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The ball hits No. 4's foot and rolls away.

He may recover it but not dribble.

He may pass.

Pr - watch the footwork !!  
basketball ... d

**WOMENS:** due to the pictures being shown on Monday night basketball was off.

**NEXT WEEKS DRAW:** (as for last week)

- Game 1: Red plays Pinks, umpires Tim Darcy & Eddy.
- Game 2: Red plays Yellow, umpires Jimmy Pascoe & Jimmy Glulmina.

**OFFICIALS:**

Noel Soutter ; Ian Cuthbert.

Marg N.

Today is Monday 2nd July 1973 - by Noel

On Saturday we had rock and roll music at the new town ~~in~~ hall and some people were rock and rolling. Every people were looking at us. And the men had rock and roll guitars and the drummer was rock man. They are good singers, also they are teenage boys. And we said thankyou. But they sang more and more also we was twisting more. On ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Sunday they went back to Roper River also they win a prize of a hundred moneys.

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by Marjorie Barmbaulba

On Saturday we went to town hall and we were dancing at the town hall. The Roper River Band made us dance and we thanked them for giving us 100 dollars. Yesterday they went back to Roper River.

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Today is Monday 2nd July 1973 by Florence Jinminabia

On Saturday all the school children and men and women went to the new hall. The little girls and boys were dancing with big boys and girls. Then we saw Valdas father who was dancing with MrStutchbury. Then after that they had drinks then they started dancing. Then all the men and women and girls and boys went home.

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A story my father told me by Terry Gandadda

Today is Monday 2nd July 1973.

Long ago there lived a family of six. One day a man made a fish trap, then two days later he said to his sons "come here and you will try it." Then they did it and they went inside the fish trap and he took them to the river called comider and he threw them into the river and they drowned and they turned into a big rock. Then he went back to a little hut, but then two women asked him "where are our sons", and the man said "I don't know, where did they?" "I think they took a walk to the river to drink some water." One of the women said "we will go and find them" Later the two women came back and got some paper bark and they got two sticks and rubbed them and they had a little flame and when they went bush they saw a man sleeping. When he was sleeping they burnt the hut down the man died.

Now about the New Hall and dance.

Name. Ronnie Hanking.

Grade 6

It was very good to have men from Roberto put on a show. everybody liked the band even the old man and women. nearly everyone danced. Solomon, Daniel Kevin Rogers, Don Thompson, Freddie Harrison, Arthur Bingle they played very good & especially the lead guitar and the drummer did a good job and some girls were dancing on top..

Ronnie Hanking.

Name. Jecda Smith.

Grade 6

Last Saturday Mr. Harry Giese opened the new Hall. And all the boys & girls were happy they run around the hall. And on Saturday all the Roper boys came they bought drums and electric guitar and some other thing. everybody enjoy it some white peoples were dancing too. Mr. Uibo and Mrs Uibo were dancing. Jack Riley and Ron Thompson were good dancers and also bigger boys from scout hall. Those boys are the names from Roper River Solomon Danies Kevin Rogers Don Thompson Freddie Harrison Arthur Bingle. They were lovely boys some girls had Roper boys girlfriend. Men and women were watching us dancing. Men pay 50 c. and women 20c. and children 10c. Everybody in the hall were dancing. Mrs. Rob and the other women were dancing. Mr. Silas Roberts was opening the New Hall. When we finished our dancing were all sat down and Arthur Bingle won he was a good drummer in the world they gave him money because they were trying hard some other Roper boys, they shared the money and on Sunday they all gone.

Jecda Smith.

Name Ben Pascoe.

Grade 6.

On Friday Mr. Giese came at the New Town Hall. And he made a speech of the New Town Hall. It was a long speech and it made me headache. When he finish we had a lookaround. It was clean but after it was dirty. Then we had the Rock and Roll Band. The Rock and Roll Band was good. All the kids and everyone danced and danced. It was a lovely time. We had it all night.

