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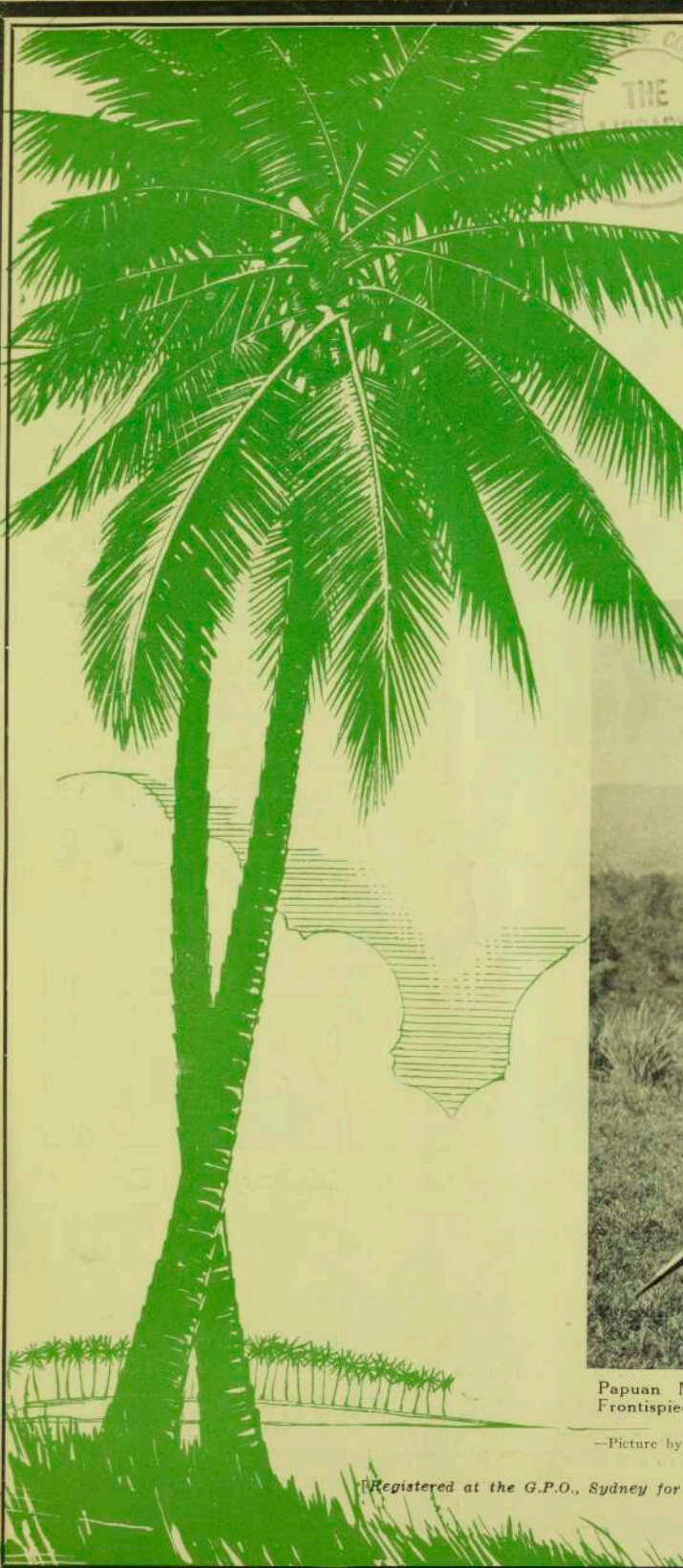
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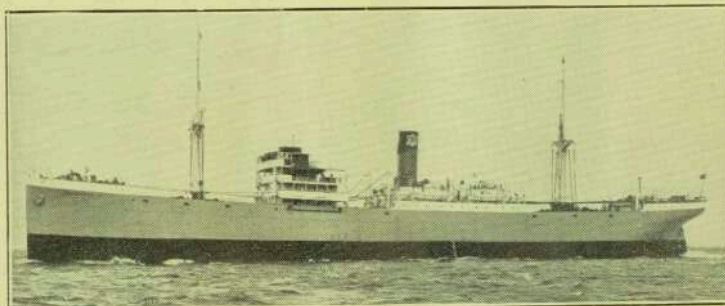
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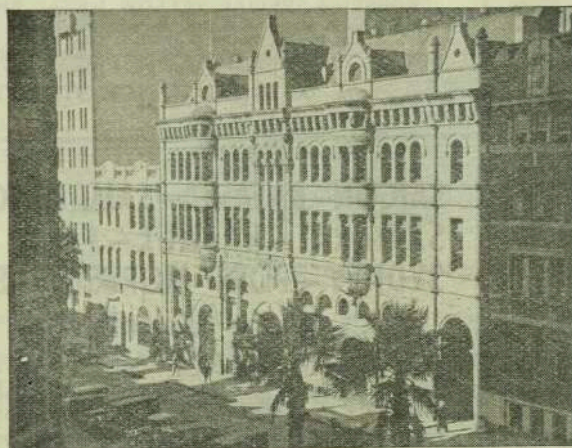
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The Pacific and the 1936 International Outlook

THIS is being written on December 17, on the eve of going to press. On December 18, the Council of the League of Nations meets, to make a vital decision concerning the Italo-Abyssinian matter; and on December 19, the Prime Minister of Great Britain will deliver a statement likely to affect profoundly the future of the British Empire. It is possible that, between the moment of writing this, and the dawn of 1936, something will occur, in the realm of international politics, that actually will mould the future of this civilisation. There is little doubt about what is going to happen within the next few days; and, even before the event, it is possible to discuss our reasonable expectations for 1936.

One paragraph of recapitulation. Italy, having made out a very good case, defied the League of Nations and attacked Abyssinia. The League moved ponderously, during many months, and finally cut off all trade with Italy in munitions and near-munitions ("sanctions"). Italy growled; but carried on. Then the League prepared to cut off oil supplies. Italy said that that would be regarded as an act of war. Britain then formally asked how many of the League members would join her in fighting Italy to uphold the law of

the League. Such a scamper was never seen before! It was the acid test. Britain shrugged her shoulders and, in consultation with France, evolved a "peace plan," by which half of Abyssinia was to be given to Italy. The League, on the 18th, is to either accept or reject the plan (rejection is certain); and on the 19th, Britain's Prime Minister will explain to the world that Britain, alone, cannot carry on the League and fight the League's battles against recalcitrant members.

It is clear that the international machinery, created for the settlement of international disputes is in the melting-pot. It is the end of the idealistic League of Nations. It was a beautiful conception, like the teachings of Jesus Christ and Karl Marx. But what man, with real knowledge of human history and human nature, would expect to see international affairs directed by a League of Nations, any more than he would expect humanity to adopt scientific Socialism or the precepts of practical Christianity? All honour to the men who strive to replace the law of the jungle with the spirit of love, be they parsons or politicians, prohibitionists or merely followers of Major Douglas. For ourselves, while we take off our hats in the presence of sincere reformers, we prefer to keep our feet

planted hard on mother earth—and a thick stick at hand, ready for the thief who waits always around the corner.

Under the dreamy Ramsay MacDonald, Britain disarmed to the point of lunacy; but not one Great Power followed her example. Driven by fiery idealists, Britain kept the League of Nations in existence—although Manchukuo and Gran Chaco showed it to be but a farce; and, finally, under Baldwin, she threw her whole weight and influence behind the League and, using the Abyssinian trouble as a vehicle, she "forced a showdown."

We can be very proud of what our great Motherland has done! If other nations had been sincere in their professed allegiance to the ideal, the League of Nations would have lived and been effective. But, in the end, the only great Power left standing with Britain at Geneva was France—a reluctant France. Italy, though still a member, is fighting the League. Bolshevik Russia is internationally undependable—a slow-moving, cumbersome experiment in humanitarianism. Britain forced the issue with Italy in order to show, in practical fashion, the uselessness of the League. She knew, months ago, what the outcome would be; and, months ago, she began to re-arm. The developments of December, 1935, world-shaking, and perhaps surprising to some, have been no surprise to the wise men of Westminster. The occurrences of 1935 have served — as the events of 1936 will disclose—only to speed up the re-armament of Great Britain. In that fact

lies our comfort—and, probably, the security of world peace.

In the world, there are six Great Powers—Britain, United States, France, Germany, Italy and Japan. We may, for the present, omit Russia—that inchoate and uncorrelated mass. Three of those Powers have territory, vast material resources, room for expansion. Three others—Germany, Italy and Japan—are increasing most rapidly in population, and have no territory into which to expand. In relation to these fundamental things, there is no law, except that of the tooth and claw. Those great nations know that they must have new country, or perish. So they will take new country—if they can. If, in taking new country, they cause some slight distress among that country's inhabitants—well, (to use an irresistible trans-Pacific expression) that's just too bad!

Of what use, in such circumstances, is international idealism? Of the three land-hungry Powers, Japan and Germany have left the League, and Italy now is half out. France has been loyal to Britain, and has gone a long way with Britain in this League business—albeit very unwillingly, for the French are realists. But now, surely, the farce is ended. The fact that this end was long foreseen does not at all detract from the admiration and respect which we must accord the men who tried so staunchly to make the League of Nations an effective force.

And now, what of the future—what of 1936? Probably, it will be a year of intense anxiety and much talk of war; but, if our statesmen are as wise as they seem to be, there need be no war. The surest guarantee of world peace is an armed Britain. We may be "perfidious Albion," and a country of storekeepers, and a race of hungry land-grabbers; but every nation knows that the British dislike war, and will go to any lengths to avoid war, and that their disinclination to fight does not mean that they cannot fight. So long as Britain is ready to fight, and to throw in her weight on the side of peace and justice, there will be little risk of war.

But readiness for war connotes something more than a willing spirit. War, nowadays, means mechanisation and technical skill in the nth degree. Preparedness, nowadays, means hundreds of warships and thousands of aeroplanes and hundreds of thousands of trained soldiers. Fortunately, the Empire generally is prosperous, and easily can stand the strain of armaments. This insurance of our security should be paid gladly.

There is a sign of the times, even as we write. The Naval Conference has met in London; and the old naval building agreement has gone overboard. Japan insists on the right to build a navy as big as that of Britain or America. Statesmen, still, are striving and arguing; but it looks as if, next year, the navy-building race will be resumed. This is of vital importance to the Pacific, because two of the contestants, United States and Japan, will be presently throwing their rival navies into the Northern Pacific.

Germany's demand for new territory certainly will be heard of in 1936; and, almost as certainly, the demand will take the shape, first, of an appeal to Britain, and an attempt to secure some sort of alliance with Britain. This will be one of

the gravest responsibilities thrown upon British statesmen. There are those who argue that, if Britain were to help Germany to recover her proper place in the world, and were to secure the goodwill and friendship of the German people, there could be no greater guarantee of world peace. Those of us who remember the aggressive, swashbuckling Prussians of 1914 may be excused, however, if we wonder whether the "Deutschland Uber Alles" spirit of 1914 has been completely exorcised. In any event, the future of New Guinea and Samoa will be subject to survey.

The Pacific, in 1936, will be under the shadow of grave international readjustments; but, apart from that, it should experience some inspiring progress made in commerce, industry, transport and communication. The world is giving increasing attention to the rich Pacific territories, and we are about to see, in this region, the era of romance supplanted by the era of development.

SEARCH FOR OIL IN NEW GUINEA

From Our Own Correspondent

RABAU, December 5.

IN the course of a speech at a dinner given here last evening by Mr. L. V. Waterhouse, Mr. W. A. Freeman, chairman of Oil Search Ltd. and various mining companies, described the activities of Oil Search Ltd. in the Aitape district, and emphasised the imperial value of any discovery of oil in payable quantity in New Guinea.

Floods Damage Fiji Roads and Bridges

From Our Own Correspondent

SUVA, December 6.

CONTINUOUS and severe weather throughout Viti Levu has caused much damage to the overland road, some parts being under water. Several bridges are down and many culverts have been washed away.

The pontoon at Nausori across the Rewa River has stopped running, and all traffic is held up. The new Rewa bridge, now being built, seems to be undamaged.

Rainfall for November totalled over 26 inches, against a monthly average during the last 50 years of 9.89 inches. There is a possibility that the sugar-cane crop may suffer from the heavy rainfall.

Mr. Eric J. Morgan, a director of Mount Morgan Developments Ltd., sailed from Melbourne for Suva by the Monterey on December 10. He will inspect his company's mining area in Fiji.

To all our Readers, and to numerous friends throughout the Pacific Islands, who have so kindly sent us special goodwill messages, we tender our best wishes for

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR



"Did you see her lips? And her old man had the hide to give US a lecture on chewing betel-nut!"

(For the information of non-betel-nut-chewing territories, it may be explained that betel-nut chewers have encased mouths.)

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COPRA FIRM

THE copra market maintains its strength. Ruling prices, compared with the rates prior to the depression, are not calculated to bring fortunes out of coconut plantations; but nevertheless they nowadays do allow the planters to expect some fair margin of profit, especially in those territories which get some benefit from the Australian and New Zealand rates of exchange.

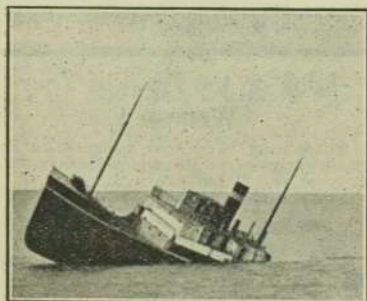
One of those admirable summaries of the oil seeds market, issued by Messrs. H. M. F. Faure & Co., London, dated October 14, after making a survey of world conditions relating to the production of oil seeds, and examining the international political conditions which affect the market, expresses the opinion that prices will at least hold their present level for some time to come. There have been increases in linseed oil, soya bean oil and whale oil; while the apparent available supply of cottonseed oil is less than usual—an important factor in estimating the future of copra.

THE S.S. "MIGHTY ERROR"

THE following libellous verses were written by Mrs. Kathleen Bignell, of "Fulakora" Plantation, Solomon Islands, some years ago; but, as the "Mitiao" was then still in commission, publication was suppressed. The little ship was taken to sea and scuttled recently, however, so the feelings of no one need be hurt if the following is issued as an epitaph:

IT was the "Mighty Error"
That sailed the tropic seas;
Her hull it ran on an ancient plan,
And her engines could only wheeze.
Her steering gear was slightly queer;
Her bilge quite out of date.
When her anchor was weighed, I'm much afraid,
It never drew the weight.

Her wobbling screw was stuck on with glue,
Her paint was past its prime.
Her masts were at angle "45,"
And her funnel out of line.



The little inter-island steamer "Mitiao," sinking near Tulagi, Solomon Islands, after being scuttled.

Her bunkers were bust and deep in rust,
Her anchors green with moss.
If blood be the price of merchant-ships,
She'd have been a sanguine loss.

It was only a fortnight yesterday,
They laid her on her side,
And patched up her sins with benzine tins,
While the rigging was all retired.
Then the Captain rang, "Full speed ahead";
Old "Wardie" sighed "She might,"
But the piston rods were at evens and odds,
And the pumps refused to bite.

A land breeze shook her from bow to stern,
And we found she'd come unstuck;
But we managed to reach Meringe beach
By the grace of God's good luck.
So bring your hammer and tacks, Sir Mate,
And strike as you struck before.
Though she may be delayed a short decade,
You'll see Makambo once more.



HON. J. G. ("GUS") NELSSON

Said to be the most popular member of the Papuan Council. He arrived in the Territory in the early nineties, and, since then, has been engaged in mining, planting, trading, recruiting, and (as he says) "anything with a few bob in it." He is now a Director of Gold Mines of Papua, Ltd., which is moving rapidly to successful production in Misima and Woodlark. Mr. Nelsson was a recipient of the Jubilee Gold Medal (which see!).

NEW GOLD FIND ?

Interest in Wampit Valley, N.G.

From a Special Correspondent

WAU, Dec. 1.

THERE has been much interest here in the report of an important new find of gold in the Wampit valley, near Gurakor, at the northern end of the Morobe goldfield. Several men have gone out, but reliable information is lacking.

The Wampit is a small tributary of the Markham river. It flows parallel with the Watut River, another tributary, from which it is separated by a mountain range. The shape of the Wampit valley suggests that, if there is gold there, it should provide a wonderful catchment.

EXCITEMENT AT EDIE CREEK

From Our Own Correspondent

EDIE CREEK, December 3.

Most of the independent men, and some from the companies' staffs, have gone from Edie Creek to the Wampit, where it was reported that a new El Dorado has been found. The excitement has been intense, but it has now subsided. Those who are down on the Wampit include Messrs. A. H. Cresswell, Bob Lyons, W. C. Abble, W. Cameron and O. Bieri.

Captain Sir Maxwell H. Maxwell-Anderson, C.B.E., K.C., R.N. (Rtd.), Chief Justice of Fiji, who is at present on furlough in England, has announced that he will retire from the Colonial Service in February.

NORTH PACIFIC AIRWAYS

Inaugural Flight, 'Frisco to Manila

AN historic flight was made in the North Pacific at the end of November.

A large aeroplane operated by Pan American Airways left San Francisco on November 23, carrying two tons of mail matter, and flew direct to Honolulu, Hawaii, in 21 hours 20 minutes. It subsequently continued the journey to Midway Island, Wake Island, and Guam Island, where it arrived on November 27. It flew the last 1537 miles from Wake to Guam in 10 hours 3 minutes. The aeroplane left Guam on November 28 and flew, without incident, to Manila, Philippine Islands.

This inaugural flight was carried out by a huge aeroplane weighing 25 tons, called the China Clipper, under the command of Captain Musick. Its departure from San Francisco was made the occasion of a great public demonstration, in which it was emphasised that this was marked the beginning of great aerial services in the Pacific, including a service running southwards through the Central Pacific, from Honolulu to Auckland.

On the second section of the voyage to the Philippines (Honolulu to Manila) the plane carried 14 passengers, all employees of Pan American Airways.

It was announced about the same time that the Royal Dutch Air Line, which for years has been successfully operating a service between the East Indies and Europe, would commence a regular service from Batavia (Java) to Manila (Philippines). This would connect with the new Pan American Airways service, and would make it possible for letters from the United States, using this route, to connect with the Imperial Airways' London-Sydney service, to reach the principal cities in Australia in eight or nine days.

It was announced from Auckland on November 22 that the agreement between the New Zealand Government and Pan American Airways, providing for a 'Frisco-Auckland service, was to be signed on November 23. It stipulated a minimum of two return trips a month and a maximum of two trips a week. The service was to be commenced not later than the end of 1936. The agreement contains special provision for reciprocal use of landing stations on British and American territory by American and British aeroplanes.

KURUKURU PAPER

From Our Own Correspondent

PT. MORESBY, December 10.

IT really looks as if the paper industry may be established here.

The experts are agreed that Kurukuru grass will make extraordinarily good paper. Natives near Buna (Northern Division) have agreed to sell large areas of Kurukuru land. Further developments are expected.

Mr. Leo Gibbons, general manager of Gold Mines of Papua Ltd., arrived in Australia from Misima Island by the Montoro in November. He will return to Eastern Papua early in the New Year.

DAMNATION OF DEMOCRACY

Remarkable Statement Issued by High Chiefs of Fiji

▲ STATEMENT of unusual interest, embodying the Fijian natives' opinion of the alteration of the constitution of the Legislative Council, was submitted early in November to the Colonial Secretary, Suva, by the native members of the Legislative Council, who signed "for and on behalf of the senior chiefs of Fiji."

Fiji was developed by Britain, much as other South Seas countries have been developed. The natives were assisted and educated and, in due course, given a share in government. Under the Fiji system the Europeans, the Fijians, and the Indians each elected representatives to the Legislative Council. Complications were introduced when the rapidly-growing Indian community demanded the "common roll." Acceptance of this plan would have meant eventually handing over Fiji and the Fijians to an Indian Government. The British decided, instead, to abolish the elective system altogether and substitute therefor a Legislative Council composed of representatives of all three races, nominated by the Governor.

The statement of the Fijian chiefs is in 12 sections and it traverses, in authoritative fashion, the constitutional history of Fiji. It is emphasised that the history of the Fijian people is such that they unstintingly give allegiance to their superior chiefs, and the constitution of Fijian society is such that men cannot hold the high office of chief unless they are men of superior ability and personality.

"Reared for ages in this atmosphere," says the statement, "the native possesses a strong sense of obligation towards the State. Rights he does not press, the tribal structure of society affording him sufficient protection. . . . He visualises government as commands issued in the general interest by a hierarchy composed of chiefs, priests, and elders. Authority he regards as something chiefs alone are qualified to wield. The notion that the people are the best judges of matters of vital importance to the welfare of a state, the idea contained in the referendum, is for him utterly incomprehensible, for unconsciously he feels it to mean the transfer of power from knowledge to ignorance."

With this damning indictment of "democracy" as we know it, the Fijian chiefs proceed to argue in favour of the nominative system of appointing the Legislative Council, as against the elective system which is being abandoned in Fiji; and they declare unequivocally for the proposed nominative system.

This statement of the point of view of the Fijians has been prepared with remarkable forensic skill and presented with equally remarkable literary ability; and it is worthy of publication in European countries as a telling argument against the evils which have sprung out of our democratic systems of government.

"Our fathers," say the chiefs, "ceded this country to Great Britain in order to secure for themselves, their people, and posterity a form of government that would ensure peace and happiness, justice and prosperity. . . . In the development of democracy lies a danger we must all

dread—the predominance of ignorance and prejudice in the councils of the Colony, forces just as nefarious and ruinous whether they be in alliance with Europeans, Indians, or Fijians. Such are the perils that lie ahead of the elective system, and such are the grave dangers that threaten, not only our landed interests, but also the wider interests of the Europeans."

The natives say that they have come to the parting of the ways and, looking ahead in the light of their own interests and also in the interests of those to whom they handed over their country—the British—they choose deliberately the system of government by nomination. The historic document is signed by D. Toganivalu, P. E. Cakobau, and J. L. V. Sukuna.

It is an interesting coincidence that this declaration of constitutional policy by the native chiefs was published within a few days of the anniversary of the signing of the deed of cession under which the king and high chiefs of Fiji gave their country "unreservedly to her Britannic Majesty, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, and we trust and fully repose in her that she will rule Fiji justly and affectionately, that we may continue to live in peace and prosperity."

This deed of cession was accepted formally on October 10, 1874. On December 5, 1935, the Governor of Fiji (Sir Murchison Fletcher) at Nasova, Levuka, formally unveiled a memorial which has been erected there on the very site where the chiefs in 1874 ceded the islands to Great Britain. There was much ceremonial and many interesting speeches made by Europeans and Fijians, and the event was written down as a red-letter day in the history of Fiji.

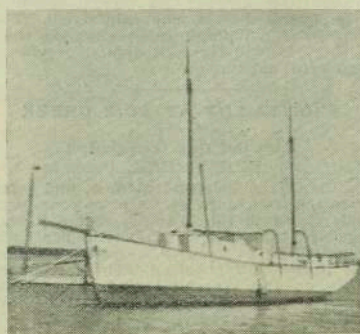
PROPOSED REPRESENTATION

From Our Own Correspondent

SUVA, December 3.

The unofficial members of the Council, by nine votes to two, passed a resolution asking that the three predominant races, Fijian, European and Indian, be represented on the Council by an equal number of members nominated by the Governor. Four Europeans, three Fijians, and two Indians voted for the resolution, while two Europeans voted against it.

A particularly well-equipped seaside residence, situated on a beach within 22 miles of Sydney, surrounded by lawns and natural bush, is advertised for sale in this issue.



The Tongan Government is said to be contemplating the refitting of the motor vessel "Hifofua," so as to restore regular inter-island communication. The vessel was laid up during the depression, and now is in bad condition. She is shown lying at her mooring behind Bagaimotu Island, near Nukualofa. (Hettig, photo.)

MURDER OF FOUR NATIVES

Ludwig Schmidt Charged At Rabaul

From Our Own Correspondent

RABAUL, December 16.

LUDWIG SCHMIDT appeared in the Supreme Court in November on four charges of wilful murder of natives, between August and September, 1934. Three natives are named and one is unknown. Schmidt pleaded not guilty and the case was adjourned to a date to be fixed.

Joshua King, charged with attempting to do bodily harm by firing on natives, pleaded not guilty. The Crown alleged that King was one of a party with Schmidt, Schultze and Groos, in July, 1934, on a tributary of the Sepik River, and shot at a crowd of natives who were peaceful and were not attacking. After a week's hearing King was found guilty and was remanded for sentence.

Helmuth Schultze, charged with abducting a native female for the purpose of carnal knowledge, was also found guilty and was remanded for sentence.

TORRES STRAITS GOLD

From Our Own Correspondent

THURSDAY IS., Dec. 5.

AFTER having investigated gold possibilities for some time, Mr. Ted Cadzow has left Possession Island, near Cape York, on a health trip on the coastal steamer Wandana.

Expert opinion is to the effect that there are rich gold deposits on Possession Island that would pay handsomely if worked under proper conditions.

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PROSPECTS OF N.G. GOLDFIELDS LTD.

Steady Return From Golden Ridges and Alluvial

IN a report dated London, November 22, Mining Trust Ltd., consulting engineers to New Guinea Goldfields Ltd., summarise N.G.G. Ltd.'s operations in the year ended September 30, 1935.

During the year, in the Edie Creek area, the following footage was driven: Drives and crosscuts, 2365 feet; shaft sinking, 148 feet; rises and winzes, 1035 feet.

On No. 2 level, Edie lode No. 1, 357 feet were driven on the vein, which gave an average assay of 15.5 dwt.; then the vein was cut off by a fault, and the drive was stopped by water. Diamond drilling in this vicinity gave inconclusive results, owing to locally disturbed structural conditions.

A crosscut driven south from No. 4 shaft, Edie lode No. 2, was carried 318 feet without finding the vein, which has been cut off by a fault between No. 4 and No. 5 levels. The downward extension of the vein is to be sought by diamond drilling.

Diamond drilling has proved the vein at depth below the adit level at Karuka—115 inches wide, assaying 0.26 oz. at 97 feet, and 77 inches wide, assaying 0.36 oz. at 205 feet.

Good progress has been made with the erection of the Edie Creek mill.

Prospecting in the Edie area has not disclosed any new ore bodies.

The Golden Ridges mill recovered 22,075 oz. of fine gold, but the ore obtained by open-cut was exhausted. Ore is now being mined from the southern extension of the deposit. A large body of valuable ore was proved and worked at Upper Ridges, and ore is being taken thence to the mill by an aerial ropeway.

The co. obtained 8701 oz. of fine gold and 6775 oz. silver from alluvial workings, and tributaries produced 6918 oz. of gold and 5156 oz. of silver.

The co. now is obtaining hydro-electric power for Golden Ridges and Edie Creek from Bulolo G.D. powerhouse.

The co.'s working profit is shown thus for the year:—

	Oz.	Value.
From Edie Creek		
" Golden Ridges ..	22,075	£130,091
" alluvial gold	15,619	
" " silver ..	11,931	76,830

NO PAPUAN SUGAR

And the Reason Why

From Our Own Correspondent

PT. MORESBY, December 10.

IT is recognised now that there is no hope for sugar growing in Papua. Australia is against the plan. It seems that if Papua grows sugar, the Australian quota of sugar supplied under the Imperial Preference Scheme will be disturbed.

It has been apparent for a long time that there was some obstacle in the way of growing sugar in Papua, where conditions are ideal for this industry. The real explanation is now known.

Papua should concentrate on rubber growing; and, if Australia does her duty by her Territory, Papuan rubber growers will flourish. That may be some compensation for the sugar position.

In the previous year Golden Ridges yielded 25,790 oz. and a working profit of £151,272; while from alluvial the co. produced 9753 oz. and tributaries 5049 oz. of gold, with a working profit of £65,631. The total working profit for the year just ended is about the same as in the previous year; so that, if overhead has not varied, the shareholders may receive the same dividend (5 per cent. last year, but equal now to 20 per cent. on capital, which was written down in March by 75 per cent.).

The stock market does not seem to think so, however, for the shares (formerly £1, now 5/-) remain around 6/-, which is a low figure for anything carrying 20 per cent.

The outlook for New Guinea Goldfields Ltd. appears to depend largely upon Edie Creek operations. A working profit of around £200,000 from Golden Ridges and alluvial working, combined, will give a return on the written-down capital; but a big annual profit from Edie Creek operations is necessary. If N.G.G. Ltd. is going to become a money-spinner comparable with Bulolo Gold Dredging Ltd. The latest report, in that respect, is not very encouraging. The vein in Edie lode No. 1 has been lost, and in lode No. 2 workings they were still seeking for it on September 30. There is good ore in Karuka and in the upper Edie levels, which will be ready for the Edie mill when it commences operations early in 1936. It was estimated, at the beginning of 1935, that there were 156,000 tons of milling ore, averaging .501 oz. gold, available for the Edie mill, assuring it of supplies—and, presumably, a steady working profit—until 1940. That is quite satisfactory, so far as it goes, but the exploratory operations of 1935, on which depend milling operations three or four years hence, have been disappointing.

Mr. Jack Hepburn, cadet in the District Services Department of the New Guinea Administration, arrived in Sydney on furlough by the Macdhui on November 29.

Sydney-Tahiti-Frisco

Report of Withdrawal of Service

ASTONISHMENT was caused in Sydney shipping circles on December 14 when newspapers published an announcement from London that, owing to lack of support, the service of steamers operated by the Union Co. between Sydney and San Francisco, via New Zealand, Rarotonga and Papeete, was to be withdrawn. There was a suggestion that the lack of support was due to the competition of the Matson Line—although the American liners do not follow that route at all, but run to Sydney via Honolulu and Suva.

No official confirmation was available in Sydney; but it was stated that the two ships engaged on the service—Maunganui and Makura—have been poorly patronised in recent months and have carried very few passengers.

It is to be hoped that this service is not abandoned. The trade of the Cook Islands and of French Oceania is of considerable value to New Zealand and Australia, and it cannot be maintained unless this particular line is kept in existence.

COLONISATION BY JAPANESE

JAPANESE, about 30 years ago, established a settlement at Davao, in the Southern Philippines, to produce hemp. To-day there are more than 12,000 Japanese there, and they have turned a wilderness into the most important hemp producing centre in the world.

The Japanese pioneers in Davao are closely organised, amply supported, and ably directed. In the selection of immigrants, the transportation of them to the colony and their placement on the land, the collective welfare of the group is guarded by close co-operation between the private interests concerned and the Japanese Government.

Mr. J. T. Davis was appointed in November as liquidator of Day Dawn (New Guinea) Limited, which was recently wound up.



Queen Salote, of Tonga, after a visit to Australia and Fiji, returned to Nukualofa in October. The photograph shows her reception, on the wharf, by a Tongan guard of honour. Her consort, Prince Tugi, Premier of Tonga, is beside her.

OROVILLE WITHDRAWS

Gold Search in West Papua Abandoned

From Our Own Correspondent

PT. MORESBY, December 1.

THE Oroville Dredging Company has abandoned its prospecting and exploring activities in Western Papua. The personnel has been recalled from the base camp above D'Albertis Junction, on the Fly River, and all equipment is being removed. The staff and equipment are expected in Port Moresby on the Papuan Chief, from Daru, on December 20.

Thus ends one of the biggest enterprises of the kind that Papua has known.

The company had obtained certain rights over 29,000 square miles in the Western Division, and had organised an expedition of experts, equipped with modern devices, including a Short Scion seaplane. The Papuan Legislative Council, in July, 1934, by the Mining (Facilities for Development) Ordinance, gave the company its special status.

Oroville Company commenced operations in March, 1935, from a base camp, 550 miles up the Fly River. The seaplane was used extensively, prospecting parties being landed wherever indications were promising. A Government Patrol Officer, with police and carriers, accompanied the party. The Oroville party consisted of nine Europeans and numerous natives.

There have been many contradictory reports, in the past half century, about gold in this region. Sir William MacGregor reported in 1890 that there was no payable gold there. Messrs. Frank and James Pryke, who accompanied Sir Rupert Clark's expedition up the Fly in the launches Kismet and La Caravine, in 1914, reported colours of gold, but nothing in payable quantities.

Mr. Ward Williams, the American mining expert in charge of Oroville's operations, left Papua on October 31 on a visit to New York.

It is not yet known whether the Oroville Dredging Co. will carry out further prospecting in Papua.

UNKNOWN PAPUA

New Expedition Under Ivan Champion

From Our Own Correspondent

PT. MORESBY, December 9.

EARLY in January a patrol or exploring expedition under Mr. Ivan Champion will leave Port Moresby for the purpose of examining the country in unknown Central Papua, southwards of the region explored by Mr. Jack Hides early this year.

It will be remembered that Mr. Hides reported that, from the heights above the Rentoul River, looking southwards, he saw a vast hill and valley system, which he thought was densely populated. It is understood that Mr. Champion will go across from the Purari to the Strickland River, considerably southwards of the route followed by Mr. Hides, and will endeavour to find and examine the country seen by Mr. Hides.

If conditions warrant it, the Administration may establish a police camp in this new country.

LOST VESSEL

Search for N.G. Government's Schooner

PRESENT indications are that the schooner *Hermes*, owned and operated by the New Guinea Administration, has been lost at sea, somewhere off the northern coast of New Guinea. A search is still proceeding, however, and hope remains that, even if the schooner has been cast away, the three white men and seventeen natives who were aboard her will be found alive upon some isolated coast.

The Administrator (Brigadier-General McNicoll) used the *Hermes* in connection with his recent visit to the Upper Sepik River. He left the schooner at Madang and



The Schooner *Hermes*

returned to Rabaul by the Burns, Philp motor-ship *Macdhui*. The *Hermes* left Madang for Rabaul, via the Witu Islands, on November 10, in charge of the engineer, Mr. J. A. Andrews, with Mr. N. E. Weldon, an assistant surveyor of the Administration, and Mr. F. Barclay, an official of Amalgamated Wireless Ltd., and 17 natives on board.

The wireless set used by the Administrator in the Sepik River was on board, but no communication has been received since the schooner left Madang.

The Burns, Philp steamer *Maiwara*, which returned from Witu on November 16, had heard nothing of the *Hermes*.

The Administrator sent vessels from Salamaua and Kavieng, Messrs. W. R. Carpenter & Co.'s vessel "Desikoko" went out on a special search; but no trace whatever of the *Hermes* has been found.

From Our Own Correspondent

RABAU, December 5.

There is still no word of the missing *Hermes* and little hope is now held out for its safety. Searches have been made by the *Desikoko*; the Government ketch *Roamer*, stationed at Salamaua, which has been through Dampier Strait; and by the Government ketch *Nereus*, which has gone out from Kavieng to the Witu Islands.

Powerful Radio Station for Suva

THE chairman of Amalgamated Wireless Ltd. (Mr. E. T. Fisk), who returned to Australia during the month after a business tour abroad, stated that soon his firm would construct a powerful short wave station at Suva to serve the whole of the Pacific.

Mr. G. A. Aumuller, manager of Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co. Ltd. at Samarai, Papua, reached Australia on leave by the *Macdhui* at the end of November.

STRIKE DISORGANISES B.P. SERVICES

Macdhui Sails Unexpectedly

THE strike of seamen against their new industrial award has partially paralysed the Pacific Islands shipping services conducted by Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co. Ltd.

The *Macdhui*, which was to have sailed for Papua and New Guinea on December 5, is still in Sydney Harbour. The *Montoro* is expected to join the idle fleet. She was to sail for Papua and New Guinea on Christmas Eve. The *Malaita* (Solomon Islands) and the *Morinda* (New Hebrides) are still at sea, but are due in Sydney shortly.

An effort is being made to man the idle ships by volunteers, and it is probable that the Pacific Islands ships will be among the first to move as the dependence of the Pacific Islands residents on these services is recognised.

The cancellation of the *Macdhui*'s schedule, and the decision that the *Merkur* (B.P. vessel running from Sydney to the East Indies) should not call at Port Moresby, caused dismay among Papuan parents whose children were at school in North Queensland, and who were to have gone home by those vessels. Sir Hubert Murray (Administrator of Papua) made a special appeal to Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co., and the company, at considerable inconvenience and risk of falling foul of the strikers, made a further arrangement, under which the *Merkur* picked up the school children at North Queensland ports and landed them at Port Moresby in mid-December.

The vessels of other companies calling at Pacific Islands ports have not as yet been affected.

