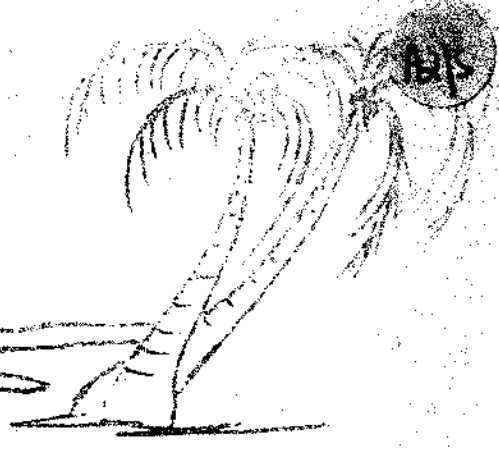


MANINGRIDA MIRAGE

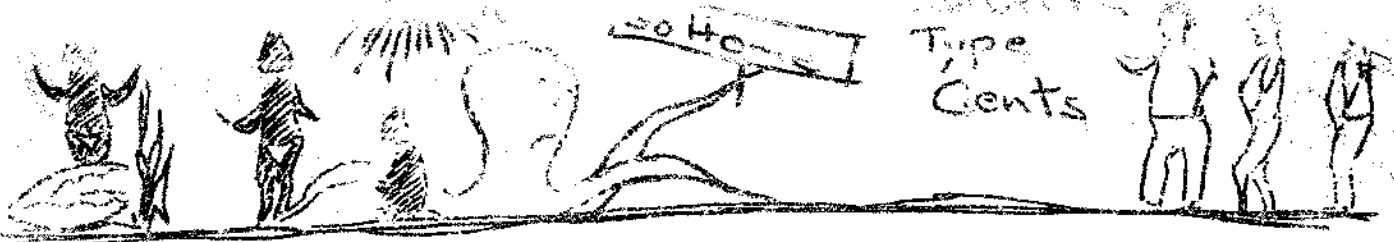


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THE DIRECTOR SAID.....

1. The Progress Association is not likely to have its request for Hall funds met through the Community Grants Scheme. An application must be lodged with the Benefits Trust.
2. The cattle should be shifted to Sulman this year as part of a pilot station project.
3. A sum of money, perhaps £50,000 may be made available to establish a local housing trust. Housing deficiencies might be attacked in three ways:
 - i. by the establishment of the aforesaid trust
 - ii. through normal Government contract building
 - iii. through the 'self-help' housing scheme now in operation.
4. The Government hoped to see some diversification in control of locally sponsored and operated projects and organisations. It was thought that monopolies might not be conducive under certain circumstances, to the furtherance of affairs in the common interest of the general community (and perhaps cause some conflict with established Government policy). More of this later.
5. The money is available to equip two of the new bores at the airstrip.
6. The new Eco-school would cost £140,000.
7. The Council would be at liberty to request funds for the establishment of a museum at Maningrida.

DAVID MALANGI: The man whose painting was used to print the \$1 note is having a short holiday at Maningrida. He is Jinang man and has several close relatives here. The Government paid him \$1,000 for the use of his design - from a bark painted in earlier years and now on display in Paris. With the money he established a garden at Yatala-mara on the mainland S.E. of Milingimbi. He has sold large quantities of sweet potatoes, pawpaws, bananas, sugar cane, watermelon, pumpkins and peanuts to Milingimbi and Nangalala. He won first prize for the Bark Painting section at the 1969 Darwin Show. His barks sell at a well above average price.



IN AN OCTOPUS'S GARDEN?

Some months ago a visiting Canberra gentleman expressed the thought that local Progress Associations, etc, could perhaps attain such a degree of power as to go against the aims of the Government and become, in fact, a law unto themselves. He further thought that safe guards against this possibility might be "written into" the constitutions of established organisations. More recently the Director commented that he favoured some separateness of control when setting up locally owned projects and the like.

The issue he raises is a very real one. An organization which purports to speak on behalf of a not yet fully articulate community, and itself contains fairly articulate executive members, is a potent force indeed. This is doubly so when it has access to finances, or controls capital accumulating businesses. Under such circumstances it is vital, in the interests of the community, that the executive should feel itself totally bound by the articles of the organisation and that it pursues these objects with the utmost dedication.

To go back to the Canberra gentleman, his fear seemed to be that an over active organisation might challenge that which the Government thought to be the best interests of the community. So it might, and perhaps with good reason. After all, if the community interest needs to be affirmed or upheld, should not the community organisation act.

