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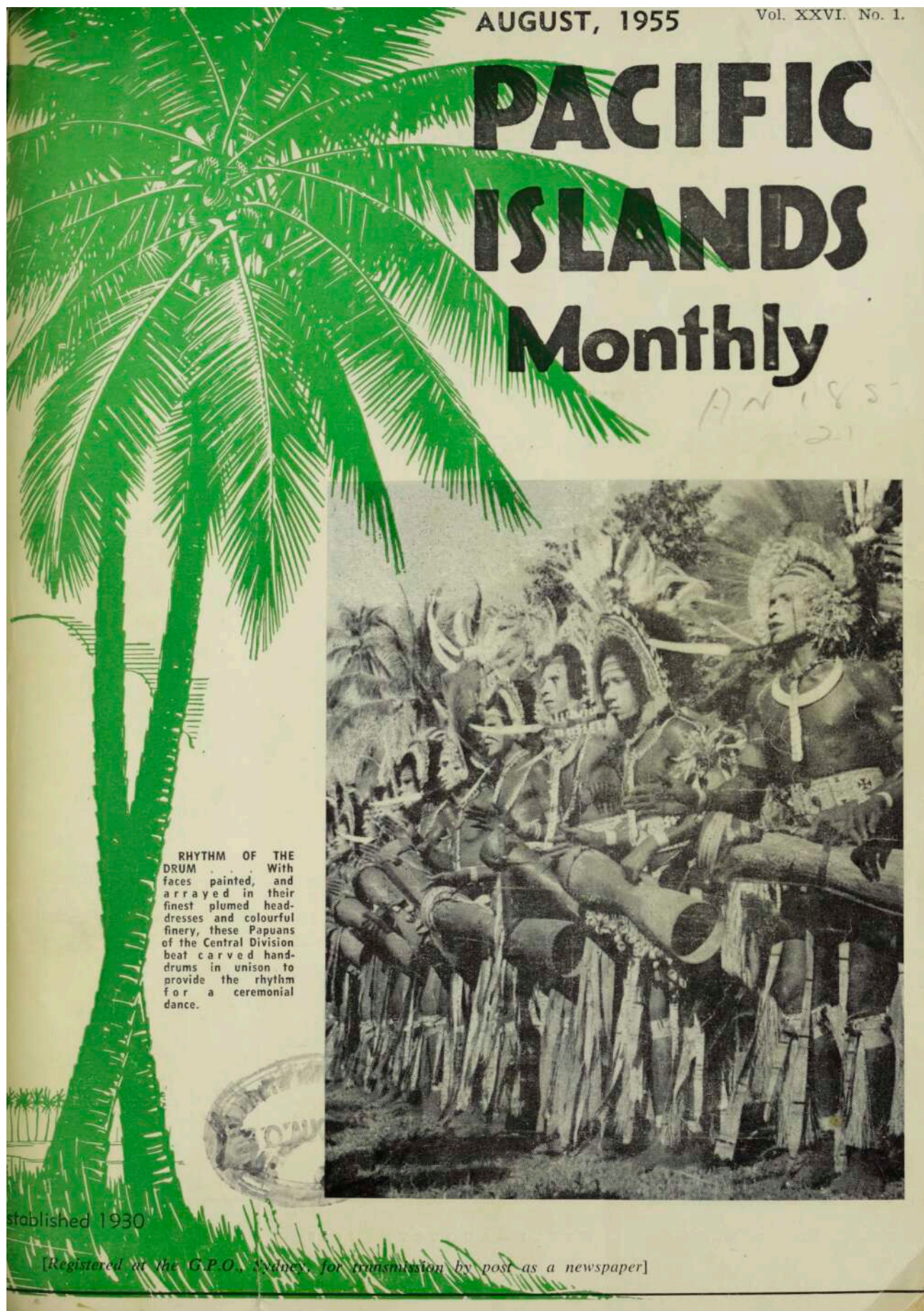
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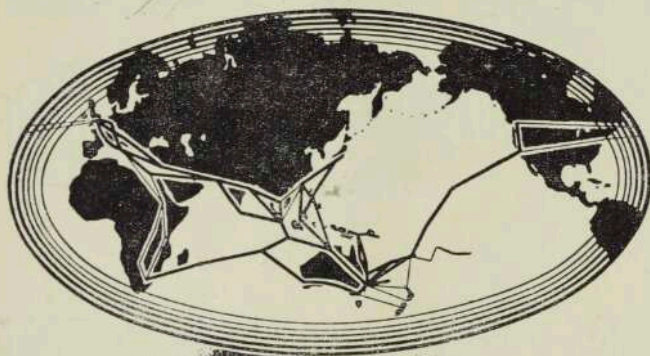
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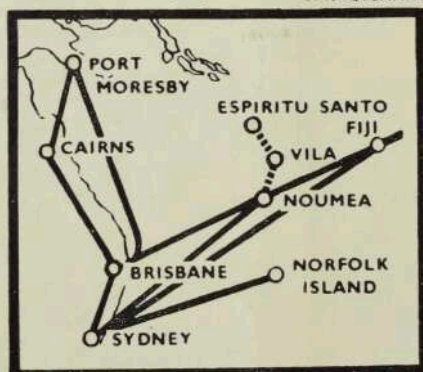
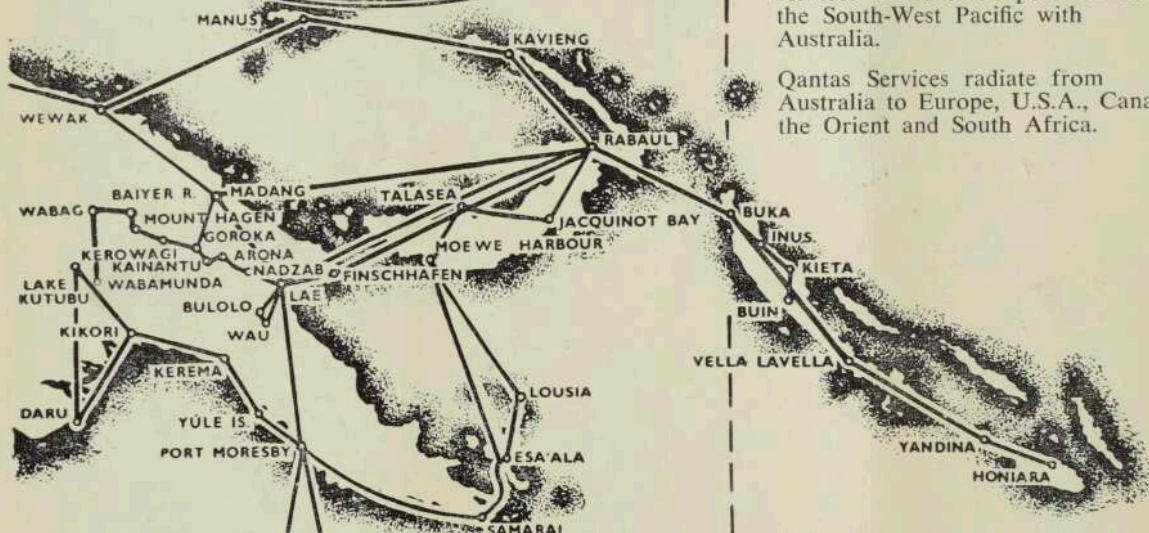


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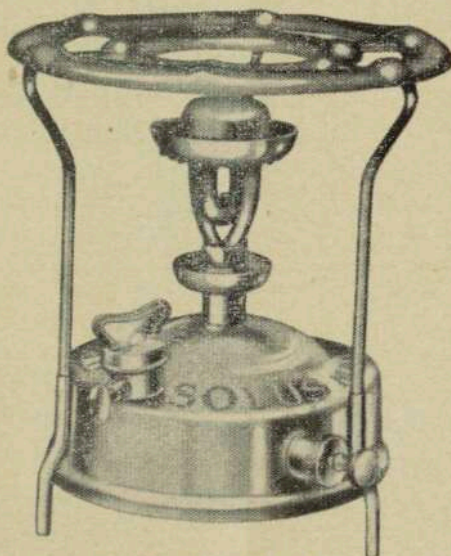
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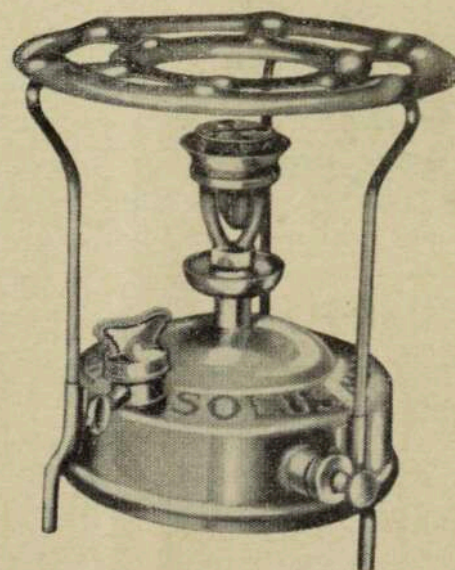
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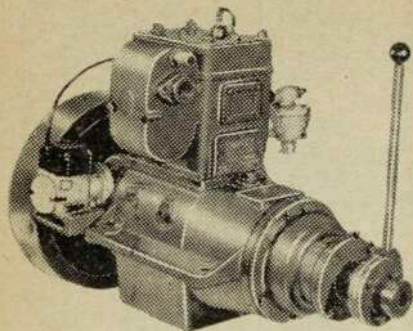
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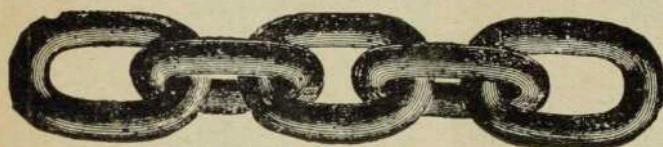
ROBERT GILLESPIE PTY LTD

PEARCE & CO. LTD.
SUVA
FOR FIJI ISLANDS

SIMPLEX MARINE ENGINES

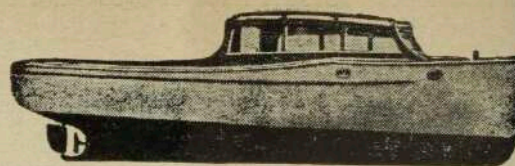


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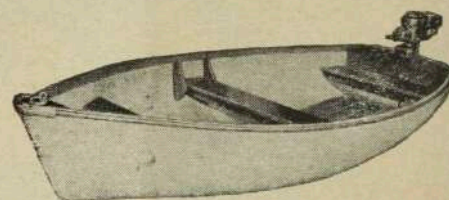
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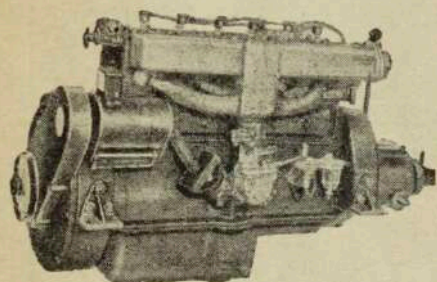
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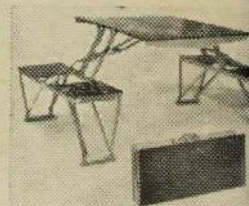
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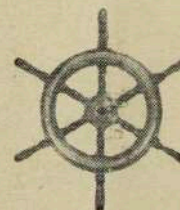
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Sydney-Papua-N. Guinea

MV Bulolo, modern liner, sails about every six weeks: Sydney-Brisbane-Moresby-Samarai - Lae - Madang - Manus - Rabaul - Samarai-Moresby-Brisbane-Sydney.

Next sailing September 12.

MV Malekula sails from Sydney for Samarai, Rabaul, Kavieng, Manus, Wewak, Alexishafen, Madang, Lae, Samarai and return to Sydney. Next sailing October 1.

MV Malaita sails from Sydney for Rabaul, Kavieng, Lombrum, Lorengau, Wewak, Alexishafen, Madang, Lae, Sydney. Next sailing August 30.

Details from Burns Philp & Co. Ltd., 7 Bridge Street, Sydney.

MV Fukien: Sydney - Brisbane - Port Moresby - Rabaul - Lae - Brisbane - Melbourne. Sailing August 20.

MV Soochow: Sydney - Brisbane - Port Moresby - Samarai - Sydney. Sailing September 3.

MV Shansi: Sydney - Brisbane - Port Moresby - Samarai - Sydney. Sailing September 3.

Details from New Guinea Australia Line G. S. Yuill & Co., Ltd., agents, 6 Bridge St., Sydney.

Southbound only:

MV Delos: Not yet fixed.

MV Aros: Lae, Sept. 5; Rabaul, Sept. 8; Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne.

MV Citos: Madang, Sept. 30; Lae, Oct.

2; Rabaul, Oct. 5; Honiara, Oct. 8; Vanikoro, Oct. 13; Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne.

Details from Wilh. Wilhelmsen Agency Pty., Ltd., 83 Pitt St., Sydney.

N. Zealand-Fiji-Samoa-Tonga

MV Tofua maintains a service from Auckland to Suva, Nukualofa, Vavau, Niue, Pago Pago, Apia, Suva and return to Auckland.

MV Matua maintains a service from Auckland to Suva, Lautoka, Apia, Suva, Wellington, and return to Auckland. Each Autumn there is a temporary rearrangement of schedules while the respective vessels are on annual survey. Next sailings:

MV Tofua: October 11.

MV Matua: September 13; does Tofua circuit.

Details from all offices of Union Steam Ship Co. of NZ.

N. Zealand-Cook Is.

The regular passenger vessel "Maui Pomare" is out of commission indefinitely. The 700-ton freighter "Viti" is meanwhile operating a cargo service from Auckland and occasional limited passenger facilities are available on trans-Pacific freighters. SS Waitemata will call Rarotonga about Sept. 18, thence Auckland. SS Waihemu, same, about mid-October. MV Matua will take a special passenger-and-cargo run from Auckland Nov. 4, Rarotonga Nov. 9, Mangaia No. 10, Rarotonga Nov. 11, Auckland Nov. 17.

Full details on application to NZ Government Department of Island Territories in Wellington, or to any office of the Union SS Co. of NZ, Ltd.

Sydney-New Hebrides-BSI-Rabaul, Etc.

MV Tulagi, 10 passengers, leaves Sydney for Norfolk, Vila, Luganville, Honiara.

Australia - New Zealand - Canada - USA

Sailings of Orient Line Passenger Ships, 1954-55.

		ORONSAY	ORCADES	ORCADES	ORONSAY	ORSOVA	ORION
		1955	1955	1955	1955	1956	1956
SYDNEY	depart	15 July		7 Oct.	18 Nov.	27 Jan.	2 Apr.
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	18 July	From	10 Oct.	21 Nov.	30 Jan.	6 Apr.
SUVA	arr/dep	21 July	Panama	13 Oct.	24 Nov.	2 Feb.	0 Apr.
HONOLULU	arr/dep	26 July		18 Oct.	29 Nov.	7 Feb.	16 Apr.
VANCOUVER	arrive	1 Aug.		24 Oct.	8 Dec.	13 Feb.	23 Apr.
	depart	2 Aug.		25 Oct.	6 Dec.	14 Feb.	24 Apr.
SAN FRANCISCO	arr	4 Aug.	13 Sept.	27 Oct.	8 Dec.	16 Feb.	27 Apr.
	depart	5 Aug.		28 Oct.	9 Dec.	17 Feb.	28 Apr.
HONOLULU	arr/dep	9 Aug.	18 Sept.	1 Nov.	13 Dec.	21 Feb.	3 May
SUVA	arr/dep	16 Aug.	25 Sept.	8 Nov.	20 Dec.	28 Feb.	11 May
AUCKLAND	arr/dep	19 Aug.	28 Sept.	11 Nov.	23 Dec.	2 Mar.	14 May
SYDNEY	arrive	22 Aug.	10 Oct.	14 Nov.	26 Dec.	5 Mar.	18 May

New Guinea Australia Line

Regular Service from MELBOURNE, SYDNEY AND BRISBANE TO PORT MORESBY, SAMARAI, LAE, MADANG, KAVIENG, AND RABAU

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Next sailings September 1, October 20.
Details from Burns Philp & Co., 7 Bridge Street, Sydney.

Sydney-N. Caledonia-Tahiti

Vessels of Messageries Maritimes Line, coming from Marseilles, via West Indies and Panama, call about every six weeks at Papeete, Vila (New Hebrides), Noumea and Sydney, and return by same route.
From Sydney: Tahiti, October 12;

Caledonien, August 23.

From Papeete for Sydney: Caledonien, December 13; Tahiti, September 17.

MV Polynesie (Messageries Maritimes) maintains about monthly passenger sailings between Sydney and Noumea and the New Hebrides. Next sailings August 26, September 16.

SS Neo Hebridais-II, 1,266 tons, maintains a regular cargo service between Sydney and Noumea, and four charter trips per annum to Wallis Is. via Suva. Owners: Soc. Miniere et Maritime Hagen.

Noumea. Sydney agents: H. C. Sle Ltd., 115 York Street.

Sydney-S. Africa-UK-Pacific Ports-Sydney

Shaw Savill's new one-class all-passenger liner Southern Cross makes four round-the-world voyages per year, sailing alternately west-bound and east-bound with regular calls at Suva and Papeete.

Next voyage east-bound, calling at Noumea, 1. Papeete November 5.

N. America-Fiji-Hebrides, e

Pacific Islands Transport Line vessels Thorsisle and Thorshall maintain a regular service from Papeete to Coast North American ports, with sailings every 35-40 days to French Oceania, Samoa, Tonga, Fiji, New Caledonia, Hebrides, and New Guinea. Some passengers depend on cargoes offering. Next sailings: Thorsisle: Departs Lae Aug. 25, Seattle Sept. 20. Thorshall: Departs Papeete Sept. 20, Pago Pago Sept. 20, Apia Sept. 28, Suva Oct. 4, Lautoka 7, Noumea Oct. 12 for Seattle, due Oct. 15. Details from General Steamships Corporation Ltd., 432 California St., San Francisco, U.S.A., and Island Agents (ad.).

U.S.-PAPEETE-PAGO PAGO-N.Z.-AUSTRALIA

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LAE—Burns Philp (New Guinea) Ltd.
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the 10,000 ton, 98-passenger vessel Lakemba along the above route. Accommodation is entirely First Class, two-berth cabins. Next sailings from Sydney late December, 1955, and late April, 1956. Details from American Trading & Shipping Co. Pty., Ltd., Sydney.

Airways Time-Tables

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICES

1. Australia (or NZ)-Fiji-Hawaii-N. America

BY PAN-AMERICAN AIRWAYS
With Strato Clippers, using Sleeperettes and Berths*

Tues., Thur., Sat.—Sydney - Nadi - Canton Is. - Honolulu - San Francisco - Seattle - Portland.

Wed., Sat., Mon.—Return same route.
* DC4 from Auckland connects, arriving Nadi Tues., Thur., Sat., departing Nadi Wed., Fri., Mon.

BY QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS
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NORTHWARDS

Tues., Thur.* and Sat.* Sydney-Nadi (Fiji)-Canton Is. - Honolulu - San Francisco—with every Saturday service extending to Vancouver.

SOUTHWARDS

Wed., Fri.,* Sun.* — San Francisco - Honolulu - Nadi (Fiji) - Sydney. (Note: Crosses date-line enroute).

Two services — Tuesday northbound and Wednesday southbound—are "Connoisseur" services: First class only.

TEAL DC6 services between Auckland and Nadi connect at Nadi Tues. and Sat. northwards; Wed. and Sun. southwards.

BY CANADIAN PACIFIC AIRLINES
(With Super DC-6B Aircraft)*

Every Wednesday—Sydney-Auckland-Nadi

(Fiji)-Honolulu-Vancouver-Amsterdam. Every Sunday leave Vancouver by same route. (Note: Crosses date-line enroute).

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SECTIONAL SERVICES IN PACIFIC

2. Sydney-New Guinea

Service by Qantas Empire Airways (Skymasters)*

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Mondays, Tuesdays, and Saturdays.

Depart:
Lae, 11.20 am
Moresby, 1.45 am

Depart:
Sydney, 8.00 pm
Brisbane, 11.45 pm

Moresby, 7.55 am

Thursdays

Depart:
Sydney, 8 pm
Brisbane, 11.45 pm

Townsville, 4.15 am
Cairns, 6.25 am
Port Moresby, 10.45 am

Arrive:
Moresby, 12.35 pm
Brisbane, 8.20 pm

Arrive:
Brisbane, 10.45 pm
Moresby, 6.35 am
(Tues., Wed., Sun.)
Lae, 9.10 am

Arrive:
Brisbane, 10.45 pm
Townsville, 3.30 am
(Friday)

Cairns, 5.25 am
Port Moresby, 9.15 am
Lae, 12.00 am

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AUSTRALIA-WEST PACIFIC LINE

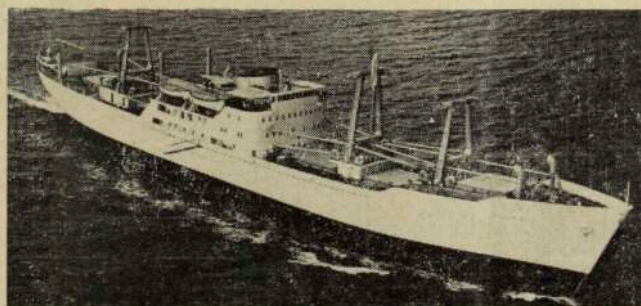
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AUSTRALIAN AGENTS: Brisbane & Adelaide: Gibbs, Bright & Co.

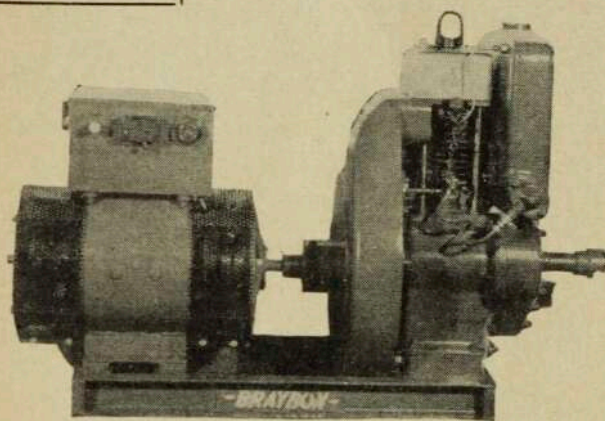
ISLAND AGENTS: Madang, Mr. A. Strachan; Lae, Mr. R. Tebb; Rabaul, Town Transport Ltd.; Honiara, Government Trade Scheme.

FAR EASTERN AGENTS: Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Manila, Hong Kong & Japan.



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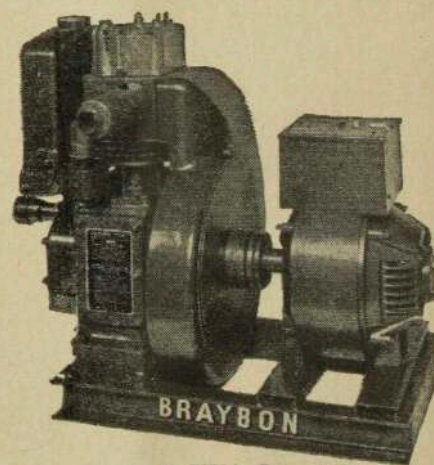
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Moresby, 9.45 am Cairns, 12.35 pm
Cairns, 3.05 pm Townsville, 4.15 pm
Townsville, 5.00 pm Brisbane, 8.45 pm
Brisbane, 9.45 pm Sydney, 12.30 am

3. N. Guinea Internal Services

Operated by Qantas
LAE—HOLLANDIA (Dutch New Guinea) (DC3)
Alternate Wednesdays (Sept. 7, etc.).

Departs Lae 10.30 am, calls at Madang and Wewak, and arrives at Hollandia 3.0 pm. Every alternate Thursday (Sept. 8, etc.), depart Hollandia at 9.30 am, and, with calls at Wewak and Madang, arrives Lae at 3.40 pm.

LAE-MANUS (DC3)

Every Wednesday.
Dep. Lae, 10.45 am: Finschhafen, Rabaul, Kavieng, arr. Manus 5.45 pm.
Returns Saturdays (dep. 8 am), via Kavieng, Rabaul and Finschhafen; arr. Lae, 2.55 pm.

MORESBY-DARU (Catalina)

Via Yule Is., Kerema, Kikori, L. Kutubu.—Every alternate Friday returning same day (Sept. 2, etc.).

PORT Moresby-RABAU (Catalina)

Alt. Tue. (Sept. 6, etc.) Port Moresby - Samarai-Esa'ala-Losua-Moewe Harb - Talasea-Jacquinet Bay-Rabaul. Returning via same ports (except Losua and Esa'ala optional) alt. Thu. (Sept. 8, etc.).

NEW BRITAIN-BOUGAINVILLE (Catalina)

Alt. Wed.—Rabaul - Buka - Kleta - Buin (Sept. 7, etc.). Returning same day.

LAE-MADANG-WEWAK-MANUS-KAVIENG-RABAU SERVICE (DC3)

Mon., Thur. Dep. Lae 6.30 am, Madang arr. 7.35 am Wewak, Manus Is., Kavieng, Rabaul arr. 3.40 pm.
Tue. only Dep. Rabaul 8.00 am direct Madang, arr. 10.50 am, Wewak, Madang, Lae arr. 4.35 pm.

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS (DC3)

Fridays—Lae (8.30 am) to Wabamunda, calling at any of: Goroka, Nondugl, Banz, Minj, Mt. Hagen, Baiyer R., Wabag, Wabamunda. Return to Lae arriving 6 pm.

LOWER HIGHLANDS (Beaver)

Fridays—Lae (7.30 am) to Goroka, calling at any of: Nadzab, Kaiapit, Gusap, Goroka, Arona. Arrival back at Lae depends on stops made.

LAE-BULOLO-WAU (DC3)

Dep. Lae.—Mon. 7.30 am, Tues. 2 pm, Wed. 11.30 am, Fri. 2.00 pm.
Dep. Wau.—Mon. 9 am, Tues. 3.30 pm, Wed. 1 pm, Fri. 3.30 pm. Bulolo is omitted on these flights which take 35 minutes, Wau-Lae.

MADANG-GOROKA (DC3)

Fridays.—Depart Madang 8.25 am, arrive Goroka 9.00 am, returning same day; depart Goroka 9.30 am, arrive Madang 10.5 am.

NEW GUINEA-NEW BRITAIN (DC3)

Fridays—Depart Lae 12.55 pm, Finschhafen 1.45 pm, arrive Rabaul 3.55 pm.
Saturdays—Depart Rabaul 10 am, Madang 1.25 pm, arrive Lae 2.30 pm.
Sundays—Depart Lae 12 noon, Finschhafen 1 pm, Rabaul 3.10 pm.
Tuesdays—Depart Rabaul 5.45 am, Finschhafen 8.10 am, arrive Lae 8.45 am.

SERVICES BY MANDATED AIRLINES

Scheduled Flights with DC3 Aircraft
Mon.: Depart Lae at 7.30 am for Goroka, Madang, Wewak, Madang, Rabaul — remaining overnight.

Tues.: Depart Rabaul at 6.30 am for Madang, Wewak, Madang, Goroka, Lae. Depart Lae 7.30 am for Goroka, Wau, Port Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.

Thurs.: Depart Lae at 7.30 am for Goroka, Wau, Port Moresby, Wau, Goroka, Lae.

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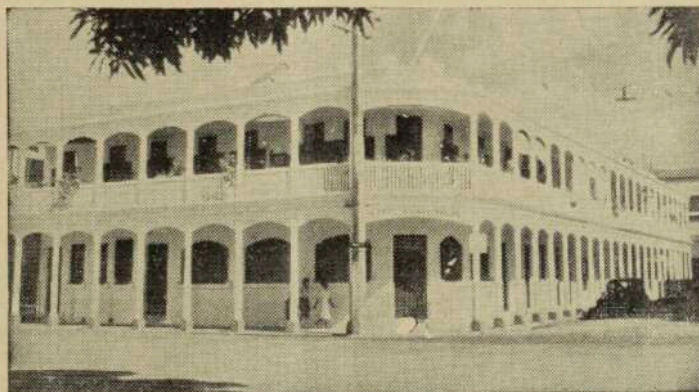
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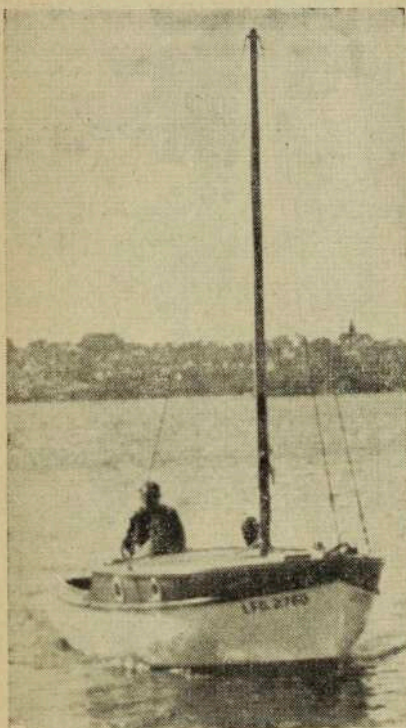
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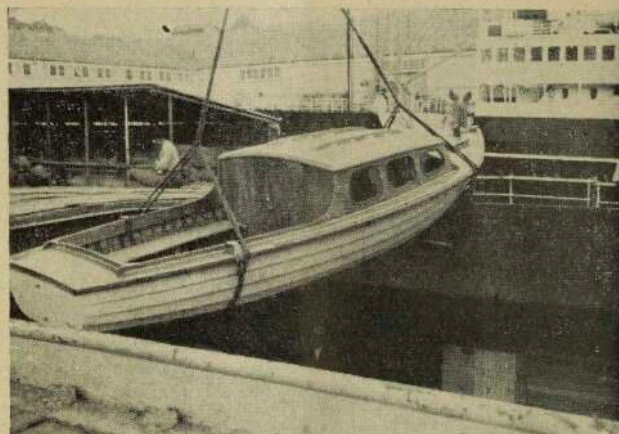
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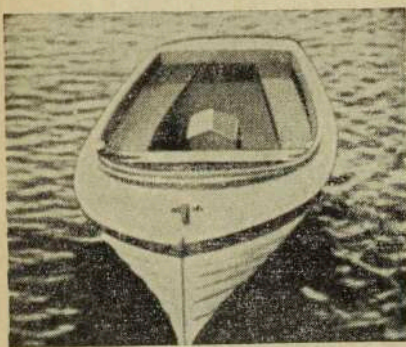
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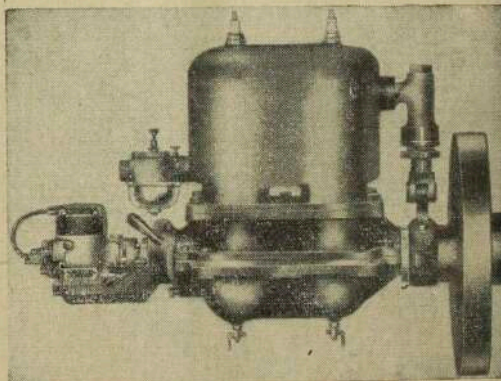
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Editorial . . .

ENGLAND COULD NOT CARE LESS ABOUT SOUTH PACIFIC'S PROBLEMS

DESPATCH FROM R. W. ROBSON

LONDON, July 22.
YESTERDAY, within a few miles of this place, the four Top Leaders (Eden, Eisenhower, Bulganin and Faure) and attendant Ministers were struggling hard to find formulae wherewith to end the Cold War and the armaments race. Yesterday and to-day, England and South Africa are having a tussle here in the cricket-field, in their Fourth Test.

Yesterday and to-day the "popular" London newspapers, from edition to edition, are screaming with excitement about the incidents of the cricket match. Only a few of the sober ones (which definitely are not read by the masses) are giving prominence to reports of the momentous conference at Geneva.

That is the measure of England's interest in international development at Geneva, where the immediate future of the Western Powers, and the ultimate future of mankind, are being decided.

That also is a fair indication of what the people of the South Pacific can expect from Britain in the way of interest in our future. Our future, in relation to Southeast Asia, is irrevocably bound up with Cold War events in Western Europe; and events in Western Europe will give shape to early developments in Southeast Asia. But 99.9 per cent. of people here do not know where SE Asia is.

THE leaders of the Western Powers moved political mountains in order to get their three Governmental heads into personal consultation with Bulganin, the Soviet head. It was argued—and there was a kind of desperation in the argument—that if these four strong men once stood face to face, and were invited to gaze jointly upon this last decade's terrifying drift towards World War III and extermination under the atom bomb, they would find some means of settling their differences other than by "the arbitrament of war."

So a 6-months' period of Muscovite cooing culminated at Geneva, a week ago, in well-staged demonstrations of hearty goodfellowship, with the Big Four toasting each other in the choicest wines, and old soldiers Eisenhower and Zhukov engaging in a bout of hearty back-slapping.

But to-day, as this is written, the Big Four Conference is deadlocked—on inability to find a formula for

(a) disarmament, and (b) the unification of Germany. It looks as if the Big Four will go home this week-end, amid a spate of soothing words—"we have discussed principles, and the implementation of them must now be worked out by our respective Foreign Ministers"—but in the knowledge that little really has been accomplished.

As one can see it here to-day, it appears as if the Cold War (ceaseless subversive activities, increasing armaments, constant and intense watchfulness) will go on. Russia may alter her master-plan for world domination, but will never abandon it of her own free will.

THE crux of it all is Germany, of course. To prevent Moscow's countless armies from over-running Western Europe, Britain and USA must have a dependable partner in Western Europe. France, deteriorating politically and cruelly embarrassed by events in her African and Asian colonies, is more of a liability than an asset to her nominal allies. When this became evident, last year, London and Washington moved quickly to the rehabilitation of Germany; and Germany's response has been remarkable.

By hard work and high spirit, the Germans already have made Western Germany strong; and there is no doubt that, given half a chance, the now Communist-held Eastern Germany would line up with Western Germany. And a united Germany, given arms, is capable alone of smashing the now formidable Red empire of the Muscovites. There is an age-old, deathless hate between Teuton and Slav; and, in a clash between the two, there is never any doubt of the result.

Moscow was infuriated to see its highly successful campaign for the "communisation" of China and SE Asia, and for the crippling penetration of France and Italy by countless Red agents, checkmated by the rapid rise of Germany in 1954-5 as an industrial and political force.

Since mid-1954, every resource of Moscow cunning and diplomacy has been turned upon the task of keeping Germany out of the Western camp; and her apparently amiable agreement to meet the Big Three at Geneva is merely part of that effort.

Many high-sounding phrases were used this week at Geneva, but all boiled down to this: Russia would not accept the Western Powers'

Geneva "Agreement" Amounts to Nothing

LONDON, July 24.

To-day, the world's newspapers are blazoning a closing announcement by "a spokesman for the Western Powers" that the Geneva "conference at the summit" had reached agreement on all points. Some even are shouting that "the Cold War is over."

I have read everything available to-day on this so-called agreement, and I do not feel obliged to alter one word of the accompanying article, which I completed yesterday.

All that has been achieved by Geneva's Summit Conference is an agreement that the Foreign Ministers of the four Powers shall meet again in October, and will again try to find, for all four Powers, acceptable formulae to cover a settlement on European security, German reunification, internal disarmament, and the development of closer contacts between West and East.

But Bulganin's closing speech showed that Russia's position on all these basic issues has not changed by one iota, despite all this talk of "the spirit of Geneva." Russia will agree to nothing regarding security and disarmament unless she has positive guarantees that a reunited Germany will not be admitted to the Western bloc; and, in any case, Russia desires that the process of German reunification shall be delayed as long as possible.

If Britain and USA were to desert Germany now, in order to appease Russia, a new and even more dangerous situation would develop in Central Europe. Except that it brought the world's four leaders together in an atmosphere of great conviviality, the Geneva Summit Conference achieved nothing.—R. W. ROBSON.

plea (that the armaments race should end, and international security be maintained by pacts policed by UNO, and German unification permitted through free general elections in both divisions) unless the West gave an undertaking that Germany would not be admitted to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. USA and Britain obviously were not going thus to abandon the strongest of the various factors which have come to their aid since Russia raised her Iron Curtain and launched her campaign of world-conquest nearly ten years ago. (Continued Overleaf)

THOSE who imagined that, at long last, Russia had had a change of heart, now know better. If Russia is soft-peddalling her Cold War, it is not because she is ashamed of what she has done to a peace-loving world since it formed its clumsy UNO in 1945-6, or is abandoning any of her plans to carry the hammer-and-sickle symbol into every nation. It is merely that she has been guilty of racial misjudgment.

China, which was to be Moscow's mainstay and inspiration in the East during the painful process of establishing World Communism, is developing ideas of her own. Already, throughout the East, the term "Sinoism" (the outwards thrust of a new and aggressive China) is being heard. It is taking the place of the Japanese Co-Prosperity Sphere, which was so prominent in the 30's and early 40's.

There is persistent rumour that all is not well between Moscow and Peking. It is not to be expected that there will be any more similarity of view between Chou En-lai and Bulganin, than there is between Anthony Eden and Nehru. The viewpoints of such men are mostly definite, distinct and irreconcilable.

The Geneva Conference of the Big Four, therefore does not seem to offer any real hope of an easing of the Cold War. As Prime Minister Eden has just pointed out, Russia started this Cold War in 1945-6, when the Western nations had disarmed almost to the point of nakedness; her sabre-rattling forced us all to rearm again to avoid Communist enslavement; and we are not going to again disarm unless we have certain pledges and assurances.

Russia will not give those pledges.

THAT is the position in Europe. This is how it reacts upon us in the South Pacific (Australia, New Zealand and the South Sea Islands), as I see it here to-day:

- The Western Powers are so deeply preoccupied with the problem of their own survival—in the event of the Cold War becoming hot—that they have no thought and few armed forces to spare for us.

- Our very natural fear that a spill-over from Asia, southwards, will mean our eventual extermination is regarded with wide-eyed wonder by most people here. (I met a group of Conservative MP's in a House of Commons room on Monday, July 18, and tried to describe for them the conditions I had personally seen in Indonesia, Malaya and Singapore in May and June—the uprising of Asian races who hate the Europeans, and who surely will push us out as soon as they have the strength and opportunity; the steady weakening of the British hold upon the Europeans' last remaining gateway in SE Asia; failure of the British to realise that, when they give away their Empire in India, Burma, Ceylon, Sudan, etc., they also are giving away protected markets for British goods—and anyone can see that unless Britain maintains her overseas markets, she is headed for economic disaster. Discussion was lively, but comments and questions indicated that these people cannot see the Asian and Pacific woods for the Western European trees.)

- Britain knows little and cares less about our special problems—such as the future of Solomons and New Hebrides; Indonesian claims to

Quarter-Century Messages

TO the hundreds of PIM readers who have sent messages of congratulations on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary and the Quarter-Century Issue of "Pacific Islands Monthly," in July, we say simply: "Thank you, indeed."

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Western New Guinea; how best to resist the increasing pressure upon us to permit Asian immigration in our Territories. Without a Cold War, Britain perhaps might try to make us, so as to hold her very valuable South Pacific markets. With a Cold War on her hands, Britain finds anxieties about Asia mostly an embarrassment.

- It is important to realise that while we of the South Pacific are forming ever-closer ties with the United States, the official British dislike Americans, while the non-official British are completely different about the national importance of maintaining good relations with the great friendly Power

WHO's Second Nursing Education Seminar Held at Suva



The United Nations World Health Organisation's second nursing education seminar was held at Suva in July. Pacific Island territories, Australia, New Zealand and south-east Asia countries were represented. In this picture are, from left to right:

Back Row: R. Adam (Fiji), C. Lun (Cambodia), L. Loach (Fiji), N. Hill (Fiji), M. Farlan (Western Samoa), K. Lyman (Japan), J. Jones (Papua and New Guinea), E. Matheson (WHO staff), L. Yargan (Vietnam), N. Conway (Singapore), A. Reid (WHO staff), M. Chalmers (Singapore), W. Visscher (WHO staff), P. Chomley

(Australia), E. V. Pitts (New Zealand), E. Bowen (WHO staff), G. Williams (Fiji), N. M. McDonald (Australia), K. Sulial (Trust Territories of the Pacific), F. Drees (Director of the Seminar), R. Rendeules (WHO staff).

Middle Row: K. Li (WHO staff), M. Phon (Cambodia), J. Waterer (WHO staff), D. Cowsill (Singapore), R. Henderson (Fiji), M. Paton (Fiji), J. Macaulay (Fiji), J. van Ketten (Netherlands New Guinea), V. Mackenzie (Fiji), J. Craig (Australia), M. L. Jackson (New Zealand), E. B. Orbell (New Zealand), P. Goodwin (New Zealand), C. Fall (Australia), K. Clark (Maldives), Sister Dorothea (Fiji), O. Guerrero (Guam), Simmonds (Fiji), H. D. Bao (Vietnam).

Front Row: F. Mataele (Tonga), L. Ramsa (Fiji), G. Kim (Korea), A. Maeda (Japan), Tan (Sarawak), F. D. Elegardo (Philippines), T. Yu (Taiwan), E. Hill (WHO staff), C. (Hongkong), S. Nagano (Japan), A. A. Kibisi (Philippines), Woo Soo Chin (Malaya), T. (Vietnam), S. H. Hong (Korea), M. P. (Singapore), E. Fong (Brunei).

—Photo by Cass

North America. I personally have heard the highest British officials ascribe much of their troubles in the Far East to "the blundering anti-colonialism of these untrained American diplomats."

My outstanding impression, based on scores of private interviews with official and non-official British in high places, is sharp disappointment with British failure to recognise that, in the South Pacific, there is another and—in a racial sense—a cleaner and more virile Britain, eager to protect what it holds and to establish happier and healthier living standards for the common man.

The United Kingdom British fail generally to realise that their indifference towards the South Pacific British and their aspirations is driving the latter towards North America.

If present conditions continue for another two or three decades, the then effective generation of people in Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific Islands will have formed with Canadians and Americans much stronger ties than with Western Europe. Already, whether consciously or not, we look to North America for protection against Asia—and my inquiries and discussions here indicate that the present generation of dispirited Englishmen could not care less about it, anyway.

BP's Plan Big New Buildings In Central Suva

From Our Own Correspondent

TWO substantial new buildings are to be erected in central Suva by Burns Philp (South Sea) Co. Ltd.

On the now vacant site of McDonald's Hotel in Victoria Parade (a 1952 hurricane casualty) BP's will build a two-storeyed, U-shaped block of shops and offices extending from the Bank of New Zealand almost to the Victoria Cafe building.

A patio, or central court, will be an unusual feature for Suva. A vivid tropical garden is planned for the middle of the court, and round it will be 14 shops protected by a verandah.

The patio will be 50 ft across. On the Victoria Parade frontage there will be three large shops and two arcades giving access to the central court.

Offices will be on the second floor. The second new building, which will house BP's motor and tractor sales departments, will be built on the firm's land in Princes Street, opposite the big headquarters building and on a corner facing the Metropole Hotel.



NC's Yate River Dam

With the co-operation of the Army, the New Caledonia Public Works Department has already started on the preliminaries of the big Yate River dam. The picture shows men at work at the dam site. The Yate project is part of a major expansion of the hydro-electricity supplies to the nickel-smelting industry and to Noumea.

—Photo by NC Information Service.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST BROADENING USE OF "PAPUAN"

HISTORICALLY the name "Papuan" was not restricted to the people of Papua alone, said the Rev. D. E. Ure, when urging, in the Papua-New Guinea Legislative Council, the adoption of the name for all the indigenous people of the Territory.

Mr. Ure said he did not suggest that the term "native" was degrading, but there was nothing in it to inspire loyalty or respect for the country.

The indigenous people of Fiji were called Fijians, and the people of Samoa were called Samoans. And for many years the people of Netherlands New Guinea had been known as Papuans, he pointed out.

In view of the multiplicity of languages and dialects in the Territory, and the tribal barriers which existed between the people, said Mr. Ure, some form of unity was essential. One of the best means of promoting this was to have a general name for the indigenous population.

Use of a common name could not be brought about by legislation, he added, but if Europeans gave the lead, in time the indigenous people would accept it and be as proud of it as Australians were of their national name.

(The gradual disappearance of the term "native" elsewhere in the Pacific was noted in a *Tropicality* in June PIM).

A NEW BRITAIN correspondent ("Tolai") wrote on July 26 that the proposal that all the in-

digenous peoples of Papua and New Guinea should be called Papuans was not meeting with whole-hearted native approval.

"The Tolais of the Rabaul region, the Chimbus, Mapriks, Sepiks and many others of the New Guinea mainland, the Bukas of Bougainville and Buka Island and so on, all have looks and characteristics different from the Papuans," the writer continues. "To one familiar with the various tribes it is easy to identify the individual tribesmen."

"In the opinion of some natives near Rabaul, 'New Guineans' might be a better collective name than 'Papuans.'"

"After all, these people have at times been labelled Fuzzy-wuzzies and South Sea Islanders. There must be some good collective name. But not 'Papuans.'"

(Further reference to this controversy is made in this month's "Territories Talk-Talk.")

War Compensation For French in NH

FRANCE is to compensate French nationals in the New Hebrides for property damage done by Allied troops in the Pacific War, reports a Noumea correspondent.

Amounts to be paid will be based on an Army report made in 1950, and the proposal is subject to the consent of the claimants.

Two Tongans Hanged

TWO young Tongans, found guilty of the murder of a fellow-villager in January, were hanged at Nukualofa on August 3.

Rockefeller Grant For War on Rhinoceros Beetles

A ROCKEFELLER grant of 45,000 dollars to aid the fight against the rhinoceros beetle, scourge of South Pacific coconut plantations, was announced by the Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission (Dr. Ralph Clairon Bedell) on August 8.

A Commission statement at Noumea pointed out that the drastic measures already taken by Administrations against the pest have "failed signally to bring widespread relief."

The rhinoceros beetle is a major threat to the copra and allied industries in Western and Eastern

Samoa, Fiji, Tonga, the Wallis Islands and the United States Trust Territory islands.

After the Pacific War, some islands in the Palaus were stripped bare by the pest.

Two South Pacific entomologists are already at work on the problem—Dr. R. A. Cumber, in Western Samoa, and Mr. T. V. Venkatraman, in East Africa and South-East Asia.

Research will concentrate on the possibilities of control through the introduction to the Islands of parasites, predators and pathogenic micro-organisms.

New WPHC Head In September

MR. JOHN GUTCH, CMG, OBE, recently appointed High Commissioner for the Western Pacific in succession to Sir Robert Stanley, KBE, CMG, will arrive at his Honiara headquarters late in September.

Mr. Gutch will arrive at Sydney from London by plane, and will leave by plane for New Guinea and the Solomons on September 24.

NAURU'S FUTURE

MR. JOHN HOWSE, Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Australian Territories Minister, went to Nauru in late July to make a tour of inspection on the Minister's behalf.

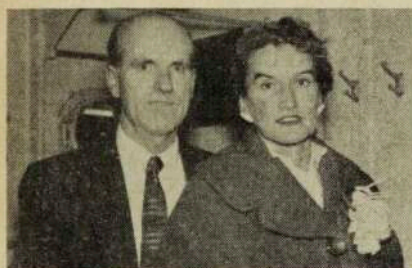
Mr. Howse said he would report on such matters as the health and welfare of the Nauruans, phosphate output and export, administration and the future of the island phosphate production.

NG OFFICER FOR TRIAL

CHARGED with the killing of five tribesmen in the June "Can Cult" incident in the Bainira area of New Britain, ADO William Daniel Allen was committed to trial by Mr. G. F. Hall, SM, Rabaul District Court on August 1.

The magistrate, sitting as coroner, found that the villagers Tovil, Kadoubrinas, Tangul and Darilak died from bullet wounds inflicted by native police, and that Nabilki was killed by a person unknown, all in lawful obedience of an order given by Allen. (Inquiry Evidence: Page 16)

New Guinea-Bound in "Soochow"



August passengers aboard "Soochow" from Sydney to New Guinea included (upper) Miss Kay Adams, who returned to her post at Treasury, Port Moresby, farewelled by Mr. J. McGowan. Middle: Mrs. M. Pick (centre), northbound to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Tingwell, of Lae. She was seen off by Miss C. Pick (left) and Mrs. W. H. Tingwell. Lower: Mr. and Mrs. D. Young-Whitford. Mr. Young-Whitford was resuming his post in New Guinea as Assistant District Officer, Popondetta, after completing a course at the School of Pacific Administration, Sydney.

Do You Remember ?

From PIM of 20 Years ago.

ARGUMENTS for and against missions in the Islands, and a fierce controversy over the treatment of the indigenous people in Papua-New Guinea, had come almost to the boil in PIM in August, 1935. Some of the arguments involved are still going on.

Here are extracts from that issue 20 years ago:

"Upon the invading Europeans lies the responsibility of protecting the indigenous peoples and of combating the evils which attend the impact of Western civilisation," PIM declared editorially. "The missionaries have come into the Pacific as a kind of buffer between a ruthless commercialism, on the one hand, and a helpless, stone-age people on the other. . . . There have been some fools of missionaries, just as there have been scoundrels of traders. But the quaint 'Bible-banger' who made the Polynesians wear trousers belongs to another age."

Two Europeans and two Solomon Islanders claimed to have seen a local Loch Ness Monster in the Solomons. It had a head something like that of an alligator and a round, snakelike body 20 to 25 feet long. It bounded about in the sea near a reef and breathed heavily. (The report, which was signed, was sent from Buena Vista, in the Solomons, on August 5).

Lawsuits and other disputes abounded in Norfolk Island, and pleas, protests and petitions against new laws and regulations were popping up in all directions. Com-

mented PIM: "If events of the last month are any criterion, life in Norfolk Island is not as quiet and placid as the rest of the world supposes".

Entering a red-hot controversy on inter-racial friction in New Guinea, "The Observer", of Samarai, Papua, wrote "Real superiority does not express itself in stupidity, intolerance and brutality and the 'strong hand' (as advocated by two earlier correspondents) is the counterpart of a weak personality. . . . Because they find a new tool (native labour) awkward in their hands and cannot make their wishes understood, they blame 'stupidity' of the native. They condemn loudly and without mercy the blunders of people to whom their own ways are equally distressing".

Fashion Note (somewhat disturbing): "Hats are pert, flippant and full of character. . . . A Dresden china bonnet ties under the chin with black velvet bow! Cakes, puddings, pancakes and cartwheels all take their place in fashion's mad whirl".

Sir Herbert Hart had left Western Samoa, and Mr. A. C. Turnbull, Secretary to the Administration, was acting as Administrator "until the arrival of Herbert's successor". (Mr. Turnbull, later Sir Alfred Turnbull—continued in difficult post of Acting Administrator many years before becoming Administrator. He retired in 1946. Endowed with tact, conscientiousness and a sympathetic understanding of the Samoan character, he played the key role in implementing the "new deal" policy of the NZ Government).

FUTURE OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC COPRA INDUSTRY

Need For Early Planning At Governmental Level

WRITTEN AFTER
INQUIRIES IN EUROPE
BY R. W. ROBSON.

LONDON, July 11.

WHILE present conditions continue (that is, an uneasy peace, but without any World War III or Depression), any estimate of the future of the South Pacific copra industry will take into consideration the following factors:

- The MOF (British Ministry of Food) Contract will expire at the end of 1957; and the various interests concerned already are lining up for a new era in marketing and transportation.

- There is no doubt that the MOF will fight for the full 10 per cent. reduction in price in 1956 and with prospects of success.

- The world free-market price of copra is not controlled by the laws of supply and demand, in relation to copra. About a dozen important sources of oil supply, both vegetable and animal, are competitors with coconut planters and these commodities rank almost equally with copra production in relation to the factors which fix market prices.

- Unilever Limited, the international combine which still influences, if not dominates, the manufacture and distribution throughout the Western world of substances made from vegetable and animal oils (soap, margarine, etc.) has lost little of the strength through which it controlled the world's copra markets in 1930-1940; and probably it will play an important part in the British copra market after 1957. Through personnel, there appears to be a close and apparently friendly (and not necessarily improper) association

between the British MOF organisation, which buys and sells South Pacific copra and Unilever.

- The South Pacific copra situation is likely to be increasingly affected by the establishment and operation by Carpenter interests of copra crushing mills in Fiji and New Guinea, and in Canada. There are indications that Unilever does not like these developing enterprises. These mills, and the proportion of South Pacific copra which they handle, and the attitude of Unilever towards them, may be a factor of considerable importance in the future.

- There are indications that the United States market may be open to the ebb and flow of vegetable and animal oils in the future to a greater degree than in the past, with perhaps some challenge to Unilever influence. It will be remembered that before World War II, the United States market and Philippines copra production were pretty well tied together, to the exclusion of the rest of the copra world, which thus was left to Unilever.

- Already, discussions are afoot concerning the kind of organisation which will come into being at the end of 1957 to take the place of the machinery created by the Ministry of Food and the various British Governments to handle copra and coconut oil under the MOF contract.

Is there to be a complete reversion to the private enterprise system that operated pre-war? Or will there be a move by the Governments of Australia New Guinea, Solomon and Gilbert Islands, Fiji,

New Zealand, Samoa and Cook Islands to form a joint organisation for the handling and marketing of coconut products? No one knows—but the signs so far indicate a return to private trading.

I have spent some little time here in London discussing these factors with various men interested in the great oil-seeds market, and trying to reconcile their differing viewpoints. The following represents the present situation, and long-distance prospects, as I see them now.

UK Losing Heavily On MOF Price

THE Ministry of Food contract was made in 1948 for 9 years and it expires at the end of 1957. At the moment, there is absolutely nothing to suggest that it will be renewed. There are signs that it will be allowed to expire.

The original plan was designed to (a) stabilise the copra industry in the more or less war-torn British countries of the South Pacific in the unpredictable period of post-war economic reconstruction, and (b) ensure for Britain a regular supply of an important food commodity.

It has done both those things.

So far as price is concerned the British Ministry of Food gambled. It took the 1948 average market price as a basis and agreed that, from year to year, the price to be paid the producer should not rise or fall more than 10 per cent.

For the first four or five years, the Ministry very definitely won. It took all the British South Seas copra (and coconut oil) at the MOF contract price, and sold it at the free market price; and for at least four years it made a substantial profit on practically every transaction—its accumulated profit in that period must have run into several millions Sterling.

Then, about 1953, the tide turned. (The causes of the market decline

At Sydney Pacific Islands Society's July Meeting



Present at the July meeting of the Sydney Pacific Islands Society were, left to right: Miss M. M. McGann (honorary secretary), Mrs. J. Edwards, Mrs. A. Hornby, Mrs. M. S. Williamson, Mrs. O. H. Stanley, Mr. W. G. Stanley, and Mr. O. H. Stanley.

will be discussed later). The market moved slowly but surely against the Ministry, until to-day it is losing from £10 to £12 on every ton of copra taken over under the contract. A man who is in constant touch with the market here prepared for me these figures, as on June 18, 1955:

	Sterling
Price paid by Ministry for Copra, per ton, FOB, Pacific Islands port	£65 0 0
Est. cost of Freight, Insurance and charges, per ton ..	13 0 0
Est. cost per ton of Copra at European port (CIF)	78 0 0
Market Price of FMS Copra to-day in UK or Continental port, CIF	67 0 0
Apparent loss to Ministry, per ton	11 0 0

As everyone knows, that has been the market tendency since 1953, with occasional spurts of price recovery. There have been special factors since early 1954—mostly, the liquidation of huge State-owned stocks in certain countries—which have depressed the market. Those factors may now be disappearing. But even if the market falls no further it will require two full 10 per cent. reductions (end of 1955 and end of 1956) to bring the MOF price down to the market price of June, 1955.

Much the same conditions apply to the coconut oil market. Under the MOF contract, the Ministry takes all the coconut oil made available by the Carpenter mills in Fiji and New Guinea.