SYDNEY, December 18.

The *Macdhui* sailed from Sydney to-day for Papua and New Guinea with a volunteer crew.

Mr. E. J. O'Donnell, of Amalgamated Wireless (Australasia) Ltd., at Samarai, Papua, arrived in Sydney by the November *Montoro*. He has been transferred permanently to Melbourne.

Masters John and Emmett Costello, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Costello, of Suva, Fiji, who are pupils of St. Patrick's College, East Melbourne, sailed by the *Monterey* from Victoria early in December for their home in Fiji, where they will spend their school vacation. They were joined in Sydney by Mr. Pat Costello, their uncle, and Mr. Bill Borthwick, the veteran miner who found the Emperor mine at Tavua.

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LEAHY BROTHERS IN LONDON

Challenge to Jack Hides

MESSRS MICHAEL and J. L. LEAHY, well-known as New Guinea prospectors, and explorers, appear to have been busy in London lately. On November 21, Mr. M. Leahy gave a lecture before the Royal Geographical Society, on tribal customs in Central New Guinea, illustrated with cinema films.

It has been reported that the Leahy brothers will be associated with a British semi-scientific expedition, that is coming out to New Guinea next year, to carry out an exploration in Central New Guinea.

Meanwhile, many people have been puzzled by the following statement in the London "Evening News": Mr. Michael Leahy and his brother, Mr. J. L. Leahy, intend to challenge the claim of Mr. Jack Hides to the exploration of 7000 square miles of Papua. Mr. M. Leahy claims that two 13,000 feet mountains, described by Mr. Hides, do not exist. "We shall place all our proofs before the Royal Geographical Society," said Mr. Leahy.

Mr. Hides's exploration was carried out at the southern end of the central tableland, while Messrs. Leahy operated at the northern end. There is no doubt that Mr. Hides explored new country; and Mr. Hides did not in any way challenge the claims of the Leahy brothers. No one can understand the ill-feeling displayed towards Mr. Hides by Messrs. Leahy, both in Australia and London. It would almost appear that Messrs. Leahy thought they had established a monopoly of New Guinea exploration.

GERMANY'S DEMAND FOR COLONIES

NOT much is heard, outside of Germany, about Germany's demand for the return of her colonies (which include Samoa and New Guinea); but the agitation goes on. There was a demonstration in Hamburg on December 6, when General von Epp said:—

"We can now take colonies from no other land, from the North to the South Pole. The whole world is appropriated.

"To our own former colonies, however, we still have an inalienable right. We must not leave our countrymen in these colonies in the lurch. By proclaiming our desire for colonies we strengthen the resolution of our compatriots overseas.

"Germany has no Imperialistic aims, but requires colonies as the sources of raw materials and a field for the initiative of the younger generation."

Mr. Jack Hides had made arrangements to return to Papua by the Merkur early in December, after five months' furlough; but his plans were altered at the last moment, and he is still in Sydney.

The Crown Prince of Tonga, Taufa'ahau, who is a student at Newington College, Sydney, left Sydney by the Niagara early in December for Suva, en route to his home. This popular young man—he is held in high esteem at the College, both as a scholar and an athlete—has developed an interest in archaeology, and is reported to be assisting some of the savants in gathering data in the islands which has a bearing upon race migrations.

Goldfields Strike Settled

AFTER being prolonged for over three weeks, the strike among workmen at New Guinea Goldfields Limited's Golden Ridges mine, near Wau, New Guinea, was settled at the end of November.

The dispute originated with a demand by eight engine-drivers for higher wages; later 20 artisans and miners struck in sympathy with the engine-men.

Though little detail concerning the settlement is available in Sydney, it is understood that the engine-drivers were not re-engaged and that most of the workmen and miners were taken on again.

DROUGHT ON THURSDAY IS.

From Our Own Correspondent

THURSDAY IS., Dec. 3.

THERE is a serious water shortage on Thursday Island. The town reservoir is quite empty, and has been cleaned out in readiness for the expected rain. The reserve supply that was stored in the abandoned military underground tank on Green Hill is at an end.

The town's supply gave out on November 22, and for almost a fortnight there have been no indications of rain. About a dozen residents have private wells, but the remainder have to carry water from three shallow wells on vacant allotments.

Government officials can be seen daily carrying home a kerosene tin of water for a bath. Community washing takes place around the public wells and with T.I.'s large coloured population there is a heavy drain on the supply.

POPULATION OF GILBERT AND ELLICE COLONY

MUCH interesting information about the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony is contained in the Annual Report on Education for the year 1934, just to hand. This shows that in this colony there were then 32,991 people—Gilbertese, 28,654; Ellice Islanders, 4,042; Chinese (exclusive of indentured labourers), 41; Europeans, 254.

There were four Government schools with 133 pupils; 17 mission boarding schools with 364 male and 428 female scholars; 31 mission-aided village schools with 878 male and 617 female scholars; and 180 ordinary village schools with 2,153 male and 2,352 female scholars. So far as the missions are concerned, the work of education is divided between the Sacred Heart Order of Roman Catholics and the London Missionary Society. The Government spent £4,990 on education.

TERRIFYING EARTHQUAKE

A MEMBER of a geological research party, Mr. H. Eve, was out in the Torricelli Mountains, Northern New Guinea, with 50 carriers, looking for oil, when he became involved in the recent earthquake in that region. The party had a terrifying experience. The ground seemed to pitch and roll, and they were obliged to hold on to trees. The damage on the lowlands was not severe, but in the hills whole villages were destroyed and many mountain passes were blocked.

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OIL DEPOT FOR PAPEETE

From Our Own Correspondent

PAPEETE, Dec. 1.

SHIP-OWNERS and yachtsmen will be interested to learn that the Compagnie Francaise des Phosphates de l'Océanie is to install a fuel oil depot in Papeete. When erected on the company's premises in close proximity to the wharf, the plant will consist of four rustless steel tanks with a total capacity of 3,300 cubic metres, and will be equipped with special tubes for supplying oil direct to ships.

Construction work will commence at an early date, and when completed, oil will be available for passing vessels at a much cheaper rate than hitherto. The plans for a larger oil depot contemplated by the French naval authorities, of which a good deal was heard last year, appear to be in abeyance for the time being.

SHARK ATTACKS T.I. DIVER

From Our Own Correspondent

THURSDAY IS., DEC. 4.

A COLOURED Thursday Islander, James Messit, was the hero of a recent shark incident. While diving for shell on the Great Barrier Reef he was attacked by a shark, but managed to break away and dive to the ocean floor. When he came up again the shark had disappeared.

The lugger took the victim to Innisfail, Queensland, but the journey was a protracted one owing to the absence of wind. In the hospital Messit's many lacerations were attended to with hundreds of stitches and much bandaging.

The latest news is that he is now able to hobble about the hospital, a striking example of the value of presence of mind.

A Governor with a Big Axe!

Fiji Makes Laudable Effort to Discourage Roguery in New Gold Mining Industry

A NEW mining law, to discourage speculation, has been introduced in Fiji by the Governor.

In his address before the Legislative Council the Governor (Sir Murchison Fletcher) said that the gold in Fiji was the property of the Crown, and the Government would not countenance dealings in that property without its consent.

Some persons, said the Governor, applied for prospecting licences for the sole purpose of speculation and had no intention of fulfilling conditions. They pegged out land in the closest possible proximity to a gold-bearing area, and then gave privately to some financier an option over the licence which they hoped to obtain. They ventured nothing themselves, even the licence fee being paid by their associates.

The Government would use every means to prevent the placing of this unnecessary burden upon the industry. In some companies the persons responsible for financial arrangements retained too large a consideration, while the charges for the flotation of some companies appeared to be unduly high. It might be in the public interest if more publicity was given to Fiji mining finance.

The Government at present had no control over the private prospectus whereunder shares were placed privately. Certain prospectus statements were grossly misleading, and the Government proposed to amend the law to include private prospectuses.

The Government would continue to try to thwart adventurers who for their own ends sought to exploit the credulous public.

CRATERS OVERFLOW

Eruption in Tonga

IT was reported from Nukualofa, Tonga, on December 8, that the craters Aho-fakatau and Hina, on Niuafu Island, in the Tongan group, erupted on Saturday, December 7. The two intervening craters also remain active, and all four are now throwing flames seventy feet high.

Lava is flowing into the sea along a two-mile front, from an area of molten lava, estimated at 1500 acres. Steam is rising from the sea upwards of a mile out.

Two villages (Belani and Togamamao) have been evacuated as a precaution. There has been no loss of life, but some plantations on the fringe of the old lava field were destroyed.

The eruption is believed to be bigger than the one which occurred in 1929, and was preceded by 20 earthquake shocks, accompanied by electrical disturbance and torrential rain.

New Vessel for Tahitian Trade

From Our Own Correspondent

PAPEETE, December 1.

A NEW vessel, to take the place of the small steamer *Ville de Papeete*, which was wrecked on the reef at Haraiki Island (Tumotu Archipelago) last year, is now on the way from France to the order of the Compagnie Francaise des Phosphates de

l'Océanie, and will henceforth be employed in carrying freight and passengers between the Company's headquarters in Papeete and the island of Makatea, where the phosphate mines are situated.

The vessel is a three-masted schooner, with auxiliary Sulzer Diesel engines of 375 h.p., which will give a speed of 10 knots per hour. The schooner is 48 metres long and eight metres wide, and has accommodation for first class as well as deck passengers. She also contains a refrigerating room, and the capstan and winches are operated by electricity.

TO HELP PLANTERS

New Guinea Agricultural Gazette

THE first issue of the New Guinea Agricultural Gazette is to hand.

The purpose of this excellent publication is to make known to planters in New Guinea the results of the experimental and demonstration work carried out by the New Guinea Department of Agriculture. This development is long overdue. The Department of Agriculture, through its plantation at Keravat and its work on plantations throughout the territory, has a splendid record of service, and its full value has not been available in the past because it was not able to tell individual planters just what it was doing and what it had accomplished.

The principal articles in the first issue are: "Peanuts as a Crop in New Guinea," by George H. Murray; "The Long-horned Treehopper of Coconuts," by John L. Froggatt; "Derris—Its Cultural and Economic Possibilities," by R. E. P. Dwyer; "Preparation of New Guinea Cocoa for Market," by E. C. D. Green; "Eucalyptus Naudiniana," by C. C. Marr; and "Meteorology," by B. G. Challis.

If this journal maintains the standard of its first issue it will be invaluable to the planters of New Guinea.

N.G.'s WHITE PRISONERS

THE Federal Parliament has passed a Bill called "Removal of Prisoners Bill," which has special application to New Guinea.

It appears that when Europeans are sentenced to terms of imprisonment in New Guinea they may be sent to serve their sentences in the prisons of New South Wales or Queensland. At the expiration of their sentences they are entitled to claim transport back to New Guinea. But in many cases the crime for which they are punished is one which brings about their formal deportation from the territory; and it has happened in a number of cases that men, having been formally transported to New Guinea, have with equal formality been deported from that territory. The purpose of the new law is to provide that, when there is an order of deportation against a discharged prisoner, such discharged prisoner may not claim transportation to New Guinea.

The development of gold mining in Fiji, said the chairman of Colonial Sugar Refining Co. (Mr. E. R. Knox) recently, had not disturbed the normal conditions in the colony, but there was a risk of serious dislocation of labour supply if this new and somewhat uncertain industry was not controlled properly.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

Seaplane Flight Spoiled

From Our Own Correspondent

TULAGI, Dec. 1.

KEEN disappointment was felt on Saturday last, when the trial run of the local seaplane was spoiled, owing to its striking some submerged object, just as it was leaving the water.

The bus had to be brought ashore, without grave injury to itself or the flier.

Repairs could be done quite readily but for the impossibility of securing the necessary materials either locally or at short notice. The flight is merely postponed.

THE "JOSEPH CONRAD"

The visit of the training ship "Joseph Conrad" has relieved monotony. The very look of a sailing ship gave romance and history to the port. The visitors took part in various sport, and local residents took advantage of the opportunity to observe at first hand the workings of these wonderful craft. Before leaving the group, the vessel called at Guadalcanal, where supplies of fresh food were taken aboard.

ATTACK ON AN OVERSEER

The recent incident in the Faisi district, in which an overseer was very seriously injured by some of the labour force, seems to have been ably handled by the officials sent up to enquire into and try the case.

Is There Gold in the Solomons?

From Our Own Correspondent

TULAGI, Dec. 1.

THE old scepticism with which mining ventures have been looked on, especially by local wiseacres, is giving way under the continued interest being taken by outside capital.

It is recognised that work is in the stages of investigation, even now, but it felt that there must be something worth investigation.

The efforts of the residents of the Solomons, who groped for the gold, the existence of which they were confident of, and endured ridicule, are now justified to the extent that worth-while minerals are indicated.

A few months should prove, one way or the other, whether there really is gold in the Solomons.

Traders and A.I.B. Stores in Torres Strait

From Our Own Correspondent

THURSDAY IS., Dec. 5.

THE Thursday Island Chamber of Commerce is organizing an agitation against trading stores on Torres Strait Islands belonging to the Aboriginal Industries Board. The profits from these are devoted entirely to the welfare of the natives, but local traders complain of serious loss of trade in consequence of these activities.

Before the advent of the Islands branch stores the natives spent a good deal of money in Thursday Island shops. The chief stores of the Aboriginal Industries Board are on Badu Island, where boat-building and other useful crafts are taught to young islanders.

TROPICALITIES

ONE well-informed correspondent comments thus on the election of Mr. A. G. Smyth to the Legislative Council of Western Samoa:—

"This was something of a blow for the New Zealand Government. Mr. Smyth was one of those deported, owing to his support of the Mau; and it was on his return to Apia, when the natives were giving him a demonstrative welcome, that the clash with the police occurred, and Tamasese was killed. The ballot shows where lies the direction of the sympathies of the European residents of Samoa."

"AUSTRALIAN Born British Subject" writes from Tulagi, S.I.: "In 'Tropicalities' some time ago there was a paragraph from which the following is an extract:

"We beg to make formal protest against the continued use of 'British' Solomon Islands. The word 'British' actually has no meaning."

"I am rather surprised that a 'British' publication should give this as its considered opinion. I, for one, see quite a lot in the word 'British,' and am proud to be able to include it in my address, and would be very sorry to see it done away with."

Our friend, in order to shout his patriotism, shuts his eyes to history. Until 1914, there were two sections of the Solomon Islands—German (Buka and Bougainville) and British (the rest of the group). It therefore was customary and necessary to speak of "British Solomon Islands." It is no longer necessary; all the Solomons are under British administration—the northern islands being part of the Mandated Territory, and the remainder enjoying their old form of government. The "P.I.M." is British to the backbone, but it does not suggest "British Fiji" or "British Cook Islands." There would be justification for "British Samoa," however, to distinguish that territory from American Samoa.

A CORRESPONDENT of the "Rabaul Times," with multitudes of words, ridicules recent statements in the *Pacific Islands Monthly*—especially our claims that Wogamush is about 150 miles from the mouth of the Sepik River; that the Aitape earthquake was not reported in the Australian newspapers until long after the event; and that General Griffiths introduced a system of pack drill to the native prisons of New Guinea.

It is very clear that the anonymous writer is a New Guinea public servant, writing in an extremely bad temper, and it is scarcely worth wasting time and space in splitting straws with him. We will merely say, categorically, that the latest map shows Wogamush 150 miles from the Sepik mouth (the N.G. writer having made the distance 300 miles, by measuring the distance along the winding river!); that the Director of the Riverview Observatory, Sydney, had not even heard of the earthquake in the Torricelli mountains until, about mid-October, we supplied him with a copy of our correspondent's report; and that, even if the Prison Regulations providing packdrill were passed in 1931, it is certain that they were not applied generally until General Griffiths took hold in 1932-33.

The gentleman refers to a statement published by us some months ago, to the effect that certain public officials of New Guinea had accepted favours at the hands of German shipping interests; and he querulously

says that we have neither withdrawn the statement nor apologised for it. Quite true. We shall withdraw the statement, and apologise for it, when it is shown to be incorrect.

QUITE a commotion was caused in a suburb of Apia, Western Samoa, one recent Sunday, when a resident in convivial week-end mood told some local-born boys that "the local Administration was seeking recruits for the coming Anglo-Italian war and that intending warriors would be medically examined by the Apia doctors." He added that "recruits would get a free trip to New Zealand and that agents would be paid 5/- per head for every man procured by them."

The tale spread like wildfire among the natives and a few hours afterwards a crowd of native boys appeared at the residence of the practical joker, asking for further information. Having sobered up meantime, and being worried about the result of his joke, he managed to send the eager warriors home, though one trustful innocent actually presented himself next morning to a surprised doctor with a demand for medical examination.

AN inquiry was made some months ago concerning the whereabouts of Domingo de Brum. Father Carl Heine, a missionary in Jaluit, Marshall Islands, writes:

"I regret to say that Domingo de Brum died about two years ago. He was a very decent chap and I liked him well. He was at Nauru when the war broke out. His father was a Portuguese and his mother a Marshall Islander. Born in these islands, then under the German Protectorate, he became a naturalised German citizen. When Nauru was occupied he was told he might remain if he claimed British protection. Having received a fair deal from the Germans he said that it was only honourable to stand by his pledge, so he was sent to the

internment camp near Sydney with other Germans."

A RESIDENT of New Guinea informs us that it is a practicable and comparatively simple thing to bring a car from New Guinea, for use in Australia during furlough. Freight from New Guinea to Sydney was £25; wharfage charges were 28/-; he was allowed to run the "bus" for three months in Australia on the New Guinea registration, and then was able to register in Australia for a short period only; and he did not have to pay for a driver's licence. This is the first time, in years, that we have heard a visitor praise any Australian institution; as a rule, Australian rules and regulations seem to have been designed by Satan himself to harass and exasperate all people from overseas.

THE Montreal branch of the Royal Empire Society has arranged an Empire Products Exhibition, which will be held next January. Australia has supplied useful literature, but the Islands Territories are not represented. If it is not too late, publicity material at least should be sent. The address is: Mr. W. Tees Curran, Royal Empire Society, Sun Life Building, Montreal, Canada.

WE like modesty; but one must advertise. The following note is to hand from a missionary in a back-blocks station in Papua:

"The P.I.M. seems to be in every house with an iron roof up here—and I have seen it often under grass. Really, it is a great paper."

ON May 2, 1935, two tourists, M. E. Kirk and A. Forder, cast a port-wine bottle into the sea near Suva, Fiji. Inside was a note—"our first sad parting on a wonderful world's tour." The bottle was picked up, on October 21, 1935, by a planter, near one of the passages through the reef, at the eastern end of Sud-Est Island, Eastern Papua. The bottle had travelled over 1200 miles in six months, through an ocean dotted over with islands.

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ABOUT ISLANDS PEOPLE

Mr. B. W. Sherman, formerly A.D.O. at Gasmata, who resigned from the New Guinea public service several months ago, arrived in Sydney in December from London, where he spent several weeks.

Mr. Colin MacKay, chairman of directors of Watut Gold Alluvials N.L. and Irowat Gold Alluvials N.L., returned to Australia by the Macdhui at the end of November after a visit to the companies' properties in New Guinea.

Mr. P. J. McDonald, a well-known identity of Papua and New Guinea, was married recently to Miss Gertrude Gellweiler at the Residency, Misima Island, Eastern Papua. The bride was formerly matron at Port Moresby Hospital.

Sister Christine Woods, of the Melanesian Mission's Hospital on Malaita Island, Solomon Group, reached Sydney on leave by the Southern Cross on December 9.

Mr. Stanley W. Jackson, Fellow of the Institute of Optometrists, will leave Sydney early in the New Year on a business visit to Papua and the Mandated Territory of New Guinea.

Captain R. A. Williams, master of the Melanesian Mission's schooner Southern Cross, brought his vessel to Sydney early in December to be overhauled. Mr. Williams, who was accompanied by his wife and small son, was formerly in the service of Messrs. Burns, Philp and Co., Ltd.

Mr. Frank Hambridge, chairman of directors of Cuthbert's Misima Gold Mine Ltd., returned to Sydney by the Macdhui on November 29, after a visit to Misima Island, Papua, to inspect the mine. His company had taken over the property on October 18, he said, and had begun treatment of ore immediately. The battery worked three shifts daily until November 4, when floods caused work to be temporarily suspended.

Mr. Paul Laine, of the French Colonial Administration, who is on his way to Vila, New Hebrides, where he will serve for three years in an administrative capacity, recently arrived in Victoria by the Ville de Strasbourg. He was accompanied by his wife, daughter and mother.

Rev. Dr. Charles E. Fox, who has served for 34 years with the Melanesian Mission, arrived in Sydney by the motor yacht Southern Cross on December 9. He is stationed at Pawa, Ugi, Solomon Islands, and is the only white member of the native mission order known as The Brothers. Dr. Fox holds the degree of Doctor of Literature from the New Zealand University.

Mrs. A. D. Lelean, of Ba, Fiji, arrived in Australia by the Monterey on December 2, preceding her husband, who will shortly return from Fiji after 18 years of service. Mr. Lelean will later take up circuit work in Victoria for the Methodist Church.

Mr. O. J. Atkinson, Assistant Resident Magistrate at Abau, Eastern Division, Papua, left Port Moresby on six months' leave by the Montoro in December. He is being relieved by Mr. A. C. Hall.

Rev. A. H. Scriven, of New Zealand, arrived in Sydney from Rabaul by the Macdhui on November 29, after officially inspecting the work of N.Z. Methodist missionaries in the Solomon Islands. He said that Rev. J. F. Goldie, who pioneered the establishment of the mission in the group, is still in charge at Roviana. In spite of his 34 years of strenuous service, he was still in fine health, added Mr. Scriven.

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ABOUT ISLANDS PEOPLE

Mrs. B. C. Meek, accompanied by her two children, reached Sydney by the December Monterey. Her husband is in charge of the Methodist Mission's Agricultural School at Navuso.

Mr. R. A. Woodward, of Papua, returned by the Government ketch Vallala to Daru, in the Western Division, where he is Resident Magistrate. Mr. S. H. Chance, who was relieving at Daru, has now gone to Kikori, Delta Division, as Acting R.M.

Mr. F. Noack, who has been receiving theological instruction at Concordia College, Adelaide, has been accepted as a worker for the Lutheran Church in New Guinea.

Mr. Ralph Farr has been accepted by the Australasian Union Conference of Seventh Day Adventists for medical-missionary work in Papua. He will leave for the S.D.A. headquarters at Mirigoda in January and will later open a new station at Orokolo, in the Gulf Division.

Mr. Witt, a representative of the Australian Gold Mining Corporation arrived in Noumea by the Ville de Strasbourg recently to search for gold in the central region of New Caledonia.

Mr. John T. Howse will leave Sydney by the January Malaita for Choiseul Island, Solomons Group, where he has been appointed to mission work for the Seventh Day Adventist Society.

Mr. D. M. Lazarus, of Ontong Java, Solomon Islands, arrived in Sydney in December on three months' furlough. He is the only white planter and trader in that section of the group. The people there—an isolated community of Polynesian stock—are steadily, if not rapidly, decreasing in numbers, said Mr. Lazarus. They do not seem to have the physique to resist ordinary sicknesses.

Count Henry Theodore von Moltke, who had been in ill-health for some years, died at Norfolk Island, on November 8, at the age of 65. A Dane by birth, he went to the Fiji Islands at the close of last century and became an overseer in the Colonial Sugar Refining Company at Rewa. He purchased the C.S.R. Co's Lakena plantation, but later relinquished this estate to settle in New Zealand. Failing health made it necessary for him to seek a warmer climate and about five years ago he took up residence on Norfolk Island.

Mr. "Jock" Cromar has gone to live in Australia, says our Solomon Islands correspondent; and his departure deprives us of one of our most interesting and oldest citizens. Most folk find it hard to believe that "Jock" has really left us, and all wish him every happiness among his old Queensland friends, who knew of the Solomons as "Jock" chiefly remembered them—the Solomons of kanaka recruiting days.

Miss Nancy Wyborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wyborn, of Rigo, Papua, was married to Mr. Ronald Vivian Oldham, of Steamships Trading Co. Ltd., Port Moresby, on November 18. After the ceremony at Mr. Wyborn's home the couple left by launch for Port Moresby to join the Macdhuil for Australia, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Mr. H. Robert Nesbitt, of Rabaul, New Guinea, was married to Miss Jean King, of Manly, at St. George's Church, Rabaul, on November 5. They have now gone to Wau, where Mr. Nesbitt has taken charge of Rabaul Recreation Co.'s new picture theatre.

Dr. C. M. Dawson left Apia, Western Samoa, on a brief visit to New Zealand by the Hauraki on November 24.

Nurse Vera Pearson, of the Methodist Mission, reached Sydney by the Montoro on November 7, after serving for three years at the Salamo Hospital. She has retired from the sisterhood, but will return to Papua as the wife of Rev. H. Robinson, Methodist missionary at Salamo.

Mr. Charles E. Sparrow, A.M.I.N.A., Technical Instructor at the Methodist Mission Society's Training Institute at Fergusson Island, Eastern Papua, arrived in Sydney by the Montoro on November 7. He married Miss Gladys Thomas in Sydney on December 4 and with his bride sailed for Salamo, Papua, by the Merkur the following day.

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Poultry-keeping

Jungle-fowl, and Some Feeding Errors

By H. Charles Reed, of Samoa

ONLY recently has a little well-deserved attention been given to the keeping of the utility-breeds of domestic fowls in the Pacific Islands.

Except perhaps in Hawaii—where poultry-keeping is modernised—one usually sees the funny little "hen-fruit" called eggs which grace the market-places of Bombay, Cairo, and similar places.

The fact is that poultry thrive as well in the Pacific Islands as in most parts of Australasia. But, like the growing of vegetables, poultry-keeping is largely relegated to the native labour of the Islands. Many folk keep a few hens of the Island type, have a coconut scraped daily for their food, and leave the hens at that. Do the hens then return good-sized eggs for their keep? No, sir, they do not!

It certainly pays to keep a few fowls, especially where the table scraps may help to feed them; but the coconut is by no means a complete food for poultry, and when solely on this diet the poultry get "fed-up" of coconut and will leave it on the ground untouched.

It is just as essential that the hens should have right feeding, pure water, grit and shelter in the Pacific Islands as elsewhere. It is just as essential to import new blood, new roosters, to improve the Island stock. This, the Oriental would never think of. He is quite content with undersized eggs of, often, undecided "freshness," that he has always known.

Of course, all eggs are eggs; and, in the Islands, one is expected to pay the same price for the bantam-sized egg as for a respectable egg; and the Chinese restaurants are buyers of eggs of every description (including those known as "too fresh").

So degenerate are the general run of poultry in the Islands that a decent sized Rhode Island Red rooster appears as a giant among the native-bred stock, while eggs of two to three ounces in weight are wondered at. The native-bred hens of the Islands are known by the Polynesian name of "Sa'a" (meaning short and small). The jungle-fowl or bush-hens, are known as "Moa-ai-vao" (fowls that feed in the bush). These are very plentiful, and are in-bred with the domestic fowls to a great extent.

In the villages one sees the jungle-roosters being carried about as pets by the

boys, who use them to decoy their fellows in the bush. The birds, when set down to a "challenge," will begin to crow directly, and will soon entangle any adversary, who should take up their challenge, by means of a cord attached to the left foot of the pet bird.

But, to return to the Chinese poultry-keeper of the Pacific: He will buy all the poultry he can (at the Chinese value). He will cut off the toes of his hens to prevent them from interfering in his garden or scratching out his seed-beds. He will scrape up enough food to keep the hens going, and will dispose of all the eggs and fowls he can raise to his own community and restaurants.

It is in the commencement—the attempt to raise young chickens or ducklings—where most folks come to grief. Many people will tell you very definitely that poultry do not succeed in the Islands. This is where the Chinaman usually succeeds. And why? Just as a Chinaman knows what is required with a poor soil, so he appears to know something of the value of foods, not alone for himself, but for the feeding of poultry. He sees the Island planter feed boiled rice or breadcrumbs to the young chicks or ducklings—and he knows that dead foods are deadly to chicks. He feeds his newly-hatched birds on live ant-eggs, and his birds thrive.

These huge ant-mounds may be found everywhere in the bush by those who will trouble to collect them. They adhere to decaying trees and, when cut down and kept in a sack, may afford food for the chicks for a week or more. Young birds grow in a really wonderful manner when fed exclusively on ant eggs, fresh from the bush trees. It is not generally known that these huge nests of termites can be had for the taking in the bush lands of the Islands. But it makes poultry-keeping worth while to John Chinaman, who probably gains a wider knowledge of the resources of the Islands in a few months than many of his learned white brothers acquire in years.

Where land is available a small patch of white millet, maize, and the papaya fruit will greatly help in the economical feeding of a few head of cattle, pigs, and poultry. But some people never learn from experience, and daily throw out a few handfuls of dry rice to their hens or ducks, and expect the birds to fatten and thrive. Well, it simply doesn't happen.

In regard to the periodical visits of "fowl-sickness" that occur in and around Apia (Western Samoa), this writer has proved that much of the soil found within the municipality of Apia is "infected" soil, and much of the "fowl-sickness" is due to picking up food infected by their own droppings during the wet season on these soils. The turning of the soil and a liberal

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application of lime is perhaps the best treatment. Burnt coral lime is quite useful, and cheaply made in the Islands.

Perhaps the encouragement of school gardens and school lectures on matters of poultry-keeping and management would do much to improve the outlook in the future for the younger generation. The jungle-fowl might then be relegated to the jungle instead of to the backyard.

THE CONDOMINIUM FARCE

A Planter Writes Bitterly

A PLANTER in the New Hebrides in a recent letter writes very bitterly about political and economic conditions in the Condominium.

He again lays emphasis on the fact that French interests are steadily and consistently supporting French planters and increasing the hold of the French in the Group, while the few remaining British planters are as consistently ignored. He says that at one anchorage in the Group the French planters then were receiving for their copra £7 per ton, plus a bonus of 200 francs; native copra brought £7 per ton; but the best price offered for British copra was £4 per ton—and "not wanted, at that."

This, says our correspondent, is typical of what is happening in the Group. The British planters who several years ago were induced to settle there have been practically forgotten and ignored. "Under these conditions, it is very hard to understand how or where this much-boomed British justice comes in, as we British planters are still expected to make our own living, and pay our share of public costs."

Our correspondent comments on the fact that, while no attempt whatever is made to encourage British settlement, or protect existing British interests, the British side of the Condominium Administration is financed through the Colonial Office, just as it always has been financed, and all the British administrative machinery remains in existence. Why maintain this expense? Why continue the farce? Why not hand over the Group to the French and cut out a heavy annual expense, from which no apparent benefit is derived?

New Refrigerator Unit for Pacific Islands

HITHERTO most non-mechanical refrigerators for use in the Pacific Islands, where no electricity is available, have been produced in the flat chest type with a lift-up lid. Mr. J. W. Long, consulting engineer and refrigerating surveyor, of Sydney, and an expert in absorption type systems, has now announced the production of the "Evercold" Absorption Refrigerator, which has been designed to be equipped into the more conventional vertical cabinet, so that Islands users may now have a prototype of the electric refrigerator.

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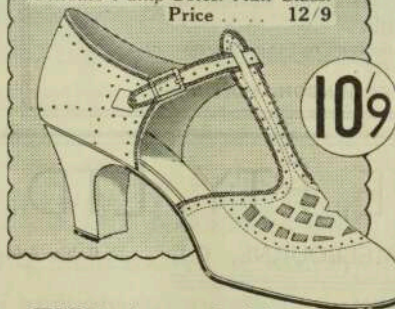
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Mr. W. R. Humphries, formerly Resident Magistrate of the Delta Division, Papua, who has been relieving Mr. C. T. Wurth as R.M. in the Central Division, left Port Moresby in December on three months' leave.

Mr. A. J. Marshall, an Australian anthropologist, will leave Sydney this month for Boram, near Wewak, on the North Coast of the N.G. mainland, to carry out scientific investigations in the district.

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RABAU CASHIER CONVICTED OF STEALING

From Our Own Correspondent.

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The case came before the Chief Judge on November 11 in the Supreme Court and the evidence showed the accused had, over a period of months, covered up his cash deficiencies by a systematic falsification of the monthly reconciliation statements.

The defence stated that from January last the accused had noticed cash shortages which he thought were his own mistakes, but as they continued and grew in proportion he suspected someone was stealing small amounts. At first he made up the deficiencies but later, at the end of the month, he showed the monthly deficiency as an unbanked deposit.

OIL PROSPECTING IN N.G.

INTEREST in oil prospecting in New Guinea has been revived by the statement of Mr. J. N. Montgomery at Brisbane that he was impressed by the possibilities of profitable oil production in that territory. Mr. Montgomery is the leader of a geological survey party, which has made an investigation of 2,000 square miles of country in the Sepik district, and he returned to Sydney to attend a conference of principals of Oil Search Ltd.

For some time rumours have been current in mining circles regarding the activities in New Guinea of companies ostensibly formed to investigate gold areas. In this connection the name of Enterprise of New Guinea N.L. has been freely mentioned, but no official announcement has been forthcoming beyond the issue of a report from the general manager in New Guinea (Mr. Harold Tylour) suggesting that capital be increased with a view to engaging in the search for petroleum.

Dr. I. H. Beattie, Mr. D. M. N. McFarlane, and Mr. A. H. Martin were elected Councillors of the Municipality of Suva, Fiji, in November.

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A MODERN ULYSSES

Capt. de Bisshop in the
Marshall

From a Special Correspondent.

JALUIT (Marshall Is.), Sept. 3.

AFTER sailing through the Solomon Islands, Captain Eric de Bisshop and his companion M. Joseph Tatibouet, the French ocean rovers who were at Thursday Island and Papua some months ago, recently arrived in the Marshall Group in their strange Chinese junk, *Fuo Po 2*.

As none of the Japanese officials at Jaluit understood French and knew but little English, it was hard for the travellers to

establish intelligent communication. For a fortnight, until this was affected, their movements in the group were restricted, the Japanese authorities having some doubt concerning the Frenchmen's *bona fides*.

After much difficulty the Governor, with the assistance of an American missionary who is stationed here, was able to understand that the adventurers were on a world voyage and wished to proceed to Hawaii. Captain de Bisshop's remarks were addressed in English to the missionary, who translated them in the Marshall dialect to a native boy; in turn the native interpreted the message into Japanese for the Governor!

As a result of inquiries, Captain de Bisshop was informed that he could depart whenever he wished. Stating that he would leave the same day, the Frenchman said he was bound for Honolulu and did not intend to call at any other islands on his way. He took on board some 60 gallons of fresh water, tea and sugar, and a quantity of coconuts. Their provisions, he calculated, would last for three months.

The Government launch towed the vessel out to sea, and six miles from land the sails were hoisted and the tow line cast off. The light breeze, just filling the sails, was barely sufficient to overcome the resistance of the *Fuo Po*'s barn-door cutwater. With the sun dazzling

on the gaily painted bow, Captain de Bisshop, a modern Ulysses at the helm of one of the queerest craft that ever sailed the Seven Seas, manoeuvred his vessel and headed north-east for Hawaii.

The *Fuo Po*, unfortunately, never reached Honolulu; she was wrecked on Molokai Island, 60 miles from Oahu, where the capital is situated. The French adventurers were later taken by plane to Honolulu.

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From Our Own Correspondent

PT. MORESBY, Nov. 18.

IT is notified in the Government Gazette of November 6 that vessels arriving at a port in Papua, direct from a port in the Territory of New Guinea, shall be exempt from obtaining pratique under the Quarantine Ordinance. This applies so long as there is no reason to suspect the presence of a quarantinable disease in the Mandated Territory.

Mr. G. H. Watson has been elected a director of Gold Mines of Papua Limited.



Captain de Bisshop's queer vessel, *Fuo Po 2*, photographed last February, when it was being repaired at Port Moresby, Papua. It was wrecked at Molokai, Hawaiian Group, a few weeks ago.

