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SEASON'S GREETINGS

No. 4, 1988 - December

DEAR MEMBER,

This issue is a few days early so that you will have a reminder that the Association's Christmas luncheon will be held on SUNDAY 4th DECEMBER - full details are on page 20. If you haven't already done so, please send your cheque and booking slip to Treasurer Bill Johnston (see address above) immediately.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK.

Dear Members and Friends,

The Committee and I wish you all every joy and happiness for Christmas and a very healthy, prosperous and happy 1989.

For those of you who have not been in the best of health we sincerely hope that you are well on the way to a speedy recovery.

We are a very caring organisation and it continues to worry us exceedingly that there may be some member in need of help, even though it might only be by way of a comforting word, and we do not know about it.

Members, please let us know if you hear of anyone in this category by contacting Pat Jones or a member of her Caring Committee. Their phone numbers are: Pat Jones 02.969.9093; Roma Bates 02.560.2648; and Frank Smith 02.80.1767.

Have a great Christmas!

Sincerely,



Doug Parrish.
PRESIDENT.

VICE-PRESIDENT AND EDITOR.

Our Vice-President and the Editor of Una Voce, Freddie Kaad, his wife June and daughters Amanda and Gaynor, are going overseas in January for an extended period.

I would therefore like to take this opportunity to wish Freddie and his family a very happy, healthy and rewarding holiday.

We will miss you Freddie and many many thanks for all your efforts on behalf of our Association. Our very grateful thanks also to June for being so understanding of your sense of commitment on our behalf.

Do hope you will give us some news of your doings whilst you are away. Godspeed and safe travelling!

AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Recently, a young lady, who was born in Port Moresby 28 years ago and lived in Australia for the past 26 years, made application for the renewal of her Australian passport and was asked for proof of her Australian citizenship. She subsequently had to make applic-

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cation to obtain this proof.

There are no doubt other persons ex Papua New Guinea with a similar problem so I obtained the following information concerning the current situation from the Department of Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs.

The status of Australian Citizen did not exist before 26 January 1949 when the Australian Citizenship Act 1948 first became law. Before that date people born in Australia were British subjects. In most circumstances these people automatically became Australian citizens on 26 January 1949 and the transitional provisions of the Act specify the way in which various categories of British subjects born before 26 January 1949 automatically acquired Australian citizenship on or after that date.

People born in Papua before 16 September 1975 are Australian citizens by birth unless they became citizens of Papua New Guinea when that country gained independence on 16 September 1975. However, a person in this category applying for an Australian passport, permanent employment in the Australian Public Service, enlistment in the Australian Defence Forces, etc. will probably be required to produce documentary evidence of their Australian citizenship. This can be obtained by applying to the Department of Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs or any Australian mission overseas for a declaratory certificate of Australian citizenship.

People born in New Guinea before 26 January 1949, whose father was born in Australia or New Guinea and became an Australian citizen on 26 January 1949, automatically became Australian citizens on the date of their first lawful entry to Australia as a permanent resident (or on 26 January 1949 if they arrived before that date) if they were British subjects on 25 January 1949. If they arrived in Australia on or after 6 May 1966, there was an additional requirement for them to be British subjects on the date of their arrival. Anyone who believes he/she became an Australian citizen in this or any other way, may also apply for a declaratory certificate of Australian citizenship.

Persons born in New Guinea to an Australian citizen parent on or after 26 January 1949 and Papua New Guinea after 16 September 1975 have been eligible to apply for registration as an Australian citizen by descent. But only people under 18 years of age may make such an application.

The various application forms are available from any office of the Department of Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee which is **not refundable**. It is therefore wise to check your eligibility carefully before lodging your application. If in doubt, you should contact the

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nearest office of the Department of Local Government and Ethnic Affairs or Australian mission overseas either in person or by letter. Offices of the Department are as follows:

N.S.W.	Sydney, Bankstown, Chatswood, Rockdale, Parramatta, Wollongong, Newcastle.
Western Australia	Perth.
Victoria	Melbourne, Box Hill, Preston, Sunshine, Dandenong, Geelong.
South Australia	Adelaide
Queensland	Brisbane, Townsville.
Tasmania	Hobart.
Northern Territory	Darwin.
A.C.T.	Canberra.

(I regret that I could not deal with this in more detail but this is all that space would permit)

VISIT TO BLUE MOUNTAINS.

Another very enjoyable day was spent on 10 October at Wentworth Falls with some of our members from the mountains area.

It had been specially arranged for members to pay a visit before lunch to Reg Livermore's magnificent garden at Wentworth Falls and all the visiting members and a number of the local members availed themselves of the opportunity to do this. It is by far the best private garden that I personally have visited and it is truly remarkable that it is all the work of Reg himself over the past ten years or so.