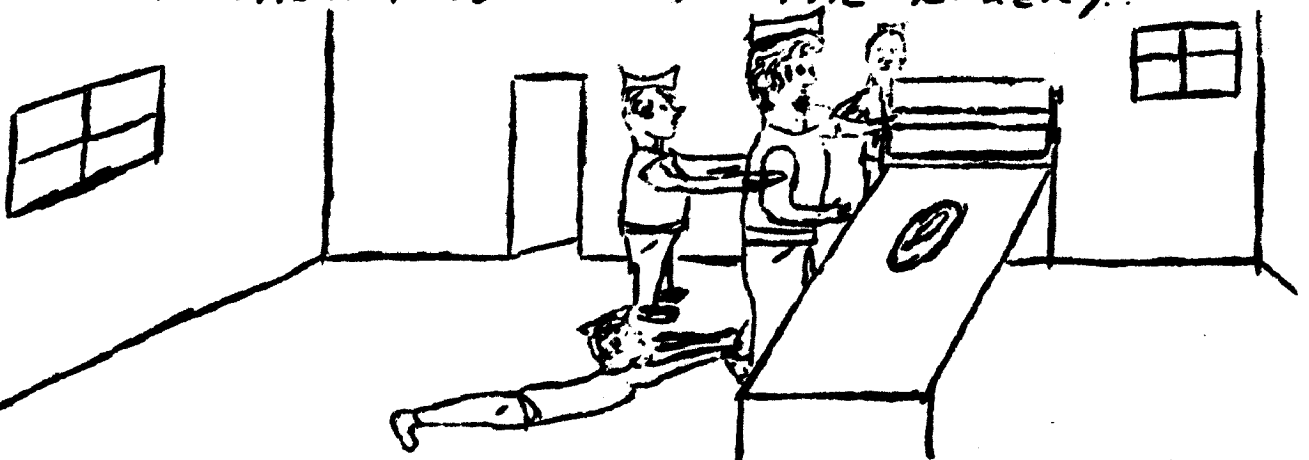
Ben Pascoe.

### LATE NEWS.

Owing to unforeseen delays we will not be able to publish any extracts from the diary found in the Forestry office. The reproduction board of the National Archives has failed us again.

Stout Woodchuck William Hilliger Esq. plus one other are to arrive on the 11th. to do survey work in the Blythe area. They are expected to remain for about 3 weeks.

### "MINCEMEAT PRODUCTION AT THE BAKERY."



J.F.C.

### WOODLANDS JOTTINGS

With the cold wet weather we are having lately the sawmill has once again gone into full swing. Firewood production has jumped considerably and now has topped the total of all other sawn timber.

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Peter Cooke has taken up residence at the ex-Fisheries house and has been named as Admiral of the Forestry Fleet. We have one boat with two(2) sets of oars and The Admiral would like someone to assist him with rowing as he is experiencing some difficulty in extracting the full power potential from the craft. The oarsmen can gain promotion to the rank of Captain within a short period. Excellent living quarters are provided under the Admirals back steps and dining facilities are of course superb as the Admirals bin is refilled every day.

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The Environment section of the Forestry Fisheries Wildlife Environment and National Parks Dept has at last struck a blow. A large tree hurled itself onto John Carpenters vehicle as apparently John had just spun the toyotas wheels without due cause and naturally had to pay the penalty for this unwanted disturbance of the soil profile.

Eutomology lectures will be given in the forestry office in the near future. A recent inspection of the rear wall of the office revealed 17 spiders living quite happily amongst the picturesque setting of dust and dirty louvres.

The forestry office complex is a very good example of how man can develop or build in an area without unnecessarily ruining the ecological balance; apart from insects and mice ~~and~~ many types of mould can be found on ccockery and cutlery in this setting and care should be taken not to disturb it too much during coffee breaks.

### RADIO MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

" If you cannot read our transmission this morning please ring us on the telephone at 9.30am"

### RAMBLINGS

Prof. Harry Messel and his merry band have established a camp on the Liverpool River near the crossing. They captured and later lost a 17foot crocodile this week and also have found slides of some crocodiles that they estimate as being around 20 feet long.

John Reister, Frank Phillips and myself carted some petrol to them on Friday in our tiptruck. I was able to go out counting crocodiles with some of the crew that night which turned out to be really interesting. We sighted about 15 and caught and later released two small 3 foot crocodiles.

### OCEAN CRUISING

Novelty cruises are now available at 8am Sundays on Charlies yacht. Destination and return times are not available as unforeseen circumstances and poor seamanship continually disrupt



EDITORS    STORY.