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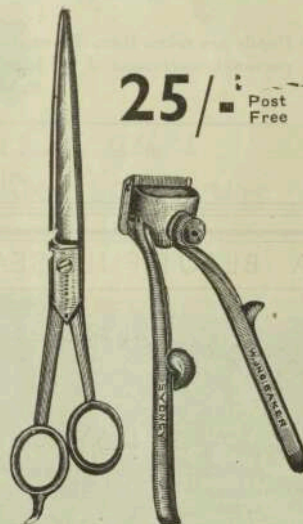
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Gilbertese Lepers Taken to Makogai Settlement

From Our Own Correspondent

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She arrived in the group on November 2, and the patients were taken aboard under the charge of a Native Medical Practitioner and several assistants. On November 14, the lepers were landed at Makogai where the authorities had all facilities in readiness for their arrival. After being disinfected, the Tui Cakau returned to Suva the same day.

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Mr. Banks said that the first of the new dredges would dredge to 80ft. below water level, and carry a bank of 40ft., thus giving a total digging depth of 120ft. The second would dig to about 115ft. and carry a bank of 50ft., making a total possible digging depth of about 165ft. The cost would be met by the sale of up to 60,000 reserved shares to private purchasers, in small lots at about market price, as funds were required.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Sutton arrived in Sydney from Papua by the Montoro on November 7. After serving for many years as Head Gaoler at Port Moresby, Mr. Sutton is on long leave prior to retiring from the Papuan Public Service. During his absence from the territory, Mr. D. J. Mahon is relieving at Port Moresby gaol.

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THE CAPTURE OF THE "KOMET"

Letter to the Editor.

HENRY DEXTER'S article on the capture of the "Komet," and his comments, inspire me to relate a few facts concerning the incident.

For approximately three weeks prior to the capture of this unit of the Kaiser's Navy in New Guinea waters, we, as crew of the little "Nusa," then equipped with two guns (one a three-pounder, the other a 12-pounder field gun on a ship mounting) had been searching the waterways of the coasts of New Guinea.

The reason for this activity was the fact that "Komet" had a very good radio outfit, and a busy operator.

The late Steve Whiteman, then a business man of Rabaul, at last approached the authorities with an offer of help in this search. And so, on October 8, as stated, this vessel, with Commander (then Lieut.-Commander) Jackson in charge, left Rabaul to continue the search.

The personnel of the party that formed the crew of this vessel included two gun crews, one for the forward gun and one for the weapon aft. These, together with the engineers ("Nusa" had steam those days) and the signallers and coxswain, were drawn from the Navy. The balance of the party consisted of 20 soldiers, in charge of Lieut.-Colonel Paton, who also commanded a machine-gun squad, included in the detachment.

On the morning of October 11 this vessel was in the vicinity of the Kombi group of Islands, situated in the centre of the North Coast of New Britain. Steaming slowly along the passage between the mainland and the group, the "Nusa" turned into the mouth of the Linga Linga river. Above the tall trees at the mouth of the river could be seen the twin spires of the "Komet's" masts.

On the left bank of the river the newly-cleared and planted area of the Linga Linga plantation stretched like a mown swathe of lawn and, right opposite the bungalow, the "Komet" lay at anchor.

The "Nusa" ran alongside this vessel's gangway, and the party immediately boarded her.

Captain Mueller, of the "Komet," was shaving in his cabin; and his look of astonishment when Commander Jackson asked for the surrender of the vessel, could be appreciated, even on a half-lathered face.

Commander Jackson, now deceased, was a very proud officer, the day he returned to Rabaul with the "Komet," steaming about two cable-lengths in the rear of his vessel. The Rabaul garrison turned out in force to welcome the vessel as she berthed at the old wharf in Simpsonhaven.

The "Komet" was then taken to Australia, and converted into an armed auxiliary cruiser, and returned to Rabaul at the end of 1914. Her return as the "Una" was heralded by a wassail, the like of which has never been repeated in this little town.

There is one irregularity in this story of Dexter's, and that is that the native crew of the "Nusa" returned with the caps of the native crew of the "Komet." There were no natives, except six firemen on board the "Nusa," and these people were below during the proceedings.

It is interesting to learn that Tommy Powles was a member of this crew, and that he is still alive. I wonder if Dexter will tell me where Tommy enlisted—that is, if he knows. The capture of the

"Komet," as reported in the Government Gazette dated October 15, is correct in every detail.

It may be of interest to recall that the "Nusa" captured quite a large number of inter-island vessels, including the "Mega-long," "Slar," the ill-fated "Sumatra," the schooner "Samoa" (absolutely the finest schooner in these waters) and some smaller fry. Her crew were paid prize-money amounting to about £27 just after hostilities ended.

I am, etc.,

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Rabaul, N.G.

Miss B. D. Meares, nursing sister on the staff of the Namanula Hospital, New Britain, arrived in Sydney on leave by the Neptuna on November 10.

Mr. I. Bailey, an old and well-known resident of Apia, where for many years he had been in business, left Samoa with his family by the Hauraki in November. He intends to settle down in the North Auckland district of New Zealand, where he has acquired business interests.

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RAROTONGA'S THREE PESTS

THERE are three outstanding pests in the island of Rarotonga, Cook Group, which should have the active attention of the Administration.

About 1920, a plant called "elephant's foot" (technically, *Elephantopus Scaber*) was introduced from Tahiti in packing; and it quickly got a hold in the fertile plantations of the island, and grew prolifically. It is a thing resembling the tobacco plant; it takes complete possession of land; and it is ineradicable except by deep digging. The Administration, nowadays, compels plantation-owners regularly to cut down this menacing weed, but cutting only increases the

vigour of its growth. Action should have been taken against the pest several years ago, when the danger was first recognised. Drastic measures are necessary now.

There are multitudes of rats on the island, and the cost of their depredations is incalculable. It has been estimated that they destroy 80 per cent. of cultivated coconuts, by their attacks on flowers, buds and young nuts. Practically nothing has been done to reduce this plague.

The third pest is mosquitoes. Rarotonga harbours swarms of small, savage insects which, after dusk, make life miserable. United action, under Government leadership, would do much to reduce the mosquito pest in Rarotonga, as has been done elsewhere: but initiative seems to be lacking.

Queer Animal of Northern New Guinea

Letter to the Editor.

IT is claimed, in your September issue, that Mr. McLaren discovered a new animal in the St. Matthias group, New Guinea.

I am sorry to contradict; but Mr. McLaren's discovery is a bit late.



A photograph, taken 25 years ago, of one of the queer little animals.

Twenty-five years ago I made a collection of these animals, on the island of Kallu, in the St. Matthias group. There are white ones; some brown back and white belly; and some spotted brown and white, like a panther.

The Germans knew all about this animal—they took many photographs of them on my place. I am of opinion that they are well known in Germany.

The same kind of animal may be found over in the Manus group, but they are pitch black.

I send you herewith a photograph of one of these animals—it had a brown back and white belly.

I am, etc.,

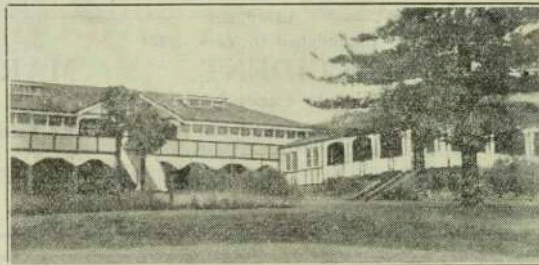
N. J. VANDERGHINSTE.

Watut,
Via Wau, T.N.G.
November 11, 1935.

It was stated in our September issue that Captain McLaren, formerly an S.D.A. missionary, had brought three of the marsupials to Victoria—two carcasses and one live specimen; that they were the "Cuscus" species; that these were the only known specimens outside of St. Matthias; and that Professor Wood Jones had named them the "McLaren Opossum."

Mr. K. Hufnagel-Betham, surveyor in the Samoa Lands Department, was a passenger to New Zealand by the November Maui Pomare.

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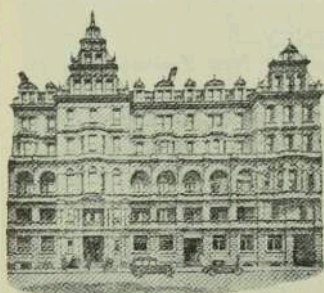
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Specially written for the "Pacific Islands Monthly" by S. van Oosten, officer of the Dutch East Indies Civil Service

AMBOINA (D.E.I.), Nov. 8.

IF a planter takes up a big area of land to make a plantation, he starts by bringing a part of it into production. That this would not be the poorest land seems to be obvious—he uses the best or most accessible land, first. The same thing can be applied to nations which have to develop colonies.

The only part of the Dutch colonies not yet opened up is Dutch New Guinea; and, observing the way we are starting here, this "not yet," I am glad to say, can be cut out very soon. This is due, first, to the oil company, called the Netherlands New Guinea Oil Company (which is a combination of the Bataafsche Petroleum Co., the Colonial Oil Co., and the Pacific Oil Co.) which already has started operations on an enormous scale.

The Oil Company has taken up an area of 10 millions h.a. (about 25 millions acres) in the N.W., S.W., and N.E. parts of Dutch New Guinea, with its centre at Babo (Western New Guinea).

THE Oil Company has ordered an air survey to be made of this area by the Royal Dutch East Indian Airways (K.N.I.L.M.), which will occupy at least 1½ years, and for which purpose three De Havilland Rapide Dragons recently flew over from Europe to Babo, where a large aerodrome has been constructed. Another aerodrome, at the island of Etnan, near Sorong, is nearly ready. A third one is being laid out at Seroci (on the island of Jappen). The laying out of a fourth one will soon start at Mimika (Southern New Guinea).

The flying and mechanical staff consists of about 25 men, under a flight-captain of the Dutch army.

IN the meantime, a party of 10 geologists is exploring the country.

Babo, now, is a small European settlement.

For unskilled labour, the Oil Company has engaged hundreds of Papuans (natives of Dutch New Guinea). The skilled labour is being done by the imported, more civilised people of other parts of the Dutch East Indies (Borneo, the Kei Islands, etc.). The wages of the Papuans are about £1 a month, excluding food. What this means for a society as primitive as that of the Papuans, needs no explanation.

ANOTHER big industry will soon start business in Dutch New Guinea—namely, the gold-mining. An area of about 3½ millions h.a. (8,000,000 acres) will be granted to a combination of three companies; the Billiton Co. Ltd. (Dutch), the firm of Messrs. Erdmann and Sietcken (Dutch) and the Oroville Gold Dredging Co. Ltd. (British)—the last one providing 49 per cent. of the capital. This area is partly situated in the Vogelkop (i.e., Birds-head, the N.W. part of New Guinea), and partly in the Subdivision Merauke, where it is linked up with the area in Papua (Fly River) now being explored by the Oroville people.

A THIRD company now working in Dutch New Guinea is the Japanese, "Nanyo Kohatsu Kaisha" (South Sea Development Co.). It has a rather unimportant area in Manokwari, but a far more important cotton plantation at Momi, and dammar (gum) concessions near Nabire (Northern New Guinea).

Though the cotton-plantation is still in the experimental stage, the Japanese have applied for other areas at Momi and Sarmi, altogether 5,500 h.a., for cotton growing. The granting of these areas is still under consideration and will at all events be subject to the acceptance of some important conditions.

THEN there are, near Manokwari, about 250 and near Hollandia (Humboldt Bay) about 100 Eurasian "colonists," trying to make a living out of farming on a small scale. It is, however, in too early a stage to give any definite opinion about it.

At Manokwari there is a government sawmill, and another at Kokas; both are sawing ironwood.

We have just received word from Batavia that several big Dutch East Indian companies (connected with the K.P.M.) are creating a Dutch New Guinea Trading Co., which will apply for enormous areas in N. and W. New Guinea for the exploitation



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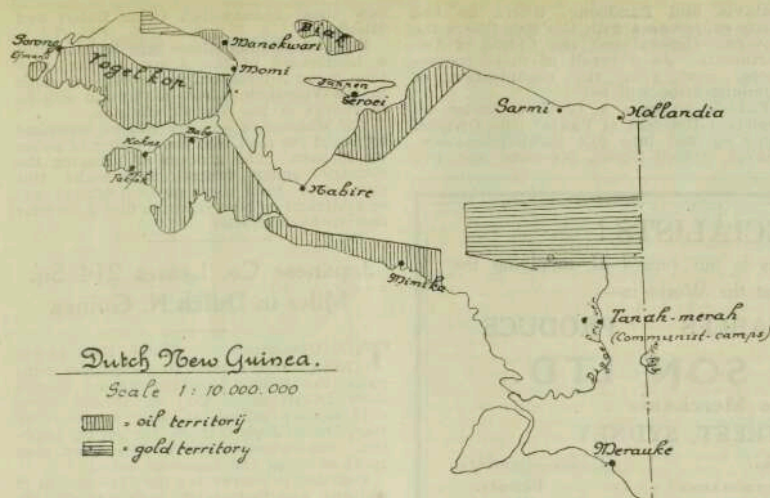
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The Missions, both Protestant and Catholic, are working in Dutch New Guinea. The first-named has been there for about 80 years.

THE Administration of Dutch New Guinea is organised as follows:

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The Division of Manokwari is five Subdivisions, all on New Guinea, each with a European, who often holds the rank of "Gezaghebber," in charge. A Subdivision consists of several Districts, the number of which varies.

The striking point for Australians is that these Districts are administered by natives—not Papuans, but mostly people recruited from the highly cultured population of Ambon and Menado (Northern Celebes). These natives are given a special education for this kind of work at a school in Macassar. By a recent reorganisation of the Administration in Dutch New Guinea, the number of these officers has been considerably increased.

Two Subdivisions of the Division of Toel are on New Guinea: Merauke and Boven-Digool.

In the last one, the two camps for native Communists from the Dutch East Indies (described a few months ago in this journal) are situated. A Captain of the

Army is there, and is military chief and head of the civil administration.

Conditions are changing quickly in Dutch New Guinea.

JUST as I was finishing this article, the Resident der Molukken arrived in Ambona, after a stay of a month in

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Fakfak becomes a Division, under an Assistant-Resident at Fakfak, the Division being divided into five Subdivisions—i.e., Fakfak, Boven-Digoel, Merauke and two

new ones: Inanawatan (near Babo) and Mimika.

East of Mimika, there will be stationed a Lieutenant of the Army, at the same time doing Administration work; the same in the Vogelkop, where a Captain will be in charge of the new Subdivision.

The number of soldiers will be increased by about 160 men, and the number of police by 60 men. The process of bringing the country under control will make this necessary. Four more medical officers will be stationed on New Guinea; also a forester and an agriculturist.

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THE Government of Dutch East Indies has granted a lease to a Japanese company, the Nanyo Kohatsu Kaisha (South Seas Development Co.) of 137,000 acres (214 square miles) of land at Geelvink Bay, Dutch New Guinea, for cotton growing. The concession is for five years, one-tenth of what the Japanese asked.

Founded primarily for the exploitation of natural and industrial resources in the South Seas, the company—capitalised at 20 million yen (approx. £1,000,000)—has for the past three years been experimenting in cotton growing, and has now decided that it should start on a commercial basis. The company intends to produce 20,000 bales of long staple cotton a year.

Geelvink Bay, on the north coast, is three degrees south of the equator, about 700 miles north of Darwin. This is only half the distance from Australia of the nearest Japanese enterprise, which is at Davao, in the south of the Philippines, about eight degrees north of the equator.

KEEPING MEAT FRESH IN THE TROPICS

A USEFUL hint for keeping meat fresh on outstations where there is no freezer has been supplied by Mr. T. K. Colquhoun, of Manus, New Guinea.

By this method, he writes, steak and sausages may be kept up to five weeks, but chops or other meat with bones should be used within a fortnight. First obtain a sufficient number of good clean 30oz. fruit tins. After the meat has thawed drain off all the blood and cook as usual.

Place three-quarters to a pound of meat in each tin and pour over sufficient very hot fat to cover it by at least an inch. The fat should be nearly boiling.

I find that suet is better and usually cheaper than dripping. It is put through a mincer, then boiled and strained. When poured over the meat it seals perfectly. Place the tins in a cool spot well protected from ants, and the meat will be quite fresh when required.

When it is desired to use the meat, place the tin on the stove till the fat melts; lift the meat out with a fork and pour boiling water over it—this washes all the fat off and makes it hot and ready for immediate consumption. The fat may be utilized again for cooking, but should not be used for covering other meat.

Sir Hubert Murray, K.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of Papua, arrived in Sydney by the Montoro in the middle of December. He intended to leave for Norfolk Island to spend Christmas with his son-in-law and daughter, Captain C. R. and Mrs. Pinney. His Excellency will be absent from Papua for several months.

"Vailala Madness"

Wave of Religious Fanaticism That Swept Papua in 1919

BY MOLLIE LETT

REFERENCE in the October number of the *Pacific Islands Monthly* to an outbreak of religious fanaticism in New Guinea among the natives of Buka and Bougainville, recalls the extraordinary wave of fanaticism which swept through the Gulf of Papua in 1919, causing intense excitement among the natives of the district and alarm to some Europeans.

At the time it was generally known as "Vailala Madness" or "Orokolo Kava Kava (madness)" and the symptoms were described in pidgin English as "head 'e go round" on account of the dizziness experienced by the natives while in the trance, which was a feature of the excitement.

In some respects it will be seen that the two disturbances are similar as they present features in common.

Towards the end of 1919 the idea spread, from some unknown source, among the natives of Aribayu, near Orokolo, in the Papuan Gulf, that their ancestors' spirits were to return shortly as white men in a large vessel containing quantities of food. On their arrival, it was believed, they would sweep the settlers into the bush and leave the natives undisturbed to enjoy not only the good things to come, but the fruits of the white men's labour.

The idea was entertaining and it spread. Great preparations were made for the visitors' reception—painted flagpoles and buildings of improved design and construction were erected in the village compounds.

Large tables, surrounded with seats, were set up and decorated with flowers in glass bottles.

The natives' enthusiasm grew with their efforts and a constant "lookout" was kept for the expected vessel, all the chief men of the village wearing their best clothes in anticipation. The excitement spread like wildfire along the coast to the east and to the inland villages behind, and reached such proportions that it well earned its name of "madness." As the fantastic ideas spread they were merged into half digested beliefs from the Bible. Some natives from the large village of Vailala, destroyed their ancestral charms, and induced others to do likewise. Carrying Bibles in their hands they asserted that Christ had come down and spoken to them, which had made their heads dizzy.

As weeks passed without any appearance of the vessel they became impatient and erected wireless masts, to get into communication with God to find the cause of the delay, and daily they sent messages that all was in readiness. So fully convinced were they in their beliefs that they were deaf to both ridicule and reason. It became an obsession; village routine was disturbed and all regular work ceased. Trading remained at a standstill, all the village coconuts being stacked in high piles in the compounds.

But this bonfire of frenzy could not last long; it needed more fuel than the natives' excited imagination could supply. After four or five months it had practically died down, though occasional sporadic outbursts occurred in isolated villages.

During the wave of excitement, the Magistrate of the division visited villages most seriously affected, and the worst cases were taken to the station at Kerema. There they were put to work and fed until they returned to a normal state of mind.

In this manner some check was kept on the hysteria.

For a short period after the disturbance the "ancestors' house," with its tables and chairs, stood neglected in the village compounds and caused a little embarrassment. Any amused criticism as to their use was met with looks of cold disapproval. But the memory was short lived and soon the buildings and tables merged into the life of the village and became useful as dwellings and firewood.

Twelve months later nothing remained to remind one of the fantastic affair.

LAVONGAI LEPER COLONY

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 3.

THE Taskul Observation Colony for lepers on Lavongai (New Hanover), the large mountainous and well-watered island lying 20 miles N.W. of New Ireland, is to house quiescent cases from Anelaua, which is adjacent to the Colony.

It is hoped that in time the leper colony will become self-supporting. The cultivation of land, and the housing, etc., are to be worked on a community basis. Surplus foods and materials will be sold for the benefit of the whole colony.

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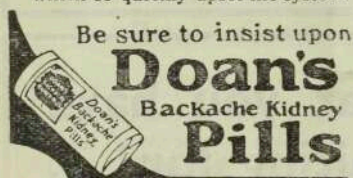
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NEW CURRENCY

Perforated Coins Introduced in New Guinea

NEW GUINEA'S new currency became
legal tender on Monday, December 2.
English and Australian shillings, sixpences,
threepences and pennies remain legal
tender; but they will not be circulated.
They will, it is presumed, be taken in by
the banks whenever possible, and the new
coins issued in their place.

The new coins, which have been issued
generally, are:

One shilling, silver alloy, perforated.
Sixpence, cupro-nickel, perforated.
Threepence, cupro-nickel, perforated.
Penny, bronze, perforated.

Bank notes will circulate in the Territory
in the same way as formerly. There seems
to be some doubt about florins. The new
coinage does not include the handy two-
shilling piece, so presumably the Australian
florin will circulate as heretofore.

The idea behind the innovation is good;
but the natives never could be induced to
use Anglo-Australian sixpences, three-
pences and pennies, and it remains to be
seen whether they will accept them now,
when they can thread them on a string and
hang them around their necks.

Hitherto, most native exchange has been
carried out with shillings (called "marks")
—a survival of the German time) and
sticks of trade tobacco, which have a cur-
rency value of a fraction of a penny.

The effect of this has not been in favour
of the native. He buys very many things
which are priced at less than one shilling,
although he has only shillings to spend;
and the Administration says that often, in
the "change" adjustment, the native has
been unfairly treated. The introduction of
the smaller coins is designed to assist and
protect the native; but a great deal of
persuasion and patience, and perhaps some
force, will be needed to induce the more
remote tribes to accept and use the new
currency.

The primitive natives do not require
much money. But all must pay to the
government the head-tax of 10/- per

annum; and, in order to get this, they will
work and trade, and painfully accumulate
the necessary number of "marks." No one
will envy the district officers and tax-
gatherers their task of introducing and ex-
plaining the new currency.

Recruiters—those who go out among the
primitive tribes and induce the men, by
gifts and promises of money and foods to
sign on as labourers—will meet many diffi-
culties. It is not easy at the best of times
to tempt natives into labour contracts with
"marks," which they understand and desire.
How, then, are they going to fare when
they offer the new, perforated coins to
those suspicious Stone-Age gentlemen?

The Administration has bought this
coinage at very much less than its face
value; and, issuing it at the same price as
the money it is withdrawing from circula-
tion, it will make a substantial profit. One
estimate shows a profit of £2000 per annum.
Probably, it will be much more than that,
as the Administration will get the benefit
of all the coin that is lost, hoarded and
otherwise withdrawn from circulation.

"THE HURRICANE"

Messrs. Nordhoff and Hall's New Volume of the Tuamotus

THE well-known American novelists,
Messrs. Charles B. Nordhoff and James
Norman Hall, who have been settled in
French Oceania for some years, have sold
the serial rights of their new book to the
New York *Saturday Evening Post*. The
writers have also disposed of the movie
rights for "Pitcairn's Island," the last book
of their famous "Bounty" trilogy.

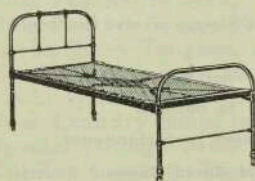
"The Hurricane" is the title of the new
book. "It has proved the hardest job either
Hall or I ever tackled," said Mr. Nordhoff.
"We re-wrote it completely from beginning
to end three times before we could get a
draft that seemed any good at all. It took
us eight months to arrive at 80,000 words
for the final draft—surely a world's
record for two men!"

The scene of the story is the
Tuamotu Archipelago or the so-called
"Atolls of the Sun." It deals with native
life, and has only three white characters
in it. The tremendous work which Messrs.
Nordhoff and Hall put into their books once
again proves the old adage that hard
writing makes easy reading. The clarity
of style in the work of these two most
interesting literary partners of the Pacific
has always been a feature of their books.

Mr. Nordhoff, who was in Sydney last
year, expected to leave for the United
States on December 3, but owing to the
illness of one of his daughters his plans
were upset.

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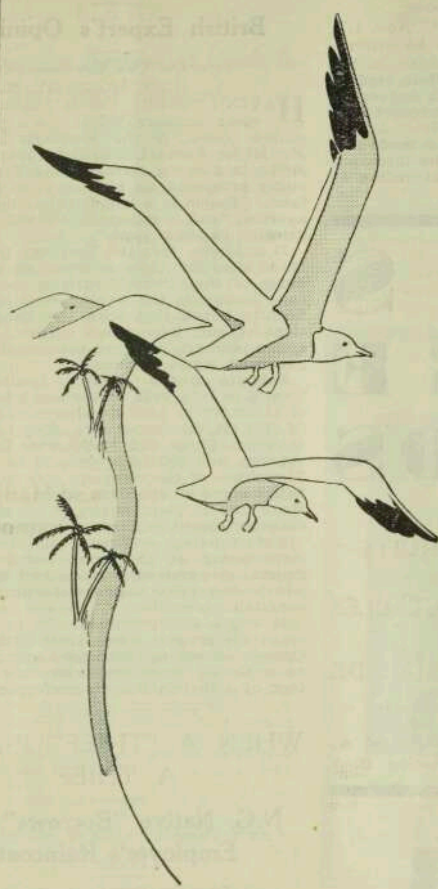
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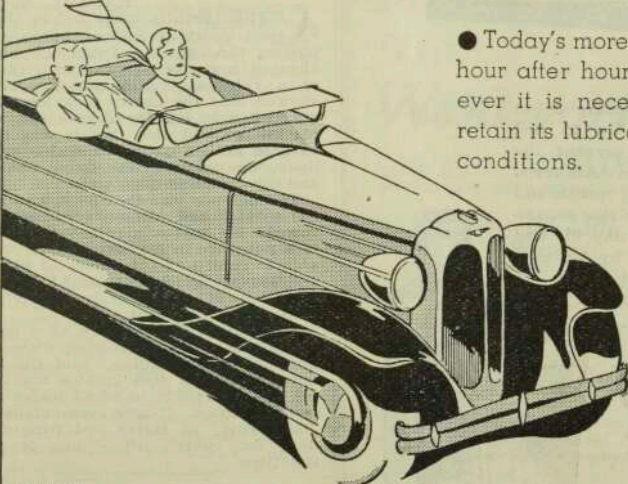
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Mr. A. H. Bunting, M.L.C., of Samarai, Papua, arrived in Australia on business by the Macdhuil at the end of November.



RABAU'S CHINATOWN

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 1.

RABAU'S Chinatown is to be altered. All leases held of allotments in the Asiatic Settlement on New Britain expired on June 30 last. Previously a survey of the settlement was made and a report submitted to the authorities.

As a result changes are to be made and the tenure of leaseholds will be increased from 10 years to periods not exceeding 30 years.

PAPUAN SUGAR

British Expert's Opinion

From Our Own Correspondent

PT. MORESBY, Nov. 12.

HAVING recently visited Papua to inspect Sangara Sugar Co.'s property outside Buna, in the Northern Division, Mr. Moody Stewart, a British sugar expert, spoke in glowing terms of the Territory's sugar prospects, on his return to Queensland. "Papua is a wonderful country," he averred, "and is especially suitable for the growing of sugar cane."

It is known that the Territory possesses lands ideal for sugar growing, as it is the home of the "Badila" variety, the richest cane known in the world. It is still confidently hoped that with the ideal conditions of soil, labour and climate, Papuan sugar planters may yet successfully compete with world growers.

Sangara Sugar Estates Limited was formed in July, 1931, with a nominal capital of £1,000,000 in 1,000,000 shares of £1 each. Of this 450,000 shares were offered for subscription, 50,000 fully paid were issued to vendors, and 500,000 were held in reserve. The object of the company was to acquire 20,000 acres of approved sugar lands near Buna and to plant sugar on an extensive scale for export to England and Canada.

Unfortunately, sufficient capital was not forthcoming at the time, owing to the general economic depression and the company's enterprise was shelved until better conditions prevailed.

It was a disappointment, for in 1931-32, as at the present time, Great Britain and Canada offered markets for sugar. Papua as a British dominion enjoys the advantage of a British Empire preference.

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WHEN A "THIEF" IS NOT A THIEF

N.G. Native "Borrows" His Employer's Raincoat

From Our Own Correspondent

RABAU, Nov. 16.

A CASE recently came before the District Court at Rabaul where an employer, through the Police Department, charged a native servant with the theft of a raincoat. Although the evidence showed that the native took his master's coat when he left for a week-end visit to his village and also that it was not recovered until a native constable was sent there, the accused was found not guilty and the case was dismissed.

The defence was that as it was raining the servant had without permission "borrowed" his master's raincoat and owing to a puncture in his bicycle tyre, was unable to return at the expiry of his week-end leave. Defendant stated he had no intention of permanently depriving his employer of the coat.

This raises the question of a fine distinction between "borrowing without permission" and "stealing," and the line of defence in this case creates a precedent for other servants to adopt under similar circumstances. It may even extend to the "borrowing" of shirts and ties on Sundays for church attendance or similar functions.

Mr. Gus Nelsson, nominated member of the Papua Legislative Council, arrived on a visit to Sydney by the Macdhuil on November 29.

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ON LEISURELY CRUISE TO U.S.A.

Te Rapunga Arrives at Cook Is. from New Zealand

From Our Own Correspondent

RAROTONGA, Nov. 3.

ON October 1 the 10 tons ketch Te Rapunga arrived here after a 21 days' voyage from New Zealand. On board were Captain George Dibbern (owner), Mr. Roy Murdock (navigator), Mr. Maurice Black, M.A., and Miss Eileen Morris, of Napier.

The Te Rapunga (length 32 ft., beam 11 ft., draught 5 ft.) was built about 10 years ago at Kiel, Germany, and made the voyage out to N.Z. via the Panama Canal, her crew then consisting of Capt. Dibbern, his nephew Gunter Schramm, and the Baroness Von Fritsch. On the journey from Panama to 'Frisco she set what must be almost a time record for small yachts, taking 101 days between ports.

Leaving Hauraki Gulf for the Pacific on September 11, the Te Rapunga encountered a succession of gales and calms, and during the former was hove to three times. The record run for the trip to the Cook Islands was 204 miles logged in one day.

Arriving at the Avarua anchorage some amusement was caused when the yacht fouled her anchor in the coral, and the doctor and customs officer having just boarded, were immediately conscripted to haul in the cable!

Captain Dibbern is renewing old memories and friendships in Rarotonga, and finds the island much changed since his last visit in 1913. It is his present intention to cruise slowly through the Society and Paumotu Groups, thence to Honolulu and San Francisco. At the rate which they are now proceeding—the Te Rapunga having already stayed here over a month—the trip promises to be a long one.

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In a letter to the Editor, Mr. Zedler says:—

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Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Mason, returned to Somata, Solomon Islands by the Malaita in November after furlough in Australia.

N.G. KUNAI GRASS

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 2.

THE possibility of a paper pulp manufacture becoming an established industry in New Guinea is receiving consideration by the Administration.

It is interesting to note that already experimental areas of Kunai grass have been laid out near Rabaul, to determine the growth and yield. A study is also being made of the length of period between harvestings which will be most suitable to its virility.

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SAMOAN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Messrs. A. G. Smyth and I. H. Carruthers Elected

From Our Own Correspondent.

APIA, Nov. 7.

AT the termination of the three years' legislative period on November 1, the elections for two members of the Western Samoan Legislative Council took place, and Messrs. A. G. Smyth and I. H. Carruthers were returned. There were four candidates, Messrs. I. H. Carruthers and A. R. Cobcroft, sitting members of the Council, Mr. A. G. Smyth, general manager of O. F. Nelson & Co., Ltd., and Dr. C. M. Dawson, private medical practitioner, and former C.M.O. of Tonga and Samoa.

The number of voters on the electoral roll has considerably decreased since the last election in 1932, there being only 134 names on the roll, against 172. A large number of residents qualified to vote had omitted to apply for the entry of their names in the roll. In the ballot only two Apia electors did not exercise their votes,

and with two votes from an outside district outstanding, the results are:—

A. G. Smyth	80
I. H. Carruthers	65
C. M. Dawson	51
A. R. Cobcroft	42

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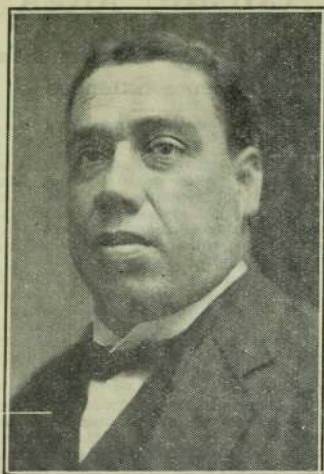
Mr. A. G. Smyth

support of the planters and officials would carry him through. Dr. Dawson, although enjoying a well deserved popularity owing to his good professional work, takes little interest in social or sporting activities, and was therefore not sufficiently well-known to residents.

Mr. A. G. Smyth and also Mrs. Smyth are very prominent in social and public affairs and sports meetings and are popular with all classes of European residents. Mr. Smyth had the support of the officials, the commercial people, many planters, and practically all the local-born settlers. Mr. Carruthers, himself local-born, also was supported by local-born residents, and by planters and commercial men. As a planter and merchant, he is able and willing to represent both sections of the community.

HONOURABLE A. G. SMYTH

Mr. Smyth was born on June 17, 1879, at Maitland, N.S.W. Educated at the Maitland Sacred Heart School, and also at the Government School on Thursday Island, he joined the staff of Messrs. Burns, Philp & Co., Ltd., at the latter place, staying 16 years in their service. Later he spent four years in Papua, managing the business of C. R. Baldwin, Ltd. In April, 1914, Mr. Smyth went to Levuka, Fiji, where he entered the firm of Morris, Hedstrom, Ltd. He resigned in



Mr. I. H. Carruthers

1918 to accept a position with the late H. J. Moors, in Apia, Samoa. After the outbreak of the influenza epidemic in 1918 he left Samoa to open the Auckland office of Messrs. O. F. Nelson & Co., Ltd. In 1920 he bought out the business of Mr. N. Johanssen, at Apia, which he sold to Morris, Hedstrom, Ltd., at the end of 1927.

From 1928 to 1930, Mr. Smyth was connected with the firm of A. M. Brodziak and Co., Ltd., of Suva, Fiji. After the liquidation of the latter firm in 1930, he returned to Apia, to take control of the Apia branch of Morris, Hedstrom, Ltd., resigning in 1933 to join Messrs. O. F. Nelson & Co., Ltd., of which firm he is at present general manager and a director.

HON. I. H. CARRUTHERS

Mr. Carruthers, who has been first elected member of the Council for the last three years, has now been elected as second member. Born in Samoa on October 27, 1888, the son of the late R. H. Carruthers, a British barrister and solicitor, who was a prominent resident under the Three Power regime, he was educated at the Apia Marist School.

Leaving school he took up a commercial career, starting as an island trader. Gradually he built up a small business, owning schooners, and slowly extended his operations. For some time he was in partnership with the Hon. A. G. Smyth, but later established his own business again, now trading as I. H. Carruthers, Ltd., popularly called the "Fifty-fifty" Store.

Following the example of his father, who introduced cocoa planting to Samoa, by planting the first 25 acres from seeds obtained from the D.H. & P.G. Co., he leased from the Administration the cocoa

plantation of Malaedono on the west coast of Upolu. Mr. Carruthers is a member of the committee of the Planters' Association and the Chamber of Commerce, and has taken an active interest in all matters pertaining to the welfare and progress of the territory.

As first elected member he has taken an important part in all discussions of the Council on matters of policy. The important new "Samoan Status Ordinance," which gave the local-born of mixed parentage the right to declare themselves native Samoans and thus obtain land and title rights from their Samoan mothers' side, was passed greatly due to his efforts.

Mr. G. Kingsley Roth, District Commissioner of Suva, Fiji, has been transferred to Levuka to relieve Mr. A. Walker, D.C. and Collector of Customs, who has proceeded to New Zealand owing to ill-health.

Rev. Mother Mary Pia arrived in Sydney from Europe by the French steamer Ville de Strasbourg on November 22. Under her care was a party of missionary sisters (three Italians and seven from France), who will take up duties in the South Seas, two going to Noumea, two to Vila, three to Suva, one to Apia, and one to Tonga.

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SAMOAN PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 7.

AT the annual meeting of the Samoan Planters' Association, the report of the committee was read, giving a summary of activities during the last year. Many important results were achieved by the co-operation of the committee with the Administration. These were also favourably commented upon in the last official report on the Territory to the League of Nations.

The President, Mr. F. L. A. Goetz, who is departing by the *Maui Pomare*, made a valedictory speech, in which he gave some valuable advice in regard to the future policy and activities of the Association. Members of the committee and of the association spoke in appreciation of his great interest and the good work Mr. Goetz had done for Samoan planters.