This gave everyone a hearty appetite for an excellent lunch at the Grand View Hotel. The only complaint of the day was that even then a number of people found that the servings were far too much in the middle of the day for us oldies.

A perfect day was rounded off with the usual coffee, port and tit-bits at the Tomasettis. Thanks a lot Bill and Friedegard for your hospitality, it was great!

Those who attended were: Les and Margarett Williams, John and Kay Ashcroft-Smith, Syd and Ann Smith, Allison Marsh, Kevin and Joan Hains, Bill and Nancy Johnston, Marjorie Marr, Fred and June Kaad, Harry West, Bill and Margaret Kelly, Ken Gorringe, Ted Hicks, Doug and Candy Parrish, Wendy Fisher, Elaine and Kim Kimmorley, Aileen Giles, Bill and Friedegard Tomasetti and Bernie Sneps.

Most of the Sydneysiders attending again took advantage of the travel concessions for the over 60's and went by train for the sum of \$2.00 return.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK.**OTHER VENUES FOR GET-TOGETHERS.**

In addition to our AGM and Christmas luncheons we have now had a number of most successful get-togethers in the mountains and one not so successful visit to the Central Coast (Sydneyiders attended but very few locals) plus a very pleasant and very reasonably priced luncheon at the Anzac Memorial Club at Cammeray.

Other venues have been suggested for get-together luncheons such as the St. George Leagues Club at Kogarah, Newcastle, Bowral and the Lane Cove National Park for a picnic or a barbeque.

Have members any suggestions? If you have we would like to hear from you and we will be asking you for suggestions at the Christmas luncheon.

The AGM and Christmas luncheons will continue, what we are talking about is additional functions.

In the New Year we propose to experiment with monthly or bi-monthly luncheons at the Anzac Memorial Club at Cammeray which is much easier to get to, public transport wise, than most people realise. We will give you details at the Christmas luncheon.

Please record in your new 1989 diaries the date of our next AGM and luncheon which will be Sunday, 16 April 1989.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA CLUB WAKE.

Thirty members and five visitors enjoyed a beautiful day at the Lane Cove National Park on 2 October 1988 whilst taking part in the last function of the Papua New Guinea Club.

To enable those present to completely relax caterers provided a luncheon of spit roast beef and lamb followed by pavlova.

The venue is idyllic at that time of the year - expansive lawn surrounded by tall trees alongside the river with a gentle breeze blowing. In the event of rain there was a huge undercover area where lunch was served.

At the end of the day it was great to see families enjoying an impromptu game of cricket. Fred and Ellen Wong, John and Robin McConkey, Noi and Mark McNally and their children gave it their all - great fun! It was indeed a surprise to see the President's wife could swing the willow almost as good as she swings a golf club - knowing that she won the Medal of Medals at her golf club this year.

From the balance of the P.N.G. Club's funds some \$500.00 is to be donated to the Salvation Army of Papua New Guinea as decided at the Club's last AGM.

It must have been a very sad moment for Bruce Shaw, Irene Cordukes and others, who worked so hard to keep the P.N.G. Club afloat, to witness its demise because of lack of support by members. Since then, many of the ex members of the Club, who were not already members of our Association have joined and it affords me very great pleasure to welcome to our ranks such worthy people as Bruce, Irene and her husband Peter, and many others listed in the "Welcome to New Members" section of this publication.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ADJUSTMENTS:

The March-June quarter saw an increase of 1.7% in the CPI and in the July September quarter it rose another 1.9%, making a 3.6% increase for the half year. (Judging by what we spend I would have thought it was closer to a rise of 10%!!)

TOLL FREE LINE TO CANBERRA:

Members living outside Canberra may now contact the Office of the Commissioner for Superannuation by ringing 008 020080. The cost is the same as for a local call. If you make use of this service, first say you are in a Papua New Guinea Superannuation Scheme, give your file reference number and say very briefly what your query is about. This will be relayed to the PNG Section where your file will be retrieved and someone will ring you back. In this teething period this may take some time so if you are going out later in the day ask for the ring-back call for the next morning. I think the Commissioner is to be congratulated on this innovation.

HELP WANTED:

Mac Rich has passed on a request from an American woman who lost an uncle when his B26 aircraft was shot down over Papua during the war. She believes that Americans do not know enough about how Australians helped U.S. airmen, and is writing a book to overcome this problem. She has information about the Papuan side but needs more about U.S. airmen who were shot down on the New Guinea side. Anyone who was connected with rescuing or assisting in any way such U.S. aircrew are requested to write to:

Mrs P.D. Hall
2561 Iris Circle
Seal Beach
Cal. 90740, U.S.A.

