pacific Game Council, the governing body of th Games series, held in Suva on Sep tember 1.

Delegates told the council tha under the knockout system used i some team events in Suva, terr tories which had paid the cost sending teams thousands of mile were knocked out of the competitio after playing only once.

Papua-New Guinea's table-tenn and soccer teams were among tho defeated in their first matches, a Western Samoa was knocked out the tennis before the Games we officially opened.

A points system would gi defeated teams a chance of a pla ing.

The Council agreed that in futu no team sport would be conduct on a knockout basis.

Residential Qualifications

The Council decided that the re dential qualification of two yea would be retained for the ne Games, but it would apply indigenous as well as expatriate co petitors.

Some territories wanted the re dential qualification reduced to months, other wanted it extended four or five years.

The Council also agreed that ter tories could nominate twice as ma names as were required for tea sports, and thus avoid being sh of players because of last-minu changes beyond their control.

The Council rejected a propo to extend the period between Gam from three years to four years. So delegates said a four-year peri would help avoid clashes betwe Olympic and Commonwealth Gam but the general view was that South Pacific Games should be independently for Pacific peop without consideration for any Gam elsewhere.

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By capturing 34 of the 59 gold medals competed for at the First South Pacific Games, the British Crown Colony of Fiji showed such an overwhelming superiority in sport that she must be considered the main challenger in the Games series for many years to come.

ALTHOUGH other Territories, notably Tonga and the Cooks, chieved better results in some sports proportion to their population nd the size of their teams, Fiji owed it was easily the most effient all-rounder in South Seas ort.

In some sports, particularly field vents and swimming, it performed rilliantly, but in no sports did it erform poorly. This is a strength hich other territories will have to tack systematically if they are to rest supremacy from the Colony.

The change in the rules to allow am games to be played under a oints system in Noumea will help rritories in their attack on Fiji's upremacy.

Also, with the experience of the st Games under their belt, there no doubt that the territories will more anxious to give Fiji a run r its money in 1966 by selecting e best players available.

Many territories at Suva did not ld their best. Some of the best ew Guinea and French Polynesian nnis players did not attend for rsonal reasons. The GEIC tennis am arrived with no women at all d had to borrow some women ing locally to make up a team.

New Caledonian boxers, reputedly od, did not enter because of affiation problems.

Natural Players

Many fine natural players in sevl sports saw for themselves the vantage the big territories had ined by having training facilities, d this is a lesson they took home th them.

New Caledonia's swimming relts, for example, were excellent nsidering that the only pool at oumea is a makeshift one espelly made for Games training. New ledonian officials are now deterned to get some money spent on ining pools, and New Guinea imers, who also lacked competition experience, learned the same lesson.

The Games have stirred up such enthusiasm in all sports that Fiji will never again have such a walkover.

The Games showed that French Polynesia and New Caledonia generally excelled in all ball games, that the Polynesian territories could be expected to make a real showing in the boxing ring, and that Fiji and New Guinea were the main contestants on the athletic field.

Among the many unlucky territories at the Games was Tonga, which was awarded the bronze medal for table tennis after the GEIC team did not show up, but lost it again after it offered to play for it.

The chairman of the technical committee, Mr. C. McCubbery, of P-NG, later described Tonga's action as "one of the finest examples of sportsmanship" he had seen in "long experience with international sport".



FIRST SHOT: The honour of opening the First South Pacific Games went to Cook Islands tennis player Mrs. Nono Tani (left), of Rarotonga. Soon after 9 a.m. on August 29—six hours before the Games were officially opened by the Governor of Fiji—Mrs. Tani served to Sister M. Lam (right), of Western Samoa, in the first heat of the women's singles at Albert Park. Mrs. Tani won 7-5, 7-9, 6-3. "I wasn't nervous when I started off, although I knew this was really the opening stroke in any sport in the Games," she said afterwards. "I felt very lucky that I had the draw." Only about 300 people saw the opening shot, compared with about 8,000 at the official opening at Buckhurst Park in the afternoon.—Photo: Stinsons.

MEDALS SCOREBOARD

Only three of the 13 competing territories—Nauru, Niue and Solomon Islands—failed to gain medals in the first South Pacific Games, but their contingents were among the smallest taking part.

Representation of the 13 territories was: Fiji (nine sports), Papua-New Guinea (seven), New Caledonia and American Samoa (six), French Polynesia, Tonga and Western Samoa (five), Cook Islands, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Nauru, Niue, New Hebrides (three), and Solomons (two).

Medals won by each territory were as follows. The points score shown, which is unofficial, is worked out on the basis of three points for a gold medal, two for a silver and one for a bronze.

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Points
Fiji	34	23	27	175
Papua-New Guinea	9	12	11	62
New Caledonia	7	9	11	50
French Polynesia	4	2	4	20
Tonga	2	4	2	16
Cook Islands	2	3	—	12
American Samoa	1	2	4	11
Western Samoa	—	1	2	4
Gilbert and Ellice Islands	—	1	1	3
New Hebrides	—	1	—	2
	59	58	62	355

Fiji's Women Athletes Boosted Colony's Gold Medal Tally

Fiji's women were easily the most successful athletes at the Games. Their ability pushed Fiji ahead in its gold medal tally, and helped to mask the fact that Fiji's men athletes, particularly in the sprints, could barely hold their own.

FIJI women completely dominated the 100 and 200 metres (winning all six places), took the 100 metres relay, the discus, high jump, javelin, long jump and shot put. They were close on the heels of gold medallists in the 800 metres and 80 metres hurdles.

Among the outstanding Fijian women athletes were Merewai Turukawa and Maca Vakalala, with Turukawa supreme in the field events. She took the women's discus, with a distance which was less than her Fiji record, but which still made her competitors look like amateurs.

In the women's 100 metres, the three Fiji runners among the six competitors looked as if they were running a separate race.

French Polynesia put up the only real opposition to Fiji's women, with young Helene Sarciaux, of Papeete, obviously a real threat at the next Games.

In the women's broad jump, K. L. Kuruvoli had a surprise win, putting up a new Fiji record of 18ft. ¾in., with team mates filling the other two places.

Fiji's men athletes, on the other hand, were generally surpassed by those from New Caledonia and P-NG, with Christian Kaddour, the highly trained New Caledonian, showing his ability as an all-rounder. J Pothin helped to keep the French end up.

P-NG had a few more eggs in the basket than New Caledonia, and was the greatest trouble to Fiji. New Guinea's Bruce Richter was not as big a threat as everybody had expected. The outstanding P-NG runner proved to be Rabaul school teacher Mike Joyce.

Javelin Upset

Oe Ivaharia, of P-NG, caused a local upset by taking the javelin gold medal from Fiji's Viliame Liga, but most New Guinea people had expected this. Edward Laboran (P-NG) also fulfilled predictions by taking the high jump.

But in the discus there could surely be no peer to Fiji's Mesulame Rakuro.

Tonga and the Gilbert and Ellice Islands helped reduce the mighty Fiji's medal hopes in the men's athletics, and it was obvious that this is where the other territories have the best chance of causing damage in Noumea.

No Commonwealth or Olympic records were broken in Suva, although Pothin's 100 metre time of 10.6 secs. was only .4 sec. slower than the 1960 Olympic record

There were few incidents. The most noteworthy was the disqualification of New Caledonia runner J. P. Laifa, after he had romped home a popular winner of the 3,000 metres steeplechase, 24 secs. ahead of the next place-getter, Saulekaleka.