Mr. D. R. A. Eden, the newly appointed general manager of the New Zealand Reparation Estates, has been elected Acting President of the Association *pro tem*.

CHIMBU AREA

New Guinea Government's Influence Extended

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 4.

THE station gardens on the Ega and Goromei police posts in the Chimbu area have been vastly improved. These have not only increased the native food supply, but reduced the general expenditure of the posts, which, on account of aerial freights, is high.

Generally, the supervision of these gardens is left to the native police, the white officers' time being fully employed in extensive patrols throughout the area. As a result of successful Administration patrols a more satisfactory degree of influence has been established, especially among the Chimbu tribes.

The overland route between the Ramu post and the Chimbu has been made more secure by the reopening of the base camp at Bena Bena. Mails are now carried regularly each week by native police between Ramu and Bena Bena and the track which connects those two centres has been improved and completed.

Great improvement has been noticed at the Ramu post in the relations with natives. A considerable amount of attention still has to be given the district, and the country lying between it and the Chimbu before peaceful and reasonable conditions prevail.

The European population continues to increase on the Upper Watut, where miners and prospectors are extending their operations. Natives there are gradually being brought under control and there is practically no trouble, their relations with prospectors being quite satisfactory.

The Administration has kept in constant touch with the Kuku Kukus in order to establish good feeling and confidence with the advancing mining community. Miners and their mining labourers are slowly developing relations of mutual confidence with natives of the district.

POLYNESIAN DIALECTS

Mr. F. W. Stimson's Dictionary Ready for Publication

From Our Own Correspondent

PAPEETE, Nov. 1.

AFTER a visit to his headquarters in Hawaii, Mr. Frank W. Stimson, Research Associate in Polynesian Linguistics attached to the staff of the Bishop Museum, Honolulu, has returned to Tahiti by the *Maunganui*.

It is understood that Mr. Stimson's comparative dictionary of the Polynesian dialects—a masterly work which will establish the author as the foremost authority on the subject—is almost ready for publication. Several other bulletins—the results of a long sojourn in the Tuamotu Archipelago—are also due to appear in the near future.

Mr. Stimson is now engaged upon the translation of ancient chants and legends of which he has a vast collection from the various islands of the south-eastern Tuamotus. This work will keep him fully occupied for some months to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Younger, of the Solomon Islands, are spending a month's holiday in Australia. Mr. Younger is a planter at Cape Marsh.

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How Queen Salote Was Received in Fijian Island of Lakemba

THE landing of the Queen of Tonga at Lakemba, in the Lau Group, Fiji, on October 11, to take part in the Methodist Mission centenary celebrations, was described by Rev. A. Wesley Amos in a recent article in a Melbourne newspaper.

The Queen, who had been in Australia, travelled specially from Sydney in the Katoomba to be present at this function. She was met at Lakemba by her own yacht, which had brought several of her people from Nukualofa.

In the old days, there was much fighting in the Lau Islands between Tongans and Fijians, and the present inhabitants are a mixture of the two races.

Four hundred visitors arrived at the little island in the Katoomba, and their disembarkation occupied four hours. They were accommodated in picturesque shelters of bamboos and foliage.

The last to come ashore (said Mr. Amos) was Her Majesty Queen Salote Tubou (Dame, C.B.E.), of Tonga, who is distantly connected with the chiefly tribes of this group. Her boat carried her to a large new canoe in the bay, which ferried her to the sandy beach, where the sturdy Fijians lifted the canoe bodily and carried the royal visitor up to the entrance of the town.

Here she entered a gaily decorated arch and stepped on a newly woven mat of honour held by two rows of women over the whole length of some 400 yards. Accompanied by chiefs and Tongan visitors, the procession moved slowly forward, passing the *Langis* (tomb) where the chief Finau was buried last year.

Wearing a mourning mat, the Queen paused, while her Tongan courtiers chanted a dirge. The procession led to her quarters, where she was received by Randi ni Nayan—the widow of the chief. Thence she was conducted to the Native Council House for a series of most interesting celebrations.

The presentation began with 10 whales' teeth—the symbolic instrument of Fiji and accompanied by much ritual. Then followed the offering of the bunch of coconuts, typifying the fruit and food of the land, the platter borne by comely maidens, carrying lighted torches, signifying their readiness to serve Her Majesty.

The elaborate ritual concluded with the ceremonial drinking of the Kava (*Piper Methysticum*).

This was followed by a great exchange of goods. The Queen's yacht from Tonga had brought 1,000 bottles of aromatic coconut oil, much prized for the anointing of faces and bodies, and many hundreds of woven mats and fathoms of *tapa* (paper cloth). In return, many huge wooden bowls, fine samples of native craftsmanship, were presented to the Queen and her party.

After presentation of large quantities of native food—turtles, pigs, bullocks, fish, yams, taro, tapioca, etc.—the evening meal followed.

Mr. William R. Smith, who for 10 years was manager of the Alutaki branch of Messrs. A. B. Donald and Co. Ltd. in the Cook Islands, recently resigned owing to ill-health. He has now opened a store at Te Aroha, a town in the Waikato farming district of New Zealand.

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FATHER DAMIEN OF MOLOKAI

Body of Hawaii's Leper Hero to be Taken to Belgium

ON November 18 cables from London announced that the body of Father Damien, the Belgian priest who laboured for 16 years among Hawaiian lepers on Molokai Island will be taken to his native land, for reburial in the chapel of St. Joseph at Louvain. The President of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt, has authorised the conveyance of the body to Belgium in an American warship.

The life of Father Damien (Joseph de Veuster) is one of great self-sacrifice and simple heroism. Setting himself the task of ministering physical and spiritual healing to the unfortunate lepers, he toiled faithfully for long years in an atmosphere of filth and squalor, eventually contracting the ghastly disease himself. He died of leprosy among the other sufferers in that little settlement on Molokai which was described as "a pitiful place to visit and a hell to dwell in."

Born of middle-class parents on January 3, 1841, at Tremeloo six miles from Louvain, he commenced his community life at the age of 18 as a drawer of water and a hewer of wood. Owing to his ignorance of Latin and Greek his superiors decided he could not take holy orders. Damien, however, begged the Fathers to permit his brother, who was

about to be ordained, to instruct him. This was granted, and he studied with such voracious diligence and made such progress that he was allowed to prepare for the priesthood.

TOOK BROTHER'S PLACE

Shortly afterwards a party of missionaries of the Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary was making ready to leave for the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii). Amongst them was Damien's brother, then a priest, but he was seized by fever before the departure and Damien beseeched the authorities to let him take his brother's place.

He was sent, and in 1873 arrived in Honolulu where he was ordained, and given charge of an outside district on Oahu Island. At the dedication service of a new church at Maui some months later, Damien met the Bishop of Honolulu and appealed to him to be allowed to work among the native lepers at Molokai, the state lazaret. Receiving the Bishop's sanction, he left the same day, travelling on a cattle boat to the prison he had voluntarily chosen.

DEPLORABLE HOUSING CONDITIONS

Housing conditions on Molokai were deplorable and the moral plight of the lepers was even worse than the havoc wrought by the disease. Damien commenced work immediately and finding the settlement unsuitable built a new one. He created a permanent water supply and made so many improvements in health conditions that the death-rate dropped perceptibly and the patients' sufferings were eased.

His life was a busy one, full of rough hardships and privations. Often the colony ran out of provisions and Damien was the first to go short.

One day after years of toil as he sat instructing a group of lepers, a coal fell from the fire upon the palm of his hand. He did not notice it and felt no burn—and then he knew that the fearful scourge had come upon him. After much suffering he died on April 15 1889.

STEVENSON'S FAMOUS PAMPHLET

Father Damien and his work among the Molokai lepers was the subject of a vitriolic pamphlet vigorously penned by the great Robert Louis Stevenson in reply to an attack upon the Belgian priest by Dr. C. M. Hyde, a Presbyterian minister of Honolulu. On February 24, 1890, Stevenson who was recovering his broken health in New South Wales was shown

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a copy of the *Sydney Presbyterian*, dated October 26, 1889, in which Dr. Hyde cast grave aspersions upon Damien's moral character.

The letter, originally addressed to Rev. H. B. Gage, and re-published in the magazine, was as follows:—

Dear Brother,—In answer to your inquiries about Father Damien, I can only reply that we who knew the man are surprised at the extravagant newspaper laudations, as if he were a most saintly philanthropist. The simple truth is, he was a coarse, dirty man, headstrong and bigoted. He was not sent to Molokai, but went there without orders; and did not stay at the leper settlement (before he became one himself), but circulated freely over the whole island (less than half the island is devoted to the lepers), and he came often to Honolulu. He had no hand in the reforms and improvements inaugurated, which were the work of our Board of Health, as occasion required and means were provided. He was not a pure man in his relations with women, and the leprosy of which he died should be attributed to his vices and carelessness. Others have done much for the lepers, our own ministers, the government physicians, and so forth, but never with the Catholic idea of meriting eternal life.

— C. M. HYDE.

After reading the paper, Stevenson leaped to his feet in furious anger, declaring that he must reply at once to smash the traducer of a dead man for whom he had conceived an ardent admiration. Next morning he wrote the famous defence in his room at the Union Club, Bligh Street, Sydney. It was the work of only a few hours and stands now almost exactly as it was in the first hastily written draft.

Stevenson wrote graphically of his own feelings and observations when he visited the leper station. In masterly style he soundly denounced Damien's detractor, handling words, as he expressed it, "to convey truth and arouse emotion." With the skill of a scientist, he dissected and criticised Rev. Hyde's letter and drew a portrait of the missionary as a noble hero labouring among the afflicted lepers.

By and by, after his letter had been published in England, Australia, and New York, Stevenson himself regretted its violence. He confessed that it was "barbarously harsh," and that he might have defended Damien equally well without inflicting pain on others.

NEW CALEDONIA'S GOLD

Dr. Hills Investigating for Australian Interests

GOLD seekers are turning their eyes from Fiji to New Caledonia, where although there are nickel and chrome mines, no gold mine has yet been proved.

Several Australian mining men have recently visited Noumea to examine supposed gold-bearing areas and in November Dr. Loftus Hills left Melbourne for New Caledonia to investigate reported gold finds on the island on behalf of Sydney and Adelaide interests.

Concessions over large areas have been obtained from the French Government and Dr. Hills will look over the properties and report to the parties concerned. A prominent Victorian geologist, Dr. Hills was the first to affirm the possibilities of the Tavua field, Fiji. On his return from Noumea, he will depart for Suva, probably early in January.

In recent months three Australian companies have been actively engaged in gold seeking in New Caledonia. They are:

Diahot River Gold Dredging Syndicate N.L., of Adelaide, which holds an option over 12,000 acres on the Diahot River, north-east coast of New Caledonia. This company's property was surface tested by Mr. J. Hay, who estimated values at more than 4/- a cubic yard. Later Dr. Jensen carried out a detailed examination.

Upper Diahot River Gold Dredging Syndicate N.L., formed in December, 1934, acquired from C. R. Donaldson an option over 3,000 acres on the Upper Diahot River. Dr. Jensen scout bored the area, but did not find gold values beneath the surface. Investigations are still being carried out on the property.

Caledo-Austral Gold Syndicate N.L., formed in Adelaide early this year, obtained an option over the Honfleur and Queyras mines. The syndicate also has an option over 9,000 acres of dredging leases on the Tende River, near Upper Diahot Gold Co.'s areas.

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Apia Resident's Voyage In The "Buster"

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, November 1.

ON October 5, 1885, a small three-masted schooner, the "Buster," left Auckland harbour, New Zealand, for a lengthy cruise around the South Sea Islands. The purpose of the voyage was to make a complete round of inspection of the numerous Island stations of the Auckland firm of Henderson and Macfarlane Ltd., to whom the "Buster" belonged, and also to find sites for new stations.

Captain Theet was in command, with Mr. Geo. Dunnet as supercargo, and on board were Mr. Frederick J. Moss, a member of the N.Z. House of Representatives, and Mr. T. Andrew, an Auckland photographer. The story of this interesting 6½ months cruise through many little known Island groups, is graphically told in a book written by Mr. Moss and published in London in 1889 entitled, "Through Atolls and Islands in the Great South Sea," illustrated with many excellent photographs taken by Mr. Andrew.

Of the ship's company on that memorable trip, as far as is known, only Mr. Andrew, now nearly 80 years old, is still alive. He is still in harness and mentally and physically very lively with a splendid memory and a keen interest in life. After a span of 50 years he is still able to tell of the many queer sights and incidents during the voyage.

He relates of the visit to Niue Island, where Rev. Frank Laue was in charge of the London Missionary Society; of Suvarrow Island, the rendezvous of the old South

Sea pirate, Bully Hayes, where his guns were found; of Manihiki, famed for beautiful hats made of the pandanus leaf; of Penrhyn, the pearling island; of Swain's Island, where the Jennings family holds sway; and of the Tokelaus, the Gilberts and the Marshalls, where many strange personalities were met with.

Calls were also made in the Mortlocks, at that time thickly populated, and at Pleasant Island (Nauru), where Mr. Andrew missed the chance of a lifetime, taking a photograph of a rocky outgrowth believed to be a fossil formation and which later proved to be pure phosphate. On Nauru Mr. Andrew met the famous writer Louis Becke and spent a night in his house. Interesting also were the old mysterious ruins encountered at Ponape Island in the Caroline group.

On the "Buster" Mr. Andrew returned to Auckland, but a short time later went to Fiji and the New Hebrides. In 1890 he went to Samoa and has been settled here ever since as a photographer, planter (he planted the first para rubber in Samoa and was one of the pioneer cocoa planters) and later as a merchant. Sixty-six years without a holiday and a rest—and not a day of sickness—is surely a record to be proud of.

WATERSPOUT HITS COOK ISLANDS

Houses Wrecked in Arorangi Village.

From Our Own Correspondent

RAROTONGA, Nov. 3.

SWIRLING in from the ocean on the evening of October 14, a waterspout wrecked a number of houses in the village of Arorangi.

It had been a wet Sunday, and by eight o'clock everybody was indoors. Unobserved, the column of water travelled across the lagoon, decreasing in volume as it approached the shore, from whence it passed inland as a furious funnel of air. Careering up the village, it stripped the roofs of four houses, wrecking the verandahs of several others. Twenty fowls roosting in a tree disappeared completely, and many sheets of galvanised iron were wrapped like paper around the branches of adjacent trees.

Mr. Peter Callaghan, disabled ex-soldier, was in his room at Tapai Pirangi's store when the baby cyclone struck the premises. "I was just undressing," he said, "when there was a report like a pistol-shot overhead, and the roof went. The force of the wind was terrific; it held me up against the wall for fully 30 seconds. The floor mats were whipped off the ground and I thought the whole house was coming down!"

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SUWARROW IS. TO-DAY

Visit of American Yacht
"Nomad"

Letter to the Editor.

I read with great interest the article about Suwarrow Island, in the August *Pacific Islands Monthly*, and may be able to supply a little additional information.

On April 3, 1933, the American yacht "Nomad," set sail from Suva, bound for San Francisco. On board were four young men (one of whom was myself) who were destined to spend 169 days aboard the 50ft. craft before reaching California.

After calling at several islands in the Eastern Fiji group, we visited Nukualofa, Vavau and Pago Pago. Leaving American Samoa we sailed for Danger Island, or Puka Puka, for some years the home of Robert Frisbie, author of the book "Puka Puka." It was after leaving the latter island, that we struck adverse winds and sets, which threw us off our course.

We spent eight days getting nowhere so decided to make for the nearest land, and accordingly at 8.30 a.m. on June 9, we dropped anchor in the lagoon at Suwarrow Island. The 50 coconut trees mentioned by Captain Sterndale had multiplied to several thousand, in fact considerable difficulty was experienced in getting through the bush owing to the growth of young trees. There were two or three buildings in a dilapidated state, also an old sail-boat in a rotting condition.

We replenished our water supply from a large concrete cistern which must have held several hundred gallons. Tacked to

the wall of the largest building was a notice stating that the schooner France had visited the island in 1926. Fish and seabirds were in abundance.

After cavorting about the island for four glorious days—"kings of all we surveyed," we set sail, and on June 28, arrived at Penrhyn Island, where we had the good fortune to meet Captain Viggo Rasmussen and Mr. Philip Woonton, the Resident Agent. They were kindness itself—and we enjoyed several good meals and some good Scotch on board the "Tiare Taporo," before setting sail for Honolulu.

I am, etc.,

ROB. R. WRIGHT.

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INFLUENZA IN TAHITI

From Our Own Correspondent

PAPEETE, Nov. 1.

IN common with several other Pacific Island Groups, Tahiti was visited recently by an influenza epidemic of a mild description. A considerable number of the population contracted the complaint and for a few days business houses and other employers were short of hands.

Fortunately there were few deaths and these could be traced mostly to elderly people or to neglected cases, which had suffered a relapse. A timely downpour of rain quickly terminated this unpleasant visitation.

Mr. J. A. Norrie, Commissioner of Labour in Samoa, who is also Crown Solicitor and Land Registrar, left Apia for New Zealand by the Maui Pomare on November 7.

Spectacular End of the
MitiaroOld B.P. Vessel Scuttled in the
Solomons

THE blowing-up of the old steamer Mitiaro outside Tulagi Harbour, in the Solomon Islands, recently, removed a relic of an interesting chapter in the history of Burns, Philp and Co. Ltd., in the Pacific, said the "Sydney Morning Herald" on November 22.

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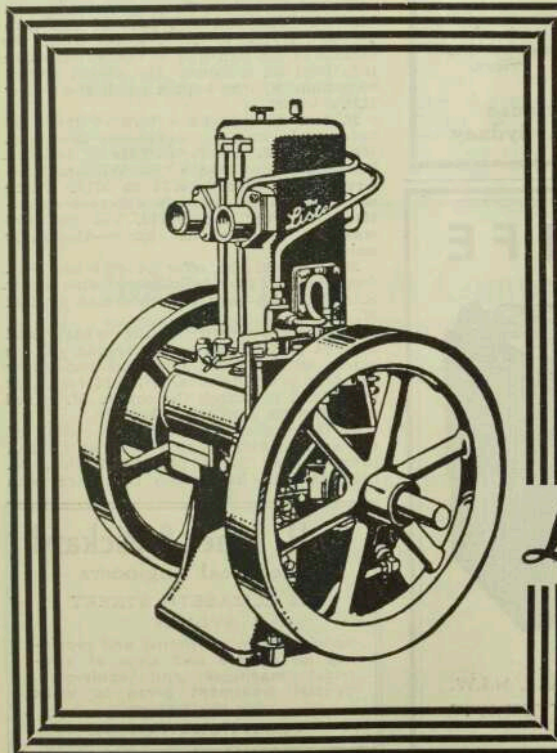
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When she began to fail, the Mitlari, a vessel 150 feet long, and of 360 tons gross, was purchased from a French company by Burns, Philip. Her original name had been Jolly Helen, later the Oceania, and finally it was altered to Mitlari (locally Mighty Error). When the depression became acute, and copra prices fell, the Mitlari was laid up.

She later made a few irregular trips on behalf of certain local interests before she was scrapped. On one occasion, after a hole had rusted in her side above the water line, somebody stuffed a growing coconut in the hole from the outside, and the old

ship steamed into port with a six-foot palm growing out of her side.

Lever Bros.' motorship Kurimarau towed the vessel to sea recently, and several charges of dynamite were exploded within her, but with little result. Then the sea-cocks were opened, but she did not sink for five or six hours afterwards.

When it did come the end was sudden and spectacular. There was a dull boom as the water rushed into the engine-room, and the bulkhead carried away. With nose high, she shot downward. One more burst of spray, and the ship disappeared from sight.

Mr. G. Sharood, who has been manager for many years of Messrs. A. B. Donald and Co's establishment in Papeete, left Tahiti by the Hauraki in November for a few months' vacation in New Zealand.

PARADISE PLUMES

BY HENRY DEXTER

UNDOUBTEDLY, sentiment was the cause of closing the market for plumes in Great Britain, although the agitation that brought this about was based on fallacy.

Thirty years ago, it was a common thing to read articles written by most worthy people, in which the shooting of the bird-of-paradise, the egret, and the goura pigeon, were all treated as if comparable one with the other.

Even that usually well-informed paper, "The Shooting Times," condemned all three, until one of their correspondents pointed out that the circumstances of the shooting of the three varieties of birds were as far apart as the poles.

The egret shows its plumes during the breeding season. To shoot them then meant that the young were left to a lingering death by starvation.

Undoubtedly, the goura needed protection, because the bird could be absolutely exterminated in a district in a very short time. I know of one case in which this actually occurred, a coloured missionary being responsible.

The common Raggiana (Bird of Paradise) is protected by nature. It is found in some of the most inaccessible country in the world, and the bird that carries the marketable plumes has finished breeding. It is as great a nuisance to the breeding pairs as an old cock pigeon in a dove cote. Further, it can be found over many thousand of square miles.

While a market existed, Port Moresby was one of the points from which plumes were shipped, and some of the incidents in connection with the traffic are not without humour.

A certain coloured man—we will call him M.—who had lost part of one arm through trying to shoot a fish while the muzzle of his gun was in the water, came into Port on a canoe. He offered a bird to a man, S, who kept a small store near B.P.'s wharf.

S. had never seen a bird of the kind before. It was a magnificent specimen. He offered M. £10 for it. This M. declined. He pointed out that a "Sir William MacGregor" was worth £60 to £70. There were several of these in different collections all over the world, but his bird was—as far as he knew—absolutely unique.

M. declined the offer of £10 and left. Just then H. (the policeman) came along. S. called him over and informed against M.

H. walked down to the wharf, and arrived just as M. was stepping off his canoe with a bundle of washing under the stump of his arm. H. told him that he wished to search the canoe. M. raised no objection, and walked away.

On M.'s return, H. had just completed the search, and he told M. that he had been looking for a prohibited bird. M. then said he had taken it ashore with

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the washing. This proved to be true.

He had also sold it, for very much more than the £10 offered by S. But the purchaser had cause to regret the deal, when he found that the bird was a common Raggiana, artfully dyed and bleached.

Twenty years ago, Port Moresby had only one white policeman. All those that I remember, over a number of years, were popular, save H.

In those days Ryan's Hotel was situated at the foot of Paga Hill. H. boarded there, and an individual nicknamed Scotty was also a boarder.

Scotty had fifteen birds.

Sitting at meals, Scotty thought that H. seemed unduly interested in him; so he changed his time for eating; and, by pure coincidence, H. changed his also.

The thing got on Scotty's nerves.

"Why the dickens do you keep looking at me?" he said to H., and H. replied that he was just going to ask Scotty the same question.

Sure that H. was watching him, Scotty burnt his birds. After which he felt—unjustly—that H. had done him an injury.

Scotty's two mates also had fifteen birds each; and these they desired to dispose of when the "Mātunga" was alongside of the wharf, the next night.

By arrangement, the three had a violent quarrel, while H. was within hearing. Scotty then came to H., and told him some story about his mates having treated him shabbily, and of his determination to get his own back. Taking H. to the beach, he removed some sand, and produced a bird wrapped in wax paper. H. told him to replace the bird.

Next evening H. was hiding near the beach, and there he spent the night, watching, while Scotty and his mates shipped their thirty birds. Yes, thirty—because a pal of Scotty's had retrieved the perfectly good bird that had acted as bait, directly Scotty and H. had left the beach.

Long after the collection of birds became illegal in Papua, they were exported from Dutch New Guinea, an export duty of five shillings a head producing quite a large revenue.

Five ex-Papuans went down there, Roche, Penrose, Dressler, Jackson, and Bell. As far as I know nothing is known

of the end of Roche. I last had news of him when I was coming along the coast of Java ten years ago. It was some time later that he disappeared.

The circumstances relating to the murder of the other four men has been well told in the *P.I.M.* by Dr. Vernon.

Dressler was an Austrian. He was at one time in partnership with Captain Hunter, of Port Moresby. He was interned during the war. Later, he returned to Papua, and then went to Dutch New Guinea, his companion being Bell, an ex-soldier, who was formerly a salesman in B.P.'s store in Port Moresby.

Some time after the murder of these men the R.M. at Daru (now the Hon. A. P. Lyons) was some distance up the Fly River, and one of his police found a skull, with gold stoppings in the teeth.

The skull was shown to "Daddy" Leigh, a travelling dentist. He identified three of the fillings as his own work; and the other two were recognised by a dentist near the Internment camp as work he had done for Dressler.

"CARRISO" MAY FLY PANAMA'S FLAG

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 5.

IT is reported in Apia that the Island steamer "Carriso," of the American firm Flood Bros., may be withdrawn from the service owing to trouble with the American authorities and labour unions regarding the crew. Ships under the American flag are not allowed to carry native or Chinese crews, while a white crew is too expensive for the long South Sea trips.

It may be found necessary to register the vessel under the Panama flag, like the other ships of the same line, the "Beulah" and "Noumea."

Mr. and Mrs. W. Heritage sailed from Sydney for the Solomon Islands by the Malaita on November 15. He will relieve the manager of Messrs. W. R. Carpenter and Co's branch at Tulagi for several months.

Mr. Harrison W. Smith, Chevalier du Merite Agricole, returned to Tahiti in November by the Makura after visiting his home in Maine, United States of America.

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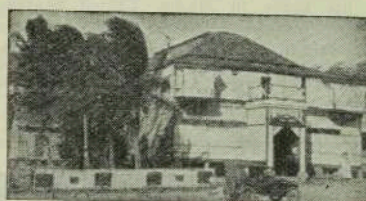
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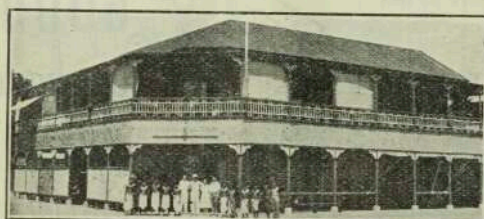
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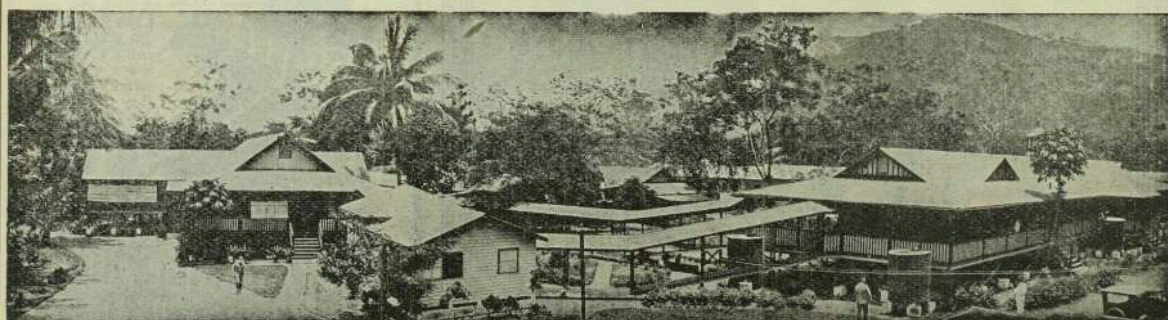
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MR. ARTHUR BRANDER, OF TAHITI

MR. Arthur Brander, who returned to Tahiti a few years ago after an absence of many years abroad, is a member of a family which has made commercial history in Eastern Polynesia.

Alexander Salmon, his grandfather, went to Tahiti from London about 1827, and on marrying Arii-Taimai, the foster-sister of Queen Pomare IV, assumed a position of considerable influence in Tahiti. The Queen specially lifted the interdiction against the marriage of foreigners with Tahitian women so that the couple might wed.

Mr. Brander's father, a native of Elgin, Scotland, where he was born in 1816, settled in Auckland in 1840. After paying a visit to Tahiti, he was so enraptured with the island that he returned in 1842, and later married a daughter of Alexander Salmon and Arii-Taimai. Another daughter was the late ex-Queen Marau, widow of Pomare V. Mr. and Mrs. Brander possessed several estates in Tahiti, and every important visitor at that time was entertained by them. Two of their sons were at school in Sydney at the same time as Queen Marau. It was the custom of their father to send his children to complete their education, either in Australia or in Europe, in one of the family schooners.

Mr. Arthur Brander was sent to the ancient seat of learning at St. Andrews in Scotland. Nowadays, he is the Papeete secretary of the *Syndicat d'Initiative de la Colonie de Tahiti*, to give the local Tourist Association its impressive French title. His brother, Mr. Wini Brander, is still engaged in mercantile pursuits in French Oceania. Both brothers are noted raconteurs, and have many interesting stories to tell of their early boyhood during one of the most illuminating phases in Tahitian history. Indeed, it is regrettable that their recollections have not been put in book form long ere this.—"Eriki."

S.I. TIMBER FOR RABAU

From Our Own Correspondent

TULAGI, Nov. 12.

THE Malaita, on her last trip through the group called at Marovo Lagoon, which had not been visited for some time, to pick up a parcel of Solomon Islands timber for Rabaul, New Guinea. The Seventh Day Adventist Mission was responsible for the shipment.

Though the timber industry has existed in the group for a quarter of a century or more, the export of sawn timber from Marovo is a new departure. The Vanikoro Kauri Timber Co. Pty., Ltd., which has long been established at Vanikoro Island, in the Santa Cruz Group, makes irregular shipments of huge kauri logs to Australia, mostly to Melbourne.

PAPUAN AIR MAIL RATE

THE rate of postage by air on first-class mail matter from Papua to New Guinea has been reduced to 1½ per half ounce (from 3d.) in addition to the ordinary postage of 2d per ounce. This makes the rate between Papua and New Guinea the same as that from New Guinea to Papua and throughout Australia.

EARLY TONGA

Cook's Manuscript Transferred to Sydney Mitchell Library

NOT the least interesting to Pacific students of the treasures in the Cook Collection of the Australian Museum, which have been transferred on exchange to the Mitchell Library in Sydney, are four pages in the handwriting of the great navigator which relate to his visit to Tonga in September, 1773.

Cook was then at Tongatabu, or as Abel Tasman called the island, "Amsterdam." The manuscript is in a remarkably good state of preservation. It is written in the crabbed, familiar hand of Cook, though somewhat smaller in formation than other specimens of his handwriting in the collection.

Members of the ship's company, presumably, differed on comparing the physical characteristics of the Tongans and Tahitians. "Some of our gentlemen were of the opinion that they were a much handsomer race (than the Tahitians)," wrote Captain Cook. "Others again maintained a contrary opinion, of which number I was one." Both men and women he described as "of a common size with Europeans, in colour a lightish copper, and more uniformly so than the inhabitants of Otahietu and the Society Islands."

"The women, in particular, were the merriest creatures I ever met with," he said, "and will keep chattering by one's side without the least invitation. In general they have been modest," he added, "though there were no want of those of a different stamp, and as we had got some venereal complaints on board I took all possible care to prevent it being communicated to them."

Captain Cook found, however, that the Tongans were equally expert at pilfering as the Tahitians. Their songs he found "agreeable enough—not only their voices, but their music also was very harmonious." The manuscript also contains references to the manufacture of clothing and baskets, also the amusement of the Tongans.

The mutilation of fingers puzzled Captain Cook and his officers. "We cannot find an explanation," he admitted, after examining many missing little fingers. He found, however, that the customary method of salutation was by touching noses, "as is done in New Zealand." "The women take hold of my hand, kiss it, and lift it to their heads," he added.

"If nature has been wanting in anything," he concluded, "it is in the article of fresh water, which is shut up in the bowels of the earth and for which they are obliged to dig." Nevertheless, he was frankly amazed at the high state of cultivation which, he believed, must have cost immense labour.

In addition to this manuscript relating to Tonga, the collection now lodged in the Mitchell Library includes twelve draft pages for Cook's original journal relating, principally, to New Zealand; eight pages from the journal of the second voyage; drafts of five letters written by him from Batavia in 1770; also four letters written to Sir Joseph Banks. Another important acquisition is Cook's note on the transit of Venus, and a second note relating to one of his charts of Magellan Straits.

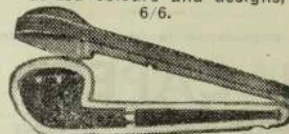
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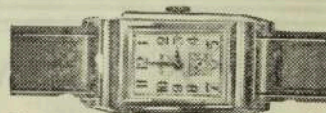


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to the New South Wales Government some years ago, however, it was rejected on the recommendation of James Bondwick, who was under the impression that it was a copy. Cook students now realise, of course, that it is second in importance only to the original Cook journal. A photostat copy for the use of research workers was made some time ago by the trustees of the Mitchell Library.

—E.R.

AUSTRALIAN PEACOCKS FOR TAHITI

ISLANDS agents in Australia are accustomed to receiving strange requests from their clients in the South Seas. Nevertheless, Mr. W. M. Reid, a Sydney exporter, rubbed his eyes recently when he got a letter from a resident of Papeete asking for a quartet of Australian peacocks.

It transpired that the Islander wanted them "to add tone to his garden." He is contemplating importing several hens and may make an attempt to breed them.

Finding four birds of sufficiently good breeding to decorate the tropics proved a difficult task for Mr. Reid. Eventually he secured four at Wellington, New South Wales, and shipped them to Tahiti by the Makura on November 21.

SAMOAN COPRA

Upward Price Trend Stirs Buyers Into Activity

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, November 6.

THOUGH the copra price at the present time seems to be fluctuating, the tendency nevertheless is apparently upwards and natives all over the islands are industriously cutting copra, and large quantities are being delivered from the outside districts.

Apia sheds and the customs storage are crowded; cargo steamers are obtaining emergency cargoes and the next Union steamer, the Cape Yorke for Vancouver due on November 19 is booked for 600 tons of copra and a parcel of cocoa, all she can possibly take. Union Co. cargo steamers from Apia usually lift only 100 or 200 tons.

With a better price of copra ruling, there is also keen competition between buyers, especially in the neighbourhood of Apia. Some of the smaller buyers, having confidence in the future of the copra market, buy up all the copra they can obtain. While recently the tendency was to close outside trading stations to avoid losses, at present new stations are being established, driers built, and greater activity is apparent everywhere.

On account of the American strike, the Wairuna omitted her call at Apia for a shipment of bananas in October. Now news has been received by wireless, that the Hauraki, due on November 12, is delayed and is unable to reach Apia before the 24th—another disappointment for Samoan banana-growers. At present with an over-supply of fruit for export there is keen competition for banana cases. The Maui Pomare this trip is again taking away a full shipment of fruit of excellent quality.

Reports of the cocoa crop are very satisfactory, although in some districts more rain is desired. However, the crop should still turn out the most prolific Samoa has had for the last few years.

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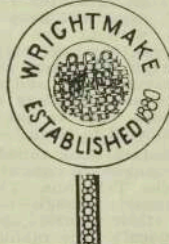
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The official announcement concluded with the statement that the new Philippine Government is successor to "all rights and obligations" of the old Government.

The following day Senor Manuel Quezon became the first President of the Commonwealth. The former American Governor-General (Mr. Frank Murphy) was appointed first High Commissioner, and will act in the capacity of official adviser.

Customs returns for October show that Norfolk Island imported £3669 worth of goods from Australia as against £2488 last year. Exports were £371 for October this year, compared with £328 for 1934.

The Yamashita Steamship and Mining Company is considering the establishment of a direct shipping service between Japan and Noumea, New Caledonia, eliminating Sydney as a transshipment port.

LIFE ON AN ISLANDS OUTSTATION

By HELEN NURTON

To those folk who are willing to forego the amenities of civilisation usually enjoyed by such a tropical township as Rabaul, in the Mandated Territory of New Guinea, and who love an outdoor life of unconventionality and freedom, the outstations, especially the smaller ones, offer many attractions.

Rabaul, though picturesque to the eye, with its lovely avenues of trees and gardens, is on most days hot, dusty and stagnant, being almost entirely closed in by a high range of hills, which exclude both the south-east and the north-west trades. In the evening a refreshing breeze may sweep over the Namanula ridge, at the back of the town, on which Government House and a few favoured bungalows are perched precariously.

The outstations, however, with few exceptions, are situated on high ground, or hills facing the open sea, and enjoy continually the refreshing winds which blow warm and sweet by day and cool by night.