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Mrs Molly Micett, formerly Molly Terry, of Randwick - now of 1 Beach Parade, Broadbeach, Qld. 4217, would like to get in touch with Mr Justice Prentice.

Mrs Molly Parslow's father was Thomas Leo McAdam, District Officer Kokopo and other places. Molly and sister Frances of course remember their father but can't recall much detail about his travels and work, and would greatly appreciate any information they can get. If you can help please contact Roma Bates, 38 Dixon St. Dulwich Hill, Sydney 2203, or Molly Parslow, 62 Monmouth Street, Mount Lawley, W.A. 6050.

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THE OVERALL COSTS OF RUNNING THE ASSOCIATION continue to rise, particularly in postage and phone calls. Our officers and helpers give their time voluntarily, and you can't expect them to also pay for stamps and calls, especially STD. The production and distribution of our Newsletter now accounts for most of our five dollars subscription, nevertheless with some restraint, and barring unexpected increases in postage rates, we hope to remain under our budget. It is both a waste of the Treasurer's time and our money spending special reminders about subs, when every member's financial position is clearly shown in the box headed 'Are you in the Red?'. Therefore your Committee has decided to tighten up our past very liberal policy. In future you will receive three advices via the Newsletter that you are in arrears and after that your name will be struck off the mailing list and the register of members.

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THE MOST IMPORTANT TWO MINUTES OF YOUR LIFE  
ARE THE TWO MINUTES YOU SPEND IN HAVING YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED

**Why?**

Undetected and untreated high blood pressure can lead to heart attack, heart failure, stroke or kidney disease.

**But I'm still young!**

Age is no safeguard. People of any age can have high blood pressure, but if you are over 25 years of age you are doubly at risk.

**What is blood pressure?**

Blood 'pressure' is the pressure of the blood in your arteries as it is being pumped around your body by your heart. Blood carries oxygen and nutrients to your body and carries away waste products. The pressure of the blood varies from minute to minute and from day to day in response to the demands of everyday living, but after rising always comes back to normal.

**How do I know if I have it?**

Usually you don't! That's one of the dangers of high blood pressure, it has no symptoms. The only way to be sure is to have it checked by a doctor.

**Can it be treated?**

Yes! For most people there are 3 simple ways to reduce high blood pressure. These are:

- A balanced diet
- Salt reduction
- Weight reduction

Other people may need medication in the form of tablets. Even so, by following the three suggested measures, the dose of medication needed may be reduced.

**Will I be able to stop treatment?**

No! Many people mistakenly believe that once their blood pressure goes down they can stop treatment. This is wrong and could be dangerous. Treatment for high blood pressure should only be stopped on the advice of your doctor.

**How can I find out more?**

Ask your state division of the National Heart Foundation for the booklet 'High Blood Pressure - the facts'. Information on other heart disease risk factors:

Cigarette smoking      High Blood Fats      Overweight      Lack of exercise

also available on request. (Free of charge from the National Heart Foundation)

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With deep regret we record the passing of the following members and friends. On behalf of the Association the Committee extends our sincere sympathy to their families.

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| Mrs. Kathleen Reeve<br>11/6/88   | In Sydney. Widow of Harold, former Treasurer. Survived by two sons.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Mrs. Mona Normoyle<br>26/9/88    | Widow of Chris, former Commissioner of Police and resident of PNG for 37 years. Survived by daughter Jan and sons Chris and Tony.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Mrs. Nancy Burke<br>13/9/88      | Widow of Jim, formerly pre- and post-war Treasury officer. Survived by son Peter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Patrick (Pat) Meehan<br>17/10/88 | Pat went to Rabaul in 1950 in Education, then Brandi High, H.Q. Moresby, back to Sepik as Inspector of Schools, finally retiring from Madang. He returned to inland Madang in 1975 to do volunteer work with the Catholic Mission, helping Fr. 'Mike' Morrison build up Brahmin cattle and farmer training project. Pat trained youths in carpentry and joinery and started an orchard including some rare tropical fruits. Survived by wife Laurel (PHD), son Timothy and daughters Ruth and Erina (NZ). Pat was a Christian with his sleeves rolled up! |
| Ralph Bartlett<br>8/10/88        | Ralph went to PNG in 1953 in Treasury in Wewak, Madang and Lae, retiring in 1974 as Area Finance Officer. Survived by widow Yvonne, two sons and a daughter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Mrs. Eunice Williams<br>14/11/88 | At Port Macquarie after a long illness. Survived by John Williams, formerly D.D.A.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Mrs. "Nell" Roberts<br>14/11/88  | Widow of Alan, former Director of District Services.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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HAVE YOU HEARD.....?

