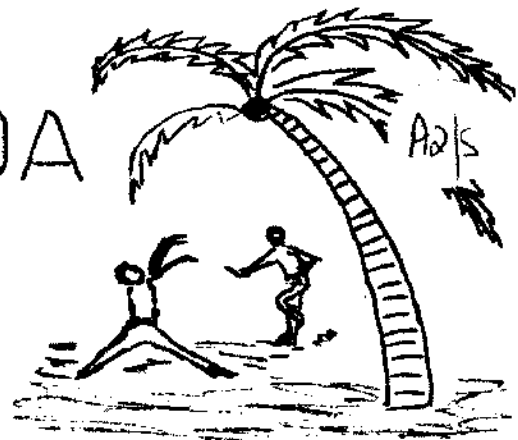


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EXPECTED SOON

Next Tuesday (6/4/71) there will be a visit by a number of Canadian Parliamentarians, and others.

The party will be as follows:-

- Mr. Chretien - Minister for Northern Development
- Mrs. Chretien
- Five Indian Parliamentarians
- Mr. Menzies - High Commissioner for Canada
- Mr. Giese
- plus the Press, etc.

They will arrive by RAAF Dakota at about 1030 AM and will have lunch at the settlement. It is planned to present a concert by school-children and a display of dancing by some of the Gunwinggu and Jinang men.

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There is a strong possibility of a visit to Maningrida by the Perth Ballet Workshop on July 12th next. Readers might recall that the Perth Ballet visited Darwin a couple of years ago and gave an outstanding performance of "The Way of the Whirlwind" in which two young aboriginal children from Snake Bay played leading roles.

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BIG GOVERNMENT WORKS

Mr. Carl Wolpers, of Wolpers & Law (a Darwin firm) visited Maningrida on Wednesday last. His firm has won a \$200,000 contract to lay a new sewerage line, install pumping stations and construct treatment ponds at Maningrida. He expects that work will commence in May/June and go on for about 4 months.

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MINERS MEETING.

The next mining meeting to be attended by representatives of the proposed Aboriginal Mining Company is scheduled to be held at Maningrida next Monday. It is thought that a decision will be reached on the offers submitted by the various mining companies in the course of the past 3 months.

J.H.

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CONNAIR: Thursday's Heron is now due at 11.40 a.m.

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AN EXCITING FLIGHT:

A sample batch of fish went out with the Outback Services plane on Tuesday.

It was a most exciting occasion.

Next on the list is a sample batch of oysters.

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Opening the gates again.

Towards the end of last week, there was a person from Elcho Is. suspected of having typhoid. Everything seemed to indicate that this was so. Elcho asked that no passengers either come into or leave the Island. The Department of Health did further tests this week, and it was discovered that the sickness was something else. What a relief!!

Football

Magpies 17-8 (110) d. Waratahs 12-23 (95)

Another good game. Waratahs team-work in getting the ball to the sticks was a delight to watch, but Magpies greater accuracy won them the match. Waratahs had 35 scoring shots to Magpies 25. Good handballing and clever ruck play by Magpies set them up time and again.

Progress points for best and fairest. - 3rd week. Terry Darwin, George (W.) 11; Lucky, Thomas, Alan, David, Larry 4; Billy, Jerry 3; Stanley, George (M.), Jimmy (M.) 2; Michael Stewart 1.

T.K.

Basketball

Week 7:

Tuesday 6th April 1971:

7 p.m. Entrance Island v Blyth River
8 p.m. Dolphins v Cadell River

Thursday 8th April 1971:

7 p.m. Cape Stewart v Eagles
8 p.m. Arnhemland v Chalkies.

Results: Dolphins defeated Blyth River 60 - 56.

R.P.

The Newspapers

DOWN AT WAVE HILL

The Gurinji people at Wave Hill have started a company to run their shop and look after the group's money. They call their company MURAMULLA GURINJI Co Pty Ltd.

WHERE ARE THE SEA WASPS?

Mr Carl Atkinson, the deep sea diver in Darwin can't find any sea wasps. He wants to cut off some of their long arms. The "sting" can be used to make a medicine. People who take this medicine will not be hurt by the sea wasps.



TRYING FOR PARLIAMENT

Some Aboriginal leaders from Northern Queensland say that two of their people may try to get into parliament. "Some one has to give a lead", they say. What about Arnhemland?

LIONEL ROSE COMING TO WINELLIE

Two champion boxers - Lionel Rose and his cousin - will box at Winellie in about one month.

Thursday's Basketball.

Arnhemland defeated Eagles 58 to 50.

In a very close game, Cadell defeated Entrance Is. 31-22.

Entrance Is. had Cadell's big men well blocked out and so at half time, the score was only 8/4. In the second half, Cadell pulled away to a big lead and Entrance could not stop this.

Visiting the School.

During this week, the Inspector of schools Mr. Ray Norman, visited the school. Two ladies who specialise in teaching English were also here - Miss Pearson, who used to teach in New Guinea and Miss Neilsen, who taught at Milinginbi for several years. Mr. Marshall, who specialises in teaching deaf children and Mr. Jim a music teacher were also here.



COUNCIL



The President has written to Mr. Giese about two matters raised in the council.

- (1) Asking for timber to be made available so that the self-help housing project can be kept going;
- (2) Asking for a policeman to make routine visits every 3 weeks until a police station is built.