Officials said Laifa had not gone over the water jump correctly. The French protested.

Officials reversed their decision after hearing evidence.

FIJI DESERVED TABLE TENNIS VICTORY

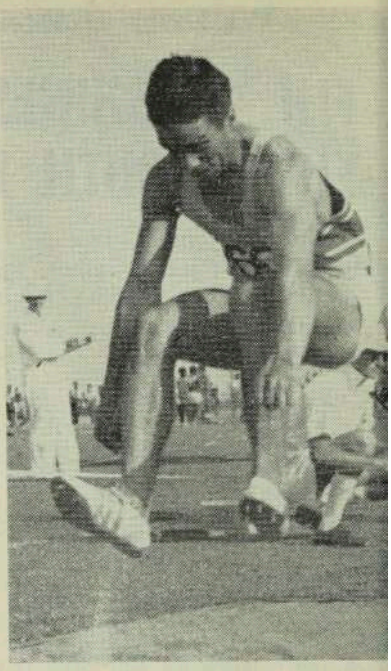
The knock-out system followed in table tennis at the Games brought a number of long faces, but Fiji deserved to win its gold medal nevertheless. Fiji took it from New Caledonia, which thus ended with the silver medal in a 7 to 1 result.

Table tennis, a game requiring tactics and coaching, seems to be a speciality in the more sophisticated areas where players have more time to devote to it.

Both New Caledonia and Fiji had had plenty of experience, with the Chinese well to the fore among team members. The New Caledonian team (which included a 14-year-old girl) didn't play as well as it has in Noumea, but it is doubtful if this affected the result.

The Papua-New Guinea team felt it would have had a showing if the points system had been followed, because it was knocked out after the first game under the existing rules.

The only other competing teams were Niue, GEIC and Tonga.



New Caledonian athlete Christian Kaddou seen here winning the long jump, was or of the most successful competitors at th Games. He won five medals, includin three gold.—Photo: Rob Wright.

Old Rivals Fought Out Rugby Title At Games

Fiji and Tonga found themselv the main opponents in Rugby at th Games—as they have been since 192 when the regular Test series betwee the two territories began.

BUT since Fiji and Western Samo had never before mixed in Test, the Games series was of sp cial interest. Only Fiji, Tonga a Western Samoa competed.

As it happened, Fiji had trouble beating the Samoans, 29 and 42-3, although the Samoans ce tainly earned a reputation f courage.

Tonga showed that although had a good team, it still has to lea to play the ball and not the ma Some of the matches were more li wrestling and boxing displays.

Despite this, the Tongans play intelligent Rugby, with clever passin quick changes of direction and inte sive backing up.

The Fijians have played bett Rugby on their Australian tours, b they deserved their gold medal w at Suva.

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SOUTH SEAS PARADOX

Water, Water Everywhere, But Few Good Swimmers

One of the strangest paradoxes of the Games was that, although the 13 competing Territories are planted in the greatest ocean in the world, they produce very few good swimmers.

NLY four of the 13 territories—Fiji, Papua-New Guinea, New aledonia and American Samoa—ere represented by swimming teams; id at one stage before the Games gan, the organisers seriously con-dered cancelling the swimming ents because of lack of support.

As it was, some of the few nomina-ns had to be withdrawn when the aws were announced because the imers were entered in events ich clashed or nearly clashed.

The swimming card was therefore led out with local events and hibitions to give the paying cus-mers something to watch, and to e a breather to competitors taking rt in several events a night.

Standards generally, were not high probably because some territories ligingly entered anybody likely to im the course.

There were some strange con-quences. In a heat of the 30-lap le event, for example, an American moan was pulled from the water hausted after only eight laps!

On the other hand, 17-year-old ian school girl Winikiti Adi, who rned to swim in a river near her lage and has no style, won a gold dal for Fiji in the 110 yd. women's ckstroke event with a time of 1 min. 27.6 sec. She "amazed" Fiji officials, who had expected the event to go to Mrs. Joan Blyth (also of Fiji). Winikiti followed this gold medal with two others.

The Games' youngest competitor, 13-year-old Joan Herrington, also won three gold medals for Fiji, and a bronze.

One Games official said: "You'd hardly believe that an area that invented the style (the crawl stroke) that is now the basis of world swimming could have slipped so far behind in the sport".

Why, then, are there so few good swimmers in the Islands?

"Happy Splash"

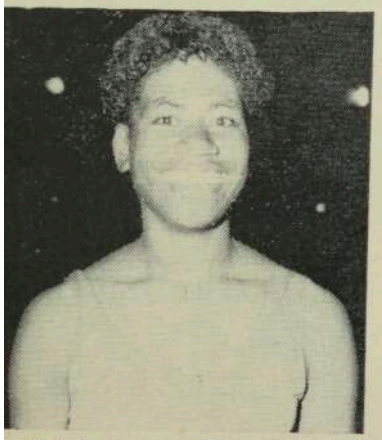
According to Games organisers, it is because:

- Competitive swimming is foreign to the Islanders, who swim at home only for fun or for survival.
- Few islands have swimming pools, and where they do, they are often used only by Europeans.
- Women in the Islands have had less experience than men because, for generations, many have been coy swimmers, unwilling to uncover themselves in the company of men.

In short, South Sea Islands swimming has been traditionally "just one big happy splash". So unless more organised swimming is introduced in the Islands, future Games will be dominated by European swimmers, as this one was.

The value of swimming pools, incidentally, was proved by the wins of two New Guinea natives, T. Jovel and K. Jarope, who took out first and second place in the men's 110 yds. butterfly. Both are privates with the Pacific Islands Regiment and neither had done any real swimming until a few months ago when a new pool was opened at the PIR barracks at Taurama, Port Moresby. They have been using it regularly since.

New Caledonian swimmers would have done better if they had pools.



ikiti Adi, who won three gold medals swimming.—Photo: Gordon Clear.



Carl Bay.
Photo: Stan Whippy.

HE WON FIVE GOLD MEDALS

SUVA-BORN Carl Bay, 18, was the record gold medal winner at the Games—he gained five gold medals for Fiji, all for swimming.

Carl, the son of the Deputy Director of Education in Fiji, was educated at the Suva Grammar School until 1959, and has since been at the Whangarei Boys High School, NZ.

At the age of 10, he started swimming under Auckland coach Paul Krause, who visits Fiji each winter. He has continued regular training under Krause since he has been in New Zealand.

Carl has had plenty of competition—he has swum in the Auckland championships and is senior swimming champion of his school. He hopes to attend university at the end of this year.

Kaddour's Success

Another outstanding medal winner at the Games, and the most successful sportsman for New Caledonia was Christian Kaddour, 20, who won three gold medals, a silver and a bronze for athletics.

New Caledonia-born, he is a laboratory assistant with a Noumea college. For nine months before the Games, he trained in France.

He is young enough to be a real threat to other gold medal hopes at the Noumea Games.

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NEARLY 700 ATHLETES TAKE PART IN FIRST GAMES

Nearly 700 athletes from 13 Territories took part in the South Pacific Games. But Fiji, the host territory, was the only one to field teams in all nine sports on the programme.

PAPUA-NEW GUINEA came next with seven teams, and New Caledonia and American Samoa had six. The Territory with the smallest number of teams was the Solomon Islands. It was represented in only althletics and soccer.