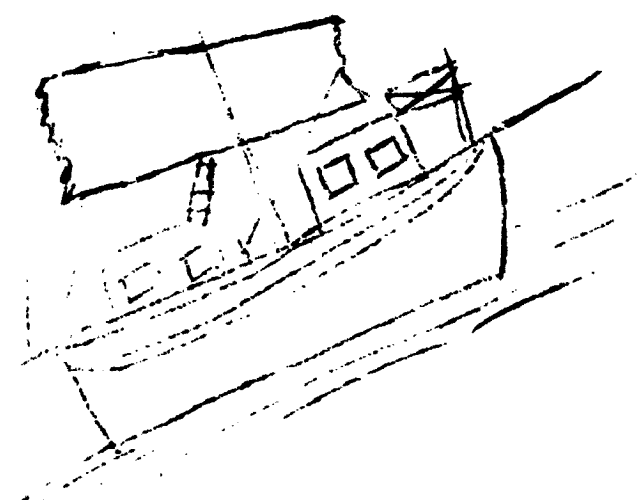
Navy at Blyth.

The white men (monanga) had left their strong guns (marryang) behind in the boat (Mitjiyang). The monanga balanda had also explained that why they had come and where they were going. But Burada people said to each other, 'Who are these people (yol) ? Are they devil-devil (merre)? We dont know. The white man answered the anbara anbara people. What they know about them.

They gave the white men food and water and showed them their spears (djarak), axes (bintjara), fighting sticks (balatja nullanulla) and many other things that the anbara people were making.

While they were there, the white men showed the anbara tribe how to make a better wooden dugout canoe called 'Lipalipa', ones that could paddle out to sea.

They also showed them how to use a wooden ~~spoon~~ harpoon to catch salt water turtle (gariwa) and crocidiles (mandigingo). As the anbara people were making the diamu song (nalgari) the white men then wanted to buy the cockle shells



(please note: all words in inverted commas are Jinang words)

Story by Jack Miritji.

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LATE LATE NEWS.

NEXT WEEK WE SHALL BE PUBLISHING A LETTER FROM DAVID GULPILIL. BOTH ABORIGINALS AND EUROPEANS WILL FIND IT VERY INTERESTING.

Agony Column.

Dear Auntie Mary,

I am a single girl and can find no company suitable for me in Maningrida. What should I do?

(Signed) Worried Grey Eyes of M'grida.

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Dear Grey Eyes,

Worry.

(Signed Auntie Mary.

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Dear Auntie Mary,

what should I do, my girlfriend can't stand the sight of me?

(signed) Rejected of Maningrida.

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Dear Rejected,

hard bloody luck.

(signed) Auntie Mary.

~~Dear anon. Baker of Maningrida. Your problem can be cured. Please send a plain white envelope for answer.~~

SCOOP ! SCOOP !

The accident that has befallen John Carpenters dog is too bizarre to relate in this august journal.

MONEY

Gordon Sweeney School Maningrida. I was worked for many years here Maningrida school about nine years ago. but I still in \$60 dollars yet for many years. that what I always get pay for school work many years. some Teaching Assistants they always get pay more money more than me. Bobby Smith he get pay last week about \$78 dollars from school work. this man from second Teaching Assistant he beat me for the price. but I m first man Teaching Assistant I should get more money than them. but where is my new price now. I still in \$60 dollars yet for many years. but I always thinking maybe you want change my new price. that you balandas people thinking going to give me more money next week. if not I will get pay some price okay. thank you very much for you money let me see it my new price next week. from the school work. because Im doing here Maningrida school twice Teaching and Traditional jobs at the resource centre. helping with Mr.J.Pascoe and Mr.D.Hassall.

.. Mr.G.Richard Garawun.

Y Y.M.C.A. 'T' SHIRTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM PETER PINDER  
INCLUDED IN THE PRICE IS MEMBERSHIP OF THE Y.M.C.A.

The Y.M.C.A. in Maningrida will present itself in many different ways in different circumstances and in a different culture. Its programme of community service extends to where the felt need exists.