- The Stobo family have been in the news lately. The Sydney Morning Herald 1988 Bridge Competition resulted in a special award for Joan Stobo and Jean Muir for best women's pair. Joan later went on to win the Anniversary pairs of Lindfield Bridge Club.  
Son Richard is making a name for himself on the cricket field. Playing in Sydney for City vs NSW Country he claimed four wickets for 37 runs from 10 overs. To show it wasn't a fluke, next day in a District competition he took four wickets with five balls, including a hat trick -- and two of his victims were Test players! He finished with five for 21 off 13 overs. I know "Monty" would be bursting with pride if he could have seen those wickets fall to Richard.
- Heather Seale has just had a 10 day break in Hongkong visiting son John and family. John is an executive with Cathay-Pacific so Heather found the best shops to spend all her money and was taken to the best restaurants! Husband Bill took the opportunity of Heather's absence to visit their daughter Margaret and family in nearby Mosman.
- Sister Gilbert, more affectionately known as "Gillie" was due to go on holiday to Tasmania in November, but unfortunately suffered a stroke and is recovering in Ward 19 at Greenslopes Hospital, Brisbane.
- Also on the seriously ill list is Alan Champion, in hospital at Southport.
- Kay Cole is still receiving treatment, but she is also continuing to improve so Bob once more has a smile on his face. The Association has had a letter from them asking us to thank everyone for their interest, sympathy and good wishes.
- Frank Liebfried was last heard of on the west coast of Tasmania, but has returned to Port Moresby with Shusha.
- Alan Pollard has succumbed to the lure of the easier life at a retirement village, and has moved to Nerang - (see change of address section for details).
- The Ross Priors have had a spell in Australia but were pleased to return to their home Tahira on Bootless Bay. Although so close to Moresby, fortunately their area has not been troubled very much by the problems of the nearby city.
- A birdie tells me that Nan Watkins won't be with us for the Christmas luncheon -- instead she is off to Hawaii. I wonder if Nan would consider changing places? I'd like a few days on the beach in the sun - as long as those hula girls didn't harrass me!
- Kate and Frank Mason have been living for some years in Loxhub, Germany, but recently had an attack of itchy feet and by now will have moved to Schongau.

HAVE YOU HEARD.....?

- Ruth Purvis, only daughter of Averil (deceased) and Ian Purvis of CPL Rabaul and "Takunda Plantation" Kokopo was married on 29th October to Bruce, son of Dr and Mrs J. Webster of Brisbane. The ceremony was performed by Father Lyall Turley, formerly of Church of England, Rabaul. Guests at the reception included Daphnie and Rosemary Bridgland, Judy and Barry Hart of CPL Rabaul, Michael and Christine Higgs, and Averil's sister Yolande from England.
- Marjorie Blake visited Sydney in October to attend the wedding of Roger Green, son of Harry and Pat ex Rabaul and Honiara. While in Sydney she stayed with daughter Jan in Hornsby and also visited Mavis and Bruce Dixon on the Central Coast (Bruce was Commonwealth Bank Manager in Honiara and Rabaul). Marjorie Marr and Joan Stobo hosted lunches for Marjorie to catch up with Sydney friends. On her way home Marj spent time with Robin and Laurie Mackay - ex Bougainville - at their avocado farm at Alstonville.
- Friends of Fred Hargeshimer and Mary Lou Gibson will be pleased to know they are both well and busy on their adjoining ranches in Grass Valley, California. Their vineyard "Hargies" was looking good, although dry, with all the grapes picked. After a visit to Chicago and New York Pat Hopper spent some time in Grass Valley and sampled some of their wine with Fred and Mary Lou. One pleasant day was spent at Lake Tahoe with Captain Bill and Betty Fairbanks. Bill was also flying over Rabaul during the war but unlike Fred didn't get shot down! Mary Lou took Pat to her tennis club and the girls there managed to give Pat a good trouncing. One night Fred Hargie called up Fred Kaad on his ham radio and with Pat all three had a good gossip.
- Doreen and Les Clout have moved from Sydney to Brisbane to be near son David, Jane and grandchildren Scott and Sally. David and family went to Brisbane a year ago and in that time Doreen and Les have made five trips to visit them. Economist/Accountant Les decided that the only sensible thing was to go north themselves!
- Dr Jim Ferguson who served for so long at the Moresby General Hospital, is now 74 and nominally living at Blackheath but spending much of his time back in Moresby where he assists the Habitat for Humanity organisation which has built some 40 houses for the underprivileged, and have under construction 7 homes for disabled people.
- Mac Rich who began working as a Patrol Officer in Papua several centuries ago (!!) has his 85th birthday this week. He has also just passed the compulsory driving licence test so he has two things to celebrate. Congratulations on both counts, Mac - there are many of us who hope we'll be as active and spry as you are when we reach your age.