This year, for example, it is paying £106/15/- Stg. per ton FOB for the oil it takes over in Suva. The free market quotation in London for the oil in mid-June was just over £90, CIF. A simple calculation shows that the Ministry is making a loss of between £25 and £30 per ton on that (Fiji) section of the contract; and something similar presumably in New Guinea.

Nonetheless, the Ministry still is well in pocket. The profits it made in 1949-53 far outweigh still the losses it has made since. And the Ministry has the comfort of knowing that it has brought a period of unprecedented prosperity to the copra industry of the South Pacific.

Copra interests howled in 1949-53, when they saw the Ministry making those profits out of their commodity. But they are complacently silent now—and they can remain complacent until the end of 1957.

There was a first-class behind-the-scenes struggle here in London at the end of 1954, when the parties concerned got together to fix the 1955 MOF price.

Knowing the market trend, prac-

tically all the South Pacific Governments except Australia were reconciled to the full 10 per cent. reduction. But Australia's representatives here (Chief Trade Commissioner Sir Edwin McCarthy, and his deputy, Mr. D. Paterson), backed up by High Commissioner Sir Thomas White, and by the Burns Philp and Carpenter men here, made such a strong point of the "losses" which the South Pacific copra industry had made in 1949-53 as a result of the MOF contract, that they persuaded the Ministry to make the reduction 7½ instead of 10 per cent.

A simple calculation shows that this is worth well over a quarter-million Sterling to the South Pacific industry in 1955, and something in 1956, when the 10 per cent. reduction expected will be on the 1955 price arrived at through the 7½ per cent. instead of 10 per cent. reduction.

Commodities Which

Compete with Copra

IN trying to envisage the future of the industry, both immediate and distant, it is necessary to bear in mind that, to-day, the following substances can be used in many if not most manufacturing processes as an alternative to coconut oil:

VEGETABLE—Groundnut (peanut) oil, soya bean oil, linseed oil, cottonseed oil, palm kernel oil, olive oil—all in huge supply—and oil from many other kinds of nuts.

ANIMAL—Whale oil, fish oil (big supplies of herring oil are now coming in from Norway), tallow, lard, butter and similar substances.

One of the first articles I wrote in the PIM, 25 years ago, was a warning that new processes in purification and deodorisation were allowing the manufacturers to use an increasing number and quantity of substances, hitherto rejected on account of coarseness and odour, as substitutes for coconut oil.

To-day, all the above commodities—and a few more of a minor character—are firmly established in the world markets as competitors of copra; and powerful and extremely efficient international operators like Unilever, naturally, balance one against the other, and purchase whichever one is likely to return the most profit to their manufacturing process. (There is nothing improper about that, so long as it is done in a free market, and not a market controlled by combines and monopolies.)

I have taken the following official estimate of the world production of the main oilseeds from the report of the Commonwealth Economic Committee in respect of the year 1953-54: The figures show thousands of tons:

Groundnuts .. 10,889	Cottonseed .. 15,1
Soya beans .. 17,800	Sunflower .. 4,3
Sesame seed .. 1,931	Olives .. 1,2

The above are described as "edible." The following are "edible and industrial":

Copra .. 2,850	Palm kernels .. 8
Palm oil .. 700	

The following are "industrial only":

Rapeseed .. 4,764	Linseed .. 3,0
Castor seed .. 452	Tung .. 1

There are at least a dozen other smaller sources of vegetable supply; and there are, of course, the animal fats listed above.

The foregoing figures show *Production*. A very large proportion of such commodities as groundnut and soya beans are eaten in the countries of production (mainly Asiatic) before they reach the world markets.

That fact gives the world production of copra (nearly 3,000,000 tons per annum) a greater significance—nearly all of it is exported, either as copra or oil.

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Ex-Islanders Meet



Members and guests at the July gathering of the Sydney Pacific Islands Society include (upper) Major C. A. Swinbourne (president) as Mrs. Swinbourne, with Miss J. Le Couteur as Mr. Norman K. Wallis, who was the guest speaker. Middle: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Monton and Mrs. M. Baker. Lower: Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Foxcroft, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Sabber. All are well-known former residents of the Islands.

P-NG LABOUR QUESTION

Adequate Care of Workers Pays Dividends

ALTHOUGH everybody knew that the future development of Papua and New Guinea was dependent on the labour potential, people were sometimes inclined to forget that there was a limit to that potential, said the Territory Director of Health (Dr. J. T. Gunther) when speaking in the Legislative Council on the care of native labour.

He believed that even the lame and the halt were entitled to employment if they wanted it, said Dr. Gunther. In all communities there were places where their services could be used, such as copra-driers, the kitchens and the kitchen gardens.

There were too much skin disease and too many tropical ulcers among some plantation workers and those working on road-building, said Dr. Gunther. These conditions were caused by carelessness, which was uneconomical, and they could be corrected by daily treatment of small cuts and abrasions.

MOST of the deaths on plantations were due to malaria and pneumonia, but with modern drugs there need be no deaths if the patients were treated early enough.

There were also inexpensive drugs for the treatment of anaemia and hookworm, diseases which reduced work-output.

"If we controlled malaria," he said, "we could halve our mortality rate, double the expectation of life, double the population within perhaps 17 or 20 years, and increase the efficiency of the labour force of this country by 25 per cent. Workers would give a 15 per cent. greater output in actual work."

Supporting Dr. Gunther's arguments, Mr. B. E. Fairfax-Ross said that the infant and maternal welfare clinics of the Health Department were demonstrating what could be done.

The supply of adequate labour would become a major problem, he said, and there was no question of importing large numbers of migrant labourers.

He added: "We all accept that this country will be developed for and by its indigenous people in association with the capital, energy and example of Europeans. And it is from the indigenous people that the present labour force, and in future a greatly increased force, must come."

BHP's Interest in NC Iron

HIGH officials of the Broken Hill Pty. visited New Caledonia in July to confer with the Nickel Co. and other commercial interests concerned with supplying iron-ore to BHP in Australia.

The general manager of BHP (Mr. McClennon) and the company's chief ore-buyer (Mr. McAndy) visited the Yate hydro-electricity plant, the iron-ore works at Prony Bay, and the chrome and nickel centres at Tiebaghi and Thio, respectively.

Iron-ore shipments to Australia are expected to start before the end of the year. The deal will partially offset the large quantities of Australian coal bought by NC, the major factor in the French Colony's adverse trade balance with Australia.

The company to work the Prony Bay iron-ore deposits, Societe Caledonienne des Minerais de Fer, has a capital of 15,000,000 Pacific francs and has contracted to deliver to BHP 160,000 tons a year.

Wrong Diagnosis of Smallpox Rash

BECAUSE a ship's doctor made an error in diagnosing a rash on a child passenger, an outbreak of smallpox occurred at Nauru and Ocean Islands in June and also affected other passengers and the ship's personnel, according to a Sydney report.

One of the victims was Miss Helen Sheils, of the South Pacific Commission staff, who was visiting the Gilbert Islands with Mrs. Nancy Whelan.

Miss Sheils's plans were considerably disorganised as a result, though she was well cared for by the Tarawa Medical Department, and returned to Sydney aboard *Tulagi* in August.

TRIBAL COMMOTION ON MORESBY GOLF COURSE

WHAT Elizabethan dramatists would have described as "alarums and excursions" occurred at the Port Moresby golf course in July, when about 180 Kerema and Chimbu rioters fought a vicious battle on the sixth green.

Sixty golfers playing in a four-somes championship were held up for an hour before the police, aided by club members, quelled the uproar.

The P-NG Administrator (Brigadier D. M. Cleland) was reported later to have said that he was taking steps to remove Kerema people from the Port Moresby area.

Drunkenness at Suva Dances Causes Police Ban

INCREASING drunkenness and disorderly behaviour have produced a police ban on any form of dancing at three Suva halls.

The ban includes the *taralala*, a once-innocuous Fijian social diversion which, since the war period, has become steadily more sophisticated and, according to various Mission quarters, steadily less innocuous.

The idea behind the prohibition is to give those in charge of the halls a greater sense of responsibility when dances are resumed, and to encourage dance-organisers to refuse admission to drunken men and to prevent the drinking of liquor in the halls and the immediate vicinity.

Another aspect of Fiji's liquor problem cropped up at the Suva Magistrate's Court when counsel, defending a European charged with supplying a Fijian with 12 bottles of rum, pointed out that a very potent liquor called "Raisin Jack" is not uncommonly concocted. It was added that for an Easter party the Fijian and his village friends had wanted "something decent to drink."

"Raisin Jack" is claimed by some authorities have been introduced by Americans during the wartime "occupation." The lawyer quoted, who said that boot polish was sometimes an ingredient, claimed that "one glass would knock a European flat on his back."

In the case in question, the European was fined £50 and the Fijian recipient of the rum £15.

In recent weeks reports of increased drunkenness, sometimes involving serious crime, have come from Fiji, Tonga, Samoa and New Caledonia.

Meanwhile, New Caledonia hopes to collect 800,000 francs a year from a new tax of 5 per cent. on imported alcohol. (Beer, wines and medicinal alcohol are not affected). The proceeds will subsidise the price of seed potatoes, of which NC produces annually 600 tons and imports 150 tons.

Dutch Navy Planes at Hollandia

THE 7th squadron of the Netherlands Naval Air Force has been installed at Hollandia, Netherlands New Guinea.

The squadron is composed of aircraft of the Firefly type, suitable for both pursuit and reconnaissance. The crew of each plane consists of a pilot and an observer-wireless operator.

THE EDITORS' MAILBAG

Captain Keller Case Echo in BSIP

The "Captain Keller case", stowed away in the April PIM, after much debate, is reopened momentarily to permit an isolated correspondent (Mr. H. Chaperlin, of Vanikoro, BSIP) to say that in 1909, Otto Keller was a client of the BP depot at Makambo (Solomons), and must have been in partnership with Jacobsen at that time as the account was kept in the name of Keller and Jacobsen.

"At the same time, I do not think that Jacobsen was a full partner in all Keller's enterprises, and so there may be something in Kuper's denial that a partnership existed", the writer continues.

"Poor Otto was undoubtedly killed in Malaita in 1913 and cannot be identified with any Captain Keller who was in New Guinea in 1920-21.

"In 1909, when I was bookkeeper at the BP Makambo depot, Keller's ship was the ex-Marist Mission ketch *Verdelais*. Later he and Jacobsen acquired the *Sumoli*, which was named after the Ulawa Island station where they used to trade, mostly for ivory nuts.

"Harold Markham was in charge of Levers' trading station at Ontong Java long before 1912. He was there when Jack London called in the *Snark* and corresponded with London until the latter died. London used to send him an autographed copy of each of his books as it was published.

"I am inclined to challenge the statement that Mr. Corrie is outdated as an old BSI hand by Calton (not Carlton or Carl) Younger. I think that both Leslie Gill, of Vella Lavella, and I would outdate Corrie. Gill, however, takes the palm as I was away from the Group from 1929 to 1953.

"Incidentally, Jack London was fined by Deputy Commissioner Barnett at Tulagi for entering the Group at Lord Howe (Ontong Java) without being granted pratique at Tulagi or Faisi, the only ports of entry at that time. He later wrote a book called *Adventure*, in which he mentioned very unfavourably, and with thinly disguised names, people who had not given him the reception he expected. As I remember it, the book was hastily and badly written and not up to the London standard."

Where Life is Pleasant

A note from a friend who recently was in Pago Pago:

The fish-cannery is still canning—but the port now seems to be over-run with Japs.

The raft in which Pop Willis drifted westwards across the Pacific looks lonely and neglected, out there on the bank.

Life on this rock is not at all unpleasant.

Port for Old Sailors

A cheery note to hand from Mr. Bob McKittrick, who has been a resident of the Marquesas (most easterly archipelago of French Oceania) for more years than he likes to talk about.

Bob went out from England to Australia in the three-masted barque *Harold*, back near the turn of the century. When the ship reached Melbourne the Scots lad "did a bunk," and stowed away in a collier named *Alabama*, from Melbourne to Newcastle.

He was wandering about Newcastle in a helpless way when a boarding-house master persuaded him to sign on the three-masted, full-rigged ship *Philadelphia*, assuring him that it was a Swedish vessel. Once aboard, he discovered that it was not Swedish—it was a German "hell-ship," registered in Geestemende. The crew had a particularly unpleasant time until they got clear of the ship by refusing duty in Coquimbo, Chile.

Bob McKittrick wandered around—but eventually came to a safe and happy anchorage in the Marquesas.

Second Oldest Traders

One of our oldest subscribers, "Acacia," writes from Noumea:

"While I, with everyone who has ever done business with Nelson and Robertson Pty. Ltd., would wish to congratulate them on their 60th anniversary, I must gently bring to task Mr. Norman Nelson when he says that 'next to Burns Philp & Co., N. & R. is the oldest trading firm in Sydney' (March PIM, p. 34).

"For the record, I think it should be pointed out that another well-known Islands firm, W. S. Tait & Co. Pty. Ltd., has a prior claim to that distinction—it was established in 1890, and thus has been in the South Pacific trading field for some 65 years.

"As I recall it, my old friend Mr. William Smilie Tait (the founder) gave the then-young Ivan Nelson his first introductions to people in the Islands.

"In those long-ago days, Tait and Co. was upstairs on the first floor of a building in Bond Street, Sydney, and its trading mainly was with New Caledonia. To-day, the firm is trading with all the Islands Groups from its office in Spring Street—and practically next door is Nelson and Robertson; William's son, Cedric, is at the helm of W. S. Tait and

Co., while Ivan's son, Norman, guides the progress of Nelson and Robertson."

To the Sea—But Not in Trucks

Possibly due to the puckish humour of the person who collected lists of residents for our *Handbook of Papua and New Guinea*, an old time resident of New Guinea, Mr. Arnold O'Rourke, finds himself described therein as "truck-driver Dept. of Works."

Mr. O'Rourke sees nothing wrong with the honourable profession of truck-driver, and neither do we. But if you do not drive trucks, why are you described as so doing?

After he got back to NG after the war (at the latter end of which he was around the then Netherlands East Indies) he was connected with small ships in sea-going or shore capacities until 1953, when, as secretary and manager, he joined Gabriel Achun and Co. Ltd.—he says modestly, as the "Ltd." part of it.

Mr. O'Rourke went first to the Territory in the 1920's for WRC and Co.

While on the subject of the residential lists—Mr. E. T. Fulton who also went first to the Territory in the 20's, is described as plantation manager. This is correct as far as it goes—he certainly manages Makurapau Plantation (near Kokopo). But he also owns it.

We apologise.

Ex-Samoan Resident Sends Greetings from US

A short while ago, somewhere in the United States, Sir Alfred Turnbull, at one time Administrator of Western Samoa, met Mr. W. Forsyth, now Australian representative to the United States and formerly the first Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission.

As a result of that happy meeting and a discussion of Pacific affairs generally, Sir Arthur wrote a note of greeting to the PIM. I says that after ten years of retirement he and his wife are getting used to life in the "fabulous United States" but that he still watches affairs in the Pacific with great interest—particularly affairs in Western Samoa which, he notes, still enjoying great post-war prosperity although in his day the Territory was "generally in the Red."

His daughter, he reports, is doing well after graduating BSc from the University of South Carolina. (During the Pacific war, Miss Turnbull married an American serviceman but was shortly afterwards widowed.)

Sir Alfred, in April, was one of the guest speakers at the 40th Gallipoli reunion at Anzac Gardens Rockefeller Place, New York.

FROM EAST TO WEST

From Travel Notes
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Tragedy of the Indo-Dutch

ABOARD this bi-lingual ship there is a curious cross-section of the East—the Malayan East, where the failing hand of the European still is trying to hold the Southern gateway against a thousand million Asians.

There are hundreds of Dutch-speaking people here; ranging in colour from pure white to 90 per cent. black. I watched several scores of their children react to a Punch-and-Judy show. Colour made no difference—whether they were black, white or in-between they laughed and shrieked in the same places. That fact embodies the viewpoint of the Dutch, who built the Netherlands Indies over 300 years.

But a tired old Britisher, very wise in these things, shook a pessimistic head. "The white is all through Indonesia and the black, in a variety of shades, all through Holland," he said. "It has happened before—and in the countries where it has happened there has been racial retrogression.

"Maybe the Dutch didn't get a chance to prove their racial theory—the Anglo-American betrayal of the Netherlands Indies in 1945-46 simply delivered them into the hands of illiterate Indonesians, who hate them, and now they are on the way out. Maybe, that is the penalty they pay for having failed to educate the Indonesians. I don't know—it's a dreadful mess now, anyway."

Many of these Dutch are not returning, although their families have been in the Indies for generations and, until 1942, were rich. Now,

most of all they possess is in their trunks in the hold.

Great Ones of the Asian-African Earth

The Britishers are either commercial men with families—the lone traveller usually flies, now—or Colonial Office and Foreign Office men going on leave. I have found these latter extraordinarily interesting.

Southeast Asia is seething with diplomatic move and countermove, and these high officials have been in the middle of it. They have vivid recent memories, for example, of all the great, and near-great, and of the plain, silly people whom they met at, or going to, or coming from the Asia-Africa Conference at Bandoeng in April—from Nehru and Chou En-lai right down to the comic-relief Australians (Dr. Burton and his attendant Pink Professor). They tell intriguing stories of what has gone on behind the scenes in Indo-China, Bangkok, Formosa, and Malaya, where hundreds of thousands of armed men are being pushed around by petty war-lords.

Even allowing for our friends' after-dinner exaggerations, these great ones of Asia (as seen from the back-parlour viewpoint) seem puny and conceited and childish, like little, strutting men at a Town Council. I wish I could tell some of these stories—the one about the Middle East diplomats who pinched their host's precious whisky, for example, or how the beloved Homburg of Sir Anthony Eden (en route to Bangkok) was lost and found—but good manners forbid.

But I can report my two outstanding impressions:

• The Bandoeng Conference, which was cleverly designed as an historic anti-European demonstration by Asia and Africa, was even more cleverly sidetracked into innocuousness by Asians and Africans (aided by a British diplomat or two) who would rather have the present British set-up in both Continents than the Red penetrations blessed by Chou En-lai or the sour "reverse neutrality" of Mr. Nehru.

• But—the British hand has been getting weaker; and the link between the unstable Mr. Nehru (who insists he is more God than man) and the Muscovites gets stronger. In these days, very anxious British eyes in the Orient (and in this ship) are watching for a sign from the new British Government.

A Personal Problem

However, I turn from these grave international affairs to a personal problem of my own. How—when travelling alone in the Tropics—does one get the useful powder of Mr. Johnson onto the prickly-heat patch in the middle of one's shoulder blade? It has to be rubbed in.

I thoughtfully considered the Javanese cabin-steward. But I was not game to ask him—from his melancholy face and dignified air I think he is a deposed Sultan.

It's a tough assignment, this trying to get the left finger-tips into the middle of the right shoulder-blade—you try it!—but the contortions surely are good for a waist-line that is being slowly submerged by seductive Dutch cooking.

Grandpa's Topee

I like the solar topee and I can remember the days when it was impossible to be British in the Orient unless one thus was crowned. But, in the last quarter-century, it slowly was undermined.

Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion" Staged by Suva Group Theatre



The Suva Group Theatre's production of G. B. Shaw's "Pygmalion" was the latest in a string of successes that has ranged from "The Importance of Being Earnest" and "Gaslight" to pantomime and revue. As usual, "Pygmalion" was superbly costumed and played in period settings which showed meticulous attention to accurate detail. The cast, grouped here for the final curtain, comprised (left to right): Sybil Canard, Peter Tennant, Trixie Fraser, Michael Cassidy, Una Tennant, Tess Norris, James Crawford and Veronica Madams (the two principal players), Harvey Madams, Layton Wilkinson, Alan Mulford, Thomas McIlroy, Joy Stinson, Sabrina Ryan.

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I always felt in this the influence of the late Sir Hubert Murray, who stubbornly patrolled his beloved Papua with an old felt hat on one end of his long frame, and big black boots at the other.

Now, the topee is no more. From Sydney to Sourabaya, from Singapore to Colombo, I did not see one, except on trishaw pullers and Chinese postmen.

Chatting with Sir John Nicoll (Singapore—once Fiji), I cursed the sunburn which a panama hat had permitted on the back of my neck, and mourned the sheltering topee.

"Out since the 'Thirties," he said, "New fashion is no hat—the sun comes straight down and your hair grows there for your protection." (He has a fine mop of grey hair.)

"But what about people like me, with a bare top?" I demanded.

"Panama," said he, succinctly.

"I suspect the hand of the plotting Muscovite somewhere in this cruel sartorial injustice.

Nomenclature

All races and classes in the East showed lively interest in the British elections. So, of course, there was the usual crop of bar-room stories. This one is a little over-the-fence; but it is so funny that I offer it, respectfully:

A small family moved into an English village—a young woman with twin sons. When the local Labour Party learned that the twins were named respectively James Shinwell Jones and Aneurin Bevan Jones they were greatly touched. A deputation called upon the lady, and welcomed her to the village.

"And, Mrs. Jones," said the leader, "we should like to say how much we appreciate the sound political sentiment you have shown in the naming of your sons, Shinwell and Aneurin Bevan."

"Ow," said the lady. "In the first place, me name ain't Mrs. Jones—it's Miss Jones. And if you know of better names for them two bastards, you better let me 'ave 'em now, before I register 'em."

Malayan Trophies—

(Non-Jungle)

What has Fiji got in the way of a permanent building wherein may be housed the many trophies won by those sportsmen in Malaya?

I was astounded when I entered the Regiment's Mess in Batu Pahat—every shelf and cranny is occupied by a silver cup, or object of similar kind, and impressive shields hang upon the walls—there must be a cart-load of things (mostly silver) won by the Fijians in every kind of sport in 30 months. No wonder the lads have in Malaya a reputation for sport as enviable as is their record as bandit-hunters in the jungle.

When the Battalion returns, early

next year, this impressive array of trophies should be placed on public view in Suva for a while.

A Flag is Missing

It is a little depressing for an elderly Britisher to travel along this route nowadays. When last I was there, in the early 'Thirties, the Union Jack flew over Malaya and Burma and Ceylon, India and Iraq, Soudan and Egypt and Palestine, and it had represented British orderliness in most of those places for at least a century. Now, it is seen only in Singapore and Malaya—and not very conspicuously there.

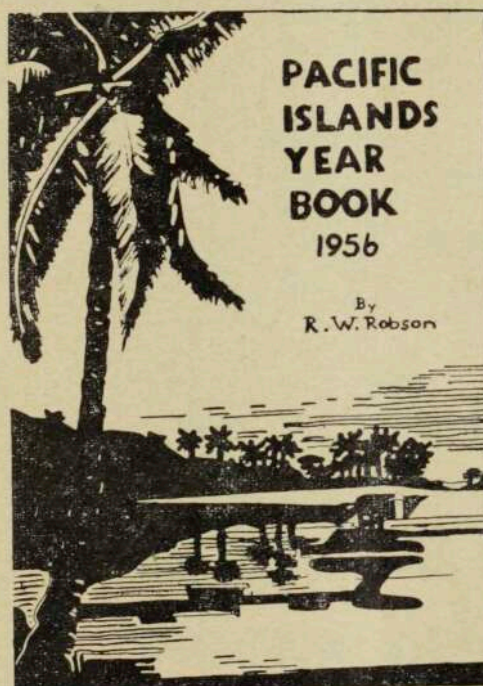
Nominally, most of the countries

named are still within the British Commonwealth. But, actually, they have no pride in their British associations; rather do they go to some pains to show that they are now the equals if not the superiors of the detested Westerners—although all that they know and have, they got from British "colonialism."

These peoples, sooner or later, had to achieve their national independence—that is fundamental. But they have been given it too quickly, in one big lump, and everywhere they are suffering politico-economic indigestion, in some degree of other.

The transition should have been much more gradual. The post-war

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PRACTICAL RESULTS FROM WORK OF SP COMMISSION

THE 3,000,000 Pacific Islanders who come within the South Pacific Commission's scope are already gaining advantages from the Commission's work, said the Secretary-General (Dr. Ralph Clairon Bedell) when he arrived at Sydney from Noumea on July 31, to "do some special work on Commission problems" with the Senior Australian Commissioner (Mr. J. R. Halligan).

At present, said Dr. Bedell, the Commission was providing down-to-earth explanations on how to grow coconuts in more productive ways, and it was advising on the encouragement of other crops.

In its six years of operation, said Dr. Bedell, the Commission had produced 80 technical investigations, many of which were already being put to use.

DR. ERIC OJALA, deputy chairman of the Research Council, who arrived at Sydney from New Zealand on July 31, said that the Islands grassland survey recently completed by two Australian officers might produce proposals aimed at making the grasslands more productive, thus increasing beef production.

Cattle production in Papua and New Guinea could be greatly increased if millions of acres of grasslands were improved, Dr. Ojala said. The P-NG cattle population was only 5,000, compared with 30,000 before the war, and meat imports were increasing.

Burgers Family From Java Moves To Buka

By GT

BY no means the least interesting of the families disembarking from MV *Bulolo* in early July at Rabaul was Jan Burgers, complete with wife and eight children (including twins, and none over ten years of age).

The Burgers family was bound for the Gordon McKenzie plantation on



Mr. and Mrs. Jan Burgers and their family aboard the "Bulolo" at Rabaul before their departure for Buka.

Tulaen, Buka Island, which lies some 175 miles south-east of Rabaul and was originally planted up by Charlie Huson in the early Twenties.

Jan Burgers is a fine, solidly built, fair-haired Hollander, who went to the Netherlands East Indies in 1948 as an accountant for Dutch Government Forestry Department at Bandoeng.

Came the Republic in 1950, and he was transferred to the headquarters of the Dutch High Commissioner at Jakarta, where he remained for a year. But life in the old Dutch colony was becoming too strife-ridden, and the effect upon his wife's nerves was so great that he gave Java away and went banana-planting in Australia, where he stayed until the call of the tropics enticed him to New Guinea.

Talking with him in the lounge of the *Bulolo*, he gave me a word picture of the early days of 1950 when the Indonesian Republic was declared. It was by no means a happy time for the Dutch, whose houses were broken into and robbed. Windows were broken by stones thrown by vandals and bandits operated near the boundaries of the large towns.

From him I gleaned:

- President Soekarno is extremely anti-white.
- Vice-President Hatta sends his children to a Dutch school.
- The leader of the Labour Party—Dr. Sharjir (he is a doctor of

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law) is married to a Dutch woman and is pro-European.

- In 1949 there were 500,000 Dutch persons in NEI; in 1951 some 300,000 and in early 1955 only 90,000.

- The people of Amboina and Ceram Islands desired to remain under Dutch rule.

Commenting on the article by Editor Robson on Java and the East in June PIM, Mr. Burgers said it gave a very true picture of the position.

And now Mr. and Mrs. Burgers, with their eight sturdy children, look forward hopefully to a life of comparative peace amidst the beauty and prolific growth of Buka.

Here's wishing them all long life and happiness in their new home.

TERSE FIJIAN COMMENT ON TACTICS IN MALAYA

TWO wounded Fijian soldiers, casualties of a large-scale Communist terrorist ambush in Malaya on November 15, were hospital patients at Auckland in July, when they were on their way back to Fiji.

They were Privates S. Raicele, and T. Lasa. With them were Private S. Nokete (wounded in another action) and Private R. Mataika.

A New Zealand report quoted one of the soldiers as saying that the Fijian troops had become rather tired of "fighting for civilians who help the enemy" in Malaya.

The soldier added: "The civilians hide the terrorists and give them food. The terrorists are not good fighters. When we shoot at them, they just run."

The November ambush, conducted on the usual terrorist hit-and-run lines, cost the Fijians six men killed and five seriously wounded.

NG Charter Pilot Dies in Crash

CAPTAIN W. E. PASSLOW, who operates a charter flight service from Madang, NG, was killed, and three Seventh Day Adventist missionaries, Pastors S. H. Gander, E. L. Martin, and R. A. Greive, were seriously injured in a crash at Togoba, ten miles south-west of Mt. Hagen, on August 2.

The Dragon aircraft was flying the missionaries to a conference at Wabag.

Captain Passlow had established a market gardening business at Madang since the war. He lived there in pre-war days.

He served in the RAAF as a pilot and leaves a wife and four children.



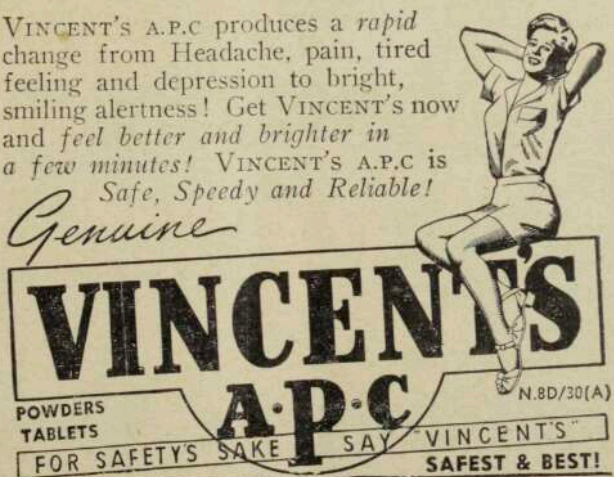
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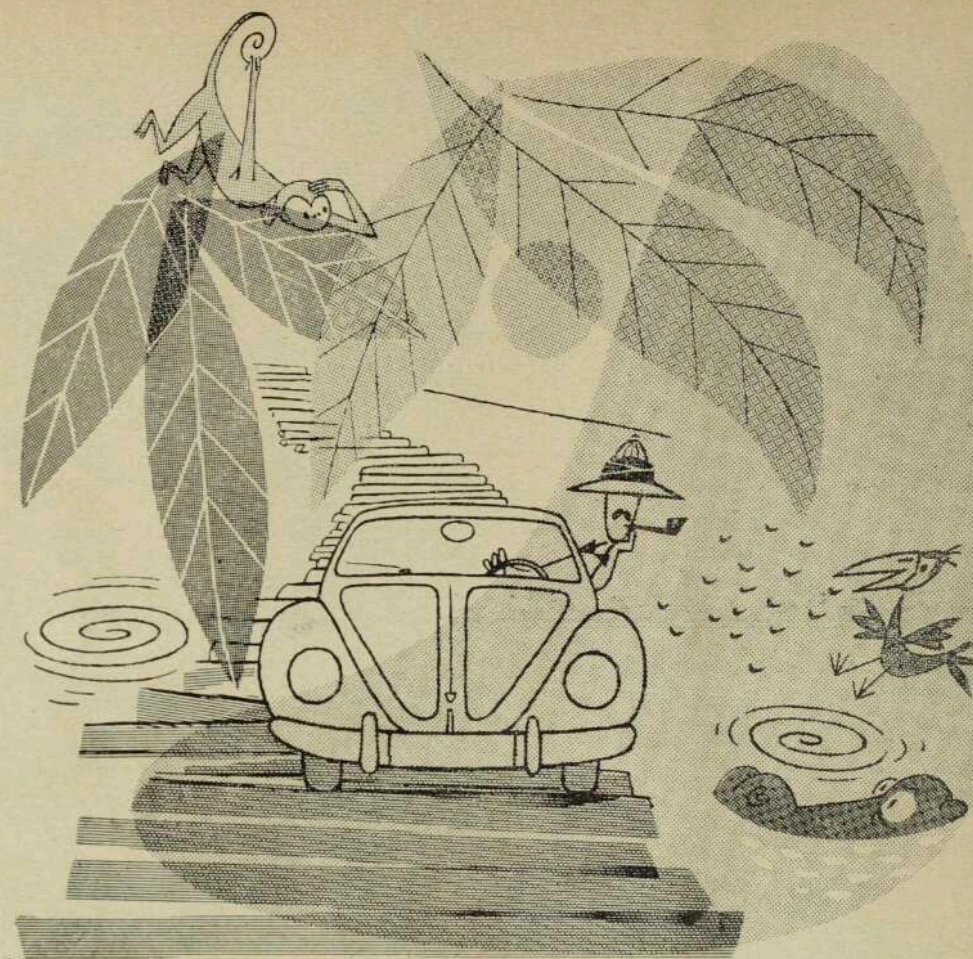
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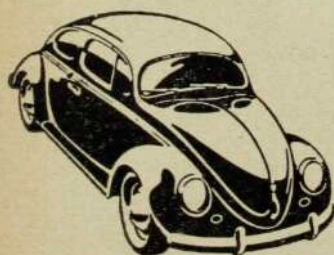
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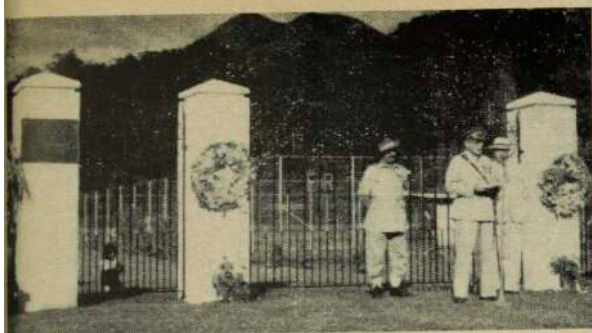
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Rabaul Gates

The Administrator of Papua - New Guinea (Brigadier D. M. Cleland) delivering his address at the opening and dedication of the Memorial Gates at Queen Elizabeth Park, Rabaul, on July 14. On Brigadier Cleland's left is the New Britain District Commissioner (Mr. J. R. Foldi), and on his right Major D. Barrett, MLC. The gates are a memorial to civilians killed in the Pacific War.

TEN YEARS HAVE BROUGHT DRASTIC CHANGES IN P-NG

By GORDON THOMAS

IT is an understatement to say that on my recent visit to P-NG I was surprised at Moresby's growth. I was flabbergasted!

In pre-war years Moresby was merely a chief port with a few Government buildings and commercial houses adequate to cope with the more or less small economic output of the Territory, plus the \$40,000-odd doled out by a rather reluctant Australian Government.

But Moresby to-day! Ou la, la!

Certainly I saw it only at "steamer time," but eliminating the "round-trip" element that naturally affects every island port, I was amazed at its growth, its tempo and the general atmosphere of economic activity.

Whence came this altered tempo and atmosphere? After an endeavour to find the answer, it seemed to centre on the one reason: Government expenditure, which means a centralised endeavour to disburse public funds for academic institutes and the headquarters of departments appointed to supervise the "great native welfare policy" which is the popular government job of the moment. In fact: a gigantic spending spree!

I HAD not seen Moresby since the Thirties, and now the change was phenomenal.

Houses everywhere; houses of a type which I must say were not pleasing to the eye: four walls, and a roof above—iron and fibro for the most part and louver windows.

That was the general architectural scheme. Nothing imaginative; nothing artistic or beautiful to blend in with the beauty of the scene; all standardised; typical nationalised accommodation—and nothing more.

There was life in the town's centre, certainly: What they were doing I don't know. But cars and lorries were hurrying hither and thither; the "traffic cop" perched on his box at the intersection of Musgrave and Douglas Streets (and looking for all the world like a

monkey on a stick, as he gesticulated wildly with his white-sleeved arms) was indeed a busy man, and to him every credit is due. He was as efficient as his opposite number who stands in King and Castle-reagh Streets, in Sydney; and, incidentally, I don't think he keeps the traffic waiting quite so long! In short he is a gem and a credit to the Force.

I was amazed at the anti-segregation policy as portrayed in the stores and the shops. If native customers were limited to the more sophisticated types, cleanly clothed, it might be tolerated. (And I wondered if those espousing this policy had to contend with the mixed racial gatherings in the stores, or were they of a class apart?) But to have the more primitive types edging their way amongst European housewives at the lingerie counters (and mostly window-buying, at that) does not by any stretch of the imagination appeal to me, nor is it looked upon with favour by a majority of Europeans.

Natives themselves complain of a feeling of "shame" at having to mix with "Sinabada" buyers. To me it seemed a superfluous step in the modern native progress drive of which all officialdom seems to be particularly conscious and with which nobody else is bothering, content to leave it to Time, the greatest healer of all questions.

Moresby has naturally extended its housing area. Suburbia now includes Boroka and Badili and expansions may be expected at any moment at almost any point. Private enterprise is to be congratulated in arranging these housing facilities for its staff. I received good reports of the amenities provided.

AT Samarai. Little 50-acre island; a veritable pearl in the Pacific, devastated by "scorched earth"

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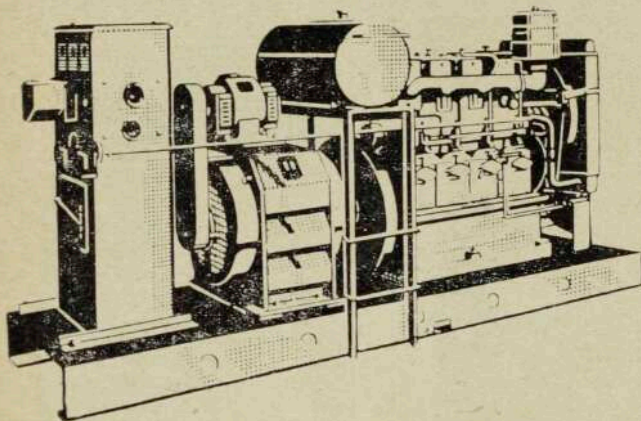
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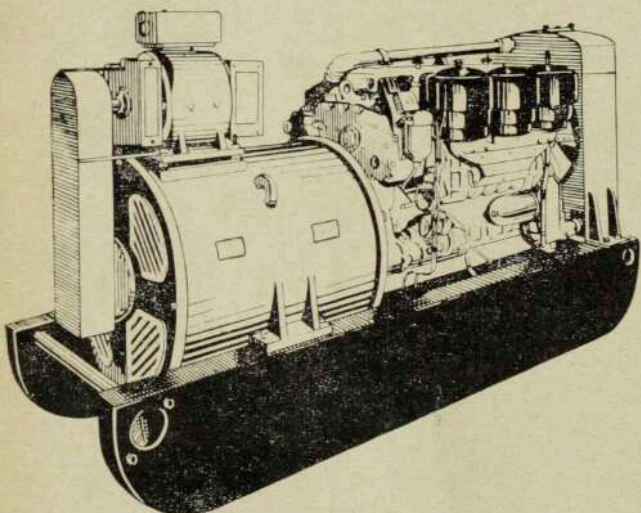
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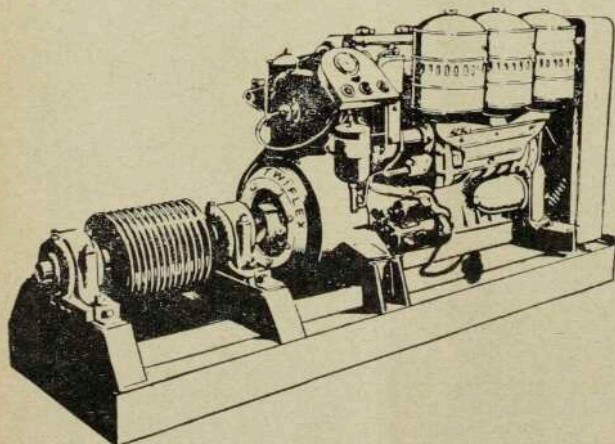
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By Tolala

With Gratitude

Now that I am safe again in my quiet backwater after pleasant weeks of islands cruising in New Guinea, I want to send out a big "Thank You" to all those many kind and courteous friends who gave so unsparingly of their hospitality and made my visit to the Land I love such a very, very happy highlight in my life.

To every section, and to every colour of the P-NG people where I visited, I owe a debt of gratitude for their kindnesses, and even from isolated spots came messages of goodwill.

I am very grateful to them all, and let my appreciation be not forgotten of Capt. "Bill" Wilding of the *Bulolo* who, despite his many and arduous duties as Master, was never too busy to tender me kindnesses and consideration. It is pleasing to know that one has not been forgotten in a Land which one can never forget.

Long Arm of Coincidence

In 1905, Mrs. "Tolala" arrived in New Britain in the NDL steamer, *Prinz Waldemar*, which was the first overseas vessel to tie up to the nearly-completed NDL wharf in Simpsonhaven (Rabaul) and was in later years known as the "Old Burnt Wharf", at the end of Namanula Street.

Last month she was a passenger in MV *Bulolo*, which was the first overseas vessel to tie up to the nearly-completed wharf in Rabaul—just 50 years later.

Something in Common

At the last Legislative Council meeting at Moresby, on the opening day, Mr. Malcolm L. McColm, MHR for Bowman, Queensland, was present and was accorded the privilege of a seat on the floor of the Council Chamber. This scribe was also present and was privileged to take a seat in the Press Gallery.

Both of us carry the somewhat unusual middle-name of "Llewellyn." He has won buck-jumping competitions in Queensland; in my youth I collected prizes for broncho-busting in Western Canada. He was behind the barbed wire in Germany during War II, while I did my stretch in Rabaul with the Japs.

And that's where the common ground ends, so far as I know, for I have never met the gentleman.

Back to Their Homeland

It is good to see that the

Administration is returning the Bam Islanders to their own original home. The Administration has, invariably, had a tendency for pushing natives around, evacuating them from so-called "dangerous" areas to places where it thinks it more congenial for them, whether the natives themselves want to go or not.

Notable was an instance following the Rabaul eruption in 1937, when the Administration wanted to move the natives of Matupi Island to a "safe" area in the Keravat district on the North Coast. The natives said "No dice!" or its equivalent, and refused to be moved, notwithstanding the dust and unpleasantness of the conditions prevailing at the time.

It is somewhat reminiscent of the early days of the Australian Military Occupation, when Patrol Officers, occupied on the job of census-taking, ordered several hill villages in the Namatanai district to move down to the beach, in order to make census-taking easier.

Natives have a deep-rooted affection for their old home-sites, even as have their opposites of the white race.

Somehow I reckon our natives in trust are not so amenable to being pushed around or being poured into the accepted "democratic" moulds as many people imagine.

Influence of Civilisation

I was not too happy with the picture I saw of the "changing cultures", the "advance of the West" or "our civilising influence"

in P-NG. It seemed to me that we had overshot ourselves in our anxiety to please the polyglot communities of UN.

It was certainly not for the benefit or actual welfare of the native himself that all these rapid changes had been brought about. At least the natives whom I met recently were not too happy about present conditions.

I am not speaking of the adolescents, the bodgies or the half-baked sophisticates of the "Gimme Gimme" type, but of the older men who have not been swept off their feet by unending promises of "race equality" and "native independence."

It seemed to me that we should throw the native welfare omnibus into neutral gear for a spell to enable the indigenes to find out where they really are in the Scheme of Things. They are being asked to absorb too much in too short a time, and they don't know whether they are Arthur or Martha.

On the surface they appear happy; they have practically unlimited freedom and a bulging purse; but Life—even native life—means more than that. It does not make for solid advancement. It is superficial, and the ethical structure of the native mind must be allowed to grasp this great period of change. The mental and material must develop together.

Native roguery has grown apace with their speeded sophistry; thieving, fraud, embezzlement—civilised attributes of which they knew but little a few years ago. And so I say: Let us dawdle awhile until present-day sophisticates have sorted out their ethical values in this new world into which we are pushing them.

Don't let us be hurried in this vast civilising process by an over-

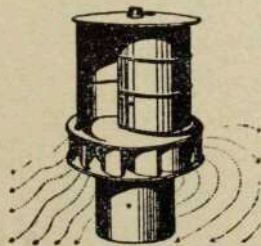
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estimated desire to pander to the plaudits of the polyglot assembly at UN, who make political issues out of matters which should be far above that level.

Wanted—A Name

One of the highlights of my visit to Rabaul was a reception given to me by the members of the Kombiu (or however you may wish to spell it) Club, consisting in the main of Amboinese, Micronesian and certain Mixed Races resident in the town.

Most of them I had known for many years; some of them had arrived there before I did in 1911; others were the offspring of old pioneers.

Their loyalty to the Territory was unquestioned; for years these self-effacing people had kept the indigenes and themselves on an even keel. Their influence amongst native Tolais was great.

In olden days they were known as residents of Malay Town—truly a misnomer, for scarcely one of them could claim Malaya as their home land. It was merely a geographical term to cover those who came from many islands, not included in either Polynesia, Micronesia or Melanesia.

Today they are indifferently known as the "Kombiu Community" in Rabaul.

As I watched them at this gathering I felt a sadness. True loyal citizens, engaged in useful

work with expert brains at fingers, they seemed a section of the community almost ignored officialdom.

They sought certain amenities provided to others, but to the denied. And it made me wonder as to whether these sought-for amenities would have been refused had the Kombiuians had the tendency to be fellow-travellers with the Javanese (or Indonesians, you prefer the name) with whom Australia is bending over backwards to curry favour.

Loyalty in minority communities is well worthy of reward and governments should foster it keenly as they seek to nip international animosities in the bud.

Short vision in such matters could prove unhappy.

After Twenty Years

It had been a hectic morning in Moresby; tootling here and there from Konedobu to the town, to Beach and back again. And as I entered the Papua Hotel there stood a figure which rang a bell in my memory's belfry.

After a moment, recognition was mutual. It was Orme Denny, Qantas, the nerve centre of aer transport in P-N.G. Just over twenty years before, I had hopped over from Wau to Moresby with Orme synchronising with the historic making first air-mail flight Charlie Ulm in his *Faith in Australia*, and we escorted him to the Moresby 'drome.

In the roomy lounge, filled with Qantas' passengers, pilots and glamorous hostesses, we spoke of the early days of Guinea Airways and tossed about the well-known names of New Guinea's pioneer pilots of the air, turning down empty glass for dear old H. Gurney.

Yes, New Guinea — ever as minded since the late Twenties is well in the debt of aviation for its prosperity and its progress, and Orme Denny is seeing to it that it gets service.

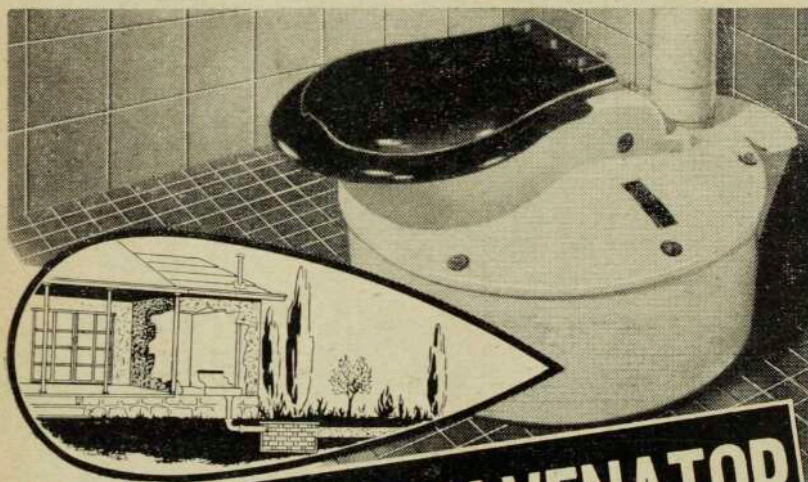
Chips in the Rain

Some of the *Bulolo* passengers who flew from Lae to Goroka made a call on the camp where Chips Rafferty and his party "shooting" *Walk Into Paradise*, the 5,000-odd ft. high Osaro Valley some miles from Goroka.

There was a temporary glow among the party. Rain, and more rain, had held up production. And there's nothing more depressing than constant tropical rain, especially when Chips' chips are limited.

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Inquiries: Past, Present And Future

Interesting matters for investigating around Rabaul area have been the Raluana people's refusal to be included in the Village Council scheme; the so-called "cargo cult" incident in the Baining and the reported irregularities in the management of a Matupi co-operative. From what I hear there may be unexpected developments in some of these affairs and a few raised eyebrows in some quarters.

Passed On

Gone to her rest at the age of 88 is Mrs. Edith Mabel Aitkinson, widow of Sam, a well-known Solomon Islands pioneer planter and trader, who planted up Awa and Balalai in the Shortland Group. Two daughters survive, Mrs. Train and Mrs. Dickes, and Clara Scott, OBE, is a niece.

At Namatanai, New Ireland, last month one of the few remaining links with Queen Emma was broken when Mrs. E. Kapple died. She was the last surviving niece of Mrs. Kolbe in NG, and had spent most of her life planting and trading in the Namatanai district. She came to New Guinea from Samoa in 1890.

All Papuans?

It would appear that the fears I expressed in the June issue on the name "Papuans" being applied to all natives of the two Territories were well founded, and subtle feelers have now been put out to test public opinion. Even the *Rabaul News*, the local pidgin paper, is running a Gallup poll amongst the Tolais on the subject.

Padre Ure, in the last Legislative Council, espoused the term and now none other than Ivan Champion has come to its support in a letter to the Moresby Press.

Academically the term may be generally correct and the adoption of a general name for natives of both Territories would undoubtedly tend ultimately to a closer unity and diminution of local jealousies. But, above all this, must be considered popular opinion and the reluctance of the New Guinea area, which economically (apart from Canberra) carries Papua, to be submersed and lose its identity to the minority.

There seems to be a propensity for Papua—where officialdom is enthroned—to dominate the Territorial picture and this, in my opinion, is not right.

It does not seem equitable that the larger, more populated and more productive area should lose its identity to the satellite for the simple reason that the administrative headquarters have been placed there.

I cannot see that "Papuan" as a general term will be received kindly by the New Guinea people. Their territorial pride will not stand for it.

A recent letter I received from an old NG planter on the subject says:

"(1) The suggestion comes from Papua. No NG person wants it.

Surely Papuans have no right even to suggest the change. Let them change their own name if they wish.

"(2) Many of the natives (New Britain, New Ireland, New Hanover, Buka and Manus and all island boys) are certainly not Papuans and many NG mainland boys are not.

"(3) Boys in this Territory

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loathe Papuan natives who treat them like dirt.

"(4) The Papuan crime record over this side has not been such that one would wish to perpetuate their name.

"(5) Why should the greater number accept the name of the lesser number?

"(6) How long since the 'poor relation' had a right to dictate or even suggest?"

I do not necessarily endorse all the sentiments of my correspondent, but it gives an idea of popular feeling there.

Ramakrishna Library

Celebrates at Nadi

IN little more than a year as a public library, the Ramakrishna Library at Nadi, Fiji, has achieved notable expansion, and the annual report for 1954-55 records an impressive list of library contacts overseas.

The original collection was founded in 1927 by Mr. M. N. Naidu as a memorial to his daughter.

On July 14, when Library Day was celebrated, the Director of Agriculture (Mr C. Harvey) expressed the hope that the library would encourage local Indians in cultural activities.

Travellers' Tales

BACK from Fiji, travellers were quoted by a Sydney paper at the end of July as saying that among the Fijian dishes they had sampled was "taro—the vegetable made out of palm-tree roots."

Considering that taro (dalo in Fijian) is a staple foodstuff in virtually every South Sea island where it can be grown, it is puzzling to account for this pearl of misinformation.

And then Comte de Colonna-Ceccaldi, en route from Tahiti to New Caledonia, recorded a dis-

appointment.

At an outlying island of French Oceania he thought he had discovered "a group of Polynesians untouched by civilisation."

But he found that this was an illusion; the wheel had merely turned full circle, and young women who normally wore "bras" sometimes discarded them for the edification of tourists with cameras.

† Miss Elizabeth McClurg and Mr. Ken Weare, who were married at the Townsville City Baptist Tabernacle on July 9, will make their home at Port Moresby.

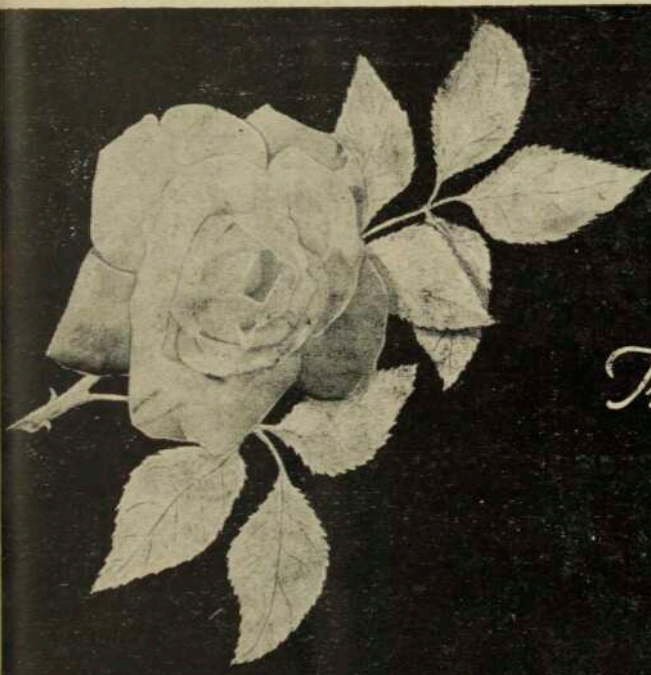
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Mr. and Mrs. J. Maynard Hedstrom, of Fiji—briefly in London, and now gone a-wandering.

Mr. Jim Leahy, of Goroka, New Guinea Highlands. He and his very pretty young daughter Jon have been in Wales, and are now on the Italian Riviera.

Ted Glover, editor of *South Pacific Post*, and his attractive wife, Bunty, have been here for some months, and leave in August, with undisguised shouts of joy, for Sydney and Port Moresby. They insist firmly that they now are Papuans, not English.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ryall (Nelson and Robertson, Ltd., Sydney) are touring somewhere in Scandinavia. They seemed to get away from the overcrowded hotels of this London district.

Mr. C. H. Carpenter, of Sydney, is looking over the London end of the Big Firm's world organisation.

Len Usher, Fiji's Public Relations

Officer, has combined his "long leave" with a special job for the Orient Company (which is so actively developing the trans-Pacific tourist traffic) and is spelling momentarily in London. He goes back to Sydney in one of the big Orient liners; and then he joins Mrs. Mollie Usher and the children in Auckland before they all return

to Suva about the end of the year.

Willie Watson well-known Cook Islands merchant, has been in and out of London, on a busy tour. I gather from one newspaper that he snapped irritably at one uninformed reporter who could not pinpoint Rarotonga, in the South Pacific.

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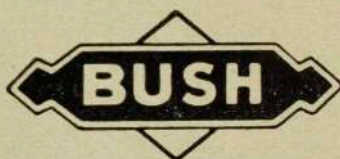
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Colonel "Blue" Allan and Mrs. Allan, of New Guinea and Sydney, having wandered around the East and the Mediterranean in a Wilhelmsen cargo-carrier, are due in London any day now, and a European wander is planned.

Every ship bound for the South Pacific between now and the end of November seems to be booked out, and some of our friends, who had hoped to escape southwards before the year's end, are full of woe and worry.

But London could not care less. London is bedecked with every device calculated to separate these "rich colonials" from their lucre; and the price of everything, from simple clothes to complicated service, literally sends the men from "down under"—and more especially "women from down under"—staggering to their courteous banks, for more and more money.

Dutch Seek to Improve New Guinea Stock

AUSTRALIA, Burma and the Philippines will shortly be visited by two Dutch scientists who wish to acquaint themselves with the qualities of cattle in these countries with a view to possible purchases to improve the cattle stock in Netherlands New Guinea.

The scientists are the director of the Netherlands Institute for Animal Research TNO (Central National Council for Applied Scientific Research in the Netherlands) at Utrecht; and the director of the Institute for Tropical and Protozoan Diseases at the University of Utrecht.

They have left for New Guinea at the request of the Netherlands Ministry for Overseas Parts of the Realm.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. L. Clarke, of Tomanapu Plantation, Bougainville, returned to the Northern Solomons in August after vacation in Australia. Mrs. Clarke's health had benefited from the visit south.

Tahiti's Celebrations Were Reopened

TAHITI'S July celebrations were voted a success by tourists and business interests, according to a Papeete despatch.

The entertainment booths, etc., operated for ten days. Then the Governor gave permission for a brief reopening on July 30-31 to coincide with the visit of the Messageries Maritimes liners *Caledonien* and *Eridan*.