For instance the Y in Maningrida will be unique in more ways than one as it will have amongst its committee on Management some women members to advise the Y staff on a programme for the women of the community. Also where Y.M.C.A.'s elsewhere exclude the very young, the Y.M.C.A. here includes the Primary children by having a worthwhile recreational programme for them after school.

to the Y ideal of community service it will maintain cooperative working relationships with homes, the church, the school and other community organizations. The Y will operate where it is needed - amongst the children, the young teenagers, the young adults, the adults through Recreational Programmes, Athletics, Hobby shops and Guidance Programmes.

The centre of the operation is at the Maningrida

Town Hall.

Interview with sawmill manager:

"Eddy, what news from the mill?"  
"+\$'\$\$" all,"

WEATHER    REPORT

Rainfall for the last week = 11 points  
Total June rainfall            = 410 points  
Total since Jan 1st. = 4439 points

DUTY SISTER    Sr. Marc

PICTURES :    Rosie  
                  The Texan

DUTY OFFICER: Bert Ryan

BOOK REVIEW:

"The olde Curiosity Shoppe"  
by Charles Dickens

Synopsis:

Poor Little Nell,  
but then who could tell?  
The silly bitch  
was far from well.

The worst book ever written by this author do not buy it.

WANTED.

Competant crew members for yacht, must be keen and fit.  
Ability to swim an asset. Willing to train suitable applicant.

IN NEXT WEEKS EXCITING EDITION OF THE MIRAGE

"Why I became a school teacher" by Judy Le Cheminant (in 43 instalments)  
"Welfare Dept. The reason why" by John Gardiner (12 word essay)  
"Report on the basketballers visit to Darwin" by G.Pascòe  
"How to eat more and stay slim" by B.Neale

CRICKET MATCH AT THE MCG  
SATURDAY 7th.JULY

Play commences at 1.30pm sharp. Teams to be picked 1.15pm  
before play starts.  
Everyone welcome spectators included.

Bar B,Q to be held at the Berrymans residence after the match  
beginning at 7.30pm. Liquid refreshments are all that is required  
of you to bring.

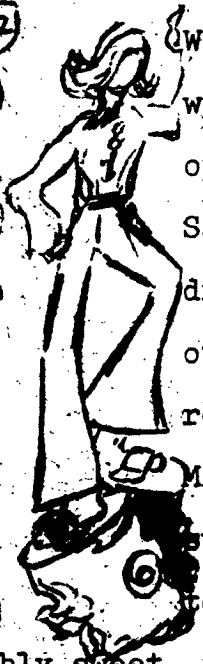
R.B. & T.C.

FOUND

ONE HONDA MOTORBIKE KEY ATTACHED TO KEY RING -  
owner please call at Welfare office - anytime.



PEOPLES AND PLACES



Well Darlings here we are again on this wonderful, wonderful evening, at the opening of this town hall.

Saw a tall slim homely girl casually dressed in a "Kraft" cheese donated outfit, and accompanied by a blond replica.

Mingled amongst the guests saw a superannuated "Rikia" wearing a bloodshot top.



Looking absolutely adorably sweet, the three young sons of a well known educationalist mingled amongst the gay throng apparently looking for lodgings. Observed gaily dancing among a crowd of beautiful people a pure vision. Standing on five super feet of timber, and dressed in sea blue slacks and yolky top; one of the most oicm sights of the whole fab evening. Looking so enviably casual with her simple but effective dress of surplus orange hessian, one of our overseas visitors was perfectly stunning.

And now my dears, Well! I don't mean to be a well - catty. but did you see that couple. The lady in gold threaded dress and the man ? Oh! My darlings; the man. A tie. How terribly "outrere".



Something you dare not miss . . . .

THE AERIAL MISSIONS EVANGELISTIC TEAM FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA VISITS MANINGRIDA.

This Mission Visit is for EVERYBODY ... Aborigines and Europeans, young and old, men and women and families.

The purpose of the Mission is to present to the entire community of Maningrida in direct and challenging terms, the fact and the challenge of the message of the Gospel to our situation today, and help you to plan future advance.

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YOU ARE ALL CORDIALLY INVITED AND WELCOME TO JOIN US, AND YOU WILL NEVER REGRET THIS OPPORTUNITY OF TOGETHERNESS.  
THE MEETING PROGRAMME.

WEDNESDAY 11th. JULY ...

7pm - 8pm Greeting and meeting people in the church, camps and homes.

THURSDAY 12th. JULY ...

8am - 12 noon Visiting to the camps and outstationed camps.