HAVE YOU HEARD.....?

- Geoff Masters has a large, varied and most interesting collection of videos on PNG subjects, including many nostalgic and vintage productions. There are wartime documentaries and footage from both Australian and U.S. sources; the Mount Hagen Show about 1959; New Guinea Patrol with Jim Sinclair into the Southern Highlands; Enterprise PNG - a B.P. film covering various towns; Along the Sepik with Des Martin; Flight into Yesterday showing the past and present; Air Road to Gold covering the Junkers flying into Wau and Bulolo. These are just a few - those interested should contact Geoff at 11 Brooks Crescent, Woorim, Bribie Island, Qld. 4507.

- The latest news of the peripatetic Lady Cleland was that she was aboard a brand new luxury vessel on its way to from Perth to PNG, where it will be part of the booming tourist trade. Ah me! Tropic isles, clear water lapping the golden sand, palms waving in the breeze.....

- Ray Carlaw has been working for USAID in public health programs in Burma for some years. With the bloody repression over the last months in the capital and major cities there Ray and Flo's friends have been concerned about their safety. The good news is that they were evacuated to Thailand and after a short spell in the States can now be contacted:

c/- Public Health Project  
USAID, American Embassy  
Jalan Merdeka Selatan  
Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia.

In our happiness for the Carlaws let us not forget the great hopes for freedom and democracy to which the people of Burma have aspired and which have been so bloodily blunted.

- Roma Bates has been "swanning" it in Brisbane -- who hasn't been there for Expo! -- and caught up with some old friends:

- . "Fay and Col Wheatley, thoroughly enjoying retirement, recently returned from the USA where they attended son Tim's wedding, and now looking forward to Christmas with their grandchildren. Fay as usual bubbling with effervescent fun and humour
- . Thelma Burston looked well and told a terrible tale of a night encounter with a black snake in the toilet, and filled me the admiration by her bravery in getting it into a plastic bag for the unsuspecting garbage collector.
- . Phyl Clarke rather frail but her usual cheerful self, most interested in hearing news of NG friends.
- . Freda Ellis, slim and glamorous, had a lot of family news to exchange especially her granddaughter Ann's marriage. Tempus fugit!
- . Gladys Forsyth, a B4 of the '30s (nee Sister Field at Namanula Hosp), extremely fit and her sense of humour undimmed, compared notes with the "Behinds".
- . I also caught up with Edna Corbett (Les Corbett's widow) after some 20 years -- she lives in very busy retirement in Taringa. The years have dealt very lightly with Edna, but whereas we once talked of babies we now talk of grandchildren. From the only one of them I met, Jason, I can see why she is so proud of them.

HAVE YOU HEARD? (Roma's notes continued)

- . Also contacted O'D Sinclair (Dr Bruce's widow), just out of hospital after 5 weeks incarceration for collapsed vertebrae but coping cheer- fully with her difficulties.
- . Lunched with Elizabeth Sowerby, looking "trim, taut and terrific". Altho not well enough to visit Expo, whe enjoyed it in absentia as it brought many friends from interstate who called in to see her en route".

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS :

Mr.D.J.Osbiston c/- Wessex College of English 301 Castlereagh St.  
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QLD 4211

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Mr.L.Clout 3/47 Josling Street Toowong QLD 4066  
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## P.N.G. TITBITS:.....

- Papua New Guinea will send sixty of the nation's top student athletes and swimmers to the Third Pacific School Games in Sydney from 1st to 10th December, 1988.
- Papua New Guinea sent a team of 24 to the Seoul Olympic Games - 5 officials, 8 athletes, 2 boardsailers, 3 weight-lifters, 2 shooters, 4 boxers. None gained medals, but 4 broke PNG records.
- At least 75 people were killed in a massive landslide which occurred in the Kiapit area some 150km north-west of Lae on 6 September. The landslide covered between 15 and 20 sq. kilometres of mountainous terrain which left 616 homeless, as one village was covered in the slide and two others badly damaged in one of the country's worst natural disasters
- Burns Philp began operations in Port Moresby in 1891 "and has been fleecing officers ever since" according to one informant. Now it is 72% nationally owned. Within five years National Equities Corporation will take out the remaining shares.
- Developers of the Porgera Gold Mine have presented the Government with the final feasibility study of the project. The mine will be both underground and open cut during its 20 years' life, an estimated 54m tonnes of ore reserves. The study estimates that the National Government will receive about K500m, the developers K490m, the Enga Provincial Government K41m and K2.5m to the Porgera landowners. A total of 1,200 workers are expected to work the reserves.
- Oil Exploration Company PPL announced an oil strike in the Hedinia 1X well of a flow of 3330 barrels of oil and 2.85 million cubic ft of gas a day. The company now has three oil wells located South West of Mount Hagen.
- After ten years of successful tea production British Company McLeod Russell Holdings Ltd has sold its 250 acres of tea and 760 acres of coffee in the Western Highlands to Paga 29 Pty Ltd. The Plantation produces 2,200,000kg of tea each year of which 80% is exported.