Approaching them by schooner, which usually makes the journey in a few days from Rabaul, they present an isolated appearance. Just a clearing in the primitive bush, close to the foreshore of black muddy sand, or white and golden corally beach, with sometimes a background of higher hills or towering mountains. As the schooner draws nearer, one sees a tiny cluster of red-roofed bungalows, shaded by luxurious tropical trees, and surrounded by gardens, and a coconut plantation, the light green foliage of which forms a clear cut

contrast to the dark green of jungle, which stretches beyond.

On the foreshore may be seen a Chinese store or two, and a little stone jetty on which are gathered two or three white folk and many natives, to hear news of the outside world, and to welcome us to our new home for many months to come.

Daily life starts early in this little world in which we "live and move and have our being." In the delicious freshness of early morn, we take our tea on cool verandahs, while watching the sun appear above sea or jungle, and wonder—for this is the land of uncertainty—what the day will bring forth.

For newchums, and visitors, there is an infinite round of pleasures and interests magnified into a veritable Elysium by the first glamour of the tropics.

But this does not last for ever; and for the "Missus"—and every woman is a "Missus" in New Guinea—the scene changes.

When the "Masters" have dispersed to their round of daily toil at the "House Paper" (office) or to work in the bush, you are left to your own resources. But you need not worry that the time will drag, as there are always many and varied "jobs" waiting to be tackled.

On arrival at a new station the food question, and other domestic problems, clamour for attention. If your cook-boy is raw, and he very often is, you teach him to cook generally, and to make bread. In a 12 x 12 galvanised-iron kitchen, with a low

roof, on which a tropical sun is blazing, and with a stove well stoked up, this is hot work. You stick it as long as possible and then leave the cares and chores of the culinary department to providence, and the boy, and in the course of a few weeks the risks of accidents will diminish, and a fairly decent cook-boy will emerge.

You recuperate in the shade of the verandah with a book, keeping your weather eye on the house-boy, who is "brooming" your room, to see that he does not linger too long in front of the "glass-look-look" (mirror), trim his hair over your toilet table, or experiment with your powder.

Presently the vegetable garden claims your attention, and you find that, of the whole packet of epicure climbing beans which you gave the boy to plant, only one has come up. The next lot you plant yourself, with better results. Sometimes these gardens will produce, abundantly, beans,

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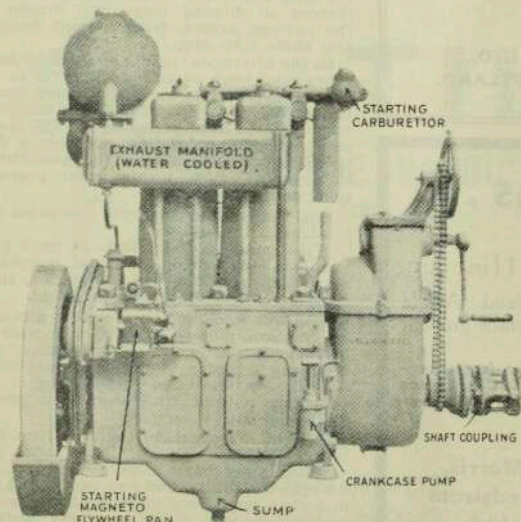
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The flower garden is generally left to the cool of the evening, when one may potter, and ponder, at one's leisure.

Next a visit to the poultry. Hens and ducks need constant care to ensure a regular supply of fresh eggs, and in the nesting season it is quite a work. Hens will disappear into the bush, and reappear in three weeks' time with a large clutch of chicks. These have to be guarded, and fed, or the mother will take them foraging

amid the thick undergrowth, and snakes will have heavy toll of them.

Islands hens become very familiar when treated kindly. Once, when living in a sac-sac bungalow, a little white hen always insisted on laying her egg on the sideboard while we were breakfasting. As hens were scarce and eggs precious in those days, a nest was made for her in the corner of the room, where she came and laid her egg regularly.

Last, but not least, of all the jobs is the washing.

If one should simply collect all the clothes and throw them out to the "Wash Mary," the chances are that the Master's khaki bush clothes and woolly socks will be dumped into the same tub as your floral voiles, silk stockings, and house linen—all scrubbed with a scrubbing brush, thoroughly "cooked" together with plenty of soap, rinsed in a minimum of water, generously blued, and hung on the line presenting a medley of rainbow hues.

In practically all the outstations there is an abundant supply of fresh food to be had for next to nothing—wild pigeons, fish, crabs, fruit, vegetables, and occasionally wild or village pig. So that, with a six months' supply of groceries from Rabaul, the food question is not acute. In fact, it is possible in some districts not to open any tinned food at all, except butter and cereals.

Milk can be obtained by keeping a small herd of goats, which thrive so well in the tropics.

Fish is dynamited regularly. It is quite a common sight to see dripping natives arrive at your bungalow with a gleaming horde strung on a large bamboo, and carried from shoulder to shoulder. These have just been dynamited, and retrieved by the station work-boys, who leave a few at each bungalow and keep the remainder for themselves and the native police.

Often Kanakas (bush natives) will come round selling kukas (large crabs), mangrove oysters, pumpkins, and very doubtful eggs, which the bachelors buy. Once we thrived on dugong (sea-cow), caught by the natives, grilled, fried, stewed, braized, and made into soup.

In the afternoon, tennis and tea, bathing, riding and bush rambles, delightful to the nature-lover, while away the hours. Sometimes folk come in from the plantations, when we will have gatherings at the tennis court, and dinner parties, and once a year there may be a visit from the Administrator's yacht, which means great preparations and festivities.

But, many times, a great loneliness will steal upon the station.

When most of the "Masters" have gone bush on long patrols and you happen to be the only "Missus" on the station, there may be several lonely weeks ahead.

The first week or two is rather pleasant, as one can pursue one's own fancies *ad libitum*. But after five or six weeks of this freedom, it begins to pall, and one listens eagerly for the noise and clatter of the returning patrols, with their long line of jabbering native carriers.

It is in the evenings that the loneliness tells.

When your boys have cleared up and gone to their huts, and you look round and find that your own light is the only one on the station; when a pitchy wall of darkness hems you in, and a deadly stillness reigns, save when the sullen roar of surf on reef startles you like distant thunder, you feel as though you are the only entity on a vast and empty planet. And you sit closer to your lamp for comfort, before turning in and tucking yourself up in your mosquito net for the night.

Later, no doubt, a police boy will come along to keep watch under the house. He will bring his blanket and little pillow.

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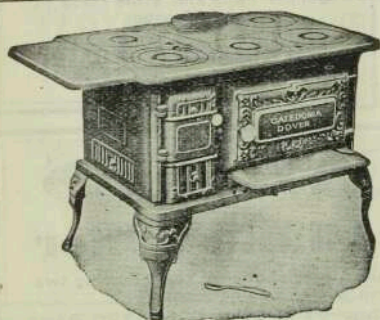
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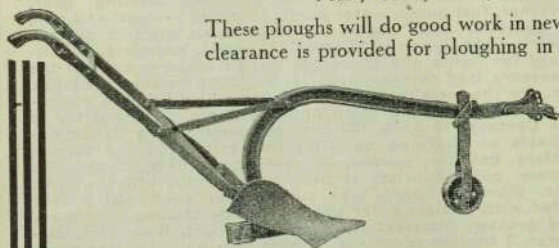
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T.I. Lugger Seeks Pearl Grounds in Papua

From Our Own Correspondent.

P.T. MORESBY, Nov. 28.

THE lugger Amy, of the Wanetta Pearl-ling Co., Thursday Island, arrived at Daru last month, and proceeded to Port Moresby, to investigate the possibilities of Papuan waters for pearl shell fishery.

The Amy will return early next year and will proceed to the Eastern Division, where formerly rich beds profitably employed a few pearl fishermen many years ago.

Mr. F. L. A. Goetz Leaves Western Samoa

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 7.

BY the Maui Pomare, which leaves today, Mr. F. L. A. Goetz, general manager of the New Zealand Reparation Estates, who recently resigned his position, departs from Samoa after five and a half years of service.

During his term of office Mr. Goetz thoroughly reorganised the concern and succeeded in reducing expenditure of the estates from £117,000 to £37,000. He was faced with the difficult task of guiding the Government plantations through the worst times of the depression, when produce prices reached bedrock and all over the South Seas plantations had to close down.

Active and energetic, of strong personality, and a tireless worker who demanded efficiency and devotion to duty of his workers, Mr. Goetz made many friends in Samoa, but also, which seems natural under the circumstances, quite a few severe critics. That on the whole, however, his efforts for the progress and welfare of Samoa were much appreciated by the general public, was clearly shown by the number of farewell dinners and parties given before his departure from Samoa and the complimentary speeches, in which his good services to the community, to commerce, and sport were duly recognised.

Mr. Goetz took special interest in all matters pertaining to agricultural interests in Samoa, and had reorganised the Samoan Planters' Association, of which he had been president for the last few years.

Mr. Louis Fricotte, a middle-aged Frenchman, who arrived in Sydney from New Hebrides by the Morinda on November 11, saw for the first time in his life electric trains, trams and a big city. He is a boat builder at Vila, where he has resided for 27 years. Born of French parents in Noumea he lived there for 22 years before going to the Condominium.

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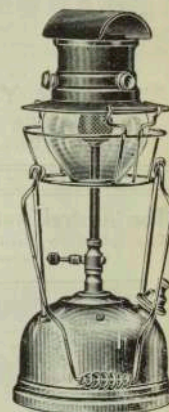
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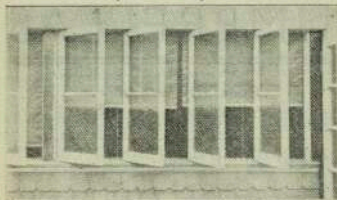
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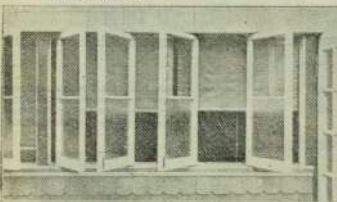
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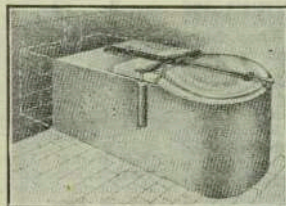
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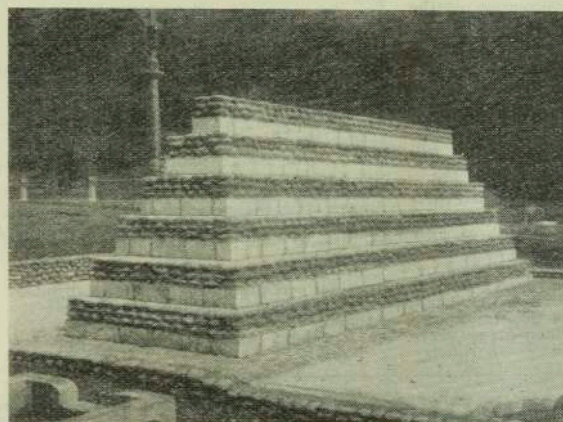
From Our Own Correspondent.

PAPEETE, Nov. 1.

THE remains of Marautaaaroa (Consort of Pomare V., the last King of Tahiti), whose death was recorded in these notes some time ago, lie in the Paurani cemetery at Papeete. Her tomb, in accordance with her testamentary wishes, takes the form of an ancient temple and altar of sacrifice (*marae*), such as were erected all over the Islands by the old time Polynesians for the

The whole of this enormous pile was faced with squared blocks of coral rock, interspersed with regular layers of rounded river pebbles in their natural state, the interior mass being made up of stones of various sorts and sizes. Native tradition states that the foundation stone of Mahaiatea was laid by the Tahitian Neptune Ruahatu, who swam from his home in Rai-vavae (Austral Islands), and landed safely on this spot after the great deluge of which the legend gives a full account.

To Marautaaaroa her ancestry was everything. She ever set great value on the past, and will go down in memory principally as a descendant of the conquering Teva clan which so stoutly opposed the aims of both the first and second Pomares for the supremacy of Tahiti. To her the fact that she was Consort of a King was a matter of lesser importance. Her memorial is, therefore, intended as a perpetual reminder of her preference for the old order of things, and perhaps as a sign of her secret adherence to the ancient faiths of her people for during her later



Marautaaaroa's tomb in the Paurani Cemetery, Papeete.

—Photo. by Geo. L. Sterling.

worship of their pagan gods.

It is almost a replica—in miniature—of the great temple of Mahaiatea, which formerly stood in the district of Papara, Tahiti, and which was the most imposing relic of a pagan religious system yet discovered in Polynesia. Little now remains of Mahaiatea, but fortunately Captain James Wilson, of the missionary ship *Duff*, has left a good description of it, as well as a fine engraving. Captain Cook also saw it and was amazed at its dimensions and craftsmanship. It was an enormous pyramidal structure, standing on a rectangular base 270ft. long by 94ft. wide, with a summit, reached by a flight of ten steps, over 50ft. above ground level.

years she often went on pilgrimage to the ruins of the old *marae* at Papara.

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Mr. W. M. Greer, accompanied by his wife, left Sydney for Bougainville, New Guinea, by the *Malaita* on November 16. Mr. Greer is manager of Aropa plantation at Kietia.

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COOK IS. FRUIT

Suggestion that Govt. Control Board be Formed

From Our Own Correspondent

RAROTONGA, Nov. 3.
WITH the departure of the *Makura* tomorrow, tomato shipments for the season may be said to close. From now on until the commencement of the new orange crop, fruit exports will be practically at a standstill, and the native grower, never conspicuous for his thrift, sinks into a state of financial hibernation, broken by short spells of wakefulness bought at the expense of next year's crops. For nearly a decade the Rarotongan has been acquiring an ever increasing standard of living. Tinned foods, expensive clothing, European housing and amusements, even Ford cars, have all acted as incentives to stimulate local productivity. Consequently the depression has hit him harder than it has his cousins on the remoter islands of the group.

Income no longer marches with expenditure. But low as prices now are in comparison with four years ago, there is still a remarkable difference between the amounts paid locally for fruit, and the New Zealand returns for the same produce—a difference which had it reverted to the grower, would have been spent by him to the general advantage of the community, whereas, accruing to non-resident middlemen, cannot in any way be said to benefit the islands.

As an alternative to the present system under which local fruit-buyers operate in the interests of overseas firms, it has been tentatively suggested that a Government Control Board should handle the marketing of Cook Island produce, in such a

manner as would ensure the grower a maximum, in place of the prevailing minimum, return for his labour. Naturally such a suggestion has met with bitter opposition from those established interests whose very foundations would be imperilled by its adoption.

On the other hand, support is lent to the scheme by the marked price variations which have occurred during the past six months. For instance, figures for produce shipped by the *Maunganui* in October were: Price paid locally, oranges 2/6 to 3/6 case, bananas 4/- case, tomatoes 2/3 case; prices realized in New Zealand, oranges 14/- to 26/-, bananas 13/- to 18/-, tomatoes 8/- to 15/-; approximate nett profit to middlemen, oranges 4/6 to 15/6, bananas 2/6 to 7/6, tomatoes 2/9 to 9/9.

The figures given, which should be of interest to primary producers in other groups, represent the prices paid for fruit only, in the packing sheds, and are exclusive of case, inspection, freight and other incidental charges. In order therefore to arrive at the nett profits, these must be deducted from the N.Z. returns. In the case of oranges these are approximately 7/- per box, for bananas 6/6, and tomatoes 3/-.

MAORI NAME FOR UNION CO.'s NEW ISLAND SHIP

THE 3,500-ton motor-ship which is being built in England for the Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand, Limited, for the Central Pacific fruit trade will be named *Matua* a Maori word meaning parent.

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gers. Special insulated space for the carriage of Islands produce will be a feature of this modern cargo ship.

It is expected that the *Matua* will be launched in January, and that she will take up running in the Pacific at the end of July.

Mr. Alain Gerbault, the well-known round-the-world yachtsman and author, arrived in Tahiti recently in his little yacht after a voyage through the Leeward Group. Mr. Gerbault has been recording native songs and music to be broadcast by the Papeete Radio Club.

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From Our Own Correspondent

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THE life of Queen Pomare and the history surrounding her important reign over Tahiti have been subjects of much research recently and the following particulars concerning the ancient "Royal Georgian Order of Polynesia" will no doubt be of interest. This is not, as might be sup-

posed, a fancy flight of the imagination, but an historical fact unearthed by that assiduous delver into the past, Mr. W. W. Bolton, M.A., and is taken from a Command Paper (No. 142) presented to the British Government in the year 1847.

Just prior to Dupetit Thouar's second visit to Tahiti (November 1, 1834) whilst her undisputed sovereignty was holding sway over the protectorate, Queen Pomare wrote on June 15, 1834, to Rear Admiral Thomas, Commander-in-Chief in the Pacific Ocean, as follows:—

"Wishing to testify to you, O Admiral, my great satisfaction for all the good services you have rendered to me in my distress, I send to you, by the first opportunity, the highest proof that I can give you of my gratitude and pleasure. This is to make known that I have conferred upon you the first and highest honour of Tahiti, and which I had determined upon establishing and did establish, so as to reward my kind friends of Britain who had come to my help in this time of my great trouble, as well as to reward my high chiefs who had been faithful to their Queen. The emblems of this order of merit shall be sent to you very soon, as I have sent to Britain for them.

"According then to the rules in your and other lands, I hereby nominate you a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Georgian Order of Polynesia as a perpetual testimony of my great satisfaction, and I shall write to my sister Queen, the great Victoria, to grant you permission to wear this token of my gratitude for the services you have done for me and for my dominions.—Pomare, Queen of Tahiti."

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NATURALIST PENETRATES BURIAL CAVES IN NEW HEBRIDES

MRS. FENTON WOODBURN, a Victorian anthropologist and naturalist, arrived in Sydney by the *Morinda* on November 25, bringing specimens of fossils and skulls, which she collected during a visit to the New Hebrides.

She described the group as a paradise for naturalists, saying that fossils of all kinds abounded. Eager to secure some native skulls, she was lowered 800ft. down a cliff, and then penetrated into the burial caves. She expected some difficulties in securing the natives' help in this venture, but was surprised to find them ready to assist in every way. They, however, refused to handle the skulls or to carry them.

Other specimens she secured included 10 varieties of ants, a species of shrimp, which shed its claws when anyone touched them, and four extraordinary beetles from the island of Erromanga.

NUSSING ISLAND BEACON

From Our Own Correspondent

RABAU, Nov. 23.

THE Administration recently completed the erection of an "unwatched" light on Nussing Island, in the vicinity of Cape Cretin, near Finschhafen. It is actuated by acetylene and gas, and the action of the sun valve, and gives out a quick flash once every ten seconds. The light has a visibility of ten miles.

Another similar light will shortly be erected at Cape St. George, the most southerly point on the coast of New Ireland.

POVERTY-STRICKEN FRUIT-GROWERS OF COOK ISLANDS

Analysis of Causes and Conditions

Written for "Pacific Islands Monthly" by Captain A. J. Carfax-Foster

THE Editor of the *Pacific Islands Monthly* has asked me to give my views about the failure of the Cook Islands fruit industry. It is with diffidence that I am attempting to do so. It would be so easy to write a vitriolic article of condemnation of the persons whom I, with most other planters, consider responsible.

In my seven or eight years in the Group, I successively had experience of the Islands as a planter, as a trader in two of the Outer Islands and, later, I watched affairs casually from the Government side, while I was employed temporarily in the Public Works Department. So I think I may claim to have seen the fruit trade from every angle.

In my planter days, although I eventually failed to make both ends meet, I can honestly avow that I did make a real effort to disprove the oft-stated theory that fruit-growing in the Cook Islands cannot be made profitable. I possessed an exceptionally complete plant and introduced a number of labour-saving devices and I do claim that if fruit-growing could have been made profitable, then I was perfectly equipped to do so. My innovations, my use of a tractor, cultivation and manuring of coconut trees, mechanical orange-grader, etc., were, I remember, rather scoffed at. Yet I am convinced that I worked on the right lines.

I mention this so that I may not be accused of writing without having studied deeply the problems of the Cook Islands planter.

WHY did I fail? Why is it that every fruit-grower fails? Why is the Cook Group bankrupt to-day? Destructive criticism is very easy; and I shall endeavour to include some constructive ideas as I go along.

It is difficult to confine any article strictly to the fruit trade—there are so many subjects for criticism in the Group—roads, laws, prohibition, rats, mosquitoes, copra, education, mixed marriages, noxious weeds, venereal disease, cohabitation, etc. Perhaps the new Government in New Zealand will make a difference. Hitherto, criticism has been useless, which perhaps explains why the fertile Cook Islands remain a charge upon the N.Z. ratepayer to the tune of some £30,000 a year.

The fruit industry is a failure—and it shows no likelihood of being improved; and these, in my opinion, are the main causes:

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THE U.S.S. Co. has a monopoly of the trade. Its freights are too high, its service is poor and the carriage and treatment of fruit in un-insulated holds is undesirable. Its continued imposition

of extra charges to pay for lighters, which were smashed in a hurricane years ago, has long irritated the Rarotongan growers. Its policy of allowing shipping space to be virtually controlled by traders, and its readiness to consider the fruit buyers in N.Z., which puts the Outer Islands orange crop directly under the thumb of Auckland buyers, provide a grave weakness.

I know all the Union Co.'s answers to the above. Let me refer the Co. to the year 1933, when no labour troubles of any kind were experienced in Mauke (that being the year when for one season, at least, the natives were given a fair deal). To anyone interested, I will amplify that statement.

The Union Co. should bring down freight charges, provide an insulated hold, and carry the shocks from N.Z. at considerably less cost, as its contribution to the solution of the Cook Group problem. It is probably presumptuous of me to advise such a great concern. Nevertheless, I do know, from my experience of fruit trading in the Eastern Mediterranean, that such measures would result in ultimate profit. Is the Union Co. likely to listen to a Government more readily?

In regard to shocks, let me say that the difference between 180,000 (say) cases imported into Rarotonga yearly at about 1/9, and valued for re-export at 2/6, very often has allowed the Cook

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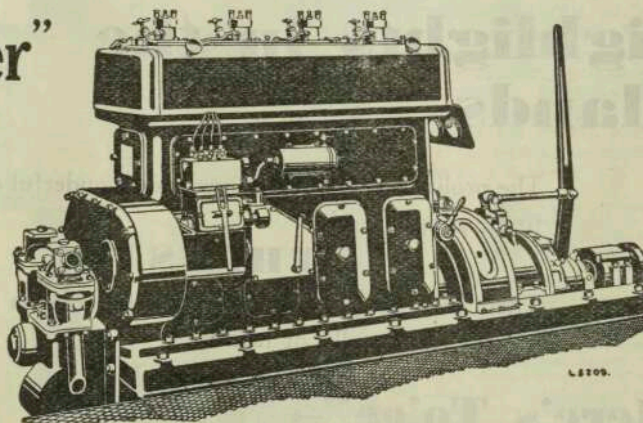
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Islands' yearly report to show a balance in favour of exports over imports—a bolstering of trade figures that is quite unjustifiable.

A FRUIT RING?

THE existence of a fruit ring is always denied. Nevertheless, having been employed by it, I state unequivocally that a strong and ruthless fruit ring does control, not only the Cook Islands, but a great number of growers around Auckland. At the moment, it is certain that three Auckland firms virtually have a stranglehold upon the fruit trade and are powerful enough to dictate policy, not only to the Union Co., but to Government Departments.

Until the N.Z. Government takes a hand, and prevents any firm acting as a commission agent whilst it is at the same time buying fruit on its own account, no grower can hope to put fruit upon the N.Z. market at a price which does not suit the fruit ring.

That is the crux of the matter; and, failing Government action, the only solution seems to be to interest outside capital in order to establish a complete marketing system in Rarotonga and N.Z., so that growers may increase production and use all the present waste acres to grow fruit. The smaller cost of shipping and marketing, coupled with education of the N.Z. public to fruit-eating, would almost overnight result in profit to the public in the form of cheap fruit and in providing a comfortable living for the growers.

Let me assure the Auckland merchants that I know all their answers to the above. I am not indulging in vain dreams. The cry of the fruit ring, for years, has been that there is no profit in Islands fruit.

I believe in hard facts talking for themselves. If their contention be true, why do they employ highly paid agents to deal in the fruit? Philanthropy? Hardly! To their outcries about poor native packing and dishonest natives, I reply that if they are to be allowed to continue buying Island fruit, they themselves should supervise the packing of the fruit, instead of being content to buy Union Co.'s carters' notes. Then they will be entitled to grumble at poor fruit received in N.Z.

The supervision of packing they have never done—in spite of good opportunities under the old regulations, when they were supposed to construct and operate their own packing sheds. In defiance of the Government, they failed to do this, and to-day they are in the position of

having Government officials to inspect the fruit, at the expense of the growers.

This state of affairs is a disgrace. No buyer of fruit should be allowed to use fruit, bought by him, to manipulate the price of fruit which is consigned to him as a commission agent. Nor should he be allowed to use the Government as a policeman for his interests.

To cite actual facts: I once watched a case of bananas go through a sale in Wellington—noted its number, noted the retailer who bought it, and discovered afterwards that the grower actually was paid 4/- less than his case realised. I tried at the time to get action taken, but with no result.

The Rarotongan growers, nowadays, are all so far beneath the thumb of trading firms that it is virtually impossible to get any collective action from them. The natives are a fine race of people; yet one cannot blame them overmuch if they, under the stress of poverty, do a little sharp work to beat the fruit regulations. The Maori appreciates a square deal, and, if it is given to him, and a profit can be made from his fruit, will not resort to sharp practices.

In the Editor's office lies testimony that this can be done, in the shape of a certificated auditor's report, covering six months' trading, showing a handsome profit, coupled with a petition from the natives to keep that particular trader there. That is very conclusive proof that a fair deal is readily appreciated by the Maoris.

Decontrol of the fruit industry by the Auckland ring could be broken. Any capitalist of vision could do it, with good results to everyone. Where is the man who is courageous enough to dare Government disapproval, dare competition by Auckland, dare the apathy of discouraged growers, and start a combined co-operative plan for packing,

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GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE

ALL these comments inevitably lead an observer to ask why the Government has done nothing to prevent such abuses.

Without indulging in personalities, the Government apathy is hard to explain. However, let me say that a resident of the Cook Group, who fails to keep his mouth or pen quiet, is speedily discredited and is made unpleasantly aware, in many ways, that the Government of N.Z., through the local Administration, does not welcome any public airing of complaints. Many more reputable persons than I have been squelched. Some have blamed the Resident Commissioner (I have, often, myself) or his associates; others have gone (as I have to-day) to the real root of the matter—which is this:

The N.Z. Government has incurred such worldwide publicity over Samoa that all its efforts have been turned upon keeping the Cook Group out of the news, by fair means or foul. Politics alone, in a professionally governed country, have kept Rarotongan affairs in the background. And, as the Islands carry no votes, no defender has arisen in Parliament to demand the righting of wrongs, which are as serious as any suffered by Samoa.

This condition has been made possible only by very clever and astute tactics—the frightening of any agitator, the shielding of influential visitors from contact with dissatisfaction, the wilful pandering to trading interests who do command votes—all this being helped by the peaceful instinct of the natives, who would, if they possessed the backbone of the Samoans, long ago have rebelled. In their hearts, the Maoris to-day are resentful of their treatment, and only clever administration prevents an outbreak.

A PLEA FOR THE MAORIS

THIS, at the best, is a very brief summary of my reading of the present situation. The subject could be detailed and specific cases cited. I have tried to deal as broadly as possible with it, without indulging in personalities, in order that possibly some remedy may be found and applied; even though I am very sceptical of the result—which probably will be either utter silence, or an avalanche of letters telling the Editor that I am a very ineffectual O. P. Nelson! That, generally, is how affairs are conducted in the Cook Group.

Let this be my excuse. In the Cook Islands to-day are several thousands of Maoris who are entitled to a reasonable living and who are encouraged to a higher standard of living by the Government and trading interests. Those Maoris find themselves to-day poverty-stricken in a land of plenty, educated out of their natural ways of life by years of living on tinned foods, and, after the recent hurricane, in some cases suffering actual hardship. Wards of a so-styled beneficent Government, they do need help—in spite of any impression gained by casual visitors to the Islands, who are deluded by their easy carefree existence.

Commander W. Burrows, a district Commissioner of Fiji, returned to Suva by the Roturoa in November after leave in England.

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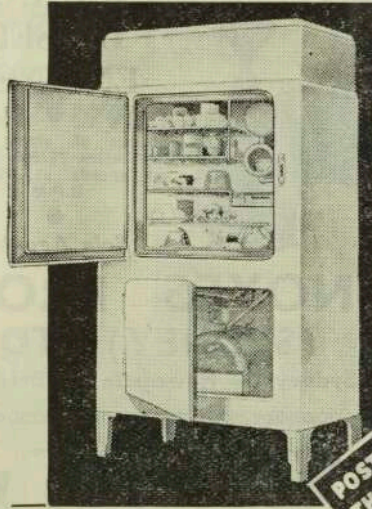
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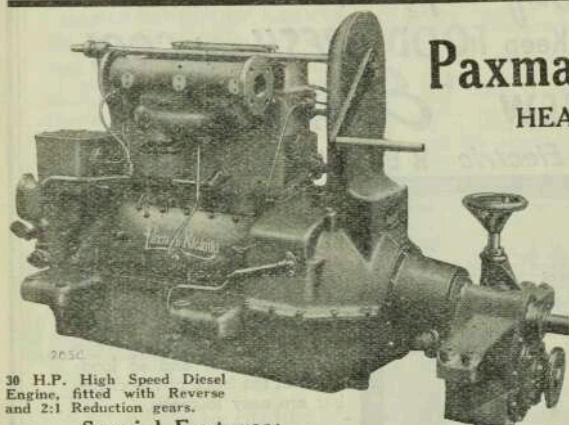
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It went on for a long time. Colonel Logan would make an occasional tour among the plantations, seeking an assurance that the pest was decreasing.

Then, quite suddenly, the plan was abandoned. The "picture show" was closed. Colonel Logan, at the sight of a beetle, was heard to curse, softly and fluently; but he made no public statement. It was a subject he avoided.

An old friend arrived from the Line Islands, or thereabouts, and called on the Colonel.

"And how is the Beetle Cinema, Logan?" he asked, presently. "Still paying a dividend?"

The Colonel turned purple. "The thing is closed down," he said, explosively.

"What happened?" inquired his friend. "Supply of beetles run out?"

"No, there were millions," snapped the angry soldier. "The swine were breeding them up in the hills!"

**ANTHROPOLOGISTS AT
WORK IN NEW GUINEA**

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 3.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL field work in the Mandated Territory is extending. The well-known New Zealand anthropologist, Dr. Reo Fortune, has transferred his sphere of work from the Upper Ramu to the southern part of New Hanover (Lavongai).

Mr. Todd, who has arrived from the University of Sydney, has commenced his anthropological work in the village of Melenglo, west of Gasmata, where much material for study awaits him.

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SEARCH GOES ON

Gold Prospectors Active In New Guinea

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 1.

GOLD continues to be won from the fields of New Guinea as consistently and considerably as ever. For the quarter ended September 30, 73,972 ozs., valued at £A435,518, were exported from the territory, mostly the production of the Morobe goldfield.

The Tugi-Tugi goldfield in the New Ireland district has been commanding some attention. Recently a mining engineer inspected the field and, after completing his inspection, pegged out three leases. It is reported that prospects of the area are promising, and that it is likely that prospecting will continue on a larger scale.

The Kupel goldfield in the Kieta district (Bougainville), where a quantity of mining machinery has already been landed, is being prospected actively. Several mining engineers have proceeded to the area to investigate the possibilities of the field.

Since several prospecting areas have been applied for, the Bainings district (New Britain) has been interesting miners and prospectors. Leases have been pegged and other prospecting areas and ordinary reef claims have been granted. The increased activity in the district, however, has not yet been justified by substantial rewards.

The gold-seeking activities which are being carried on in the vicinity of Wewak (Sepik district), appear to be satisfactory.

THE "SAMOA HERALD"

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 15.

THE "Samoa Herald," the local weekly newspaper, announced a change of management on November 8. The former proprietor and editor, Mr. G. W. Griffith, after controlling the paper for 16 months, has handed the business back to the previous owners, the Samoa Times Printing and Publishing Co. Ltd. Mr. J. H. Waller has now taken up the position of managing-editor on their behalf.

Mr. Waller was latterly proprietor of the Pacific Printery, Suva, Fiji, and is well and favourably known in Samoa. Twelve years ago he was superintendent of the London Missionary Society's printing press at Malua, where he did much valuable work.

Bright Send-off to Mr. G. S. Hill, of Vila, N.H.

From a Special Correspondent.

VILA, November 7.

A bright dinner party was given on Saturday, November 2 to Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Hill, prior to their departure by the Van Rees on a well earned six months' leave in Australia. At the coffee stage the party was invaded by surprise raiders, composed of a large number of Vila inhabitants, both British and French, all bent on wishing the Hills "Bon Voyage."

Mr. Hill has been an officer of the Condominium Government for the past five years. Part of the time he was in the Titles Office and latterly has been Treasurer for the Joint Administration.

PROTEST OF SAMOAN BANANA GROWERS

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 21.

FOR a considerable time much criticism has been levelled at the Administration by European and native banana growers owing to the fact that the quotas of *bona fide* producers were cut down for the benefit of European dealers. It is said for instance, that one man especially, at Fasi-toouta, was given a virtual monopoly of his district and Europeans and natives of the neighbourhood were refused the quotas they were entitled to.

Representations were without success until the Samoan *Faipule* (native representatives) took the matter up, lodging an objection with the Administration. The Samoans pointed out that native growers desired to pack and deliver their own bananas, as in former years so as to obtain the full price (at present 4/6 per case) for

their produce. Hitherto they have lost 1/6 per case to the dealer, who, it is alleged, often makes unjustified deductions and delays payments of the amounts due.

The Administration apparently has taken notice and the high quotas of dealers will be cut out in future. The whole intended scheme of appointing European district agents to control the production of their districts has now been abandoned, to the satisfaction of growers.

Mr. Frank Stock, Postmaster at Tulagi, returned to the Solomon Islands by the Malaita in November after furlough spent in England.

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Mr. A. G. Whyte, who has been manager of the Bank of New South Wales at Samarai, Papua, for some years, has been transferred to Australia. Before taking up his new duties Mr. Whyte sailed by the *Tanda* for a holiday in the East.

New Guinea News

From Our Own Correspondent.

RABAU, Nov. 18.

THE Hon. E. W. P. Chinnery, M.L.C., Director of District Services and Government Anthropologist, departed last week for Australia on leave. He was accompanied by Mrs. Chinnery, who had recently returned from a trip up the Sepik River where she obtained interesting photographs of native life.

Colonel John Walstab is Acting Director of District Services during the absence of Mr. E. W. P. Chinnery on leave.

Rev. J. F. Goldie, chairman of the Methodist Mission Society of New Zealand in the Solomon Islands and Rev. Scriven, general secretary of the Society, arrived here recently after attending the Mission Synod in Buka. The general secretary will return to Australia by the next *Macduff*.

Extensive alterations are being carried out at Messrs. Nelson and Robertson's Rabaul Hotel. Recently a new dining room was built and now new bedrooms are being added. After converting the present bar into a garage a completely new one will be built. When these alterations are completed tourists visiting Rabaul will have the benefit of up-to-date and comfortable accommodation.

Applications are being called for a Legal Assistant in the Crown Law Office. Speculation is rife as to future movements in this particular branch of the Service, and rumours whisper an approaching appointment to the lower court bench of one of the present officers.

The office of Assistant District Inspector, heretofore held by Mr. W. B. Ball, has been abolished by the Governor-General in Council and now becomes Assistant District Officer.

The Mining Ordinance 1935 will come into force on January 15, 1936.

Messrs. Currie and Fitzgerald are the successful tenderers for the erection of the gaoler's bungalow at Wau for £590 and the police office and quarters at Bulwa at £700. Mr. A. Dowsett obtained the contract for the erection of a native gaol at Wau for £2,495.

At September 30, the Administration was holding in the Trust Funds private employers' deferred pay to the extent of £10,434. In the Superannuation Fund there was an amount of £63,225 and £26,221 was being held in trust on account of land and mining.

The Palms Restaurant, which has been quite a Rabaul landmark for several years is to be closed at the end of this month and will be resumed by the owners, Messrs. W. R. Carpenter and Co. for special display rooms. The Palms corner, situated on Park Street and Mango Avenue marks the one-time historic spot of the Steve Whiteman store.

