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There was no Mirage last week, the reason being that little material came in and our editorial staff could not find time to make it all up themselves. Once again we appeal for Mirage material. If you have a story about an important happening, a par on interesting visitors, wildlife or events or a few ideas you would like to make public the Mirage is here for you to use.

Currently there are three people working on the Mirage (as well as our typists) and sometimes things get too hectic for us to do the whole thing. As well as that it is no good if everything is written by two or three people.

We would be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to be a regular or semi-regular contributor.

For the information of those institutions who keep the Mirage in archives and librarians the last two volumes were both inadvertently numbered Issue 36. We then missed an issue and this issue is 38. Sorry about that folks.

Dan Gillespie

School Things

The school has set up a bush school for the Gunwinggu people at Maragulidban about 30 miles up the Liverpool River. Bruce Neale, Brian Deslandes and Jan Cooke travelled up there with Jim Pickersgill and Henry Bulumba in the M.P.A. Trojan last Monday week. Jan remained there to do a two week spell. Teachers are spending a fortnight in the school on a voluntary roster basis - and there are plenty of volunteers says Headmaster Brian Deslandes.

The school is now open air but the people have gathered bush materials and are going to make a school shade. The school is going very well and the people are very happy with it. There are about 20 children at the school.

The school was started after the Gunwinggu people, through their elder, Peter Maralwanga had asked for it. The Education Department is talking with the bush community and hopes to set up

schools for all the bush children when staff are available and when the bush communities are ready for them.

The support being given to the outstations by the Education Department is both encouraging and sensitive to the peoples desires.

The longawaited outstation tractors have arrived. Chris Budge took various drivers to town last week and they drove the three tractors back overland via Oenpelli. They didn't have too much trouble. The Nakara tractor was bogged west of Table Hill. Jack Miritji's land rover was being towed in but it is now somewhere near the Gumadir.

Chris says that the Arnhem Highway is going ahead fast and the road to Oenpelli is fine.

One tractor is for Momega, one is for Maragulidban and one is for the Nakara people at Nakalamandjarra.

The tractors are now being tuned up in Maningrida and trailers are being fitted with wheels and floorboards to make the three outstation communities mobile.

The Community Adviser and the Council President received the following telegram after the barge had left last week:-

"We greatly appreciate co-operation in discharging Fourcorn yesterday. Sincere thanks."

It was signed by Keith Lang of V.B.Perkins. The barge was unloaded under the direction of Albert Wurdjal, one of the town managers. Albert also had a team working in the shop and the groceries were brought into the shop in record time.

The beer club is now operating legally. Glen Bagshaw went to Darwin to appear before the Licensing Court. He was granted a Storekeepers License to operate the Happy Club in the old kitchen. The magistrate said that the conditions under which the license would be used were unusual and he would grant the license as an experiment. The Police Dept. did not oppose the application. The beer club will operate 5pm to 7pm Monday to Saturday. Any person of legal age can visit the club. There are rules controlling the number of cars each night and the hours of the club. These rules are posted up in the club and must be obeyed. People who do not keep to the rules will be stopped from using the club. Club manager is Graham Inglis.

We have a new and distinguished subscriber. The Rt. Hon W.M.Snedden Q.C.M.P. is now one of our avid readers. Welcome aboard Billy!

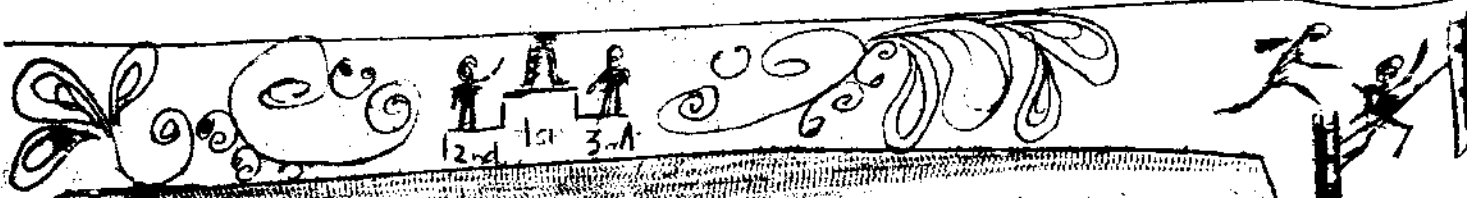
Dan Gillespie.