Honolulu-Papeete Service

THERE were indications of South Pacific Airlines' Honolulu-Papeete service coming closer in June. The company was advertising for suitable Papeete representation, and from Honolulu there was word that a landing barge which had earlier been used in salvage work was being fitted out there by the company for use at its Christmas Island staging base.

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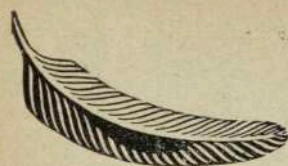
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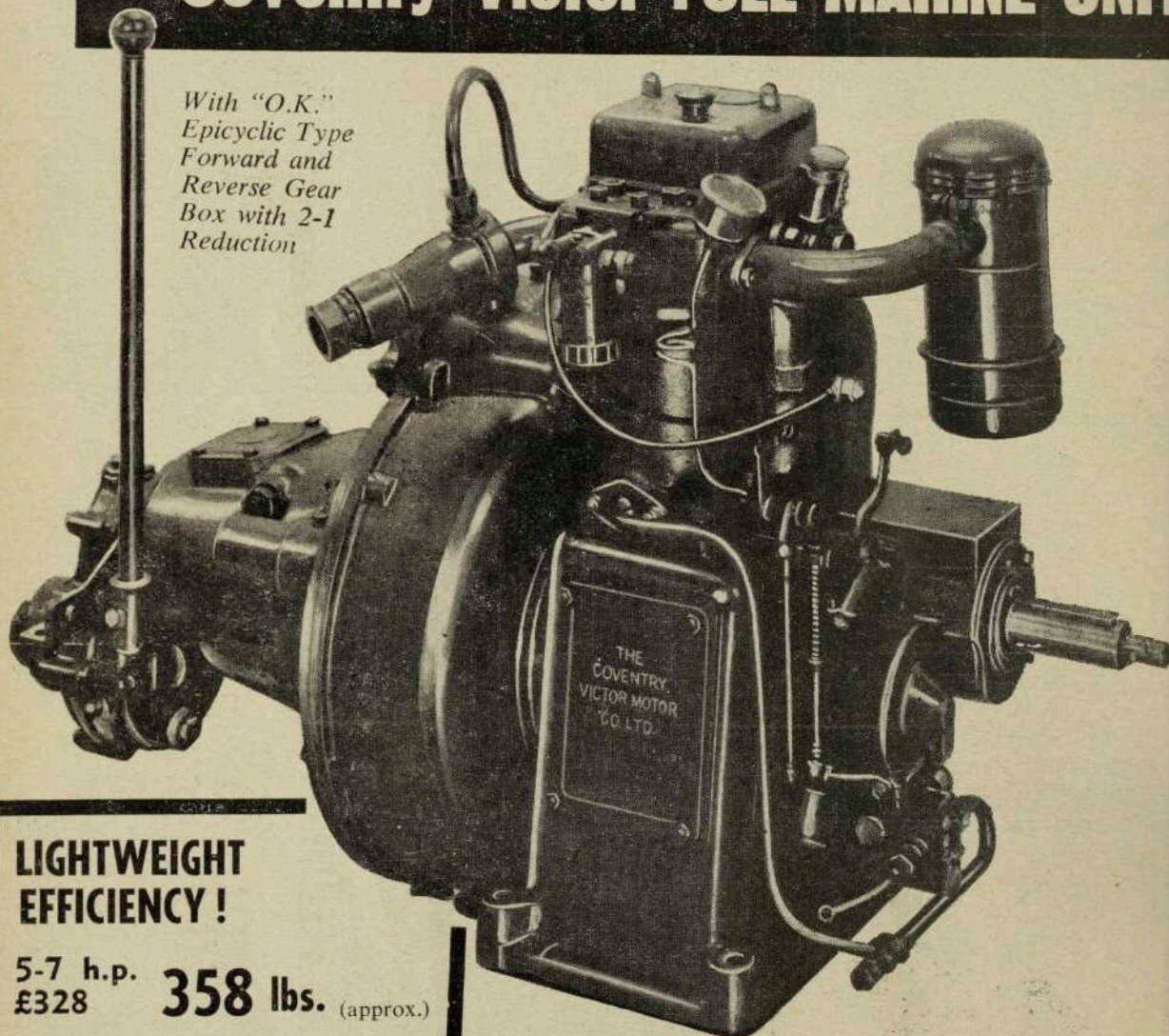
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Current News Items From Our Correspondents In Papua-New Guinea

ARBITRATOR FOR P-NG PUBLIC SERVICE

Appointment of Mr. R. A. Wood as Public Service Arbitrator for Papua New Guinea was announced at Port Moresby on July 20.

The appointment is for three years and is the first of its kind to be made in the Territory.

Mr. Wood has been secretary to the Western Australia State Public Service Commission and has also held appointments as Registrar of the State Industrial Arbitration Court and Deputy Registrar of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court. For a time he was Deputy Director of Western Australia for the Commonwealth Department of Post and Reconstruction.

CO-OPERATIVES BOOM

Annual report figures show that the astonishing growth of native co-operative societies in P-NG is continuing.

For the 1954-55 financial year, the co-operatives had a total turnover of £962,603. This was more than 10 times as much again the turnover of the previous year.

Native co-operatives have taken

giant strides in the six years they have been in existence. In 1950, the turnover was only £62,000.

There are now 198 native co-operatives in the Territory and 11 native societies' associations. During the financial year, 16 new societies and two new associations were formed.

The Acting Director of the P-NG Department of Native Affairs (Mr. J. K. McCarthy) pointed out this week that the annual turnover of the native co-operatives was more than three times the capital investment.

He said regular routine visits have been made during the year by officers of the department's Co-operative Section and 450 audits had been carried out.

Turning to co-operative education, Mr. McCarthy said that during the year, 78 natives had been trained for co-operative work at classes at Rabaul and Port Moresby.

Extension of educational work would follow the completion of a new co-operative school at Port Moresby. It will cost £11,000 and will accommodate 60 resident students. The financial cost of running the

school will be borne by the co-operatives.

PORT MORESBY FIRE

Shell Company's single men's quarters was burnt to the ground at Badilli, Port Moresby, in July.

The only thing saved was a cane chair and this was severely scorched.

Four men living in the modern quarters lost everything in the fire, the cause of which is not known. Damage is estimated at about £7,000.

GOROKA MISSION SCHOOL?

No details have yet been announced, but it is believed that the Catholic Mission at Madang is planning the establishment of a secondary school in the Territory. It is to be at Goroka, in the Eastern Highlands.

The reply to a PIM correspondent on the question was that a Roman Catholic Presbytery had already been built at Goroka and a church would soon be constructed.

After that, a school would be built and then "serious consideration would be given to the establishment of a secondary school."

When plans were definite, the mission would announce details of the proposal.

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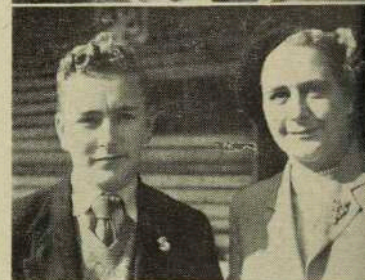
One of the world's leading authorities on tuberculosis, Harry Wunderly, says that TB cannot be wiped out in P-NG, but can be controlled effectively.

Sir Harry, who is Director of Commonwealth Division of Tuberculosis, spent three weeks in Papua and New Guinea inspecting health facilities. Accompanied by the Territory Director of Health (Dr. Gunther) for most of the tour, he visited Samarai, Lae, Finschhafen, Madang, Angoram, Wewak, Kavieng, Rabaul, Kokopo and Kokoka.

He said he was impressed with what had been done by the Administration.

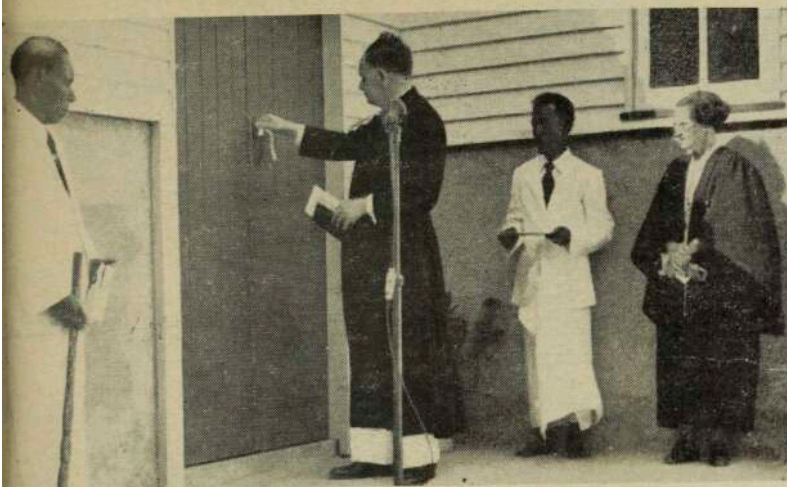
He believed that the most urgent requirement for the extension

New Guinea-Bound in July



Mrs. C. C. King, with Barbara, Richard Penelope (upper picture), went north to Sydney in the "Bulolo" in July to join King, of the Education Department, S.E. Middle: Mrs. D. E. McInnis, whose husband is Director of Lands in Papua-New Guinea, farewelled at Sydney by her son Ian when he departed aboard "Bulolo". Lower: Mr. Mrs. S. F. Dunster and Miss Joy Dunster made the July round-trip to New Guinea in "Bulolo". Mr. Dunster, Radio Engineer, Bitapaka 1919-1921, was returning to his acquaintances.

Opening of New Poreporena Church



The Rev. N. F. Cocks, secretary in Australia for the London Missionary Society, opened the new Poreporena Church, Port Moresby, on June 25. On the left is Pastor Taunao Agaru, pastor of the church. On the extreme right is the Rev. S. J. Rankin, who gave the dedication prayer in both Motu and English, and on her right is the senior deacon, Vagi Lohai.

—Photo by Papuan Prints.

Health services was more personnel, at these people—doctors, nurses and men to operate X-ray machines, as well as many others, would have to be housed properly. At the same time, more and better hospital accommodation would have to be provided.

Sir Harry said he had found that, with the facilities available, much was being done to limit the spread of infectious diseases and to improve the health of the community.

He noted that the natives developed TB rather easily but, if diagnosed early, they responded surprisingly well to modern treatment.

His tour had shown him that the coastal areas of the Territory had a higher incidence of tuberculosis than other districts. This was mainly because the natives there were being brought constantly into contact with the infection.

BUS COLOUR SCHEMES

When four new Administration passenger buses appeared at Port Moresby, it was found that somebody had had the bright idea of painting them with the Qantas bus colours—dark blue body and sky blue roof.

But when they go into service they will have cream roofs.

The bill for amending the bright idea will go to the Administration; hence, presumably, to the Australian taxpayer.

PATROL RECORD

The return of four Patrol Officers to their bases in the Eastern Highlands District at the end of June marked the completion of a record

number of 57 patrols in the district for the year.

This was 16 patrols more than last year's record total.

DOGS AND ROOSTERS

Rabaul is having trouble with dogs and roosters.

In recent weeks a number of people have written to the District Office complaining about dogs barking and roosters crowing in the town area.

As a result a suggestion has been put forward that a branch of the RSPCA should be formed at Rabaul.

Lae is also having noise trouble. This time it's the curfew bell rung at 10.30 every night.

Residents are complaining that the boy who does the ringing is a little too energetic.

A PIM correspondent says that the curfew bell can be heard almost at Finschhafen. Even the heaviest sleepers are disturbed.

COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

Territory people with complaints regarding Administration personnel have been invited by the Administrator to come forward and state their complaints.

He said that if complainants would approach him personally, he would be the first to take action.

Brigadier Cleland was referring to an article in the local newspaper.

It alleged that a respected member of the community had been threatened by an Administration officer in an effort to block reasonable criticism of the officer's own department.

The Administrator said that if these allegations were substantiated,



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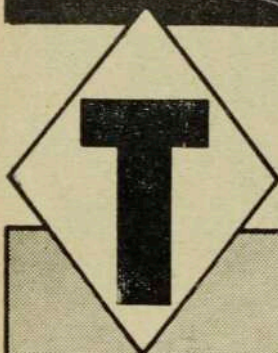
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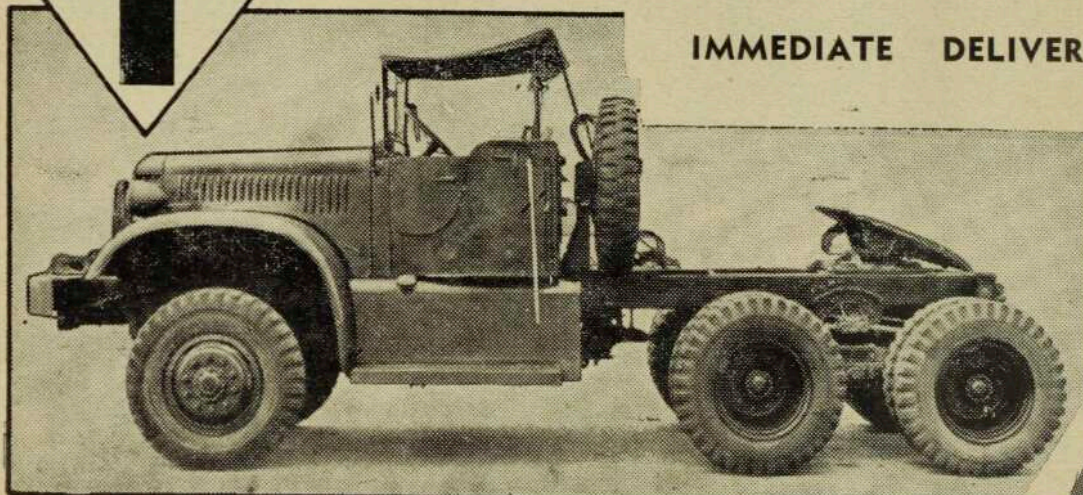
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drastic action would be taken against anyone who was abusing his position.

He added: "I will not tolerate conduct such as that complained of. If people have legitimate complaints, let them come forward and state them frankly and fearlessly. There is no need to hide behind a non-de-plume for fear of reprisal in these circumstances."

COCOA BOOMING

Production of cocoa as a cash crop for natives in the Gazelle Peninsula has taken giant strides in the last few years.

They expect to get more than £10,000 for this year's crop.

In the nine months to March, production amounted to 30 tons.

Cocoa is currently valued at £350 a ton.

In 1952, only two tons were produced in the area. It increased to eight tons in 1953 and 20 tons in 1954.

Cocoa is also produced in New Ireland and Bougainville, but on a much smaller scale.

ORIENT CRUISE-SHIP

The Orient liner *Oronsay's* July visit to Port Moresby was so successful that last-minute tourist-shoppers delayed the ship's departure for half an hour.

General comment by passengers in cruise-ships indicates that Port Moresby and Suva are the most popular of the Island ports of call. For one reason or another, Noumea seem to come in for a good deal of criticism.

The *Oronsay* was not permitted to tie up at the wharf. Administration officials pointed out that one bump from the 28,000-tonner could do an awful lot of damage.

The ship anchored half a mile from the main wharf. Shuttle services of small boats brought the hundreds of travellers ashore and carried scores of Moresby people to inspect the liner.

The customary sing-sings, dancing and other entertainments were staged, and shopkeepers did record business.

A film of the *Oronsay's* visit was made by cameramen of the Department of the Interior.

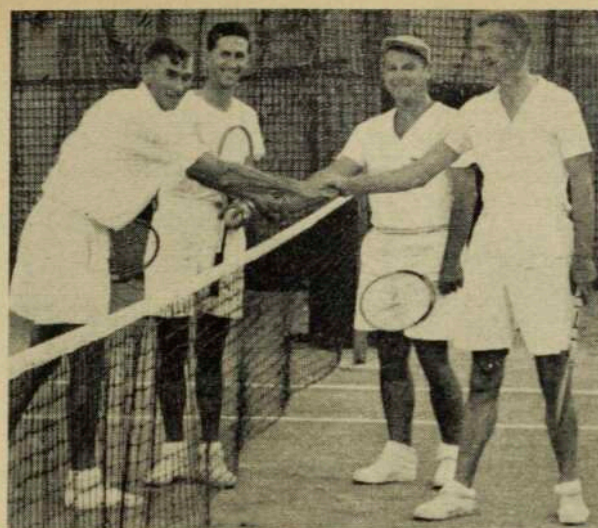
GOGOL RIVER BRIDGE

Thirty miles of road from Madang to the Gogol River Valley cost the P-NG Administration nearly £8,000 last financial year.

The Assistant Administrator (Mr. Wilson) said in July that no estimate had yet been prepared for a steel and concrete bridge over the Gogol River. When this was done, it would be possible to consider providing funds for the bridge.

NATIVE LIQUOR QUESTION

The question of whether natives should be permitted to drink was taken another stage when the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council announced that



Port Moresby Tennis

Port Moresby tennis championship finals were played before a record crowd on June 12. P. Smart won the singles title and he shared the doubles with L. Smart for the second year in succession. Picture shows (left to right): P. and L. Smart and the doubles losers, M. Lalor and G. Crouch.

—Photo by Papuan Prints.



it would seek the opinion of anyone who wished to state his views on the matter.

Europeans, natives, Asians and people of mixed blood are included in the invitation.

The question is: Can they say anything more than has been said since the proposal was first intro-

duced to the Legislative Council in 1953?

The Council has passed the Liquor (Native) Ordinance, and this will soon become law.

However, the Administrator (Brigadier Cleland) has given an undertaking that the section permitting him to allow certain natives

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to drink will not be implemented until the question has been considered further.

The committee has announced that it will sit at Port Moresby, Lae, Madang, Rabaul, and Samarai to hear evidence either for or against the proposal.

During the last Legislative Council meeting, when the Rev. Mr. Ure proposed the appointment of a Select Committee, a shock move came when the Director of Health (Dr. J. Gunther) declined to accept nomination. He said his views on the subject were already known, but he offered his assistance to the committee in any way.

The committee consists of two mission representatives, the Rev. Mr. Ure, Father J. Dwyer; two Official Members, Mr. J. K. McCarthy (Native Affairs), and Mr. T. Grahamslaw (Customs), and the nominated member, Mr. R. Bunting.

The Committee will report to the next meeting of the Legislative Council in October.

SWIFT MADANG ARREST

Only three hours separated the arrival of the *Bulolo* at Madang and the arrest of a member of her crew on a theft charge.

Bulolo berthed at 8 am on July 5, and by 11 o'clock the man was before the Court.

He was fined £3 for stealing Eastern embroidery from a Chinese trader.

MISSION AIR SERVICE

Plans have been announced for the expansion of the aerial missionary service now operating in New Guinea.

The service supplements commercial transport in the Territory, as well as in Dutch New Guinea, and four countries in South America.

It is known as the Missionary Aviation Fellowship and without many missionaries would be handicapped in their work in the remote areas.

The chief pilot for the service (Mr. Charles Mellis) told PIM this week that two light aircraft have been ordered from America to increase the service.

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increase the Fellowship's fleet of four in New Guinea. Another two would be placed on order soon.

One of the planes on order would be stationed at Banz in the Central Highlands and the other would go to Madang.

Mr. Mellis said the Fellowship's aircraft were now serving more than 160 missionaries and their families. The aircraft were carrying many thousand pounds' weight of cargo every year.

BLACKOUTS ENDED

Blackouts have ended for the time being at Port Moresby—and not before time.

Evening peak-hour rationing started on June 1 and ended on July 1.

Every area of Moresby was without power for three-quarters of an hour in the evening.

Rationing started after one of the engines at the power station had broken down. Technicians rushed in on the rationing and installed another, as well as repairing the engine out of commission.

The Administration now says there should not be any more blackouts before the Rouna Hydro-electric scheme comes into operation.

OFFICERS' TAXATION

The Federal Taxation Office ruled

recently that salaries paid to Administration officers during attendance at the Australian School of Pacific Administration after service in the Territory were exempt from taxation.

The Taxation Commissioner later advised that the exemption will apply only in respect of salaries received during the year ended June 30, 1955, and subsequent years. No rebate will be made on assessments before June 30, 1954.

It has been confirmed that similar income tax exemption will apply to permanent Administration officers who are attending the School of Tropical Medicine at Sydney University after service in the Territory.

New recruits to the Territory

Public Service who attend ASOPA, or the School of Tropical Medicine before taking up duty in the Territory, will be subject to income taxation during their study courses in Australia.

COMMUNITY ROADING

An important piece of road work has been carried out in the Gulf District of Papua through collaboration between the Administration, plantation residents and the native population.

Through this joint effort a road has been built over a rocky coastal outcrop known as the "Bluff," which previously blocked vehicular traffic along the hard sand beaches between Vailala and Kerema.

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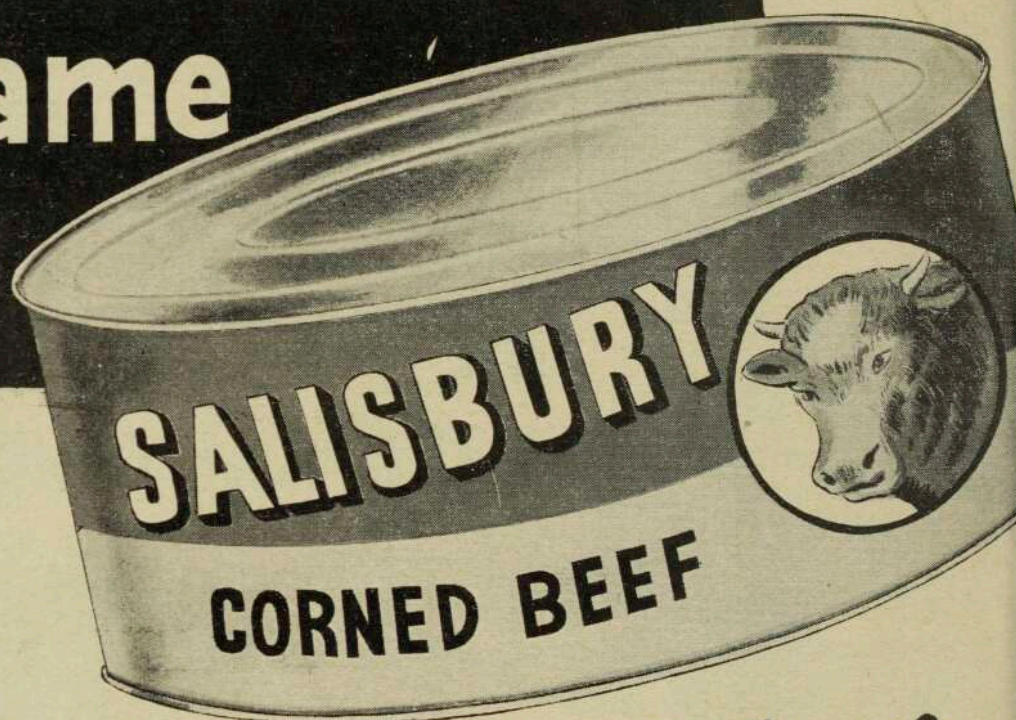
1st Birthday at Port Moresby



Miss Patricia Perichon cuts the cake at her birthday party, held at the Aquatic Club, Moresby, on June 25. On her right is her mother, Mrs. C. W. Perichon.

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Mr. R. Preece, of Peto Plantation, voluntarily supervised much of the work done by Administration labour drawn from local villages, and Mr. A. Chalder, of Huiva Plantation, owned by Steamships Trading Co., supervised blasting operations and provided some of the labour from the plantation.

They worked in collaboration with

the Assistant District Officer at Kerema, Mr. A. K. Jackson, and his staff.

Although the new road link is slightly less than a mile long, it presented a difficult construction problem, and involved cutting a route over solid rock rising sharply from sea level. This was all done by blasting and hand labour.

TRIBAL FIGHTING

Tribal fighting south of Menyamya,

in the Morobe District, New Guinea, caused at least nine deaths early in July.

The ADO at Menyamya Station, Mr. J. E. Wakeford, was on patrol



Women racegoers at Port Moresby came out in their best for the Queen's Birthday race meeting. At left, Mrs. A. Lancaster; right, Misses Pat Perichon and Polly Cargeeg.
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when he learned of the fighting. With ten native policemen, he went to the area to endeavour to stop the outbreak. Another ten police followed the first party.

It was officially stated at Port Moresby that there has been little contact with the tribes in the area, who are still in a very primitive state.

Consolidation of Administration influence had been proceeding in other parts of the region since the Menyamya Station was opened at the end of 1950.

SANCTUARIES

The Animals and Birds Protection Ordinance has been amended to enable the declaration of fauna sanctuaries in limited areas. Within these areas native hunting rights will not be allowed, and collectors will be able to obtain specimens only in regions specified by permit.

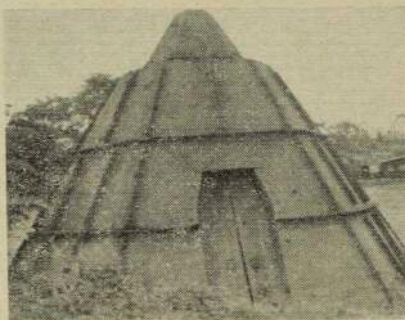
A further amendment permits fauna to be declared unprotected in limited areas for limited times. This is to permit the "thinning out" of fauna which although generally protected shows a tendency to increase beyond reasonable limits.

NEW MORESBY HOSPITAL

A Sydney company has a contract to build a £409,000 native hospital at Port Moresby.

The company, E. S. Clementson

Golfers' Hazard at Rabaul



This Japanese pillbox still stands solidly on the Rabaul Golf Club's fairway. Not far away is another war relic—a Japanese gun. If anybody plays a ball into the gun-barrel the penalty is refreshment for everybody. So far the penalty has never been incurred.

Pty. Ltd., of Lane Cove, has almost completed a £500,000 hospital at Glen Innes.

The Port Moresby hospital will have 300 beds, and the job, in terms of the contract, is to be finished in 120 weeks.

The contract is believed to be the biggest building venture undertaken in Papua.

A European section of the hospital

will be built later, at an estimated cost of about £1,000,000.

The assistant managing director of E. S. Clementson Pty. Ltd., Mr. D. G. Peacocke, said that native labour would be used to build the hospital under direction of a team of experts sent from Australia.

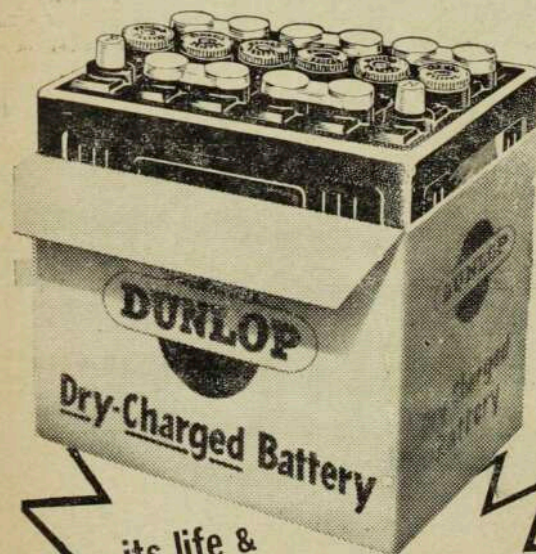
NATIVE APPRENTICESHIP BOARD MEETING

The Native Apprenticeship Board held its sixth meeting on July 27 at Kwato, in the Milne Bay District with Mr. J. Hohnen, of New Guinea Goldfields Limited, as chairman.

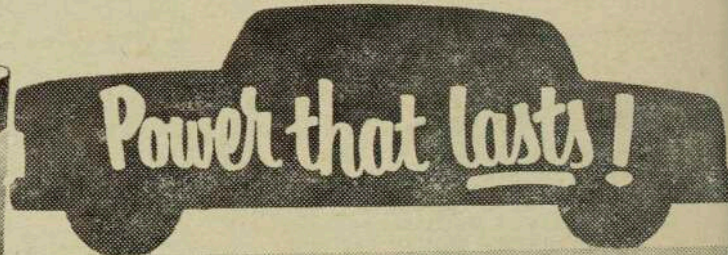
Reviewing the progress made since the scheme was opened last May, the board expressed pleasure at the response of the public to the plans for training native apprentices.

Information placed before the members showed that with the available facilities in some Territory centres, it will be possible to accept immediately a number of natives from the higher level training groups for admission to the scheme as 4th and 5th year apprentices.

These apprentices will therefore qualify as tradesmen in 1956 and 1957, and it is expected that during the coming year approximately 11 will be doing their training at various stages of five-year apprenticeships. Further increase in the number of apprentices will depend



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upon the training facilities available and the initial success of the scheme.

At its July meeting the board decided to establish a District Committee for the Milne Bay area. The District Commissioner, Mr. M. J. Healy, was appointed chairman, and the other committee members are Messrs. Beavis, Gabriel, Peerson and Burrows. It was considered that within the next few weeks a number of native apprentices could be engaged for the shipbuilding, engineering and woodworking trades.

The board was impressed by the technical training facilities at the Kwato Mission, where a high degree of craftsmanship is maintained in the trades taught at the centre.

The Milne Bay District Committee has been requested to inspect these facilities and those at other establishments in the district to assess the managements as approved employers.

The importance of technical education associated with apprenticeships was discussed by the board, which is making preparations for holding classes in special trade subjects at the centres where native apprentices are to be employed.

Wedding at Rabaul



Miss Gertrude Lyons and Mr. Gerhardt Porath, of Lili-na-kaia Plantation, were married at the Methodist Church, Rabaul, on June 27. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. Lutton.

—Photo by C. H. Meen.

Health Education Plan For P-NG

MISS BARBARA McLACHLAN, of the P-NG Education Department, is on her way to the United States to do a year's study at the University of California on health education, under a World Health Organisation fellowship.

This is a special post-graduate course on modern methods of health education which seek to obtain the co-operation of individuals and the community generally. This type of education is particularly essential in Papua and New Guinea.

¶ The five members of the Western Samoan Legislative Assembly who will visit New Zealand in September as guests of the Dominion Government are the Hons. J. B. Fonoti, M. Tualalelei, Tofaeono, Tu'u and G. F. Betham. Travelling expenses to and from New Zealand will be paid by the Samoan Government.

† Lady Garvey's gift parcels fund for the Fijian troops in Malaya was closed soon after it had been announced that the 1st Battalion would return home early in 1956. The committee administering the fund is making arrangements for the last distribution of Christmas parcels for the soldiers as well as for benefits for dependents.



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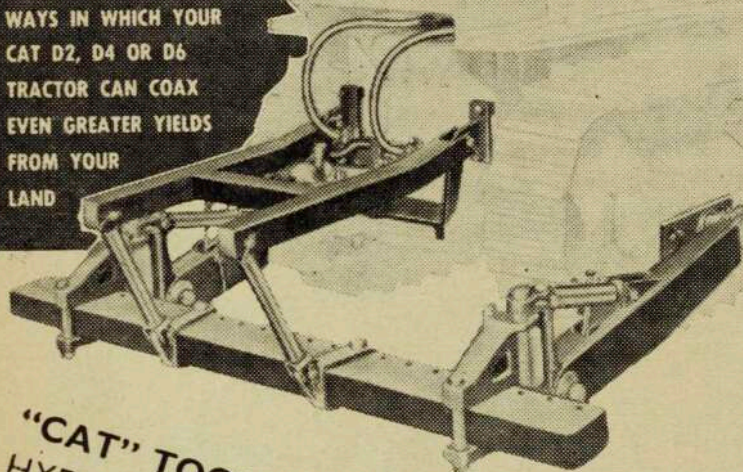
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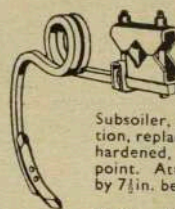
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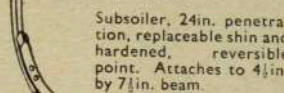


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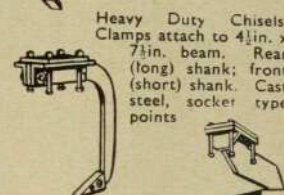
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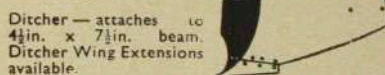
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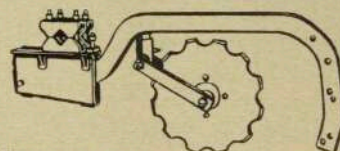
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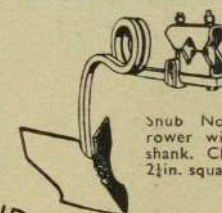
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French General at Suva



Doctor General Robert, Director-General of the French Medical Service, called at Suva in July on his way to and from Tahiti, where he inspected the Medical Service. He is seen here with Mr. M. H. Helsen, French Consul at Suva and managing director of Burns Philp (South Sea) Co., Ltd. —Photo by Caines.

APPEAL FOR LIBRARY OF RECORDS FROM ISLANDS

THE South Pacific Commission has circularised broadcasting authorities in the South Pacific Islands seeking co-operation towards the formation of a central library of recorded music, chants, ceremonies, historic occasion, etc., associated with the Islands.

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Those interested in contributing should write to the Executive Officer for Social Development, SPC, GPO, Box 5254, Sydney, NSW, Australia.

CIMP John Numa made a medical survey of the population of Palmerston Island and Pukapuka in July.

Mr. F. N. M. Pusinelli, Secretary to the Government, Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, returning from furlough in England, arrived at Sydney by plane and departed via Brisbane and Nauru aboard a phosphate vessel late July. Mr. Pusinelli will be Acting Resident Commissioner in the absence of Mr. Bernacchi, who is now on furlough.

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Crime Outbreak at Suva Causes Alarm

(From Our Own Correspondent)

WIRE guards and shutters at Suva shop windows at night are a result of what might be called the city's current crime wave. Two cafes were burgled on July 18, £40 worth of cigarettes being stolen from the Peking and another £40, in cigarettes and cash, from the Regal.

Meanwhile, cases of breaking and entering have occurred in residential areas, and a number of night prowlers have been going the rounds, causing great disquiet among women.

All things considered, Suva is normally a law-abiding place—markedly so in comparison with larger cities overseas and the present outbreak has caused a good deal of commotion.

More policemen are on patrol at night, but it is clear that the police with a suburban prowler-hunt on their hands as well as keeping a close eye on the central area, cannot do much more.

Various citizens have come forward with suggestions for extreme measures. One is that a detachment of Fijian soldiers should be sent home from Malaya to reinforce the police. Another is that photographs of convicted prowlers and burglars should be publicly displayed to identification by householders so as to deter reprobates who, however hardened they may be, usually dislike publicity.

EVENTFUL DELIVERY FLIGHT TO NOUMEA

FIRST aircraft for the newly formed TRANSPAC international island airline, Noumea, was delivered late in July by Captain Peter E. Palmer, representative of an English delivery firm.

The de Havilland Rapide, purchased second-hand in England, came by way of France, Italy, Greece, Cyprus, Syria, Iraq, Persia, Pakistan, India, Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia, Darwin, Hong Kong, and Port Moresby.

At Port Moresby, aviation authorities held up the aircraft until extra fuel tankage was provided for the ocean hop to Noumea.

Captain Palmer said that he had a failure of one engine through a fuel blockage 25 miles from Hong Kong, but landed safely.

Then he was gaoled for two weeks in Indonesia for arriving without having first completed the necessary formalities.

TRANSPAC's second Rapide is expected to be delivered in about six months.

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Uniforms for Patrol Officers Suggested

DISTINCTIVE uniforms, after the style of those available to District Service personnel in the old New Guinea Administration, should be worn by present members of that Department who are in contact with natives.

This opinion was expressed by Mr. Don Barrett, the member for New Guinea Islands electorate, in the recent meeting of the Papua and New Guinea Legislative Council.

Mr. Barrett went on:

"The officers of the Dept. of District Services have a very grave responsibility—they have a dignity to uphold; they represent a service with a very fine tradition. Prior to the war, a field uniform could be worn by those officers, and from photographs I have seen of that uniform it was indeed a smart one and had engendered respect amongst the peoples with whom those officers were working.

"To-day the same cannot be said. To say that some officers of the Public Service dress sloppily is putting it lightly. They may be few in number but the fact remains that there are some. I would like to suggest that the Administration give the most serious consideration to reintroducing a type of field uniform for the Dept. of District Services with the types of badges such as existed before the war in the Territory of New Guinea. . . . If officers of the Department were issued with that uniform . . . their prestige would be enhanced."

Mr. Barrett also had something to say about methods of communicating with natives and suggested that officers of District Services who are in close contact with these people should master the local *lingua franca*, be it Pidgin, Motu or, in areas of large language groups, the local dialect.

He said that he did not think that it was unreasonable to expect this—members of various Missions did so—but it was essential that officers should not be changed frequently by the Administration from district to district as had been the case in some instances recently.

(Editorial Note: Mr. Barrett is, of course, perfectly right. It matters very little what a gathering of the intelligentsia in, say, London, wear; but it matters a great deal how the person in whom is vested Authority appears before the semi-civilised. Sloppy dress indicates sloppy discipline and lack of pride—and no one is quicker to notice it than the

native. Our colonising grandfathers had the right idea when they decided that braid and feathers were essential in impressing the lowly savage. The uniforms of the British Colonial Service still carry on that idea and although they may not be precisely comfortable for the wearer, they are part of carrying the White Man's burden and still regarded as part of the job. Something more modern perhaps would be more in order for Australians in Australian territories. Although grandfather's psychology has been largely discredited it still holds good in this department and a smart uniform on a smart officer is likely to pay bigger dividends than any amount of fraternising of the Brown Brother order).

Interrupted Voyage

AN eventful voyage from Hong-kong delayed by four days the arrival of the *Eastern Star* at Rabaul in July.

First the ship lost a propeller blade. Then she was diverted to Manus to land a dangerously ill man.

After unloading at Rabaul, *Eastern Star* sailed for Sydney, and then to dry dock for repairs.

¶ Mr. K. J. Garnett, a Veterinary Officer in Fiji who has been on leave in Britain, has won a diploma of veterinary State medicine at the Royal Dick Veterinary College, Edinburgh.

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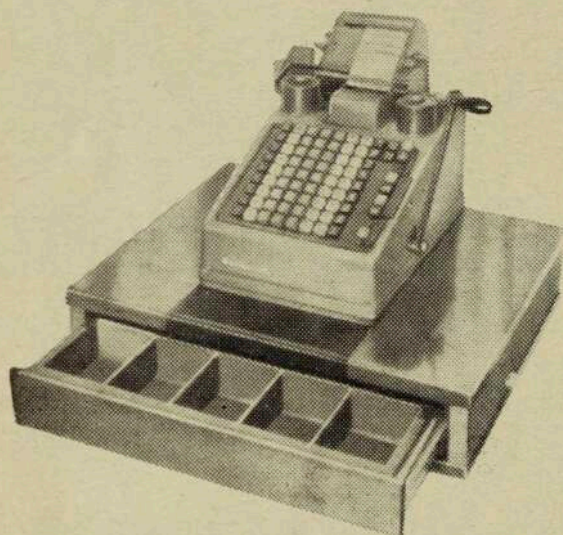
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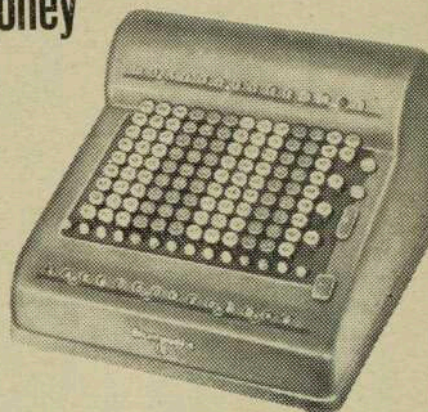
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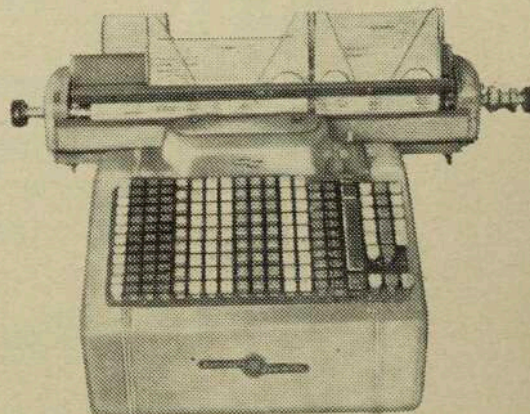
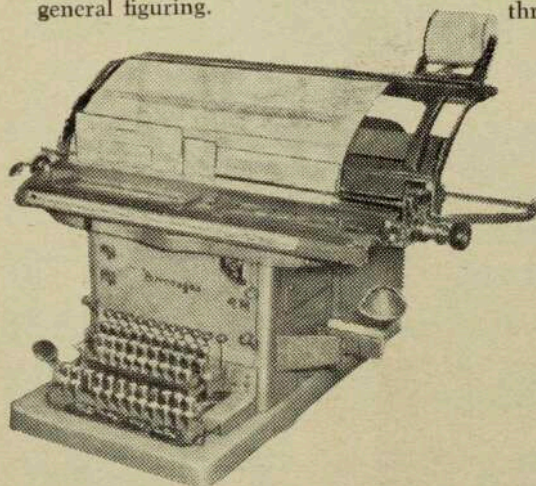


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NC DISPOSES OF EX-JAP PROPERTY

From Our Own Correspondent

NOT all the sequestered Japanese properties in New Caledonia will be sold.

A large property of about 2,000 hectares in the coffee-growing centre of Ponerihouen will be retained by the French Government for agricultural purposes. Farmers may be sent from France to work the property.

Several small ex-Japanese properties in the north of the island were put up for sale early in July.

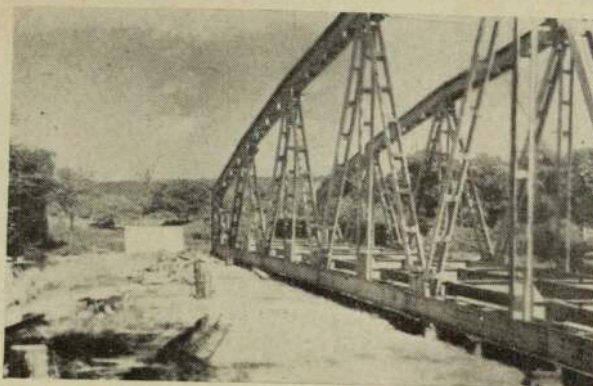
When the land and houses have been sold, certain mining leases will be put on the market. It is believed that the authorities will not permit monopoly control of these leases.

The Goro mining area, once the property of the Japanese-financed Societe Le Fer, is likely to be the centre of interest. This great iron ore concession on the south-east coast includes a valuable conveyor system for quick loading of ships.

It is possible that a local company, in which the Government Mining Bureau might be interested, may be formed to bid for this concession.

It is not known if the Japanese

Bridge Without River . . .



This bridge is being constructed by the Condominium Public Works Dept. over the Surakata River, at Santo, NH. It will replace an American war-time bridge. This photograph was taken in April by a visitor who said that the bridge itself was being built on the land—the far edge of it rests on the river bank and the large, white block of concrete seen in the photograph is where it will ultimately rest on the other side of the river.

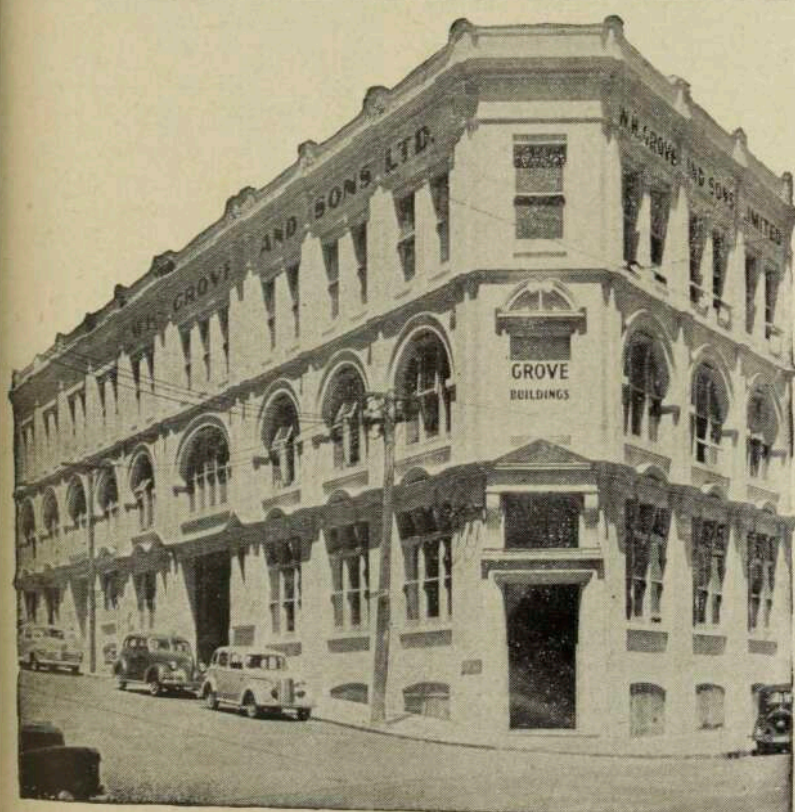
The visitor wondered how it would be done.

will be represented at the sale. Meanwhile four small ex-Japanese properties in Noumea suburbs are to be sold by auction with a jumping-off price of 140,000 francs (about £A1,000) each. Two of the properties include small houses.

† Melbourne is to be invaded by sports-loving young New Caledonians for the Olympics next year. No need, though, for the Australians to brush up their French.

It is being handled from the other end and Radio Noumea has instituted an English-by-Radio session to prepare all hands for the excursion. Classes are being conducted by the English Professor at La Perouse College.

‡ A German free lance journalist, Dr. Krug, is to visit Papua-New Guinea to gather material for special articles to be published in 15 German newspapers. He plans to spend six weeks on his tour.



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WHO Nursing Seminar Held at Suva in July



Delegates from South-East Asia, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands gathered in Suva in July for the WHO nursing seminar. Among the entertainments was a reception given by Chinese residents of Suva for their compatriots. This picture shows Mr. C. C. Cheng (extreme left) talking with Mr. Kiwan Li, Administration and Finance Officer, Manila; Mrs. Ki Boon (Korea); Miss Betty Hanson (Suva); Miss Tao-Chen Ye (Formosa); Mrs. E. R. Fong (Brunei); Miss Clara Ko (Hongkong); and Miss Wilhelmina Tan (Sarawak).—Photo: Public Relations Office, I.

† A new weather observation station has been established in American Samoa with a full-time meteorological staff.

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Fellowship for 1955-56 has been awarded to Dr. Robert C. Coode of Auckland Institute and Museum to make a botanical study of taro and the sweet potato in Polynesia.

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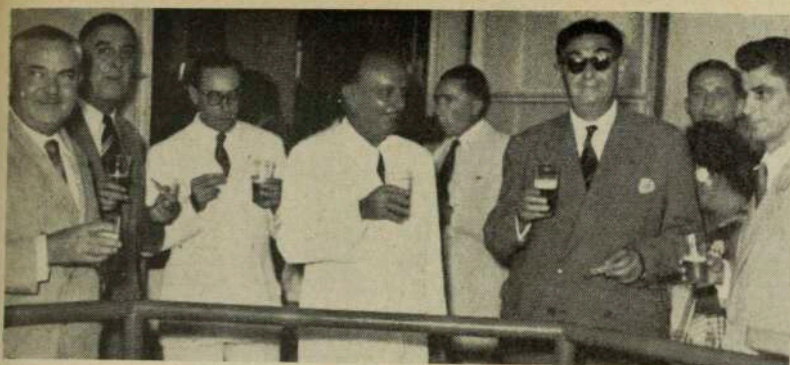


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The accompanying photograph, taken at the official opening, shows Governor Toby (dark glasses) with M. Yves Martin, director of the company, on his right, and other leading Papeete citizens.

Eastern Samoa Makes Plans

AT the opening session of the American Samoa fourth Legislature session in June, Governor Lowe reported that the government was seeking an allocation of \$1 million for 1957 for the development of Tafuna Airport to international standards. In view of this call on Washington, the Governor advised members to adopt caution in their demands for finance for other projects.

The wide variety of matters to be debated at the ten-day session included the possible elimination of the \$5 head tax in favour of an increase in copra export duty, as well as a general study of taxation in the territory. Other subjects: liquidation of the Retirement Fund; simplification of East-West Samoa travel formalities; Matai titles; banking and postal services in the Manu'a Group; laws to protect Samoan interests in business; workers' compensation.

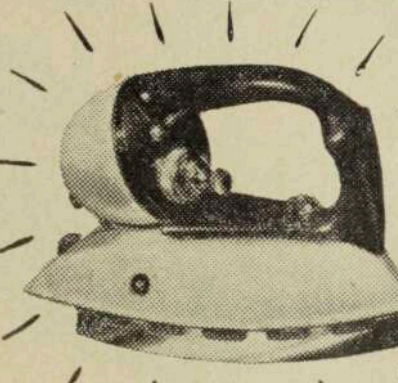
Governor Lowe took the occasion to remind members that the stability and intelligence of the Legislature in its work would govern how soon greater responsibility would be granted towards self-government.

The Governor said that great progress had been made in the past 18 months.

M. Jacques Foccart an elected member of the Union Francaise (the French Empire Parliament) has been entrusted with a mission in the French West Indies, Tahiti and New Caledonia. Noumea cynics have commented that M. Foccart will be the 17th member of the Union Francaise to get a free voyage to New Caledonia with a mission of one kind or another.

Miss Irish Wilcock, Sub-Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Lecturer in French at Melbourne University, has been visiting New Caledonia to (in her own phrase) "smooth out her French." She was cordially welcomed by the local education authorities.

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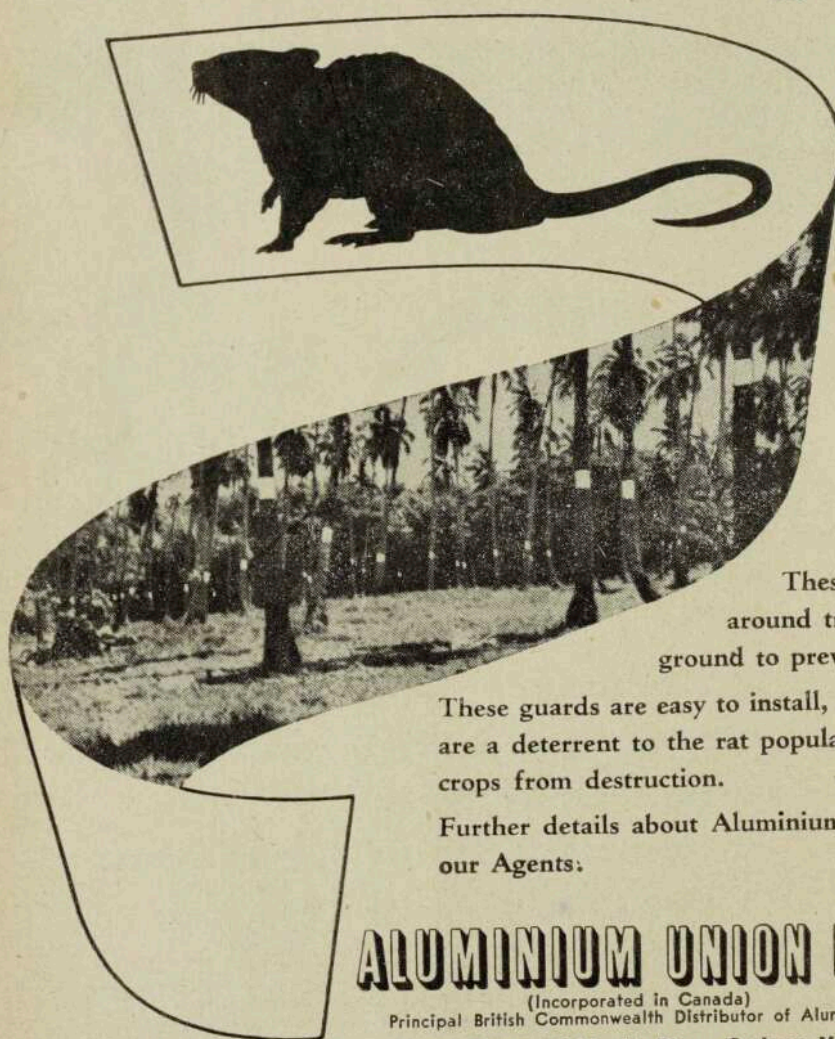
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Pago Tuna Enterprise is Expanding

PAGO PAGO is to see an expansion of tuna fishing and canning operations following the visit of a Van Camp Company official recently. The ice-making and fish-storing capacity will be greatly expanded with the arrival of the Japanese freezer mothership *Saipan Maru*, which will also be able to store all swordfish, sharks, and shark-bitten tuna previously wasted for lack of storage.

The latter produce will now go to Japan, with the exception of the small quantity used on the local market.

In the cannery, three modern packing "lines" are being established to replace the present two out-dated lines. New canning equipment is being installed, and the fish dock improved and extended. An additional fishing vessel, the *Kaiko Maru No. 13*, has arrived. She is somewhat larger than the others—352 gross tons. She brought in 47 tons of fish as her first offering in June.

Van Camps recently joined forces with the US Fish & Wildlife Service Pacific Ocean Fishery Investigation team to carry out further long-line tuna fishing surveys in Line Islands waters and results were "moder-

General Guillaume's Pacific Tour



General de l'Armee Augustine Guillaume, Inspector of the French Armed Forces, is seen here with the High Commissioner for France in the Pacific (M. Rene Hoffherr) at Noumea. General Guillaume's Pacific tour in July included New Caledonia, Tahiti, New Zealand and Australia.
—Official Photograph.

ately successful." The company is keen that other American fishing vessels—or any other vessels—supply tuna to the cannery on a tonnage basis, and the Line Islands area is considered a potentially valuable and, so far, unworked fishing ground.

SYDNEY PHOTOGRAPHER IMPRESSED BY NEW CALEDONIA

From Our Own Correspondent

NEW Caledonia's cattle and pastures have impressed Mr. Norman Hertford, a well-known Sydney photographer, but he, like many others, shakes his head over the island's dependence on imports of tinned (or powdered) milk and butter.

Aided by everybody from the Governor down, Mr. Hertford secured a comprehensive pictorial coverage of New Caledonia for a Sydney journal.

Having been subjected to sugar-coated treatment by people who produce South Sea claptrap for Australians, the Colony is hoping for something more accurate this time.

Mr. Hertford, like other people who have seen New Caledonia's sparkling rivers, was surprised that no fish-stocking has been done. In many ways the rivers resemble New Zealand's world-famous trout streams.

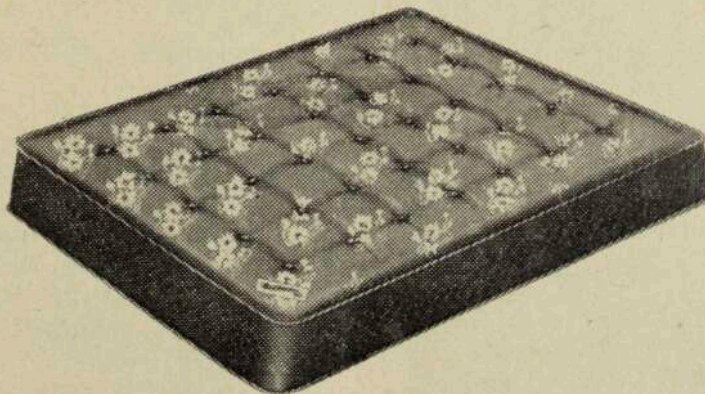
One of the visitor's most unusual shots was secured at a girls' school, where, during a cookery lesson, he found girls preparing snails for the oven.

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Whether, in the distant future, some development of the kind may appear in the South Pacific is a matter for speculation.

Jamaica's bananas are exported, mostly to Britain, in bunches or hands. Fiji's, Samoa's and Tonga's bananas are not, because the shipping people and the New Zealand importers insist on cases.

Despite occasional mutterings from NZ consumers, the case system often involves, in the Islands, the violent jamming of bananas into boxes and, on occasion, a certain amount of jumping on the boxes before the lids can be slammed on. Further, the method of ripening at the NZ end is sometimes primitive.