Two births were recently recorded in Rabaul. A son to Mr. and Mrs. Clive Green, of Keravat, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Woolcott, of Kabanga. Both were born in Namanula Hospital and are doing well.

The 66ft. auxiliary ketch *Aroette*, manned by a crew of five, left Queensland on November 21 for a cruise to New Guinea, via several Torres Straits islands.

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MARC T. GREENE AT GENEVA

Pertinent Discussion of Samoan Affairs

THAT American world-wandering journalist, Marc T. Greene, who went through the Pacific a couple of years ago like a disturbing wind, and who was in South America a few months ago, wrote to the editor on October 21 from Belgrade, the capital of Jugo-Slavia. He had just travelled through Central Europe, where he found "terrible poverty." "Europe is in a dreadful mess, both politically and economically," he remarks.

But the chief interest of Mr. Greene's letter lies in his description of how he went to Geneva, and discussed the condition of Samoa with M. Anker, Secretary for Samoan Affairs on the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations. Mr. Greene seems to have given M. Anker "an earful":—

"The talk I had with M. Anker was, of course, confidential, and naturally altogether unofficial, but it is possible to divulge some of it.

"What impressed me especially was the Commission's lack of any real grasp of the Samoan position. In that connection I suggested, even as I have done a hundred times before, in print and elsewhere, that the Commission ought to make its own personal investigations. In that connection there was some satisfaction in M. Anker's acknowledgment that there had been 'criticism along those lines' before.

"I asked him, then, what the Mandates Commission's sources of information at all likely to present the Samoan side might be. It appeared they consisted of newspapers, 'petitions,' and the book by Dr. Keesing, of Honolulu.

"What newspapers? Well, the 'Wellington Post'.

"Any others? Oh, yes! And here was introduced a note truly farcical.

"It appeared that the Commission had received regularly that dignified, authentic and impartial compendium of Samoan affairs, the 'New Zealand Samoa Guardian,' as conducted for some time on behalf of O. F. Nelson by P. Andrew. It also had the local Apia newspaper.

"Ah," said I to M. Anker, "then you have heard of me before, inasmuch as I was frequently the object of vitriolic fulminations in said sheet."

"Oh, yes, they had heard of me, I was assured, smilingly.

"So, and what were the aforesaid 'petitions'?

"Well, he didn't recall at the moment, but he thought one had had to do with the allegedly inadequate state of the medical arrangements under the New Zealand Administration. Could I comment on that?

"I could, and did; and in a fashion that a recent head of said medical department in Samoa would perhaps have differed with.

"I was asked other questions, a number of them having to do with many things, but I do not feel myself in a position to discuss them publicly. Notes were taken of some of the things I said, and certain names jotted down."

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Barker, of the Methodist Mission, Suva, arrived in Melbourne from Fiji by the Lurline on November 9.

Mr. Greville ("Mick") Reece, of Manly, and formerly a member of the Manly Life-saving Club, has joined the staff of Koranga Gold Sluicing Co., Wau, New Guinea.

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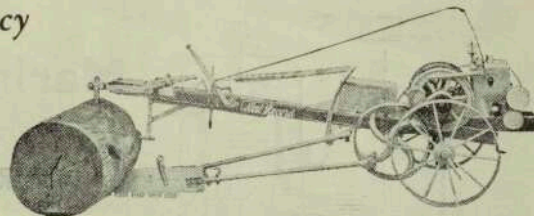
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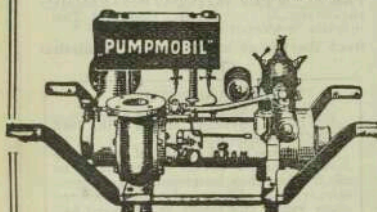
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Captain R. Godwin, manager of Muli-fanua plantation, departed from Apia, Samoa, on holidays by the Maui Pomare on November 7.

Mr. A. D. Gluyas, Warrant Officer at Manus, New Guinea, arrived in Sydney with his wife by the Montoro early in November. They later went on to Melbourne to spend furlough in Victoria.

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EDIE CREEK NOTES

From Our Own Correspondent

EDIE CK., Nov. 3.

EXTREMELY dry weather marked the whole of October, being almost a drought for Kaindi. New Guinea Goldfields Ltd., are taking steps to increase the water supply by building another dam on Slate Creek. They are also erecting a power line down the left bank of Edie Creek for the purpose of installing electrically driven monitors to sluice the numerous rich virgin terraces on the "Edie Extended Lease." The whole of their alluvial workings are to be flood-lit.

A fire destroyed the residence of Mr. A. Cameron, road-master, during his temporary absence on October 20. Nothing was saved and it is understood that £120 in notes and a valuable radio set were in the house. The building, owned by Day Dawn Ltd., was covered by insurance.

Mr. E. C. Helton of Wau, has pegged land near Central Camp with the object of opening the first trade store on Kaindi. At present the wants of the Kaindi natives are satisfied by the Edie and Central Camp stores.

A Chinese cook from the mess of N.G.G. Ltd. was recently tried in the Central Court, Rabaul, and sentenced to three years' imprisonment for receiving gold from a native.

On October 18, the first "Talkie" show was opened and was well patronised. A programme is now being shown each Saturday night and being the only regular entertainment is much appreciated by residents.

At the close of September, the tribute held by Mr. H. L. Stower on the Glasson Lease was terminated, and Les. Hardman, who is in charge whilst Mr. Stower is in England undergoing medical treatment, has shifted the plant to Lower Edie Creek where he has a claim.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Bieri have finished up on their tribute on Slate Creek. It is understood that they have secured the Kummel Lease (N.G.G. Ltd.) on the head waters of Edie Creek.

Mr. Caulfield Kelly has secured a tribute from N.G.G. on a tributary of Koranga Creek.

Mr. Col. Budden for some years foreman-hydraulicer for N.G.G. Ltd. at Edie, and later

with Koranga Gold Sluicing Ltd., has taken charge of Morobe Alluvials' sluicing show on Wau Creek.

Mr. Ted Allan, our local Warrant Officer has returned from a tour of duty to Rabaul.

Mr. Bruno Rossi, has again taken up duties with N.G.G. Ltd. and is engaged in boxing a terrace adjacent to the Royal Gorge.

Mr. Arch. Lyall has moved to Wau, having taken charge of the N.G.G. farm.

The popular Jack Schurrah, of the Edie Creek Hotel, has now left the staff of that hostelry and is employed by New Guinea Goldfields Ltd.

Mr. G. Bergin, who has arrived back from an extended tour of Europe, and Mr. J. Cowdray, who recently returned from holidaying South, are now with the Government survey party at Edie Creek.

Mr. O'Farrel, a recent arrival from South, has joined N.G.G.'s staff.

Accident at Apia Racecourse

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 7.

THE Apia Turf Club's race meeting on November 2 again met with unfavourable weather conditions, heavy showers in the afternoon spoiling the condition of the course. The attendance was small, but good sport was shown.

Large fields competed in all races and the interest shown by followers of the "Sport of Kings" was well rewarded.

The Acting Administrator, Mr. A. C. Turnbull, with Mrs. Turnbull, and many prominent citizens were present. The President of the Turf Club, Hon. A. G. Smyth, was in the judge's box, and received congratulations on the occasion of his election as M.L.C.

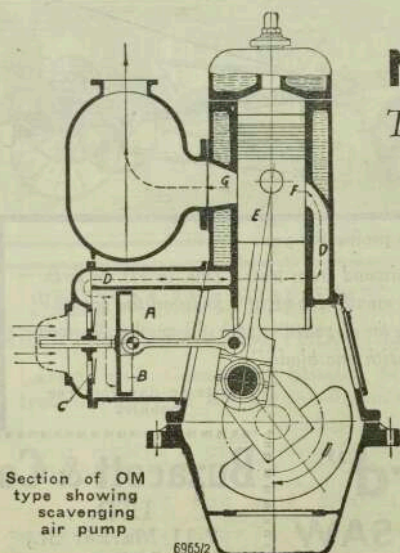
An exciting accident occurred during the last race of the day. The well-known racehorse, Buster, for many years a favourite of the race meetings and winner of many events, slipped on the muddy course and fell just as he was racing to the front. He had broken a foreleg, and, gamely having run his last race, was relieved of his sufferings by a pistol shot.

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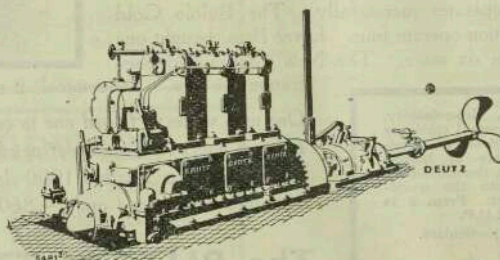
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NEW GUINEA COCOA

Effort to Combat Indifference of Australian Manufacturers

THE following letter, which is self-explanatory, was sent, in December, to a number of leading confectionery manufacturers of Australia:

"Although the Commonwealth Government continues to pay a bounty on the production of cocoa in New Guinea, and although the New Guinea Administration is spending a good deal of money and effort in improving the quality of cocoa beans grown there, the trade is not making anything like the progress that was hoped for. Enquiries which we have made this week in Sydney indicate clearly that the main obstacle to the development of this desirable industry is the stubborn opposition of the big confectionery manufacturing firms of Australia to the introduction of New Guinea cocoa beans.

"We brought this matter under the notice of Australian confectionery manufacturers over a year ago and we were informed by them of numerous reasons (mainly based on the quality of the New Guinea product) why the N.G. cocoa beans could not be used in Australia. We took pains to circulate this information and we know that the most determined efforts have been made in New Guinea to overcome the early difficulties of this industry and produce a high-grade cocoa bean. But the total lack of encouragement being given to the New Guinea cocoa growers, in any shape or form, by the Australian manufacturers, threatens to strangle this industry at its birth.

"Accordingly, we are sending this letter to the leading confectionery manufacturers to inform them that, on behalf of the New Guinea cocoa growers, we propose to bring the whole position under the attention of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce and of the Commonwealth Government, and we are assembling various data in support of their plea that the Commonwealth Government should take early steps to place a higher import duty upon foreign grown cocoa or take some other similar step to protect the product of the Australian territory."

Yours faithfully,

R. W. ROBSON,

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PROFESSOR PETER BUCK

"I AM still working on the material relating to Mangareva," wrote Professor Peter H. Buck, of the Bishop Museum, Honolulu, in a recent letter to a Sydney friend, "for there is much detail that takes up time." On returning from the United States last year Dr. Buck spent considerable time in the Gambier Group. Of late he has conferred in Honolulu with Mr. F. W. Stimson, who has carried out extensive field work on behalf of the Bishop Museum in the Tuamotu Islands.

After his long sojourn abroad Professor Buck was glad to return to Honolulu where he has purchased a home in a quiet part of the city. "I have acquired the feeling that this is home," said the scientist, who recently re-visited his native land of New Zealand, where he was received with traditional Maori ceremonies.

Mr. C. E. Quin, assistant secretary in the Samoan Administration, sailed for New Zealand on leave by the Maui Pomare early in November.

OROVILLE SEAPLANE

From Our Own Correspondent

P.T. MORESBY, Nov. 15.

THE Oroville Company's Short Scion seaplane in charge of Flight-Lieutenant Stuart Campbell which left Port Moresby on November 5 for the D'Albertis base camp on the Fly River, was delayed by heavy rain and bad visibility at Kikori in the Delta Division. The plane did not reach its destination until November 9.

As no word came through of its arrival at the camp, some anxiety was felt as to the plane's safety. Early on Saturday, November 9, Pilot Orme Denny flew from Wau in a Guinea Airway's machine to Kerema and thence to Kikori; and next day the Laurabada, with Sir Hubert Murray on board, left to continue the search.

On the Laurabada's arrival at Kikori it was learned that Stuart Campbell had already made a safe landing on the Fly River.

The Papuan government statements for the quarter ending September 30 last show an increase of revenue of £4,984, compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. Revenue was £35,564 against £30,582 in 1934.

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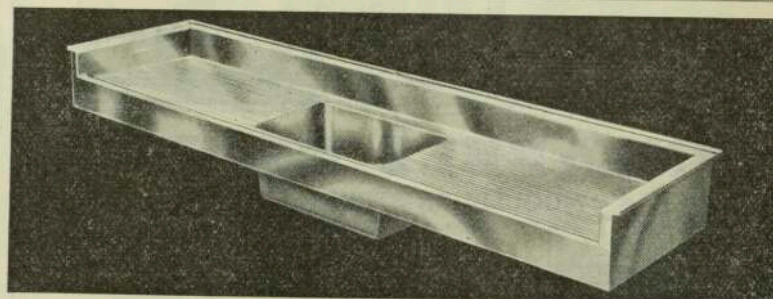
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Punishment of Native Offenders

Some Examples From New Guinea

Letter to the Editor.

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This is my recipe in dealing with a line of natives. Imagine you are a school teacher in charge of a class of European male children of an average age of 15. Then whatever action you would take to deal with an offender is the right course to take in dealing with a line of natives.

Imagine the outcry down South if pupils were given a term of imprisonment for playing truant or stealing some small article etc. That is what it amounts to up here. Also what was our opinion in our school days of the master who could not control his pupils but had to call in the headmaster to keep order? We looked on him as a nincompoop and gradually lost our respect for him. So does a native lose respect for an overseer who has to keep order by reporting offenders to the D.O.

It is reported our new Administrator has issued an order that if any government officer strikes a native it means instant dismissal. This is rather drastic. To give a case: I was working gold in an uncontrolled area. A police patrol passed through and a police boy attempted rape on a Kanaka girl. I reported it, but no action was taken, except that the police boy was promised calaboose.

The result was that the Kanakas (with whom I had been dealing for native foods for many months) came down, all armed to "pay back" on me. They were persuaded to desist by a newly-arrived mission boy who could speak the language (the only way they can learn the white man's law). He explained that I had nothing to do with the patrol officer and that the police boy would be punished. They contented themselves with felling a tree across the road, saying that no more native foods were to pass that tree. So I was cut off from native foods until the affair had blown over.

Some time later, another patrol passed through on the other side of the river. A police boy stole a bunch of betel-nut from one of the houses as the patrol was passing through a village. The patrol officer, looking back, noticed the natives talking excitedly and saw the police boy with the betel-nut. He stopped the patrol, gave the police boy a caning, and returned the bunch of betel-nut. We did not have any trouble with those natives—if anything our relations were improved, because it showed them that we meted out justice to all.

Now, I ask you, which patrol officer took the correct action? The first was a menace, whereas the second, who broke the law, did nothing but good.

Is it any wonder that this indication of policy by our new Administrator has been sharply criticised.

I am, etc.,

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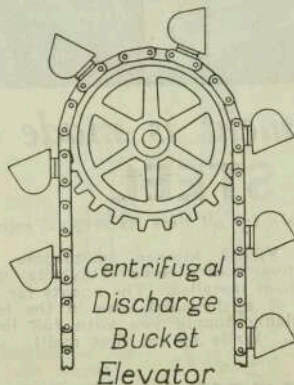
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NEW ZEALAND AND SAMOA

Effect of Recent Election

IT is thought, in some quarters, that the capture of the New Zealand Government by the Labour Party is likely to have an interesting repercussion in Western Samoa.

The position of this Mandated Territory certainly received some attention during the election campaign, and Mr. O. F. Nelson appears to believe that there is now some likelihood that the banishment imposed upon him last year will be removed. We have not seen anything to suggest that the Labour Party, in its election pledges, undertook to do more than review recent events and decisions in Samoa; and, knowing the ways of politicians, in and out of office, we shall be surprised if the new Government interferes with the *status quo*, so far as it affects Mr. Nelson. The prosecution and banishment of Mr. Nelson were the outcome of judicial proceedings in an independent court, and were not the result of Government action, and most young Governments prefer to leave court decisions alone.

It is probable, however, that the new Government will appoint an Administrator to take the place of Sir Herbert Hart, who retired some months ago; and it also is likely that there will be an intelligent attempt to make peace with the still unconciliated and sullen Mau. The election recently of Mr. A. G. Smyth to the Legislative Council of Samoa should help in securing peace in the Territory, for Mr. Smyth's sympathies have been always

with those Samoans who resisted the militaristic regime which stupid New Zealand politicians fastened upon the Territory.

We have received from Mr. Nelson a copy of a printed pamphlet, wherein he protests strongly against that section of the Annual Report on Western Samoa which states that after the departure of Mr. Nelson "there was a marked decrease in Mau activities, and a complete change in the political situation. Since that event there has been no trouble or difficulty of any kind whatever: the Mau is moribund." Mr. Nelson quotes official documents and dates in support of his contention that this is a grave misstatement of the position, and that his influence was used always to secure peace. He also quotes Police Inspector Braisby, who told the High Court that: "I (Mr. Nelson) had no police record; that I was a man of high integrity, who held the respect of the community in Samoa and elsewhere; that my personal character was excellent; that I had always taken a keen interest in public affairs; and since my return from abroad I made the welfare of Samoa and the people of Samoa my life's work."

If the new Government has vision and statesmanship, it will find a way of sending Mr. Nelson back among his own people in Samoa, to co-operate with the new Administrator in dealing with the grievances of those clever Polynesian people, and in bringing permanent peace to one of the most attractive territories of the wide Pacific. But, as we said, that is too much to hope for. The new Government, like the old, will be ruled by precedent, red tape and bureaucracy.

The Government of Fiji will take a census of the Colony's population in 1936.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SOLOMONS

Radiophones and Electricity Suggested

From Our Own Correspondent

TULAGI, Dec. 1.

THE prospect of having our little town illuminated by electricity, to be provided by a firm which already has done the same thing (as a commercial venture, of course), for other Islands towns, has our citizens greatly interested.

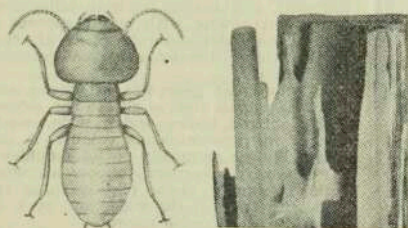
It certainly would be a great treat to Tulagi citizens and outsiders in port to be able to navigate the main road without a hurricane lamp, an electric torch, or the light from the Chinese stores to guide them.

A recent arrival in the Group is said to have seriously proposed wireless telephonic communication between himself and his colleague on two separate islands. While there is no assurance that anything will come of the suggestion, it is hoped that the proposer may have enough influence to secure his object, in which case such a useful innovation may easily be more widely used. A trial installation will soon demonstrate its usefulness.

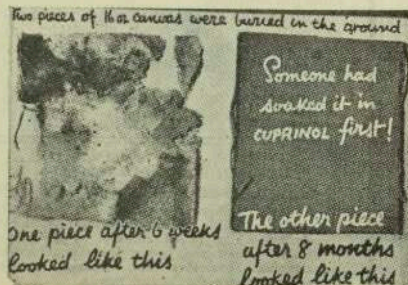
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Fashion Hints for Islands Women*By Therese*

SINCE draperies are the *dernier cri* for evening, we go clad with classic splendour in gowns exquisitely draped.

Flowing panels, and floating shoulder scarves, interpret the classical trend. Satins falling in sculptured folds metamorphose mere mortals into goddesses lovely to behold. Yet withal these folds and draperies, figures are subtly revealed, lissome and graceful with softly rounded curves.

For the ultra-modern woman—she with the courage of her convictions—comes the reward of being different in the sophisticated, softly-draped and girdled gown, tip tilted in front to reveal narrow parts of contrasting colour. Heel-less slippers of lame, velvet or kid, play a fitting accompaniment and shriek modernity.

A white taffeta frock, its skirt standing out with old world charm, has a cross over bodice made *berthe* fashion, and tucks a sweet old fashioned posy in its waist. Gar-

lands of flowers are roped round the neck for festive hours, for a single flower or a whole galaxy of blossoms may be worn with equal success.

A medieval gown of black velvet or dull crepe, girdles its waist with a heavy cord. Finely pleated tulle or net outlines its square neck; and long sleeves, full from the shoulder, taper to slimmest at the wrist. Hair worn halo fashion completes a picture of charm.

One shoulder covered, the other bare, is delightfully new for evening wear. Sounds like a slogan, but there is none better of adoption. A georgette gown with all its draperies cleverly arranged on one hip, falls in graceful folds to the floor. Its bodice, softly draped over one lovely shoulder, pins its faith in a rhinestone clasp of huge proportions to make it discreetly safe.

Evening capes are gorgeous and romantic and breathe revelry in every line. Swagging capes reach to the floor as the military influence extends to evening clothes. Tulle capes fall to the knees, and are no longer ruffled and frilled, but crisp and decisive, cleverly trimmed with narrow braid or ribbon velvet and caught at the high neckline with a jewelled clip.

With its fairy-tale air, cellophane tied in huge bows, forms lovely scarves, and is woven into light and airy fabrics with glittering success.

Pleating is still popular and trims the sleeves, neck, and hem line of a most attractive georgette dinner gown. The full balloon sleeves, accordion pleated, are the highlights of this lovely gown. Sleeves are of infinite variety—Chinese, bishop, and a new soft variation of the quaint old "leg o' mutton."

Day clothes strike a military note, and with their frogged and epauletted shoulders, pinch back jackets, swash-buckling capes, and yards and yards of braid, are marvellously attractive and dashing.

Soutache embroidery is fascinating and different, and applies itself to tailored and afternoon gowns with equal success. It adorns the waist and yoke of an afternoon frock, which thereby achieves immediate distinction.

A beflowered georgette afternoon gown has full raglan sleeves slit to the elbow, a softly shirred bodice and a wide swathed belt of its predominating colour. A large flower blooms exotically on its shoulder.

For festive afternoons choose a frock of printed crepe de chene (the washing variety) with frills at the waist and neck line. It is full of feminine appeal.

Jackets are worn for divers occasions. Some have capes attached, others are tight fitting little affairs often in direct contrast to the frock with which they are worn. Pinched in at the back, dinner jackets are chic personified.

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neck to hem, consequently becoming a further joy to its tropical owner.

A pale blue or dusty pink linen frock sports buttons of navy with belt and shoes in navy and white as a fitting accompaniment. Red and white glass towel check is made into a frock with an adjustable neck line, square yoke and square pockets. Its short workmanlike skirt is inverted pleated, as are the brief sleeves.

Skirts are slim and short for informal wear and the divided or trouser skirt (its division hidden by an panel front and back) is increasing in popularity. It requires careful tailoring, however, to be really successful. This type of skirt should reach the zenith of its popularity in the tropics since it discreetly eliminates almost all one's nether garments with full measure of decorum.

Pockets and buttons are worn where and whenever possible. Leather jewellery brings new interest and can be used to match up with bag, belt buttons, and to form most delightful colour contrasts for tailored and sports clothes.

To be slung over the shoulder, quaint knapsacks are made in leather, striped canvas, macramé, linen, or any fabric one wishes and are delightful with jacket suits and simple frocks.

Low-heeled shoes and sandals are correct wear with tailored and sports clothes. Shoes with square toes and a utilitarian air are delightful in suede and pin-grained leather. Stockings are important. Navy and dark brown are fashion's latest decree, and white and dark beige may be also worn. Pinky beiges are *tapu*, since they are as extinct as the dodo in fashion's scheme of things.

Next-to-nothing lingerie is delightful. Strapless brassieres, slips, nighties, form-fitting and clinging, set us aghast at the thought of the red flannel atrocities of our illustrious ancestors. Pink satin allied with coffee lace or net of incredible fineness, makes the most charming sets for the lingerie wardrobe. Parchment satin surprisingly and delightfully adds green lace. Slimmies made entirely of coffee lace yoked and branded with satin are dream-like possessions.

Nighties are picturesque and look like lovely old-world evening gowns. Quaint and demure nighties made on Empire lines add long full sleeves or are extremely décolleté, covering their bareness with adorable little feminine jackets for the early morning tea hour. Lovely nighties are made of flowered voile ruffled at neck and hem, their puff sleeves full of charm.

Three in one garments—heaven-sent for tropic dwellers—combine brassiere, panties and dance belt in one tiny garment. *Mut-tum in parvo*, but that fascinating "little" is all that is necessary.

A perfectly cut masculine dressing gown adds feminine allure with quilted satin revers and cuffs. It covers satin pyjamas

in like shade in which the military note is again evidenced by the frogged jacket and braided collar.

Beach wear is gay and colourful. Brief shorts and skirts, bright little sun tops for our sun-baking moments, towelling coats and capes, quaint roped and canvas sandals, eye shades with headpieces, and flap backs like legionnaire caps, all add glamour to the call of the sea. Large gaily coloured towels are thrown round the shoulders in careless abandon and make fascinating beach wraps. Matching bags are oil silk lined to make perfect hold-alls for our innumerable beach needs.

FORTY-FOUR YEARS IN PAPUA



Mrs. Tomlinson, wife of Canon Samuel Tomlinson, of Wamira, Papua, who has been spending holidays in Sydney. With her husband she has served for 44 years in the territory on behalf of the New Guinea Mission.

—Photo. by courtesy of Australian Board of Missions.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Spensley, who were recently married in Rabaul, left by the Macdhui at the end of November on a short holiday tour. Mr. Spensley is manager in New Guinea for Messrs. Colyer, Watson and Co.

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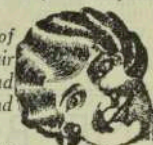
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Valued at £279,207 higher than last year, sugar particularly has helped to swell export figures and bring the total

trade (exports and imports) of the Colony to £2,183,441, compared with £1,625,057 in 1934. Due to improved market prices more copra was cut and the value rose by £67,995. Activity in the gold industry is reflected in the trade figures: production was 3,935 ozs. against 911 ozs. last year, and the value amounted to £31,150, an increase of £24,473.

For the period under review exports exceeded imports by £359,831. The following table shows the position:—

	1934 £	1935 £
Imports		
Suva	470,383	629,397
Lautoka	219,948	265,585
Levuka	13,375	16,823
Total	£703,706	£911,805
Exports—		
Suva	309,825	399,391
Lautoka	567,789	811,463
Levuka	43,710	60,782
Total	£921,351	£1,271,636
Excess of Exports	£217,645	£359,831

EXPORTS IN DETAIL

	1934 £	1935 £
Bananas	46,379	44,974
Copra	104,446	172,441
Gold Bullion	6,677	31,150
Melassess	9,435	10,521
Trocas Shell	19,121	16,090
Sugar	624,580	903,787
Other Articles	110,713	92,673

Sister Clara Pech has been dedicated in Australia for work with the Neuen-dettelsau (Lutheran) Mission Society at Finschhafen, New Guinea.

ATEBRIN

Experiences of Malaria Sufferers

THE belief seems to be growing that, while the Atebrin system of treating malaria is effective for those who are leaving fever-ridden countries, it is of no value to those who must again take the risk of infection.

A correspondent reported recently that, as a result of Atebrin treatment, she seemed to get a new and original attack of fever, as if she were visiting the tropics for the first time.

We now have this note from a missionary who returned to Papua in October:

"Atebrin is a delusion and a snare for all returning to the Islands. I got a fierce attack of malaria here, after a course of Atebrin down South; and that seems to be a common experience. I got the form of fever I used to get in India, and which I had not had here before."

A HANDBOOK FOR PROSPECTORS

The third edition of "Handbook for Prospectors" has been issued by McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. Ltd., Aldwych House, London. It has been compiled by Mr. M. W. von Bernewitz, who has spent many years in association with the gold-mining industry in practically every gold-producing country in the world. His book is designed to instruct and assist miners all over the world, irrespective of what metal they may be seeking. The Handbook, which has been brought right up to date, is in three sections. The first advises in regard to equipment, transportation, food, health and first aid, and laws affecting mining; the second part supplies a great mass of technical and scientific data relating to the search for metals, and recovery and treatment of same; and the third deals with the value and occurrence of metallic and non-metallic minerals. It is a book of 360 pages, profusely illustrated, skilfully arranged and copiously indexed, and should be invaluable to the prospector. The retail price is 18/-.

CROW MENACE IN WITU IS.

From Our Own Correspondent
WAU, Nov. 4.

CROWS have become a serious menace in the Witu group of islands (off the North Coast of New Britain). The raiders pierce the young green coconuts which, when so damaged, fall to the ground.

In order to cope with this menace it has become necessary to remove crows from the list of protected birds for a period of six months.

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FIJI COTTON

Government Persists With Attempt to Re-establish the Industry

THE Government of Fiji has decided to persist, for another year or two, with its efforts to establish the cotton industry in the Colony.

The Empire Cotton Growing Association sent an expert to Fiji some time ago, and attempts have been made to evolve a cross strain. Fiji-grown cotton always has been of high quality, and it is believed that, if it can be produced in sufficient quantity, cotton-growing can be made an important industry. So far, owing to world economic conditions, Fiji cotton production has shown little revival: the export last year was only ten bales.

Critics of the cotton-growing plan are not friendly. At the last meeting of the Legislative Council, Mr. J. P. Bayly said that 10 bales, after 13 years' encouragement, was a very poor result. He was of opinion that the Indians would not grow cotton—it would be better to encourage other industries. Other critics, Mr. H. H. Ragg, and Major Willoughby Tottenham, said that the world had ample cotton supplies—America was burning a surplus of thousands of bales—and Fiji, having to pay comparatively high wages, could not compete.

The Governor, supported by Dr. H. W. Jack (Director of Agriculture) and Mr. K. B. Singh (Indian member), argued that, as Fiji Sea Island cotton brought top prices, as the market was improving, and as Fiji cotton could be profitably produced if pro-

duced on a large scale, it was advisable to continue, for another year or two, the attempt to establish the industry that should interest the small farmers.

During the American civil war, cotton was very profitably grown in the Pacific islands, and especially in Fiji. Then the industry died out. It is now part of British policy, however, to encourage cotton-growing within the Empire, so as to secure some measure of independence. When cotton prices were high, in the decade after the war, seed was obtained from Barbados, and Fijian growers, for two or three years, made profits. Then the industry slumped again. The demand for Sea Island cotton, which is of very fine quality, varies with the world demand for lace. That is why the authorities are trying to evolve a satisfactory cross strain. Sea Island cotton, moreover, is considerably more expensive to handle than the commoner types.

The following figures tell the story:—

	Cwt.	Produced.	Value.
1865	2,400	..	£9,300
1866	5,880	..	19,800
1867	7,586	..	34,004
1868	7,300	..	30,975
1869	10,500	..	45,000
1870	—	..	92,700
1873	—	..	75,000
1874	Nine-tenths of cotton-planters reported bankrupt.		
	Lbs.		
1924	33,072	..	—
1925	61,199	..	—
1926	48,083	..	—
1927	249,355	..	17,593
1928	75,366	..	5,339
1929	49,115	..	3,348
1930	127,077	..	6,727
1931	78,332	..	1,146
1933	34,870	..	2,300
1934	2,513	..	84

Cotton is not indigenous to Fiji; but it was found growing wild there about the

middle of last century. Colonel Smythe reported in 1860 that "the cotton tree made its appearance some 10 or 15 years ago." Dr. Seeman, in 1860-61, identified six varieties, growing luxuriantly and with little cultivation. Fiji was found to be ideal for cotton-growing and by 1863 many white planters were cultivating the crop. Fiji cotton "boomed" phenomenally, and by the end of that decade 5000 acres were under the Sea Island variety—all others had been abandoned. 1870 saw the crest of the "boom"; from then on, the industry declined rapidly, as American cotton came back to the world market.

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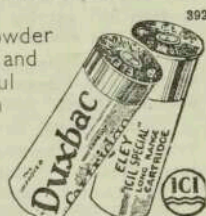
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FILM STAR AT SUVA

From Our Own Correspondent

SUVA, December 2.

ON her way to Sydney on the Monterey to make an Australian "talkie" film, Miss Helen Twelvetees, the Hollywood actress, called at Suva on November 26. After the civic reception she sampled *kava* in a wooden bowl with chieftains, who sat cross-legged on a mat-covered floor.

Natives of Tamavua, a village near Suva, were overjoyed when Miss Twelvetees visited the thickly-thatched *bures*, and joked with the native children. Her brilliant auburn hair won immediate approval. Nothing the Fijian admires more than red hair, and the men and women take endless pains to achieve coppery curls with the help of lime.

Crowds of Europeans were eager to catch a glimpse of the star, for residents, as well as natives, are inveterate picture-goers. For the large Hindu population there is a special Indian theatre in Suva, at which films made in India in the native language are screened regularly.

RABAUl RICE MILL

From Our Own Correspondent

WAU, Nov. 4.

IT is reported that the rice mill, which is being constructed in Rabaul, is almost completed and that milling will commence shortly.

The mill has been erected principally for milling rice grown by natives in their village gardens in various parts of the Territory. It is understood that the Administration after milling the rice will arrange for its disposal on behalf of the native growers.

LUCKY SAMOAN RESIDENT

From Our Own Correspondent

APIA, Nov. 21.

A RESIDENT of Samoa, Mr. T. W. Brunt, seems to be unusually favoured by the fickle goddess of fortune.

After having recently won a prize of £1,000 in a Queensland lottery, he has received a wireless message stating that a ticket held in another lottery on behalf of the "Samoa Lucky Syndicate" has just won £500.

At present Mr. Brunt is overwhelmed by offers of local residents who, with confidence in his good luck, want to invest in his syndicates.

A Wild Night Near Tulagi

From Our Own Correspondent

TULAGI, Dec. 1.

THERE have been events at our capital. The Advisory Council has had its session. There has been the usual celebration of Armistice Day. The Native Constabulary, as usual, put up a very creditable performance—the spectators were all ladies.

At a commercial centre which might be called a suburb of Tulagi, a celebration less peaceful has been the cause of landing several natives in gaol, and one in hospital, with little prospect of recovery.

Some native visitors from Tulagi decided to make a gambling night of it at Gavutu. The evening ended in a free fight and the above-mentioned hospital cases, with a lot of fun for everybody.

The incident demonstrates the wisdom of the Administration's attitude towards gambling by natives.



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How to Combat Dry Rot

The Merits of Cuprinol

THE greatest enemy of the house-owner in the Pacific Islands, next to white ants, is "dry rot." Who has not had the experience of seeing a gate-post, or walk, or an essential supporting beam, suddenly collapse, and discovering that the interior wood, under the covering of paint, is simply a mass of dry rot?

"Dry rot," actually, is not decay. It is the result of an attack on the wood by certain classes of fungi, which live by extracting the celluloses from the wood. When the fungi are finished with the wood, it is only a mass of powder, without tensile strength.

Many methods of combatting dry rot have been employed. What is apparently an effective one has been perfected in Britain, and has been introduced to Australia and the South Seas by British Australian Lead Manufacturers Pty. Ltd. "Cuprinol," a liquid, is a fungicide and insecticide, which is applied to wood—and to fabrics, such as canvas, netting, cordage, etc.—and which renders it immune from attacks by fungi, and other agents of decay.

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An important point is that Cuprinol lasts. It cannot be washed out of timber, ropes or canvas, and it does not evaporate with heat. It penetrates deeply; it can be painted or varnished over; it is not corrosive; it guards against wood-destroying insects as well as fungi; and it does not harm humans or animals.

Details of this useful preparation are advertised in this issue.

Fiji Civil Servants and the Matson Line

Letter to the Editor.

Our freedom was won and our Empire was made, By our men and our ships and our overseas trade.

THE above lines appearing at the head of the leading article in your issue of October 24, are very timely.

It might interest your readers to know that when the Civil Servants of Fiji go on holiday leave they are allowed travelling grants by the Government. As the money for these grants is provided by the taxpayers who are British subjects, one would naturally think that the Government would insist on their officers travelling by British steamers.

It is surprising, therefore, to find that such is not the case, as a great many, if not the majority, travel by the heavily subsidised American Matson Line of steamers.

I am, etc.,

COLONIAL.

Suva, Fiji,
4/11/35.

Rev. J. Faubula, L.Th. (Tonga), Tollo Laupue (Samoa), Inoki Thakantini (Fiji), and Joni Ledua (Fiji), who have been doing deputation work in Australia for the Methodist Missionary Society during the past eight months, departed for Suva en route to their homes by the Monterey from Sydney on December 14. Three other native deputationists will arrive in Australia from the South Seas early in the New Year.

SHIPOWNERS AND SEAMEN

AN outspoken note from "Old Seadog": "Your article on the shipping position in the Pacific is timely, and inspired by patriotism. It is a damnable thing that British shipping interests should be stabbed in the back by British seamen.

