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COUNCIL

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- 1) The President Mr J. Ibbard said: "I am going to Marawalidban (upper Liverpool R.), but I want to take one man from here with me, to see the secret places (with Irawala, Mrs Sandra Holmes etc). Council agreed that Peter Maralwanga should go.
- 2) Mr John Balaya: "We want to keep the shop clean. This is a report from the shop." Council agreed.
- 3) Cr Barney Baybananga: "We want three or four wives. We still want to have more than one wife, because the promises are still on. Otherwise we may go on killing in the secret way. Old people are not satisfied yet about marriage."
- 4) Cr Michael Ngulabiya: "My wife is in love with Johnny Bulunbulun. She doesn't like me any more. But Johnny has broken the law. This wife was promised to me. So this man he is going to die soon, and that woman too.

STORE

Stock:

If we haven't got it, ask us to get it. Currently big efforts are being made to improve the quality and range of meats, both Hot and Cold, including Smallgoods - I think you will like the range.

Ice Cream:

There are a few problems regarding highly perishable foodstuffs. The time factor between sailing and arrival cannot be guaranteed - the barge as often as not comes to us via Gove and Groote instead of 36 hours direct. This can mean an extra 7 days at sea for such things as Milk, Cream, Yoghurt, etc.

Nym's House:

The first house has been erected at Cadell Gardens - the first of several. The piping and water tank etc. has yet to be installed. NYM is the owner of the new residence.

Library Books.

Mr. Bill Armstrong, Honorary Librarian for the Maningrida Outpost of the Darwin Library, requests all readers to return their books by the end of this month, so that a new lot can be brought out.

A Rash Matter.

A week or so ago, Librarian - Cook Bill came out in a scarlet (red) rash. What was the cause? Bitter Ale? Light be. anyway Bill has joined the Jim Pickersgill Movement, and stocked his fridge with G.I. from the Hasty-Tasty. The rash has gone and the patient has fully recovered.

Water.

The Water Works Department advises householders that water is being drawn from the bores, except between 1p.m.-7p.m. when the pump at Gabalyara Creek is working.

Brisbane.

Silas Roberts left on Tuesday for the monthly meeting of the Aboriginal Pensioner's Trust.

HELLO



MOTORCYCLISTS!

How about taking your splendid machines to the Airtrip for those joyrides that must be so enjoyable for you. Nine and ten o'clock at night in the main residential area is a bit hairy. At the air strip there is the added attraction of

1. Flat ground without traffic
2. The chance to observe wildlife in it's natural state
3. Opportunity of meeting and talking to pilots who have lost their way.

FROM THE NEWSPAPERS

YIRRKALA LAND FIGHT GOES ON.

The fight for the land at Yirrkala is still going on. Everyone has finished telling their stories to the courts in Canberra and now the judge is thinking about their stories. Soon he will say what should be done with the land.

TROUBLE FROM DRINK.

A missionary man from the desert country around Alice Springs says that drinking is causing a lot of trouble amongst Aboriginal People down there. They drink a lot and then steal to get money for more drink. They are sent to jail and when they come out of jail they drink more and get into more trouble.

GOULBURN ISLAND TELLS THE WORLD.

The Aboriginal Advancement League is going to take a big American Company to court in America because it got the land that Goulburn Island people wanted. The Goulburn people wanted to look for metals but the land was given to the Americans. The League will tell the American court that the company should not be on tribal land belonging to Aboriginal people.

WANDERERS GO WELL.

Wanderers Colts team beat Waratahs in Darwin on Saturday. Most of the Wanderers Colts are from Kornilda College. In the reserve grade game Waratahs beat Wanderers. Terry Raywala had his name in the paper for playing very well.

ABORIGINAL PEOPLE WORKING FOR THEMSELVES.

In the paper there was a long story about Aboriginal people who are making money from their own hard work and ideas — like the fishermen and the Cadell Gardens. Here are some of the things that are happening in other places:

OENPELLI: selling buffalo meat and vegetables.

GROOTE EYLANDT: fishing.

MUMBULWAR: fresh eggs.

YIRRKALA: making bricks.

ELCHO ISLAND: timber and fishing.

MILINGIMBI: cattle fish and crabs.

GOULBURN ISLAND: selling oysters.