There seems to be a substantial gap between bananas in cases and such niceties of feeling as the prevention of chafing and scarring of the skin by polythene film.

¶ The Rev. Father C. A. Palmer, SM, of the Marist Mission at Honiara, BSIP, arrived at Brisbane in June with a remarkable collection of recordings of Melanesian and Pohnesian songs and music. Father Palmer, who was born at Brisbane,

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CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT RED TAPE UNTANGLED

From Our Rabaul Correspondent

RECENTLY businessmen in Rabaul, NG, protested vigorously through the local press against red tape at the Customs Department which, they said, was strangling the commercial life of the town.

Understaffed with, in the main, inexperienced employees who allowed no elasticity in interpreting the regulations, both exports and imports were held up. Four vessels were expected from overseas within ten days, while the Customs shed was packed with cargoes more than two weeks old.

Among the complaints was one of discourtesy to the public by one of the Department's officers.

Within six days of publication of the reports on his Department, Mr. T. Grahamslaw, Collector of Customs, was in Rabaul, having arranged appointments, prior to his arrival, with the businessmen quoted in the newspaper articles.

During his 1½ days' stay, Mr. Grahamslaw interviewed both European and Chinese businessmen, listened to their problems, and, where possible, promised to ease restrictive routines.

On the night before his departure he addressed the Rabaul Customs staff, briefed them with an outline of their obligations to the public and investigated the complaint of discourtesy.

On this last point no news has filtered beyond the Department. However, since Mr. Grahamslaw's departure the transformation in the Rabaul Customs office has been amazing. No problem is too much trouble for the clerical staff to help solve; gone are the days of petty pin-pricking regulations that wasted manhours and energy.

The staff say that there is "no change at all," and that the newspaper had nothing to do with it if there is. Mr. Grahamslaw's visit was a "routine annual visit."

However, as this is Mr. Grahamslaw's first visit to Rabaul as Chief Collector, and as the last visit of his predecessor was in 1952, the chronological error is, to quote the late Damon Runyon, "more than somewhat."

The Rev. R. P. Garrity, of the Melanesian Mission, Honiara, BSIP, has been appointed in London as Deputationist Secretary to the Mission. Mr. Garrity expects to leave Honiara in October to visit NZ, after which, with Mr. Garrity and their son Robert, he will go to London to take up his new appointment early in 1956.

† A US Navy PBM5A Martin patrol bomber with a crew of nine and ten passengers called at Tarawa on June 4, departing the following day for the Marshall Is. No reason for the visit was made public.

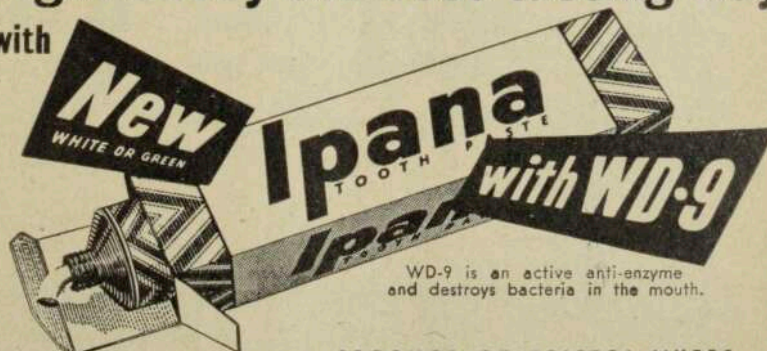
† A group of Franciscan Capuchin friars was expected in New Guinea in July or August to open the first New Guinea mission station for that

Order in the Mendi-Tari area. The friars were coming from the Pennsylvania, USA, province of the Order.

† Mrs. Doris Booth, of Bulolo, New Guinea, said during a business visit to Brisbane in July that New Guinea goldmining was gradually declining, mainly because of high production costs.



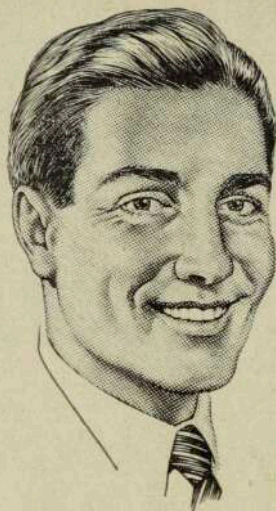
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Kon-Tiki Debate Moves To Easter Island

OUT of the bound-to-happen department comes an Oslo report, dated July 15, that Thor (Kon-Tiki Raft) Heyerdahl is planning an expedition to Easter Island.

His wife and archaeologists will go with him, plus a doctor who, according to the report, will "make blood tests of the natives."

The report naively adds: "Huge stone statues at Easter Island have mystified visitors. Some believe them to be the key to a lost civilisation."

Mr. Heyerdahl told an Oslo press conference that the expedition would be financed with the profits of the Kon-Tiki film and books.

It was not reported whether the objective at Easter Island will be to find something that may support the theory of a South American origin for the Polynesian people, but the implication seems to be there.

WITH regard to the blood tests, it may be pointed out that Australian experts have already clashed briskly with those who maintain that the Polynesian races

are descended from South American voyagers who crossed the Pacific by raft or canoe.

"All the evidence of blood grouping suggests that this is not so," said Dr. R. J. Walsh, of the Sydney Red Cross Transfusion Service, in a newspaper interview earlier this year.

Dr. Walsh pointed out that blood characteristics have "grouped" many races, and that research has supported many anthropological theories—but not the theory that has been pegged to the Kon-Tiki voyage.

The only people who cannot be grouped with one or other of the few "blood relatives" categories are the Australian Aborigines.

As far as is known, no acknowledged authority on Polynesian history and culture has ruled out the possibility, or even probability, of contact with the South American mainland in the course of history. But that is not to confirm all the

claims that have cropped up since the Kon-Tiki feat.

MEANWHILE the system of radio-carbon dating continues to produce interesting results.

Dr. Alex Spoehr, of the Bishop Museum, Honolulu, has said that material found at an ancient Polynesian-type settlement in Saipan has given a radio-carbon dating of 1375 BC, with a margin of error of 200 years either way.

This indicates that Polynesian colonists, wherever they came from, were in the western Pacific at least 3,000 years ago.

† BSIP registration of aliens came into force on July 15, and all persons aged 16 or over who are not British subjects, British-protected persons or citizens of the Republic of Ireland were required to apply for registration within 28 days. Heavy penalties are provided for offences against the Regulation.

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December, 1957, will bring the end of the present copra marketing system and it is fairly evident that Pacific producers and shippers will have to "pull their socks up." The days of a more or less standard price for almost anything that can be called copra will presumably be over, and payment is likely to be on a footing which will restore incentive to the production of high-grade copra.

Now is the time for producers to consider ways of improving quality,

and in this comprehensive booklet Mr. Pieris gives a wealth of information on how this can be done, including constructional data on a variety of driers.

Next month a PIM article will discuss Paper No. 82 in more detail.

† Since June 17, Tarawa Broadcasting station VTW on 844 kc/s, has changed its broadcasting times from 0730 GMT on Saturdays to the same time on Friday evenings.

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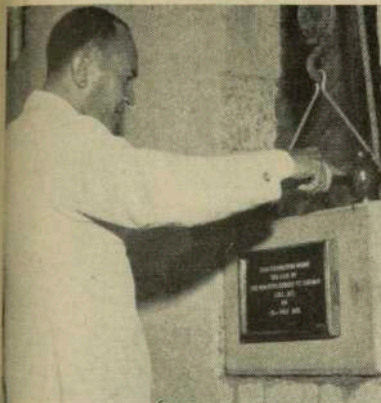
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Ratu Edward Cakobau lays the foundation stone of the new tuition block at Adi Cakobau School, near Suva.

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Adi Cakobau School is Expanding

From Our Own Correspondent

COMMEMORATING a beautiful and gracious lady of the Fijian nobility, Adi Cakobau School for Fijian girls has, in the post-war years, become a fitting counterpart to the long-established Queen Victoria School for boys.

Today the school, in a picturesque setting at Sawani, 12 miles from Suva, is educating Fijian girls to take their rightful place in the development of the Fijian race.

On July 13, Adi Cakobau's distinguished son, Colonel Ratu Edward Cakobau laid the foundation stone of the school's new tuition block.

He recalled that for 25 years after the signing of the Deed of Cession in 1874 there were no schools for Fijian girls. From 1900 to 1932 there were mission schools for girls but no Government schools. It was 64 years after Cession that Adi Cakobau School was established.

"It was a monstrous loss to us," said Ratu Edward. "It will be many years before Fijian womenfolk recover from the setback imposed in the years where there was no counterpart for girls of Queen Victoria School."

The new tuition block, designed on the most modern lines (April PIM, page 140), will enable the school roll to be increased from 120 to at least 180.

Adi Cakobau School, much of whose present high status is due to the devoted work of the principal—Miss F. Charlton, a New Zealander—started with three classes of an intermediate school.

Gradually, secondary classes were added, and it is intended that ultimately it will become an entirely secondary school.

The school's attractive array of alertly intelligent girls, and its record of achievement in academic and domestic subjects, are proof of its growing influence in Fijian life.

On a golden afternoon in December, 1953, the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh visited the school—one of the most idyllic interludes of the Royal visit to Fiji.

† Mr. A. M. L. Benjamin, Assistant Government Storekeeper, Fiji, has left on a year's vacation leave before retirement.

Fiji Women's Hockey Team Back

Fiji's women's hockey team arrived at Suva from New Zealand on July 11 after a highly successful Dominion tour.

The team played 24 matches of which 18 were won, three were lost and three were drawn.

Players commented that the warmth of the NZ welcome more than compensated for the chill of the southern winter.

† Two high chiefs of New Caledonia went to Paris for the Bastille Day celebrations on July 14 as guests of the French Government. Last year quite a large party, including Europeans, was invited.

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NEW CALEDONIA'S QUERY

JAVANESE LEAVE, TONKINESE STAY

(From Our Own Correspondent)

ABOUT 1,500 Javanese are left in New Caledonia after the July repatriation of 590, which marked the winding-up of the Government-financed repatriation system.

Any Javanese who wish to go back to Indonesia in the future will have to do so at their own expense, but it is improbable that any will want to go.

A good many of the 1,500 were born in New Caledonia and believe—apparently with good reason—that they are better off here than in their ancestral homeland.

New Caledonia's total population is 65,463.

It is safe to say that people of other races in New Caledonia genuinely regret that so many of the Javanese have gone.

They (the Javanese) get on well with the indigenous people and with the Europeans. They are likeable people, with the capacity to make the best of things. They are not constantly looking for grievances and imaginary slights. They are generous and possess a sense of

humour, and they are conscientious workers.

UNFORTUNATELY, the same thing cannot be said of the Indo-Chinese.

In many respects the Tonkinese is the opposite of the Javanese. Although it would be unfair to generalise too broadly, experience leads to the conclusion that the average Tonkinese is grasping and hypocritical, with a smile that masks a contempt for almost everything and everybody not of his own race.

He has been called something of a parasite. Whether or not that description is justified, it is an indisputable fact that he spends not a centime more than is necessary to sustain life and is perpetually seeking to make a profit out of something—or somebody.

No Indo-Chinese went home in the July repatriation ship.

After much hesitation, about 300 had applied for repatriation to Northern Vietnam, after the Noumea authorities had promised that the ship would carry them to Haiphong, but then, almost at the last moment, the project was torpedoed by the Northern Vietnam Communists.

ON January 1, 1955, Government population figures gave the Indo-Chinese total as 4,242. In 1954, there were 119 Indo-Chinese

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births and only 22 deaths, although 178 persons left for Indo-China, paying their own fares.

Of the 4,242 no fewer than 2,320 were children.

The Indo-Chinese rate of increase is, to put it mildly, disturbing.

The indications are that in another decade or so New Caledonia may be confronted with a fast-growing Asiatic problem comparable, though on a smaller scale, with problems created in some other South Pacific territories.

Samoan Medical Men Also Have Complaints

From Our Own Correspondent

SAMOAN Medical Practitioners—about 40 of them—presented a list of complaints to the NZ Territories Minister (Mr. T. L. Macdonald) during his July visit to Western Samoa.

The complainants asked for "recognition of their status and professional training" and higher salary grading. They alleged that an unsympathetic attitude towards them prevailed in official medical circles at Apia.

Copies of the letter containing the grievances have gone to the United Nations, to the High Commissioner for Western Samoa, to the Public Service Commissioner and to the Hon. Fautua.

The letter indicated that if no satisfactory solution of the grievances were offered, the SMP's were determined to resign *en bloc*.

† The principal of the Australian Public Services Institute (Mr. D. I. Glastonbury) and two staff lecturers have been touring New

Guinea centres to make contact with Administration officers who are studying courses arranged by the Institute. Mr. Glastonbury and the tutorial staff will make several tours during the year to help officers doing courses in matriculation and university subjects, or studying for Second Division and Patrol Officer examinations.

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Commenting on the move, the

Commission's Executive Officer for Social Development (Mr. H. E. Maude) said: "I am certain that there are many authors in the Islands who have written, or are capable of writing, work which would be well worth publishing."

THE first manuscript to reach the South Pacific Bureau was Anare K. Raiwalui's book of Fijian idioms, *Na i Vosavosa e So*, which was promptly pounced on by the Oxford University Press and subsequently received the Australian Book Publishers' Association award as one of the four best-produced textbooks of 1954.

The Literature Bureau is offering prizes to any territory holding a competition for the best manuscripts. Papua-New Guinea held a successful

competition last year; Nauru has one under way, and Fiji will hold one next year.

The Noumea-based French section will initiate its own series.

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Two books already out in the "Bonito" series are *The Hiri*, by the late Camilla Wedgwood, and *Across New Guinea*, by Ivan Champion. Both were published by Longmans Green.

¶ Mr. W. J. Drysdale, Commissioner of Inland Revenue, Fiji, left on July 3 for vacation leave in England. Mr. A. S. Philbrick is acting as Commissioner.

Visitors to Tahiti



Recent visitors to Tahiti included Mrs. W. Watson and her daughters, Jean and Elizabeth, of Rarotonga. They are seen here (upper) with famous Honolulu band-leader Harry Owens and his son, at Papeete air terminal. The Watson family was starting a world holiday tour. Lower: Famous French film star singer Jean Sablon, with Harry Owens.

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Telling the World About New Guinea

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By *STUART INDER*, Recently ABC Regional Journalist in Port Moresby

If expansion plans now being considered by some Australian newspaper groups are adopted, Papua-New Guinea might have some of its problems and its faults correctly interpreted to the world.

SWIFT development of the Territory in the last two or three years has not gone unnoticed on the mainland, and at least two news groups are considering opening their own news offices at Port Moresby.

One group sees the move as an obvious and necessary expansion through the awakening of public interest in the Pacific generally. As part of this expansion it also hopes to establish its own office in Singapore, to supplement agency reports.

The latest moves should be read in conjunction with others that have been going on inside P-NG for some time: Attempts to start a newspaper in Rabaul (in competition with the Port Moresby *South Pacific Post*), and requests for radio station licences within the Territory.

Main Administration objection to commercial stations (which would compete with the ABC's 9PA) are that they might broadcast material not suitable for native listeners.

But if one should be established, it would help to publicise P-NG overseas, through recorded interviews and features, neither of which 9PA produces to any extent, mainly because of staff shortages.

At present the ABC is the only big news-gathering organisation which keeps a permanent news man in the Territory. He produces the P-NG bulletins over 9PA, as well as supplying the P-NG news for the ABC's national bulletins, broadcast from Sydney. The *South Pacific Post*, the only other news organisation within the Territory, employs two journalists. These men supply news to Australian

newspapers who want it, but their work is purely on a contributing basis.

The AAP agency also has one or two correspondents, untrained, working as contributors in the main Territory towns.

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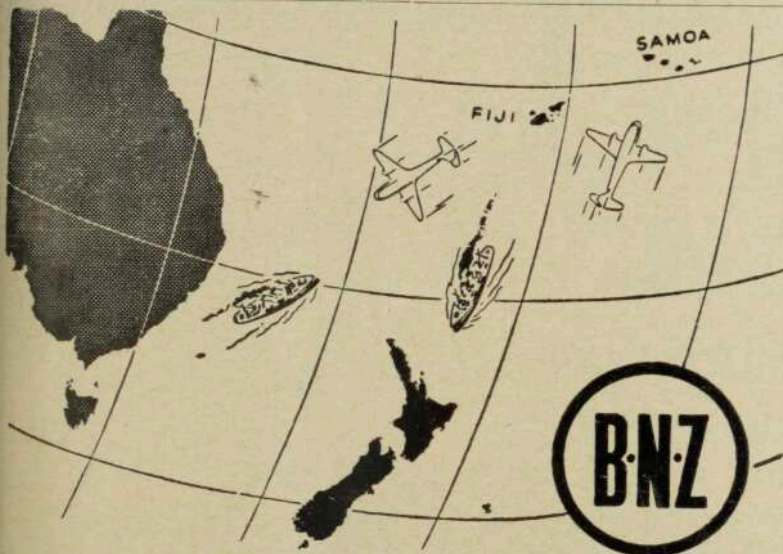
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The important interpretive feature article is hardly ever attempted by anyone, except on the infrequent occasions when a writer from the mainland is sent on the grand tour, after which his paper breaks out in a sudden P-NG rash which stops as suddenly as it begins, about five articles later.

But despite criticism of the newspapers' emphasis on the colourful and sensational side of P-NG, some important sections of the Press would genuinely like to obtain an improved news coverage.

Their real need in P-NG, as they already suspect, is not so much hard news, but articles which interpret P-NG developments to Australian readers. There is hardly an event there these days which cannot best be reported through a background article.

With the advent of a wider coverage such as this, with trained journalists permanently stationed in the Territory, the Administration would receive a few shocks.

I BELIEVE that the Administration does a fair job, notwithstanding the opinions of some who seem to have lived in the Territory too long, and ought to live out of it for a spell, to see some of the antics of public servants elsewhere.

Because of long experience in their particular sphere, which is P-NG, the Territory's senior public servants generally are hard-working and conscientious, with only one or two unhappy exceptions. But due to the present inadequate news set-up in the Territory, the Administration is getting away with more than it should.

Its achievements do not remain buried, and rightly, but some unnecessary mistakes and laziness do.

There was a time, after the war when P-NG people heard only what the Administration told them, for there were no other news outlets. With the arrival of the ABC, and later the *South Pacific Post*, the

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Administration found itself occasionally on the embarrassing end of news stories it would not have released itself.

In 1953 it set up its own Public Relations office so that it could get wider publicity for its achievements, which it undoubtedly has, and in 1954 the Administrator, Brigadier Cleland, introduced weekly Press conferences to establish closer relations.

The public as well as the Administrator, who, as a politician of some renown, has been able to make good use of them, has benefited by the Press conferences.

The PRO does a competent job in its allotted sphere, but the handicap is that the sphere has been allotted by the Administration, which naturally has an axe to grind.

You will not find any official P-NG press releases which show the Administration in any light but the softest. This is all right on most occasions, because you do not expect anything else. But sometimes the Administration finds itself able to monopolise a good news story, especially when it originates from an area, such as a patrol post, which is completely staffed by its own officers.

The Administration may claim that these reports are objective. The facts they release might be—it is those they withhold that make the difference. And the news gatherer is handicapped, of course, through having no other source to turn to.

If he gets the information anyway, there is an Administration witch-hunt designed to intimidate the officer responsible for having given it. In the end the public must lose, through not being informed of everything it is entitled to know.

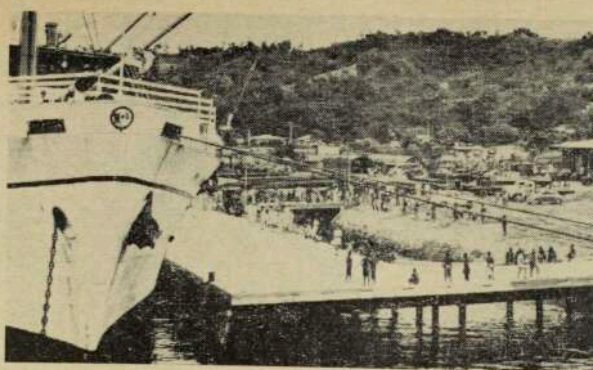
There are one or two senior officers who would like to see no information go out to the public at all, unless through the PRO, after careful vetting.

THERE is something wrong, then, with the P-NG Public Relations organisation, as it is operated at present.

That is not the fault of the Public Relations officer, who is the entire staff.

The Administration needs to overhaul its views on the functions of a Public Relations office, and do away with the present system of using the PRO as a roneo machine, making it virtually impossible for anyone to obtain any verbal information: It has all got to be released on paper, bureaucrat style.

The new approach must begin at the top. The Administration could waste less time on searching for "leaks", which usually are little more than routine pieces of



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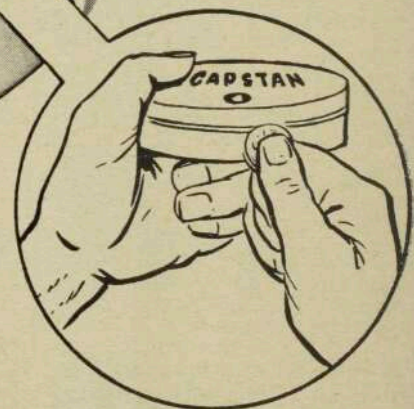
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A Public Relations organisation costs money, but it is time that the Government stopped trying to get its publicity on the cheap.

AND where is the world publicity? The Minister for Territories, Mr. Hasluck, wonders how to get P-NG wider publicity overseas.

He is critical of newspaper writers who make the grand tour, because he says they can't be bothered walking a hundred yards across the road to the District Office to check their facts.

If he could realise it he has got the makings of a stupendous set-up in P-NG, and a world market just waiting to print everything he can give them.

At present several hundred copies of each P-NG Press Release are distributed. But nearly all of them go to members of Town and

District Advisory Councils, District Offices and private firms *inside* New Guinea! Actually these are small fry who can wait until the tall poppies are gathered in, and the tall poppies are stacked in that world market where P-NG is still a colourful land of mystery and imagination, crying out for interpretation.

Yet there is not an official features writer or photographer in the whole of P-NG.

There is not a Trusteeship Council meeting held when some ass, with a little dangerous knowledge does not get up and flay Australian achievements in New Guinea.

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What the Administration, or the Commonwealth Government, will have to decide is whether to enlarge and reorganise its Public Relations office now, and reap the benefits and the support brought by a good world "Press", or await the pressure which will start with the increase

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But it might be good for their souls—and for the Territory.

DIFFICULTIES IN P-NG FOR EUROPEAN SETTLERS

ALTHOUGH the Papua-New Guinea agricultural development programme was encouraging production of such crops as cocoa and coffee, European settlement faces considerable difficulty because development is expensive, said the Under-Secretary of the Queensland Agriculture Department (Mr. A. F. Bell) at Brisbane in June.

Mr. Bell had returned from a fortnight's tour in the Territory with members of the Australian Standing Committee on Agriculture, of which he is chairman.

He pointed out that a coffee or cocoa grower needed at least £15,000 capital, and that as interest in agriculture spread among the native people, European growers would be faced with mounting competition for labour.

Native agriculture was making good progress and there was increasing interest in co-operative effort, including co-operative processing of cocoa and coffee, and, in some cases, co-operative ownership of agricultural machinery.

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Fiji's Imports at Record Peak

IN the first quarter of 1955, Fiji's external trade totalled £5,880,078—28.2 pc more than in the first quarter of 1954.

The unfavourable balance totalled £1,888,722, compared with £538,066.

Heavy buying by importers and an overflow from Britain caused by the 1954 shipping strike in the UK pushed the quarter's imports up to £3,884,000—the highest peak yet reached in the Colony's trade history. The total was £1,321,872 more than in the first quarter of 1954.

Exports at £1,731,177 were down by £28,784.

Trade with the UK increased by 92.6 pc over the total for the first three months of 1954.

The main imports showing substantial increases were spirits, tobacco, machinery, motor vehicles and cement, and there were significant increases in exports of copra and coconut oil.

Larger imports of flour and sharps were responsible for an increase of 19.2 pc in trade with Australia.

Trade with New Zealand declined because there were no exports of raw sugar to the Dominion in the quarter.

Imports (mainly clothing) from Hongkong totalled £134,205, compared with £44,115 in 1954.

TWO DRY SEASONS CUT FIJI'S EXPORTS

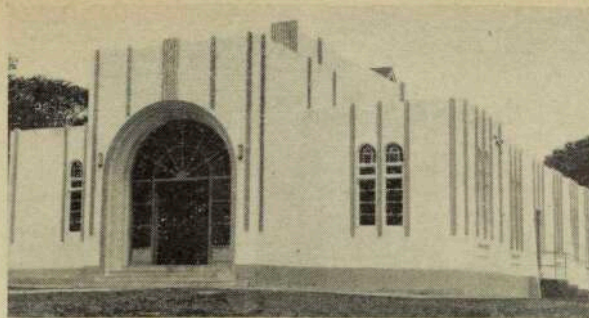
FIJI'S drop in agricultural exports in 1954 was due mainly to the effects of two consecutive dry years, states the annual report of the Agriculture Department, reviewing the department's 50th year of operations.

Increased planting of sugarcane and bananas was insufficient to offset the influence of the dry weather, the report continues.

(In 1954, the Colony's domestic exports totalled £1,731,177—£27,837 below the 1953 figure).

The agriculture report states that good progress has been made towards the establishment of a cocoa industry in Fiji. In 1954, two cocoa nurseries were established in addition to the original nursery at the Naduruloulou Station. Approximately 100 acres of cacao have been planted with material from the nurseries. Two more nurseries are planned.

Many farm operations in Fiji are being mechanised, and there are now nearly 700 tractors in agricultural use—a surprising number for a relatively small territory.



New Church at Suva

The new Seventh Day Adventist Church at Suva was dedicated on June 12 by Pastor L. C. Naden, secretary of the Australasian SDA Inter-Union Conference. The large congregation included the Mayor of Suva (Mr. A. D. Leys) and the Mayoress.

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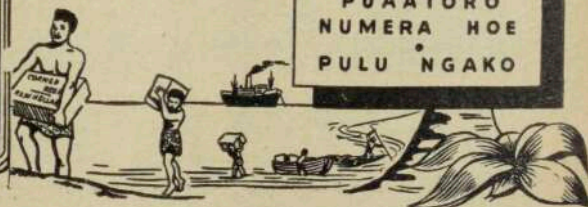
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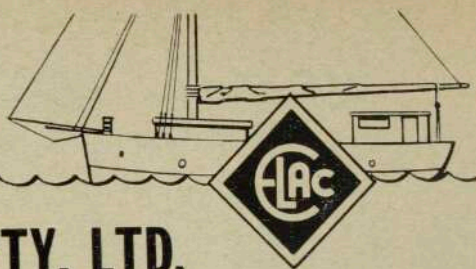


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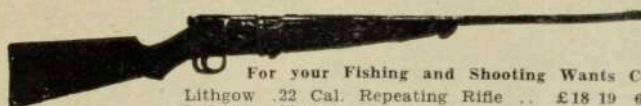
SP Research Council Meets at Noumea

Members of the South Pacific Commission's Research Council and international observers (mainly from specialist organisations of the United Nations) met at the Commission's headquarters in June for the seventh session of the Research Council. The Secretary-General of the Commission, Dr. Ralph Clairon Bedell (wearing dark suit) is in the middle of this group. On his right is Mr. W. C. Groves (Australia), who was elected chairman of the Research Council. Unique of its kind, the Council already has produced solid achievements.

† Guinea Airways Ltd. has purchased another DC3 aircraft for ANA, and has named it *Goroka*. The company

now has five DC3's and two other charter aircraft. Business is expanding.

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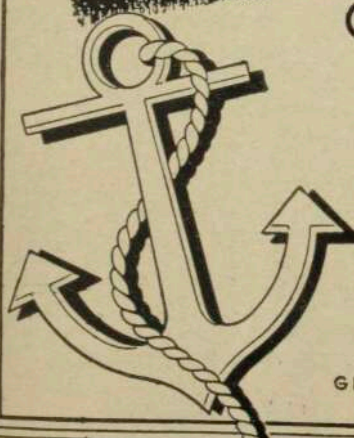
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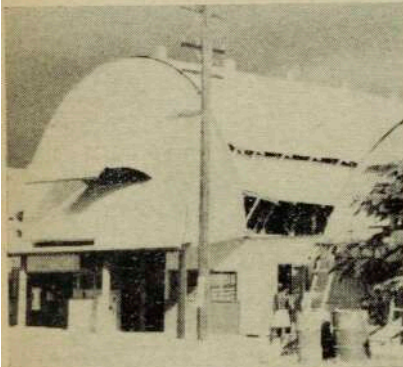
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† The third South Pacific Conference, which is to be held by the South Pacific Commission in Fiji early in 1956, will probably occupy the Teachers' Training College at Nasinu, Suva, where the first conference was held in April, 1950. Alterations, some temporary and some permanent, will be made to the college buildings before the conference.

NEW CALEDONIA TROCHUS BEDS IN DANGER

PERTURBED over a possible disastrous depletion of New Caledonia's trochus beds, members of the Conseil-General at Noumea want a law forbidding the use of any kind of diving apparatus.

Other French Pacific territories already have such a law.

An important aspect of the question is that many natives are dependent on trochus fishing for a livelihood. Even if the danger of depleting the beds did not exist, these fishermen could not afford to buy apparatus.

Others who are now using breathing apparatus have been lured by the current high price of trochus—52,000 francs a ton. (*Noumea Correspondent.*)

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Islanders Moving To Noumea

From Our Noumea Correspondent

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In 1954, 243 Wallis people went to New Caledonia, where they find life more attractive than at home.

There is also a considerable movement of young people from Tahiti to Noumea—a fact which seriously disturbs those who see it as giving still more opportunities to the Chinese in Tahiti.

On the other hand, of the 254 Italian workers who were in New Caledonia in 1953, only about 70 are left. Most of the others have returned to Italy and some have gone to Australia.

The Tonkinese are likely to provide a major problem in the future. Only about 50 have applied for repatriation in the ship *Skaubryn* in January, although failure to apply means loss of the right of free repatriation.

As these people, like most Asiatics, multiply at a fantastic rate by the standards of other races, and as so many of them, unfortunately, form an undesirable element in the community, it seems that the problem will become progressively worse.

New Caledonia's present total population is estimated at 64,500.

MYSTERY OF £600,000 IN NC IMPORTS

From Our Noumea Correspondent

GOODS worth nearly £A600,000 have been imported into New Caledonia by means of foreign money that has not been issued by the local Exchange Office.

This astonishing disclosure is made in the latest report of the Government Economic Bureau.

It is generally assumed that most of the money came from the New Hebrides in the form of cheques.

A common practice is to order the goods and then, when they arrive at the Customs, to place a *fait accompli* before the exchange authorities and ask for an import licence.

Tonkinese are partial to this system, which may explain the flood of shoddy Asiatic goods in Tonkinese shops.

It has now been announced that if an import licence is not obtained before goods are ordered, the importer will be liable to penalties and permission to land the goods will be refused.

The mysterious £600,000 has done nothing to improve New Caledonia's trade balance.

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TOO MANY WHEELY-WHEELS

SPEAKING at the Rabaul Town Advisory Council recently, Police Superintendent A. Rackemann said that, when streets were planned, consideration should be given to the construction of a "bicycle lane."

He said that everyone now uses a "wheely-wheel," and this, in conjunction with the increasing motor traffic, created a problem which should be dealt with. "You will find that quite a high percentage of the road accidents are caused by collisions with bicycles," said the superintendent.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

AMERICAN tourists at Bali, according to a New York report, are "a little upset about the influence of civilisation on the Balinese beauties."

"Civilisation," it is implied, is represented mainly by Hollywood films, but it is also claimed that "modern outside influences have led about half the Balinese women to cover themselves from the waist up."

Whatever doubts may attach to this interpretation of "civilisation," it may be assumed that Bali to-day is an admirable example of cause-and-effect.

Somewhere about 1930 enterprising Americans discovered that in the Netherlands East Indies there was an exotic island where comely females still saw nothing obscene, or even indelicate, in their limited traditional costume. Then Hollywood and Tin Pan Alley got busy. Poor little Bali was subjected to all

the vulgarity of high-pressure, big-business publicity, and the innate dignity of Balinese women was affronted by the gawking of sniggering aliens.

The ensuing calamity of clothes-consciousness was only to be expected.

Incidentally, in 1945, a PIM contributor wrote: "The well-bred traveller is, to be sure, a welcome visitor in any country. It is the common 'tripping' tourist who causes all the trouble. Tahiti has suffered from the latter type to saturation; so have Java and Bali..."

Meanwhile a Honolulu newspaper states that Fiji is now finding that the trouble with American tourists is that they want a dollar's worth

for their dollar. Fiji, says the report, is learning that "the only American millionaires who throw money about are those who were serving with the armed forces, 1942-45."

MOETOLO MAY INVOLVE COMPLICATIONS

A March PIM report and comment about an Ellice Islands regulation dealing with *moetolo* has caused amusement in Samoa, where the custom is also prevalent, writes Jack Thornton, from Apia.

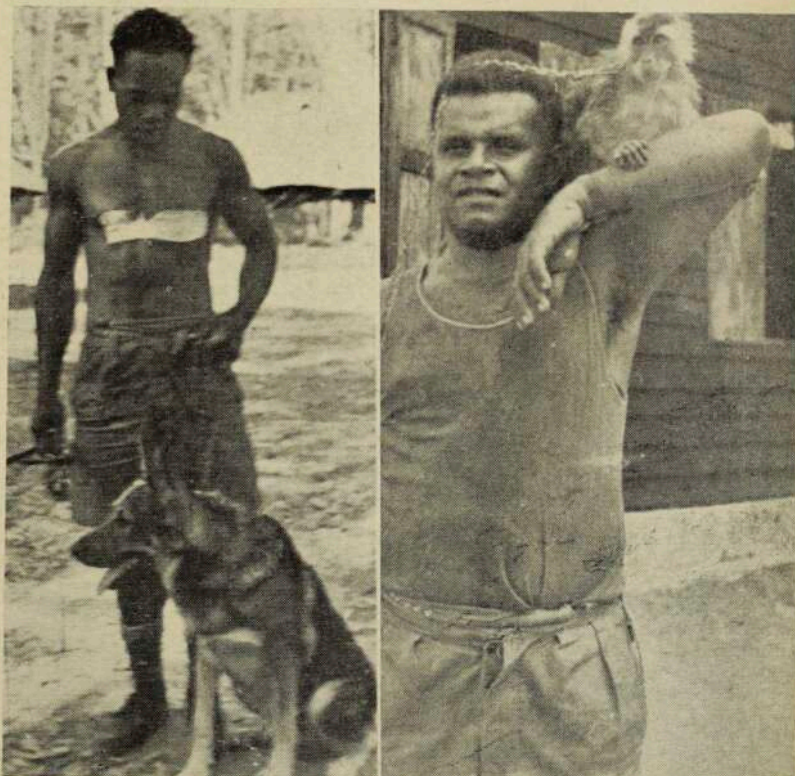
Quoting the regulation, we described *moetolo* as "sleep-weeping" when, according to the correspondent, the correct translation is "sleep-creeping."

"It is the commonest form of courtship in the Polynesian islands—even the anthropologists know and have written about it," says Thornton. "It is also used for prestige purposes and to bring inter-family feuds to a head."

"It accounts for village regulations that hurricane lamps shall be kept alight all night when kerosene is available."

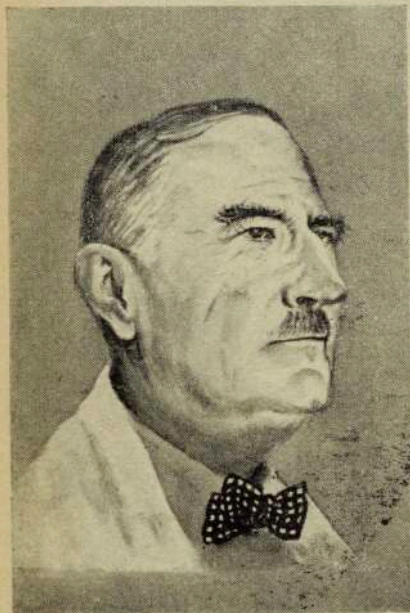
"It will be sad for courting

Alsation for Jungle Work and Monkey as Pet



D-for-Dog Company of the Fijian Battalion in Malaya includes the special Alsatian 'cracker' shown in the picture on the left. Each of the four companies of the 1st Battalion, Fiji Infantry Regiment, possesses a prized Alsatian, and the quick-witted, devoted dogs have many times proved their value in tracking jungle-terrorists. The picture on right shows a Fijian soldier with a pet monkey. The Fijians are adept at luring the little grey animals out of the jungle and taming them.

His Excellency Retires



SIR ROBERT STANLEY, KBE, CMG, retiring High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, was born in 1899 and educated at Westminster School and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.

He was commissioned as an Artillery officer in 1918, during the First World War, and saw service with the Egyptian Expeditionary Force in Palestine in the concluding phases of Lord Allenby's campaign.

After service with a mountain battery in India, Lieutenant Stanley resigned his commission in 1921 and devoted the next three years to journalism. He spent some time in the United States as a reporter for the "Brooklyn Daily Eagle" and in 1923 and 1924 was a member of Reuters' editorial staff.

In 1925 he entered the Colonial Service as a cadet in the Administrative Service of Nigeria. In 1935 he was transferred to Cyprus, where he acted for various periods as Colonial Secretary. After the outbreak of the Second World War he joined the Cyprus Volunteer Force on its formation, and was promoted to the rank of Major. He was awarded the OBE in 1942 and CMG in 1943, serving as Colonial Secretary at Barbados and Gibraltar before going back to Rhodesia as Chief Secretary in 1947.

Five years later he became High Commissioner for the Western Pacific (formerly the Governor of Fiji was also HCWC), based at Honiara in the Solomons, and also administering the Gilbert and Ellice Islands and the British part in the New Hebrides Condominium.

Sir Robert was knighted in 1954. He has, in the last three years, fulfilled his difficult and rather lonely duties with wisdom and unrelenting energy. He is now spending a month in Australia with Lady Stanley and their daughter Phillada, who both shared His Excellency's many voyages throughout the Western Pacific in the uncomfortable small ships of the island services.

When the family reaches England and retirement I hope Sir Robert will make literary use of his experiences, while Lady Stanley will assuredly be busy arranging the multitude of sea shells she has collected during three busy but happy years in the Pacific.—BRETT HILDER.

couples if regular and adequate supplies of kerosene ever become available in the atolls.

"Moetolo—the term is general in

south-west Polynesia—is the widespread custom whereby a girl invites a boy to creep into her *fale* when everyone else is asleep. Girls being girls, this can be a risky proposition, and I have known of a boy who had his arm broken in a fight with his girl's brother.

"If a girl wishes to proclaim her virtue abroad, or force a lover into quick marriage, or have an about-to-be-discarded boy friend bashed up by her relatives, she has merely to scream when the appointment is kept, and conventional reaction does what is expected.

"A District Officer in the Ellice Islands, in an attempt to cut down the number of court cases resulting from arguments arising from *moetolo*, once showed Ellice Islanders how to partition their *fales* so that *moetolo* would be well-nigh impossible. The villagers expressed their approval of the innovation—but not one of their *fales* was ever partitioned.

"*Moetolo* is a custom which neither the missions nor officialdom have succeeded in stamping out. Polynesian Islanders want it to continue, and they are experts at passive resistance."

LITTLE ENTHUSIASM FOR REUNITED SAMOA

TALK about the possible reunification of Western and Eastern Samoa creates little enthusiasm in any part of Samoa, writes an Apia correspondent.

Western Samoan loyalty goes to the British Throne and the Empire link, and Eastern Samoan loyalty goes to the United States, the writer continues.

There is no evidence of a strong desire, sentimental or otherwise, for reunification.

And, although the Eastern Samoans enjoy certain benefits under the American flag, it would be safe to say that Western Samoa is well aware that Eastern Samoa would be something of an economic burden in the event of arbitrary reunification.

INGENUITY IN BIBLICAL DRAMAS

A FEATURE of life in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, is the Nuku, or Biblical Play.

Nukus take place annually, one year taking the form of singing and recitations, and the next, the form of dramatic plays based on Old Testament stories.

They are enacted by adult members of the London Missionary Society, and the natural talent of the Islanders for singing, acting, and improvisation more than balances the lack of stage props and normal theatrical procedure.

This year it was necessary to portray Greek soldiers wearing armour. No armour of any description was available, but the soldiers appeared in what seemed to be dazzling suits of freshly burnished

steel. Closer inspection revealed these to be palm fronds coated with aluminium paint.

The story of *The Writing on the Wall* seemed to pose insuperable problems. Early in the play a home-made sedan chair was placed near a blackboard, and left there, apparently forgotten. When the time came for the magic writing to appear a hand came out of the enclosed sedan and wrote boldly on the blackboard.

The Nuku was introduced by the Rev. Bond-James, about 1918, in an attempt to give Rarotongan children a quicker and clearer grasp of Biblical history than could be obtained from more orthodox methods.

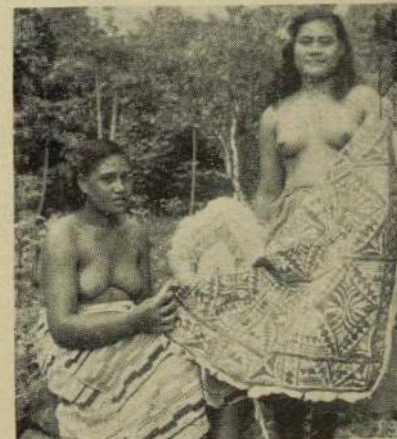
THE OTHER SIDE

SUVA slums received overseas publicity at the time of the first South Pacific Conference in 1950. The position has not changed much in the last five years, and some examples might be employed as an antidote to "Paradise of the Pacific" illusions.

For example, an unofficial investigator studied the case of an eight-roomed house (due for early demolition) which gave temporary accommodation to 28 to 30 adults and eight children, two dogs, and several fowls tied by the legs to verandah posts. The human inhabitants were mostly Indians.

Not included in the list of tenants was the ghost. People claimed to have seen the spectre—a young woman with only half a face—roaming about, but it was puzzling to know how she could find room to move at night.

Siapo-making in Samoa



Siapo in Samoa, masi in Fiji and tapa in eastern Polynesia—these are the traditional names of the bark of the paper-mulberry after it has been pulped with wooden mallets. The beautiful craft has disappeared in Tahiti and elsewhere, but it survives in Samoa, Fiji and Tonga. These Samoan village girls are displaying a newly-finished piece of siapo. The cream-coloured cloth is patterned in brown and black.

—Photo by Jack Thornton

NEW BRITAIN DRAMA

Story That Earned Prince Bismarck's Medal in 1885

Written from Notes in the Diary of Count Goedicke van Asten, who is over 90 years old, and resides at 2 Morrison Avenue, Devonport, Auckland

IN 1885, I was engaged by the German Consul in Sydney to be an assistant to Mr. von Oertzen, Imperial German Commissioner for the Bismarck Archipelago (New Guinea). My agreement was for 3 years, at a salary of £350 per annum, plus board, lodging and laundry; and, after three years' service, a free passage to either Samoa, Sydney, or by a German ship to Hamburg.

We left Sydney for New Britain in the German cruiser *Albatross* (Commander, Count von Baudisin). Mr. von Oertzen told me that his orders were to go to New Britain and select a suitable site for a capital; but, until building material had come to hand, we would reside with the manager of the German firm, DH and PG.

We arrived at Mioko, in the Duke of York Group (between New Ireland and New Britain) on October 12, 1885, and sent our mail ashore; and then we cruised for two months round the Bismarck Archipelago. We called at the islands of Duke of York, New Ireland, New Hanover, New Britain, Admiralty, St. Matthias, and others.

The natives of New Britain were still in the nude, and cannibals. The Europeans there were of mixed races—one Italian, one Belgian, one Dane, two French, six British, 14 Germans and seven half-Samoans ("Queen Emma's" family).

Mr. von Oertzen selected two sites for the New Britain capital, but could not decide which to recommend. We returned to Mioko, and the *Albatross* left for Samoa.

FOR the next four months I sat in a small office on Mr. von Oertzen's back verandah, doing nothing but perspire. At last I could stand it no longer. I spoke to Mr. Danzelman (manager of DH and PG) and told him I would like to leave Mr. von Oertzen and start trading. I left Mr. von Oertzen, on the friendliest terms, and went to the Tobelevo Station, and joined the DH and PG service. As I had to board myself, the firm allowed me £6 a month for food.

There was no money among the natives at that time; but, for a small piece of tobacco or a clay pipe, one could obtain a large fowl, a bunch of bananas, yams, or any other vegetable. European provisions and other articles were very cheap—there was no Customs duty. I was well supplied with tropical clothing

—all a man needed in New Britain was a pair of pants and a singlet. I picked up the language very fast.

One day I went with a native of Ralune for a stroll into the country, where I met Tobeinger, the big chief of the Gazelle Peninsula. He and some of his people were having *Kai* (food) and we were invited to join them. They had several baskets of baked breadfruit and a basket of small pieces of meat which I thought was *Rokrok*—a very large land-frog which has a rather nice taste for any epicure.

I ate a piece of breadfruit, and picked up a piece of meat to eat, when my companion said: "I thought you did not care for human flesh." I asked him what he meant.

He said: "What you have in your hand is human flesh."

I replaced the meat (trying not to show my horror, by which I would have offended our host) unobserved back in the basket, and ate another piece of breadfruit.

During our conversation, Tobeinger said: "Why don't you come to Kabaira and trade there? It is the German firm's best station."

IT was true. Kabaira was the DH and PG's best station. But, just prior to my arrival, two European traders had been killed there, and the firm closed the station, and sent word to the Admiralty, asking them to send a warship to punish the natives. In October, 1885, the *Albatross* arrived off Kabaira to punish the natives for killing the two Europeans.

On that occasion, Count von Baudisin sent for me and told me he had come to punish the natives of Kabaira, and asked me to join the expedition and show them the roads and villages.

I did this against my will. The natives had been friendly to me, and I knew why the traders had been killed—for stealing women, and breaking other Taboos of the country. But I could not refuse Count von Baudisin.

For three days we were at war with the natives, destroying their plantations, burning their huts, killing many of them. Several of the *Albatross* men were wounded and I—and I deserved it—received a poison spear in my back. When the Commanding Officer thought the natives had received enough punishment he called a retreat, and made his report.

The *Albatross* later received orders to proceed to Apia, Samoa. Count von Baudisin insisted I travel with him and leave New Britain. He said that if I stayed, the natives surely would avenge themselves and kill me. So I left New Britain and, in Samoa, I joined a German barque, for Hamburg.

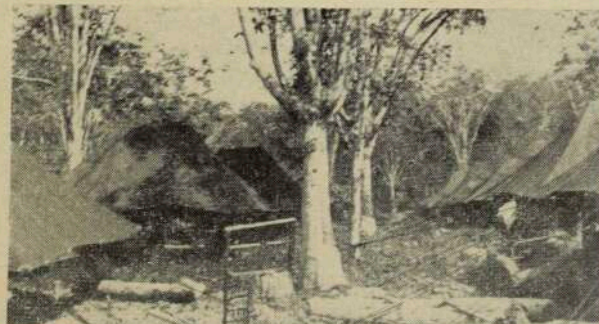
From there, I went to Berlin, to visit my brother, who was serving as a Lieutenant-Surgeon in the Army in Berlin. One evening my brother took me with him to the officers' casino, and there I met a Major von Hanssman. When the major learned that I had been in New Guinea, he asked if I could go with him next day to meet Prince Bismarck, the head of the New Guinea Company and the largest partner in DH and PG. New Guinea had only recently been annexed by Germany.

I later met Prince Bismarck at the Chancellery and he bombarded me with questions about New Guinea—the climate, produce, etc., if gold had been found there, whether the natives were still cannibals. I told him that there were still cannibals in New Britain; and as proof, I described to him the following incident.

I HAD lived for 18 months among cannibals, but they had been friendly towards me, and I had done good business with them.

Next to my trading station there was a large native house, about 60 feet long; there was no one near the house in the day-time; but, after dark, I noticed people going into it.

My native cook, Tobilai, slept in this house, and I asked him one



No Picnic In Malaya

Fijian troops with the British forces in Malaya have been fighting the Communist terrorists for more than three years. Their job, as one of their officers told the Editor of PIM in June, is "anything but a picnic". The picture shows a typical camp in a rubber plantation.

day why he did this. He replied that he was not allowed to tell me; if he did, they would eat him alive, his body would burn like fire, and someone would split his belly open. But, he said, he would speak to the *Buli* (a boss) about me.

A few days later Tomarkete, a chief, came to my station and introduced himself as the *Buli* of what he called "the young men's association"—young men who had not been able to buy a woman for shell-money, a canoe, or any other New Guinea artifact. He asked me why I didn't join the association.

I was young, and I wanted to know all about the different customs and taboos of New Guinea; so I told him I would join.

A few days later I was inaugurated. If I was to tell *how* I was inaugurated, nobody would believe me—I tremble, even to-day, when I think about it. I was warned of what would happen to me if ever I told anybody what I saw or heard in that house. The punishment was as Tobilau had said.

For two nights, I slept there with 30 natives. The first night all 30 were there. Some were stretched on the ground, others were sitting crosslegged—all were smoking their clay pipes, talking about fishing, and catching Rokroks. Later, they went to sleep. Next morning at sunrise all went home.

The following evening there were only 20 members present. I was told that the other ten had gone to the Bainings. The same procedure was followed as on the previous evening—smoking and talking—and I was beginning to wonder why I had been warned not to tell what happened there. So far I had neither seen nor heard anything that was wrong.

Then, about midnight, the ten members returned. They had been on a stealing expedition, and they had stolen two women, whom they brought into the house. Indescribable things happened as soon as the women were inside. Then they were knocked on the head and killed, dragged outside, cut up like a pig, put on the fire, cooked and eaten.

One can imagine how I felt—my whole body was shaking. I wanted to leave, but was told I could not leave the house between the hours of midnight and sunrise. After hours of horror the sun appeared on the horizon, and we could leave the house.

We all left—some of the members taking with them what was left of their evening meal. I was just able to creep home and drop on my bed. My head was banging like a sledge-hammer. Had I really seen this happen or was it all part of a bad dream?

My thoughts were interrupted by my cook-boy calling "Flau" (a ship). I sprang from my bed and there I saw my dear friend *Albatross* (Commander Count von Baudisin) dropping anchor. It was soon after

that that Count von Baudisin sent for me (as I have described) and told me he had come to punish the natives of Kabaira for killing two traders.

All this I told in detail to the Chancellor.

Prince Bismarck called his secretary, and told him to bring the German Admiralty reports on the *Albatross*—New Britain, 1885.

The secretary produced the portfolio and Bismarck opened it and there found confirmation of much of the story I had just told him. He then went to his cabinet and brought out a silver medal. He told me he awarded these medals to anyone who had given distinguished service in the Bismarck Archipelago. He said that, according to the Admiralty report, and my own, he thought I was entitled to receive one. In later years, he said, when looking at the medal, I would recall that Prince Otto von Sekinhausen had much pleasure in awarding it to me.

Bismarck asked me if I had tasted "Berliner Weiss," a beer especially brewed in Berlin. I had not, so he rang for two Berliner Weiss. The servant returned with the beer, two large tumblers, two small liqueur glasses filled with Gilka, and a plate of sandwiches. And so we ate,

drank and conversed—I noticed I had been there 30 minutes. He gave me a gracious farewell.

I knew I had met the great man who had made of Germany the great nation she was. I know that if Bismarck had been alive in 1914 there would have been no World War I—nor World War II.

(The medal given by Bismarck to young Goedicke in 1886 was given by Mr. Goedicke, 65 years later, to the editor of the Pacific Islands Monthly, and is among the latter's treasured possessions).

† The annual meeting of the South Pacific Board of Health at Suva was presided over by the Inspector-General, South Pacific Health Service (Dr. J. M. Cruikshank). It was attended by the NZ Deputy Director of Health (Dr. H. B. Turbott), the Director of the NZ Division of Nursing (Miss F. G. Cameron) and the Deputy Director of Medical Services, Fiji (Dr. L. G. Poole). Discussions covered health policy and medical development in Health Service territories, namely, Fiji, British Solomon Islands Protectorate, Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, Tonga, Western Samoa, Cook Islands and Niue. Recommendations will be submitted to the administrations concerned.

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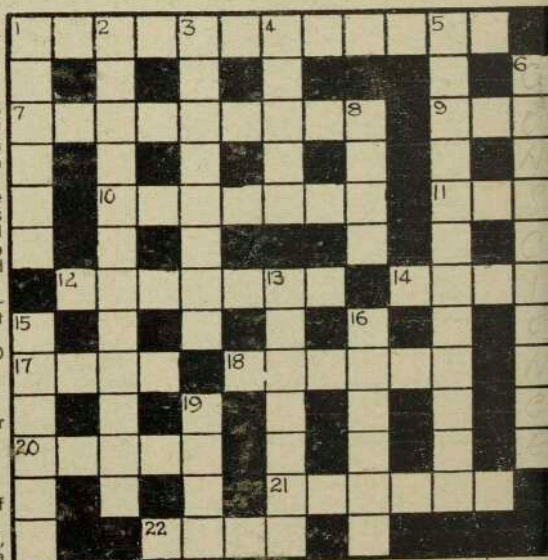
- 1.—Which famous film star is married to Will Price?
- 7.—Who was Queen Victoria's first Prime Minister?
- 9.—What is the name of the first shoot on a tree?
- 10.—Who wrote "A Child's History of England"?
- 11.—Which is the first sign of the zodiac?
- 12.—For whom did Bob Cratchit work for 15/- a week?
- 14.—What is the term for a covered colonnade round a market-place?
- 17.—Which island of the Malay Archipelago is famous for its woodcarving and metal work, and for its women, who take part in the trade and industries?
- 18.—How are students examined who give verbal and not written answers?
- 20.—How much are 480 grains?
- 21.—What is the term for a place that affords protection?
- 22.—What type of trainer for pilots never left the ground?

DOWN

- 1.—Who was the god of riches?
- 2.—Which uncomely, young, domesticated bird became a beautiful swan?
- 3.—What college-produce can be found on a woman's head?
- 4.—What was the language of ancient Scandinavia?
- 5.—Who starred in "Waterloo Bridge" with

Vivien Leigh?

- 6.—Which part of the human body reminds us of the original sin?
- 8.—What is Irish Gaelic?
- 13.—Which leading tragic actor of the 18th century is buried in Westminster Abbey?



- 15.—What rectangle is longer than it is broad?
- 16.—What is a recess in a room?
- 19.—What is a prefix for half, besides "Semi"?

OFF THE SHIPPING LANES

Penrhyn Was a Port of Call

By R-O1

THE engine-room telegraph had rung "Stand By" and then "Stop Engine." The light easterly breeze caused the ship to drift slowly to leeward, whilst waiting for the local pilot to board ship and take her through the narrow entrance to the Penrhyn Lagoon.

This passage is known as the "Taruia Passage," and is on the Western side of the atoll. The depth of water in the passage seemed barely enough to float the ship, but the absence of muddy river waters in this region gives a stranger to these parts the false impression that the reef bottom is far too close for comfort. The sea water is crystal clear and the ebbing tide through the passage seems to give movement to the coral rocks that are the worry of every skipper who visits the place.

The atoll is somewhat off the usual shipping lane, low lying, visible from a ship's deck in clear weather for about twelve or thirteen miles. It is known locally as "Tongareva," and is made up of numerous small coconut islets surrounding a beautiful lagoon, which is a delightful picture when the sun is high overhead, showing up the small coral patches in blues and greens.