"But do not assume that the fault is all on one side. The great majority of British men who work on ships are patriots to the backbone; but a great and increasing number of them have been hopelessly embittered through their treatment by shipowners. In the old days, when there was a direct personal relationship between shipowner and seaman, the latter could generally get a fair deal, and life at sea had its attractions. Nowadays, the employers mostly are merely the boards of companies, and the companies themselves are in the grip of ruthless and soulless combines, who regard maritime workers merely as a class of labour to be exploited for the extraction of the uttermost penny of profit. That, at any rate, is the feeling among seamen today—and it explains much.

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Foods which are useful in supplying mineral matter and vitamins are often spoken of as "protective foods," i.e., foods that protect the body from the deficiency diseases. These protective foods are:—

Milk and milk-products (butter, cheese, etc.).
Fresh salad vegetables and fruit.
Liver (including fish liver and fish liver oil).
Fish (especially fat fish); for example, mullet and eel and fish roes.
—From "Bukit Bahrum," Wau, New Guinea.

TAPIOCA (CASSAVA ROOT) PORRIDGE

Boil 5 cups of water, and grate 2 cups full of cassava root. A pinch of salt. Mix well with wooden spoon and stir until cooked. About 15 minutes. Caution: A very slow fire. For a change, used a little grated cassava for thickening stews.

—Sent by "Gumatua," Fiji.

GINGER MARMALADE

Take 3lb. dried cooking apples, 1½lb. glucose, 1 quart water, and sugar. Wash and dry apples, take slices and place in a saucepan, add water, bring to the boil, simmer gently until fruit is well pulped, strain through a jelly bag, but do not squeeze. Weigh juice and allow 1lb. sugar

to every lb. of juice (less container). Put in pan with ginger cut into dice, boil quickly for 8 to 10 minutes until it sets on a cold plate. Pot and cover at once. This is a very welcome addition to dietary. Up here it is a great favourite. Owing to the lack of plentiful fresh fruits (except tropical) I use dried apricots and peaches for jams to vary the menu, and achieve a measure of success.

—Contributed by "Bulwa," New Guinea.

DUTCH CUTLETS

1 tin Rex-pye, 1 onion, 1 cupful of breadcrumbs, pepper, salt, 1 egg, 1 cup brown sugar. Mix together Rex-pye, breadcrumbs, minced onion, pepper and salt to taste, and, lastly, the beaten egg. Flatten out oval shape, place in greased pie-dish with slices of bacon on top. Add gravy, cover over with greased paper, and bake in moderate oven for one hour. Ten minutes before taking out, remove paper.

—Mrs. Hill, Ysabel, Solomon Is.

CORNEED BEEF HASH

Peel and boil about 1lb. of potatoes, then mash with a little butter and milk. Mince 1lb. cooked corneed beef, and 1 onion, then thoroughly mix together the beef, onion and potato. Put into a pie-dish with a few dabs of butter on top. Bake in a fairly hot oven until brown and crisp on top, usually about half an hour. A little seasoning, tomato sauce, or cooked haricot beans may be added if wished.

—Sent by "Bitinanbo," Solomon Is.

PRICKLY HEAT

Thin-skinned individuals, subject to prickly heat, should take a hot bath daily with Neco soap, and use plenty of good talcum powder, on all places affected. This is equally good for children. In extreme cases curtail alcoholic drinks, curries and condiments, and take an occasional hot bath containing three tablets of corrosive sublimate.

—"Belinda," Shortland Group, Solomon Is.

DECEMBER B.P. MAGAZINE

IN a series of sepia-toned photographs of "Sydney's Bays and Beaches," exquisite glimpses of rugged headlands, placid sunlit waters, and sand-girt coves are the highlights of the December number of the B.P. Magazine. This issue of Australia's finest quarterly contains a host of beautiful pictures that will soothe the soul and charm the eye of every lover of the out-of-doors.

"Unknown Papua," a graphic account of his recent patrol through primitive territory, written by Mr. Jack Hides, the celebrated young A.R.M., and "Frangipanni," a colourful short story of New Guinea, lend an Islands flavour to this handsomely printed magazine.

Informative sketches of Jamaica—Pearl of the Caribbean, Willis Island—Birthplace of Cyclones, and Gotland—Romantic Isle of the Baltic, are a delight to desk-bound readers. There are also notes of people in the public eye and interesting jottings on fashions, films, music and the dramatic arts.

For the cover design, Walter Jardine has combined sails and steamer, sky and seagulls, and the swell of rolling seas to symbolize the lure of travel.

THE "JOSEPH CONRAD"

THE full-rigged ship, Joseph Conrad, owned and commanded by the journalist and author, Captain A. J. Villiers, after a call at the Solomon Islands, arrived in Sydney on December 10. She will spend several weeks in Australian ports and then probably will visit some of the Islands of the central and eastern Pacific. Tahiti, definitely, is among her projected ports of call.

Port Moresby is likely to experience a little liveliness at Christmas. Thirty cricketers are going from Wau, New Guinea, for five days, to play a Port Moresby team—and when the gentlemen from the goldfields are on holiday they do not sit in corners and silently twiddle their thumbs.

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Little Islander's Corner

SEVERAL little Islanders are welcomed in this issue. Will you all please send me your birthday dates and your photograph or a snapshot? Loving Christmas and New Year greetings go to you all, and the wish that the coming year will bring to you and yours prosperity and happiness.

Dear Dorothea,—We are now at Misima for twelve months, and although the work is interesting here, we miss our folks. Misima is off the mainland and, in its tropical way, is very like other parts of Papua. Since writing you last my sister broke her leg and the knowledge I gained in Sydney, coupled with my boy scouts' training has been of great assistance. The scout movement in Papua is growing. I came across some curious native handicraft recently, and will send some on when opportunity arises.

In our recent cricket match at Moresby, I made 64, not out, but don't think that is good because the bowlers were "crook." The P.I.M. is a great boon to us and is as good as a letter from friends.

Misima, Nov. 13.

"PAPUA."

Dear Dorothea,—I will tell you about the ways and customs of the natives on the island on which I live.

Although, the natives of to-day are very primitive, there still remain lots of instances that show that their forefathers were far superior. Their canoes, weapons, intricately woven baskets and mats, sundry household utensils, and fishing tackle, all tell of the brains that invented them. It is only by seeing them that one can realize how clever some of their ideas are, for fishing and other things.

To-day, although the articles invented long ago are still made, I do not think the present day native is capable of inventing any more convenient ones. If ever I ask them why such a thing is done thus, they answer by saying that that was how it used to be done, and other than that they did not know. Or if I asked some of them do they make canoes and if they did not, they would say that they did not, simply because their father did not, and so it is that all arts are handed down from father to son.

In most of their work, the natives of a village will combine and help, as in house-making, and garden-making. The food obtained by a village is, to a certain extent, shared. Should anyone catch a lot of fish, or kill a pig, or gather a lot of wild fruits, it is all shared amongst the village inhabitants. The garden produce, however, is not always shared like this, unless someone should have but a poor return from his garden, then all will club in and give him some food.

Tulagi, S.I.

G. GASKELL.

Dear Dorothea,—Have you ever been to Wau? It is nearly 3½ thousand feet above sea-level and in the last two years has gone ahead marvellously. We have talkies twice a week, a splendid library, new golf links and two splendid hotels. A few months ago the new road to Edie Creek was opened and we can go up now and back in a couple of hours. It is marvellous up "on top" as the creek is called. It is very cold up there at night, so cold we have log fires, and every night it pours rain as well. But down here at Wau, it is a milder climate. The natives are very faithful if you are kind to them.

We have the best aeroplane service in the world and the very best pilots, too, and no one is afraid of flying. Every two years we go South for holidays and many of the children stay South at school. But as there is to be a High School up here soon, it will make a difference.

Best wishes from

"MAASKI."

Wau, New Guinea.

Cook Islanders' Needlework

From Our Own Correspondent

RAROTONGA, November 2.

A PLEASING departure from routine was staged on October 30 by Mr. and Mrs. R. Walker, Government teachers at Arorangi school, when a sale of needlework was held at their house. The exhibits ranged from beautifully finished sets to single articles, all of which were the work of native schoolchildren between the ages of 10 and 14.

The sale was well patronised, and the proceeds will be devoted to the purchase

of sports goods and such-like equipment, for which there is no official grant.

In a recent competition organised in New Zealand, this same school entered 12 samples of needlework, and out of 6,000 entries, secured 13 awards, including the third prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Marshall, of Port Moresby, are enjoying furlough in Sydney at present. They will return to Papua by the December Macdhui.

Mr. G. S. Hill, Treasurer of the Condominium Government of the New Hebrides, and Lieutenant-Colonel H. E. Woodman, Assistant District Officer at Madang, New Guinea, came into the public eye in December when they each drew out for lucky ticket holders the first four marbles in ballots of the N.S.W. State Lottery.

Mr. K. W. Steedman has been appointed legal manager of Upper Sepik Gold Syndicate, No Liability.

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PACIFIC MINING NOTES

From Fiji

ALOHA CENTRAL, G.M.

COMMENTING on the development work carried out by Aloha Central G.M. N.L., Tavua, Fiji, Dr. Loftus Hills, consulting geologist, stated in November that the most important development during the past three months had been on the northern section of the area north of the Vinisinu Creek. Starting from the vicinity of the northern continuation of the Sultan lode in this direction, and working up the slope eastwards towards the President lode, rich loams were encountered, and subsequent trenching and shaft sinking had disclosed numerous ore occurrences with encouraging values. Some of these had been shown to be horizontal spreads from lodes associated with shears, and some of these latter undoubtedly continued downwards. The maze of ore formations disclosed by the work in this area presented a complicated problem in mining exploration, but the use of the diamond drill, when available, would throw much of the necessary light on this section of the area. The ore occurrences here were, in his opinion, important. They showed that the "S," "C" and "P" lode groups continued northwards with promising gold deposition. The work on the Sultan lode had proceeded at a slower rate than anticipated owing to the amount of water encountered in No. 1 shaft. With the small pump available it was found undesirable to continue No. 1 shaft beyond a vertical depth of 55 feet, and

it was necessary to crosscut at that depth, although, as pointed out in a previous report, cross-cutting was undesirable until at least 100 feet depth had been attained. The geological structure indicated that down to 100 feet at least an unfavourable horizon existed, and that the low values and narrow width of the Sultan lode in the crosscut at the 55-foot level confirms this conclusion. The true value of the downward extension of the Sultan lode would not become apparent until penetration to beyond the 100 feet vertical depth had been attained. This would be effected by means of the diamond drill now in operation. The work of the last three months had shown greater distribution of gold and ore formations than was observable three months ago, and it was now apparent that the adequate exploration of the Aloha Central 30 acres was a task of some magnitude. The diamond drill would be invaluable in this exploration.

EAST REEFS CONSOLIDATED N.L.

Directors of East Reefs Consolidated N.L. have issued 1000 shares in reserve to shareholders at £3 on application, and allotment. Shareholders registered on December 3, had the right to apply for shares in the proportion of one for every three contributing or fully paid shares held. Transfer books were closed from December 3 to December 5.

LOLOMA AND TAVUA DEVELOPMENTS

Mr. E. G. Banks, mining engineer, and a director of Loloma (Fiji) G.M. N.L. and Tavua Gold Developments Ltd., has returned to Melbourne after a second visit to the properties at Tavua, Fiji. Mr. Banks said early in December that since his previous visit work on the Loloma area had proceeded steadily. Several more prospecting shafts had been sunk along the line of the lode, and there was well over 1000 feet definitely proved along the strike of the lode. Other shafts being sunk north and south had not yet got in touch with the lode, but in his opinion further extension of the lode would be proved as work proceeded. The main shaft was down 120 feet, at which point a crosscut would be driven to intersect the lode. This would be met within a distance of 30 feet. The adit level being extended in a southerly direction had reached a distance of 180 feet, and was still carrying payable values. The latest important development at the adit level was a crosscut towards the footwall, at 144 feet in the tunnel. At the time of his visit over 30 feet of 9-oz. ore had been disclosed, with the footwall not in hand.

Regarding the area of Tavua Gold Developments, south of the Emperor and east of Koroere, Mr. Banks said two drilling plants were at work and three adits were in course of extension. Some ore had been proved in two bores and in No. 5 tunnel. The work had been undertaken with the object of proving the extension of the Emperor lode into block 209-210. In view of the fact that payable ore had been located, this block, Mr. Banks considers, warrants thorough prospecting.

VEES UNITED N.L.

Sir Henry Scott, attorney of Vees United N.L. in Fiji, has advised the management that the Governor has given his approval to an option which had been provisionally entered into by the company over an area of approximately 480 acres, covered by prospecting licence 245, in the Sigatoka district, and recommended by Dr. Loftus Hills, consulting geologist. The company has also been granted registration in the colony as a foreign company.

TAVUA GOLD DEVELOPMENTS

The manager of Tavua Gold Developments Ltd., Tavua, Fiji, reports that No. 4 bore has cut the lode 10ft. wide, of which 3½ft. assaying 3dw. and 2½ft. 5dw. The lode has been cut in the No. 5 tunnel on the same lease, 16ft. assaying 2dw. and 4ft. on the hanging-wall 4dw. The lode is being driven on in the tunnel. The previous message stated the No. 4 bore was down 365ft. in country, and the lode was expected to be cut at an early date.

EMPEROR MINES LTD.

Directors of Emperor Mines Ltd., Tavua, Fiji, report that the services of Mr. G. L. Ditchburn, late mill superintendent of Golden Plateau N.L., Cracow, Queensland, have been secured. Tests made by him of the oxidised ore in the mine during his recent extended visit disclose that there are no metallurgical or other difficulties in its treatment. The capacity of the present plant will be increased to 400 or 500 tons a week by the addition of larger settling vats. This work is well in hand, and should be completed shortly. Output will then be approximately 2000 tons a month. The directors are also considering the erection of a milling plant capable of treating a large tonnage. Meanwhile crushing will be continued with the unit now in operation. Consideration is being given to a scheme for the supply of ample electrical

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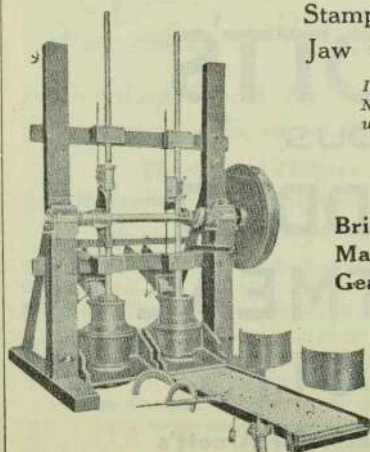
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power for mining and other purposes on the field. It is probable that a separate company, in which the leading companies on the field will become interested, will be formed for this purpose.

Crushing 644 tons of ore for the four weeks ended November 30, the company recovered 532½ oz. of bullion, containing 490 oz. of gold, a grade of 15.2 dwt. a ton. The loss in the tailings was 1 dwt. a ton. The average grade of the ore treated declined by 4 dwt. a ton compared with the preceding period. Output and production, however, increased. Following are the past three yields:—

	Oct. 5.	Nov. 2.	Nov. 30.
Ore (dry weight), tons	365	470	644
Fine gold, oz.	360	453	490
Grade, dwt.	19.7	19.2	15.2

KOROERE GOLD N.L.

Progress reports received in Melbourne in November from Koroere Gold N.L., were not appreciated in the market, as the shares fell to 19/-. Values in the drives and crosscuts in the Koroere area were again low, the highest being in the south drive off the No. 4 tunnels, viz., 11 dwt. On the west Cardigan lode, east crosscut, a small amount of 12dwt ore was obtained, but beyond this nothing payable. The property appears to be developing into one of low grade ore. Even the Cardigan lode, where high values were obtained prior to the formation of the company and also just recently, is not living up to expectations. The market for these shares is liable to fluctuate violently, as it has very little firm basis of value.

MT. MORGAN DEVELOPMENTS LTD.

Mount Morgan Developments Ltd. announced at the end of November that it had taken an option over the property covered by prospecting licence No. 287 in Fiji, and was proceeding to further prospect and commence the development of the area. The property was approximately seven miles from Suva, and was believed to be a newly discovered mineral area. The option had been taken after favourable preliminary report from Mr. A. A. Boyd, who had personally inspected the property, which comprised 35 acres. It carried the right to acquire further adjoining areas.

MT. KASI MINES LTD.

During the fortnight ended December 8, 484 tons of ore were crushed by Mount Kasi Mines Limited, Fiji. The total head value was 1230zs., and total

tail value, 200zs. Ore has now been drawn from development. The clean-up on December 6 yielded 154oz. bullion, estimated to contain 130oz. fine gold. Additional treatment plant has been ordered to enable the tonnage to be brought up to the estimate. This plant should arrive on the field late in January. The new issue of 66,001 shares, at a premium of 7/- has been over-subscribed.

FIJI MINING CORPORATION N.L.

What is considered by the field engineer of Fiji Mining Corporation N.L., Tavua, Fiji, to be the most important development since operations were started on prospecting lease 214, about a mile east of the Emperor property, was reported during the month, a sample of ore at a depth of 50 feet assaying 2 oz. 4 dwt. a ton. The country, he emphasised, was unexplored, with great possibilities. An option is held over the area until February 1 next.

The progress report received is as follows: No. 2 shaft: Started crosscut at 50ft., now in 5ft. south, sample of east side assayed 2oz. 4dwt. ton. No. 3 shaft: East crosscut at 45ft. advanced 14ft.; for 6ft. on north side assay value 11½dwt. ton, and for 6ft. on south side assay value 6¼dwt. ton. Face of crosscut low.

From Papua

MISIMA CENTRAL GOLD N.L.

At the recent general meeting of Misima Central Gold N.L., Misima Island, Papua, Mr. S. E. Watkin, who presided, informed shareholders of the position of the company. Subsequent to the report of Mr. A. Hargrave, mining engineer, which was favourable, Mr. H. F. Pearson, mining engineer, inspected the company's leases (Ginisea and Tomiera) and recommended that work on the leases be discontinued, though the mine manager (Mr. J. Miller), in his report, protested against the manner in which the leases were examined and sampled. He asserted that samples were taken out crudely and wrongly. The company had practically no funds to carry on, and the £360 in hand would return shareholders about 4½ a share. A resolution was carried that application be made for exemption of labour covenants and that an endeavour be made to obtain an ex-

tension of the option over Miller's leases preparatory to a reconstruction of the company.

ALLUVIAL GOLD LTD.

Transfer books of Alluvial Gold Ltd., Papua and New Zealand were closed from December 7 to December 14, in order that the shares in Kanieri Gold Dredging Ltd., a company to be incorporated in New Zealand, might be offered for subscription to shareholders.

NEW MISIMA GOLD MINES LTD.

The last report of New Misima Gold Mines Ltd. before a new company took over the property stated:—For the month ending October 17, 1932 tons of ore were put through the mill yielding 1072 tons of sand and 430 of slime for gold bullion of approximate value in Australian currency of £4485. Mine work was carried on as usual; main levels were extended 52 feet; crosscuts 21 feet; rises 68 feet; repairs to main levels 93 feet. Monthly dividend No. 48 of 2/- per share was declared payable.

GOLD MINES OF PAPUA LTD.

Steady progress is being made at Misima and Woodlark Islands, Eastern Papua, by Gold Mines of Papua Limited. The general manager, Mr. Leo Gibbons, reporting to his directors at the end of November said that the drives on Misima Island exceeded 9,000 feet, of which 3,000 feet were of payable ore of an average value of 49/6 Australian currency. The average width of the ore was seven feet. The drainage tunnel had intersected the main lode which showed strong permanent characteristics. He estimated that 400,000 tons of ore

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were available above the drainage tunnel and he recommended the installation of a unit capable of treating 3,000 tons per month. The company had obtained a reservation of 240 acres on the Gulewa River on Misima Island with a view to installing a plant for hydro-electric power. A motor road from the port to the leases was almost completed and it was hoped to arrange a regular call by the direct steamer.

With regard to Woodlark Island the manager reported that the cyanide plant had commenced operations early in August, that the scout boring of Riley's dredging area was in progress; and that development on the Kulumadau property had already proved about 20,000 tons of ore worth 77/- per ton. This particular area might justify an addition of crushing units to the present cyanide plant.

Gold Mines of Papua Ltd. now employs 11 Europeans, and 160 native labourers at Misima Island and 6 Europeans and 70 labourers on Woodlark Island.

LOUISIADE GOLD, N.L.

Louisiade Gold No Liability, a gold prospecting company registered in New South Wales, was registered early in November in Port Moresby as a foreign company. The public officer of the company in Papua is Mr. J. B. Roche, and the registered office is at Misima Island, Eastern Papua.

A general meeting of Louisiade Gold, N.L., was held in Sydney on December 16. It was reported that the Co.'s representative, Mr. Roche, was now at Sudest Island, Eastern Papua, making a close examination of the Co.'s leases. A labour force is being assembled, with a view to working some of the alluvial gold. The Co., in its future operations, will be guided by the reports of Mr. Roche.

CUTHBERT'S MISIMA GOLD MINE

Cuthbert's Misima Gold Mine battery resumed crushing on December 4, and is now running two shifts. The first clean up will take place on December 23. Mine developments proceeded as usual during the period treatment operations were suspended by heavy floods on Cooktown Creek. Preliminary construction work for the enlarged plant has begun.

GUINEA GOLD N.L.

The 19th ordinary general meeting of Guinea Gold, N.L., was held in Adelaide on November 29. The most interesting business comprised reports concerning the investigation which the company is making of gold-bearing areas it holds under lease in the Lakemba district, Papua. It was reported that the company's chairman, Mr. C. V. T. Wells, was at that moment on the field. Reports indicate that the engineer in charge was not yet able to make a final recommendation concerning the value of the area. It was indicated

that probably a final report would be available about the end of January.

From New Guinea

UPPER SEPIK GOLD MINING SYNDICATE

At a special meeting of Upper Sepik Gold Mining Syndicate N.L. recently, reports on the leases in New Guinea, in which the syndicate is interested, was placed before shareholders. Mr. J. M. Spence, consulting engineer, of Messrs. Spence and Smith, of Wau, advised that the property of 350 acres was on the east side of the Bulolo River. The wash exposed in pits, costena and faces worked by the vendor, was of small nature and was much smaller than was general in the district. The depth of wash exposed in sections of the property was up to 30 feet deep, but taking the depth as exposed in pits and costena over the tested areas, the average depth would be 12 feet. Practically one-third of the lower area of the property had been tested by pitting and costenaing, and dish prospects taken by him in most cases gave excellent results. It would take several months to test thoroughly the whole of the area, and from his brief visit he could take only casual dish tests, and as this method of computing values was most unreliable, he could not place an approximate value on the ground. In his opinion there as a large area of wash, but without further work it was practically impossible to form any estimate. In his opinion the property would make an ideal sluicing proposition. Working with two units it would be possible to put through boxes a big daily yardage. The gold was of a coarse nature, and samples which he took from various points gave a value of 836 fine. He suggested the installation of a pumping plant on the Bulolo River, adjacent to the property. The property had every chance of a big future. The syndicate's engineer (Mr. H. Williams) submitted a lengthy report. He said the total result of tests showed that approximately 3,000,000 yards would give 10/ a yard; 1,000,000 yards, 8/ a yard, and 2,000,000 yards, 5/ a yard. He estimated there were 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 yards untested, which, according to dish results, should give values consistent with the ground tested. He suggested the flotation of a company of £70,000. This would cover purchase considerations for six leases, the erection of two plants, each capable of putting through 1500 yards a day. Whilst preparations were being made to install plants, boxes could be put in where high values were obtained. He had secured an option over three leases adjoining Nos. 1 and 2 leases. Taking the leases as a whole they would comprise 2900 acres. The purchase consideration would be £25,000 to £26,000.

MOROBÉ ALLUVIALS N.L.

Morobe Alluvials N.L., operating alluvial properties on the Little Wau Creek, New Guinea, reports that it has treated 1,670 cubic yards of ground for a return of 57oz. 14dw. of gold. A partial clean-up of 500 yards early in October returned 22oz. of gold, or about 7/ a yard. The return from the treatment now reported is about 5/6 a yard, with gold at £8 an ounce.

ENTERPRISE OF NEW GUINEA

Reporting for the period October 31 to November 16, Mr. H. Taylour, general manager in New Guinea of Enterprise of New Guinea N.L., advises that mining and prospecting operations have been carried out in the Watut Valley. Mining has been confined to box sluicing at Oriabanda, and hydraulic with a small pilot plant at Surprise Creek. During the period an oxidised formation associated with a quartz porphyry intrusion was cut. Dish prospects showed free gold over a width of 6 feet. Gold production and prospecting has been temporarily stopped to permit of all available labour being concentrated on a water-race construction and installation of a larger sluicing plant at Surprise Creek.

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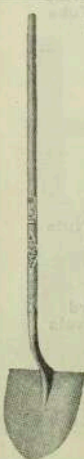
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BULOLO GOLD DREDGING LTD.

A profit of 3,368,997 dollars (Canadian) on dredging operating account is shown by Bulolo Gold Dredging, Ltd. (New Guinea) for the year ended May 31, compared with 2,235,698 dollars for 1933-34, and 1,335,000 dollars for 1932-33. The profit is equal to about £A842,250. Bullion was won to a value of 4,447,869 dollars, and working costs were 763,778 dollars. With 16,184 dollars sundry income, total profit is 3,385,181 dollars, and, adding 2,935,358 dollars brought forward, the credit balance is 6,320,539 dollars. Dividends Nos. 2 and 3 amount to 1,345,000 dollars. Other appropriations are 217,530 dollars to amortisation reserve, and 2,332,830 dollars for expansion and dredge construction, leaving 2,424,679 dollars carried forward. No. 4 dividend of 120 cents was paid after the accounts closed, and No. 5 dividend of 140 cents, for 1935-36 is payable this month.

With the fourth dredge operating as from August, 1934, production for the year shows a large increase.

	Year ended May 31.	1933.	1934.	1935.
Bullion, oz.	98,433.	134,827	185,665	
Gold, fine, oz.	65,355	89,737	127,901	
Silver, oz.	32,287	44,150	56,652	
Cubic yards	4,551,800	6,674,300	9,920,700	
Grs. fine gold per yard*	6.937	6.500	6.236	

*Includes silver values converted into gold.

Since dredging began in 1932 the total production of gold is 289,884 fine ounces. The recovery of 6.236gr fine gold per yard for the past year is equal to 27.28 pence per yd. with gold at £A8/15/ per ounce. Working costs, including overhead and royalty, but not amortisation, were 10.87 cents per yard. It is estimated that at May 31 the Bulolo-Bulowat area contained (apart from the deep gravels) 90 million cubic yards of an average recoverable value of 50 cents per yard (gold at 35 dollars per ounce) from which a working profit of 38 cents per yard, or about 34 million dollars, can be reasonably expected. The deeper gravels on the original Bulolo area are estimated to contain, to the contemplated dredging depth, a total of 80 million yards of an average recoverable value of 32 cents per yard, with a profit of 20 cents per yard, or a total of 16 million dollars, thus making an estimated total profit of 50 million dollars. Dredging on the Bulowat area has indicated that an important yardage will be dredged outside the previously contemplated dredging limits.

The further issue of 175,000 shares of 5 dollars each to Placer Development, increased the capital from 3,825,000 dollars to 4,700,000 dollars on the year. Reserves total 8,555,128 dollars. Sundry creditors are 50,692 dollars. Among the liquid assets are cash 914,638 dollars and bullion in transit 966,119 dollars. The amortisation fund of 517,530 dollars is at fixed deposit.

Production of the company's four dredges for November, compares with that of the previous two periods, as follows:—

	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Cubic yards	931,000	958,000	811,000
Bullion, oz.	16,259	16,079	14,087
Gold, fine oz.	11,292	11,186	9,723

VALUE	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Aust. currency* ..	£98,805	£97,877	£85,076
Per cubic yard ..	25.49	24.52	23.17
Working profit	£72,695	£71,830	£63,166

*At £A8/15/ per fine ounce.
No. 2 dredge was shut down on November 25 for approximately six weeks, during which the digging depth was increased 7ft. 6in. and special gold-saving equipment was added.

IROWAT GOLD ALLUVIALS N.L.

The chairman of directors of Irowat Gold Alluvials N.L., Mr. Colin MacKay, on his return

from New Guinea recently, said that he was pleased with his examination, and he was confident that the estimates given in the prospectuses of both companies would be achieved. He said that on a number of properties in New Guinea very primitive methods were employed, but even in these conditions profits were being earned.

Work has been commenced on the Company's three-mile race line by the contractor (Mr. J. Allen) and a team of 200 native labourers. The race line will be from Iroa Creek along the ridge separating it from Surprise Creek. It is expected to be completed by March of next year. The constructional engineer is Mr. R. M. Brain.

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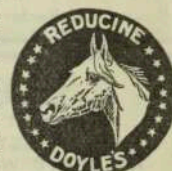
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WATUT OPTIONS N. L.

Shareholders in Watut Options N. L., New Guinea, at an extraordinary meeting in November, approved of the proposals to wind up the company. Issued shares in the company number 300 of £5 each fully paid, and it is expected that the distribution to shareholders will be £2/14/- a share. Shareholders will also receive shares in Developments (New Guinea) N.L. held by the company in proportion of one share in the Developments company for every two shares held in the Watut company. Shares left over are to be balloted for. Transfer books of the company closed November 23 for settling the list of shareholders entitled to participate in the distribution of assets.

GUM RIVER DEVELOPMENT N.L.

Mr. J. B. du Faur, field superintendent in New Guinea of Gum River Development N.L. reported in mid-December by radiogram that further bores put down on the Gum River leases have disclosed unpayable values, and he recommends abandonment of the leases. Mr. du Faur also recommends an inspection of another dredging area in New Guinea. The description of the area gives the probable yardage at over 40,000,000 yards, and values of over 113 gr. of gold a cubic yard were obtained. Mr. du Faur has been instructed to proceed forthwith and inspect the area on behalf of the company.

EDIE DEVELOPMENTS N.L.

Assets and liabilities of Edie Creek Gold Mining Co. N.L., New Guinea, are to be disposed of to a new company, to be registered as Edie Developments N.L. Nominal capital will be £60,000, in

120,000 shares of 10/- each, of which 100,000 contributing will be offered for subscription at 1/- a share and 2,000 will be allotted to Edie Creek Gold Mining Co. N.L., which will discharge the liabilities of the existing company. For each £10 share now held, shareholders will receive 20 shares of 10/- each, fully paid, and have the right to apply for 100 contributing shares. Favourable reports on the property have been made by Messrs. H. Taitour, general manager, and J. M. Spence, mining engineer. Mr. Spence reports that the company has a valuable property, which justifies active development and equipment suitable for a production of at least 2000 tons a month. At present 60,000 tons of ore are developed, and as the main lode is probably the strongest yet developed in New Guinea, prospects for future successful operations are bright. The other known veins justify active development, and when opened up will considerably increase the ore reserves. For the period May 18, 1934, to May 31, 1935, the loss of Edie Creek Gold Mining Co. N.L. was £4019. Liquid assets at the close of the period amounted to £1079 and liabilities to £1363.

BULOLO GOLD DEPOSITS LTD.

Tenders have been called by Bulolo Gold Deposits Limited for the construction of the unfinished portion of the water race to Bulolo River terraces (New Guinea), a distance of about one-quarter of a mile.

The last clean-up of the company's property resulted in a recovery of 100 ozs. of gold, reported the management on November 27.

SUNSHINE GOLD DEVELOPMENT LTD.

Directors of Sunshine Gold Development Ltd., New Guinea, report that the plant and material required to bring the Consolidated claims into production have been transported by air to the property. Work necessary to complete the installation of the plant is being vigorously carried out with a view to production commencing as soon as possible. The drilling programme on the Sunshine claims is proceeding satisfactorily. Two of the power-drilling plants are in operation on this area. As the yardage disclosed on the Waria River option is not sufficiently attractive to warrant equipment by the company, operations have been discontinued on the recommendation of the general manager. This was a free option, and, beyond inspection, entailed no cost to the company.

EQUATORIAL GOLD EXPLORATION N.L.

The Melbourne management of Equatorial Gold Exploitation (New Guinea and New Britain) Syndicate N.L. has received a wireless message from Mr. J. M. Spence, mining engineer, stating that he has completed tests of the Ramu property of the company. From the aerodrome upstream 43 pits had been put down and 95 per cent. were bottomed. Tests showed a yardage of 1,750,000 cubic yards, valued at 5/6d a yard, based on gold at £4/5/- an ounce. Owing to the low values Mr. Spence has recommended that the property be discarded.

PLACER DEVELOPMENT LTD.

Under the terms of the sale of the Bulowat-Burnside leases to Bulolo Gold Dredging Ltd., Placer Development Ltd. undertook to pay a commission of 10 per cent. on its net profit on the transaction. The Sydney office of the company states that this accounts for the item "commissions on property sales, 612,721 dollars" (Canadian) in the Placer Development balance sheet as at April 30. The sale of the Bulowat-Burnside area is shown at 6,094,598 dollars, and of the Placer Arnold lease at 171,225 dollars, a total of 6,265,823 dollars, against which are the cost of the properties at 130,626 dollars, and 21,946 dollars, respectively. The payment of the stipulated commission, as shown, represents the final adjustment of the transaction.

NEW GUINEA GOLDFIELDS LTD.

Monthly returns and estimated profits of New Guinea Goldfields Ltd., are compared in the subjoined table:

Alluvial—	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Fine gold, oz.	94	1,132	959
Fine silver, oz.	716	851	713
Mill—			
Fine gold, oz.	1,514	1,612	1,709
Fine silver, oz.	983	1,025	1,056

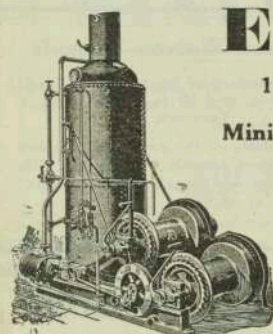
Estimated profit—
Alluvial £6,449 £4,499 £6,091
Mill £9,587 £8,540 £8,366
Total development at Edie Creek was 56ft. in country rock, of which Karuka main shaft was sunk 11ft. to 142ft. Diamond drilling: Karuka vein, borehole No. 3 was advanced 103ft. to 393ft.

SANDY CREEK GOLD SLUICING LTD.

Advice has been received by the management of Sandy Creek Gold Sluicing Ltd., New Guinea, that the plant is working under reduced pressure opening up ground. The message is taken to indicate that whilst the plant is now working three shifts, as a temporary expedient, the pressure of water has been reduced to some extent as to overcome the present unsatisfactory condition of the joints in the pipe line. Fittings to make adjustments to these joints should reach the mine about the end of December. The company has accepted an offer made by Bulolo Gold Dredging Co. Ltd. for the purchase of its interest in a small area of leased lands comprising up to 20 acres of river flats near the junction of Poverty Creek with the Bulolo River. Whilst the area is suitable for dredging operations of the Bulolo company in conjunction with adjoining areas, it would be of little value to the Sandy Creek company, as there is not a sufficient area to warrant the capital expenditure necessary for the installation of a dredge. The Bulolo company has agreed to transfer to the company without charge an area comprising a portion of Dennis Creek, between two of the company's leases. This area is unsuitable for dredging but may prove a valuable acquisition for hydraulic sluicing.

UPPER WATUT GOLD ALLUVIALS N.L.

Production on Upper Watut Gold Alluvial's property in New Guinea is expected to commence in June next year. The board is satisfied that the estimates given in the prospectus will be fully attained. The constructional programme is well advanced, and in line with a time schedule arranged at the inception of the work. The development account shows a total expenditure of £10,855, while working expenses amounted to £3809. At balancing date paid capital was £130,897, and cash in hand amounted to £8217.