These thoughts give rise to some speculation on the role which a Progress Association might adopt in relation to the fostering of economic pursuits, (at any settlement). In fact it can play a highly responsible part, not necessarily as an entrepreneur but rather as a clearing point for, or promoter of ideas. The sum total of business possibilities in a given area might warrant a number of differing management techniques. Examples- a market garden is best controlled by single unit ownership, whereas the coastal fishery might best thrive as a producer Co-operative; a bakery might run as a partnership and a transport service as a limited company. The means must fit the need.

The Progress Association gives expression to the need, on behalf of the community. It establishes an agency for ideas, and encouragement in the formation stages and when the operation is launched, with-draws. It can of course, and should, offer and/or arrange consultative services where they are requested. It is definitely not to be restrained from operating its own businesses, so long as there is a well defined need that they be so operated.

J. HUNTER.



"THE ARAPURA C"



THE OPENING DAY:

Our sincere appreciation to all who helped to make our store opening a success. Especially our staff, the building team, Home Management for their magnificent luncheon, Mrs Armstrong and Miss Strong (real strength there) and our ma equins. Sister Tilley for coping so wonderfully with the dozens of baby entrants and all who assisted her. The school for the loan and installation of their speaker. Lastly but by no means least Mr Hunter and Mr Wilders.

PAPERS: A reminder that it is the responsibility of all subscribers to pick up their Saturday papers at the office. Unless otherwise advised all will be debited for a Saturday paper.

THE NEW STORE: Trading has been at a very pleasing level since opening and there can be no doubt that the staff can handle the peak periods with more efficiency and give better service. Clothing will only be sold from the northern side, whereas food and hardware from the southern side. All goods will be price ticketed in tile, and prices will be clearly visible.

KEEP THE STORE CLEAN. Please use rubbish receptacles provided for your rubbish etc, also help us to help you by ensuring that the dogs remain outside the doors.

FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES: Our fruit and vegetables sales have risen appreciably due to our cold room ensuring top quality goods, our prices are fractionally below Darwins retail prices eg. bananas, apples Nectarines, Oranges, Potatoes Lettuce etc.

ORDERS: If you require anything - don't hesitate to try us. During the past few weeks we have placed orders for such widely diversified articles as 2 air-conditioners, a lawn-mower, 6 Baby strollers, 2 hoses a tape recorder, basket-ball boots and many other items. Most are available within 2 weeks from date of order ex Adelaide or Sydney, and will be considerably cheaper than Darwin.

SCOUTS AND GUIDES:

The cubs have been delighted with the gift of a motor-driven aerial aero-plane from Mr Ian Dale. Wing Commander Kerutz has indicated that the R.A.A.F. will give some financial support this year.

Guide Commissioner Simmonds met Mrs Melva Buzza (formerly a Guide) and Miss Robyn Strong on the Saturday afternoon of the store opening day and discussed the formation of a Guide Company for Maningrida Girls. More news on this at a later date.

FROM THE DARWIN NEWSPAPERS

DARWIN MURDER

Boy aged sixteen was charged yesterday for the murder of a fifteen year old girl at Rapid Creek on Tuesday. Police have searched for the boy in bush around Rapid Creek and once he escaped when a policeman fired two warning shots. He was finally captured at gunpoint on Wednesday after he had given up a .22 rifle he was carrying.

LIONEL ROSE WINS

Last Saturday night in Melbourne, Lionel Rose defeated the American Don Johnson easily on points. Both Rose and his trainer were pleased with his performance. Rose's next fight will be against the Mexican Sotelo, who defeated him in December last year.

ROPER PEOPLE ON STRIKE

The workers at Roper River have gone on strike in support of their land ownership claim. Last Monday they moved to a billabong two miles from the settlement and planned to stay there until today. They expect to live on bush tucker while they were there. Dexter Daniels said they needed to take this action because 'the people are tired of words and promises from the government'.

PROMISE BUSINESS

A Melbourne barrister this week challenged the right of police to interfere in Aboriginal tribal law, at a court hearing at Gove; he was defending three Aboriginal leaders arrested for assault and other charges. The trouble began when a 14 year old girl refused to go to a promised husband, and a fight began. When police came to explain the law to the elders a policeman was allegedly assaulted. The barrister claimed that police had no right to go into an Aboriginal community and that by holding a hearing at Gove, the court might well be trespassing. The hearing has been adjourned.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

The Annual Meeting of the Parents and Friends will be held at the school at 7 o'clock next Monday, 15th March. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Basket ball next week.

Tuesday :- Crocodiles v Black Hawks
Demons v Kiwis

Thursday :- Chalkies v Gorillas
Cadell v Dugongs

When the games are going, the children should stay off the court.