Our deck passengers were full of excitement at seeing their home island so soon—the ship having made a good run up from Rarotonga, 750 miles to the south. All had been busy rolling their sleeping mats and dressing in all the finery they had purchased in Raro' especially for the occasion—and, of course, trying to get a glimpse of things dear to them as the ship coasted along the reef, close in near the village of Omoka.

On shore there was also great activity, due to the early arrival of the ship. A group of young boys and girls could be seen on the beach trying to keep pace with the ship, waving and shouting greetings.

From the lagoon side of the small islet that has the village of Omoka on it, it was possible to see the Resident Agent's small auxiliary cutter steaming out to meet the ship, with the local pilot. Quite a number of people availed themselves of this opportunity to be the first to greet their friends or relatives as the case may be.

The pilot aboard, we got under way again and stood in towards the passage. Our Captain had been here before and knew the pilot—an old sea-dog himself in his younger days, but now a "skin" diver for pearl-shell. Local rumour has it

that he has reached the 20 fathoms mark in some of his diving efforts—and the envy of some of the younger fellows on the atoll. His handling of the ship and his knowledge of the reef and the numerous coral patches, down to the anchorage off the village, were remarkable.

The vessel was brought to anchor in about five fathoms of water, roughly a cable's length from the rock wall that surrounds the local trading store on the lagoon side of the land. Many other islanders came out to the ship in canoes and pearling cutters—no doubt a colourful reunion. The flower garlands worn by the villagers were a very pretty picture. Eventually visitors and passengers made their way to shore and all was peaceful on board.

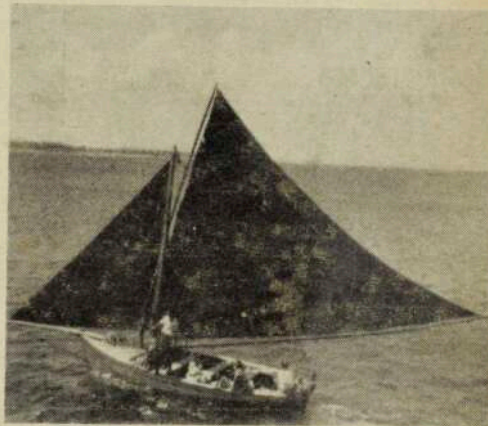
Usually the smaller trading vessels plying between the North and South Cook Islands lie practically alongside this rock wall to work cargo for this port, the mooring of the vessel being quite an education. Assisted by a couple of local divers—of whom there are many experts to choose from—the vessel is brought in fairly close to two small convenient coral heads that have worn a stout chain of office for the past forty years, according to the locals. The divers go down to secure the bow and stern lines of the vessel. The last few feet between ship and shore is bridged by a gang plank. This is the commencement of chaos, as each person having cargo to ship or receive does his best to have his little lot attended to first, the poor supercargo having a busy time among the excited shippers, passengers, and visitors, all mixed up together on deck. The excitement is easy to understand, as local ships are not frequent callers at Penrhyn, and stores are quite often at vanishing point.

Our cargo was put ashore in the ship's work boat, a much slower way than the gang-plank method, but the decks were not so crowded.

Our second officer, an old hand in the lore of the sea, gained some little fame as a healer of the sick, mainly due to his effort aboard ship on the run up from Raro', in full view of the deck passengers, when he attended to the odd cut or bruise amongst the sailors. No sooner had we cleared the cargo we had brought than he was called a-hore to a young boy who had a fish-bone

lodged in his throat. The bone was stubborn and was still there four days later when we left the lagoon. But from stuck fish-bones his clientele grew so much that he thought it best to have a supply from the medicine locker about his person whenever he went a-hore, in case his services were needed.

Penrhyn is one of the two pearl-shell producing islands in the Cook Group (Manihiki being the other) but diving operations were suspended during our stay and most of the cutters were hauled out on the beach. The few that were left afloat certainly carried a spread of canvas. The sails are locally made, mostly of old khaki drill. There is little danger of a capsizing, as the atoll is noted for its steady winds all the year round, and the Islanders are expert sailors.



"Certainly carried a spread of canvas."

We were, of course, beset by various owners of pearls who wished quickly to increase their wealth. Some of the pearls produced were really show pieces and no doubt very valuable; but they still remain at Penrhyn, as their worth was valued far above the average sailor's pocket.

After two days at Omoka, we steamed across the lagoon to anchor again off the village of Tautua, on the north-eastern side, where another pleasant two days were spent.

† Pacific Air Traffic Council, which administers Nadi Airport, Fiji, and co-ordinates air traffic in the South Pacific, met in conference at Waitomo Caves, New Zealand, in July. Countries represented on the Council are Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Fiji.

† Tuberculosis is increasing in New Caledonia and in certain other South Pacific territories including, some people claim, Fiji. In 1954, Noumea Hospital admitted 258 TB patients, compared with 170 in 1950. The TB sanatorium in the mountains near Noumea also had more patients.

Ata (Pylstaart) Was Well Known to Whalers

THERE is a fascination about those isolated islands scattered across the Pacific, which, though dots on a map, and now abandoned, were at one time large enough for little communities to live out their lives.

One such is Ata, Tonga's southernmost island—shown on older charts as Pylstaart's Island—a fragment of whose history Mrs. Catharine E. Cowie told in PIM last February.

Though Ata lies only 90 miles west-south-west of Tongatapu and is close to the shipping route from New Zealand to Nukualofa, extraordinarily little of its history is to be found in any reference book.

There is an interesting reference to this island in a book just published and reviewed in the June PIM—*The Whaling Journal of Captain W. B. Rhodes, 1836-1838*, which is worth quoting. It clearly shows that, in its heyday, Ata was far from unknown to the whaling masters.

Here is the extract from Captain Rhodes's log:

MONDAY, December 5th (1836) p.m. Steady breeze, ship standing towards the island. At 4.30 returned on board. P'Astart's Isle is in Lat. 22.23 S., Long. 175.49 W. It is very high, but of small extent, being only about 3 to 4 miles in circumference.

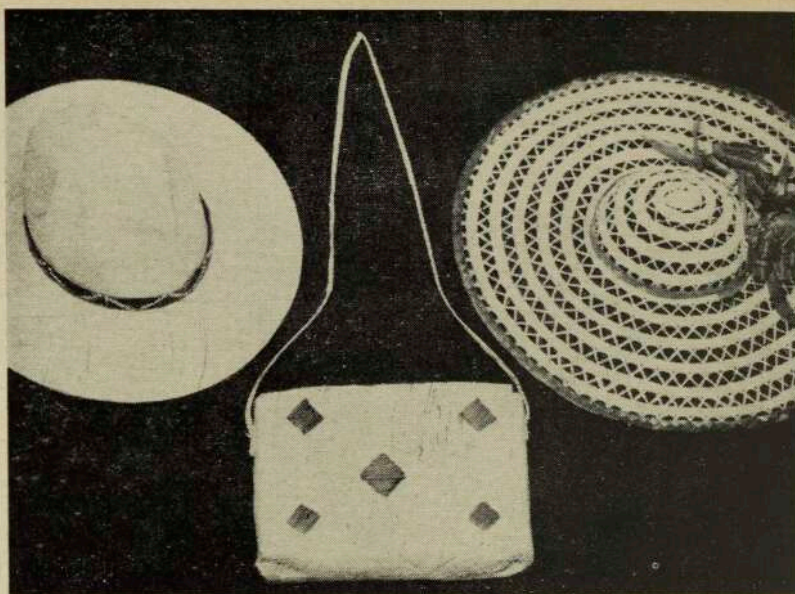
The landing is both difficult and dangerous even in fine weather, and can only be accomplished in the native canoes. The settlement is on a small flat on the summit of the island, and it is difficult to climb up to it, the mountain being nearly perpendicular.

We found the natives very friendly and obliging, and procured some pumpkins, sweet potatoes, etc., in exchange for clothing and calico.

There is 75 souls on the isle, but principally consisting of children. They are a colony from Tongataboo and have not been more than 20 years on the isle. Cocoa-nut trees and most tropical plants are cultivated. They live entirely on fruits and vegetables, and are an interesting and industrious people.

What few young girls there are, are very good looking. They are not to be procured except by those masters who have often visited the island. Indeed there are only two that have been allowed; and they are considered as wives and kept taboo'd.

Captain Brin was the person who first succeeded, and has to pay pretty handsomely to support his lady. She is a fine girl and a daughter to the Chief. One white man has resided on the island five years and is married to a young native girl.



Tokelau Islanders' weaving is generally regarded as the best in the Pacific region. Hats, handbags and other articles are sent to Apia for selling to travellers and others. The supply is usually far short of the demand.

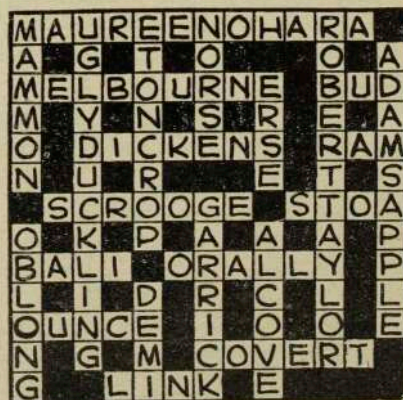
Tokelau Handicrafts in Keen Demand

THE fine weaving done by the Tokelau people has made their mats, hats and fans much sought after; in fact, Tokelau weaving is generally regarded as the best in the Pacific.

Supplies have been irregular until recently, and tourists getting even as near to the Tokelau Group as Apia still find the handicrafts hard to obtain because of infrequent shipping and the lack of organised sale of these products.

The women's committees in the three atolls are now producing their best for sale at Apia by Ben Pereira, himself a Tokelau man.

Solution to Crossquiz from page 84



The comparatively rare *tuluma*, or canoe boxes, are produced by the men from *tau'anave*, a beautifully-grained hardwood. These are hollowed, box and lid, from one solid section of the tree trunk.

The whole process is done by hand with miniature adzes; polishing with smooth coral gives the finishing touch.

These boxes were originally used for preserving fish-hooks or valuables.

In the event of a canoe upset, the Tokelauan merely rights his canoe and looks for his *tuluma*, which he knows will be floating on the surface not far away.

The smaller *tuluma* have become fashionable, in Fiji especially, as women's handbags. They are light and easily slung from the shoulder to carry a few of the hundred and one things women usually keep in their handbags.

Come out—or else!

IN April, PIM reported that an estimated 40 Japanese soldiers were still holding out as survivors of World War II on Lubang Island, 80 miles from Manila, and that attempts were being made with a loud-hailer to coax them to surrender.

At the end of May, when the Japanese were still sitting tight, the Philippine Air Force "bombed" them with 10,000 leaflets, also letters from home and books, in an effort to prove to the men that the war has actually ended. The leaflets also warned that unless this last invitation is heeded action will be taken. Japanese Government officials have aided in the operation.

THIS MONTH'S NEW READING

Book Reviews by JUDY TUDOR

THIS must be Learn How month. We have had a book on how to sell your stories to editors; another on how to play golf; and a third on how to dance. All methods, on the three subjects, guaranteed completely painless.

ARTHUR MURRAY TAUGHT ME DANCING IN A HURRY

Almost everyone has heard of Arthur Murray who, in the United States, teaches dancing—according to a pop tune of a few years ago—"in a hurry."

Mr. Murray has opened an academy in Sydney, also. One gathers that the cost of attending same is not cheap, so an investment in the book (*How to Become a Good Dancer*), at a modest 19/6 Australian, is worthwhile.

The book contains a set of "His" and "Her" footprints which the aspiring dancers cut out, set out on the floor according to instructions contained in the book, and by walking on them become accomplished performers.

As well as the more simple instructions for beginners there are chapters on more advanced subjects—such as the samba, tango, the Sugar Foot Walk and the Triple Lindy Hop.

There is a section written by Kathryn, wife of Arthur, on Dance Secrets or Etiquette. This tells you what not to do if you would be a social success. As neither Murray has been to the Pacific Islands, where the practice is for the gentlemen to cluster around the bar while the ladies fan themselves and discuss their domestic servants, there is nothing on this particular aspect of the dance. But we are sure that the Murrys would not approve of it, anyway.

(Published by Angus and Robertson, Ltd. Australian price, 19/6.)

GETTING THROUGH TO THE EDITOR

Mr. d'Arcy Niland is the author of *Make Your Stories Sell*, and as he is one of the few freelance writers in Australia who appear to be able to make a living in this way, his advice is worth listening to.

We passed this one over to a member of our advertising staff, William Lynch, who in our humble opinion (shared in the United States) is an outstanding exponent of the art of short-story writing. Mr. Lynch, however, says that he can make a better living, with fewer ulcers, in advertising.

About *Make Your Stories Sell*, he says:

"It is an excellent book for those who take short-story writing seriously but of no value whatever

to those who write short stories merely as an experiment. If the teachings of this book were followed there would be a lot fewer writers in the business and considerably fewer harassed editors.

"This book proves that short-story writing requires a lot of hard work and analytical thinking, two functions which seldom appeal to the would-be writer. Niland himself, while no literary genius, is a good tradesman. This book is for literary artisans and mechanics, but the gifted writer, whose work springs from inspiration and is spontaneously afire, might have little regard for it. As a handbook of short story mechanics it is one of the best I have seen."

(Published by Angus and Robertson, Ltd. Australian price, 12/6.)

GOLF WITH THE INN-KEEPER'S DAUGHTER

A sort of combination love story and unorthodox instructor in golf, this *Out of the Rough*, by J. T. Shaw.

It has already been published in US, and *Collier's Weekly* reviewing it said they defied anyone to read it without making experimental swings with the nearest umbrella.

Well, it did not affect the present reviewer so. After a little dabbling, she skipped the golfing bits to see when the narrator would uncover the mystery of the Inn-keeper's daughter. However, as a love story it is punk. As a golf improver it is probably all Collier's say that it is.

The hero of the piece, an American, is told by the girl whom he imagines he loves, that she would not consider marrying a man whose golf score was not in the low eighties. He thereupon catches the first trans-Atlantic liner, makes a bee-line for a small village on the Fife coast of Scotland, where he engages the services of a famous professional named Sandy Macgregor.

Macgregor's methods are unorthodox but apparently effective. Golfers who would know more about them are advised to buy the book.

(Published by Angus and Robertson, Ltd. Australian price, 15/-.)

THE WAR IN NORTH-EAST PAPUA

One of the 120 copies of a privately printed edition of *Letters from the Papuan Bush, 1942-46*, by the late Archdeacon S. R. M. Gill, has been received.

The Archdeacon was a member of the Anglican Mission, and stationed at Duvira Mission in North-Eastern Papua, when the Japanese invasion caught up with

him about mid-1942, and the letters cover roughly the following year—a period of intense interest to students of the war in that particular part of Papua about which little has been recorded.

Most of the Archdeacon's letters were one-way letters—that is, he wrote them (to his Bishop mostly, and some to Father James Benson who also had many adventures during the period, was at one time believed killed and finally turned up in a POW camp in Rabaul), then entrusted them to some runner to find their way as best they could to the addressees on the right side of the Allied lines. There was little hope of a quick reply to any of them; indeed, of any reply at all very often.

When his mission was bombed first, on July 30, 1942, the mission boys tearfully asked to be allowed to go home. Permission was given; and at the same time Gill arranged for the native teachers' families to camp in the bush. Over the next seven months, all of them took to the bush at various times according to the amount of attention they were receiving from the Japanese. But their greatest physical danger came from the Allied pilots who evidently believing that the station sheltered the enemy, gave it the full treatment.

Gill's one and dominating thought had been not to desert his people—yet he reports in a letter on September 23 that he and his small party at Duvira were the sole remaining population—the people had simply deserted him. He says: "... the people (other than those under direct Mission influence) see in it only a terrific fight between foreigners on their land, and they are quite prepared to accept whichever party comes out on top."

Gill, who naturally became much involved with the Military authorities, did not always worship at that shrine although individual members he held in high regard. He says in one part of his book: "There is grave danger in the Military greatly restricting the power of Civil Administration. If that happens it seems to me that the very foundations on which the whole Native Policy has been so patiently built will be in ruins... We need (as a Governor) a man in direct descent from Macgregor and Judge Murray."

In another of his letters he says that he believes that the Military Government made a grave mistake in doing away with the Civil Administration. He goes on: "I have not been impressed with some of the things that have been said to me by those who took the old officers' places. One of them said, 'The great difference between us and the men we have taken over from is that we are Trained Men!' My foot! Some of them seem to have been specially trained in getting off rapidly in the opposite

direction as soon as they hear of a spot of trouble."

CRIME AMONGST THE COCONUTS

The second Polynesian thriller by Juanita Sheridan — *The Kahuna Killer*—is a sort of pseudo cargo-cult from the Hawaiian Islands.

Miss Sheridan's setting is slick, sophisticated Honolulu and the odd doings are supplied by a village of Hawaiians (we did not know any pure Hawaiians still existed) who are inclined to begin a Back to Before Movement.

We do not know what qualifications the author has for writing about Hawaii, but the setting and the characters seem authentic enough and as such are interesting to other Pacific Islands dwellers, some of whom have thought to turn their own islands into imitation Honolulu in order to catch the tourist dollar.

The plot, which is not particularly mysterious, is feasible only because it is American. It would not hold water in a staid British community. Playgirls, playboys, Chinese, Hawaiians, Japanese and old planting families all have their part in the story. And there is the usual quota of high powered cars, ditto powered blondes, hard drinking and skulduggery.

(Published by William Heinemann, Ltd. Australian price, 13/3.)

DR. TOM'S PROBLEMS—THE DAVIS SAGA

Whether they now intend going back to the Cook Islands to live seems doubtful, but in their book, *Doctor to the Islands*, Tom and Lydia Davis have produced a story that is interesting to the average reader and could be regarded as literary dynamite in the territory it most concerns—all this notwithstanding the fact that Dr. Tom appears to have made his peace with officialdom before the story ends.

When the crusading Davis family arrived in Rarotonga they found a state of apathy, neglect and inefficiency that would be hard to believe were it not for the fact that we have independent witnesses who state that it was so, and that though there undoubtedly is another side to the Davis version, Dr. Tom was instrumental in bringing the unsatisfactory state of affairs to the notice of authority and in instituting permanent reforms.

The local hospital, as described by Dr. Tom, is almost unbelievable. He arrived to find the floor covered with cigarette butts, the beds unmade, the dishes unwashed. He was hustled past Mrs. Teariki "who won't last the night, anyway" (he later gave her a blood-transfusion and she recovered) and to "out-patients," where a sizable crowd already waited.

Dr. Tom was cheered; perhaps his fame as a doctor had preceded him. "Good morning, what can I do for you?" he asked the first patient. And the only reply he got was, "pamati."

The matron was writing in her little pink book; she tore out a slip and said, "Sign here, Doctor."

The slip read, "I hereby certify that Uti requires 1 bottle of whisky for GHP. Signed, Medical Officer."

So Dr. Tom learned that "pamati" was Rarotongan for "permit"; and that out-patients consisted almost entirely of "dishing out liquor permits."

The Cook Islands, of course, like all New Zealand Pacific territories, are technically dry—liquor being dispensed for GHP (general health purposes only).

Five miles away from the general hospital was the new TB sanatorium. It had been completed only that year. The equipment was good. It had a staff of nine nurses, several cooks, orderlies and groundsmen. But no patients.

The area was known as Black Rock and according to the Islanders it was haunted. From one of the tallest rocks dead souls were supposed to take their departure from the island. TB is the scourge of the Cooks—yet the new hospital seemed to the people just a place to die, and they needed some persuasion before they would go there to do even that.

The book is written in fits and starts by both Dr. Tom and Mrs. Tom. Sometimes only a short white space occurs between where one ends and the other begins. Lydia is supposed to be the writer of the family, although, no doubt, many readers will find Tom's offerings more acceptable if only because they have broader scope. Neither Davis could be said to be the objective type of writer; black is black to them, always; white is white.

Lydia one imagines as a slap-dash creature to whom small details mean nothing even if the larger facts of life are seen clearly. In this way Patrick Twomey, the leper-man, becomes Percy; Ratu Edward Cakobau and Ratu George Cakobau she presents as brothers and Ratu Edward is endowed with some of the background of and accomplishments of Sir Lala Sukuna. Her spelling of Polynesian place-names borders on the fantastic (Dr. Tom being afflicted by the same disease only to a lesser degree) and their publisher, not knowing better, lets them go.

However, none of these things prevent them describing life and people as they find them and for this reason the book is exceedingly interesting.

Dr. Tom is part-Polynesian and returning to Rarotonga was returning to the land of his birth. Lydia is a New Zealander. They

married while he was still a medical student at Dunedin and the book tells their lives from that moment on.

After seven years in the Cooks, Tom decided that it is time for some post-graduate study. The place that more or less chooses itself for this is Boston, USA. The Davis family decided to go there in their own 45 ft ketch *Miru*, in midwinter, using the Roaring Forties for the 6,000 miles hop, Wellington to Peru, thence through the Panama Canal and up the eastern coast of North America.

The last chapters of the book describe this incredibly uncomfortable five-months voyage.

(Published by Michael Joseph, London. Australian price, 18/9.)

CHRISTIANITY—ALL KINDS DISPENSED

We have received from Kansas City, Mo., a small book called *And Now New Guinea*, by Hardy C. Powers, DD, who evidently is a member of the Nazarene Mission which—although we did not know this—has some missionaries at work now in New Guinea.

The book is more a description of New Guinea for adherents of the mission in the States, than an account of their work in the Territory.

Dr. Powers quotes freely (with acknowledgments) from Pacific Publications *Handbook of Papua and New Guinea*, from Colin Simpson and from someone called Frank McCune, whom we suspect is none other than our old friend Frank Clune.

This mission appears to be functioning in about 35 countries so one can understand members' enthusiasm in having added another country to the list.

But God alone knows what inspires these people to go pouring into unfortunate New Guinea—although He is blamed for it because he "commanded his people to go out and preach the gospel." The extraordinary increase since the war, in the number of brands of Christianity being dispensed in Papua-New Guinea must be completely bewildering to the unfortunate savage whom these people go there to "save."

† In an effort to improve signal strength throughout the Fiji Group, changes being made to the aerial of the Suva broadcasting station's short-wave outlet on 3980 kc/s will probably result in decidedly poorer reception of that channel in overseas countries, for which the broadcasting service was never really intended. The two broadcast-band outlets on 840 and 930 kc/s should still be fairly well received at night time in New Zealand, especially in winter months.

Island Migrations

BIRDS AND SEA CURRENTS AIDED CANOE NAVIGATORS

REFERENCES to birds as an aid to Polynesian and Micronesian navigation occur several times in the literature of Oceanic exploration. In *The Legend of Hawaii-loa*, for instance, Bruce Cartwright says that the directions taken by migrating land birds led to the discovery of many island groups.

IT is believed that the long-tailed cuckoo's annual migrations brought about the discovery of islands as far south as New Zealand.

The method of navigation possessed by the people of Oceania permitted them not only to reach a given destination but easily to retrace their steps.

Not only did they use bow stars, towards which they sailed, but they kept track of stern stars as well. To return to their home island required only their shifting round of the sail, making the bow the stern, and using the former stern stars as beacons towards which to steer.

Prevailing winds and sea conditions were their steering guides throughout the day.

Upon reaching the home island, the sailors often utilised other stars in the manner of lighted ranges to facilitate entrance into harbours and passages through reefs.

ALL the native navigators of the South Pacific were proficient in analysing wind and sea conditions, for often the sky might be overcast for days at a time, leaving only these signs as aids to navigation.

For observing wind direction, pennants of feathers and palmetto bark were used.

The direction of the run of the sea was usually more helpful, since the direction of the sea tends to be more stable than wind directions. Characteristics of currents and swells were probably most thoroughly utilised in Micronesia, where charts were constructed on the basis of these.

One of the things that most strongly impressed Captain Cook was the ability of the Islanders to predict the weather. They associated the various changes in prevailing wind direction with the appearance or position of various celestial bodies. Since the changes in wind direction are seasonal phenomena, their method appears to be quite valid.

Andia y Varela wrote in 1774:

"What took me most in two Indians (Polynesians) whom I carried from Otahiti to Oriazatea was that every evening or night they told me, or prognosticated, the weather we should experience on the following day, as to wind, calms, rainfall, sunshine, sea and other points, about which they never turned out to be wrong."

This is the second of three articles by Lowell Don Holmes reviewing the science of navigation as it was practised by the Polynesians and Micronesians at the time of the great canoe-migrations across the Pacific. Mr. Holmes, who recently completed a year's anthropological research in Eastern Samoa, is at present a Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology associated with North-Western University, Evanston, Illinois. The first article was published in June PIM.

RETURNING to the use of celestial bodies as aids to navigation, an investigator, Rodman, reports the use of a calabash or coconut sextant to judge latitude.

On a voyage between Hawaii and Tahiti, which is almost a due north-and-south proposition, the "sacred calabash" was used to fix position, he said.

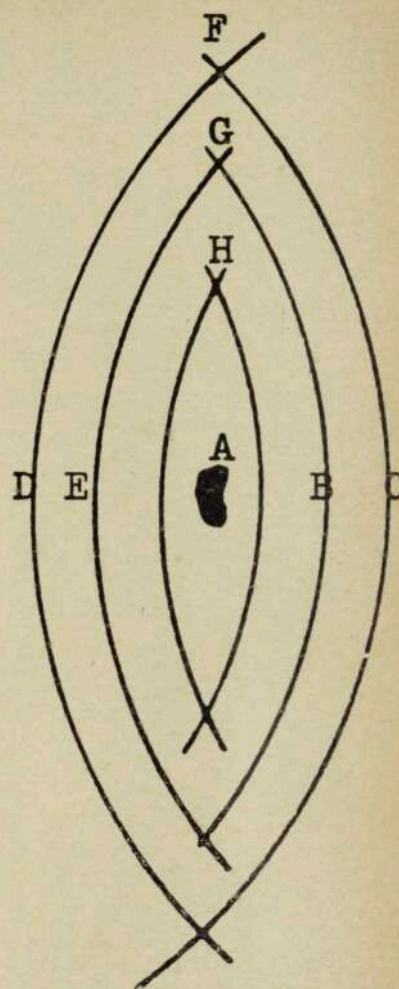
The instrument consisted of a globe half-filled with water which reflected the light of a star seen through one hole as the navigator peered through another, on the other side of the globe. The farther away the reflected gleam of a star directly over the destination appeared on the water inside the globe, the closer one was getting to the island. Of course, the globe had to be suspended on a string so that the plane of the water was always the same. (See note at end of this article).

By using methods such as this, or by using the stars as steering beacons, a relative amount of accuracy could be obtained, but even at that it was possible to miss an island by 50 to 100 miles.

In such a case, the Oceanic navigators merely produced new methods from their bag of tricks.

A certain form of cloud was recognised as an indicator of land, for above many islands clouds continually hovered, no matter how bright or sunny the day.

The white sands of coral atolls reflect more heat than the surrounding water, and the difference in these temperatures causes a small cloud to form. This cloud is found a bit to the lee of the island because of the effect of the prevail-



This diagram represents actual sea conditions. A is the island, B and C the Rilibs, D and E the Kaelibs, and F, G and H the Boats.

ing wind. Even if the sky were cloudless, the navigators could utilise reflections in the sky caused by the presence of lagoons or shallow waters.

Light is lost in great depths of water. Deep waters are poor reflectors and produce little effect on the sky. The reflection of the shallow waters is therefore very conspicuous.

The colour of the water itself was an important item in piloting. The navigators' ability to judge depths in this manner was extraordinary.

A MAORI legend tells of a curious way in which land was found.

A canoe, after making the journey from Hawaiki to the vicinity of New Zealand, by star-steering, had not yet picked up land. The navigators feared that if they proceeded on their course, they might pass beyond the island.

At this point, the captain of the

canoe liberated two land birds capable of extended flight. The birds circled about, gaining altitude. At a certain height, they apparently could see land, for they headed off in a definite direction. This course was followed successfully by the canoe.

The form of the waves and the direction of swell were used to good advantage in locating land in both Polynesia and Micronesia.

However, though the Polynesians were fine navigators, it appears that they never studied ocean phenomena and its bearing on navigation, as the Micronesians did.

It is in Micronesia where charts are constructed depicting the directions of swells.

Harold Gatty, who investigated primitive navigation methods for the armed forces in World War II and who wrote the *Raft Book*, describes these charts as follows: "Using the ribs of coconut palms and tying them together with coconut fibre, they constructed a frame to represent the curvature and meeting points of the wave motion in and around the islands. The islands were represented on this frame by small shells."

The knowledge recorded by these strange charts was indicated by the arrangement of the ribs relative to one another and by their bending and crossing.

These charts included three essential features: the Rilib, or eastern swell; the Kaelib, or western swell; and the Boots.

The Rilib and Kaelib consisted of curved ribs and the Boots were the points where these two ribs met and were fastened together.

The sea condition referred to as the Rilib is described by Gatty as follows: "The prevailing wind brings parallel swells towards an island. As the swell approaches the island, even out of sight of land, it starts to curve, and nearing the island, it curves to the shape of the obstruction. At this stage, the swells which are directly in front of the island start to form into smaller waves which gradually build up and break on the reefs. This wave motion from the direction of the prevailing wind is easy to see."

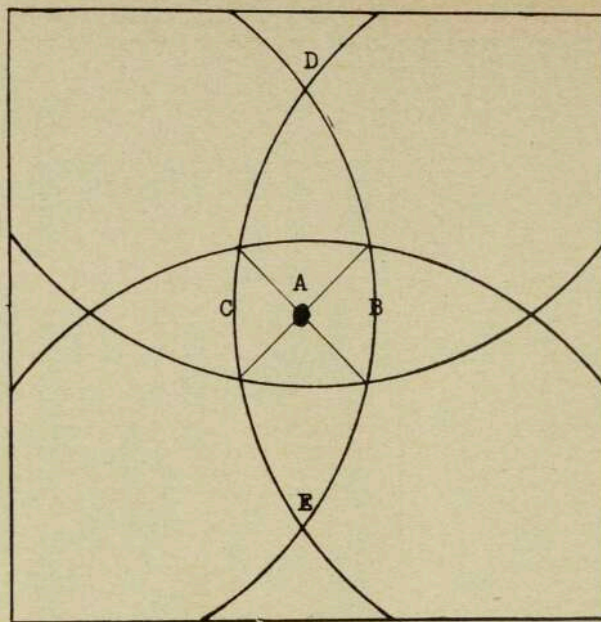
THIS Rilib is worthy of note throughout the entire year. The counterpart to this is the Kaelib, or western swell.

Of this, Gatty says: "On the opposite side of the island is a counter-swell much less noticeable but nonetheless visible to anyone who looks for it. Knowing of its existence I have seen this counter-swell with my own eyes, not only from the water, but from the air, where its curves as it approaches the island are easily recognisable."

This feature is also present throughout the entire year in Micronesia.

Where these two swells meet forms an area of disturbed water which the Islanders call Boots.

These Boots are of tremendous



In this Mattang instruction chart A represents the Shell, B the Rilib, C the Kaelib, and D and E the Boots. The Rilib and Kaelib consisted of curved ribs and the Boots were the points where the ribs met and were fastened together.

importance in finding one's way to an island. When the Micronesians accidentally missed an island, they would come upon this row of Boots,

caused by the two swells, and would sail down them as though they were buoys until the island was reached.
(To be concluded)

Sir Peter Buck Rejected Magic Calabash

THE "sacred calabash" story, mentioned in Mr. Holmes's article on Polynesian and Micronesian navigation, was firmly discounted by the late Sir Peter Buck, the New Zealand-born Maori director of the Bishop Museum, Honolulu, and possibly the greatest of all students of the history of his race.

"I am convinced that no such contrivance was ever used by the Polynesians," Sir Peter wrote in a letter to Mr. J. E. Frame, of Nelson, NZ, which was published in the *Auckland Star* on March 2, 1951, and quoted in PIM in February, 1952.

Following are other extracts from the letter:

"The magic calabash story was started by Admiral Rodman, of the United States Navy. He told it to me on board the USS *Virginia* at Auckland in 1925 . . . He later wrote an article entitled *The Sacred Calabash* in the US Naval Institute Proceedings, vol. 53, 1927. This article led to inquiries at the Bishop Museum, but no such calabash as that described by Rodman was present in the collection.

"J. F. G. Stokes, of this museum, wrote an article questioning the

authenticity of the calabash, and Rodman's reply was really an evasion. Rodman had told me at Auckland that he had seen the calabash and measured the angle which was 19 degrees, the elevation of the Pole Star in Hawaii.

"The general feeling is that Rodman constructed the story on a theory which is not supported by any material evidence. We cannot find any mention of such a calabash in Hawaiian tradition. I am convinced that no such contrivance was ever used by the Polynesians."

Polynesian Society Journal

ONE of the oldest continuing anthropological journals in the world, the authoritative *Journal of the Polynesian Society* (Wellington, NZ) appears in a bright new dress for the first number of the 64th volume.

The policy of this quarterly study of the indigenous peoples of the Pacific area, however, remains unchanged.

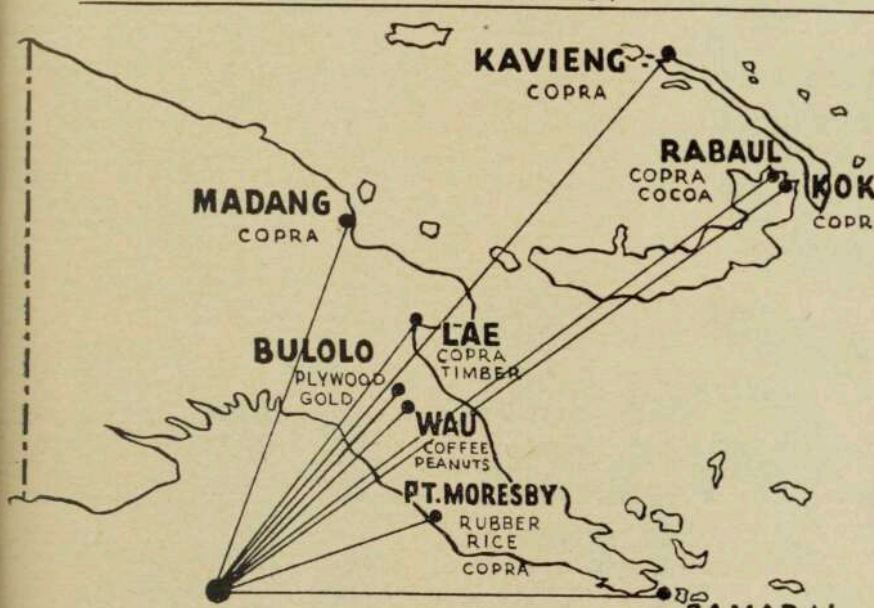
The current (March) issue includes a paper on the Fijian system of kinship and marriage by R. H. Nayacakalau, of the Department of Anthropology, Auckland University College, and another on the Palolo by William Burrows.

† Shell Petroleum Co. announced in London in July that two ten-seater S-55 helicopters have been ordered for off-shore oil exploration operations in the Persian Gulf, Borneo and New Guinea waters.

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Samoa's Copra and Cocoa Quality Slips

From Our Own Correspondent

COMPLAINTS about the quality of Western Samoa's main products, copra and cocoa beans, have been increasing. In fact, they may now be described as continuous.

Compensation has been paid to the United Kingdom Ministry of Food on several shipments of inferior copra, and the local Copra Board is making strenuous effort to tighten things up.

The board will now accept for export only copra that has been screened.

When the MOF contract ends in 1957, Western Samoa, like other British Commonwealth territories with contracts, will have to compete on the "free" world copra market.

Equally disturbing is the deterioration in the standard of Samoan cocoa beans. At one time Samoan cocoa was a high-quality product commanding high prices on the world market, but in recent years the standard has slipped.

Competition among buyers has been so keen that they have often been willing to buy cocoa insufficiently fermented and dried, and this has encouraged producers to neglect proper curing.

Complaints about poor quality cocoa have been so frequent that Samoan leaders have urged more stringent methods of inspecting the beans. It has also been suggested that the Government, private interests or co-operatives should build fermenting houses and driers in the outside districts to ensure even quality of the product.

Producers, it has been pointed out, should sell the wet beans (as is done in larger cocoa-producing countries) instead of the dry, which they find difficult to ferment properly in small quantities.

Big Sums Donated for Leprosy Work

IN 12 years the New Zealand Lepers' Trust Board has allocated £90,000 to the Fiji Lepers' Trust Board.

When the Acting Governor of Fiji (Mr. A. F. R. Stoddart) was opening the new discharged patients' hostel at the Korovou Lepers' Sub-Station, Suva, in June, he described the Dominion's help as "stupendous generosity."

Of the New Zealand allocation to Fiji, £15,000 has gone to aid leprosy work in the British Solomons. The balance, supplemented by local donations, has been spent at the Fiji Leprosy Hospital, Makogai, and at the Korovou Sub-Station.

AMERICAN TIMBER COMPANY AT WORK IN FIJI

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALTHOUGH a timber company in Fiji has gone into liquidation less than a year after starting operations, an American company plans to work a timber concession in the Serua Hills in southern Viti Levu.

The United Lumber Co. Ltd., registered at Suva in January with a capital of 150,000 dollars, has a 900-acres lease four miles inland from the Queen's Road on the south coast.

A Fijian land concession starts seven miles from the coast and extends about 11 miles inland. The hill country is rugged, but over the ranges there are more gradual slopes and river valleys, and part of the concession lies across the upper reaches of the Navua River.

Selective cutting will be employed and the circumference of trees which may be cut has been laid down by the Forestry Department.

A 2 per cent. royalty on timber sales will provide for replanting, and it is intended to have the forest restored after 30 years.

The company's Government con-

tract requires the construction of 12 miles of all-weather road within three years. Four miles has already been constructed and is now being metalled. American machinery has been taken to the mill-site.

Logs will be tractor-hauled to the road—a system which, it is believed, will eliminate the difficulties found in trying to keep mills fed by floating logs down rivers and similar means.

* Two young men employed at Paagoumene, New Caledonia's chrome mining centre, were drowned when attempting to swim in darkness from a capsized dinghy to a lagoon islet in July. The men were both fathers of young families. Two other men, members of the same fishing-party, reached the islet and were rescued by a search party next day. Despite an air search, the bodies of the drowned men were not recovered.

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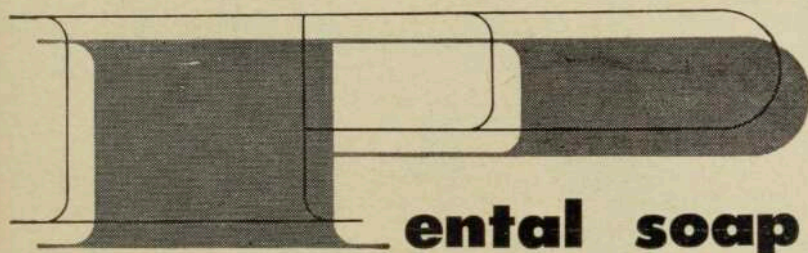
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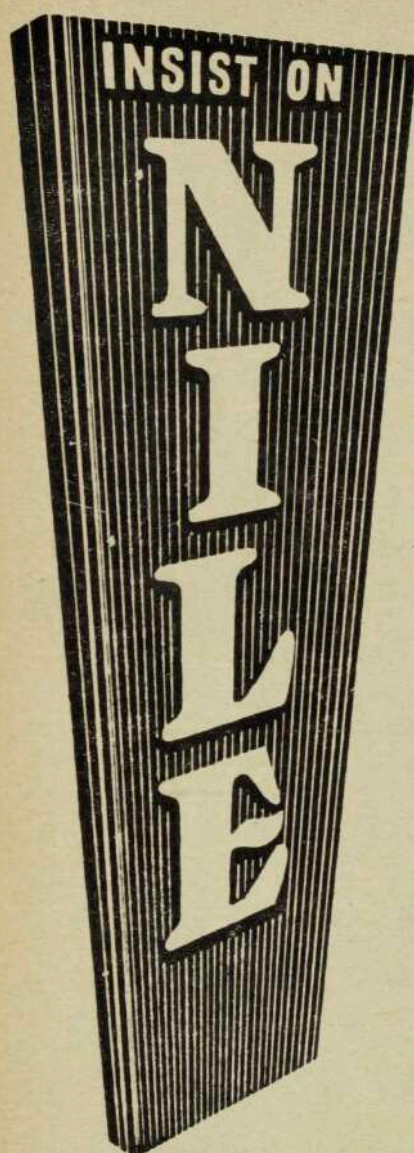


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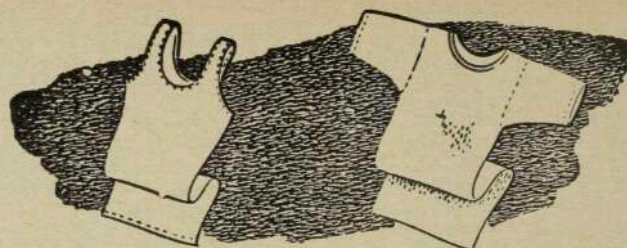
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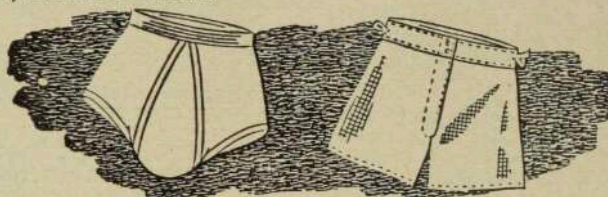


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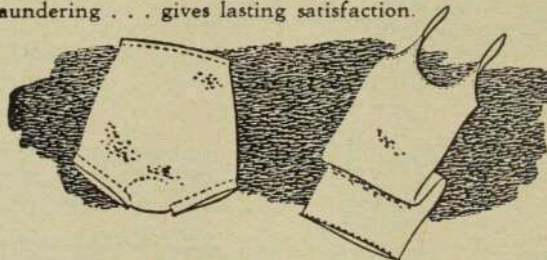
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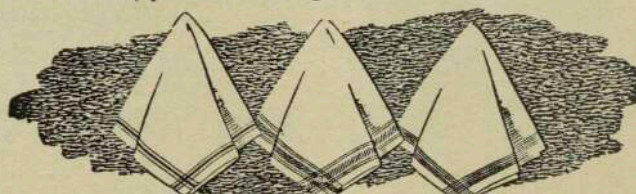
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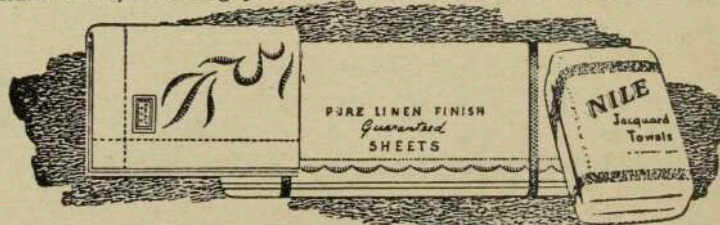
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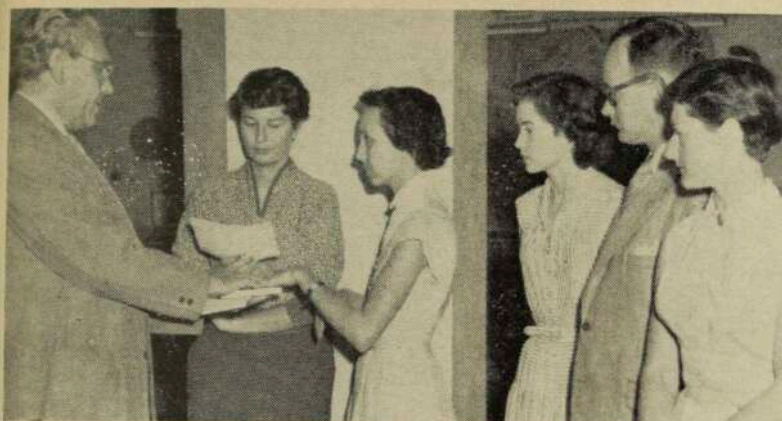
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Newcomers to SP Commission Sworn-in



New members of the South Pacific Commission staff at Noumea were sworn-in on May 23. In this picture the Secretary-General (Dr. Ralph Clairon Bedell) is administering the oath and the Chief Interpreter (Mme. G. Barrau) is providing the French text. Those taking the oath are (left to right): Mlle. M. Tomono (France), laboratory assistant; Mlle. C. Michelino (France), stenographer; Mr. I. Boyd (Australia), accounts clerk; Miss Y. Macfarlane (New Zealand), laboratory technician (dietitian). The oath, besides pledging loyalty to the international service of the South Pacific Commission, affirms that the officer will not seek or accept instructions in regard to the performance of his or her duties from any government or other authority external to the Commission.

† Mr. P. B. Cadwell was to leave Australia in August to take up an appointment as dental officer, Nauru Island, in succession to Mr. S. J. Begg.

† Mr. C. A. Brew has been

appointed Public Service Commissioner for Western Samoa. He was Auditor of that Territory from 1946 to 1949, and has recently been general treasurer of the Public Service Association and an audit inspector.

Black Magic Terrorism in New Caledonia

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BLACK magic is not yet dead in New Caledonia, or, for that matter, in many other South Pacific islands.

Three men who had been banished to a remote northern island for trying to foment a revolt in 1940 returned several years ago and installed themselves with a peaceful tribe.

After securing their adoption by the tribe, they set out to dominate the people by forms of witchcraft. Within two years their unfortunate hosts were terrorised into seeing *doghi* (devils) in all directions. Gradually they abandoned their houses and plantations, seeking safety in flight.

Complaints to the authorities led to an investigation, as a result of which the three "sorcerers" are to be banished again.

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US Decoration for BSIP Man



Lieut. A. M. Andresen, RANVR, MID, a war-time coastwatcher at Ysabel Island, has received the United States Medal of Freedom for meritorious service in the war against Japan. The presentation was made on May 20, 1955, by the District Commissioner, Central District, BSIP (Mr. M. B. Hamilton), at Mandoliana, Lieut. Andresen's home island. The citation stated that in 1943-1944, Lieut. Andre-

sen, "through his outstanding knowledge of intelligence transmission, resourcefulness and devotion to duty . . . made a noteworthy contribution to the success of military operations in the South-West Pacific Area".

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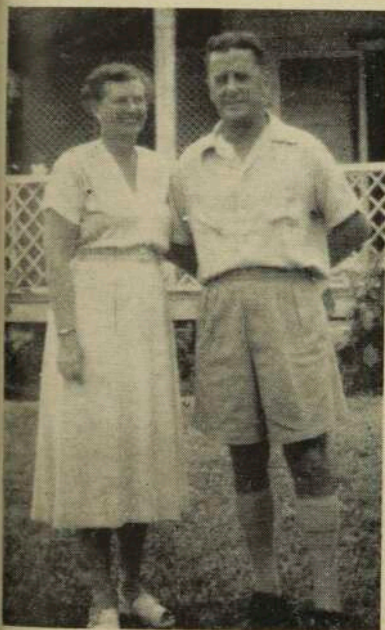
THE United States Government has paid \$7,000 compensation for material damage suffered by Rongelap and Uterik natives as a result of the March, 1954, hydrogen bomb accident.

It will be recalled that the meteorologists miscalculated winds at the time of the Bikini explosion, with the result that 298 Islanders and 28 Americans at these two atolls were showered with radioactive coral dust. Some Japanese fishermen were more seriously injured.

About 64 Islanders suffered fairly serious effects, varying from skin burns to temporary loss of hair. All are now said to have recovered, though genetic effects are and will remain unknown for a very long time.

The \$7,000 represents damage to property only. According to a statement made to the United Nations by the US Government the natives had made no personal claims for damages. In the case of the Japanese, negotiations for damages continued for a year, and eventually £1 million or more was paid to cover personal damages and the rendering of the fishing vessels unserviceable for a long period due to atomic contamination.

Tonga's Minister of Finance



The Hon. G. Goodacre, Tonga's Minister of Finance, and Mrs. Goodacre photographed at Nukualofa in June, before they left for New Zealand on furlough. They were entertained at a farewell tea-party by the Secretary to the Tongan Government (Mr. K. R. Bain) and Mrs. Bain.

Noumea Enthusiasts Aiming at Olympiad

NOUMEA enthusiasts are determined to get to the 1956 Olympiad at Melbourne, but how they are to do it remains a problem.

Messageries Maritimes has briskly knocked on the head a proposal to use one of the French liners for transport to Melbourne and as a floating hotel during the Games.

The answer was that the liners' schedules would not permit this. The decision has caused some surprise, because it was expected that when the new *Polynésie* came into

the Sydney-Noumea-New Hebrides route in July, the liners from France would end their voyage at Noumea.

Previously the liners, except the *Eridan*, went on to Sydney. *Eridan*, after being described as a "hell-ship" by Australian newspapers several years ago, has not returned to Australian waters.

Meanwhile Air France has been asked to provide special planes for flights to Melbourne for the Olympiad, but the airline problem is likely to be more complicated than that of shipping.

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NO CHANGE IN RENTS OF SP COMMISSION HOUSES

From Our Noumea Correspondent

SOUTH Pacific Commission affairs were discussed in the Conseil-General of New Caledonia when the Government asked for a reduction in rents of houses occupied by SPC personnel.

The request was refused.

These houses, built by the Noumea Town Council a few years ago, are, by Noumea standards, small palaces.

Rents were fixed at 20 pc of salaries, and the Administration wants them reduced to 15 pc.

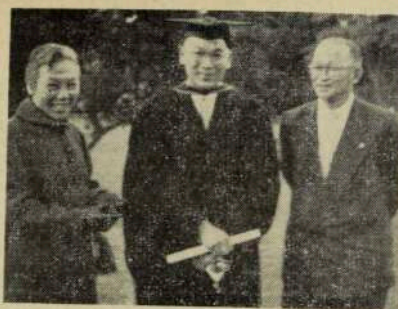
It was indicated that the reduction was proposed because some of the SPC people would like the Commission's headquarters to be transferred from Noumea to Sydney—an implied threat at which some members of the Conseil-General protested.

A member said that the threat of transfer had already been used by the French delegate to the SPC (M. Lasalle Sere) when applying for an SPC loan from FIDES (the Paris Government organisation for the development of the French Empire).

The member added that he hoped more serious reasons had prompted the SPC to establish its headquarters at Noumea.

(At one time a considerable body of opinion held that the Commission should have been based at Suva).

Graduate from Suva



Mr. Homer Cheng, youngest son of Mr. C. L. Cheng, of Suva, recently received the degree of Bachelor of Engineering from Sydney University. Two years ago, two elder sons, David and Cecil, graduated in engineering. The photograph shows Homer with Mr. and Mrs. Cheng after the 1955 ceremony.

HONOUR FOR WEATHER CHIEF

DR. M. A. F. MARSDEN, director of New Zealand Meteorological Service, whose area includes observation stations at a great many Pacific Islands, was elected first vice-president of the World Meteorological Organisation in May.

† Pan American Stratoclipper *Flying Cloud* on June 30 flew from Sydney to Fiji (1,975 miles) in 5 hours 47 minutes—a ground speed of 342 miles an hour.

Liquor Restrictions in NC Relaxed

NEW Caledonia's indigenous people are now permitted to drink any brand of beer they choose. Previously they were limited to a local beer with an alcohol content of 4 pc, although at least 20 brands are sold.

Simultaneously with the new ruling, the Conseil-General approved a proposal that native members of the council be permitted to consume their own choice of wine.

† Storm damage to roads, bridges and wharves in Viti Levu, Fiji, early this year has cost the Government £10,464 in repairs.

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NOUMEA THEFT DRAMA ENDS WITH A SUICIDE

From Our Own Correspondent

AFTER a Noumea robbery, in which the swag included about 40 watches, the police put a special guard in the Java-bound repatriation ship *Skaubryn* and found one of the watches on the arm of a young Javanese woman.

The girl said that the watch was a gift from her boy-friend.

The boy-friend said he had bought the watch from an Indo-Chinese.

The Indo-Chinese denied the Javanese charge but a police search brought to light other stolen articles.

Whereupon the Indo-Chinese pounced on a small knife and stabbed himself. He died in hospital.

This was the third suicide in New Caledonia in the first fortnight of July. The others were a Frenchman and an Italian.

Other fatalities included the mother of six children who was killed at Noumea when her motor scooter collided with a bus; two Javanese killed when a lorry plunged over a cliff and two men drowned when fishing.

† The Tongan-language edition of *The Royal Visit to Tonga* has been published in London and has been shipped to Nukualofa.

† Of the 14,399 students in New Caledonian schools in 1954, 7,686 were native and 6,713 European. Public schools accounted for 2,604 natives and 4,821 Europeans. Roman Catholic private schools accommodated 1,892 pupils of European descent, and 3,552 native pupils went to Catholic mission schools. Another 1,530 native pupils went to Protestant mission schools. The

total number of students was 1,400 more than in 1953.

† Six Tonga Defence Force cadet officers have returned after training at Army schools in New Zealand. Four of them have been commissioned by Queen Salote as second-lieutenants. They are Sione Ma'asi, 'Aisea Kavapalu, Manase Foukimoana and Kaivai Heimulu.

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THE LILY AND THE SNARK

A CORRESPONDENT from Rugen Harbour, via Rabaul—who forgot to sign his name—has written an interesting letter on the late Harold Markham's *Lily*, which, he says, was not the *Snark*. This should end all correspondence on the subject.

Our unknown correspondent says: "The *Lily* was never Jack London's old vessel the *Snark*. I was well acquainted with both vessels.

"In July, 1917, when I was mate of the *A. K. Melanesia* we sailed from Solomon Islands to the New Hebrides. In Vila harbour, tied up to the wharf inside the reef, was the old *Snark*. She had been out of commission for several months. She was owned by the French Nouvelle Hebrides Company, and there was a standing offer of ten pounds plus any repair costs, to any man who could start the engine. I inspected the vessel and started work, and the next afternoon had the engine running. We did a three hours trial run outside the harbour, and on return to the wharf I collected £12/10/-.

"A few weeks later, returning to the Solomons, we were speeding along at nine knots under full sail past the west end of San Cristobal Island, when a vessel put out from Maru Bay and hailed us.

A man was standing up in the bows waving a shirt. We hove to, and waited for the vessel.

It was the *Lily* with Markham at the tiller and another man with the shirt. When they were close enough to recognise our vessel, they waved to us to proceed on our way. We could not understand it but the next day the *Lily* came into Tulagi and Marko came aboard and told his story.

"A few days earlier, the *Lily* had been commandeered by a British man-o'-war and six naval ratings put aboard with teleradio, rifles and ammunition and Markham was told to proceed to San Cristobal Island for patrol duty. When our vessel was sighted, somehow the *Lily's* transmitter went out of commission (by Marko sleight-of-hand) so the *Lily* had to return to Tulagi for radio repairs. So ended the *Lily's* patrol duty.

"Later on I sailed to Ontong Java (Lord Howe Islands) with Captain Austin in the *Baronia* and spent a month there inspecting those islands and reefs. We also spent many hours with Markham and it was there that I learned the story of the *Lily*.

"The *Lily* was built in Tasmania and purchased by Captain Austin and Markham, and sailed from

there to the Solomons by Austin, Markham and another man (name forgotten). Markham then took over the *Lily*. The *Lily* was not a schooner; but a cutter rig, with a 14 HP Frisco engine.

I was back in the Hebrides in November, 1927 when that hurricane hit Santo; 27 vessels were lost in one night.

"The *Snark* was anchored in the Second Channel opposite the river, the river was in flood, which kept the vessel side on to the channel. The hurricane swept down the channel, hit the *Snark* broadside on and she turned over in the wind, and sank with eleven hands. All were lost.

"As Captain Haug assumes, Mark-

ham took over the trading station from Charlie Munster on Ontong Java. Towards the end of 1941, I was in Manus and had lunch and spent the afternoon with Munster. We chatted about Markham and Ontong Java, and old-time experiences. It was the last time I saw Charlie Munster, but I look back on those days with happy memories."

¶ M. Rene Hoffherr, Governor of New Caledonia and High Commissioner for France in the Pacific, has been visiting the Wallis Islands, stated a Noumea report in August. M. Hoffherr travelled in the French naval sloop *Tiare* by way of Suva.