P.N.G TITBITS.....

- The Bank of Papua New Guinea has awarded a K21m contract to construct a new eight storey building adjacent to the present Bank building on Douglas and Cuthbertson Streets, Port Moresby.
- Air Niugini plans to start operating two new routes. Port Moresby to Townsville via Cairns and a non-stop service between Kieta and Cairns. It also announced plans to have more international services travel direct to centres in the country such as Nadzab, Madang and Wewak.
- PNG and Australia have signed a five year agreement for a \$10m project-tied aid to help the Civil Aviation Department. The money will pay for air traffic control and navigation training and equipment to improve the Department's capacity and efficiency.
- PNG groups have been in Australia helping in various Bicentennial celebrations
  - . HMPNGS Aitape and Tarangau and crews took part in the Naval Salute in Sydney on 26 September-4 October.
  - . Members of the PNG Defence Force participated in the Army Tattoo which toured Australia in August and September.
  - . The Raun Isi theatre group from Wewak performed in Wellington and Sydney, and were in Parramatta for its 200th Anniversary on 2 November.
  - . The PNG Defence Force Air Wing flew aircraft to Richmond for the Air Show, at which Talair were also represented.
- The Queen's Birthday Honours List in PNG included:
 

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MORE PNG TITBITS.....

Members will be interested in learning more about PNG's fourth Prime Minister -

NAME: Rabbie Langanai NAMALIU

DATE OF BIRTH: 3/4/47 -- Married, with two sons.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

School Certificate, Keravat High School 1966; B.A. (History & English) UPNG 1970; MA (History & Political) Univ. of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada 1972; LLD. (Honorary) Univ. of Victoria, 1983.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

1967 Administration scholarship to UPNG

1969 Vacation Scholarship, Economics Dept., School of General Studies, ANU  
1975 to 1979, Visiting Pacific Fellow, Centre for Pacific Studies,  
University of California, USA.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Tutor, then Lecturer, in History, 1973, UPNG

Principal Private Secretary, Office of the Chief Minister, the Honourable Michael Somare, 1974, 1975.

Provincial Commissioner, East New Britain, January-July 1976.

Chairman, Public Services Commission, PNG, 1976 - 1979.

Member, PNG Delegation to the United Nations, September-December 1979.

Principal Research Officer, Office of Prime Minister, January-March 1980.

Executive Officer to the Leader of the Opposition, March 1980-January 1981

Part-time Lecturer in Politics, Dept. of Political and Admin. Studies, February-June 1981, and Part-time Student in Law.

Elected to Parliament July 1982.

Minister for Foreign Affairs & Trade August 1982-November 1984.

Minister for Primary Industry, December 1984-November 1985.

Deputy Leader Pangu Pati, March 1985-May 1988

Leader, Pangu Pati, June 1988.

Leader of the Opposition, June 1988.

Prime Minister - July 4, 1988.

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Australia's Ministers for Foreign Affairs & Trade, Defence, and Resources participated in the inaugural Joint Ministerial Forum in Wewak in early November. From this meeting Australia has agreed to help PNG set up a helicopter squadron to improve surveillance of the PNG/Indonesia border. Australia also agreed to send a team of army engineers to help develop roads and other infrastructure close to the border and to increase from four to six the number of coastal surveillance vessels being supplied to PNG under the Pacific Patrol Boat Program. Australia also will sponsor the placement of up to 200 PNG Senior Secondary School students in Australian schools each year, and increase the number of new academic study awards, enabling some of 90 students to study in Australia in 1989.

MORE PNG TITBITS.....