BUSH PERMITS

The Maningrida Council has set aside 3 areas for the recreation of European residents. Europeans can now use Crab Creek, Rocky Point & Takaladorna and immediate areas for fishing, swimming, camping etc.

People wishing to visit other places are advised to apply in writing to the Maningrida Council. Applications will be referred to the landowners concerned.

from Community Adviser



The Arnhem Festival commences, with a procession, on next Monday morning. Unfortunately, due to the historic joint sitting of the National Parliament, Senator Cavenagh has indicated to me that he will be unable to attend the opening of the Festival. This is bad luck as the Minister showed, in his letters to me, great interest in the Festival. However, the Acting director of the Northern Territory Dept. of Education, Mr. J. Gallagher will be in attendance on Monday. The procession starts from the D.A.A. offices at 10.15 am and moves up to the cricket grounds. Some schools have been forced to withdraw because of lack of finance. However, the teams competing are Maningrida (2 terms), Milingimbi, Elcho Island, Oenpelli and Mudginberry. The cricket ground now seems to have shown the benefit of constant watering and should be an excellent surface on which to run. Most of the activities will be held at the Cricket Ground, because of its condition and its position. Listed now is the programme for the week.

Monday 10.00a.m. Procession and Official Opening.

2.00p.m. Ball Games Finals

4.30 & 7.30 Basketball

Tuesday 9.30a.m. - 4.00p.m. Athletics

4.30p.m. & 7.30p.m. Basketball

Wednesday 9.30a.m. - 3.30p.m. Softball
(Boys and Girls)

4.30p.m. & 7.30p.m. Basketball

Thursday 9.30a.m. - 12.30 Art & Craft

1.30p.m. - 4.00p.m. Softball

5.30p.m. --- Singing & Dancing

Friday 8.30a.m. Basketball Finals

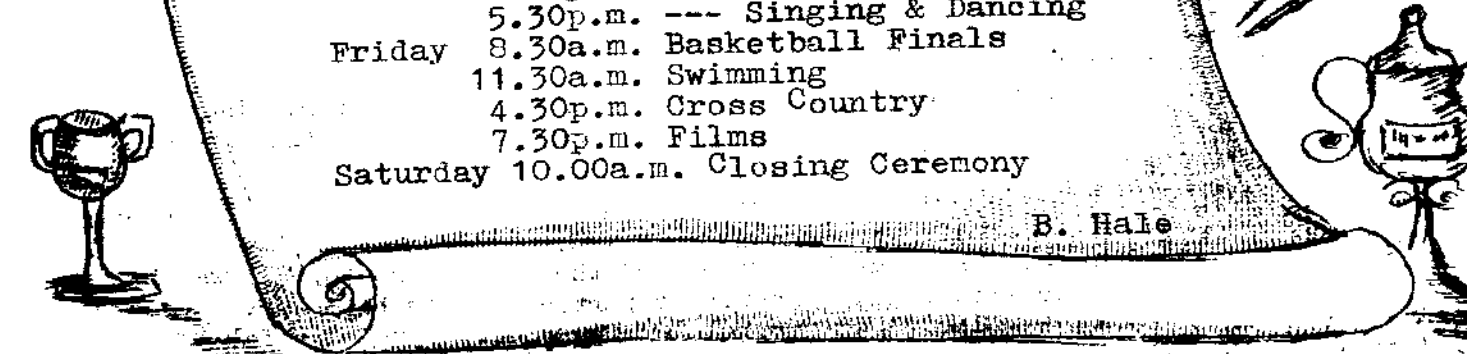
11.30a.m. Swimming

4.30p.m. Cross Country

7.30p.m. Films

Saturday 10.00a.m. Closing Ceremony

B. Hale



From Connair,

Connair wishes to advise all residents of Maningrida that any persons wishing to put freight on Monday's, Thursday's and Friday's flights are requested to have their freight at the Cox Office no later than 11.30a.m. and on Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Saturday's flights, freight is requested at Connair Office no later than 12.15p.m. Also, all passengers are to report to Connair Office $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour before arrival of their flights. All Departmental Heads who have visitors from Darwin, please ensure that they re-confirm their outward bookings in accordance with the times mentioned above, as people arriving at the airport without confirming their booking will not be accepted.