Below is a complete list of the competing athletes and their officials:

AMERICAN SAMOA

Athletics: Men—T. Fa'apouli, V. Meanoa, S. Taleuati, P. Utu, R. Dole, S. Poutoa, P. Gaisoa, R. Niko, P. Laban, T. Vaovasa, T. Alapa, W. Tano'a, P. Mutu jun, T. Taito'a, P. Soliai, S. Sivia jun, M. Ili. Women—T. Sagapolu, T. Ponafala, A. Lutu, A. Hunkin, A. Taleuati, S. Misa, E. McBraun, P. Le'itao, S. Togafau, S. Keki, F. Faga'i. **Volleyball:** T. Fa'apouli, P. Gaisoa, S. Liufau, L. Fiso, F. Nomura, M. Tiumalu, T. Taito'a J. Samia jun, L. Liufau. **Men's Basketball:** P. Gaisoa, L. Fiso, H. Letutu, F. Nomura, M. Tiumalu, F. Buttell, B. Ho Ching, T. Taito'a, R. Nomura, S. Vaka. **Women's Basketball:** L. Fa'agata, F. Emelio, N. Samuelu, F. Unutoa, E. Ross, M. Amito'elau, F. Ripley, N. Samueli, U. Lago'o, L. Suiaunoa.

Tennis: Men—P. Reid jun, O. Hunkin, H. Scanlan, S. Ho Ching, F. Jennings, M. Meredith; Women—T. Sema, L. Suiaunoa. **Boxing:** S. Tinae, J. Scanlan, K. Kuresa jun, F. Stowers, P. Magalei, E. Fonoti, A. Loloaso. **Swimming:** A. Mesi, M. Mapuilefala, F. Apaisa, P. Passi, T. Tarrant, J. Mulitauaopele, F. Tili, M. Passi.

Officials: General team manager, Mr. T. Le'iato; head coach, Mr. J. Samia, Snr.; swimming coach, Mr. W. Otto; assistant swimming coach, Mrs. C. Otto; women's basketball coach, Roslyn Langkilde; tennis coach and assistant basketball coach, Miss Sameme Uperesa; boxing manager and coach, Mr. E. Meredith; assistant boxing coach, Mr. E. Marcus; boxing trainer, Mr. S. Taufeao; volleyball coach, Mr. D. Samia; assistant track coach, Mr. S. Hunter; equipment manager, Mr. J. Sappa; dietician and cook, Mrs. Mary Prichard; liaison officer, Mr. J. Harlan; chaperones, Mrs. P. Le'iato, Mrs. K. Samia, Mrs. S. Lauvao, Mr. A. Lauvao.

COOK ISLANDS

Athletics: Men—K. Henry, T. Tutai, T. Utia, M. Nooau, K. Pupa, T. Aka, T. Tangiia, K. Paiti; Women—M. Puri. **Boxing:** T. George, H. Putoko, P. Marsters, F. Tere, P. Puroto, G. Robati jun. **Tennis:** Men—H. Mataio, M. Ratumu, O. Ru; Women—N. Tani, V. Samuel, P. Koringo.

Officials: Co-general team managers, Messrs. R. Tepuretu, P. F. Henderson; boxing manager, Mr. G. Robati; tennis manager, Mr. S. Sadaraka.

FIJI

Athletics: Men—Sitiveni Moceidreke, Kiniviliame Nalatu, Apisai Nabou, Francis Bower, Drega, Amani Racule, Lasarusa Waqa, Naivalarua Sekove, Jo Navusolo, Sitiveni Rokovesa, Ken Gould, Livai Tuivuya, R. Mitchell, Tevita Kabakoro, Viliame Liga, Mesulame Rakuro, Tawaketini, Samsoni Ratuyawa, Viliame Saulekaleka, G. Southwick, Osea M. Waisake Leweniqila, Seteriki, Nakora Marsiu; Women—Maca Vakalala, Ana Ramacake, E. Phillips, Kalesi, Turukawa, Litia Lotu, M. Woodhouse, Akisi, Laite.

Volleyball: E. H. Maciu, I. N. Moran, M. Vosalevu, I. Vuni, J. May, V. Tui, T. Pulu, G. Vokai, N. Kaviika. **Men's Basketball:** Charlie Ah Sam, George Chung, Kenneth Chung, Keith Fong, Ono Fong, Ronnie Fong, Yameen Fong, Clifford Hot, Tavake Pulu, Wai Quan, Terio Vakatawa, Gordon Yee. Reserves: John Chambers, Alivereti Yaya. **Tennis:** Men—B. Morgan, L. Kadd, P. Power, Rahimzullah, Satayanand; Women—F. Blomfield, A. Lowe, J. Carver, A. Connolly. **Women's Basketball:** Anarieta Vakalala, Lucy Mar, Ruci Koroi, Saniana Davui, Teresa Bingham, Nai Naisa, Ilisapeci Ratu, Nasiki Waqanaceva, Serafina Ravasea, Adi Litia Cakobau.

Table Tennis: Men—Jese Ligairi, Michael Columbus, Karam Chand Ramrakha, Albert Houng Lee, Harry Jarre Mani, Isaac Buksh, Vinod Lal; Women—Betsy Chow, Ulai Otobed, Akisi Naivaluvou. **Swimming:** Men—Carl F. Bay, John D. Griffiths, Patrick Kerrigan, Robert A. Kennedy, J. H. Marlow, C. M. Raddock, Marika Sau, D. R. Wilkinson, Sefanaia Koroi, C. J. Muller; Women—C. S. Anfinson, Anareta Ranadi, Wainikiti Adi, Joan E. Herrington, Joan M. Blyth, M. L. Smith, Weka Raivuni.

Rugby: Josefa Saukuru, S. Cavu, S. Walisoliso, U. Tukana, J. Tabaiwalu, V. Nalio, A. Toga, E. Bola, J. Sokovata, Jope Naucabalavu, Joeli Naucabalavu, N. Ratuveilawa, J. Raikuna, V. Buli, J. Nasova, E. Kuna, P. Rasiosateki, E. Lovodua, S. Daunitutu, S. Tuisese. Standbys: E. Naravu, C. Whippy, A. Nadredre, M. Secake, V. Fonolahi, N. Nabaro, L. Naitini, G. Barley, A. Robe, M. Bola, J. Tabualevu. **Soccer:** P. Kean, L. Savou, V. Lal, M. Samy, C. B. Singh, K. Reddy, J. I. Lal, J. Warner, Yee Gock Sue, S. Nair, D. Simmonds, R. N. Saniivi, R. Narayan, A. Thoman, J. Prasad, Z. Ali, S. Dutta. **Boxing:** M. Mate, J. Roba, K. Nair, S. Qoro, M. Osborne, B. Gurumuthi, L. Naiula, J. Brown, P. Anita, M. Moli, I. Tui, S. Cawa, M. Evans, L. Valelavaki, C. Tuimasi, R. Roko, J. Tukana, M. Delai, P. Kale, V. Dikidikiliti.

Officials: Manager, Captain L. Masi; assistant manager, Mr. M. J. Bay; women's team manager, Mrs. F. Moffett; volleyball manager, Viliame Raikuna; men's basketball coach-manager, Mr. T. Hill; tennis non-playing captain, Mr. D.