TRAINING

Messrs. George Miborala and Jimmy Nyina Nyina have been chosen to go to the cooking course at Delissaville. This will continue for 3 months.

Mrs. Betty Wanjuk will go into the Darwin Hospital for the 6 months nursing course.

OFFICE

Mrs. Margaret Mussig has begun work as a clerk in the Office.

KUNAPIPI

On Monday night in the Gunwinggu camp a new Gunabibi or Kunapipi ceremony began. Mr. David Irindilly says that Mr. Peter Maralwanga (Gunwinggu) is boss and Messrs. Jimmy Naroni (Gunavidji) and Terry Waynunga (Gungoragone) are the guardians at the ceremonial ground. So far there are no initiates. During the next weeks the "Indian calls" of the women in the village will be a reminder that the ceremony is on.

BUILDING

Mr. Chris Sattelle from Hawthorndene (in S.A.), the second builder for the Housing Association, arrived yesterday.

POST OFFICE

The P.M.G. department has advised that Maningrida post office should close on Thursday, 8th April, at 5 p.m. and re-open on Tuesday, April 13th, at 9 a.m.

For Sale

- C - Cot and Mattress,
\$5.00 - Apply J. Carpenter.

- S. - Singer Sewing Machine (electric)
in good condition, \$50.00
Apply Sister Helen Miller.

SATURDAY SURPRISE

At 9 p.m. on Saturday evening, Mr. Bruce Craven went out to read the weather. He opened the "weather box" and there was a 3' to 4' orange coloured snake. True, it was Saturday night! So Bruce hurried in to get Lindy. Sure enough, it was a Snake, all curled up!

FORRESTRY

Eight to nine men are poisoning trees which have no value for the sawmill. Mr. Colin Wilson came on Wednesday and returns to Darwin today.

WEEKEND DUTIES

Duty Officer: Mr E. Carey
Luty Sister: Sister E. Carey
Nightwatchman: Mr Michael Ngulabiya

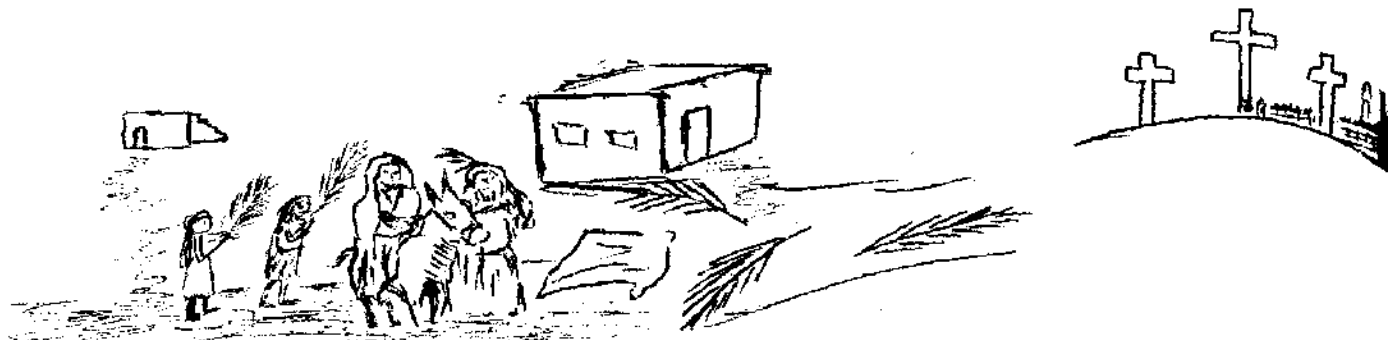
STAR THEATRE:

Friday: The Bramble bush - starring *Burlapa Rosh and Richard Burton.*
Saturday: Come blow your horn - *Story of a well known Hollywood star.*

CHURCH:

Palm Sunday

9.30 a.m. Sunday Schools "The Crucifixion"
7.30 a.m. Evening Service
Thursday 7.30 p.m. Fellowship
Good Friday 9.30 a.m. Service



Death: Paddy Guningbal, died at Blith River on Friday and was buried there on Monday morning. About forty people were present at the burial.

RAINFALL: 177 points last week.
836 points fell during March on 22 wet days.

PEOPLE: After the long postal strike in Britain, letters from England began to arrive again this week. Miss Edna Galliver wrote to say that she is now a qualified policewoman.

Sister Helen Miller has been appointed to the Theodore Hospital in Queensland and expects to begin work there soon after Easter. Maningrida-ites who know the Theodore, say that it is a very pleasant cattle raising area. 1500 people live in the town.

Mrs Mary Sime writes to say that she and John have bought a new house. She says "We miss Maningrida very much -- a nice quiet place." The cost of living in Malaya is very high now.

To build houses.

A figure now quite familiar among the builders is Mr Rod Seymour who comes from Biggenden in Queensland -- a beef cattle and rich peanut growing area. Rod was engaged in building and contract work there. This is his first experience of the N.T. and he is standing up to it very well.

Stumps

The concrete stumps are up for 4 new houses (Housing Association).

CALLING ALL READERS

The Hon. librarian Mr Bill Armstrong is asking all readers who have Darwin Library books on hand to return them as soon as possible, so that they can be exchanged for a new lot.

Merv and Shirley Mason are spending a fortnight's holiday at Surfers Paradise at the expense of the Wounded Soldiers League.

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