2.30 - 3.30 pm All school children will meet together in the Recreation Hall and the team will conduct this meeting. Anyone who would like to attend this gathering is quite welcome.

6pm - 7pm. Family tea for everybody around a big fire at the playground. Everybody is invited to come and join. Bring your own tea from home or hasty-tasty. There will be some musical entertainments and maybe items from people of Maningrida before we have to hear the special message from the Evangelistic Team. 7.30pm The main open air Service will be conducted at this time.

### COMMUNITY HALL

The Community Hall was officially opened by the Assistant Administrator Mr. H.C.Giese M.B.E. last Friday 29/6/73. Our appreciation to all who assisted to make the weekend the success we believe it was, particularly Mr. and Mrs. Pinder of the Y.M.C.A. and the Roper River Band.

### THE HISTORY OF THE HALL:

The Progress Association built the hall and has a lease over 5 acres of surrounding land for eventual improvements and beautification; finance was made available - \$55,000 grant from the A.B.T.F. and \$15,000 from Association funds (\$70,000 total). Building time was 18 months. Architect Mr.P.Dermoudy.

### THE FUTURE:

It is our hope that maximum use will be made of the Hall. The Y.M.C.A. will centre their activities there and pictures will be shown within the hall. Any organisation is welcome to use it and apart from pictures and special events, no charges will be made.

The A.B.T.F. have approved a grant to furnish the hall. At this point in time 270 chairs have been ordered, screen, projection equipment, display refrigerator, roll up front for kiosk etc etc.

In association with the Y.M.C.A. a detailed list of sporting equipment is being collated and will be ordered in due course.

A caretaker has been appointed - Mr. Johnny Naliva- and his salary will be paid from Hall income. The Progress Association does not require any profit from use of the Hall and any income will be reinvested in improvements.

IT<sup>N</sup> IS YOUR HALL

USE IT

DON'T ABUSE IT

...G.Bagshaw

" Stories from Mrs. Neales senior general stream class about the opening of the new Town Hall plus one other story."

Today is Monday 2nd July 2/7/73 - by Ivy Jinbarbup.

On Saturday we went to new hall and there was Roper River rock band and there was art pictures all around in the new hall. And you know its good. Sunday Roper River boys going back to Roper Rive.

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Today is Monday 2 July 1973 2/7/73 - by Mike

On Saturday all the Roper men came to Maningrida. They played rock'n roll music and I was dancing and some other people were rolling and dancing. The old men had a drink at the twon hall. I saw Mr Neale were dancing and I went to get Peter and Terry and Noel and then I went awatsat and I saw Terry and he said to me Ha you why a your growing Im gowing to Trwn hall of dancing and The End

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Today is Monday 2nd July 1973 - by Raymond Roberts

On Friday we had a opening day. When we went in it looked good. On Saturday night we had a rock in Roll with the Roper River Band and we had good fun. Yesterday Roper River Band went back. On Friday we saw pictures and it was good.

Thats all Folks.

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Today is Monday 3rd July 1973 - by Lennie Guya-aitta

On Saturday all the Roper River band were singing at the town hall and we had good fun at the new town hall. Annette. Gwennie and I were twisting. And also all the women and men. I like Roper River Band also the white man, all thw white ladies and the teachers. They were all dancing too. I saw Mr Cooke twisting. I like to see singing and dancing. On Sunday they went back to Roper River.

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-by Tammy Majalanger

On Saturday night Roper River men were singing at the new town hall and everybody came and joying dancing and when we finish dancing They won 100 Dollars, Some of the people dancing were Mrs Neake and Mr Neale Mr and Mrs Mahan, Mr Jim and Mr Stutchbury.

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Today is Monday 2nd July 1973 - by Anette Bengarra

On Friday it was hall opening. We put all the art things at the townhall. On Friday Mr Giese came from Darwin. On Satmzday all the boys from Roper River came too. They had a lot of things. We had rock band, we had good fun. Everybody was dancing. Mr Cox and Mrs Cox were dancing too. Mr Jim was dancing and Charlie and Mrs Neale were dancing. Mr Giese saw lot of things from the art. Yesterday all the Roper River boys went back. Their plane came earlt in the morning. They allwent back to Roper River. On Satnrday they played basketball. yellow and pink with YMCA.

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