EXTRACT FROM "BARU DAWUNJIKI" (Milingimbi)

Possible Forestry Training Course at Maningrida: The Northern Territory Administration is thinking about starting a Forestry Training Course at Maningrida. There are more and more forestry activities in Arnhemland. Maningrida will be a good place for such a training course, because accommodation, workshops, a saw mill, and other training facilities are available.

About 8 trainees will be selected for the course which lasts about one year. The program includes - training as a fire fighting team, vehicle-tractor and logging operations; timber stand improvement operations, surveying and map reading.

NAME: The 'repeater station' will be called "Darwin-Gove Tropospheric Scatter System".

MILINGIMBI AND THE QUEEN:

When Ngalakardi and Nanganharralil are in Sydney, they will be amongst many people to welcome Queen Elizabeth when she visits Australia in connection with the Captain Cook celebrations. It is proposed that Aborigines in mourning clothes ('sad-time' clothes) will gather wherever possible to greet the Queen during her Australian tour, to make her and other people remember that Cook's discovery led to the breakdown of Aboriginal society, tribal strength, customs and life.

PEOPLE:

Mrs Gill Amies is very sick and is awaiting surgery. It may be 4 months or longer before she is able to return. Anyone wishing to contact her may find her address at the office.

Mr Dan Watson will attend a buffalo conference in Darwin on March 18th.

Mr John Wilders will accompany the party of Aboriginal men to the Sydney Easter Show - Who knows he may meet the Queen.

Mr Eric Quick the new Forestry Supervisor has arrived and will be joined by Mrs Quick when the plane arrives in 2 or 3 weeks to take the belongings of John and Lyle Zabo to Snake Bay.

Mr John Symes 2nd Mechanic, ex skipper of the 'Hawk' and 'Coringle' has joined the Forestry staff along with Rob Prussian, who replaces Frank McCabe.

Mostly Mr and Mrs Danny Gillespie are morgan thankful for their escape from the blob of southern concrete (Acme brand) and their success is largely put down to their happy knack of being in the right place at the right ^{time.} place. For stance, Danny and Libby are the ones who have cornered the wonderful welfare super-deluxe workman's donga up there on Demountable Crescent...a terrific feat in itself even!. Dan and Lib aren't jubes (they're not even religious about it) they've quickly melted into the backcloth of Maningrida like old cake...that itself shows th air quality. Happiness to them could be thoughts ridiculous, thoughts sublime, pieces of toast, and old brown shoe laces.....



FOOTBALL 7th March 1970.

MAGPIES 15.15 defeated WARATAHS 15.12

In very hot conditions the smaller faster Waratahs opened up a 5 goal lead by half time. The Magpies play was undisciplined and they allowed Waratahs to create loose men all over the ground. A feature of the first half was the excellent marking and long kicking of Ronnie on the half forward flank.

After half time the Magpies began to lift their game and were only 4 goals down at the final change. The final quarter was perhaps the hardest played for some weeks with players going hard after the ball. The greater strength and experience of the Magpies allowed them to catch up to win by 5 points.

BEST PLAYERS:

MAGPIES:

- Jacky Karanbada
- Philip Malinga
- Billy Gayula
- Jimmy Culamuna
- John Wave Hill
- George Stewart.

WARATAHS

- Ronnie Mace Kannanij
- Tim Darcy
- George Wayarka
- Larry Wipa
- Mark Kirigul

FOOTBALLER OF THE WEEK: Ronnie Mace Kannanij came to Maningrida from Millingimbi some time ago. So far he hasn't got himself a job, so he is able to concentrate his energy during the week. He is the son of Councillor Jack Banambaralili.

The footballers have appointed a Chairman John Gujabakka (kitchen) and Secretary George Wayambala (fisheries).

BASKETBALL NEWS:

TUESDAY: A close game! Demons 55 defeated Cadell 52.

Chalkies do it again! Crocodiles 50 defeated Chalkies 14.

The Demons umpire "Captain" and Cadell's umpire Jimmy kept up their good work on Tuesday night.

THURSDAY: Black Hawks beat Gorillas 58-26. Peter William worked too hard, and might need a long rest. Kiwis 46 beat Dugongs 21 in a slow game, with a lot of loose passing and wild shooting.

Best Players:-

- | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|--------|
| <u>Kiwis</u> | | <u>Dugongs</u> | |
| Morris | Michael | Don | Willie |
| Larry (too many goals) | | Mickey | David |

DUTY OFFICER AT WEEKEND: MR DAN WATSON

DUTY SISTER AT WEEKEND: SISTER HELEN MILLER.

GIRLCH SERVICES:

5th Sunday in Lent - PASSION SUNDAY
 Sunday 9.30am All age Sunday School
 7.50am Holy Communion.

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