



OBITUARY

Residents at Roseby Park, Orient Point, were grieved by the death recently of Mrs. Fishe, for many years a missionary with the Church Missionary Society in China, and in recent years in New South Wales.

Mrs. Fishe, and her husband, lived for a considerable time at Orient Point, and their home was always open to all residents of Roseby Park. Many happy afternoons and evenings were spent in Sunday schools, services, and social gatherings.

Their sewing class, combined with afternoon tea, was well-attended by the mothers and young children.

The Christmas season this year will be saddened in the memories of all because of the death of Mrs. Fishe, who spent much time and energy preparing gifts and parties.

Mrs. Fishe spent 50 years in China as a missionary. She was the sixth from the Australian Church Missionary Society to go to China.

A trained nurse, Mrs. Fishe worked on a number of mission stations in China, particularly in Fukien province.



50,000 BOOMERANGS

Bill Onus, the aboriginal craftsman, has received permission to make use of timber from 458 silver poplars that are being chopped out of Melbourne's famous St. Kilda Road.

Bill expects to get 50,000 boomerangs out of them.

The silver poplars were supposed to make St. Kilda Road the grandest thoroughfare in the world. Over the next 12 months they will be replaced by plane trees.

The Melbourne correspondent of the *Sydney Bulletin* commenting on the Onus project said: "Maybe silver poplar isn't wattle or blackwood, but this idea should bring great joy to all tourists who visit Melbourne. Not only will the 50,000 boomerangs symbolically invite them to return here, but there'll be the thrill of knowing that they were hacked out of the world".

LIKES OUR BOOTS

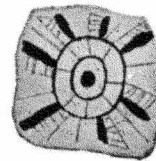
When Rohan Kanhai, the West Indian cricketer, wanted a new pair of cricket boots in a hurry, during his present English tour, he sent to Australia for them. They went by jet airliner within 24 hours.

Kanhai takes size 10 and likes his boots to be "just right."

It was a compliment to Australia that he should prefer them to be made here and not in England, formerly the home of that kind of thing.

However, we have had a high reputation for handmade footwear for a long time, not only for cricketers.

What may be less well-known is Australia's virtual monopoly in another sporting line. One Melbourne company makes something like 90 per cent. of all the lawn bowls in the world.



NIGERIANS WAY OUT

According to a Nigerian university student visiting Armidale recently many of his countrymen believe "that the whites had destroyed all the Aborigines".

The Nigerian student said there was a widespread belief in his country that the last Australian Aborigine died last year.

The student who brought this news is one of three Nigerian university students making a tour of Australian university centres. His name is Rosaq Solaja.

Interviewed by the *Armidale Express* after he and his compatriots visited the Aboriginal reserve at East Armidale, Mr. Solaja said that when he returned to Nigeria he would try to correct this mistaken view.

Mr. Solaja said the Armidale reserve was better than the one at La Perouse, but he did not think it was what it should be—a staging place where the Aborigines lived