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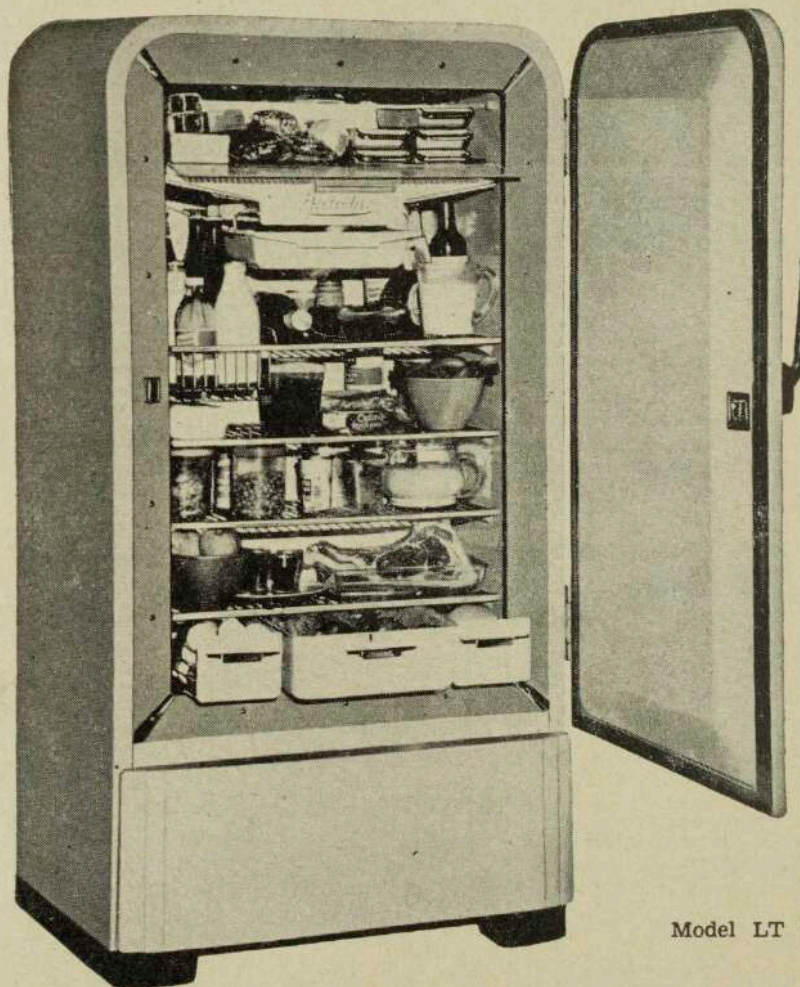
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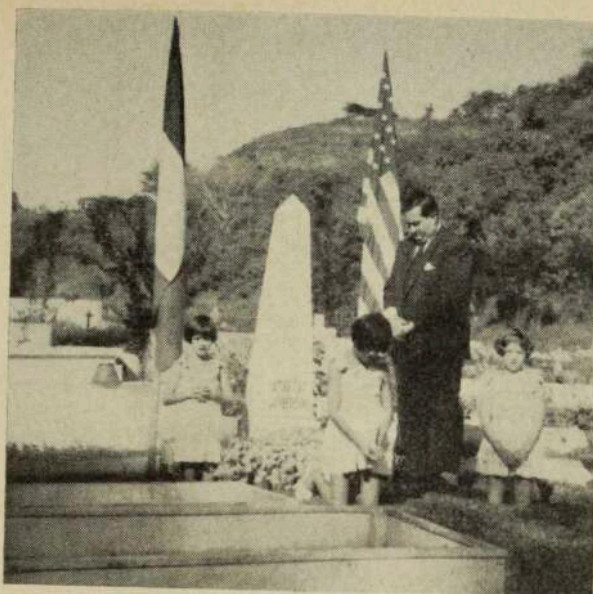
From Our Own Correspondent

WORK on the oil-search site at Gouraou, New Caledonia, has stopped, and it was announced in July that the company formed, with local and French capital, to conduct the search—Societe de Recherche et Exploitation du Petrole—is to be reorganised.

A geologist borrowed from a large French oil company is to make a photo-geological study, and about September a geologist of international status, M. Trumpy, will study the results of all the surveys.

The departure from Noumea of M. Rene Pomeyrol, former head of the search, has been followed by a statement by M. Pomeyrol in Paris, in which he maintains that the direction of the work was taken out of his hands at a time when the Gouraou operations were confirming the optimistic tone of his original report.

M. Pomeyrol was sent to New Caledonia in 1946 by the Bureau de Recherches de Petrole (BRP). After two years' exploration, he reported that the most promising



US Ceremony in Tahiti

Mr. Daniel W. Montenegro, American Consul for South Pacific Territories, visiting Papeete, laid a wreath on the obelisk at the American section of Paurani Cemetery on Remembrance Day.

Later, according to custom, he went outside the harbour in the American yacht "Mareva", which happened to be in port, to drop another wreath on the sea.

place to start serious drilling was Gouraou, on the west coast near Bourail.

IN 1953 a company was formed at Noumea with a capital of 10,000,000 francs. BRP held 65 per cent. of the stock, the NC Government 15 per cent.

and private investors 20 per cent. M. Pomeyrol's services were placed at the disposal of the company.

In his Paris statement he says that he was assigned to look for oil with an absurdly small capital. Arrangements had to be made with the Overall McCray Co., Sydney, to send equipment and a crew to do

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the drilling, and the £40,000 contract stipulated a total drilling of 8,000 ft divided into four wells of 2,000 ft.

BRP gave instructions that drilling should be started at Koumac, in the far north of the island, where oil seepage had been noted. This was against the advice of M. Pomeyrol and was regarded as unwise by Mr. Owen, the Australian geologist. Four wells were sunk and the result confirmed M. Pomeyrol's opinion that there was only a superficial deposit, degraded and of no economic value.

In February, 1954, M. Pomeyrol continues, the local company asked him to concentrate on the Gouraou site, and the transfer was made without waiting for BRP's consent, which was given later. Drilling started in March but was stopped at the end of April because of shortage of capital.

DESPITE promising indications at Gouraou, BRP ordered 'conservative measures,' which included the termination of the drilling contract, the dismantling of the equipment and the repatriation of the Australian crew. BRP said it was necessary to mark time before moving to another stage of the search.

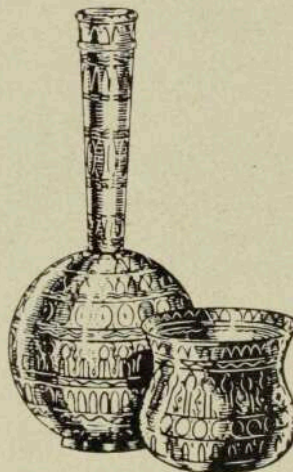
The death of the company's president at Noumea was followed by the appointment of a president at Paris. The head of the Govern-

ment Mining Bureau at Noumea was made assistant to the new president and was put in charge of the work.

M. Pomeyrol adds that it was only a few days before his departure from Noumea for Paris that he learned that he had been relieved of the direction.

† A sanctuary lamp, given by St. Thomas's Anglican Ladies' Guild, Toowoomba, Queensland, has been sent to New Guinea for the John Barge Memorial Church. The Rev. John Barge, who was murdered by the Japanese, was vicar of St. Thomas's Church before going to New Guinea.

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TWENTY-FIVE South Pacific Islanders will receive practical training in a fisheries course to be held at Noumea, said the Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission (Dr. Ralph Clairon Bedell) at the Research Council meeting at Noumea in June.

The course, designed to improve fishing methods and to develop fisheries resources, will be sponsored jointly by the South Pacific Commission and the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation.

Both organisations, said Dr. Bedell, are anxious to see fisheries more fully used as a means of better nutritional standards for Islands peoples.

Islanders at the fisheries school will study such subjects as the use of mechanised small boats; improved gear and fishing methods; processing, storing and marketing of fish, and control of harmful practices like dynamiting and poisoning.

They will learn elementary navigation and chart-reading and the principles of boat-building, and will acquire a working knowledge of marine engines.

AN important part of the training will relate to fish-farming—transferring fish from fresh and brackish water into ponds and rivers, building dykes and sluices and cultivating pearl oysters and other molluscs.

Much of the training will take place at sea. A fisheries research vessel has been lent by the French Institute of Oceania, which was linked by Dr. Bedell with FAO in an expression of warm appreciation.

The students will live at the Pentagon building at South Pacific Commission headquarters.

Speaking at the Research Council meeting, Dr. Cecil Miles, secretary of the Indo-Pacific Fisheries Council, said that if FAO had not been prominent in the South Pacific region, it was because the South Pacific Commission was engaged most effectively in those functions which were being performed by FAO in other under-developed parts of the world.

MR. HUBERTUS VAN PEL, Fisheries Officer of the Commission, said that in the Cook Islands he had transplanted 320 black-lipped mother-of-pearl shells from Manihiki to Rakahanga lagoon.

He had selected medium sizes as older oysters would not withstand the journey. A tank has since been made in Rarotonga to carry 600 pearl oysters in a single voyage.

Black-lipped pearl, although less valuable than the gold-lipped variety, brings about f5tg.400 a ton. A boat with one diver takes from 100 to 300 shells in a day.

Mr. van Pel said that overfishing could become a serious economic problem in French Oceania, where 25 lagoons have already been stripped of shell. Unless they were replenished, these lagoons would become a "graveyard."

The transplanted Manihiki oysters had been deposited in an area covered with stones and dead coral, but the intention was to put collectors in the lagoon.

MR. VAN PEL advised on fish-farming in Western Samoa and Tonga, adding that in the

Cook Islands he had found conditions so good that he had established a fishpond and given five lectures on fisheries to about 200 Islanders.

The new pond, he said, has been stocked with tilapia flown to the Cooks from Fiji.

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¶ Lt. G. P. Brown and 2/Lt. P. J. Burt, NZ Regiment, have been seconded to the Fiji Military Forces.

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NEWS OF THE SMALL-SHIPS

IT HAPPENED IN AUGUST:— In August, 1930, when PIM was born, there appeared in that first issue this report of a shipping disaster: 'The mission vessel *Bromilow*, owned by the Methodist Mission Society, was wrecked at Amphettes, near Samarai, Papua, recently, and seven natives were drowned. The Rev. G. P. Lassam and a native were rescued from a reef, after five days' exposure, without food or water, and two natives reached Salamo from the vessel. The *Bromilow* was a wooden auxiliary ketch of 14 tons gross, and had been in service in Papuan waters since 1917. She was named after a famous missionary, Dr. Bromilow, whose death recently occurred.

Elsewhere in the first PIM, under details of inter-island shipping services, were the names of little ships, all of which have vanished to-day: *SS Papuan Chief* and *AK Matoma* on the Papuan coastal trade; *SS Maiwara*, *SS Mirani*, *SS Duris*, *SS Durour*, and *SS Wyalong* in the TNG trade (*Duris* and *Durour* met their fate in the 1937 Rabaul eruption); *MV Duranbah* in the Solomons; *TSS Makatea*, *SS Malake*, *SS Adi Keva*, and *MV Sir John Forrest* in Fiji waters; *SS Malinoa* in the New Hebrides.

In the years since the first issue PIM has recorded more of the mari-

time history of the Pacific than any other publication in existence.

SERVICE INAUGURATED:— With *Monrovia* painted on her stern as port of registry and flying the Liberian flag, the 134-ft steel schooner-yacht *Te Vega* arrived at Papeete in July to inaugurate a luxury passenger service between that port and Honolulu, where the vessel will be based. Aboard on this first voyage from Newport Beach Harbour, Cal., was owner-skipper Omer Darr, his wife, a crew of 18, and 6 passengers.

Officers are Americans and crew Tahitians or part-Tahitians. Calls had been made in the Marquesas and at Takaroa. The vessel had sailed June 10, and arrived Papeete July 9.

Passengers had paid fares varying from \$3,950 to \$5,590, and on the Honolulu-Papeete service they will pay \$925 to \$1,275, one way, for an estimated 30-day run, with calls at several way ports.

Te Vega can carry 12 passengers in six two-berth cabins, which apparently vary somewhat in comfort and cost. There are three passenger bathrooms, a lounge, and dining saloon, a first-class chef and chief steward, and apparently everything else that the type of passenger likely to seek a cruise in a vessel of this size would want.

Skipper Darr, who did some post-war cruising to Polynesia with paying guests in the 71-ft yacht *Nordlys*, is apparently confident that he can fill his ship with passengers prepared to spend an average of £A50 per day in fares, and all will hope that indeed he can. He has a reputable agent, Theo H. Davies & Co., in Honolulu, and if appearances sell passages *Te Vega* with her 11,235 square feet of billowing canvas should certainly be a draw card.

She is powered with a 200-hp diesel which drives her along well, but only those who have cruised under sail will know how steady-going sail can be. Appearances have been somewhat marred by reducing the schooner to bald-headed rig, however.

Sailings are planned from Honolulu at 6-weekly intervals. The vessel was due to leave Papeete north-bound on July 16, arrive at Honolulu August 15, and sail about a week later. There will undoubtedly be a lot of interest in

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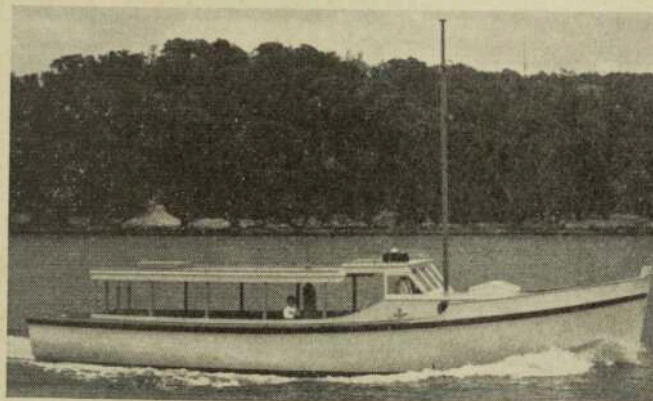


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Mr. Darr's experiment, and if some may feel doubtful regarding the large crew and the consequent high fares, all will hope for success. *Te Vega* is clearly a big financial gamble that deserves to succeed.

EXIT THE MEAT-BOAT:—Well known in Eastern Papua waters as a supplier of fresh meat, the 60-ft vessel *Gilli Gilli* was lost in Wreck Bay, Great Barrier Reef, 350 miles from Cairns, on June 28. Formerly owned by Gilli Gilli Plantation, the vessel had just been purchased as a pearling lugger by Grayson & Lindley Ltd., of Cairns, and was being escorted south by the 50-ft launch, *Tropic Seas*, when she went ashore. *Gilli Gilli* was built in 1912 at Thursday Island and is claimed to be the 21st vessel lost in Wreck Bay.

VASU SOLD:—The Italian-built 300-tonner *Vasu*, laid off her Polynesian tramping some time ago, was reported sold in July to Burns Philp (SS) Co. Ltd. for use in the Fiji Group. At about the same time it was reported that Tasman Steamship Co.'s other vessel, the 700-ton refrigerated freighter *Viti*, had been chartered for a further 3 months—to October 4—by the New Zealand Government, as stand-in for the invalided *Maui Pomare* on the Cook Islands-Auckland produce run.

NEO BEING STRIPPED:—The 37-year-old 793-ton *Neo Hebridais* (ex *Ino*, ex *Feijnoord*), laid up in Noumea Harbour since Societe Miniere et Maritime Hagen replaced her two years ago, was along-

side the wharf being stripped in June. The old steamer was built in Holland and served over 20 years on the New Caledonia-Australia service, including the Pacific War years. Retired, she was replaced by the 41-year-old 1,266-ton coal-burner *Neo Hebridais II* (ex *Koranui*, ex *Cleopatra*) which now maintains the service and a chartered service to Wallis Island. She left there recently with 70 Wallis

Island labourers for the New Hebrides, 35 for Noumea, plus four stowaways.

SANTO WHARF:—Tenders have been called for the construction of a new wharf at Santo, New Hebrides, the funds having now been approved by the Condominium Government.

CROSS AND CROSSLET:—The Melanesian Mission has now decided to build two vessels to replace

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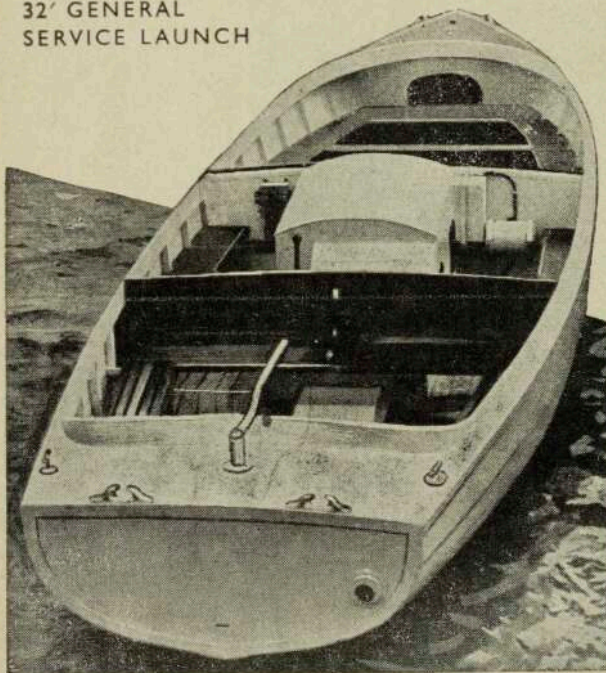
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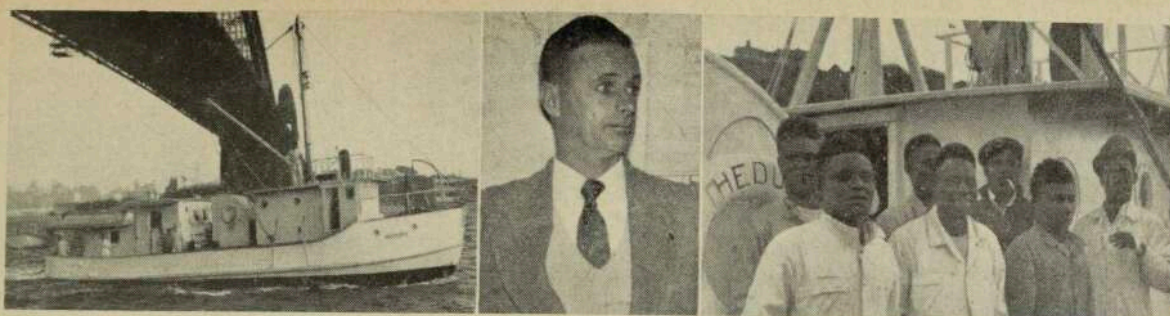
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Left to right: New Guinea Medical Department's new Bjarne Halvorsen-built "Heduru" on trials at Sydney; Captain F. G. Squire, of "Thetis", in command for the delivery voyage to Moresby; and crew members from various Government vessels.

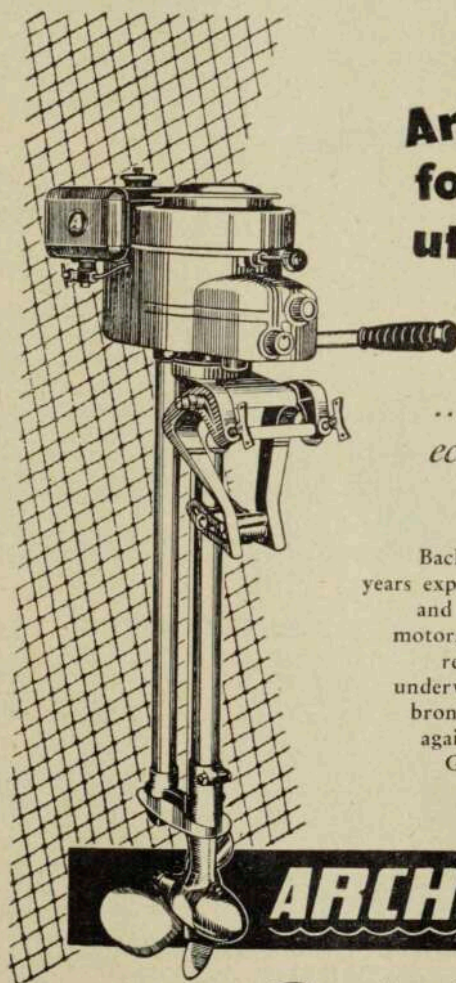
the *Southern Cross VII* which has been on sale in Sydney since last September.

Master Mariner the Rt. Reverend Bishop Hill, on consultations in England, reports that Mission authorities there have unanimously endorsed a proposal that two smaller vessels—one about 90 tons, and the other about 15 tons—be built in Australia or New Zealand. Plans are now being prepared, and tenders may be called about October. *Southern Cross VII*, built only in 1933, has been maintained through the years to a classification as set out in Lloyds Register of Yachts.

FROM FARAWAY PLACES:—Captain "Dusty" Miller's splendidly equipped refrigerated 70-ton, 75-ft tuna boat *Joyita*, mentioned from time to time in this column, is reported for sale at Apia, Honolulu-registered, but based on Canton, *Joyita* has been one of the very few regular post-war connections that the Line Islands have had with the outside world, Captain Miller calling in the course of his pursuit of the elusive tuna shoals, and while delivering frozen fish from Canton to Honolulu.

Joyita is probably the best equipped craft of her size in the Islands south of the Line. Built in Los Angeles in 1934 as a yacht, she was later in US Navy service. She is of 2-inch heart-of-cedar planking on oak frames, and with teak overlay decking. After the war she was converted to the present trade but inherited much ex-Navy equipment—an impressive electrical installation, electric galley, 100-W radio-phone, two high quality radio receivers, etc., and with a pair of 20-KW diesel generators, either of which can cope with all requirements. The reefer hold can maintain 10 degrees in the tropics, with added quick-freeze facilities. The little ship has deck accommodation for officers and 9 crewmen.

It is understood that as *Joyita* is on American registry there are certain restrictions on the sale to other nationals, but she certainly looks like an interesting craft to anyone with an eye on the tuna business. *Joyita* will apparently remain in Apia until sold. Captain Miller is aboard.



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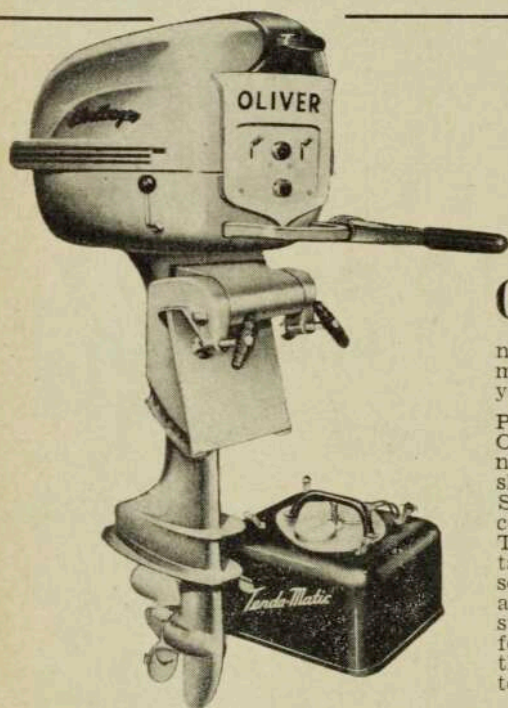
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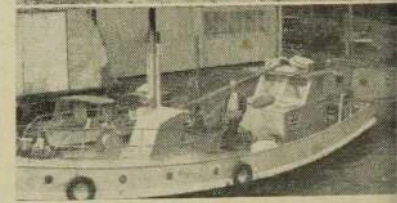
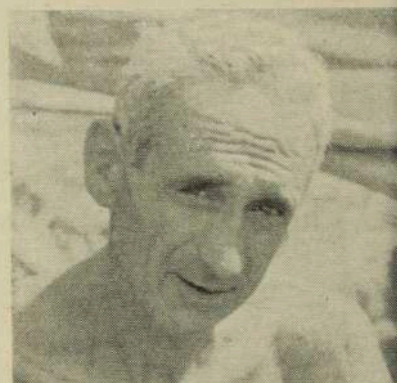
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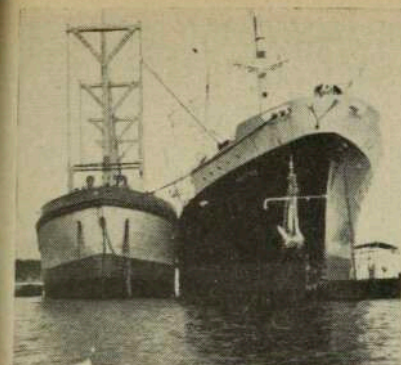
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RESURRECTED: The junk-yacht *Cheng Ho*, chapters of whose chequered history have appeared in PIM ever since World War II, is to add yet another chapter. To settle debts accruing, a Papeete Court on May 27 last, issued an order against the Cheng Ho Trading and Exploring Co. Ltd. (represented by M. Eric de Bisshop), as a result of which the vessel was compulsorily sold on June 21 to Les Etab. Henri Gallois et Cie. of Papeete for 1.2 million francs (£A8,575). The new owners plan to put the junk back into the inter-island trade after refit. Though it was reported that *Cheng Ho* appeared in very bad shape last year—one mast fell down—the hull is now said to be com-



Top to bottom: (1) Jean Gau, lone-hander of the New York yacht "Atom". (Photo: P. American Prints). (2) Honolulu yacht "Phoenix" lately at Papeete. (3) "Jenco" of Oslo, en route to Napier, NZ. This picture was taken as she cleared Oslo. (4) Johnny Hill of Suva, with his tuna-boat "Metal Monster" now being fitted out at Sydney (see July PIM)



pletely sound. Built in 1939, the vessel is 156 tons gross, 136 nett and is powered with a 225-hp GM diesel. Her interesting history is long and involved and we can only refer readers to past issues of PIM on the subject of this remarkable craft which has lain in Papeete for some years, immobilised by litigation.

KIA KIA ON THE BLOCK:—In this issue appears an advertisement offering the 58-ton WPHC vessel *Kia Kia* for sale in Suva. *Kia Kia* has been a very active unit of the WPHC fleet serving the scattered isles from the Solomons to Christmas and Fanning. She is probably one of the very few vessels in the South Pacific with a figure-head—that of Hippocrates, most famous physician of antiquity. She was built as a medical patrol craft, and in Hong Kong, where figureheads are the rule rather than the exception. In this connection many will recall the beautifully executed Fiji Coat of Arms formerly on the bow of *Viti*, another Hong Kong product. Since her launching in 1938, *Kia Kia* has had her sail area reduced and her top-hamper increased.



A mooring-laying operation at Vila; "Membah" and the MM liner "Tahitien". Lower: An AB from "Tahitien", enclosed in a shark-proof (?) net, about to inspect the moorings. (See story).

Photos: Oscar Rondahl.

MAGI DELIVERED:—In July we mentioned the Capricorn-built, 45-footer *Magi*, powered with a Gardner diesel. Elsewhere this month, Ferrier & Dickinson Pty. Ltd., who supplied the motor, have a photo of the craft, which was safely delivered and is now in the hands of a Native Co-operative Society at Abau, Papua.

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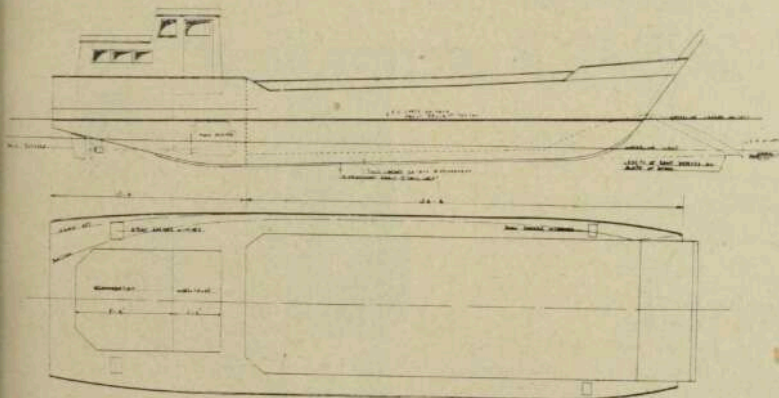
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TRAFFIC JAM: Because a whale failed to observe the rule of the road, a £1,250 launch which had been purchased by two German migrants from New Guinea landed up on a Bribie Island (Queensland) beach early July. At least that was the explanation of the mishap given by Karl Heermann and Fennig Busacker, who had left Brisbane that day en route back to New Guinea. The launch, however, appeared to be undamaged and there was hope that she would be relaunched.

SIR RONALD IN THE WATER:—The Pitcairn Islanders have recently completed a launch which has been named *Sir Ronald Garvey*, in honour of Fiji's Governor, who is also responsible for Pitcairn. The motor was donated by the British Government. The new launch will greatly aid the Islanders in their boat work, and especially on their long open-boat voyages to Hender-

son and Oeno for firewood and wood for carving curios. The Pitcairn landing has been modernised by transferring a big diesel generator from the war-time radio station down to the landing to provide electric light there.

GOVERNMENT SERVANTS:—The P-NG Administration probably

possesses the largest Government-owned mosquito fleet in the Pacific Islands to-day. Captain F. G. Squire, recently South to deliver *Heduru*, summarised it from memory for us: *Laurabada II*, 70-ft single-screw Administrator's vessel is the flag-ship. The 60-ft twin-screw *Leander* is used for transport of

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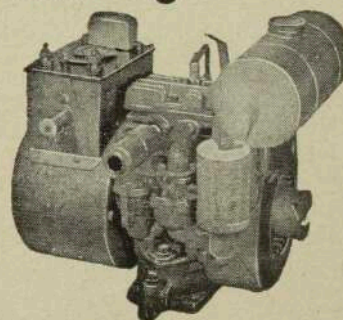
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LAKELEO:—In June there was brief mention that Mr. Oscar Newman, of the New Hebrides, had purchased the Tasmanian crayfisher *Norman Flare*. Now being re-designed at the yard of A. W. Engineering & Ship Repair Co. Pty. in Careening Cove, Sydney, the 66-ft x 17½ ft craft will be renamed *Lakeleo* when she sails in August.

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AIDING SCIENCE:—*Orsom III*, ex *Batemans Bay*, which Institut Francais d'Océanie purchased last November from Mr. Roy Gubbay, of Santo, is now commencing her research work in the New Caledonia area. Directed by biologist M. Leland and physicist H. Rotschi the work programme includes identification of the principal surface-feeding fish, a study of nutrient elements, plankton, etc., physical and chemical characteristics of the water, investigation of the ocean bottom, and technical research into fisheries methods adapted to the region. Special equipment for the work is being supplied by the South Pacific Commission. *Orsom III* was built

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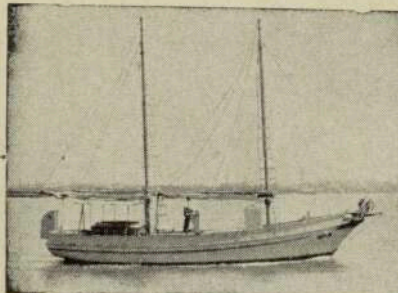
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as a purse-seiner in Australia in 1947. Of 75 ft overall, she is powered with a 135-hp Caterpillar V8 diesel. Gross tonnage is 67.54, and nett about 18 tons. The hull is of spotted gum. (Photo March PIM, p. 107).

NAVUA IN SERVICE:—With ship dressed to mark her first visit, the Union Steam Ship Co.'s new fruit freighter *Navua* arrived at Suva July 10. Intended primarily for the Fiji-Samoa banana trade to New Zealand, the 3,581 gross-ton vessel has 4 holds fitted with a forced ventilation system, and with a total capacity of about 24,000 cases of bananas. Equipment includes electric winches throughout and a powerful radio telephone installation with which contact was made with Suva immediately on clearing Auckland. Dimensions are 350 ft. o.a. and 41 ft beam. The crew are accommodated 'midships in two-berth cabins. There is no passenger accommodation.

HELPING HAND:—In the absence of a big-ship wharf at Vila, a former Australian coastal collier, the *Mombah*, moored in the harbour, is used as a dock-pontoon. Early last March, in a heavy blow, while the MM liner *Eridan* was fast to *Mombah*, the moorings dragged about 150 yards, but fortunately the four anchors took hold again when the stern of *Mombah* was only 50 yards from the reef. *Eridan* departed, leaving *Mombah* well off her station and with no means of

raising the heavy mooring anchors and relaying them. Lately Captain R. Teisseire of the MM liner *Tahitien* undertook the task with that vessel. After 2 days' work the two main anchors were brought up by the *Tahitien's* gear. The liner then managed to drag the remaining two smaller anchors—and *Mombah*—to a more sheltered position, where 4 more days was spent in untangling the four cables totalling ten shackles of chain. Then *Mombah* was taken back to her correct station and the moorings re-laid. Scarcely a job to be performed with a big passenger ship, and one worthy of considerable praise for all concerned. (See photos.)

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT?:—*Te Matapula*, Whippy-built, 82-ft. auxiliary ketch, launched in Suva, March, 1953, for the GEIC Colony Wholesale Society, may change ownership according to Suva rumours. It is possible that the Gilberts Government will take her over to replace RCS *Kia Kia* now for sale. The Wholesale Society would then acquire a larger vessel more suited to its purposes.

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donia maritime Unions have lodged a protest against foreign vessels operating in the coasting trade. Such ships have sometimes, at the request of the charterers, taken aboard cargo at Noumea, after clearing inwards, for discharge at some loading port up the coast. Societe Nickel, following protests, has been forced to withdraw the chartered ship *Gordian* from ore transport between the mines at Thio and the smelters at Noumea. Similar maritime laws now apply in many countries.

WELL DONE, KOVALA!—Distance from Sydney to Honiara is about 1,600 miles—but it has taken RCS *Kovala* just six years and four months to make the distance. Launched February 1949, the 66-ft. Government patrol vessel finally arrived in the Solomons in June, after endless modifications, alterations, and finally a re-engining. On July 3, *Kovala* cleared Honiara on her first tour of duty—a run south to Vila with the Condominium's new British Resident Commissioner, who had gone first to Honiara for consultations with the High Commissioner before taking up his post.

SP & L, BSIP:—The title is impressive, though the lights are few: Superintendent, Port & Lights, British Solomon Islands Protectorate. Mr. D. M. Thorsen arrived at Honiara late in June to take up the position.

AUGUST CONVOY:—About late August an interesting convoy will sail down Sydney Harbour and head north for the New Hebrides. Flagship will be Mr. M. Marinacce's 211-ton MV *Deutgan*, with one or more barges in tow, and bringing up the rear will be Mr. Georges Rolland's *Anaconda*, mentioned last

month. Work on the refit of *Deutgan* and preparation of *Anaconda* has been slower than earlier estimated.

FLYING ANGEL FOR SUVA:—The Suva Rotary Club has agreed to sponsor a public appeal for funds to establish a Seaman's Mission in that port.

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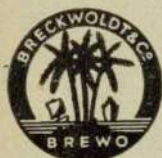
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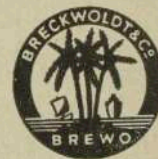
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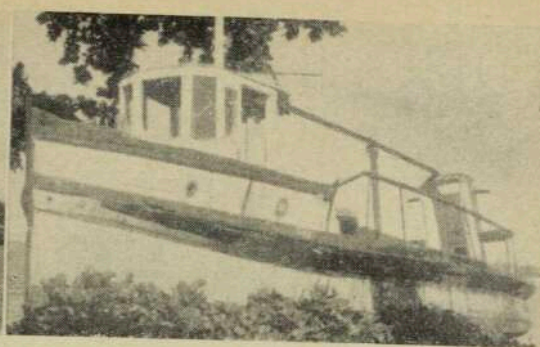
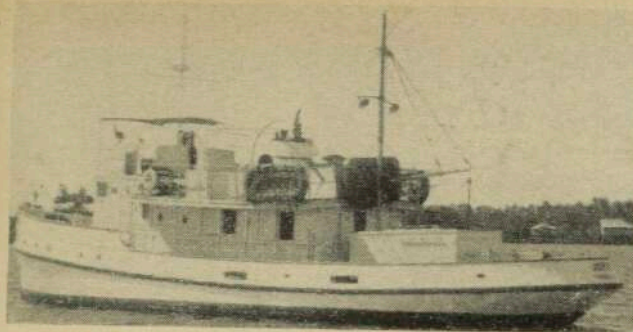
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News of Cruising Yachts

● **TRANS-PACIFIC RACE**, for the second time in succession, was won in July by Ira P. Fulmor's 39 ft. ketch STAGHOUND on corrected time. Her elapsed time for the 2,225-mile fair-wind run was 12 days, 23 hours, 9 minutes, 7 seconds. Fastest time was made by Richard S. Rheem's 98-ft. ketch MORNING STAR. Second and third in actual corrected-time placings were Frank Hooykaas' 75-ft. schooner CONSTELLATION and the sloop NALU II.

● **LOS ANGELES-TAHITI RACE** will be sailed next year according to advice from Eugene Overton, chairman of the 1956 Tahiti Race Committee of Trans-Pacific Yacht Club, Los Angeles. It is very much hoped that some South Pacific yachts will contest this second race of the revived series. Final entries in the 1953 race were poor. Race No. 2 will start in the first week of June, 1956, to allow a normal Papeete arrival during the annual July celebrations. A dozen American yacht owners have already expressed interest. MORNING STAR is an almost certain entry. Other probabilities: Lyman Farwell's 84 ft. schooner SEA DRIFT, Walter Johnson's 72 ft. schooner NORDLYS (already known in Papeete), Ira Fulmor's STAGHOUND, Boo Paschall's 53 ft. KIRAWAN. Australian and New Zealand yacht owners should contact Mr. Overton at 727 W. 7th Street, Los Angeles 17, Cal., for fuller details. There is the possibility of a staggered start to permit all yachts to complete the course at about the same time, as was done in 1953.

● **WANDERER III**, with Eric and Susan Hiscock, completed the circuit arriving safely at St. Mawes, Cornwall, recently. The 30 ft. sloop is the smallest English craft to have made such a voyage for a good many years, if ever before.

● **PHOENIX**, 50 ft. American ketch from Honolulu, arrived Papeete June 20 on the start of a world cruise. Built in Hiroshima, Japan, in 1954, this stout little vessel is as pleasing a type of ocean cruiser as one could wish to see, with her ample sheer-line. The story of her cruise from Japan to Honolulu appeared recently in the American *Saturday Evening Post*. With owner Earle L. Reynolds and a crew of six, PHOENIX measures 24 tons, has a beam of 14 ft. and a draught of 7 ft. She has 1,000 ft. of canvas and a 25 hp diesel. The south run from Honolulu was made in 26 days of good sailing weather.

● **LITTLE BEAR**, 37 ft. American ketch from San Francisco, with owners Buzz and June Champion—and a dog—arrived Papeete July 8, from Honolulu via Takaroa. Destination is given as Auckland via Bora Bora, Cooks, Samoa, Wallis, and Fiji. Built 1948 at her home port, her owners, this ketch carries 690 ft. of canvas and a 50 hp auxiliary. The ketch left

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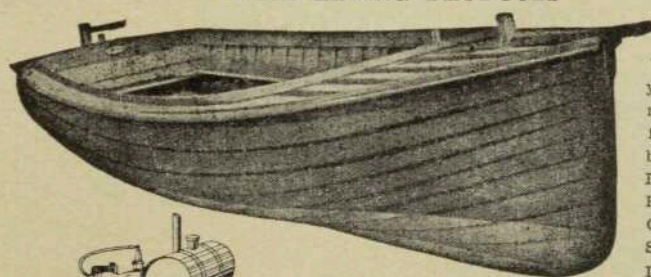
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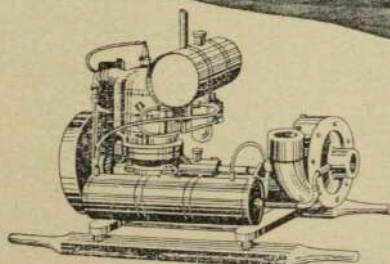
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Honolulu June 1, having tarried there since December 19.

● **QUEST IV**, with lone-hander Fred Fawcett-Kay, which left Brisbane in March for the Solomons, was still cruising in that Group in July.

● **ONRUST** of Holland, which Dick Tober sailed down through Polynesia two years ago, was reported early July as about to sail from Hobart for Auckland. Tober has been working in Tasmania for the past year or more. Dirk is reported now to be married.

● **LA PALOMA** of Auckland arrived Rarotonga July 2, 23 days out. Owner Bill Wilson of New York, and companion Ronald Helmer of Calgary, Canada, then planned to sail for Papeete within a fortnight. The yacht was purchased at Auckland.

● **SEVEN SEAS** of Holland arrived Rarotonga from Papeete on June 22. The passage took 9 days.

● **YASME**, 37 ft. cutter of Poole, England, is on the way, and should be seen in the Pacific next Winter. Owner Danny Weil is a keen radio amateur, and the yacht is also equipped with a commercial radio installation, call-sign GMTY.

● Latvian-born, Israeli-naturalised Joseph Havkins cleared New York June 30 for Panama and the Pacific, destination a seat at the Olympic Games in Melbourne. This will be the first time that a yacht flying the Israeli flag has entered the Pacific—name of the 23-ft. sloop as yet unknown in Sydney. Havkins is

aged 41. He crossed the Atlantic with the little yacht last year.

● **WHITE SQUALL** of Auckland is now not planning to sail to the US until next March.

● **MOONRAKER**, which visited Tahiti two years ago, was reported at Charleston, North Carolina, England-bound, in May. Also there was Ann Davidson and her little **FELICITY ANN**, Pacific-bound.

● **MAREVA**, Mr. James McConnaughey's Papeete based motor-cruiser was out cruising in the Leeward Islands (French Oceania) in June.

● **TAHEA**, 28 ft. Los Angeles ketch which Rolph Thorvaldson sailed to Papeete early this year, arrived back home July 24. Lone-hander Thorvaldson caused a commotion in Hawaii waters in June. This yacht left Papeete late March, called at Hilo for some time, then cleared Kealahakua Bay, Kona, May 20 for Honolulu but failed to arrive. An extensive Coastguard search was organised — and abandoned — when **TAHEA** suddenly arrived at Los Angeles. Bad weather seems to have dogged the yacht. Thorvaldson said **TAHEA** was leaking seriously due to storm damage a few days out of Papeete.

● **SANTA MARIA** cleared Cowes, England, on July 7, on what the daily Press says is a voyage of no return for 55-year-old Dane Asker Kure. Kure has been given two years to live by his doctor. Formerly a skipper of deep-sea vessels, he is reported to have said goodbye to his wife and four children, to die somewhere at sea in the Pacific.

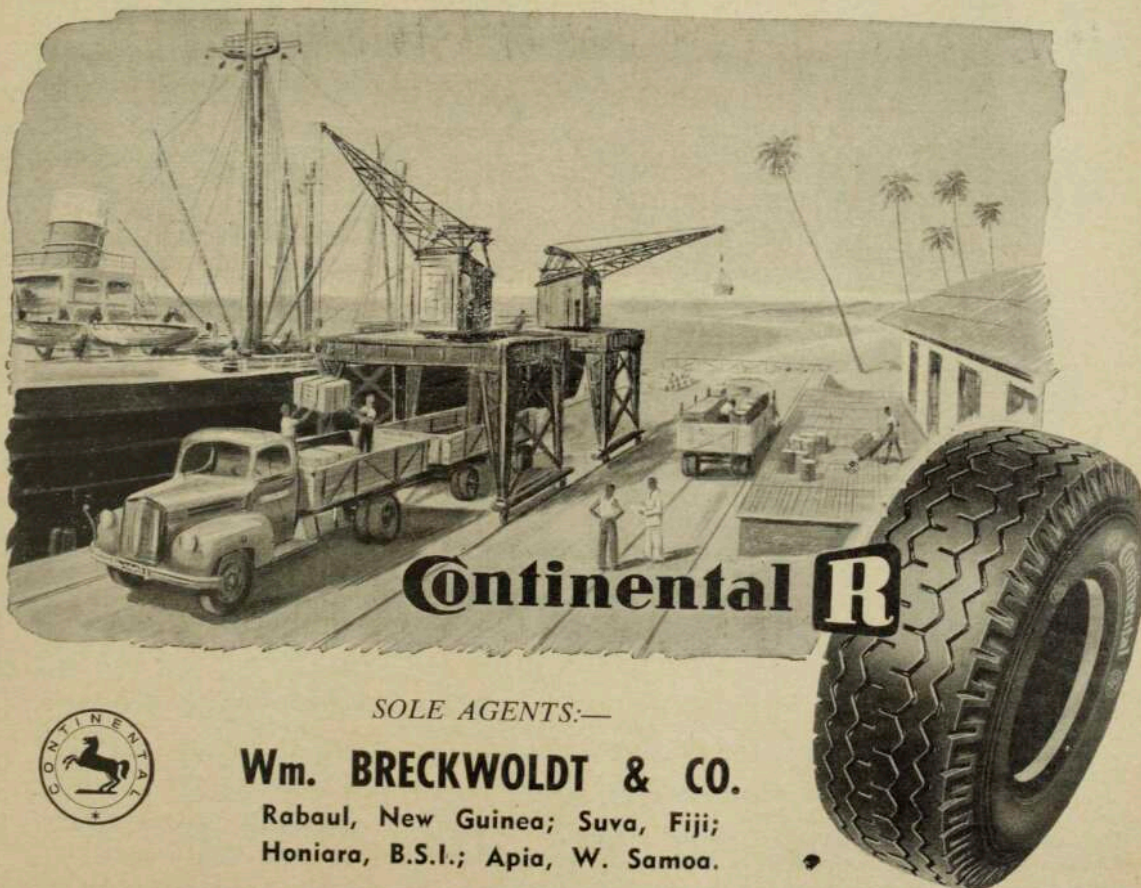
● **ARIES**, American R. J. Reynolds' 92 ft.

ketch, will again not appear in the Pacific this year. It will be remembered that Mr. Reynolds had the yacht built in England and planned to base it at his Tahiti property two years ago. Pressure of work has prevented the tobacco magnate from coming to Tahiti since then.

● **BOUNTY** of Auckland, which has taken more beatings per gallon of Pacific than any other yacht south of the Line, is still in the Macleay River, NSW, slowly refitting while owner Furley and his merry men earn some more money ashore. This summer **BOUNTY** is likely to head for Auckland, in readiness for yet another island cruise next autumn.

● **KONA** of Honolulu, on the move again, cleared Whangarei, NZ, July 3, and arrived at Suva via Kadavu on July 18. Skipper Paul Blackford advises that the yacht is for sale (see ad. in this issue) but will meanwhile cruise Fiji waters and if unsold, may head for the New Hebrides and New Caledonia in a few months. Roger Skolmen has returned to his Forestry studies at University of California. Bob Houtz has a job with a manganese mining company in Fiji as geologist. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson came down from the States to join the yacht at Auckland.

● **HAPPY RETURNS**, mentioned in July, is from present indications, endeavouring to clear Polynesia before next hurricane season. The ketch-rigged converted Scilly Isles life-boat cleared Medeira for Las Palmas late July and was heading thence for Curacao under motor and sail. With Christchurch, NZ, fisherman-owner Tom Acland is an Auckland marine engineer, Walter Kelsall, an ex-policeman, Ronald Coley, and John Powell of Wales. Destination is Auckland.



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MAKATEA LABOUR POLICY IS RECONSIDERED

(From Our Own Correspondent)

THE policy of employing Cook Islands labour at the Makatea phosphate workings is being re-considered by the Government of French Oceania.

At present it appears that there is a surplus of Polynesian labour at Papeete, and the Compagnie Francaise des Phosphates de l'Océanie has been advised not to contract fresh CI labour until authorisation has been received from the Government.

The scheme of supplying Makatea labour from the Cooks started during the years of World War II, when there was a labour surplus in the Cooks. The money brought back by the men was a welcome source of income to the outer islands of the Cook Group.

To-day the position has changed, with many Cook Islanders being employed locally on Cook Islands Administration building projects and an abundance of highly-paid jobs offering in New Zealand.

The attitude of both the New Zealand Government and the CI

Administration is that in the event of CI labour for Makatea being discontinued, it can be absorbed by the local and New Zealand labour markets.

† When the Fiji Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve called for

applications to fill 60 vacancies, more than 200 replies were received, mainly from Fijians. Some of the applicants had done good service with the FRNVR in the Pacific War. The 60 ratings selected were to start training in July and to undergo sea training when HMNZS *Hawea* visited Fiji in August.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Brisk Defence of the Fijian Worker

GENERALISATIONS regarding racial groups often create false impressions, writes "Interested Observer," criticising comments made by a correspondent in March PIM under the headline "Fijians Must Learn to Work."

"Interested Observer" continues:

The correspondent unfairly criticised the Fijians by suggesting that "it takes three men to do the average day's work of even the most take-it-or-leave-it Aussie", and by doing so ignores some important factors.

For instance, if it is true that the average Australian labourer works harder than the Fijian—which I and many others would dispute to the last ditch—there is so the formidable fact that the Australian is paid about £2 a day and the Fijian receives about 8/- a day. Even if, as the correspondent alleged, it takes three Fijians to do the work of one Australian, the one Australian still is 16/- more than the three Fijians combined. Who benefits? Presumably the employer in Fiji.

Contrary to the opinion of the respondent, "cheap labour" is all employed in Fiji, and to all intents and purposes the Fijian labourer is a useful milch cow.

If the Fijian is "less efficient" than his Australian counterpart, the reason lies in educational background, the workers' environment and the conveniently overlooked fact that the Fijian worker is amply not paid enough, in present-day conditions, to maintain himself and his family in good health.

Again, I would like to know what the correspondent means by describing the Fijians as "a privileged people." My own observations lead me to the conclusion that the Fijians are denied many opportunities given to people of other races in Fiji.

For example, the Industrial and Agricultural Loans Board exists for the benefit of non-Fijians, although I am informed that this lending institution is financed by public funds. The assertion that "money is cannot make any fundamental difference" is nonsense.

Polish generalisations of the sort expressed by the correspondent of the sort of thing that breeds rampant prejudice and inter-racial tension, "Interested Observer" concludes.

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protest by any person, until such time as the protest is investigated and either rejected or sustained.

Only authorised registered persons may perform marriages.

No church marriage shall take place after 6.30 pm or before 6 am.

AN ordinance controlling education in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony was recently gazetted. The main provision appears to be in laws controlling non-government schools, all of which must be registered and their controlling bodies and staffs approved, and the schools subject to Government inspection as to accommodation and curricula.

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Samoans Again Urge Claim For Full Self-Government

From Our Own Correspondent

New Zealand must retain considerable responsibilities in Western Samoa for many years, in accordance with her commitments and duties under the United Nations Trusteeship Agreement, said the Minister of Island Territories (the Hon. T. L. Macdonald) when addressing a joint session of the Legislative Assembly and the Fono of Faipule at Apia on July 4.

WESTERN Samoa, the Minister continued, already possessed a considerable degree of self-government, but for the achievement of full self-government much more training and experience would be required.

Much depended on the sincere efforts of the Samoan people themselves, Mr. Macdonald said.

New Zealand, whose friendship for the Samoan people was deep and abiding, held Samoan welfare as its main concern, and the Dominion wanted only to ensure that "the house of Samoa is built on a truly solid foundation."

It was essential that the Samoan people appreciate that New Zealand must retain sufficient power and initiative to discharge her responsibilities, especially during the transition period.

Western Samoa, the Minister added, already had a considerable measure of self-government through the Legislative Assembly, which almost completely controlled the Government income and expenditure. The Assembly had an elected Samoan majority which could be increased under the legislation proposed by New Zealand.

In the ensuing discussion at the joint meeting, the Hon.

Tamasese, a member of the Council of State, while thanking the New Zealand Government for promoting and advancing the cause of Samoan self-government, said that the Samoan people believed that they could take over the conduct of government. Departmental experts, he said, could continue to advise the political leaders.

"Even now the Chief Executive has to rely on the advice of his departmental heads in matters requiring expert knowledge," said the Hon. Tamasese. "This is also the case in Tonga, where key executive positions are held by men from overseas, but political power is vested solely in the Tongan people."

With regard to educational qualifications, the Hon. Tamasese pointed out that in Great Britain and New Zealand no educational qualifications are required from parliamentary candidates.

SELF-GOVERNMENT, he said, could be granted immediately, with safeguards such as the

New Zealand power of veto and restriction on financial expenditure.

Only by actual experience, he added, could the Samoan people really develop their own government.

This view was supported by the Hon. Tualaulelei, who said that although the Legislative Assembly generally determined Government policy, that policy at present was often not fully carried out by the executive branch of the Government. He cited instances of departmental overspending as evidence of a lack of co-operation, and contended that if the Samoans had their own Cabinet and a greater voice in financial matters, irregularities could have been avoided.

A European elected member, the Hon. A. M. Gurau, said that in principle there was nearly complete agreement between the NZ Government's views and those expressed by the Constitutional Convention,

except on a clear indication of an early date for self-government.

Mr. Gurau claimed that "remote control of the Western Samoan Public Service from Wellington had not worked satisfactorily, and asked for the immediate granting of at least a voice in this control to the Samoan Government. This, he added, had already been tentatively agreed to by the NZ Government.

The three speakers quoted were

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THE Minister promised to convey the views expressed to the Dominion Government for the fullest consideration, and said that a reply to the representations made would be sent to Apia. He added that the desire for rapid progress towards full self-government indicated a healthy political spirit, but that "sometimes, when gazing at the heights, one fails to see the pitfalls in the road."

The Hon. Tamasese expressed confidence in the Minister's willingness to help Samoa. He hoped that Mr. Macdonald would return and, perhaps, accept the title of a chief of Palauli, thus becoming an honorary citizen of Western Samoa. The reference to the chiefly title was linked with a visit by the Ministerial party to the district of Palauli, in Savaii.

About 120 years ago, Mr. Macdonald's great-grandfather worked for the London Missionary Society in Palauli, and the Minister's grandfather was born there.

THE people of Western Samoa believed that there was no other way at present than to appoint two Heads of State when they obtained self-government, said the special representative of New Zealand (Mr. G. R. Powles) in a state-

ment to the UN Trusteeship Council at New York in July.

Explaining that the two men now occupied the office of Fautua (high chief) Mr. Powles said he thought most people in Samoa appreciated the practical objections to having "two captains to a ship." However, much thought had been given to the problem.

Mr. Powles added: "The success of any such arrangement must depend almost entirely on the personalities of the two. . . With these two, I think there is a very good possibility that the arrangement would work."

Minister Almost Held Baby

DIPLOMATIC difficulties seemed to loom when, at a meeting of the Rarotongan Island Council on July 18, the NZ Minister of Island Territories (Mr. T. L. Macdonald) was ceremonially offered a baby for adoption.

Tinomana Ariki, speaking through Patu Uritaua, said that he had a baby son a few days old—and would the Minister please accept the child to commemorate the Ministerial visit to Rarotonga?

There was little doubt that the Minister felt he was in a spot, so to speak. But all was cleared up

when the interpreter explained that in accordance with Maori custom it would be an honour for Tinomana if the child were merely named after the distinguished visitor.

Mr. Macdonald replied that it was he who was honoured by the gesture, and accordingly, on July 21, Tinomana registered his son Thomas Macdonald Tepai Tamatoa.

The Minister arrived at Aitutua on July 11, and the official party travelled round the Cook Group the *Charlotte Donald*, arriving Rarotonga on July 16.

The Island Council meeting was followed by a garden party at the Residency.

The official party left for New Zealand by plane on July 21.

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Too Many Islanders Move to NZ

MIGRATION to New Zealand from the Dominion's island territories is becoming a problem.

In July, the Mayor of Auckland asked the Island Territories Department to deter Islanders from going to NZ to settle unless accommodation was available for them.

The Mayor (Mr. J. H. Luxford) said in a letter to the Minister (Mr. T. L. Macdonald) that most Islanders settled at Auckland, where there were now 1,560 in the City Council area. There should be close liaison between the department and the council on accommodation before permits to enter NZ were granted.