Help me to help you,

Terry Canning.

Lost,

One fishing throw net left at Crab Creek. Please return to Stephen Joseph.

School Stories

My Fall. By Christine Grade 5

I had a fall when the tree broke. Some children came and took me to the hospital. They took me to Darwin. They put my leg in plaster and the nurse was very kind. It hurt just a little bit. I came home on the DC3 on Monday. I had to use crutches for two weeks. Then the doctor took the plaster off my leg and I am better now.

I lost a Dollar. By Winnie. Grade 5.

When I was walking home from school I lost my dollar. I had it in my pocket. I went back to look for it and I saw it on the ground. I picked it up and I hurried home before I dropped it again.

Shells under the Sea. By April Grade 5

When my father goes under the sea he gets shells in the deep water. They get lots of coral and they bring the shells home. They cook them on the fire or on stones. Then we all eat the shell fish.

SUNDAY - 9.30am Sunday school classes in the church. There will be church services held both at Bayun and Gotjanjinjira at the same time.

7.30pm Communion service in the Church. We extend the invitation for all who love the Lord and have Charity with the neighbours to participate in this service.

TUESDAY - 5.30pm Prayer meeting in the Church and Church Fellowship is following at 7.30pm same evening.

THURSDAY - 8.00pm Bible study and prayer meeting at the Cross home.

THEME OF STUDY FOR THIS WEEK. "When others trespass against us." Bible References - Luke 23:32-38; Matthew 5:43-48; John 16:33.

On last Friday the 26th the Church gave the blessings and good wishes for the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Webber. The wedding was celebrated quietly at their home in the morning with a big party in the evening. Thanks for the gift being given by the Webbers.

FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE

JERRY CANS
FISHING GEAR
2 SPADES
MACHETE
OCTOPUS STRAPS
LARGE TYRE LEVERS
DOUBLE DECK BLANKETS
GROCERIES
MECHANICS TOOLS AND
TOOLBOX
NAVIGATION CHARTS
ONE CAMP STRETCHER
SILVER ROPE
ADMIRALTY PATTERN ANCHOR
CAMPING GEAR

2 KERO STOVES
ESKIES
DIESEL LANDROVER 1974.
LANDROVER MANUALS
PAINT BRUSHES
CARPENTER'S TOOLS AND
TOOLBOX
STAINLESS STEEL PRESSURE
COOKER. 1½ litre
WIRE STRINGS AND SHACKLES
SEA GYPSY 21'6" YAWL AND
INVENTORY
BOAT COMPASS
MARINE PLY
PONCHO

FURNITURE
MATTOCK & SHOVELL
GREASE GUN
GAS PRESSURE LANTERNS AND
SPARES
SANYO CASSETTE/RADIO 4
BAND
TREIKO .22 & AMMO
FRIDGE GAS D.C.+A.C.
BATHROOM SCALES
ONE BED
3 LIFE JACKETS
DOUBLE MOSQUITO NET
9½hp JOHNSON LONG SHAFT

SEE ROGER ELLIOT AT THE DAA SINGLE QUARTERS.

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AS FROM THE 1st AUGUST 1974, DAILY COPIES OF THE N.T. NEWS WILL BE KEPT FOR PEOPLE WHO PLACE THEIR ORDER WITH MRS. C. BROOKS. COPIES ARE TO BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE.

I.E. AUGUST REQUIREMENTS WILL BE PAID FOR DURING THE FIRST WEEK AND MONIES WILL BE REFUNDED WHERE FOR ANY REASON WE ARE UNABLE TO SUPPLY ORDERS.

GLEN BAGSHAW.

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