Collins; women's basketball mana coach, Miss P. Apted; swimming man Mr. B. Gardner; assistant swim manager and chaperone, Mrs. J. Butler; Rugby manager, Mr. D. W. Br Rugby coach, Mr. P. T. Raddock; s manager, Mr. R. H. Bechan; s coach, Mr. S. M. Singh; boxing man Mr. H. Charman; athletics manager, J. A. Moore; athletics coach, Mr. C Crocker; athletics chaperone, Crocker; table tennis manager, Mr C. Ramrakha; table tennis non-pl captain, Mr. E. March.

FRENCH POLYNESIA

Athletics: Men—R. Favereau, J. Bo J. Golaz, R. Krauser, R. Douce Fuller, C. Tetaria, P. Martin, J. Sa E. Grand, R. Moua, L. Wong, J. M A. Cadoustreau; Women—A. Maly H. Sarciaux, M. Tetuaiva, S. D **Soccer:** A. W. Au, A. R. A. S. Sam Y. Raffin, J. C. T. M. Taurau, Teikivaiani, L. T. Tetainanuarii, Puhia, R. van Sam, T. A. J. M G. C. J. Ateni, C. F. Pai, H. Ma F. Pua, P. Ropiteau, R. J. Ganivet, Tumahai, M. Temaiana, M. Nena Fauura.

Men's Basketball: R. Hart, P. Kin J. Bonno, J. Tetutaata, J. Marias J. B. Bonnet, C. Thunot, H. Mari S. Hargous, W. van Bastoler. T Men—P. Robinet, R. Casson; Wo M. Quesnot, O. Laharrague. Volle P. Teuria, H. Ratia, L. Tetuanu Tetuanui, R. Tetuanui, F. Turi Nicolai, J. Proust.

Officials: Chef de Mission, Dr. Cassiau; chaperone, Mme. R. Ca general team manager, Mr. G. C women's coach, Mrs. C. Catros; athletics coach, Mr. G. Artig women's athletics trainer, Miss Artig football coach, Mr. R. Maoni; coach, Mr. J. Arapari; volleyball Mr. A. Mottet.

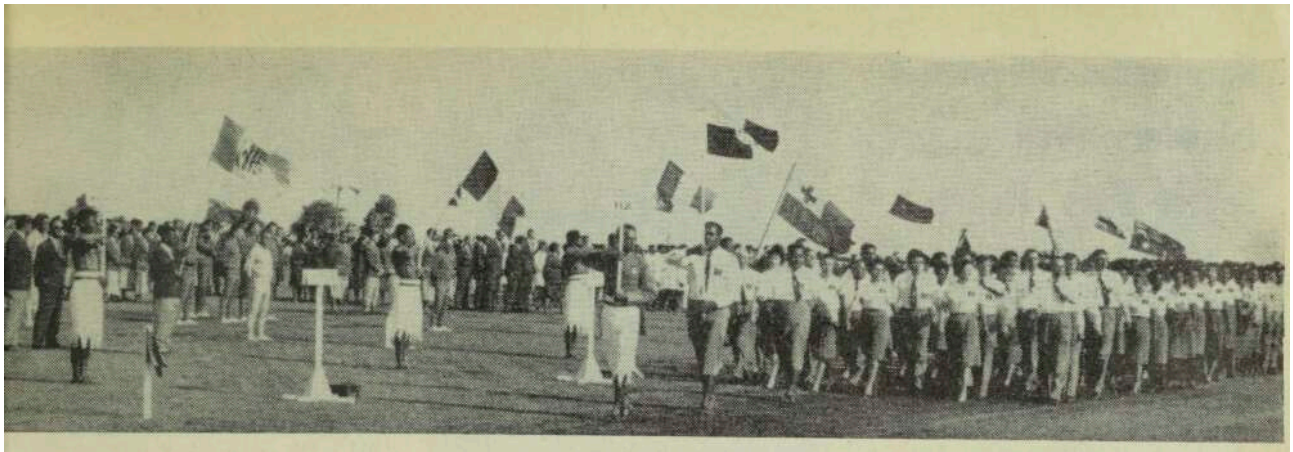
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GILBERT AND ELLIC

Athletics: Men—L. Pasefika, N. P T. Mafoa, A. F. Tatireta, K. Raba T. Mango. **Tennis:** Men—W. Tara Tiaon; Women—T. Pasifika, T. M **Table Tennis:** Men—W. Tarawa, T. K. Malua, L. Lomeko; Women—T. Pa T. Maerere.

Manager: Mr. R. Morgan Morris.

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● The colourful scene at Buckhurst Park, Suva, at the start of the First South Pacific Games.—Photo: Stan Whippy.

NAURU

thletics: Men—P. Ribauw, G. Joram, Akeiyamwan. **Men's Basketball:** P. , F. Smith, A. Itsimaera, L. Wah, . Uera, Ualese, Karanise, E. Reweru. **nis:** Men—M. Adam, L. Grundler; nen—Mrs. J. Moses, Mrs. C. Daniel. **anager:** Mr. T. Moses.

NEW CALEDONIA

thletics: Men—J. Pothin, A. Areski, Kaddour, A. Yekawene, P. Piepe, A. uni, E. Humuni, J. P. Laifa, N. a, A. Tokawa, P. Wakalina, M. Bone, ulot, P. Toruafe, M. Penissio, Hmeun, es, Vittori, A. Bernut; Women—D. , G. Bigourd. **ccer:** E. Waitronyi, C. Benjamin, ue Paoutar, H. Akougny, M. Kanyan, Delmas, J. P. Nahiet, B. Gouapana, Hmaen, R. Prevost, J. Misra, J. P. enes, J. C. Benebig, D. Cacot, C. et, R. Poaririaiwa, J. Nippy, C. senya, P. Zeoula, W. Pawiro. **Men's tball:** J. Taurua, J. Clavel, J. P. gin, D. Giozzi, A. Tahuhuterani, P. ya, G. Gaveau, C. Bone, E. Blanc, Chung. **nnis:** Men—G. L. M. Berge, G. J. el, M. D. Mornaghini, B. M. J. A. es, J. L. M. M. Begaud; Women— M. M. Morault, N. M. M. T. Sauvan, M. M. Porcheron, J. R. M. Nawa. **ming:** Men—J. C. Legras, F. Caillatd, Postal, J. Y. Namelin, J. Bouye, M. rgie, J. Duffayet, J. Douapere. **e Tennis:** Men—J. N. Brecard, R. ; Women—M. C. Noda, J. N. Guyen Gai. **ficials:** Chef de Mission, Mr. N. M. and Mr. A. Drovet; basketball h-manager, Mr. E. Porcheron; soccer h, Mr. P. Essioux; swimming coach- ager, Mr. C. Bastoggt; athletics h-manager, Mr. G. Robert; athletics h, Mr. J. M. Sourbier; soccer coach, G. Elmour; soccer manager, Mr. ouques.

REPRESENTED

NEW HEBRIDES

hletics: Men—J. Tavituel, K. Nial, mes, P. Kaipau, Ronnie, Yuen, Lisal, aewo, W. Jack, A. Bell, J. Kalsal. **r:** Taoun, M. Prevot, Johnsen, A. ie, R. Valette, Massou, Johnny, H. el, J. Sabian, Kalbeo, Tomoi, Fali, n. **Tennis:** Men—R. G. de Gaillande, iles; Women— D. Vallette, S. Galinie. **nager:** Mr. D. Williams.

NIUE

Athletics: Men—C. F. Hukui, L. Limatoa, F. Head. **Women's Basketball:** T. L. W. Naepi, T. R. Asekona, M. Jackson, N. Faniu, S. Sauni, M. Tafatu Morris, L. S. L. Fanovaha, V. Ikihele, M. F. Richmond Rex. **Table Tennis:** Men—Kuripitoni, R. Jackson.