The Mayor's action arose from a complaint by the housing inspector, who cited a case in which 18 Niue Islanders, including children, and two aged Europeans were living in five rooms and a kitchen.

Earlier, while visiting Niue, the Minister had urged the people to employ education for the improvement of their own island rather than as an aid to migration to the Dominion.

Business interests at Nukualofa re-formed a Tonga Chamber of Commerce in June. None had existed for some years.

Wedding at Levuka



The wedding of Miss Voi Chambers, of Levuka, Fiji, and Mr. Joseph Smith, of Suva, took place at the Levuka Methodist Church on April 9. The picture shows the bride and her bridesmaid, Miss Alice Bower. Mr. I. Miller was best man, Mr. H. Kiss groomsmen, and Mrs. J. Raddock matron of honour.

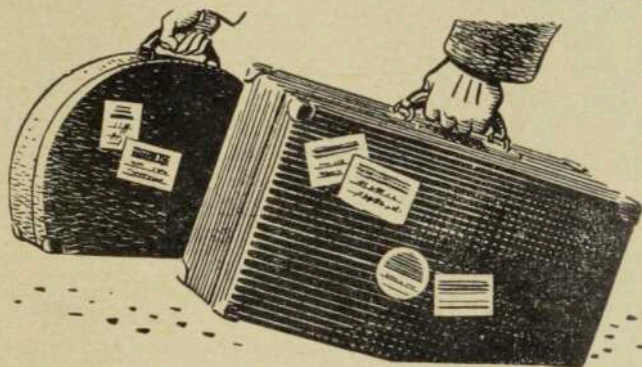
Question of Working Conditions in NC

(From Our Own Correspondent)

TRADES union headquarters at Noumea announced in July that negotiations with the employers' organisation for the betterment of working conditions had broken down and that, in view of the em-

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Cardinal at Tonga

His Eminence Cardinal Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney (on right) with His Lordship Bishop Rodgers at Nukualofa during the Cardinal's two days' visit to Tonga at the end of June. As in Fiji and Samoa, Cardinal Gilroy was cordially welcomed by Catholics and non-Catholics at Nukualofa. During his visit he stayed at Bishop's House.

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officials and representatives of the Fiji Military Forces and the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

Speaking at the dinner, Cardinal Gilroy said that cordial relations, based on mutual respect, between



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Cardinal Gilroy Ends Long Tour in Islands

CORDIALLY welcomed by people of many races in Fiji, Tonga and Samoa, His Eminence Cardinal Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney, left happy memories of his month's island tour when he returned to Australia on July 21.

The main purpose of Cardinal Gilroy's visit to Samoa was to attend the 50th anniversary of the ordination of Bishop Joseph Darnand, retired Bishop of Samoa.

Bishop Darnand's successor, Bishop John Baptist Dieter, who had invited the Cardinal to attend the anniversary celebration, died suddenly at Auckland when Cardinal Gilroy was travelling to Samoa, and the Roman Catholic Bishopric of Samoa is now vacant.

Bishop Dieter's body was flown to Samoa, and the funeral took place on July 8 after an all-night vigil at the Apia Cathedral, Mulivai, and solemn requiem mass in the morning. Thousands of mourners followed the cortege to Moamoa.

THE retired bishop, the Most Rev. Dr. Joseph Darnand, SM, went to Samoa as a missionary in 1905, the year of his ordination. As Titular Bishop of Polemon and Vicar Apostolic of Samoa, he was consecrated in 1920 and administered his office for 34 years. During his term of office the number of Catholics in Samoa increased from 7,488 to 22,500, and churches and schools were opened in all parts of the Territory.

Cardinal Gilroy paid high tributes to Bishop Dieter and Bishop Darnand at a public reception in his honour at Apia. The reception was attended by Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

Earlier, the Cardinal had travelled in the *Tofua* from Suva to Tonga, arriving at Nukualofa on June 27. He was met by Bishop Rodgers at the wharf, and drove through streets lined by hundreds of cheering children from the Catholic missions throughout Tonga.

Two extremely busy days were filled with visits, church ceremonies, Tongan feasts and other social gatherings.

ONE of the highlights of the visit to Fiji (July PIM, p. 89) was the Liturgical Reception at Suva on June 19, when the Sacred Heart Cathedral was filled to overflowing.

Guests at a laymen's dinner at the Grand Pacific Hotel included the Acting Governor (Mr. A. F. R. Stoddart), senior Government.

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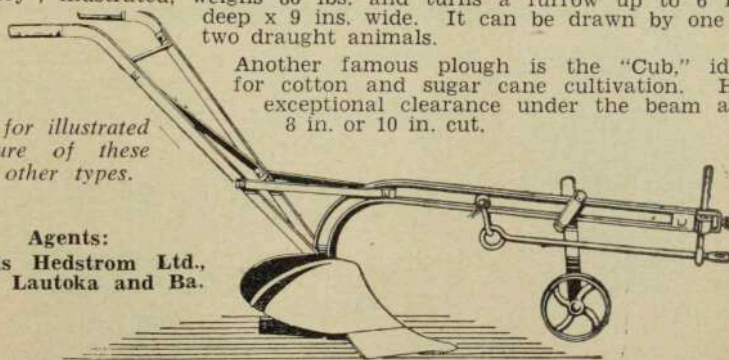
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Church and State, were apparent in Fiji.

The Church, he said, had an obligation of providing for spiritual welfare of those to whom it ministered, while the State had the obligation of providing for material welfare of the people. There was not the slightest reason why there should be any conflict between the two.

A BISHOP FETED AND A BISHOP MOURNED

PREPARATIONS which had been made by Bishop Dieter, Vicar Apostolic of Samoa, for the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of his retired predecessor, Bishop Joseph Darnand SM, were carried out to the letter in July, despite the death of Bishop Dieter, and at the late Bishop's expressed wish.

Samoan Catholics held the Bishop in very high esteem—he was considered one of the leading scholars of Samoan language and custom—and were determined his body be brought back to Samoa for burial.

Samoans at Auckland in a single night raised £300 towards the cost of chartering an aircraft for sending a priest and a Samoan orator on the journey with the late Bishop's body.

A very large gathering of Samoans paid their last respects to the interment.

A few days later, according to the original plan of the Bishop, religious from various Catholic Pacific Missions, headed by His Eminence Cardinal Gilroy of Sydney, gathered to celebrate Bishop Darnand's jubilee.

It had then been intended that Cardinal Gilroy would lead a group to visit the scene of martyrdom at St. Peter Chanel, first Catholic martyr of the Pacific Islands, who was created a Saint of the Church last year.

The centre of celebrations was then at Rome. For that and other reasons, including the difficulty of obtaining transport to Futuna Island, the celebrations at the scene of martyrdom were postponed this year.

However, it became impracticable to charter a ship which had been in view, and the return trip from Apia to Futuna was postponed until some later date.

† Mangaia Island producers are pressing for 15/- per case, on behalf of pineapples. A representative Fruit Distributors Ltd., of Wellington, New Zealand's citrus import organisation, have visited the island for discussions.

Debate On New Guinea.

UN PRODUCES MILD CAUTIONARY TALE FOR TRUSTEE

After a debate that ranged at times from the fatuous to the ill-informed, the United Nations Trusteeship Council at New York, on July 20, approved its annual report on the Australian administration of New Guinea. The report might be described as a Cautionary Tale.

VOTING was 9-1. Russia voted against adoption of the report; Syria and Australia abstained.

Australian sources at UN headquarters said that the report was the most balanced yet offered by the council on the trust territory of New Guinea.

The report expresses satisfaction that the area under administrative control or influence increased from 84,500 to 86,100 square miles in 1954 "through the Administration's policy of peaceful penetration."

DURING the debate, the Indian representative continued what seems to be a New Delhi minor cold war against Australia over the administration of both New Guinea and Nauru.

For example, Mr. Rikhi Jaipal said that since the approval of the trusteeship agreement there had been little achievement in the New Guinea political field.

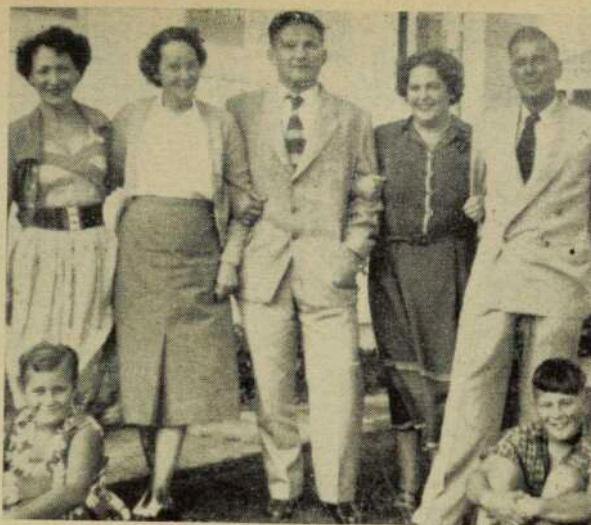
He said that not one indigenous community had evolved to the stage where it could advise the Administration in a responsible, democratic manner, and added that the administering authority's many achievements paled in significance beside the fact that so much of the territory had yet to be explored.

THE Australian representative (Mr. W. D. Forsyth) said:

"I believe that our work of peaceful penetration of the wild land and peoples of New Guinea is without parallel in history. I know of no case where a territory of comparable size and a population of comparable characteristics have been brought within the framework of civilised society with as little loss of life, and, practically speaking, without bloodshed.

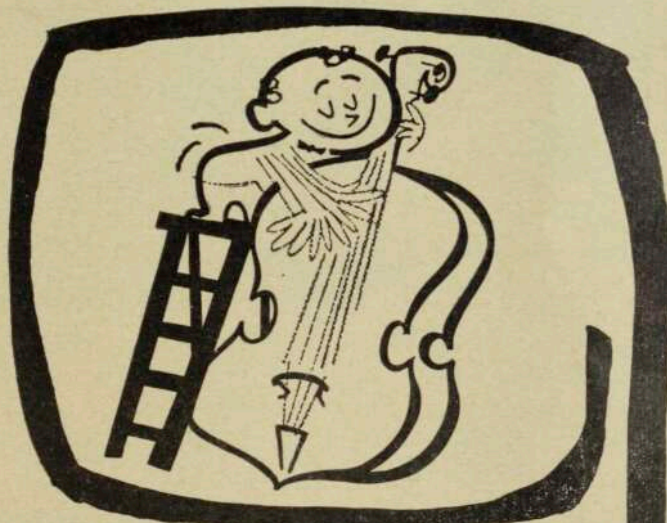
"We had to do this slowly, patiently. You would surely not prefer that we had done it with the brutal rapidity of a military conquest!"

IT was fruitless to deplore the scarcity of people yet ready for higher forms of self-government, said Mr. Forsyth. Time was essential, and patience was the only attitude that squared with the facts. "Australian authorities concerned



Tahitians at Auckland

These people from Tahiti were recently snapped at Auckland, where the women members of the group are now resident. Left to right: Mrs. Aurore Harvey, formerly Miss Thompson; Mrs. Liliane Boot, formerly Miss Walker; Mr. Charles Poroi, son of Papeete's Mayor; Mrs. Isabelle Muir, formerly Miss Walker; Mr. Muir; and two Harvey children.



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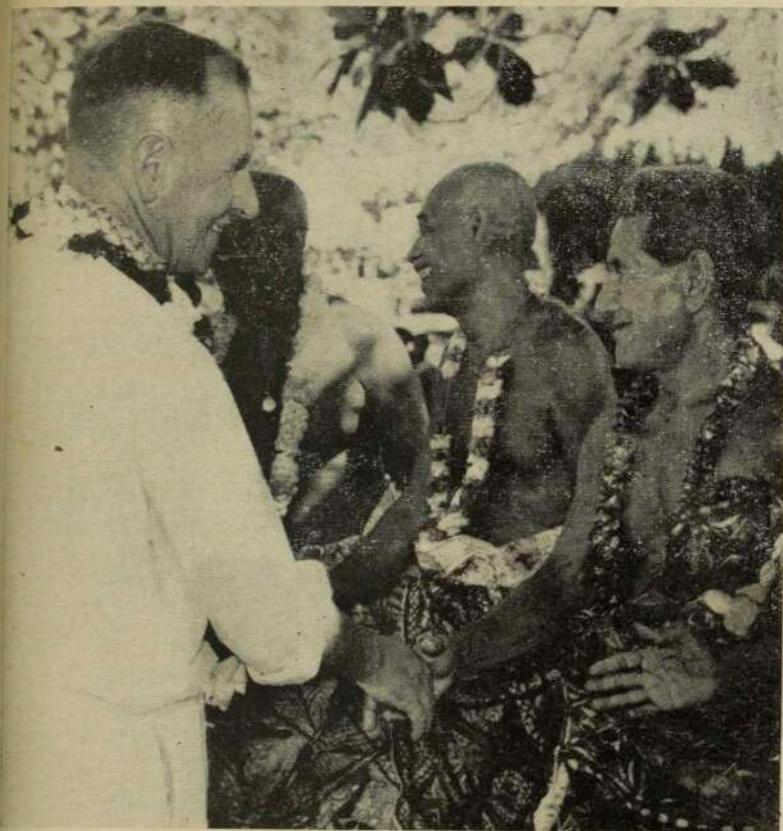


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The New Zealand Minister of Island Territories (the Hon. T. L. Macdonald) greeted by members of the village of Falefa, Upolu, during a visit to Western Samoa. It is 41 years since troops from the Dominion occupied the islands at the outbreak of World War I. Western Samoa, now United Nations trusteeship territory, is well on the way to ultimate full self-government.

—Photo by D. E. Ross.

have never resented criticism of our trusteeship administration where such criticism has paid due regard to the governing conditions in which our efforts have to be made in furtherance of the objectives of the trusteeship system," he added. "We have sometimes reacted sharply against criticism which appeared to us to be exaggerated and ill-balanced and having a tendency to discredit the administering authority and thus reduce its effectiveness."

The Trusteeship Council's report states that the council "notes with satisfaction" the growth of existing village councils, but it expresses concern at the reluctance of the people in some areas to accept the responsibility of local government.

THE council recommends that Australia should try to develop a sense of responsibility among the more energetic and intelligent

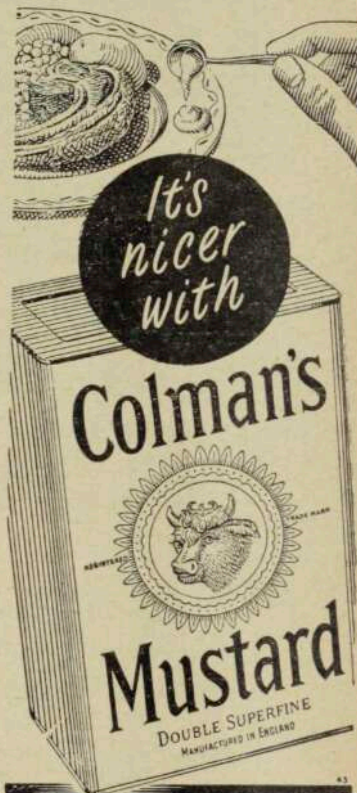
elements of the population particularly in the less advanced areas where no village councils exist.

It approves the Administration's programme for increasing the par-

ticipation of the indigenous population in the economic life of the territory.

The report notes the large direct grants made by Australia (£18,000,000 since 1945) and that no direct taxes are levied, except those by village councils to cover local expenditures.

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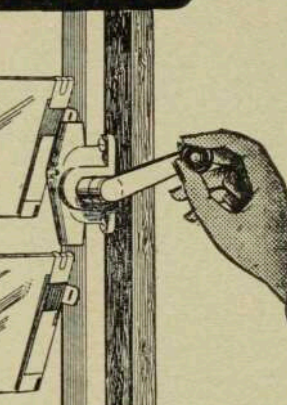
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It expresses the hope that Australia will bear in mind the desirability of introducing direct taxation at the earliest possible time.

The council maintains that all the people of the territory should, according to their means, contribute directly towards the cost of its administration.

The report repeats the council's previous recommendation that corporal punishment be abolished.

BEFORE the adoption of the report, the Soviet delegate failed in an attempt to alter the administration of New Guinea.

Mr. Vasily Grubyakov called for the establishment of "separate legislative and administrative governments not subject to any neighbouring colony."

The resolution was lost 4-6. India, Syria and El Salvador supported the Soviet.

Meanwhile, at Canberra, on July 14, the Indonesian Embassy stated that Indonesia's dispute with the Netherlands over Netherlands New Guinea would continue, "probably with more intensity."

Pacific Islands Society's Film Evening

MEMBERS and guests of the Sydney Pacific Islands Society were entertained at the July meeting by interesting films and recorded Islands music, the programme having been filmed and recorded by Mr. Norman K. Wallis, who presented it with his own equipment.

The main film, *The Green and Gold*, had been filmed in colour by the Commonwealth New Guinea Timbers Ltd. and covered an inspection tour of that organisation's klinki plywood industry at Bulolo, New Guinea.

This plywood mill, as modern as any in the Southern Hemisphere, gave a vivid demonstration of the development that has taken place in New Guinea since World War II.

Mr. Wallis' tape recording of Islands music had been made in the Solomons and New Guinea, ranging from the "Hawaiian" "hillbilly" type of music that might be heard at any of the main centres to the most primitive New Guinea chants, with mission choir music between.

Mr. Wallis is well known in the Western Pacific, and especially in the Solomons in his association with Tenaru Timbers Ltd. there.

† Twenty years ago Fiji's educational vote was £55,000; this year it is more than £712,000. These figures were quoted by the Acting Deputy Director of Education (Mr. McGrath) when he opened the sixtieth anniversary celebrations of the Rishra Indian School, Nasinu.

India Holds Hand In Nauru Debate

INDIA'S representative in the UN Trusteeship Council did not press the campaign for UN criticism of Australia's administration of Nauru (United Kingdom, Australian and New Zealand trust territory), and on July 17 the council adopted a report which "noted with interest" the progress made at Nauru.

The report noted "with appreciation" that the search to find unpopulated and suitable areas where the Nauruans might eventually be resettled was continuing.

Australia was urged to pursue, with all possible vigour, the policy of fitting Nauruans to take more responsible positions in the phosphate-winning activities, and approval was given to plans for developing farming and fishing at the island.

The Indian delegate (Mr. Rikhi Jaipal) said that India reserved the right to raise the subject of criticism at the next meeting of the General Assembly.

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Brighter Prospects For New Caledonia's Chrome

From Our Own Correspondent.

NEW CALEDONIA hopes to sell at least 80,000 tons of chrome to the United States this year, and 21,000 tons were exported in the first five months.

Chrome exports in 1954 totalled 50,000 tons and in 1953 112,000 tons.

Cobalt extraction was abandoned in New Caledonia in 1914, but to-day two groups—one French and the other Canadian—are trying to produce cobalt on a paying basis.

The Mining Bureau is supporting prospecting for manganese.

In fact, it can be said that New Caledonia is almost literally leaving no stone unturned in its mining expansion policy.

† General de Gaulle's famous appeal to Frenchmen from London after the disasters of 1940 was commemorated by a simple ceremony at Noumea on June 18. The Governor of New Caledonia (M. Rene Hoffherr) placed a wreath at the war memorial in the presence of Army and Navy officers and members of the returned servicemen's associations. As a post-war political figure, General de Gaulle has lost much of his glamour, but his words, "France has lost a battle but not the war," are well remembered.

Skymaster Service Back at Lae

QANTAS resumed flying Skymaster aircraft direct to Lae from Sydney on August 2.

Flights terminate at Lae on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays, departing again on the same days, with the exception of Fridays, when an overnight stop is made.

To clear accumulations of cargo from the south, special flights will also be made as required.

Soon there will be nine Skymasters flying in every fortnight, four in one week and five in the next.

A tenth flight will take cargo only as far as Port Moresby, en route to Singapore.

† Queen Salote's £1,000 clock for the Royal Chapel at Nukualofa was shipped from England at the end of May, complete with Westminster chimes of half-ton bells. The Derby makers have also sent sheets of instructions, diagrams and photographs so that the clock and chimes can be installed by Tongan technicians.

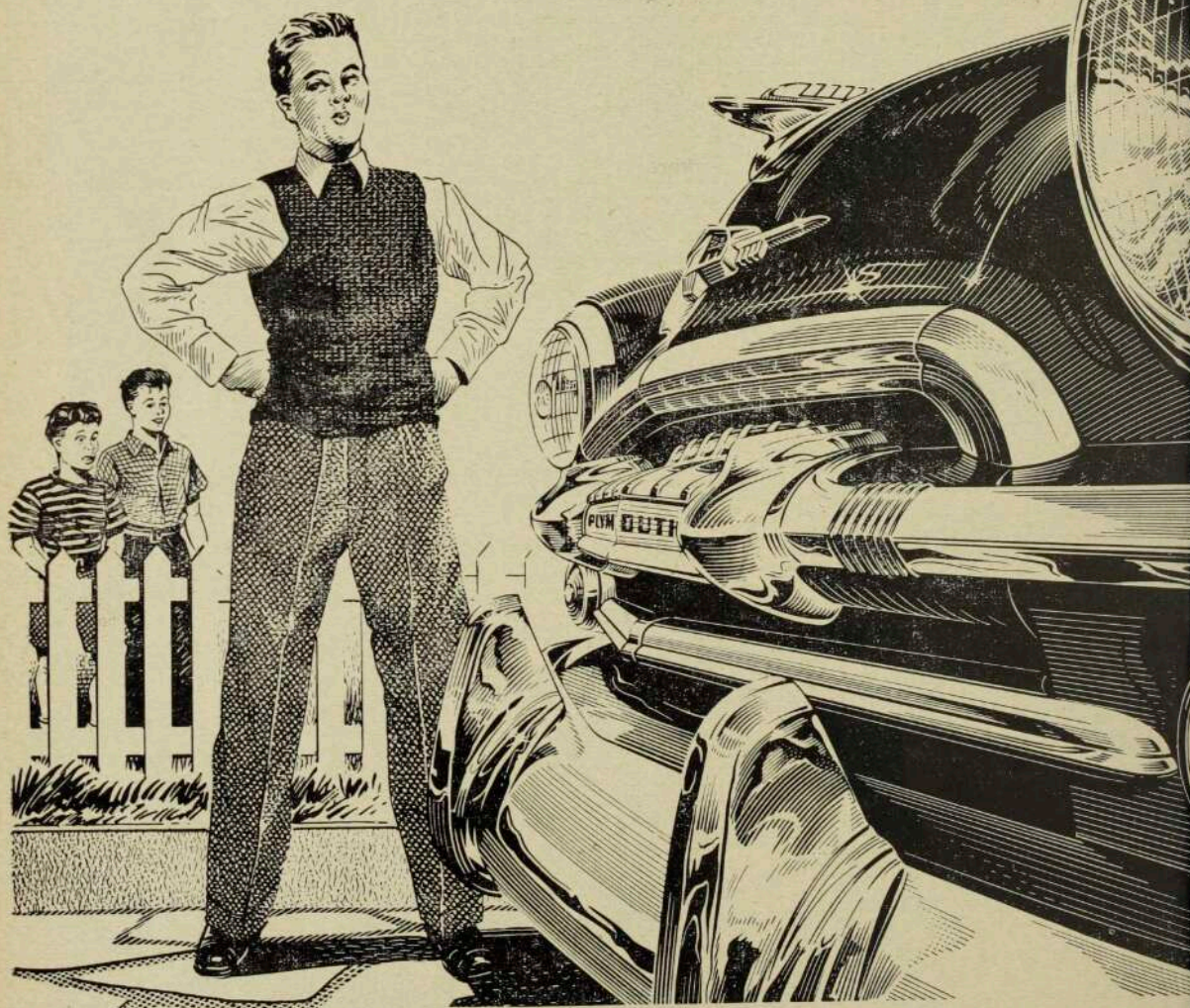


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LAVE OF TONGA LOSES FIRST BOUNT IN BRITAIN

KITIONE LAVE, the Tongan heavy-weight boxer, lost his first fight in Britain when, on July 25, Johnny Williams, former British champion, won by a technical knockout after only 1 min. 55 sec. of the first round had been fought at Birmingham.

It was a non-title bout, scheduled for 10 rounds.

Lave started well, but the referee stopped the fight when the Tongan had been left dazed by a terrific right-hander to his chin. Lave took a count of four.

Lave, whose manager is Bruce Woodcock, another British heavyweight ex-champion, arrived in London in June in quest of Don Cockell's British Empire title. Still only 21, he won 35 of his 37 fights in New Zealand and Australia.

FIJIAN light-heavyweight champion Laitia Vakadua outpointed the Victorian middleweight outpointed the Pompei, at Auckland on June 13.

The "New Zealand Herald" reported: Sealing 11 st. 11 lb. Pompei had to give way 9 lb to the accomplished Fijian, who fought the last 3½ rounds one-handed after his left hand had been injured. Pompei took gruelling punishment in the middle stages. He finished strongly but neatly against Laitia's clever defence.

In a preliminary to this Auckland fight, Kirkham (Australia) 12 st. 3 lb. knocked out Clark Burn (Samoa) 11 st. 3 lb. in the sixth round of a dreary contest scheduled for 10 rounds. The Samoan was listless and the decision was accompanied by a shower of pennies from disgruntled spectators.

At Hastings, New Zealand, Fijian heavy-weight Joveci Bau outpointed Samoan Peter Schmidt on June 9, and in July scored a technical knockout win over another Samoan, Bob Schuster.

MEANWHILE New Caledonia is emphatically disdainful of the quality of Australian boxers who have appeared here.

"Various Australian pugs have landed here purporting to be champions of this, that and the other thing, only to be shown in their first contests with local boxers, most of whom are New Caledonian natives or part-natives," reports a PIM correspondent at Noumea.

"Not long ago a champion of something other in Australia arrived with a flood of publicity and was floored by a native boxer in the first round of his first fight. The referee stopped the bout in the third round.

"A very poor opinion is held locally of Australian boxers."

WRESTLER Alo Lellani, of Pago Pago, who claims to be the first Eastern Samoan professional to succeed overseas, beat the Italian Frank Marconi at Brisbane in July, and later beat Frenchman Francois Miquet at Sydney. Lellani, 6 ft. tall and weighing 16 st. 10 lb. has had six years' professional wrestling in the United States.

New Caledonian Soccer Team Visits Tahiti



New Caledonia soccer players and three officials, a party of 20 in all, flew from Noumea to Papeete in July. The Tahitians won the first match 3-1. The 5,000 spectators paid 325,000 francs. The second match resulted in a draw, 1-1. At basketball, the Tahitians won, 63-21.

—Photo by F. Dunn.

Early Start for Suva's New Cigarette Industry

From Our Own Correspondent

THE Fiji Tobacco Co., whose factory at Walu Bay, Suva's new industrial area, is nearing completion, will start the manufacture of cigarettes towards the end of August.

Local workers will be employed, but the tobacco and all other materials will be imported.

It is expected that the local cigarette will be cheaper than the imported product—a point which is likely to ensure a market in a country where a majority of the wage-earners usually find a gap between wages and the cost of living.

Many Fijians, both men and women, smoke the *saluka*, made of carefully-selected dried banana leaves, but they often prefer a "tailor-made" if they can afford it.

† Mr. R. E. Shaw, FRCS, formerly of Kenya, has taken up an appointment with the Medical Department, Fiji.

Cattle Thrive On Pineapples

THE closing down of the pineapple canning industry in Fiji, and talk of establishing a pineapple cannery in the Cooks, give interest to a Brisbane report in early August.

The despatch stated that an 18-month-old steer, fed principally on pineapple waste, had a dressed weight of 720 lb.

The animal's development on this diet was considered phenomenal by cattle experts.

The steer was by a Santa Gertrudis bull from a Shorthorn cow. The carcass was described as "almost perfect in conformation, colour, and finish" and was the *piece-de-resistance* of a Santa Gertrudis Dinner given at Brisbane by Sir Rupert Clarke, managing director of the King Ranch (Aust.) Pty. Ltd., which has fostered the breed in the South Pacific region.

‡ The next meeting of Fiji's Legislative Council will be opened at Suva on September 2.

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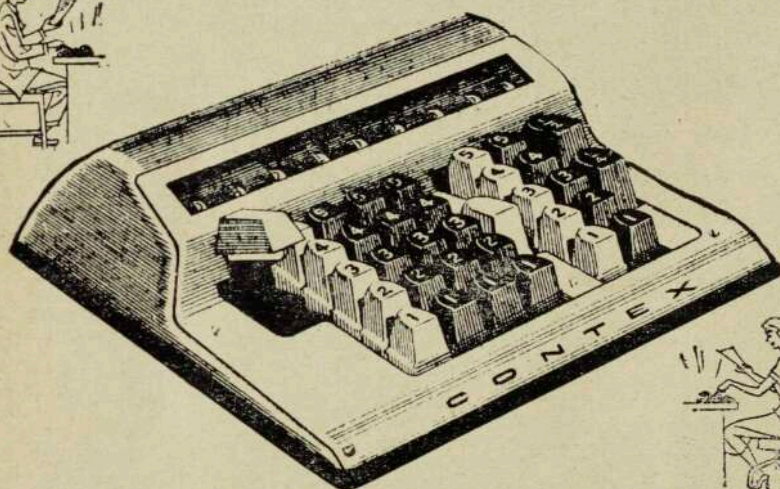
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Washington Debate.

US GOVERNMENT'S AID FOR NEW MATSON SHIPS

DOUBTS about the early appearance of American passenger liners on regular service in the South Pacific crop up at Washington in July.

On July 29, however, the Matson Line announced at Sydney that 14,000-tonners would be on California-Australia run in time to bring Americans to Australia for the 1956 Olympic Games.

It was said that the United States Government had agreed to pay part of the 47,000,000 dollars (£A21,000,000) required because ships "will be serving an essential foreign trade route."

Between them the liners will make 15 round trips a year.

Earlier, at Washington, Randolph Sevier, president of Matson Navigation Co. and subsidiary, the Oceanic Steam Co., had told the House of Representatives Merchant Marine Committee that he was "very hesitant" to put 15,000,000 dollars into two proposed new passenger liners for the South Pacific route because of maritime labour unrest in the United States.

Still earlier it had been reported that Matson's proposed conversion of two Mariner-type freighters into liners that would each carry 370 passengers and a crew of 100 was "hanging in the balance."

The ships are the *Free* and *Mariner* and *Pine Tree* Marine.

IN July the sale of the ship *Matson* by the United States Government was attacked in the Senate by Senator Williams (Delaware).

Senator Williams described the deal as "fantastic."

"Two ships about two years old which cost more than 17,500,000 dollars, were sold for 10,000,000 dollars," he said.

"Now, 30 days later, we are asked to give the buyers 11,300,000 dollars in cash towards improving these same ships and making them suitable for passenger service."

"As if that is not enough, the proposal is that the taxpayer subsidise their operations for the next 10 years."

A Matson spokesman said that the 11,300,000 dollars would go to shipyards, and not to the government for converting the vessels.

IN June, Mr. Sevier said in a press statement that in view of the substantial amount of private capital involved in the proposed programmes, the management and directors of the

corporations were concerned "with factors that might render the services unprofitable or impracticable."

The Matson ships will compete with the post-war British Orient liners, which, after careful experimenting, have found the Pacific extension of the England-Australia service to be both popular and profitable.

BEFORE the war, Matson competed with the Canadian-Australasian Line's Vancouver-Sydney service. Matson linked San Francisco, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Pago Pago, Suva, Auckland and Sydney, while the British line covered Vancouver, Honolulu, Suva, Auckland and Sydney.

Until October, 1936, the Union Royal Mail Line served San Francisco, Papeete, Rarotonga, Wellington and Sydney, but this line expired with a British withdrawal due largely, it was claimed, to the competition of the newer, Washington-subsidised *Monterey* and *Mariposa*, which were much more luxurious than the venerable *Makura* and *Maunganui*, of the Union fleet.

The folding-up of the Union Royal Mail Line left Tahiti high and dry. Strenuous efforts were made to lure the Matson ships to Papeete, but without avail. And thereby hangs a tale.

IN December, 1936, PIM's Papeete correspondent recalled that in the early 1900's a Matson ship had regularly sailed from San Francisco for a four-day call at Papeete. Then the Union Royal Mail Line was established, and the arrival of the first through Union ship was signalled by the return to California of the Matson ship in ballast.

Whereupon the Matson (Oceanic) president, Mr. Spreckels, withdrew the ship and, it is alleged, swore that as long as his line remained in service no ship under its flag would ever again call at Tahiti.

This story was strenuously revived when, in 1936, Matson rejected Papeete's application.

The ban was presumably lifted when Papeete was included in the

new Matson ships' itinerary.

Mr. Warren Bean, a representative of Matson-Oceanic Lines, was in Tahiti in July carrying out further discussions there in connection with the resumption of the Matson trans-Pacific service late next year and with the construction of a hotel in the interim. With Mr. Bean was Mr. Frank C. Kugelberg, for many years associated with Tahiti business interests, who was taking movie shots of the island for publicity use in the United States.

Mr. T. L. Macdonald, NZ Minister of Island Territories, became the first Cabinet Minister to visit the remote Tokelau Group when he made a flying-boat visit to the islands from Samoa in July.

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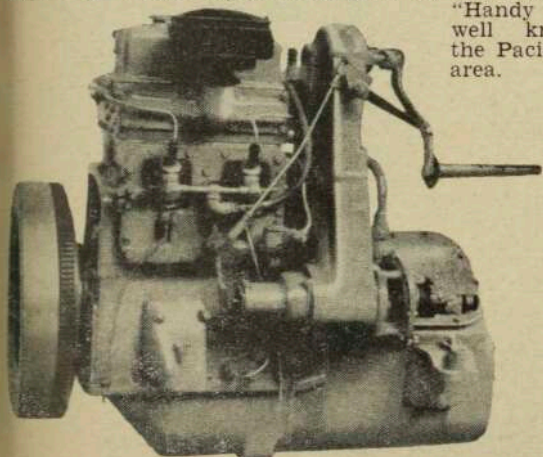
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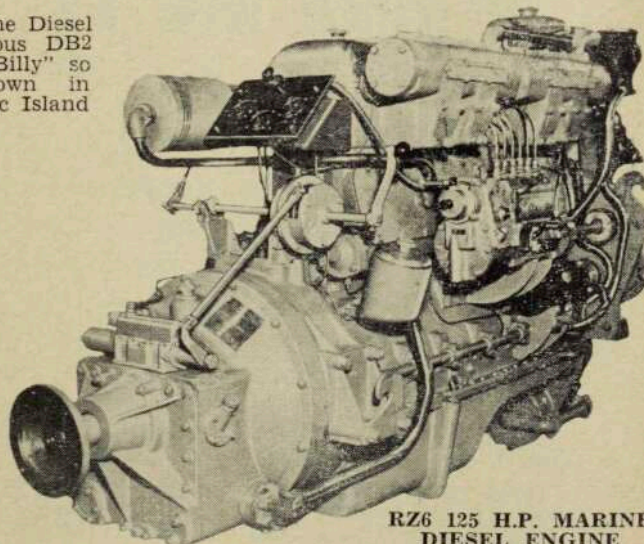
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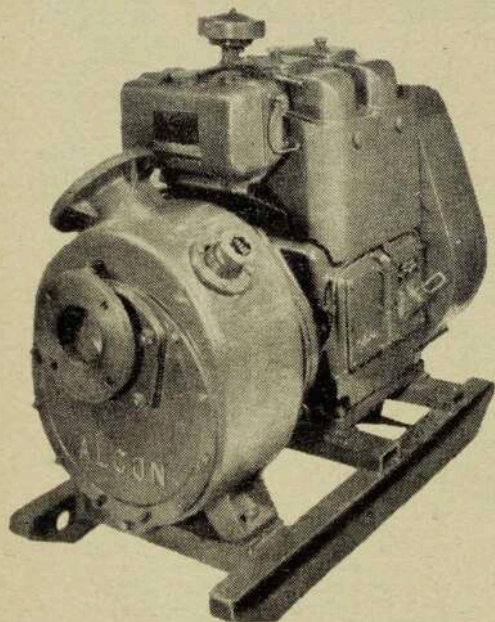
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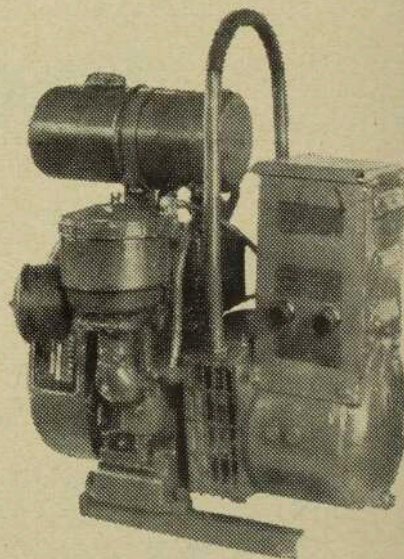
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DEATHS OF ISLANDS PEOPLE

MR. J. J. McHUGH

Mr. James Joseph McHugh, a former Government Printer, Fiji, died at Suva on July 3.

Born at Sydney in 1873, Mr. McHugh went to Suva in 1905 as a machinist in the Government Printing Office. He became Government Printer in 1928 and retired in 1936.

A prominent Presbyterian, Mr. McHugh worked on the Kirk Session for 46 years and was Session Clerk for about 35 years. For many years he was choirmaster and Sunday School Superintendent at St. Andrew's, Suva.

In 1908, he married Miss Winifred Small, elder daughter of the Rev. A. J. Small and Mrs. Small, of the Methodist Mission. He is survived by his wife and five children—Mr. Lyall McHugh, of Perth, WA, Mrs. D. Cole, of NZ, Mr. Arthur McHugh, of Goulburn, NSW, Mrs. Stewart, of Auckland, and Mrs. F. Smith, of Suva.

CANON JENNINGS

Widely known and respected in Papua and New Guinea, Canon Jennings, of the Anglican Mission at Dogura, died at Melbourne late in July at the age of 68.

Canon Jennings was principal of St. Aidan's College, Dogura, for 18 years, and he had been Examining Chaplain to the Bishop of New Guinea since 1939. He was made a canon in 1947.

After 37 years' work in the mission field, Canon Jennings died while undergoing treatment for an illness which had compelled his return to Australia.

MRS BRIDE MINOGUE,

Mrs. Bride Minogue, wife of Mr. A. N. Minogue, late of the Papuan Civil Service, died at Adelaide on July 31. She was on a visit to attend the christening of their first grandchild, Richard John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jon Minogue, of Bulolo, where the father is Assistant Mining Engineer with the Bulolo Gold Dredging Co.

Mrs. Minogue became ill on the journey from Sydney to Adelaide and had to be taken straight to hospital on her arrival. She died without seeing her new grandson.

MR. O. MICHAEL

The death occurred suddenly at Navua Hotel, Fiji, in July, of Mr. O. Michael, member of a well-known family in the Sigatoka district. Mr. Michael had not been in good health for some time.

For many years Mr. Michael and his family ran a cutter up and down the coast from Suva to Sigatoka, and for a time conducted a butchery business at Suva.

Recently he had been engaged in banana buying until he took over the management of the Navua Hotel.

MR. E. S. RUTHVEN

The death of a well known Fiji

man, Mr. E. S. Ruthven, occurred at his home, Malaqereqere, Sigatoka, on July 18.

Mr. Ruthven was a Boer War veteran, serving with the Imperial Light Horse, and went to Fiji for the CSR Company in 1904. He was first stationed on the Ba River, and later was officer-in-charge at Tavua when that area was opened for cane. He was then sent to Naidira Estate at Singatoka, and later became manager in the Sigatoka district.

He acquired land and resigned from the company in 1920, cultivating cane and potatoes on a large scale in the upper part of the fertile Sigatoka Valley. In 1929 he leased the Shamrock Hotel at Lautoka from Mr. Pat Costello.

He opened Leylands Butchery at Suva, putting a partner in to run the business, and was also for many years agent in Fiji and the South Pacific Islands for John Walker and Sons Ltd.

A keen sportsman, Mr. Ruthven owned many horses in the days when racing was a prominent sport in Fiji and formed the first racing club at Sigatoka.

There are two brothers—Mr. John Ruthven, formerly general manager in Australia for John Walker and Sons, Ltd., and Mr. Victor Ruthven, of Navua. Two sisters live in Australia.

MR. A. H. MARTIN

Mr. Albert Horatio Martin, who died in July, at Sydney, at the age of 86, was born at Nelson, New Zealand, went to Fiji in 1913 and worked at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Suva, during its last stages of construction.

For several years he was Suva Town Overseer, and later worked as

an architect. He retired in 1942.

Mr. Martin is survived by a son, Mr. Gordon Martin, of Suva, and two married daughters.

MR. H. G. ROUTLEY

Mr. H. G. Routley, a former Papua-New Guinea patrol officer, was killed in a motor accident at Perth in July.

He served about four years in the Territory Administration, and was patrol officer in the Abau district before his return to Australia in 1951.

Mr. Routley was studying in his final year of law, after which he intended to return to the Territory.

MR. K. KRUGER

Mr. Kenneth Kruger, a young missionary of the Christian Assemblies of Australia, died at the Port Moresby European Hospital on July 30.

He is believed to have received a snakebite while hunting in thick bush country near Rigo.

PRO-CATHEDRAL AT PORT MORESBY

From Our Own Correspondent

ST. John's Anglican Church, Port Moresby, is now a pro-cathedral, and the Rector (the Rev. H. Randall) has been appointed the first residentiary canon.

Canon Randall has explained that the Mother Church of the Diocese of New Guinea is at Dogura. The Bishop (the Rt. Rev. P. N. W. Strong) now has seats at Dogura and Port Moresby.

The inauguration ceremonies at St. John's will be held in the near future.

It is hoped that the foundation of Port Moresby's new cathedral will be laid at the end of this year.

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NORFOLK ISLAND'S AIR SERVICE

QANTAS announced at Sydney in mid-August that the New Zealand Government was understood to have requested Tasman Empire Airways Ltd. to take over the Norfolk Island-Auckland services.

Qantas, which operates a fortnightly service from Sydney to Norfolk, had in turn received a request from TEAL to operate the Norfolk-Auckland sector on a charter basis with DC4 aircraft weekly. It had been intended to start this service on September 1 but a slightly later date appears likely.

Norfolk Island will therefore have a better air connection with both Sydney and Auckland. The large cargo capacity of the DC4 aircraft will be important to the Norfolk fresh vegetable exporters.

Reasons given for NAC's withdrawal were: The imposition of landing charges; reduction of payload due to more stringent regulations and withdrawal of the radio-range navigational facilities by the Australian Civil Aviation authorities.

Inquiries from Civil Aviation authorities at Sydney shed a little more light.

The landing charges mentioned referred almost certainly to Auckland and not to Norfolk. The system of landing charges was recently established throughout New Zealand.

Reduction of payload did apply at the Norfolk end, however, following the tightening of regulations by Australia, partly the result of complaints by the air pilots' association.

The Civil Aviation authorities in Australia had been in consultation with NAC in regard to the radio-range facilities at Norfolk, and it was incorrect to say that they had been withdrawn, the authorities stated.

Air Connection for Pago Pago

PAN American Airways has received US Civil Aeronautics Bureau approval to start forthwith a "non-scheduled" service through Pago Pago, Eastern Samoa.

At the same time it has been announced that Samoa Airlines had its franchise to operate an airline in that area withdrawn—presumably through lack of finance.

Small improvements are being made to Tafuna Airfield.

PAA may include Pago Pago in its trans-Pacific service "about monthly" or, alternatively, it may operate a shuttle service from M. "about monthly." The CAB approval is expected to be taken advantage of almost immediately.

RABAUl PROBLEM

Gaol Terms for Village Tax-Defaulters

From Our Own Correspondent

SIXTY-FIVE villagers from the Reimber Village Council area near Rabaul have been serving gaol terms for refusing to pay their annual Council tax of £4.

Twelve men of Rakunai, a village in the Reimber Council area, were sentenced on June 27 to one month's imprisonment, and another 23 were sentenced on July 6.

On July 22 a further 25—16 women and nine men—were sentenced. Some were from Rakunai and a few came from Rakundakunda, a nearby hamlet.

Fourteen other Rakunai men have been gaol'd for two months for trying to prevent the arrest of the first batch of 12 sentenced for tax evasion.

AN Administration officer in daily contact with Native Village Council business has estimated that 60 per cent. of those eligible for taxation at Rakunai were opposed to paying

taxes. Proportionately, of course, these comprise a fragmentary percentage of the 36,000 people under the Council scheme.

Rakunai is to some extent removed from the influences which are rapidly educating villagers to a realisation of their own status as individuals, and, compared with other centres, it has a larger proportion of people who are easily led by irresponsibles. The lack of law and order which characterised the Japanese occupation seems to have left its mark on the mentality of many in the village.

The tax-defaulters ignored the advice of missionaries.

The Village Council system, introduced within the last four years by the Administration in the interests of the people themselves, has already paid dividends in economic and social improvement.

Administrative costs of the system are kept low by Government edict, and all taxation revenue has benefited the taxpayers by way of schools, medical aid posts, cocoa fermenteries, better roads and improved social services.

A continuous audit of accounts is maintained, and there has been only one instance of defalcation—a matter of £6 drawn and withheld, for which the person responsible was gaol'd for six months.

COUNCILS are elected by the people under their jurisdiction, and tax rates have to be agreed to by a majority of not less than 75 per cent. of the Councillors.

Tax exemptions are granted to those to whom payment would be a hardship. Appeals against refusal of exemption are heard by the District Commissioner.

Men pay £4 a year and women £1. The average income of the Councils is about £1 a head. For more than 5,000 men, women and children in the Reimber Village Council area, the intake in taxation is just over £5,000.

In 1951 the Reimber-Vunamami-Rabaul Village Council received £8,015 in taxes. In 1954, with the addition of Livuan and Vunadidir to the Council system, the income was £36,166.

There is no real poverty in the area. In 1953, income earned by men of the district in wharf work and in hiring lorries for carrying ships' cargoes was more than £60,000 from one Rabaul firm alone. Another firm paid out even more.

In six months of 1954 more than £16,000 was spent by villagers on new lorries.

Further, villagers' houses cost only man-hours and energy, and gardens provide foodstuffs in abundance. For a majority, money earned is a provider of non-essentials.

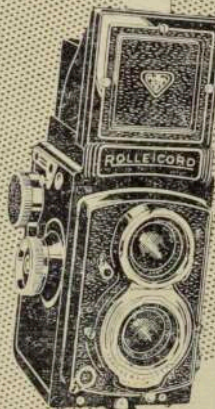
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From East to West

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Socialist Governments of England, Holland and France might have carried it through efficiently, if given a chance—although I doubt it. But they were never given a chance—under the rising tides of Asian nationalism and Muscovite Communism they acted precipitately, and to our great undoing in both status and security.

The only friendly place I have found in these formerly British Asian-African countries is Ceylon—they still seem to like us there. But, in a wander around Colombo, extending over many hours, I did not once see the Union Jack.

She Quoted Kipling

This changing East! I sat on the deck of a ship between Sydney and Indonesia, and carelessly watched the wooing of a very pretty Chinese girl (returning to Borneo after four years at an Australian University) by a smitten young Englishman. The eternal feminine obviously enjoyed her conquest—but I was startled when she handed him Kipling's lines—

*"East is East and West is West
And never the twain shall meet —"*

After that, she and I had a long chat about the risks and frequent disaster of Asian-European marriages.

Fascinating, these slim, educated, plain-spoken Chinese girls one now meets everywhere around Southeast Asia. I think they may have a considerable influence on the Chinese men and affairs of the future, hereabouts.

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Old Aw Boon Haw must have endowed these gardens very richly, because there is no admission charge, and a team of experts is engaged constantly in renewing and refurbishing. It is like the Sydney Bridge—the job takes a year and then they start all over again.

The colours are worth travelling miles to see—but the mixture of East and West is at times very horrible.

In another corner of Singapore I was shown two lovely bungalows, surrounded by palms and green lawns—and each decorated with the

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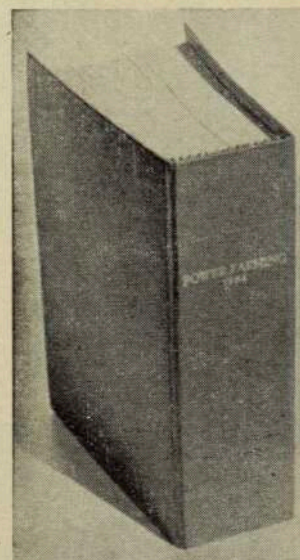
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Jakarta Contrasts

Ever heard of the Harmony Club of Batavia—the famous old Dutch Club with the white marble floor laid down over 200 years ago?

Well, the measure of Indonesian change is that the Harmony Club now is called the Jakarta Club and a huge oil painting of President (and Rabble-Rouser) Soekarno hangs over the reception desk. This club once was world-famous because, for over 50 years, night or day, it never closed its doors. Even that era ended in 1942.

The dinners which the hospital Dutch and their lucky guests enjoyed in the Harmony Club on Friday nights are famous. But I think some of them go in the back way, avoid the sight of that decorative over the reception desk.

I never shall forget a glimpse I got one night of the Palace of President Soekarno, facing the main square in the New section, Jakarta. The building seemed to be wide open to show scores of powerful electric chandeliers evidently backed by huge mirrors, a determinedly impressive scene of Oriental splendour.

But all the main streets around are without lights. There is enough electric power available to meet common needs, under the new Indonesian regime.

Once, this square and the streets around had Dutch names, and were decorated with the statues of famous Dutchmen. After all, Dutch built Batavia. But now it is called Jakarta, and the statues have been thrown into the canal and the thoroughfares have Indonesian names.

Singapore, built by the British while the Dutch built Batavia, is quivering now under an eruption of nationalism (Chinese!), staring glumly south across the Java Sea at the scene in Jakarta. (Singapore's main thoroughfares still have English names, and the prevalent statues mostly still are English.)

* Lady Garvey's gift parcels for the Fijian soldiers in Mall provided two tons of yagona (kava) for the troops in July. Yagona, which has been despatched regularly by the gift committee, has proved to be the most welcome, and, indeed, the most essential of all comforts for the men overseas. The tons will keep the Battalion going until it returns to Fiji in 1956.

Ten Years of Drastic Changes in P-NG

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policy in War II, it has risen clean and neat and lovely to behold.

Three fine commercial houses stand near the wharf: Buntings, BP and Steamships Trading Co.—all new modern buildings with lavish stocks.

There is a fairly prosperous background to the Samarai district: coconuts, rubber, gold. To me Samarai seems to be the one unalterable South Seas spot in the whole of the Territory.

THE Port of Lae. Wharf and roads quite excellent—that is, the roads from wharf to town—both parts, uphill and down. For the old Lae-Namanula area has become a popular port. Town-planners appear to have interests in oil companies or motor transport! Points of importance are far distant, requiring taxis or cars of some description. (This is a facetious remark, in case it may be misunderstood by humourless town-planners.) The old military roads are still extant; many old army-type buildings prevail; administrative buildings are dull and sunless; much overgrowth, beautiful as it may be in spots, gives the town an unwarmed-for appearance. But the atmosphere, generally, is friendly and congenial.

THE pretty harbour of Madang remains unaltered. Beyond a doubt it is the most beautiful of ports, with its surrounding lands, its waving coconuts and greenness.

The tall, old trees along the roads still send some creepers down earth, and little change was noticeable in the general terrain.

Madang did not suffer overmuch during the war. New stores and new buildings are mostly on the old sites.

I loved every moment in Madang. The scenery and the people were reminiscent of the good old days. Here there seems, more than in any other place, a spirit of teamwork, and here I heard many complimentary remarks about the Assistant Administrator (Mr. Wilson). There seemed to be fewer rips on shoulders, which was good to see. Perhaps it was because they were an entity on their own; petty jealousies, and with the knowledge they had a prosperous hinterland that gave them economic assurance, plus their own well-arranging plantations.

I shall be glad when I hear that the Coastwatchers' Memorial Light has been erected and something included about the RSL Club-house.

Four northern bastions at Manus I have written elsewhere (page 159). Admittedly, my story is short. There may be many aspects of our northern naval base which

missed my attention; if so, they were kept from me—and perhaps quite wisely.

But it does seem that this much-disputed barrier to northern aggression—if it ever develops—lacks much to give confidence to the Australian people who are, or should be, vitally interested in this portion of Commonwealth defence.

I will leave it at that, with the hope that the debacle of Rabaul in 1942 is not repeated. That was an unhappy page in Australia's history.

COMING up alongside the partly-completed cement wharf at Rabaul gave one the feeling of stability, somehow.

Wide, unbuilt-on spaces nearby suggested sites for future wharf buildings, and it is to be hoped they will be sufficient to cope with bonded cargo—which appears to be a present-day problem in most of the ports of the Territory.

I was simply amazed at the teeming masses of people; Europeans, Chinese, natives. Cars and buses; lorries and utilities were everywhere and owned by every colour. Rabaul appeared to be on top of a wave of prosperity—a true prosperity, too.

Buildings were rising on almost every vacant block, and in the town proper there were more shops, stores and offices than ever before.

The old beauty had vanished; some of the trees along the streets still remained, but the buildings were unimaginative, merely houses where before they had been homes. Offices were often dull and drab.

The large stores certainly were worthy of favourable comment. They held an air of permanence about them.

Chinatown No. 1 was much as of pre-war vintage; Chinatown No. 2 (in Matupi Farm) was a collection of hovels—but an emergency measure only, and I hope it will be remedied soon.

The Bung (or Native Market) was a huge affair on Saturday morning—four or five times its old size when it was situated down on Kamarere Street. Now it is in a portion of the old Botanic Gardens.

Roads leading out of Rabaul are much the same as in pre-war years: corrugations are rife on the beach road to Kokopo; the top road gives fine travel, no corrugations and some wonderful panoramic views of the harbour.

Providing Matupi doesn't blow her top I can see no reason at all why Rabaul does not again take her place as the busiest seaport in the South Seas and, with a little imagination of her town-planners of the future, become the most beautiful; always providing she gets a just share of the annual allocation for public buildings and services.

Did I note a difference in Rabaul? This was the 64-dollar question put to me. Considering that Rabaul was a mass of rubble, shell-holes and dug-outs when I left in 1945—well, I ask you!

† Denver Museum of Natural History has recently issued a well-illustrated Museum Pictorial (No. 10) on the birds of Canton Island, written by Robert Cushman Murphy. The 78-page bulletin also contains much other useful background information on the island.



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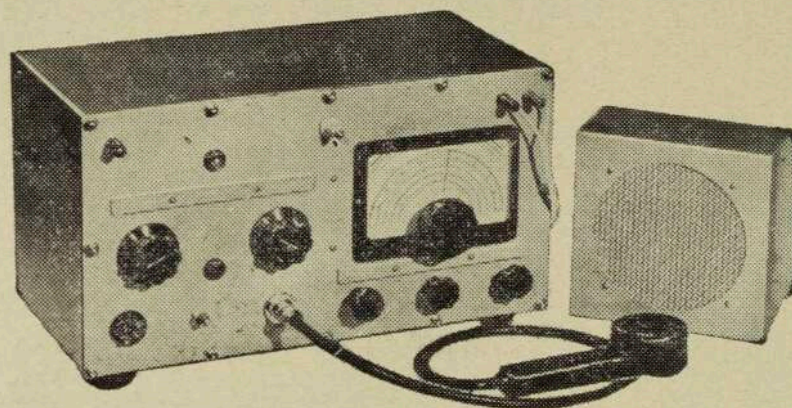
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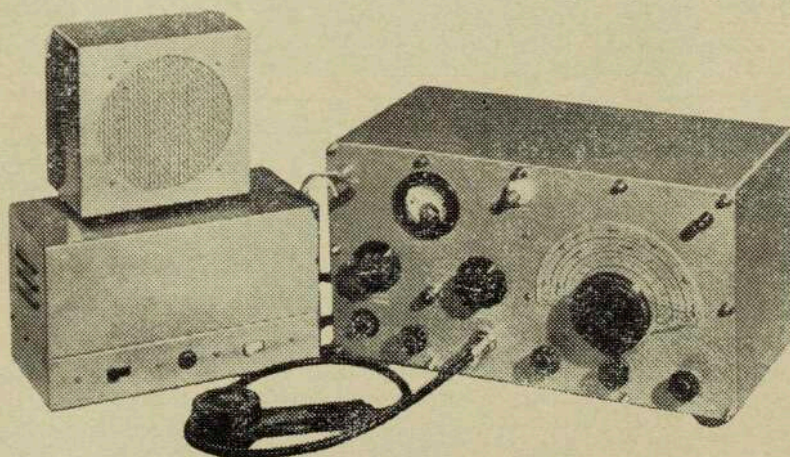


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Other channels allocated for Australia are: 1, 49-56 mc/s; No. 3, 85-92 mc/s; No. 4, 121-139 mc/s; No. 5, 139-146 mc/s; No. 6, 148-181 mc/s; No. 8, 188-195 mc/s; No. 10, 192-216 mc/s.