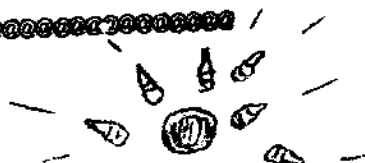
At Bathurst Island near Darwin some Tiwi men have fishing gear worth \$10,000. They have had no help from Europeans and have just finished building a shop so people can buy fresh fish and chips.

REMEMBER

THE

FETE

OCTOBER 23rd.



BASKETBALL NEWS

Another 3 fine games on Tuesday. There is every sign that this competition will be a close one all the way.

Chalkies v Crocodiles. Chalkies are obviously not going to be the wooden spoon team they were last competition. After tying with Demans last week they gave Crocodiles a fright this time. In fact the game was lost in the last 2 minutes. Keven, Johnny were a good combination for Crocodiles who were missing star Jimmy Pascoe with chickenpox. For Chalkies Alfi R. had an enjoyable and successful game as did Lucky, one shot and Steaming Stevens.

FINAL SCORE: Crocodiles 35 - Chalkies 32

Best players: 3 pts Keven M., 2 pts Alfie Roberts,
1 pt Johnny

Oysters v Gorillas. This was the fastest game of the night but the least interesting - there were a lot of fouls that were not picked up. Oysters with men like Jim, Larry, Mario etc. have a big fast team while Gorillas have 4 or 5 schoolboys on their team. This time Oysters were too fast on any loose passes by Gorillas. The star was little Jimmy for Gorillas - he worked till he could hardly stand and is not frightened to take on the big blokes. Jim Jam had another solid game and Alan also starred for Oysters.

FINAL SCORE: Oysters 42 - Gorillas 32

Best players: 3 pts Jimmy Maralunga, 2 pts Allan,
1 pt Jim Jam

Demans v Cadell. Another exciting game to finish the night. From the start there was no rough play - a big improvement from Cadell there was never any great space between the teams. Jimmy M. and Peter G. were tearing into it for Cadell while Dick B. Smith and Captain were making the most of anything they saw. The teams levelled at 32 all. People decided to stay and by the time the game ended the court was crowded with screaming people. Final score 40 all. In the extra 5 minutes (with the crowd going wild) Dick B. Smith shot a nice goal for Demans but this was quickly followed by a goal from Jimmy M. - the score 42 all. In the 2nd extra time players had all the stops out. Jimmy M. and Joe Fry collided. Joe Fry was awarded 2 shots and landed 1. Peter G. for Cadell replied with a hard won goal - Cadell in front. Then Captain was awarded two shots and landed 1 - even again. Finally Peter G. smuck on a goal and Jimmy M. followed with another to tie it up. Good work Cadell and Demans!

SCORES: End of time Cadell 40 - Demans 40
End of 5 mts. extra Cadell 42 - Demans 42
End of 10mts. extra Cadell 48 - Demans 44

Best players: 3pts Peter G., 2 pts Jimmy M.,
1 pt Stanley

The Colts Football got off to a good start last Saturday. Hawks played Tahs and Tahs finished up winners by 1 goal. The boys all played hard and fair and intend making the Saturday games a regular thing. Morris Naliba did a good job with the whistle.

Womens Softball commenced also on Saturday and over 30 young women and girls arrived to play. 4 trial games were played and next week the regular competition will commence. More players are needed, so roll up girls next Saturday at 10 a.m.



WEEKEND DUTIES

Duty Officer: Mr Bill Beckett Fire Control: Mr John Delaney
Duty Sister : Sr Ena Pickersgill Nightwatchman: *Maybe Barney Baylananga.*

STAR THEATRE:

Friday : *"Boy on a Dolphin" Alan Ladd, Sophia Loren... a story about looking for a gold statue on the seabed.*
Saturday: *"Seven Cities of Gold" - Might be a shaky one. One reel of Martin Luther on each night.*

CHURCH NOTICES

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Sunday Schools "The right use of money".
7.30 p.m. Holy Communion

Thursday: Father Corry is due to arrive
Mass 7 p.m. on Thursday 15th.
Mass 6.30 a.m. on Friday 16th.

All being well, the film "Martin Luther" will be shown this weekend.