- PNG Foreign Minister Mr Michael Somare visited Irian Jaya early November for the 8th Annual session of the PNG/Indonesia Joint Border Committee. Talks on a review of the basic agreement on border arrangements, the joint border, survey and mapping program, border administration, conclusion of an arrangement on search and rescue for vessels and aircraft operating in the border region, in the event of accidents.
- All existing laws governing the country's timber industry will be replaced with only one law, and stiff penalties will keep companies from cheating the landowners.
- A new K22m Genera Hospital is planned for Port Moresby. It will be funded by Japan and erected on the present site. It will accommodate 700 patients and will include a new operating theatre, Cancer ward and nutrition centre.
- The Lutheran Shipping Company in Lae has a new container vessel "Wewak". The biggest among its nine ships, it will service all ports between Lae and Wewak and is capable of carrying 25 cargo containers.
- Work on the proposed \$10m Waigani sports complex will begin next January. It is to be built over 24 hectares and will be the venue for many of the sports to be played during the 1991 South Pacific Games. South Korea will provide about \$100,000 worth of equipment.
- PNG's highly rated pavilion at the World Expo 88 in Brisbane earned the country more than K1m from the sale of products, which include stamps, coffee, jewellery and artifacts. Over two million visitors passed through the pavilion.
- A new rattan processing factory has begun operations in the Malahang-Hunta area of Lae. The raw cane comes from the surrounding area. (This must be the third attempt at least to make rattan pay).
- The Government has allocated over \$13m to its Committee on law and order. The money will be used to implement law and order projects throughout the country in the next four years. Cabinet has also approved budget increases of 10% over the 1988 allocation for all departments, organisations and agencies involved in the prevention of crime. The Minister for Justice and Chairman of the Law and Order Committee, is Mr Bernard Narakobi.
- For the trivia fanatic.....Papua New Guinea has the second shortest flight route in the world. It is from Manari to Naoro in the Central Province, and served by Douglas Airways. The flight, costing K14, runs for three minutes. By the way - the shortest flight is a two minute flight in England.

LAST FRONTIERS: THE EXPLORATIONS OF IVAN CHAMPION OF PAPUA

by

James Sinclair

This is the story of a man born in Moresby in 1904 but still living in Canberra, who as one the "outside men" carried out a series of patrols from 1926 to 1940 which established him as the last great explorer of Papua.

In his review, Ian Downs points out that Champion's own Across New Guinea from the Fly to the Sepik is in a class above other books on exploration, but by reconstructing that epic journey with a fresh eye and writing what amounts to a biography of Ivan Champion, Jim Sinclair has produced a new classic. There are two kinds of explorers - those who really know where they are by latitude and longitude, and those who don't. Ivan Champion always knew exactly where he was and the latest aerial photography has only confirmed the geographical observations made on his patrols.

During the last war Champion served with great distinction in the Navy, rescuing soldiers, transporting coastwatchers, piloting U.S. ships and doing front-line hydrographic surveys.

However, the book is not just about patrols and new country. Its vignettes of social life in parochial Port Moresby are fascinating, and its insights into Sir Hubert Murray's policies of peaceful penetration and the protection of the culture and traditions of the people against exploitation are most interesting.

Downs concludes that Last Frontiers "is a book of great merit and historical importance. It is a magnificent production, with maps and photographs which are a credit to the author, the publishers (Pacific Press) and the printers (Boolarong of Brisbane".

This is a Limited Commemorative Edition of 1,000 copies only. Each is numbered and personally signed by Ivan Champion and James Sinclair. Each copy is in a hand-made slip case made by the State Library Bindery and covered with Oxford Library Buckram with the full title embossed in bold 23ct gold letters. A folded four colour facsimile edition of the 1921 official population map of the Territory of Papua and the Mandated Territory of New Guinea is included.

The special pre-release price of \$59 plus postage is for order and payment prior to 15th December 1988. Thereafter the price is \$75 plus postage until 15th January 1989 when it is the regular retail price of \$85 -- if there are any copies left.

Orders to:

Pacific Book House
17 Park Avenue Broadbeach Waters
Gold Coast Queensland 4218

Phone 075 390 446

Bill McGrath of the Pacific Book House will be at the Christmas Luncheon in Sydney.

As you will have read elsewhere, most of the Kaad family will be overseas next year I am resigning as editor of 'Una Voce' and as Vice-President of the Association. In the 10 years or so I have been Editor our Newsletter has grown from 2 pages to its present average size of 16-20 pages, something which has only been possible with the willing assistance in particular of Pamela Foley who has had the difficult job of reading my writing, putting up with the changes I wanted, prodding me for copy and having the typing ready. Les and Doreen Clout were stout and patient helpers in arranging the printing, collating and posting -- each postcode sorted and grouped separately! Elma Holmes took over this job, and got some extra helpers for the collating part. Various Members 'out there' have contributed ideas and suggestions which have been invaluable. To all those -- and my patient wife June -- my sincere thanks.