Officials: General team manager, Mr. R. R. Rex; chaperone, Mrs. D. M. Milne; basketball coach, Mrs. N. E. Bates.

PAPUA-NEW GUINEA

Athletics: Men—B. I. Richter, J. Vuia, Tonga Sale, W. Maina, C. Harrison, P. Tavip, K. Vela, M. Joyce, Malatana, E. Laboran, T. Abai, R. Bola, P. Hiob, O. Ivaharia, M. Muga; Women—L. Ellison, I. Haro, K. Kapa.

Soccer: E. M. Clark, A. Dedda, A. Suebu, M. Nicholas, Sokaro Sokaro, W. Pala, Giwambe Ruben, Nabung Bingano, Kawi Kaufe, Buko Nobanu, W. Walo, J. Amus, H. Voelkel.

Men's Basketball: P. Hiob, J. Chui, M. Hilton, J. Labi, L. Ning, M. Tovae, J. Seeto, C. Yip, M. Heist. **Women's Basketball:** K. Kapa, J. Abijah, V. Raula, P. Flaherty, L. Allen, L. Tau, E. Kila, Idau, Taunau Morea, R. Flynn. **Boxing:** M. Julius, T. Hopkins, A. Tomaira, P. Nelson, K. Hopkins, L. Hui.

Tennis: Men—A. Marks, N. K. Brown, L. G. Davis; Women—B. I. A. Bretag, M. V. Smith, C. J. Walter. **Swimming:** Men—J. Hardy, T. C. Jovel, B. Selan, K. Jarope, P. Kangon; Women—J. Finn, S. Matthews, A. Cronan. **Table Tennis:** Men—J. O'Donohue, R. Nash, O. J. Stranger; Women—V. Mitchell, D. I. Dent, J. C. Griffin.

Officials: Team manager, Mr. C. P. McCubbery; assistant team manager, Mr. R. A. Johnstone; athletics manager, Mr. D. Barrett; women's athletics chaperone, Mrs. Joan Hardy; boxing manager, Mr. R. Taylor; boxing coach, Mr. B. Cook; swimming manager, Mr. K. Atkinson; soccer manager, J. T. Amos; soccer coach, J. Mooney; basketball trainer coach, M. Heist; women's basketball trainer coach, Mrs. R. Flynn; assistant trainer athletics, Mr. N. Neda; assistant trainer basketball, Mr. Gare Kamea.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

Athletics: Men—P. Walakwata, W. Ningalo, W. Pala, S. Fafale, M. Walerefoa, E. Anderson, J. Sogabula, S. Waura, S. Olistation. **Soccer:** B. Feni, P. Bopali, J. Buare, J. Joshua, B. Konare, J. Mabuluo, M. Natei, A. Palusi, C. Rafiasi, D. Samani, E. Sunaone, V. Teronisau, D. Vabo, L. Johnson.

Officials: Team manager, Mr. S. Dakei; medical officer, C. Volumiu; soccer player manager, Mr. J. G. Taylor; athletics manager, Mr. Ian Fraser.

TONGA

Athletics: Men—P. Likiliki, S. Tu'ifangaloka, K. Pale, A. Latu, S. Latu, K. K. Pulotu. **Boxing:** K. Katoa, M. Kautau, S. Faingata'a, T. V. Tuineau, L. Sonasi. **Tennis:** Men—V. H. Salakielu, P. K. Naufahu, N. Fa'ulua, L. Kafa; Women—R. Johansson, J. H. Robertson, D. Brown, A. Fakalata.

Table Tennis: Men—S. Palelei, P. K. Naufahu, F. Leger, S. Latu; Women—R. Johansson, J. H. Robertson, D. Brown, A. Fakalata. **Rugby:** I. Vaka'uta, T. Sime, L. Mafi, U. Palavi, S. Ula, P. Fakaua, T. Tatafu, M. Kefu, P. Fa'apoi, P. Ma'afu, S. Selupe, N. Kalaniuvalu, L. Tu'itavake, L. Mailangi, K. Moala, S. Vunipola, S. M. Manoa, F. Moala, U. Latukefu, S. Tavo, K. K. Pulotu.

Officials: Team manager, Mr. S. H. Brown; athletics manager, Mr. S. S. Taliai; boxing manager, Mr. R. J. O'Brien; tennis player manager, Mr. S. Palelei; medical officer and Rugby manager, Mr. S. Fonua.

WESTERN SAMOA

Athletics: Men—K. Su'a, I. Ai'atele, L. Schwalger, M. Pe'a, I. Su'a Mene, I. Fa'atonu, M. Taoipu; Women—D. Rasmussen, G. Talauta, M. Ele, A. Ah Kiona, V. Leaoa, A. Carter.

Men's Basketball: M. Pe'a, L. Lesa, T. Lauina, E. Tapusoa, L. Pogai, S. Masiasomula, J. Stehlin, A. Ili, L. Te'o, L. Pauga. **Women's Basketball:** A. Carter, S. Saemanutafa, E. Kerslake, P. Leo, G. Rasmussen, G. Fepulea'i, L. Maeata'anoa, L. Salanoa, G. F. Pa'u.

Volleyball: L. Lesa, T. Lauina, E. Tapusoa, P. Pogai, S. Masiasomula, K. Stehlin, A. Ili, L. Te'o, L. Pauga. **Tennis:** Men—G. Keil, M. Westerlund, T. Le'upolo; Women—R. Sofara, M. S. Lam, N. Rasmussen.

Rugby: A. Tunupopo, E. Feagai, P. Si'u, L. Sagaga, V. Tuatagaloa, S. Feagai, V. Toleafoa, M. Mailei, T. Tualau, F. Asi, M. Lome, L. Liaina, F. Lima, S. Perez, F .Fa'asau, J. Meredith, N. Petaia, A. Liaina, P. Fa'alogo, I. Tualaulelei, H. Kruse, K. Tuatagaloa.

Officials: Team manager, Mr. H. A. Levestam; athletics manager, Mr. R. Batchelor; men's basketball manager, Mr. D. Skinner; men's basketball coach, Mr. C. Nielson; women's basketball manager, Mrs. E. Sofara; Rugby manager, Mr. A. Hunter; volleyball manager, Mr. V. A. Ah Ching; volleyball player-coach, Mr. E. Kamauoha.

Barefooted Solomon Islanders Won Soccer Fans' Hearts

Although the French territories and Fiji dominated Games soccer, the barefoot Solomon Islanders won the popularity poll.

THE Solomon Islanders never wear boots at home and refused to wear them in Fiji, even though team officials had spent £70 of their meagre funds on boots for them soon after arriving in Fiji.

The Solomon Islanders practised in them for a time, and then announced they were "no good".

Team officials implored them in vain to wear them in their first match against the booted New Hebrides team because the ground was muddy and spikes were needed for grip.

When the New Hebrideans took to the field the Solomon Islanders were terrified of their boots, and virtually stood off while the New Hebrides quickly scored two goals to nil.

"No Fight Now"

Then a Solomon Islander was well and truly trodden on by some opposition boots, and discovering to his surprise that it didn't hurt much, he shouted to his mates, "No matter long boots. Me feller no fright now!"—and the game was on!

The result: Solomons 6, New Hebrides 3, with the crowd cheering themselves hoarse for the barefoot wonders.