Who was Martin Luther? He was a man from Germany who became a monk (like a minister) and a hard struggle to find peace in his soul. A good friend encouraged him to study and teach from the Bible. There he found the words "the just (the man put right with God) shall live by faith (believing)". Some other monks were teaching that if you paid money (for indulgences) then your soul could be put right with God (sin's forgiven). Luther said this was not so. From then on he had to face some big troubles.

The picture is an interesting and a well made film. It sets out to show the events and struggles of the time.

BIRTH

A daughter to Rita Djetmu in Darwin on
Friday Oct. 2nd.

Scott Peter - son of Cavell and Peter Williams
born at Parkes N.S.W. on Oct 3rd.

Muriel - daughter of Judith (Shortie) Walaijara
and the late Harry W. at 6.30 p.m. on
5th October.

PEOPLE

Last week two Toyotas travelled to Nangalala with Ngalagandi and the bones of a dead man. Also with them were Mr Ray Baku who wanted to see Gadji and Mr George Gumadir who is resting from study at school. Also Mr Michael Gadjawuli who went to visit his parents.

Goulburn Is. people have invited the Morning Star to come to them from Maningrida. Alec Jumarr, Ray Munyal and Dick Smith are getting the long feathered emblem ready.

The Gunwingu people are invited to go over for a hollow log coffin ceremony. Peter Maralwanga's group and several others are hoping to make the journey next week.

George Wimunguy passed through on Thursday - going to meet Dr. Coombs and the Yirrkala dancers who will perform in a ceremonial dance called "The Land is not empty" at the Sound Shell in Darwin shortly.





Passing through on the plane the other day was Mrs Deanne Burgmeir, Guide leader from Elcho Is. She said that the 3 girls who went from here to the September camp did very well. Deanne was most impressed with the capacity for leadership, shown by Anne Ennis.

Leaders in the local Guide company are Mrs Robyn Stephens and Miss Erika Ilyn.

Mr Bob Phillips, Welfare Youth Officer, fresh from a pleasant English summer and (as John W. put's it) the smell of the Dutch canals and bright lights of the Paris ballet was impressed with the way in which the older girls help the younger ones, the smart uniforms, and the good discipline of the company.

The Scouts are getting ready for the Jamborette in Sydney and have been holding regular weekly camp fires.

The visit of Cub leader Miss Gail Molross of Sydney was quite a tonic for the cubs. The boys who went to Cromulla had a great time talking to her about things they saw and did in Sydney.

MILINGIMBI MOMENTS:

In the old days people had rather a surprise to see "that old boat captain Noah" launch his ship and one would hardly expect to find a mini Fourcroy being built and launched at Milingimbi. However these things happened. The Shipbuilder was engineer Mr. Ray Fry (football umpire well known to Maningrida team). The steel barge complete with drawbridge can carry a safe load of 20 tons and will carry a fully loaded truck "roll on - roll off" fashion. It was built in the workshop about 400 yards from the beach and towed to the water's edge. Then it was rested on round logs and when the tide was in, a nudge from a bulldozer sent it rolling in to the water.



A glance at the M.O.M. Annual Synod reports from each town revealed:

1. Goulburn Is. estimated that earnings from oyster sales would be \$6000. In actual fact \$7193 worth were sold. Synod has approved a change from oyster collecting to oyster farming.
2. The "Murwangi Pastoral Association" is about to be formed to develop the area South of Milingimbi, and particularly the good pastoral country around the Arafura Swamp.
Aboriginal people working from Nangalala on the Glyde River are already working in the area with zest. Cattle running on Milingimbi island dress at approx. 550lbs but the same stock which have grazed on richer pastures at Arafura dress 800 lbs.
3. Yirrkala plans to set up a shop in Nhulunbuy to sell fruit and vegetables grown in local market gardens. At present a street stall is run on 3 days a week. The laundry is working smoothly at Nhulunbuy and the Nursery established with the help of Nabalco shows promise of a sound economic future.
4. Lake Evella, simply a lake on the map on the mainland South of Elcho Is. two years ago is now a thriving community with a sawmill in production in an area rich in Cypress pine. Back at Elcho Is. the sawmill had a record year, exceeding its estimated output.
5. At Croker Island some enterprising fishermen are bringing in an average of 300lb of turtle & dugong meat each week.

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