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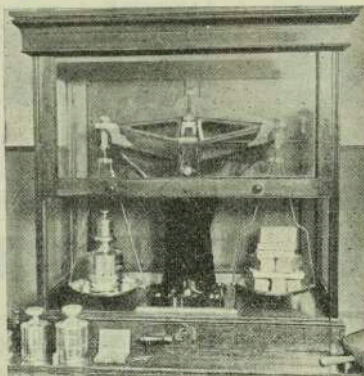
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Recent Share Fluctuations

	Mid-Oct.	Mid-Nov.	Mid-Dec.
Aloha Central ..	b£22	b£9/10/-	b£4
Bulolo Deposits ..	s1/-	b105/4	b8d
Bulolo G.D.	b£7/10/-	b£7/19/-	b£8/2/-
Day Dawn (Sth.)	b6d	b3d	b1d
East Reefs	b£6	b£5/10/-	s£4
Edie Ck.	b£3	s£3/5/-	—
Emperor Co.	b23/13/4	b20/-	b16/3
Enterprise of N.G.	b7/6	b67/6	b67/6
Fiji Corp.	b£4	s£9	b£8/10/-
G.M. of Papua ..	b13/3	b13/6	b12/9
Goldmines of Fiji	b£12	b£10	b£4/10/-
Guinea Gold	s20/5	s20/1	s19/7
Koroere	b22/2	s17/-	b11/6
Loloma	b34/9	b36/-	b32/-
Mineral Dev.	b4/3	b2/9	b1/11
Morobe Alluv.	s3/6	b1/-	—
Mt. Kaindi (pd.)	b1d	s6d	b2d
Mt. Kasi	b19/6	b16/4/4	b13/9
Mt. Lawson	b£26	b£26	b£26/15/-
New Monrohe	b£6	b£3/15/-	s£4
N.G.G. Ltd.	b6/-	b6/1	b5/10
Oil Search	b3/6	s4/-	b3/6
Oriomo Exp.	b4/10	b3/6	b4/3
Placer Dev.	b£5/3/-	b£5/1/6	£4/19/6
Raki Raki	s£1/10/-	s25/-	—
Samarai (pd.)	b1/-	s2/6	s2/-
Sandy Ck.	b2/7/4	s3/-	b2/4
Sunshine Gold	b12/9	b12/2	b12/3
Tavua Dev.	b5/7	b3/9	b2/6
Totola	s6/6	—	b1/-
Up. Sepik	s£9/10/-	b£9	s£4/10/-
Up. Watut	b7/6	b7/1	b6/8
Vees United	b8d	s1/-	b7d

EDIE CREEK CLUB — A CORRECTION

Letter to the Editor.

I AM directed by my committee to bring under your notice two errors that appeared in the October issue of your paper re our club.

Your Wau correspondent states that, when we held our annual ball, all the members donated £10 each and that they invited all the women and excluded their husbands. This is definitely not the case. When the club arranged to hold their ball it was decided that gentlemen's tickets were to be one guinea, and ladies' tickets would be free, and this arrangement was carried out. As to the £10—well, your correspondent is the only one who knows anything about it. In the Edie Creek notes it was stated that Mr. C. Budden was elected treasurer. Mr. Budden was the resigning officer, and Mr. Bill Cameron was elected treasurer.

I am, etc.,

J. SCURRAN, Hon. Sec.,
Edie Creek Club, T.N.G.

Thursday Is. News

From Our Own Correspondent

THURSDAY IS., Dec. 5.

MR. BAKER, who took charge of the radio station a few months ago, has returned South for medical treatment. Mr. Pusey is acting temporarily as officer-in-charge.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Dunwoodie have come back from Brisbane after their holidays.

An old identity of T.I. has passed away in the person of Mrs. A. E. Cohen, after a short illness in the Torres Strait Hospital. The deceased lady had been a widow for many years.

Mr. S. H. Chance, Resident Magistrate of Daru, Western Division of Papua, came over on the Papuan Government vessel Vailala to take back Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Woodward upon their return from a holiday trip to Japan.

The proprietors of the Thursday Island cinema have generously given a benefit performance for the Anglican Church Schools League. Our cinema is an open-air "theatre," and it is a most popular institution, showing twice weekly, with extra programmes when the pearling fleet is in harbour.

Reports emanating from Darwin continually

come to hand to the effect that Japanese-owned pearling luggers are habitually using Bathurst Island as a base for their operations. There they take on water and wood, and hand over their catches to a Japanese schooner which conveys them to their headquarters in the Aru Islands, Dutch East Indies. Commonwealth officials at Canberra point out that the question is whether the marine produce is actually gathered within the three miles international boundary: proof to this effect is essential before any action can be taken in the matter.

Rev. W. Mackenzie, of Mapeon Mission (Gulf of Carpentaria) has returned from furlough in Australia.

Mr. Harry Rowan, Superintendent of the Lockhart River Mission, Cape York Peninsula, has been up for medical treatment. The mission launch, Nianga, has been on the slips for an extensive overhaul and repairs.

Mr. A. T. Sullivan is on a long launch trip down the Great Barrier Reef inspecting his centres of the marine industry.

Rev. R. H. Lowe has resigned his position as chaplain of the Mitchell River Mission (Gulf of Carpentaria), owing to ill-health. After a stay on Thursday Island he is now visiting the Lockhart River Mission, prior to returning to New South Wales.

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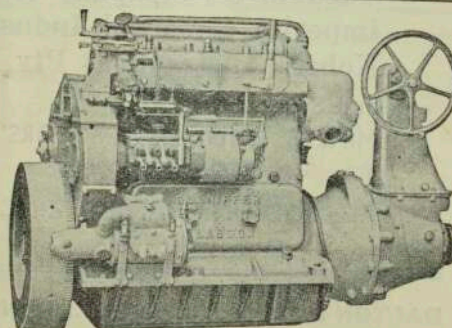
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NORFOLK ISLAND AFFAIRS

QUESTIONS about Norfolk Island have been asked in the Federal Parliament lately.

The Prime Minister told Mr. Rosevear that the Norfolk Island Advisory Council had unanimously recommended modification of the recent newspaper ordinance, and that the matter was receiving consideration.

The Prime Minister told Mr. Roland Green that while it was a fact that a visiting judge had stated that the Administrator had made a very serious error of judgment, the judge had also stated that there was nothing to suggest that the Administrator had any other motive but that of doing his duty. The error had arisen because the Administrator had received "something in the nature of a garbled version of an ordinance and acted as if it was law." There was no need for any further inquiry relating to Norfolk Island.

The New Guinea Bill, 1935, passed by the Federal Parliament, is merely a machinery measure to alter certain anomalies connected with the Legislative Council of New Guinea. The anomalies, which have to do with the appointment of deputies, etc., were not discovered until the system was put into operation.

FIJI GOLD

Reports of New Developments

FIJI gold shares continue to shed some of their lustre. The slump which set in in September has continued. The effect is seen in the share quotations, published on another page.

Three of the original enterprises promise well—Emperor, Loloma and Fiji Mining Corporation. The two latter have each struck very rich ore; and there is a continuation of high values in the Emperor mine. Aloha Central has also reported rich ore.

But, even if their high values continue, the mines must produce all the gold "in sight" in order to return to the public the high prices the public has paid for the shares. In other words, the real future of the field depends on whether the gold "lives down." A number of diamond drills are at work now on the field, and we soon shall know if there is value at depth.

An interesting development during the month was the acceptance of an important option in Fiji over an area seven miles from Suva (130 miles from Tavua) by Mt. Morgan Developments Ltd. This property is in the hills, in rough country, but there is speculation here regarding its exact location. One interest believes it is "Cahill's lease," 100 acres, where assays have shown 150 oz. of silver and 1 oz. of gold to the ton. Another says it is Savura Creek, "which has given very good average assay values."

Rich ore has been found on a lease about two miles north-east of the Emperor mine.

A powerhouse to supply the three leading mines—Emperor, Loloma and Kororo—is being erected.

Steps that have been taken by the Government to discourage speculation are reported elsewhere.

Religious Demonstration In Eastern Papua

THERE was a remarkable religious demonstration by natives at the Anglican Mission, at Mukawa, in Eastern Papua, during October.

The Anglican missionary (Rev. C. W. Whonsbon-Aston) sent out the usual invitation to the natives, who desired baptism or confirmation, to come into the Mission Station for more intensive instruction, and he expected possibly 100 persons. Instead of that, he was visited by hundreds of natives, until the Mission grounds became one huge camp. The missionary became not only a religious instructor but also a quartermaster and director of sanitation. The natives brought in scores of people suffering from yaws, ulcers, sipuma, colds, fevers, ear and eye trouble, and the clinical work increased enormously. Fortunately, they brought their own food and maintained themselves. They spent a month at the Mission Station, receiving religious instruction and medical attention. Over 250 were baptised and, when the Bishop came along he confirmed 299—the largest number of candidates ever presented at one time in the history of the diocese.

There seems to have been no special explanation of this development—it was just that an unusually large number of people decided to respond to the pleas of a hard-working missionary.

Mr. O. M. Rondahl, a well-known planter, of Rabaul, New Guinea, reached Sydney on a business trip by the Neptune on November 10.

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The publishers (Blackie and Son) announce that they will publish Hides' second book (an account of his latest and most famous patrol) in February.

"KNIGHTS ERRANT OF PAPUA," by Lewis Lett, has been published recently in London by Blackwood and Sons, and has been very flatteringly reviewed by the British newspapers. We understand that Mr. Lett sketches the history of Papua and, in lively fashion, describes the innumerable, hazardous patrols by which the great territory has been pacified. The "knights errant," of course, are the patrol officers of Papua, whose quiet, courageous, consistently efficient work has established, in a quarter century, a standard that is in line with the finest traditions of the British colonial service.

"PACIFIC FLIGHT," by Captain P. G. Taylor. This is the story—told in fascinating fashion—of the flight of Sir Charles Kingsford Smith and Captain Taylor in the Lockheed-Altair monoplane from Australia to America a year ago. Melancholy interest is given to the book by the fact that, at the moment of its publication, Kingsford Smith had just set out from London in the same machine, on his last flight—that in which he disappeared between Rangoon and Singapore. Captain Taylor's story is told rarely, and the book is an invaluable contribution to aviation literature and to the endless history of Pacific exploration. The account of the calls at Suva and Honolulu and numerous photographs relating thereto, give the book a special interest for Pacific Islands readers.

Our copy was received from the publishers, Messrs. Angus and Robertson Ltd. Price 8/6.

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The Council of the British Empire League also directed urgent attention to the

shipping position in the Pacific and begged for action of some kind.

The matter was brought under the attention of the Australian Prime Minister in Canberra. Mr. Lyons returned the stereotyped reply that the matter was receiving attention. It has been receiving attention for at least two years, and nothing has been done, apparently—unless we can classify as something Mr. Lyons's feeble and futile plan of calling a conference in London. . . . It is enough to make the gods weep. Still, in these democratic days, it is to be supposed that Australians, like everyone else, get the politicians they deserve.

Mr. J. G. C. Campbell, who has been Government Bacteriologist in Fiji, returned to England at the end of November.

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Kapok

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Trocas shell, No. 2 grade	£94
Trocas shell, No. 3 grade	£79

All quotes are F.O.B. and on the Australian £.

Green Snail Shell

Good quantity green snail shell was quoted in Sydney in mid-December at £40-£45 per ton.

Cotton

London c.i.f. prices for cotton during the past month were: November 22, 6.52lb., December shipment; November 29, 6.45d. lb., December shipment; December 6, 6.47 lb., December shipment; December 13, 6.33d. lb., January shipment.

Rice

Rangoon rice, packed in 100lb. or 200lb. bags, £12 per ton f.o.b., Sydney.
Australian table rice, packed in 50lb. bags, £16/10/- per ton.

Exchange Rates

The following exchange quotations, gathered in Sydney, show the rates existing in Sydney on December 18:—

FIJI—THROUGH BANK OF N.S.W. AND BANK OF NEW ZEALAND

Australia on Fiji on basis of £100 Fiji: Buying £A111/2/6, selling £A113/10/-.

Fiji-London on basis £100 London: Buying, £110 15 0 Selling, £112 0 0

Telegraphic transfer ... £110 15 0 Selling, £112 0 0

DIRECT TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFER. SELLING RATES

Quoted by
BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES
in Australia

Australia on Papeete	Francs to Australian
Average for week ended 25/11/35	58.59
Average for week ended 2/12/35	58.67
Average for week ended 9/12/35	58.54
Average for week ended 16/12/35	58.39

Australia on Noumea	Francs to Australian
Average for week ended 25/11/35	58.49
Average for week ended 2/12/35	58.57
Average for week ended 9/12/35	58.44
Average for week ended 16/12/35	58.29

WESTERN SAMOA—THROUGH BANK OF N.Z.

Exchange, Australia on Western Samoa, basis £100 Samoa—buying £A100, selling £A100/10/-.

Exchange, Samoa on London, basis £100 London:—	Buying.	Selling.
Telegraphic transfer	£125 0 0	124 17
On Demand	122 15 0	124 15
30 days	122 10 0	124 12
60 days	122 5 0	124 10
90 days	122 0 0	124 7

NEW CALEDONIA—THROUGH FRENCH BANK

Drafts, Sydney-Noumea and Noumea-Sydney, are on the basis of current rate of exchange on Par less 1 per cent. either way. As quoted by the Comptoir National, in Sydney, and the Bank Indo-Chine, Noumea: On December 18, when the Australian £ was nominally worth 58.40 francs £100 Australian would purchase a credit Noumea of 5,840 francs.

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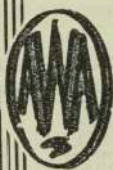
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Market Quotations

Range of Prices

The Pacific Islands Monthly makes a close check of the prices quoted for Islands produce; and it regularly publishes the range of prices during each month, including the last available quotation before going to press.

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London Price on—	South Sea, Sun-Dried, Per ton c.i.f.	Plantation, Hot-air Dried, Rabaul Per ton c.i.f.
January 16, 1931 ..	£14 7 6	£14 12 6
August 28 ..	£11 2 6	£11 5 0
December 18 ..	£14 5 0	£14 10 0
January 1, 1932 ..	£14 10 0	£14 15 0
March 25 ..	£14 17 6	£15 0 0
April 29 ..	£14 15 0	£14 17 6
June 3 ..	£12 17 6	£13 0 0
July 1 ..	£13 5 0	£13 7 6
August 12 ..	£13 17 6	£14 0 0
October 7 ..	£14 5 0	£14 7 6
December 16 ..	£14 2 6	£14 5 0
January 6, 1933 ..	£13 10 0	£13 12 6
February 3 ..	£12 5 0	£12 7 6
March 3 ..	£11 7 6	£11 10 0
April 28 ..	£10 10 0	£10 12 6
May 26 ..	£11 2 6	£11 5 0
June 30 ..	£10 17 6	£11 0 0
July 21 ..	£11 2 6	£11 5 0
August 4 ..	£10 10 0	£10 12 6
September 29 ..	£9 7 6	£9 10 0
October 20 ..	£8 15 0	£9 0 0
November 3 ..	£9 10 0	£9 15 0
December 1 ..	£8 12 6	£9 0 0
January 5, 1934 ..	£8 0 0	£8 7 6
February 16 ..	£7 17 6	£8 10 0
March 30 ..	£7 7 6	£8 0 0
April 27 ..	£7 7 6	£8 0 0
May 18 ..	£7 15 0	£8 12 6
June 15 ..	£8 0 0	£8 15 0
July 6 ..	£8 0 0	£8 15 0
August 1 ..	£8 0 0	£8 17 6
September 7 ..	£7 12 6	£8 15 0
October 5 ..	£8 0 0	£9 0 0
November 2 ..	£7 15 0	£8 15 0
December 28 ..	£9 0 0	£9 12 6
January 4, 1935 ..	£9 5 0	£10 5 0
January 25 ..	£11 10 0	£12 5 0
February 1 ..	£11 12 6	£12 2 6
February 15 ..	£12 0 0	£12 15 0
February 22 ..	£12 2 6	£12 17 6
March 1 ..	£12 2 6	£12 15 0
March 8 ..	£12 2 6	£12 12 6
March 29 ..	£11 0 0	£11 17 6
April 5 ..	£10 15 0	£11 15 0
April 12 ..	£10 10 0	£11 12 6
April 19 ..	£10 15 0	£11 17 6
April 26 ..	£11 5 0	£12 7 6
May 3 ..	£11 17 6	£12 12 6
May 10 ..	£12 2 6	£12 17 6
May 17 ..	£12 0 0	£12 12 6

May 24 ..	£12 0 0	£12 12 6
May 31 ..	£11 10 0	£12 2 6
June 7 ..	£11 15 0	£12 7 6
June 14 ..	£11 10 0	£12 2 6
June 21 ..	£10 15 0	£11 5 0
June 28 ..	£10 0 0	£10 10 0
July 5 ..	£9 15 0	£10 5 0
July 12 ..	£9 12 6	£10 5 0
July 19 ..	£9 17 6	£10 17 6
July 26 ..	£9 15 0	£10 15 0
August 2 ..	£9 15 0	£10 15 0
August 9 ..	£9 10 0	£10 10 0
August 16 ..	£9 15 0	£10 15 0
August 23 ..	£9 12 6	£10 12 6
August 30 ..	£9 17 6	£10 17 6
September 6 ..	£9 10 0	£10 10 0
September 13 ..	£9 17 6	£10 17 6
September 20 ..	£10 10 0	£11 7 6
September 27 ..	£10 12 6	£11 12 6
October 4 ..	£11 7 6	£12 7 6
October 11 ..	£12 7 6	£13 5 0
October 18 ..	£13 0 0	£14 0 0
October 25 ..	£12 2 6	£13 2 6
November 1 ..	£12 10 0	£14 0 0
November 8 ..	£13 0 0	£14 2 6
November 15 ..	£13 2 6	£14 5 0
November 22 ..	£13 2 6	£14 7 6
November 29 ..	£12 17 6	£14 0 0
December 6 ..	£13 5 0	£14 7 6
December 13 ..	£13 5 0	£14 7 6

Rubber

London Price on—	Para per lb.	Plantation Smoked per lb.
January 6, 1933 ..	4½d.	2.43d.
March 10 ..	4½d.	2½d.
May 5 ..	4½d.	2.81d.
July 7 ..	5½d.	3.71d.
August 4 ..	5½d.	4d.
September 1 ..	5d.	3.78d.
October 13 ..	4½d.	4d.
November 10 ..	4½d.	4.09d.
December 8 ..	4½d.	4.06d.
January 5, 1934 ..	4½d.	4.28d.
February 2 ..	4½d.	4.84d.
March 6 ..	5d.	5.15d.
May 4 ..	5½d.	7d.
June 1 ..	5½d.	6½d.
July 6 ..	5½d.	7.06d.
August 3 ..	5½d.	7.18d.
September 7 ..	5½d.	7½d.
October 5 ..	5½d.	6½d.
November 16 ..	5½d.	6½d.
December 28 ..	5d.	6½d.
January 4, 1935 ..	5d.	6½d.
January 18 ..	4½d.	6.4½d.
February 1 ..	4½d.	6½d.
February 22 ..	4½d.	6½d.
March 1 ..	4½d.	6.17d.
March 29 ..	4½d.	5.6½d.
April 26 ..	4½d.	5.4½d.
May 3 ..	4½d.	5 9/16d.
May 31 ..	4½d.	5 5/7d.
June 7 ..	5d.	6d.
June 28 ..	5d.	6d.
July 5 ..	5d.	5½d.
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August 2 ..	4½d.	5½d.

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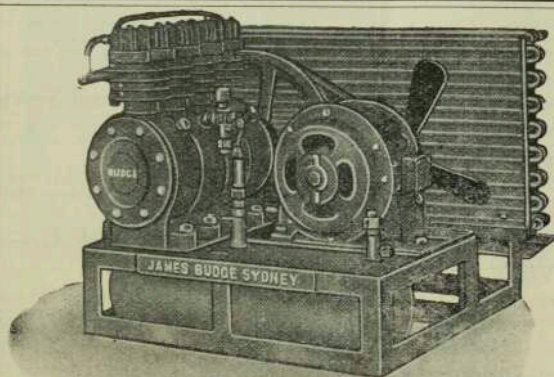
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Rabaul	Feb 7	Apr 17	
Sandakan	Feb 16	Apr 26	
Manila	Feb 19	Apr 29	
Hongkong	Feb 23-26	May 2-6	
Saigon	Mar 1	May 10	
Manila	Mar 3	May 14	
Sandakan	Mar 8	May 17	
Salamaua	Mar 16	May 25	
Rabaul	Mar 19	May 28	
Sydney	Mar 26-27	June 4-5	
Melbourne	Mar 30-Apr 1	June 8-10	

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Central Pacific Services

The Union S.S. Co.'s motor vessel Hauraki (7113 tons) is scheduled to leave Sydney with general cargo for Fiji and Western Samoa on December

28. She will call at Suva (Jan. 4), Lautoka (Jan. 6), Suva (Jan. 11), and Apia (Jan. 13). Under charter by the Union Co. from the Watchlin Line, the m.v. Port Whangarei maintains a monthly service between Auckland, New Zealand, and Nukualofa, Tonga. She will leave N.Z. on her next trip to Tonga about January 3. The Waipahi (1783 tons) has resumed her fortnightly service between New Zealand and Fiji. She is due to sail from Auckland for Suva on December 28.

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Sydney—N.Z.—Fiji—Samoa—Hawaii

	Mariposa.	Monterey.	Mariposa.
Honolulu	Dec 16	Jan 13	Feb 10
Pago Pago	Dec 21	Jan 18	Feb 15
Sydney	Dec 24	Jan 21	Feb 18
Auckland	Dec 27	Jan 24	Feb 21
Sydney, arr.	Dec 30	Jan 27	Feb 24
Melbourne	Jan 3-4	J. 31-F.1	Feb 28-29
Sydney, dep.	Jan 8	Feb 5	Mar 4

Auckland	Jan 11	Feb 8	Mar 7
Sydney	Jan 14	Feb 11	Mar 10
Pago Pago	Jan 15	Feb 12	Mar 11
Honolulu	Jan 20	Feb 17	Mar 16

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Sydney—Rabaul—Hongkong

	Nankin.	Nelore.
Hongkong	Dec 31	Feb 1
Manila	Jan 3	Feb 4
Rabaul	Jan 11	Feb 12
Brisbane	Jan 17	Feb 18
Sydney	Jan 19	Feb 20
Melbourne	J.24-F.1	F.21-M.4
Hobart	Feb 3	Mar 6
Newcastle	Feb 6	Mar 9
Sydney, dep.	Feb 12	Mar 14
Brisbane	Feb 14	Mar 16
Townsville	Feb 17	Mar 19
Rabaul	Feb 22	Mar 24
Manila	Mar 1	Apr 1
Hongkong	Mar 4	Apr 4

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Sydney—Papua—New Guinea Service

(Pro Forma Timetable Arranged on Dec. 17.)

M.V. Macdhui	
Sydney	Dec 18
Brisbane	Dec 20
Townsville	Dec 23
Cairns	Dec 24
Pt. Moresby	Dec 25
Samarai	Dec 27-28
Woodlark Is.	Dec 29
Rabaul	Dec 30-31
Lindenhafen	Jan 1
Salamaua	Jan 2-3
Lae	Jan 4
Madang	Jan 4
Borom	Jan 5
Wewak	Jan 5
Lombrum	Jan 6-7
Lorengau	Jan 8
Madang	Jan 8
Alexhafen	Jan 9
Salamaua	Jan 9
Finschhafen	Jan 11
Kavirong	Jan 12
Pondok	Jan 13
Rabaul	Jan 15
Salamaua	Jan 16
Samarai	Jan 17
Pt. Moresby	Jan 21
Brisbane	Jan 23
Sydney	Jan 23

NOTE: If the Macdhui adheres generally to above timetable, and conditions permit, the Monterey will leave Sydney, on the next round trip, on January 8.

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Papuan Inter-Island Service

S.S. Papuan Chief (Steamships Trading Co., Ltd.) makes regular round trips from Port Moresby to Samarai via Kapa Kapa, Abau, and Baibara, return by same route; then Port Moresby to Daru via Hisiu, Yule Is., Kukipi, Oroko, Kikori and back via Oroko, Yule Island, and Hisiu—full trip occupying about one month.

M.V. Nusa (Steamships Trading Co., Ltd.) holds the Papuan Government's contract for carrying mails and passengers on the north-east coast of Papua. The Nusa connects with all Southern mail steamers at Samarai.

New Guinea Inter-Island Service

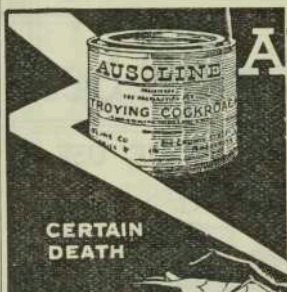
S.S. Maiwara (Burns, Philp & Co.) makes regular round trips from Rabaul to New Ireland and Bougainville ports.

M.V. Duranbah, m.v. John Bolton, m.v. Desikoko (W. R. Carpenter and Co. Ltd.) make sailings from Rabaul every two or three weeks to various ports in the Territory.

Sydney—N.Z.—Cook Is.—Tahiti

	Makura.	Maunganui.	Makura.
Papeete	Dec 28	Jan 25	Feb 22
Rarotonga	Dec 31	Jan 28	Feb 25
Wellington	Jan 6-7	Feb 3-4	Mar 2-3
Sydney	Jan 11	Feb 8	Mar 7
Sydney, dep.	Jan 16	Feb 13	Mar 12
Wellington	Jan 20-21	Feb 17-18	Mar 16-17
Rarotonga	Jan 25	Feb 22	Mar 21
Papeete	Jan 27	Feb 24	Mar 23

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Ocean Island—Nauru Service

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Solomon Islands—N.G. Service

Subject to Alteration Without Notice

	M.V. Malaita.
Sydney	Jan 4
Brisbane	Jan 6
Townsville	Jan 9
Tulagi	Jan 13-14
Makambo	Jan 15
Gavutu	Jan 16
Su'u	Jan 16
Mamara	Jan 16
Domma	Jan 16
Aruligo	Jan 16
Lavoto	Jan 16
Yandima	Jan 16
Banika	Jan 16
Uia	Jan 16
Lingatu	Jan 16
Faiani	Jan 16
Younger	Jan 16
Pepesala	Jan 16
Kaylan	Jan 17
Merenge	Jan 17
West Bay	Jan 17
Somata	Jan 17
Rendova, opt.	Jan 18
Gizo	Jan 19
Faisi	Jan 20
Kieta	Jan 21
Arigua	Jan 21
Teopasino	Jan 22
Numa	Jan 23-24
Rabaul	Jan 25-26
Soraken	Jan 26
Kieta	Jan 27
Faisi	Jan 27
Gizo	Jan 28
Tetipari	Jan 29-30
Russell Group	Jan 31
Gavutu	Feb 4
Tulagi	Feb 4
Brisbane	Feb 6
Sydney	Feb 6

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Europe—Sydney—New Guinea

Subject to Alteration Without Notice

	Rabaul, Salamaia
Copenhagen	Jan 27
Port Pirie	Jan 6
Sydney	Jan 13
Gladstone	Jan 17
Rabaul	Feb 7
London	Apr 12
	Jun 23

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Hongkong—New Guinea—Solomon Islands Service

Bremerhaven.

Hongkong	Dec 25	Tulagi	Jan 13
Kavieng	Jan 8	Kieta	Jan 17
Madang	—	Madang	—
Salamaia	—	Rabaul	Jan 29
Rabaul	Jan 9	Hongkong	Feb 14
Manus	—		

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N.Z. Government steamer Maui Pomare (1159 tons) is on a regular service between New Zealand ports and Western Samoa, carrying mails, passengers, and cargo.

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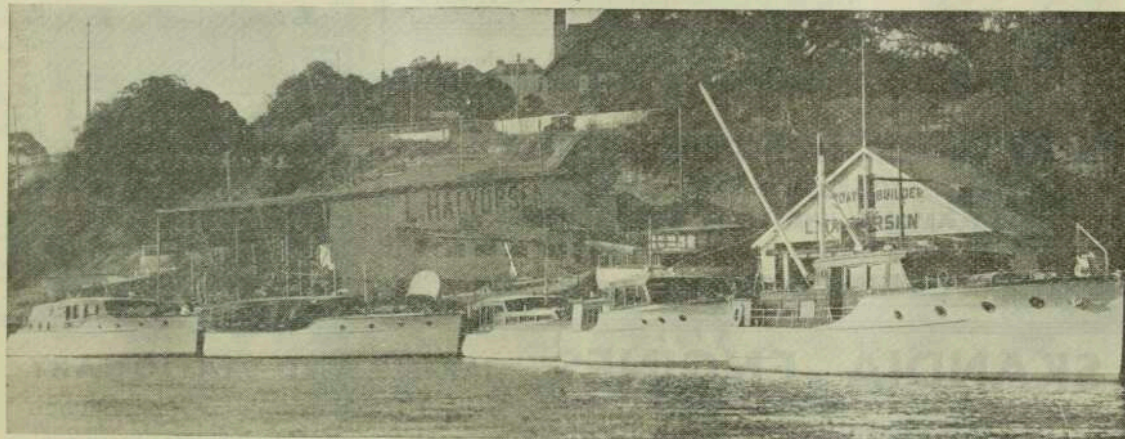
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S.S. Loyauté (Société des Isles Loyautés) maintains a four-weeks' service between Noumea and Loyalty Is. Trip occupies 6 days and the vessel calls at Tadiné (Mare Is.), Chepenche and We (Lifou Is.), Fajoue, St. Joseph and Banout (Ouvea Is.). Calls are made occasionally at Isle of Pines and Walpole Is.

Sydney—New Hebrides— Noumea—Indochine

Sydney	Dec 19	Jan 17
Noumea	Dec 23-25	Jan 21-22
Lifou	Dec 26	Jan 23
Vila	Dec 27	Jan 24
Luganville	Dec 28	Jan 25
Le Dart	Dec 29	Jan 26
Suranda	Dec 30	—
Hog Harbour	Dec 30	—
Hongkong	—	—
Haiphong	—	—
Saigon	—	—
Pt. Sandwich	Dec 31	—
Vila	Jan 1	Jan 27
Lifou	Jan 2	Jan 28
Noumea	Jan 3-4	Jan 29-30
Sydney	Jan 8	Feb 3

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Fiji Inter-Island Services

S.S. Malake, 736 tons (Burns Philp (South Sea) Co., Ltd.), under contract with Fiji Government. Regularly four weekly itinerary comprises: Two trips Buca Bay, returning by same route to Suva—Tanna every two months, connecting at Vila with

trip occupying 8 days. Two trips each Suva to Lautoka, returning to Suva direct or via Ellington—trip occupying 3 or 4 days.

A.K. Tui Labasa (Burns Philp (South Sea) Co. Ltd.) makes regular trips from Suva to Labasa, via Levuka and Macuata ports, then returns to Suva. Round trip occupies about 9 days.

M.S. Adi Rewa (Morris, Hedstrom Ltd.) makes trips from Suva to Levuka and Labasa via Macuata ports—trip occupies 8 days. Leaves Suva and proceeds to Levuka, Nabouwalu, Lekutu, Dreketi, Naduri, and Labasa. Returns to Suva by same route. On alternative trips she returns from Labasa via Naduri, Nakolosa, Dreketi, Naiserewaga, Lekutu, Galoa, Nabouwalu, and Levuka. Latter trip occupies about 10 days.

M.S. Tui Kauvaru (Morris, Hedstrom Ltd.) operates from Suva to Levuka, calling at Lautoka and Ellington. Voyage takes 4 days.

M.V. Tui Cakau (Morris, Hedstrom Ltd.) operates from Suva and makes regular inter-island trips throughout the Colony.

New Hebrides Inter-Island

S.S. Mirani (Burns Philp South Sea) Co. Ltd., which has replaced the S.S. Makambo, connects every six weeks at Vila with S.S. Morinda from Sydney, then proceeds on southern trip, calling at the islands of Efate, Erromanga, Tanna, Anietyum, and returns to Vila—trip occupying 7 or 8 days. After 2 or 3 days at Vila, departs on northern trip, calling at the islands of Efate, Mai, Tongoa, Epi, Paama, Ambryn, Malekula, Aoba, Malo, Santo and returns to Vila, trip occupying 25 to 28 days. Vessel extends to Banks Group every second trip equivalent to about every six weeks.

S.S. Bucephale (Messageries Maritimes inter-island service steamer) makes regular trips to Tanna every two months, connecting at Vila with

the Laperouse. She visits Banks Group every ten weeks.

Saigon—Java—Noumea Line

S.S. Van Rees.			
Saigon	Dec 10	Mar 3	
Batavia	Dec 14-16	Mar 7	
Samarang	Dec 17	Mar 10	
Pt. Moresby	Dec 26	Mar 19	
Samarai	Dec 28	Mar 21	
Rahaul	Dec 30-31	Mar 23-24	
Vila	Jan 6	Mar 30	
Noumea	Jan 8-10	Apr 1-3	
Sydney	Jan 15-17	Apr 8-11	
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Bushman's Bay	—	—	Jan 20	
Malo	—	—	—	
Tangoa	—	—	Jan 20	
Segond	—	—	—	
Aoba (opt.) ..	—	—	Jan 21	
Vila	—	—	Jan 22	
Norfolk Island	Dec 24	Jan 4	Jan 25	
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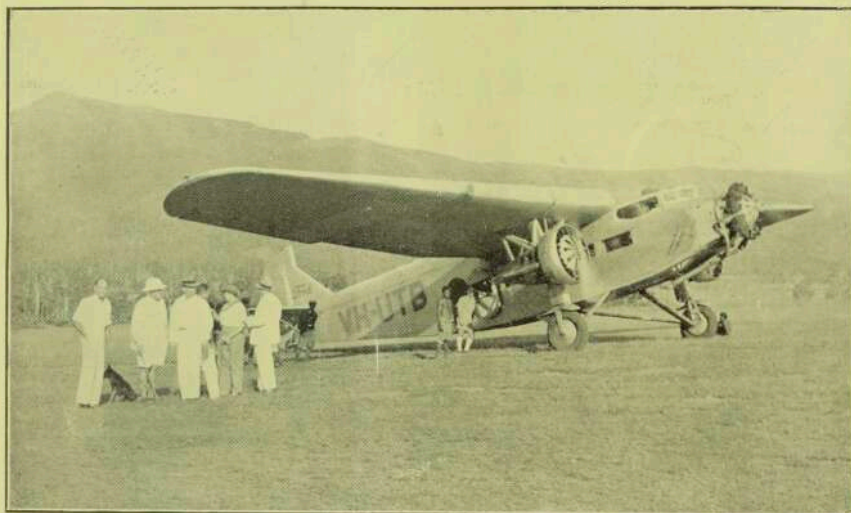
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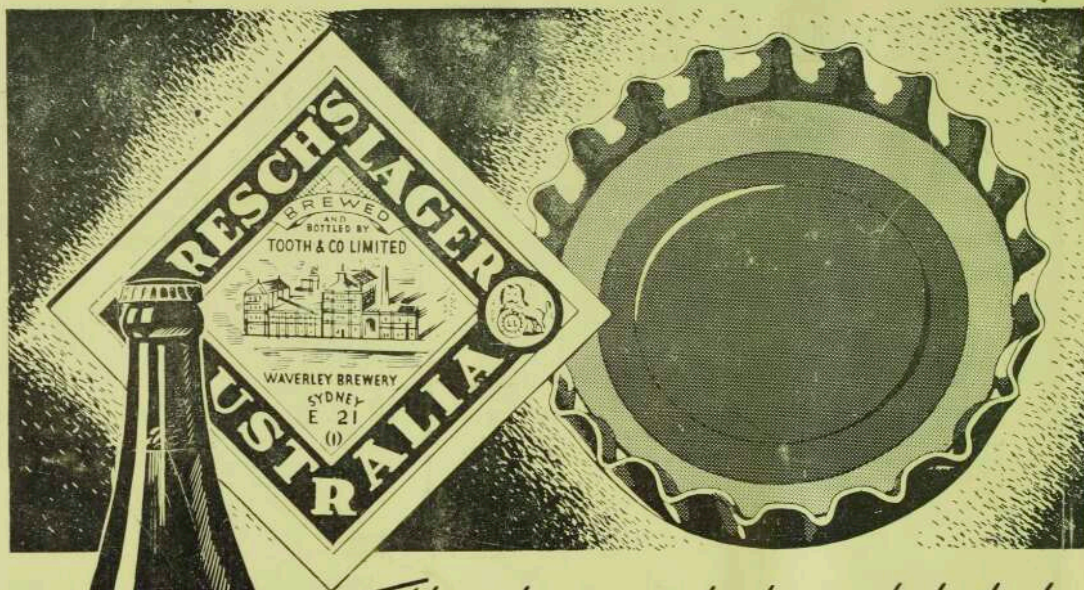
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