New Caledonia started the series as favourites, with French Polynesia next.

Certainly with their Continental style and superb goalkeepers they showed themselves to be the finest South Pacific exponents.

By the luck of the draw the two French teams had to fight out the semi-finals, New Caledonia won 2 to 1 after extra time was allowed to separate them.

Afterwards, the French Polynesian goalkeeper publicly wept at the pity of it all, as well he might.

The Fiji team, which fought out the final with New Caledonia, was dominated by Lautoka players who had picked up a lot of style recently from a visiting German team.

New Caledonia won.



HE STARTED IT ALL: Dr. A. H. Sahu Kahn, a Fiji-born Indian resident of Fiji, was the man mainly responsible for getting the South Pacific Games started At the South Pacific Conference in Rabaul in 1959, he suggested that an inter-territory sports tournament held every few years would overcome insularity in the Pacific. The Rabaul conference unanimously accepted Dr. Sahu Khan's proposal, and plans for the Suva Games were drawn up at a conference of Islands sporting officials in Noumea in 1961. Dr. Sahu Khan was among the official guests in Suva.

Polynesians Excel At Ball Games

French Polynesia and American Samoa dominated the men's basketball at the Games, with a standard that had not previously been seen in Fiji.

AMERICAN Samoa started favourites but the French Polynesians — virtually all local-born Tahitians—were the better team as a team, first-class in all departments. The Americans played a more robust style, but they and the French Polynesians had one advantage—big players.

New Caledonia had little success at any time, New Guinea and Nauru were crowd pleasing, especially the Nauruans. F. Smith, for Nauru, was a prolific scorer, averaged 30 baskets a game. Fiji and Western Samoa also competed.

The results seemed to indicate that men's basketball will continue to be dominated by the eastern Polynesians.

In women's basketball, American Samoa's team did not shine like the men's. Fiji and Western Samoa were well above the general run of skill. Other teams were P-NG (bronze medal winners) and Niue.

Since the points system was followed, the results were regarded as indicative of the general standard of basketball in the Pacific.

Volleyball

Volleyball is a popular Polynesian sport, often played in the villages with a fishing net strung between palm trees. As expected, French Polynesia and American Samoa dominated it. Fiji and Western Samoa were the only other teams competing.

LESSONS FOR ALL COMERS IN GAMES BOXING

Games boxing proved to be battle between stamina and science with lessons for exponents of either method.

FIJI and New Guinea boxers showed more science, and had better knowledge of the rules, but American Samoa, the Cooks and Tonga put men in the ring who were physically stronger and who sometimes punched their way to victory. Tonga, particularly, relied on hard punching.

Fiji and P-NG would do better to concentrate on stamina training for the next Games and the Polynesian countries should concentrate on science.

American Samoa won its only gold medal at the Games for boxing, and the Cook Islanders captured their only two gold medals for the same sport.

The Cook Islands boxing team of six gained four medals—an outstanding effort. They may have gained another gold medal if Puruto had not injured his thumb in the semi-finals and forfeited the final to Fi

New Caledonia was not represented at the Suva Games for technical reasons which are not likely to recur at the Noumea Games, so the French must be considered when estimating chances for 1966.

Surprisingly, there was no heavyweight title bout, because only F entered in this division.

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TEAMWORK SECRET OF GAMES TENNIS

A strong team combination won he tennis gold medal for Fiji, although some other territories, notbly the French teams, played more rilliantly.

R. CAISSON, 20, of French Polynesia, although put out in the rst match, was a remarkably fine layer. Palelei, of Tonga, was mazingly fast on the court.

Mrs. Nono Tani, of the Cooks, lways looked good, but the Cook slanders were not sophisticated layers because of lack of competion. Some had never played with fficials or umpires before and there as much foot faulting.

Women, particularly, suffered from he lack of competition in many lands.

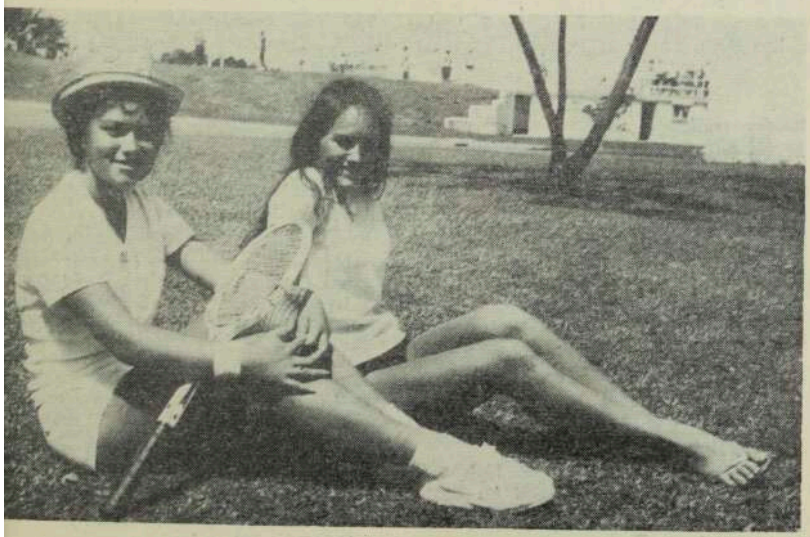
The series proved that the standard f tennis is higher in territories ith the biggest transient European opulations.

Papua-New Guinea would have ade a better showing if its team embers had had more experience gether. This was the strength of e Fijian players.

A notable feature of the tennis as that many players were well ove the usual age in championships this kind (one was 52), so territies which sent young players will ap the benefit at the Noumea Games 1966. Only Niue and the BSIP d not send tennis teams.



THRILLS: Women's basketball was one of the most eagerly followed of the spectator sports at the Games, with big crowds on all days. Strongest teams were from Fiji and Western Samoa, here seen in action. A Samoan player has the ball. One of the most popular teams was the one from Niue, which won no medals but plenty of acclaim for happy team spirit and sportsmanship.—Photo: Stan Whippy.



TAHITIAN BELLES: Olga Laharragua, 16 (tennis), and Annick Malyoisin, 15 athletics), both of French Polynesia, take a breather after practice. Annick was the youngest competitor from her territory.—Photo: Stan Whippy.

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They Chose Teams With Eye To Future

It was no accident that the French Polynesian contingent had the biggest proportion of young competitors at the Games. The French planned it that way after deciding that the real value of the Games was as a training ground for youngsters who could reach top form next time, or the time after that. The big team from American Samoa (99, including 22 officials) also had the same idea.

MOST of the girls in the French Polynesian team were lithe 16-year-olds, and many of the boys were only a little older.

Said the leader of the French Polynesian contingent, pleasant Dr. Pierre Cassiau:

"The enthusiasm for sport in French Polynesia, encouraged by the Games, has been astonishing—it's a real fever—and I would like to see the Games held every two years, and give all the youngsters a chance.

"We French know we can play basketball and soccer, but in Tahiti we have been realising as a result of the Games that we can produce athletes, too.

"Charles Tetaria, at 16, and after a month's training, reached international class in Tahiti.

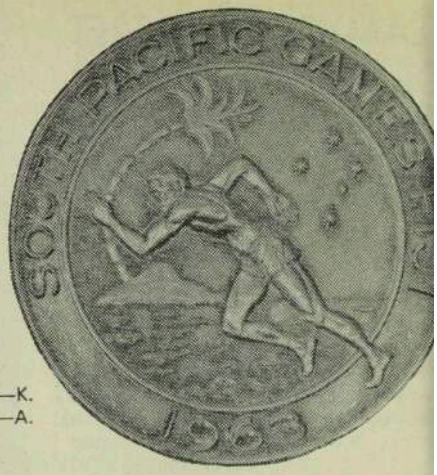
"Experience is what he wants, and so do others who can't be expected to shine right now.