This means of course that we urgently need a new Editor for our Newsletter. 'Una Voce' is the lifeline of our Association, perhaps the most important part of it, so if you would like to help please contact Doug Parrish on 467 2966. Doug has had other editing experience and he, Pamela, and Elma will lend strong support. The secret is to have a file in which you keep notices, letters, cuttings -- anything which you think may be of interest to Members, then regularly write up items for 'Una Voce' from them and have them typed. That way both you and Pamela keep up to date and have most of the work done before printing time and thus avoid all the last minute hassle. That's the secret, in theory very easy but in practice somewhat more difficult!

Had a most amusing note from Max Orken in reply to the item on P.7 of the last Newsletter giving a list of unclaimed personal effects held in Kundiawa. It seems that about 1950 Max was a patrol officer out on a station miles from nowhere, when he received a note from B.P.'s Lae advising him that Gov. Stores had an unclaimed item which would soon be auctioned and would he like B.P.'s as Customs Agent to clear and forward it. Wondering what valuable bits and pieces were involved and who could have sent them, Max said 'yes' and in due course received an account which was equivalent to 10 days' salary. At long last a large parcel arrived and, trembling with anticipation and thinking what he'd tell the ADO to do with his job when he uncovered the money or whatever treasure was there, Max began to open the well and truly secured parcel. To his amazed gaze there was, eventually, his old service canvas kitbag. It had followed him from the Middle East, Melbourne, Darwin, Canberra and Moresby! You've guessed it -- the battered and torn bag had a shaving brush, service underwear and other worthless trivia -- but nothing valuable, even intrinsically!

SOME MORE HELP WANTED -

Kevin Deutram, ex P.O. and now Senior Magistrate, P.O.Box 214 Madang, would be most grateful for any information about Indians who were brought to PNG by the Japanese in World War II. The Moresby files are incomplete and any information would be helpful.

BOOKS -

Melbourne University Press has just published a most interesting and enlightening book To Kokoda and Beyond. This is the story of the 39th Battalion which existed for only 20 months but in that time its mostly under 20 years old and largely untrained "broomstick warriors" forged a proud history on the Kokoda Track and at Buna - Gona which more than compares with any other unit of the Australian Forces. The narrative is interspersed with extracts from the diaries of the 39ers, their Japanese opponents and Battalion records. At first this tends to interrupt the flow of the story, but it adds authenticity and realism. Many will remember places and recognise some of the people mentioned including Bert Kienzle of Kokoda fame. An excellent book for your own shelf and a very good Christmas present.

Best wishes to all for a happy and healthy 1989.



Freddie Kaad

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THE ASSOCIATION'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

will be held on

SUNDAY 4th DECEMBER, at 11.45 a.m for 1 p.m.

at: THE MANDARIN CLUB

cnr Pitt and Goulburn Streets, Sydney.

BRING YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR FRIENDS !

Cost will be \$20.00 per head for which you will get a very tasty and satisfying seven course banquet, and a free ticket in the door prize of a bottle of Black Label Whisky. Drinks will be at Club prices e.g.

\$6.50 for a 2-litre carafe of wine

\$6.00 for a jug of beer.

These and non-alcoholic drinks will also be available by the glass.

The City Council car park on the corner of Goulburn and Castlereagh Streets, 50 metres away, will be open all day - \$2.00. The Club is close to Central, Town Hall and Museum railway stations -- see map. Would any one needing assistance with transport please ring Harry West on 498 2271 or Pamela Foley on 960 9525(B) or 908 4614(H), and we shall endeavour to arrange a lift.

We have booked the Lotus Room for the luncheon and the adjoining room for pre-luncheon drinks -- both will be appropriately decorated for Christmas. The Club has a new Functions Manager who has been very helpful, so this promises to be the best Christmas function we have arranged.

Special attention will be paid to seating arrangements to help "singles" and those who feel they may not know many people. If you wish to be seated at the same table as your friends, please let us know who they are. Remember that it is most important that we know in advance how many are coming, because if we book for, say, 100 and on 90 come, then the Association has to pay for the extra 10!. **PLEASE BOOK EARLY.** If it is necessary to cancel, a full refund will be made if Bill Johnston is phoned on 529 4974 by noon on Friday 2nd December. Make your cheque payable to ROAPNG, and send with the tear-off booking slip below to Treasurer Bill Johnston at 25 Hillview Street, Sans Souci, 2219 immediately. At this late stage a phone call would help!

LUNCHEON BOOKING

NAME:.....(Please print Christian & Surname)

I will be attending the Luncheon at the Mandarin Club on 4th December 1988.

I will be accompanied by.....

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Please print Christian and Surnames (for name badge)

Enclosed please find my cheque/money order for \$.....