Other VHF news: As from November 1 a new 56-60 mc/s Ham band will be available in VK's, and the 50-54 mc/s band will be withdrawn from Ham use as from the end of 1955.

Another item of general interest was an announcement from New Zealand some time ago that languages additional to English and Maori will now be permitted in Ham communications—not that many ZL's can take advantage of the new concession! It will only interest "new New Zealanders" who

have acquired a licence, and possibly Samoan Hams, of whom there have so far been none licensed, other than Europeans.

Twenty-five of the 32 licensed New Guinea Hams were planning to actively take part in the annual VK Remembrance Day Contest on August 13-14. Some were intending to spend the full 24 hours at the controls.

A PIM New Guinea non-Ham correspondent, reporting this, says also that the recently formed Junior Radio Club of Wau has now been given a Ham licence—but he did not say what call has been allocated. He did say, however, that first night on the air the station hooked Mauritius.

Pitcairn has definitely come to life again. Floyd-VR6AC has been reported on 14,143 kc/s around 0200Z.

There's a new man at Fanning Island, Dean Laws, of the Cable Station staff. Incidentally, Phil Palmer—VR3C, enroute from Fanning to Sydney via the Solomons in the new "Tulagi", with his family, was expected at VK2 late August.

Doug-ZK-1-AB, in ZL recently for medical attention, returned home to Rarotonga in July aboard a RNZAF Hastings. The transport aircraft went north to carry the Island Territories Minister and party back to New Zealand.

Since it was recently indicated that this column might have to be abandoned to at least a quarterly feature, there have been some indications that some Hams wish it to continue. Fate of the column is in the hands of Island Hams. We particularly ask for photos of groups or of individual Islands Hams and of news of departures and new arrivals—items which are of general interest everywhere.

† Australia fished 2,245 tons of MOP and trochus shell in 1954. The industry employed 1,539 men. The MOP yield was 1,114 tons (1953, 1,143 tons) worth £643,200 (£658,397)—an average price a ton of £577 (£576). Trochus totalled 1,131 tons (1,001 tons) worth £241,589 (£146,825). Average trochus price a ton was £213 (£146.7).

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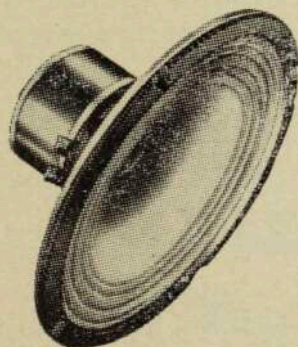
The lines involved are W. R. Carpenter Overseas Shipping Ltd. (Melbourne and Suva), the Oceanic Steamship Co., the Orient Line, the Pacific Australia Direct Line, and the Union Steam Ship Co.

Though Pacific Island Transport Co.'s Sydney agents had received the word, it appeared probable that the company's freights would also be affected. The company's vessels, the Carpenter & Co.'s, work as far east as New Guinea.

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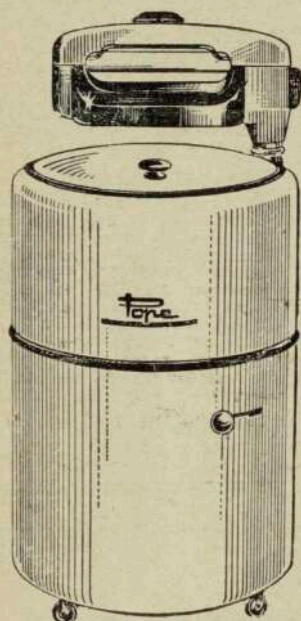
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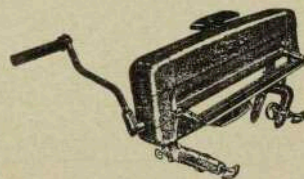
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The International Geophysical Year is a period of research in natural phenomena, especially in the effects of radiations from the sun and other sources of "outer space."

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This maximum takes place about every 11 years. Its arrival is heralded by greatly improved short wave radio reception, which is a matter of particular interest to people living in the Islands, that is only one of the more evident effects.

THE work will not be concentrated entirely in polar regions.

Three "bands" of longitude have been set as areas of special effort. One of these, at 140 degrees east, passes through Australia, Micronesia, and Micronesia.

In addition, there is likely to be special work undertaken at established research stations like Apia Observatory, and the Rongelap ionosphere research station.

The 40 countries co-operating carry out research into meteorology, the ionosphere, geomagnetism, auroral displays, cosmic rays, oceanography, seismology, and glaciology. A considerable amount of research work involving rockets which will carry instruments to great heights will be a feature, especially in the United States.

There will be three World Meteorological Intervals of ten days each month—two at new moon and one near the quarter-moon.

There will be six World Meteorological Intervals of ten days each in each period of three months near the equinox or solstice.

There will be special Alert Periods, when warning will be passed to all observers of any expected phenomena—for example, magnetic storms (violent sunspots).

This is going to be a period of great interest to science. Islands people need not take care if groups of aloof men, loaded with strange black boxes, suddenly appear and set up shop in outlandish places.

It will be merely another symptom of the Atomic Age.

NEW FIJIAN VILLAGE FOR SUVA WORKERS

AFTER the 1952 hurricane had destroyed or badly damaged the homes of several thousand people in the Suva area, a scheme to provide housing for some of the Fijian workers went into preliminary operation.

Today the new Nabua village, on the outskirts of the city and near the Suva-Nausori highway, houses 700 people and has its own school, meeting-house, co-operative store, church, dispensary and credit union.

Nabua people come from all parts of Fiji, and the community is organised on traditional village lines. From the start of the settlement a guiding eye has been provided by Major C. V. Phillips, District Officer on the staff of the District Commissioner Southern.

In the post-hurricane emergency, core-type houses were hurriedly built, but the Government has now built an additional 22 double-unit concrete cottages for rental and another three are nearly finished.

The total area of the settlement is 93 acres, of which half has so far been developed. Money has been provided for roading the remainder, and more land has been allocated, providing for Fijians who are able to build their own houses.

There is planting land which the villagers cultivate in their spare time, growing crops which help them meet Suva's high cost of living.

The Nabua School, started with 1,000 collected by the Suva Rotary Club and with substantial Fijian-subscribed funds, now has buildings worth £14,000 in a 13½-acres block of land.

Papua Rubber Yields

PAPUA rubber yields for June as compared with May (in parenthesis) were: 31,267 (33,077) lb; Lolorua: 36,300 (3,080) lb; Mariboi: 51,000 (45,361) lb. Lolorua Rubber Estates announced a net profit of £14,057 for the last financial year, an increase of £7,312 on the previous year. The dividend has been raised from 6 to 10 per cent.

Muliyama, at present on survey in Sydney, was not expected to be back in service before some time in September. **Tulagi**, expected back from the Line Islands and the Gilberts in mid-August, will take her place on the Sydney-Solomons service. **Malaita**, also on survey, will be transferred to the New Guinea service when she resumes.

When the New Zealand Minister of Civil Aviation's aircraft called at Suva late June, a request was made, and granted, for a Tongan pilot to be flown to Fiji for urgent medical treatment.

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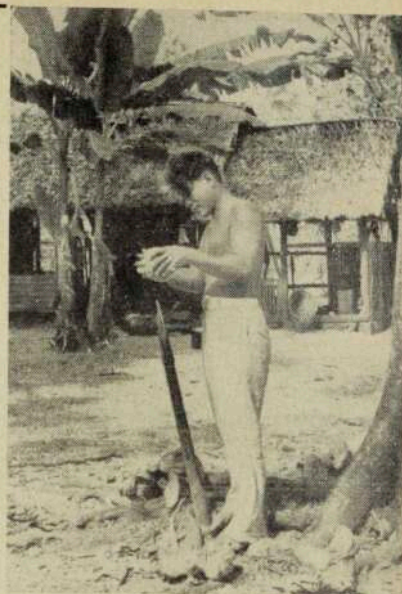
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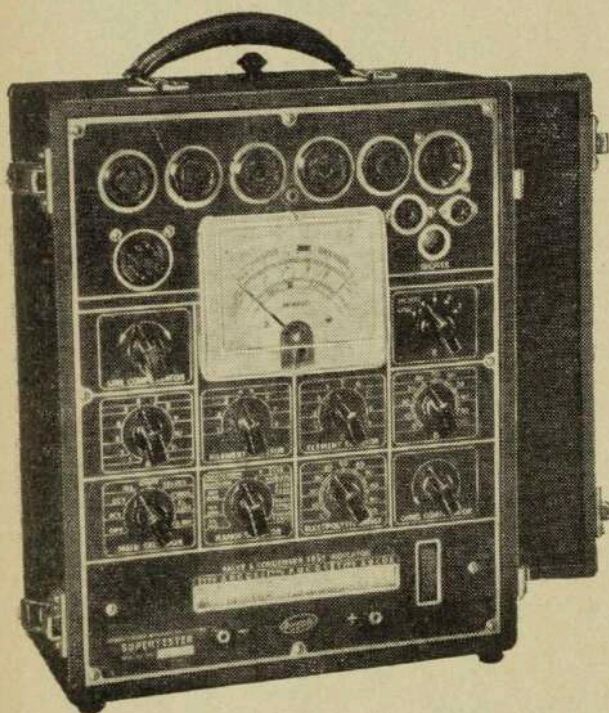
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Future of South Pacific Copra Industry

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The following are the official estimates of copra production in respect of the year 1953: They do not include copra produced for local consumption, but do include copra converted into oil for export: The figures show thousands of tons:

Ceylon	225	Other Fr. Terr.	20
Malaya	152	India	190
Br. Borneo	27	N. Guinea and	
Other Br. Pac.		Papua	80
Is	55	Fiji	33
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Indonesia	730	Philippines	856
Mozambique	48	Fr. Oceania	20
Indo-China	15	Other foreign	70

That gives a total of 2,691,000 tons. It was up to 2,911,000 tons in 1951—down to 2,300,000 in 1948. It therefore will be seen that there are five main sources of coconut products in the world—

Ceylon, whose copra now is almost wholly milled to oil and meal before it is shipped;

Singapore and the East Indies; Philippine Islands;

India; South Pacific Islands. (P-NG Fiji, New Hebrides, French Oceania and other Pacific Islands together produce over 200,000 tons per annum.)

A lot of copra comes out of the East through Singapore; but there has been considerable disturbance of the Indonesian supply as a result of the present struggle between the Indonesian Government and the Dutch interests still established there.

Formerly, every little group in the East Indies sent a trickle of copra to the chief shipping ports by the small inter-islands fleet of the powerful KPM (Dutch) shipping line; the KPM not only carried but controlled the sale of the copra overseas—a large proportion of the copra producers thus were "tied" to the KPM.

When the present political struggle in Indonesia became acute, the KPM withdrew a large proportion of those inter-islands ships, with the result that a great deal of the inter-islands copra cannot reach the markets. If it could, there would be enough of it to affect the European quotation. The wise computer could assume that sooner or later it will get to the markets.

Among the factors affecting copra's future must be considered the relative value in oil content of all these products. The official oil extraction rates for vegetable oil seeds in average made through years of experience) puts copra (63 per cent.) at the top of the list. Only one other seed comes near it—the comparatively rare babassu kernels. Among copra's main competitors, the next nearest are palm kernels (45), coconut seed (43), groundnuts (42),

rapeseed (35), cottonseed (18), soya beans (15).

Copra production, giving a high oil content, and very well organised all over the world in respect of transport and distribution, has some definite advantages over its competitors.

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BUT, if world production and distribution of copra are well organised, so also is the world market. That organisation is probably the most important factor to be considered in relation to the future.

The International Association of Seed Crushers held their periodical Congress in Baden-Baden, Germany, on June 8. I was deeply interested in the review of world supply and demand given by the President, Mr. J. C. A. Faure. (The name of Faure has been well known in the Western European oil-seeds industry for generations. This Mr. Faure is not only a distinguished figure in the oil-seeds world—he is, or has been, closely associated with Unilever).

The kernel of his address, and his close analysis of world production figures, was that there is much freer movement of vegetable oils throughout the world; that world consumption is steadily increasing; and that world supply is just about taking care of demand. His concluding summary is worth quoting in full:

"The past 12 months have seen an interesting change in the liquid edible oil situation throughout the world.

"During the post-war period, up to 1954, liquid edible oils were regarded as the group most seriously in short supply, except in the United States. Since these US surpluses of liquid oils have been made available to the rest of the world, the supply situation of all oils and fats, including the liquid oil group, has become much better balanced.

"Whereas in post-war years we had two distinct and almost watertight markets (the dollar and soft currency

markets) we have now reached the point where we can again talk of 'world' market values. From now on the world will have to take much closer notice of the US markets and conversely, the United States' domestic markets will have to watch much more closely the world markets overseas, in Europe and elsewhere.

"Finally, 1954 and 1955 have shown that world consumption is increasing rapidly, but that world production is keeping pace with the greater needs. The freer movement of oils and fats throughout the world should act as a stabilising factor on price levels."

That suggests that there will be a fairly competitive market for our South Pacific copra when we go out again into the cold hard world at the end of the MOF contract in 1958.

But to what extent will competition be conditioned by monopoly organisation among the buyers?

A quarter-century ago, when first I analysed the world copra situation for the South Pacific planters, I presented Unilever as the big, bad wolf of the world's oil-seed markets. The Lever combine seemed to do

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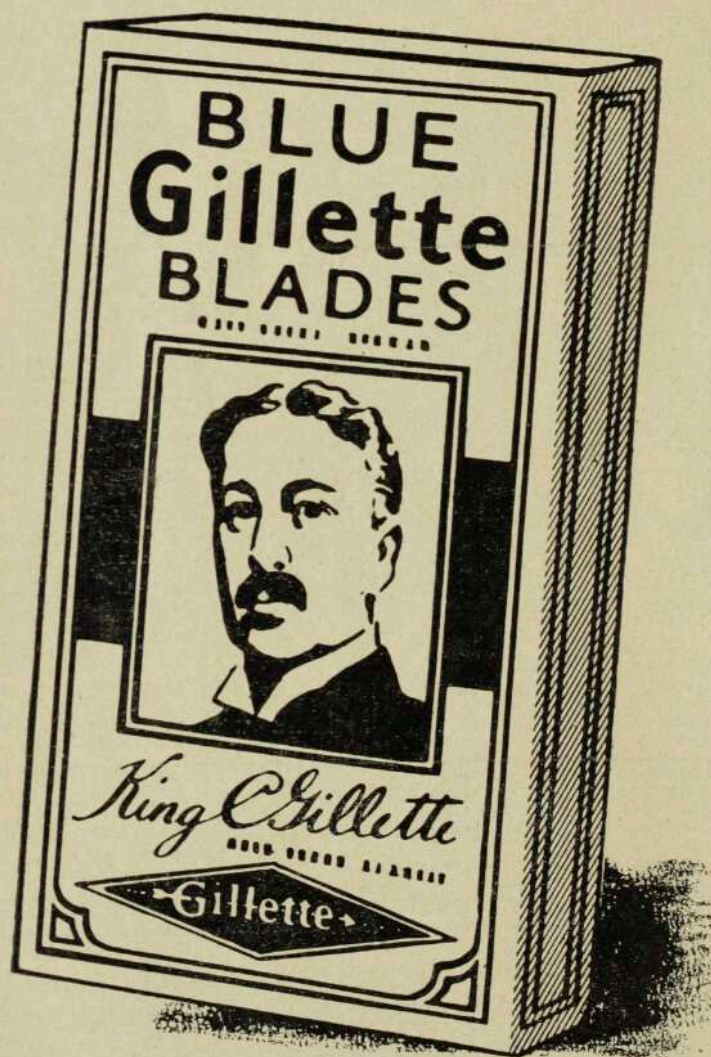
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what it liked with copra produce and all the old hands will remember well what the combine did.

Much has happened since then, especially the intense Government controls of the war and post-war periods (about 9 years) and MOF Contract (still current).

But Unilever has not been out of the picture. On the contrary, Lever personnel has had much to do with British Government control, with the operation of the MOF Contract. The British Government (even the Socialist set-up, 1945-) evidently thinks a great deal of Unilever. A Lever received a very high honour in the 1955 Birthday List.

History records few changes; heart by big, bad wolves; and I have seen nothing here to suggest that the Unilever of 1955 is any different from the Unilever of 1930.

It is interesting to note, for example, that this year and last while the British Ministry of Food is selling the copra and coconut bought under our contract price a substantial loss per ton the main buyer of the product is Unilever. There is nothing wrong with that. Unilever is in business to make profits—and is making them.

The moral is that any Government or big national institution which contracts to buy a primary product like copra over a period of years must, if it is going to protect itself, control also the end use and marketing of that commodity. British MOF, in 1948, did not do that—it gambled on the future price of vegetable oil.

In 1931, I said that Unilever controlled the world market, by international and inter-continental manipulation; and others said so, and the statement as far as I know never was challenged.

To-day, I do not know. I can only imagine that the wolf has had a change of heart. But, notorious wolves can be scared.

There have been some rather terrifying politico-economic alterations in world affairs since 1945. We are going to fight off communism by creating Welfare States, and making the common man a better citizen. We cannot in logic allow international combines to prey upon either producers or consumers the way they used to do. The Western world is trying to get rid of its politico-economic ills now by saying that it will tolerate exploitation of the common people (labourers or producers or traders) by either International Communists or International Combines.

We shall have to leave it like that. Maybe, the big wolf—seeing the inevitable end of wolfdom—will not be as bad as he used to be. Maybe the horrid spectacle of what is coming in the East has changed his heart. Maybe.

Anyway, Unilever remains

factor which is regarded with considerable uneasiness, still, by men who are trying to plan an organisation for shifting and marketing South Pacific copra after the expiry of the MOF contract, at the end of 1957.

Problems for Men Who Introduced Crushing Mills

IN considering the future of the S. Pacific copra trade, and the world market generally, the presence in the various areas of copra-crushing mills outside the Unilever control, is a factor of importance.

As everyone knows, Carpenter interests have established big mills in Suva and Rabaul, and are closely associated with the operation of mills in Canada. Nearly all Ceylon's production now is milled by establishments in Ceylon. There are important mills in Malaya.

A quarter-century ago, Unilever had a dominant voice in the operation of most crushing mills; and here is evidence that the Unilever overlords do not like this growth of independent mills around the world, and that the markets which they influence are not kind to the products of those mills when they come seeking buyers.

It may be remembered that, in the beginning, Ceylon entered the MOF contract. But, seeing that the MOF price then was below world market price, and feeling sure that it could itself sell its coconut oil to better advantage, Ceylon broke away from the MOF arrangement and benefited accordingly.

Now, with the market the other way, Ceylon is hawking its huge production of coconut oil around the world. Europe is not friendly; so a large quantity of Ceylon coconut oil recently has been dumped in USA, and has knocked the stuffing out of the markets there, for the time being.

Carpenters' mill in Rabaul could crush 25,000 tons per annum of PNG's production of 100,000 tons, allowed; but owing to the MOF's stern restriction on the quantity of coconut oil which it will accept from New Guinea, the mill takes only 10,000 tons per annum. The Suva establishment probably could mill the whole of Fiji's copro production but at present it does not treat more than two-thirds.

Is the fine hand of Unilever discernible in these MOF decisions? I do not know.

Is it a desirable thing, from the viewpoint of the South Pacific producers and Governments, that a large proportion of the copra should be milled within the Territories, and shipped away as oil and meal?

If it is, then unquestionably there will have to be co-operation between the Governments and the Carpenter interests after the MOF contract



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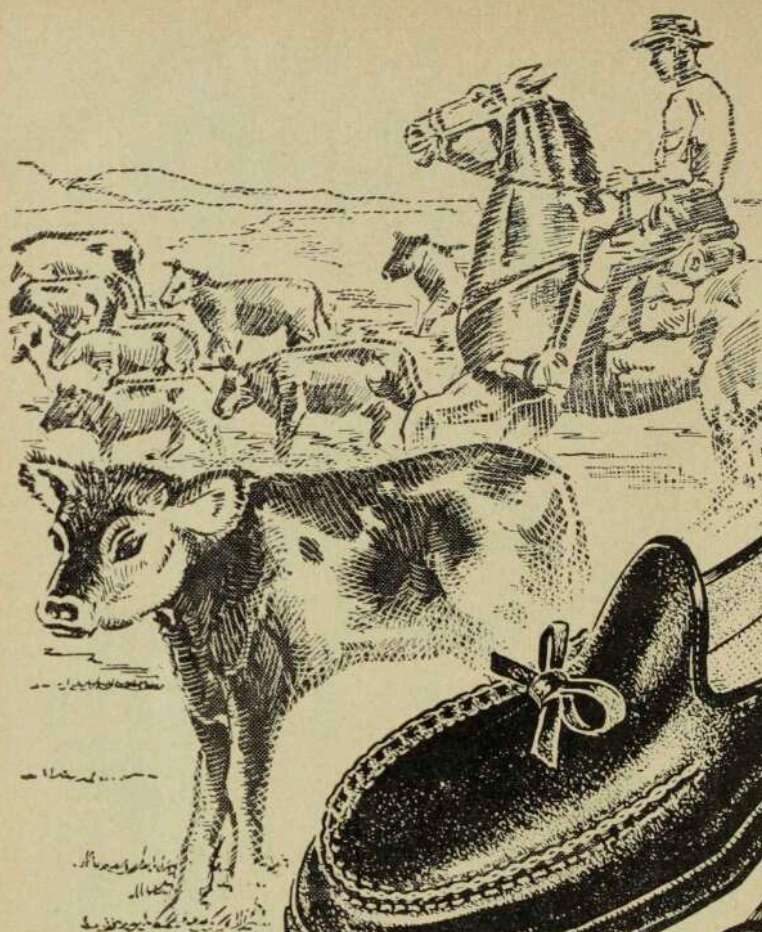
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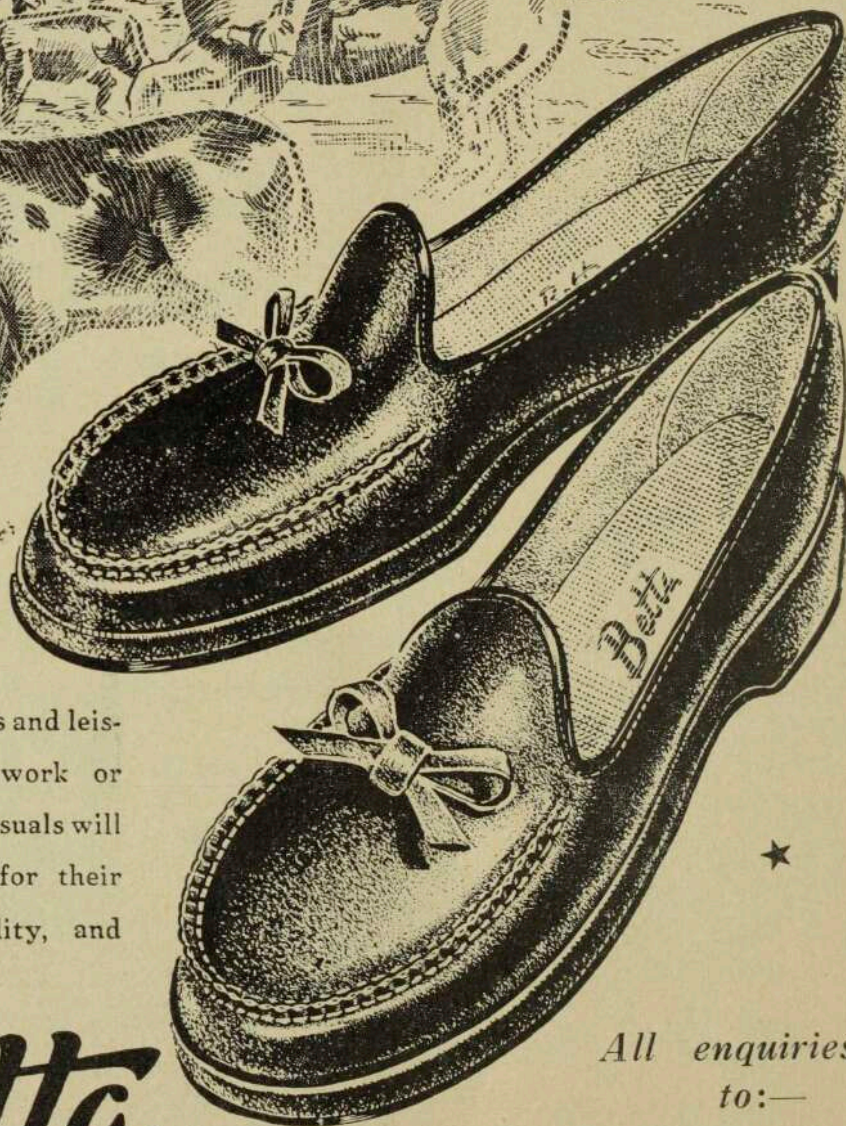
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expires so as to ensure both transport and distribution facilities for the products of the mills.

At present, the producer gets a fixed price as soon as his copra reaches his local port of shipment. Six months may elapse, then, before the copra reaches the market directly as copra or in the shape of oil and meal; and that market is shifting all the time.

At the present time, the British Ministry of Food is the middleman; and if MOF makes a loss, the English taxpayer pays. (Personally, I cannot see why the terribly overburdened English taxpayer thus should subsidise the copra producers of the Australian and New Zealand South Pacific Territories—but that is another matter).

But with the end of the MOF contract, the British middleman is eliminated.

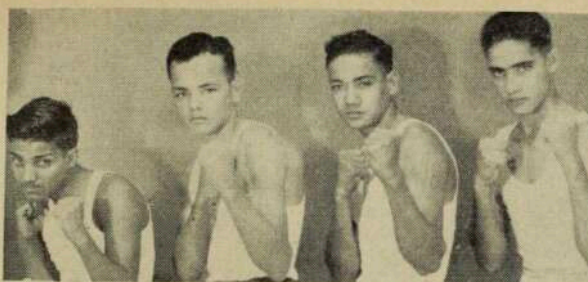
If, thereafter, all South Pacific copra interests are to be on their own, the position of the South Pacific copra millers obviously is going to be very difficult. How can they buy the copra at a fixed price, less, simultaneously, they can make sales of coconut oil and meal efficiently far forward (say six months) to cover their costs and ensure a profit? Their only alternative is to gamble on the future of the coconut oil market.

Traders in copra who ship the copra directly to overseas markets do not take the same risk in respect of time (they can get to the market much sooner)—but they do take risk. And that time-lag between buying and selling of South Pacific copra obviously must tend to have a depressing effect on the sale of copra from planter to trader. The traders and shippers, subject to the vagaries of shipping and transport to overseas markets, apparently must gamble; but they reduce their risk as much as possible by paying the lowest price they can induce the planter to accept.

Shipping is a real problem, for both copra shippers and coconut oil producers in the South Pacific. Shippers are wary about this traffic, it is so difficult to get cargoes from Europe or North America for South Pacific Islands ports, and one-way shipping can be very expensive.

In all, it would seem that there is a real need for early consultation between the interests likely to be affected by the expiry of the MOF contract—namely, the Governments of Britain, Australia and New Zealand; the middlemen, like Messrs. J. S. Philp, Carpenter and Morris, and Stom, who will be expected to handle the copra production; the copra crushers, who have a special interest; and representatives of the copra planters in all Territories, whose whole future now is directly affected.

Wesley Church, Lautoka, Fiji, celebrated its golden jubilee on August 7. The Lautoka Circuit now comprises ten congregations.



Novice Boxers at Suva

Of 66 competitors in Fiji Amateur Boxing Association's first open novice competition at Suva, 54 were coached by Corporal H. Charman. In this group are B. Issacks (flyweight), H. Hatch (winner of the light welterweight contest), T. Schuster (lightweight winner) and B. Wendt.

PAPUA PLANTERS SUPPORT COPRA BOARD PLAN

MEMBERS of the Planters' Association of Papua have expressed a unanimous desire for the retention after 1957 of a semi-Governmental marketing organisation, such as the existing Copra Marketing Board, controlled by the Territories Minister, advised by a board on which growers are reasonably represented.

The president of the Planters' Association (Mr. B. E. Fairfax-Ross) announced this at Port Moresby on July 30.

He said that the members subscribing to the vote covered 37 copra plantations, with a total of 20,506 acres of coconuts in Papua, and expressed the views of all individual growers and plantation owning companies in the association.

The result of the plebiscite would be forwarded to the Minister.

The president said that the executive committee considered the plebiscite of great importance not only to members of the association in Papua, but to all non-indigenous and native copra growers alike in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

He said that the association would again emphasise to the Minister for Territories the paramount importance of reaching a decision as to the future marketing of copra not later than the end of 1956, a full year before the expiration of the United Kingdom Agreement.

If a decision in favour of retaining the Copra Marketing Board were reached by the end of 1956, there would be adequate time during 1957 to arrange forward sales and shipping for 1958 copra production, and the board could carry on its most satisfactory service to growers with little or no change in procedure.

Mr. P. A. Snow, formerly an Administrative Officer in Fiji and now Bursar of Rugby School, Warwickshire, has written a book on Fiji which will be published shortly. His *Cricket in the Fiji Islands*, written

after he had captained the popular 1948 Fijian team in New Zealand, was very successful in Fiji and elsewhere.

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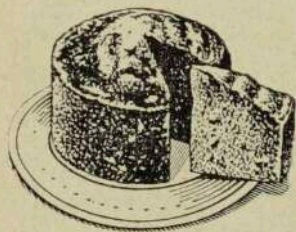
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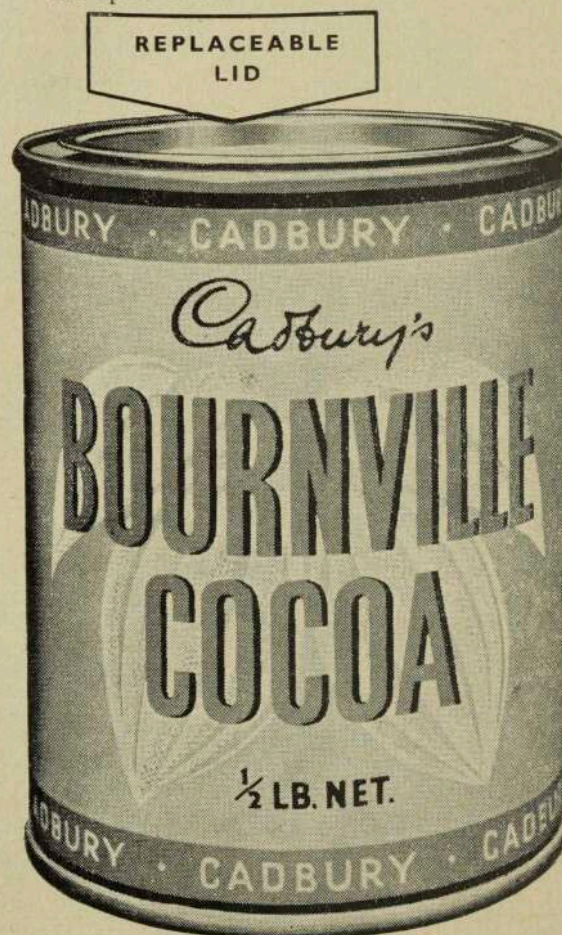
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THE New Guinea Women's Club at Sydney successfully played its part in bringing about the erection of the Memorial Gates at Queen Elizabeth Park, Rabaul, in honour of the civilians who lost their lives in the Pacific War, states the president (Mrs. M. L. Foxcroft) in her annual report for 1954-55.

Club members, the report continued, had felt for some time that something should be done and were happy to support the suggestion put forward by the Victorian New Guinea Women's Association.

"It has been a combined effort by all the New Guinea women's organisations in Australia and their friends," states the report.

The Melbourne association had been responsible for the purchase and shipping of the gates, and Mrs. J. Pratt, the Melbourne president, had gone to Rabaul for the opening ceremony. At Rabaul, Mr. R. Gallo-way had done invaluable work for the memorial.

A wide range of club activities at Sydney is reviewed in the report, and a successful year is recorded.



Members of the New Guinea Women's Association at the Rabaul Memorial Gates, dedicated on July 14. With the group is, extreme left, Mrs. J. R. Foldi, wife of the New Britain District Commissioner; Mr. Allen, of Jacquinot Bay (third from left), Mrs. D. M. Cleland, wife of the Administrator (fifth from left), and Mr. Foldi (back to camera).

—Photo by C. H. Meen.

The year's receipts totalled £736, and expenditure of £430 left £306 to be carried forward. Donations by members and friends to the Rabaul memorial fund totalled nearly £200.

† Final figures of P-NG contributions to the Administrator's appeal on behalf of NSW flood relief give a total of £18,905 for the Administrator's fund, and other contributions sent separately brought the total to £20,777. All sections of the P-NG population contributed generously.

† When 24 Indians from Fiji arrived at Sydney by plane on July 6, a newspaper blithely stated that they were "the first group of indentured workers to be returned to their homeland from Fiji by the Indian Government." The truth was, of course, that the 24, like thousands of others in the course of several decades, were being repatriated at the expense of Fiji.

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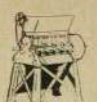
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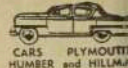
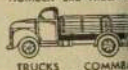
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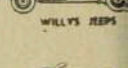
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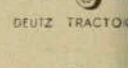


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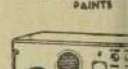















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Northern Bastion

HMAS 'TARANGAU' AT MANUS IS SOMEWHAT PUZZLING

By GT

THE run by the *Bulolo* from Madang to Lombrum, which is the official name of the Manus base port insofar as BP is concerned, is 40 miles and is estimated at 16 hours' sailing time.

We arrived there at 3.30 pm after passing the Baluan volcano, which was smoking well and giving occasional whiffs of sulphur as we passed down wind.

Rounding Momote, where the big base used to be and, we hope, being resurrected, we passed into the great Seeadler Hafen, as it is known and named by the Germans after their favourite emblem, the Sea Eagle.

Here let me digress while I explain the derivation of the name Tarangau. It comes from the local native equivalent of Seeadler.

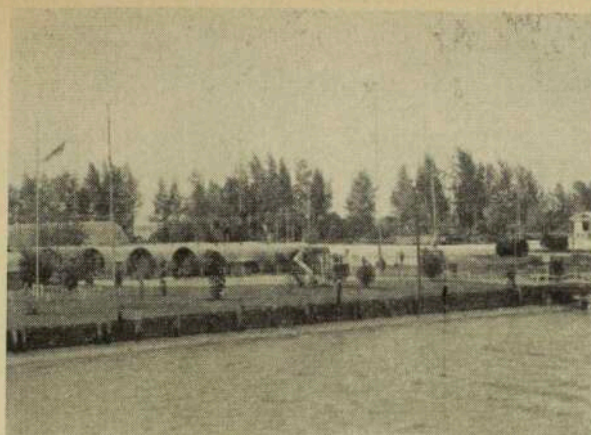
Not caring to perpetuate the old German name of Seeadler Hafen, the Navy preferred the native interpretation of the German vessel which first surveyed these waters. Some time ago I referred to the name and suggested it could be one of those modern synthetic mixtures of "Tar", for sailor, and "angau", the well-known New Guinea wartime unit. But now I have the real low-down. I now, because I checked it with a famous Manus War II WO1, a policeman, who is right-hand man to Police Commissioner Normoyle Moresby.

Lombrum is a picture of peace, amidst luscious green surroundings of coconut plantations, blue water and tropic skies. The climate is warm, as is only natural a couple of degrees below the Equator, but sea breezes temper the heat.

As the vessel berths at a substantial wharf, Australian and native naval ratings are lined up—former in straw hats, blue jeans and boots, with torsos brown as a berry. They appeared a contented lot, if a bit homesick when they saw a Sydney vessel in port with inquisitive round-trippers aboard.

A native rating was especially enjoyed as his pen-friend—a business tycoon from NSW, who had previously made the trip—dipped ashore, with the usual gessé that pen-friends of natives always bring or send.

An orderly array about the wharf of giant igloo buildings for storing cargoes of stores, materials and general what-have-you in a



At Lombrum

Igloo huts in a trim setting at Lombrum. HMAS "Tarangau", the northern defence base in the Manus Group, is described as "a picture of peace" in surroundings of coconut plantations, blue waters and tropical skies.

naval base. On the surrounding palm-covered hills stood substantially built messes, ward-rooms and houses of executives—the cost of which is nobody's business—except the Australian taxpayer, of course.

I HAD an interesting talk with the Intelligence Officer, who acts in the capacity of Public Relations Officer. He was a typical Lieut.-Commander and was enthusiastic in his description of the amenities supplied to the ratings, who serve 12 months at the base (if single) or two years (if married).

He told me the number of men at the base, which I won't repeat (for security reasons), even if it were true. He also said "good progress was being maintained in organising a naval base for use in emergencies."

There was little malaria and camoquin was distributed to all every pay day. There was an excellent modern hospital, a cinema that showed four times a week with seating for 600, and all kinds of sports were organised.

Fresh food for the base was flown in from the Highlands of

New Guinea every week and native ratings had their own areas of land for the growing of vegetables.

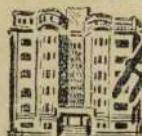
Most of the natives, he said,

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came from the Sepik district, noticed some Bukas there, but they may have been the boats-crew of a private vessel, *Daroa*, which was tied up to the wharf.

I GATHERED that the community in Australia's Northern Bastion was just one large, happy family and getting on well with the local Administration over Lorengau. (I rather suspect that now it should be spelled "Lorangau". Perhaps some native philologist could explain the difference between "Lor" and "Tar").

Not far distant from the main Lombrum wharf is the headquarters of the local PIR unit, and here and there on the landscape stand oil storage tanks.

And such is Lombrum—the Manus Naval Base—the new centre of our northern defence.

I only hope there is much more there than I saw, if only to give me a greater feeling of security. I did not feel too happy when I left and I still can't understand Evatt's action in precluding Yanks from carrying on at such Nature-made strategic vantage point.

Better still—let's hope it will never be needed. But then that seems too good to be true, for what is to be seen in other parts of F-NG.

Oil Search South
of Sepik

THE search for oil in New Guinea advanced another stage in July with the resumption to the Sepik district of a survey party organised by Enterprise of New Guinea and Petroleum Development, N.L.

The party, led by Mr. S. Paterson, is to continue the survey of the 1,650 square miles of the company's permit area, adjoining the Dutch border and south of the Sepik River.

The main party travelled by schooner to Ambunti, and an advance party went to Ambunti to the mouth of the August River where a base camp has been established.

NEW TEST WELLS

A.P.C. and Island Exploration Co. has abandoned drilling at Omati No. 2. The directors said that the outfit from Omati No. 1 was being transferred to Kuru, and the outfit from No. 2 well will be transferred to Barikewa.

The August report on Aramia No. 1 states that the hole had been deepened to 5,516 feet.

A third drilling site has been chosen at Morehead River, on the south coast of Papua.

Rubber Prices Still
Increasing

SINCE May rubber prices have skyrocketed from 26½d Stg. to 42½d Stg. per lb. of ribbed smoke sheet, in store, London Supply has barely kept abreast of demand. The Bank of New Zealand "Produce Circular" for July 22 (when the price was 40½d) attributes the shortage and the high prices to continuing good demand by factories, heavy purchases in London by Russia in recent months.

NORFOLK ISLAND ADVISORY COUNCIL CHANGES

VOTING in the Norfolk Island Advisory Council election on July 27 produced some upsets. Councillor H. S. Christian was beaten in the Ball Bay Ward by Mr. T. Edward, and Councillor C. J. Adams was beaten in the Cascade Ward by Mr. J. N. Gandy. The president (Councillor R. Hobbs) was re-elected in the Kingston Ward, beating Mr. K. W. Fortune. Mr. W. A. Goddard was elected in opposition for the Mount Pitt Ward.

The US Atomic Energy Commission has established a marine biological laboratory at Eniwetok to study the effects of atomic explosions on marine life and to carry out general marine biological research work.

Travellers to New Guinea



Upper: Mr. Bill Anderson (middle of group) Commonwealth Department of Works, returned to Port Moresby after leave, was farewelled in Sydney aboard "Soochow" by Messrs. Jim Delany, Bob Higgins, Jim Cleavland, and Mr. Henderson, all well-known New Guinea men on vacation in the south. Middle: Miss M. Thurston (centre) was farewelled in Port Moresby by Miss E. Robinson and Miss M. Henderson when she returned to Methodist Mission at Salamo, Papua, after vacation in New Guinea. Lower: Miss Robinson and Miss Burton returned to Port Moresby from mission service in New Guinea. Lower: Mr. and Mrs. L. Odgers, with their son, John, and Myfanwy returned to Port Moresby in "Soochow", where Mr. Odgers is now in charge of Administration Works Branch.



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Inquiry Into Shootings

EVIDENCE ON CARGO
CULT OUTBREAK
IN BAININGS AREA

TRIBESMEN, inflamed by Cargo Cult beliefs, might have taken over a large part of the Bainings area of New Britain but for the action of the patrol which shot five men when the patrol was attacked on June 14, according to a Roman Catholic missionary, Father Alfred Hagen.

Father Hagen expressed this view at Rabaul during the inquiry by the coroner (Mr. G. V. Hall) into the five deaths (July PIM, page 7).

Earlier in the inquiry, Karaka, Government-appointed tultul deputy chief) had given evidence of terrorism exercised by Tovil, reputedly the Cult leader at laisum village.

Karaka said he had heard Tovil threaten to kill a man who had disobeyed him. Later he (Karaka) saw the man with his skull split from front to back.

Urged on by Tovil, villagers had torn down the medical aid post and walls of the Government rest-house and police house.

Father Hagen said that at laisum he was told that when the patrol fired the first shot over the heads of the attackers, they became courageous because no one was hurt. They were also convinced that the spirits would not let them down if they obeyed commands conveyed by Tovil.

The missionary said that the impression he had received at laisum was that the patrol had another way out. If the villagers had been confronted by a regiment of militia, they would still have attacked, so strong was their belief in the spirits' protection. This explained why the patrol, which was inquiring into earlier trouble, had been allowed to enter the village.

MUKI, a policeman, told the coroner that he had shot Tovil during the fight.

Kali, another policeman, said: After Tovil had swung his club at the patrol officers' head and Arbosi had fended off the blow with his rifle, I saw Muki ejecting a bullet from his rifle, so I took my rifle and fired into the air. Then, as a man attacked me with a knife, I fired into his chest. Then another man attacked me, so I took aim and shot him. Then Patrol Officer Hayes called out, 'Finish, enough'. A third policeman, Milio, said that he called to Tovil, who was coming about and beating the

ground with his club: "I have not come to fight; I have come as a friend." The attackers took no notice.

ADO Orken, outlining the Cargo Cult outbreaks in 1953-54, said: "I found in my patrols through this area that the Bainings people are ancestor-worshippers. Every act is controlled by this worship to a much greater extent than among any other group I have been in contact with.

"For a certain period every year they take on the characteristics of their ancestors, and during a ritual fire dance go through the fire without being burnt."

DURING the inquiry, Father Hagen said he believed that the North Bainings people were quiet and docile. This probably accounted for the uprising—they accepted what they were told without question. Their tribal laws ante-dated the Stone Age.

Had Tovil been shot at the start of the attack, he added, the villagers would have been quietened: they would have felt that the spirits had let them down.

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EMPEROR-LOLOMA of Fiji gave the following production for the year ended June 22, 1955, as compared (in parenthesis) with the previous year: Emperor: Treated 156,048 (159,572) tons. Recovered 63,903 (60,507) oz. Loloma: 22,282 (22,592) tons, for 10,432 (11,462) oz.

Reshuffle in BP
Shipping Services

WITH the entry of Burns Philp's new 10-passenger MV *Tulagi* in the Islands service there has been a reshuffle of the company's fleet.

Malaita is being transferred from the Norfolk-New Hebrides-Solomons service to the New Guinea run, with *Bulolo* and *Malekula*. *Tulagi* takes over *Malaita*'s run.

Unfortunately the popular New Hebrides-Solomons round-trip will no longer be available. *Tulagi*'s limited passenger accommodation will probably be overtaxed with travelling Islands people.

Though there were plans to serve the Northern Solomons with a vessel on the New Guinea service, the schedule for *Tulagi* (see time-tables Section) now includes those ports.

Mr. Warren Christian, of Pitcairn Island, journeyed to New Zealand in the liner *Mataroa* in June for medical attention. He planned to return to the island by the same vessel in July.

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Discovery in Papua

TRIBESMEN WITH BIBLICAL ASPECT

MORE hitherto-unknown tribesmen have been discovered by a reconnaissance patrol exploring new country in Papua, stated a report released at Canberra on August 2.

The men are bearded and wear wigs of human hair which make them look like Biblical figures. (The Biblical effect is presumably diminished by the fact that the tribesmen's noses are pierced). They use very primitive stone axes.

The names of these people is Duna.

The patrol, comprising two Europeans, 12 native policemen, three interpreters and about 50 carriers, took 62 days to explore the new area, which is in the rugged Highland country north-west of Tari.

The Duna people are described as typical mountain dwellers — short and sturdy, with big chests and thighs.

Although continual tribal fighting occurs in the area, few armed warriors were seen by the patrol.

The report stated: "The Duna fight with the bow and arrow, and some of the arrows terminate in needle-like points ringed round with a shallow cut to ensure that they break off in the wound. Others have sharp teeth cut into the sides.

"Perhaps the most dangerous type is an arrow tipped with a broad bamboo blade sharpened on both sides and usually about 6 in long. This is a very efficient killing instrument."

The Duna people are not cannibals.

The patrol also visited the Savani Valley, which was labelled Shangri-La when it was discovered not long ago. This time the people were on guard because of a rumour that the Government was supporting their enemies, but there were no complications.

ONE of the biggest Native Affairs patrols to leave Port Moresby in post-war years set out early in July for the Upper Tauri to make contact with the Kukukuku, who attacked a New Guinea resources survey team in the area in June.

The patrol comprised ten Europeans and ten native policemen, with a line of carriers.

It was expected that they would be away about two months, and it is possible that the patrol will remain with the survey team while it is in the area.

The patrol left Port Moresby by boat, but had to walk into the Kukukuku country from the coast.

Kukukuku stealth and fearlessness are well known to Native Affairs officers who have patrolled the area, and the deputy head of the department, Mr. J. K. McCarthy, still bears the mark of a Kukukuku arrow.

Mr. McCarthy told PIM he was confident that the patrol would make peaceful contact. It was thought that only a small band had attacked the Development Survey team, and the patrol was confident it would find them on the mountain side of the range separating Papua and New Guinea.

Trusteeship of Fijian Lands is Again Underlined

(From Our Own Correspondent)

SUPERVISION of Fijian land rented to non-Fijians, the collection of rents and the general management of Fijian land affairs now occupy an organisation with a staff of about 40.

This point was mentioned by the head of the Fijian Lands Commission (Ratu Sir Lala Sukuna) when he laid the foundation stone of the Land Trust Board building on July 28.

The building, which will stand between Victoria Parade and Broadcasting House, close to the Government Buildings, will also house the Fijian Development Fund Board, the Fijian Banana Venture offices, and, during its biennial sessions, the Council of Chiefs.

Ratu Sir Lala said that although Fijian land cannot be sold, its leasing involved a substantial volume of work and management in the interests of the proper economic development of the Colony. An effectual system of control had to be devised, and thus had evolved control by a board of trustees.

Before the Second World War, the Fijians had handed over all their land to the board's control, a gesture which the then Governor (Sir Arthur Richards, now Lord Milverton) had described as "the finest act of trust in colonial history."

The Acting Governor (Mr. A. F. R. Stoddart), who introduced Ratu Sir Lala, said that there was a realisation that land available for leasing should be made available to those who were eager to use it productively.

No non-Fijians could deprive the Fijians of the ownership of their land, but, in order to develop and protect the land, those who leased it must be given a sense of security.

The responsibility, Mr. Stoddart added, lay with the Native Land Trust Board.

MORE OPPOSITION TO NATIVE LIQUOR PLAN

STRONG feeling against the granting of liquor permits to selected natives has been expressed by all sections of the community, reported a Rabaul correspondent on August 8.

A sub-committee appointed by the Rabaul Town Advisory Council was to protest against the proposal to the Legislative Council Select Committee, which was scheduled to arrive at Rabaul on August 11.

Petitions against the scheme had been signed by 300 persons and more signatures were being collected at Kokopo, Bougainville and New Ireland. It was probable that spokesmen of the RSL and of religious bodies would also voice objections.

Mr. Eric Williams, noted British film producer, arrived at Sydney in July with plans for the filming of Sir Arthur Grimble's book *Pattern of Islands*. The book deals with the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, but the film will be made elsewhere, possibly in Fiji. Mr. Williams later visited Samoa and Fiji.

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Colombo Plan Is Under Fire

THE £30,000,000 Australia spending on the Colombo Plan would be better spent in Papua New Guinea, said Senator D. Hannaford (South Australia), leader of the visiting Parliamentary party at Port Moresby on August 2.

"Charity begins at home", said Senator Hannaford, referring to the "crying need for more money and more development in Territory."

He added: "Finance for Colombo Plan could be thrown away overnight if the Asian leaders decided against peace."

At the end of a fortnight's tour with five other members of Parliament, including the Deputy Opposition Leader (Mr. A. Caldwell), Senator Hannaford said that the Australian Government should consider financing small settlers who would grow coffee, cocoa for Australian requirements.

This was necessary because apparently the banks were interested in financing farms in Territory which required a capital outlay of £15,000 and four-year wait before crops were produced.

The Senator said that in 1954 the Australian taxpayer contributed about £8,000,000 towards the £10,500,000 spent on Territory development and administration.

The balance was earned mainly by exports of copra, rubber, coconut and cocoa.

This year the Administration would ask the Government for more money for development and housing to meet stepped-up recruitment.

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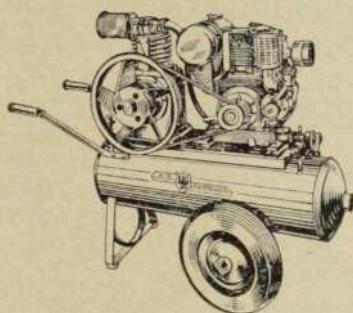
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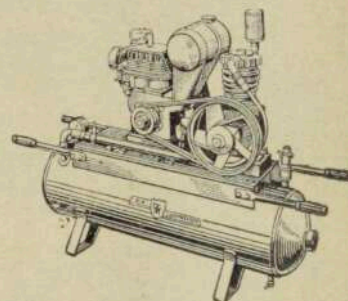
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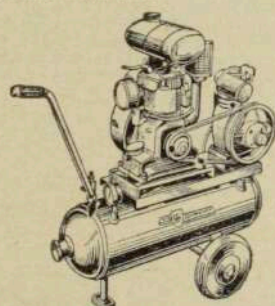
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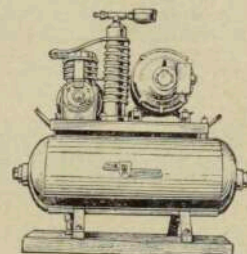
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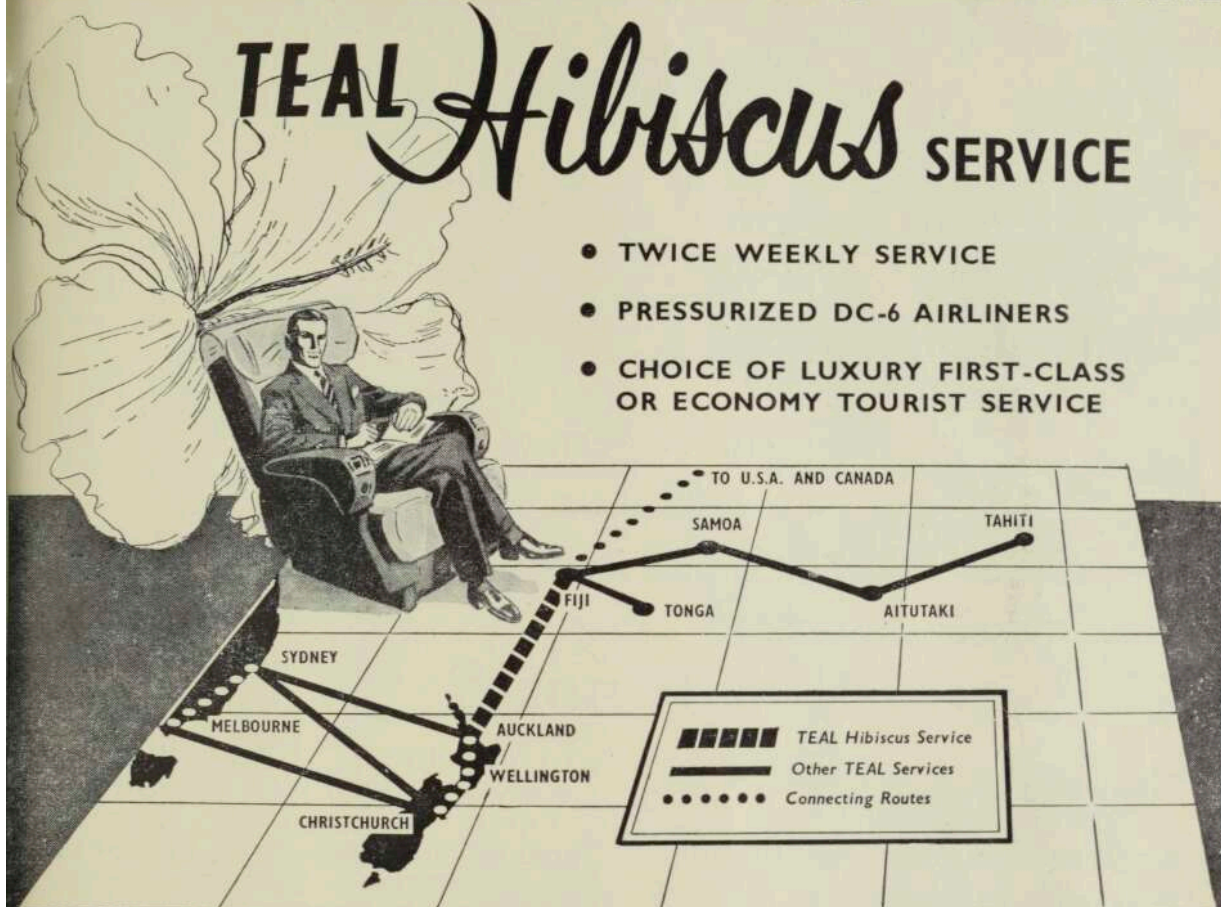
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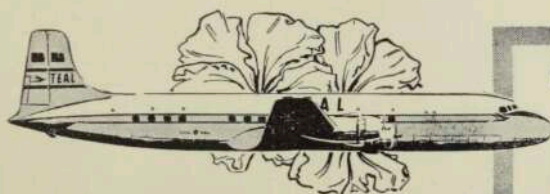


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