"But it doesn't matter that they don't shine right away, so long as they get their opportunity. And it's good fun all round for everybody."

Despite the French youngsters, the French didn't hold the record for youngest competitor. This went to Fiji, with 13-year-old swimmer Joan Herrington.

179 MEDALS AWARDED AT GAMES: COMPLETE DETAILS

A total of 59 gold, 58 silver and 62 bronze medals were awarded at the First South Pacific Games. Below is a complete list of the medal winners, plus official statistics in the athletics and swimming events.



Men's Athletics

100 Metres:
1—J. Pothin (NC), 10.6s. 2—K. N. Kaiyala (Fiji), 10.9s. 3—C. Kaddour (NC), 11.1s.

200 Metres:
1—C. Kaddour (NC), 22.3s. 2—A. Nabou (Fiji), 22.4s. 3—B. Richter (P-NG), 22.6s.

400 Metres:
1—C. Harrison (P-NG), 49.7s. 2—W. Maina (P-NG), 49.9s. 3—A. D. Racule (Fiji), 50.4s.

800 Metres:
1—M. Joyce (P-NG), 2m. 2.4s. 2—S. Naivalurua (Fiji), 2m. 2.7s. 3—S. Rokovesa (Fiji), 2m. 3s.

1,500 Metres:
1—S. Tuifangaloka (Tonga), 4m. 23.4s. 2—M. Joyce (P-NG), 4m. 25s. 3—S. Rokovesa (Fiji), 4m. 25.4s.

5,000 Metres:
1—M. Joyce (P-NG), 17m. 16.6s. 2—K. Pupa (Cooks), 17m. 28.6s. 3—K. S. Gould (Fiji), 17m. 28.8s.

10,000 Metres:
1—V. Saulekaleka (Fiji), 36m. 39.8s. 2—T. Mango (GEIC), 36m. 46.2s. 3—K. S. Gould (Fiji), 37m. 7.8s.

110 Metres Hurdles:
1—C. Tetaria (FrP), 15.6s. 2—K. Pale (Tonga), 16.2s. 3—R. Mitchell (Fiji), 17.1s.

400 Metres Hurdles:
1—O. Malamala (Fiji), 59.5s. 2—G. Southwick (Fiji), 59.7s. 3—P. Martin (FrP), 60.9s.

3,000 Metres Steeplechase:
1—J. P. Laifa (NC), 10m. 23.8s. 2—V. Saulekaleka (Fiji), 10m. 47s. 3—S. Ratuyawa (Fiji), 11m. 14s.

4 x 100 Metres Relay:
1—P-NG (B. Richter, J. Vuia, Sale, M. Muga), 42.8s. 2—NC (A. Areski, C. Kaddour, Hineun, J. Pothin), 43.1s. 3—Fiji (S. Moceidreke, K. N. Raiyala, A. Nabou, F. Bower), 43.3s.

4 x 400 Metres Relay:
1—P-NG (C. Harrison, W. Maina, B. Richter, K. Vela), 3m. 24.3s. 2—Fiji (A. Racule, L. Waqa, J. Navusolo, O. Malamala), 3m. 26.1s. 3—NC (A. Humuni, A. Piepe, A. Yakawene, Vittori), 3m. 31.4s.

Discus:
1—M. Rakuro (Fiji), 161 ft. 11 in. 2—K. Vatanimotu (Fiji), 130 ft. 6 in. 3—A. Hulot (NC), 126 ft. 1 in.

Hight Jump:
1—E. Laboran (P-NG), 6 ft. 3 in. 2—T. Kabakoro (Fiji), 5 ft. 11 in. 3—N. Passa (NC), 5 ft. 11 in.

Hop, Step, Jump:
1—C. Kaddour (NC), 46 ft. 8¼ in. 2—T. Kabakoro (Fiji), 46 ft. 1 in. 3—S. Latu (Tonga), 43 ft. 10½ in.

Javelin:
1—O. Ivaharia (P-NG), 203 ft. 8 in. 2—M. Penissio (NC), 196 ft. 5½ in. 3—V. Liga (Fiji), 195 ft. 10½ in.

Long Jump:
1—C. Kaddour (NC), 22 ft. 11 in. 2—J. Pothin (NC), 21 ft. 6¼ in. 3—C. Tetaria (FrP), 21 ft. 4¼ in.

Pole Vault:
1—A. Latu (Tonga), 11 ft. 6 in. 2—J. Waewo (NH), 11 ft. 6 in. 3—Malatana (P-NG), 11 ft. 3 in.

Shot Put:
1—M. Rakuro (Fiji), 47 ft. 6½ in. 2—A. Tokawa (NC), 45 ft. 7 in. 3—P. Wakalina (NC), 44 ft. 2¾ in.

Boxing

Bantamweight:
1—M. Julius (P-NG). 2—K. Nair (Fiji). 3—S. Qoro (Fiji).

Featherweight:
1—T. George (Cooks). 2—P. Gurumuthi (Fiji). 3—S. Tinae (AmS) and M. Osborne (Fiji).

Lightweight:
1—J. Brown (Fiji). 2—K. Katoa (Tonga). 3—T. P. Hopkins (P-NG).

Light-welterweight:
1—J. Scanlan (AmS). 2—P. Aniti (Fiji). 3—A. Tomaira (P-NG) and M. Moli (Fiji).

Welterweight:
1—P. Marsters (Cooks). 2—P. Nelson (P-NG). 3—S. Cawa (Fiji) and M. Kautau (Tonga).

Light-middleweight:
1—M. Evans (Fiji). 2—T. Tuineau (Tonga). 3—K. Hopkins (P-NG) and T. Ponapa (AmS).

Middleweight:
1—R. Roko (Fiji). 2—P. Puruto (Cook 3—L. Hui (P-NG) and E. Fonoti (Am Roko by forfeit.

Light-heavyweight:
1—J. Tukana (Fiji). 2—G. Robati (Cook 3—A. Loloasa (AmS) and M. Delai (Fi

Men's Swimming

110 Yds. Backstroke:
1—C. M. Raddock (Fiji), 1m. 15.8s. 2 P. Postal (NC), 1m. 18.8s. 3—M. S (Fiji), 1m. 20.3s.

110 Yds. Butterfly:
1—T. Jovel (P-NG), 1m. 16.4s. 2—Jarope (P-NG), 1m. 26.9s. 3—P. Pos (NC), 1m. 29s.

110 Yds. Freestyle:
1—C. F. Bay (Fiji), 1m. 2.2s. 2—J. Griffiths (Fiji), 1m. 3.8s. 3—P. Kerrig (Fiji), 1m. 4.2s.

220 Yds. Breaststroke:
1—S. Koroi (Fiji), 3 m. 13.4s. 2—Kangon (P-NG), 3m. 18.8s. 3—J. Do pere (NC), 3m. 27.5s.

440 Yds. Freestyle:
1—C. F. Bay (Fiji), 5m. 23.4s. 2—J. Griffiths (Fiji), 5m. 25.3s. 3—J. Mamelin (NC), 5m. 37s.

440 Yds. Medley Relay:
1—Fiji (C. M. Raddock, C. F. Bay, Koroi, J. D. Griffiths), 5m. 16.2s. 2—NG (J. Hardy, B. Selan, P. Kangon, Jarope), 5m. 19.7s. 3—NC (J. Bou J. Duffayet, P. Postal, J. C. Legr 5m. 28.7s.

4 x 110 Yds. Freestyle Relay:
1—Fiji (P. Kerrigan, C. J. Muller, J. Griffiths, C. F. Bay), 4m. 21.6s. 2—(J. C. Legras, F. Caillard, P. Postal, Y. Mamelin), 4m. 31.4s. 3—P-NG Hardy, T. Jovel, B. Selan, K. Jaro 4m. 34.4s.

1,650 Yds. Freestyle:
1—C. F. Bay (Fiji), 21m. 36.4s. 2—Mamelin (NC), 22m. 38.6s. 3—Caillard (NC), 22m. 57.4s.

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Men's Team Sports

sketball:
—FrP. 2—AmS. 3—P-NG. Decided on points.

gby:
—Fiji. 2—Tonga. 3—WS.

ccer:
—NC. 2—Fiji. 3—FrP.

lleyball:
—FrP. 2—AmS. 3—Fiji. Decided on points.

Mixed Team Sports

ble Tennis:
—Fiji. 2—NC. 3—GEIC. On a knock-out basis.

nnis:
—Fiji. 2—NC. 3—P-NG. On knockout.

Women's Athletics

0 Metres:
—A. Ramacake (Fiji), 12.2s. 2—M. Vakalala (Fiji), 12.3s. 3—E. A. Phillips (Fiji), 12.5s.

0 Metres:
—M. Vakalala (Fiji), 26.3s. 2—A. Ramacake (Fiji), 26.4s. 3—E. A. Phillips (Fiji), 26.7s.

0 Metres:
—G. Bigourd (NC), 2m. 28s. 2—L. L. Lotu (Fiji), 2m. 33s. 3—A. Serukalou (Fiji) (no time recorded).

Metres Hurdles:
—H. Sarciaux (FrP), 12.8s. 2—E. A. Phillips (Fiji), 13.1s. 3—A. Ramacake (Fiji), 13.7s.

x 100 Metres Relay:
—Fiji (M. Vakalala, A. Ramacake, E. A. Phillips, K. L. Kuruvoli), 50s. Western Samoa and American Samoa, who followed in that order, were disqualified. Appeal pending at Games end.

scus:
—M. Turukawa (Fiji), 117 ft. 1½ in. 2—S. David (FrP), 109 ft. ½ in. 3—D. Tanc (NC), 98 ft. 2¾ in.

gh Jump:
—M. Woodhouse (Fiji), 4 ft. 10 in. 2—E. A. Phillips (Fiji), 4 ft. 9 in. 3—H. Sarciaux (FrP), 4 ft. 7 in.

velin:
—M. Turukawa (Fiji), 120 ft. ½ in. 2—I. Haro (P-NG), 105 ft. 2 in. 3—L. Nadumu (Fiji), 104 ft. 2 in.

ng Jump:
—K. L. Kuruvoli (Fiji), 18 ft. ¾ in. 2—A. Ramacake (Fiji), 17 ft. 9½ in. 3—M. Vakalala (Fiji), 15 ft. 8¼ in.

ot Put:
—M. Turukawa (Fiji), 37 ft. 7 in. 2—M. Tetuaira (FrP), 33 ft. 2 in. 3—V. Pua (WS), 32 ft. 8¾ in.

Women's Team Sports

sketball:
—Fiji. 2—WS. 3—P-NG. Decided on points.

Anthems, Flags And Emblems Provided Some Odd Mix-Ups

There were some divergent views on protocol surrounding national anthems, flags and emblems at the First South Pacific Games.

THE organisers had planned that the 13 territories competing would bring identifying emblems instead of national flags, and provide identifying tunes instead of national anthems to be played during presentation of gold medals on the official dais.

But some territories misunderstood, some forgot, some said they never had the position explained to them in the first place, and some insisted on going their own way, anyhow.

President de Gaulle himself laid it down that the French Polynesian and New Caledonian teams would have the French Tricolor as their identifying flag at the Games and that *La Marseillaise* would be played on the victory dais without fail.

Both French teams brought small pennants from sporting bodies, but these flew beneath the large Tricolors on the stand.

America Samoa flew the Stars and Stripes during the Games, though it has a territorial flag of its own.

Its victory tune was a rendition of the United States anthem by a Samoan choir.

Independent Western Samoa brought its own flag and its own anthem; Tonga brought its own flag but used a martial arrangement composed by Queen Salote as its identifying tune.

Nauru, which is administered by Australia on behalf of the trusteeship Powers of Australia, NZ and the UK, brought only one flag—the Australian flag.

Niue brought the New Zealand flag, but had a tune of its own, its local anthem, *Ko e Iki he lagi*, which is often heard in Niue, but it wasn't given the opportunity to play it.

None of the British territories played the British anthem or displayed the Union Jack. Fiji and New Guinea, whose victory tunes were heard most frequently, both had special identifying banners and special tunes.

The British-French Condominium of the New Hebrides got over its flag problem by designing a special symbol which was half the French flag and half the British.

Women's Swimming

110 Yds. Breaststroke:
1—M. L. Smith (Fiji), 1 m. 39.6s. 2—W. Raivuni (Fiji), 1m. 40.7s. 3—J. E. Herrington (Fiji), 1m. 41.2s.

110 Yds. Backstroke:
1—W. Adi (Fiji), 1m. 27.6s. 2—J. Finn (P-NG), 1m. 31.5s. 3—J. M. Blyth (Fiji), 1m. 31.9s.

110 Yds. Freestyle:
1—A. Ranadi (Fiji), 1m. 13.9s. 2—S. Matthews (P-NG), 1m. 16s. 3—C. S. Anfinson (Fiji), 1m. 16.8s.

220 Yds. Breaststroke:
1—J. Herrington (Fiji), 3m. 33.8s. 2—M. L. Smith (Fiji), 3m. 37.3s. 3—P. Mae (P-NG), 3m. 45.0s.

440 Yds. Freestyle:
1—J. E. Herrington (Fiji), 6m. 1s. 2—S. Matthews (P-NG), 6m. 5.3s. 3—C. S. Anfinson (Fiji), 6m. 16.6s.

3 x 110 Yds. Medley Relay:
1—Fiji (W. Adi, M. L. Smith, A. Ranadi), 4m. 20.7s. 2—P-NG (J. Finn, S. Matthews, P. Rae), 4m. 34s. Only two teams competed.

4 x 110 Yds. Freestyle Relay:
1—Fiji (W. Adi, C. S. Anfinson, J. E. Herrington, A. Ranadi), 5m. 17.4s. 2—P-NG (J. Finn, S. Matthews, P. Rae, A. Cronan), 5m. 20.3s. Only two teams competed.

French Protest

The only official incident over protocol was when the French protested that *La Marseillaise* had been mutilated by being chopped off short, although Tonga's contribution had been allowed its full length.

The French were probably about the only realists there, nationally speaking. Their delegates made it clear that they thought all territories should be playing their own anthems and flying their own flags—and be proud of it. They made no apologies for their attitude.

Since Noumea will be the venue for the next Games, and since many of the special tunes provided by others were insignificant little ditties, anyhow, the Games Council could well accept the French view.

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