

2, Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

5th January, 1956.

Dear Mr. Merkelijn,

Thank you so much for your kind letter on my retirement from the Commission service. I am myself sorry to go in a way yet I feel that seven years is more than any man should stop in the one job: after that he ceases to make an original and effective contribution.

And thank you also for sending me the Christmas issue of "Triton". I have been greatly impressed by the excellent production of this magazine - for quality it has no equal in any other part of the Pacific Islands - but it must be difficult to keep the numbers topical if they have to be printed in Holland and sent out by sea mail. And the price would be felt a bit high in many parts of the islands.

What hurts me far more than leaving the Commission myself is the break up of the social development organization which has been built up so laboriously over the years. This must mean, I think, the virtual end of all our plans for providing effective technical information and services for the territories. But I see no option now that the section (except the Literature Bureau) is to be removed to Noumea (with its three planes a month). So everyone in the section has to leave, including Helen Sheils and Nancy Phelan, and all their experience is to be wasted.

I hope to see you at the South Pacific Conference in Suva, as it seems possible that I shall be there on behalf of the Commission.

With our very best wishes for your future success.

Very sincerely yours,



H.E. Maude

Mr. P.J. Merkelijn,
Alternate Commissioner for the Netherlands
to the South Pacific Commission,
Public Relations Office,
HOLLANDIA, Netherlands New Guinea.

Hollandia, 9 December
1955.

Dear Mr Maude,

I was extremely sorry to hear that you have decided to leave the Commission. I recall very vividly the stimulating and very expert advice you were always able to give, the very good workers you gathered around you and the great productivity of your section. Your work has meant concrete and positive help for simple workers in our territory.

I do hope, that sometime Kainepo, Inuri and I may have the honour to meet and see you again, that you will not be too far away when we pass through Sydney for the conference next year.

Please accept this Christmas copy of Triton, the idea for which was born during discussions at Noumea, as a means to wish you a good Christmas, a blessed New Year and as a modest souvenir to express our gratitude.

Will you please pay my regards to Mrs Maude.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Yours sincerely,

Peter.

Peter J. Merkle
Hollandia.

2, Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

9th January, 1956.

Dear Eyre,

The necklaces of flowers that tourists get put round their necks at Honolulu are indeed known as "leis", from the Hawaiian word "lei" - a necklace, or wreath of green leaves or flowers. In fact, like other local words - "kanaka", "luau", "taro" - the use of the word "lei" has spread from Hawaii to most parts of the Pacific: it is at least the general term used by Europeans.

However, the correct word for a wreath or garland of flowers in Tahitian is "hei" (see Tregear "Maori-Polynesian Comparative Dictionary", p.59). It could not very well be "lei" in any case, as there is no "l" in Tahitian; but actually "lei" and "hei" are not apparently related words.

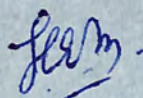
Teuira Henry in his "Ancient Tahiti" (p.286) speaks of "headdresses called 'taupo'o' (cap or hat), 'hei' (wreath), and 'taumi-upoo' (turban)", and there are many other references to be found.

The South Sea Gardenia is commonly known as the "Tiare Tahiti". "Tiare" is strictly speaking the Tahitian name of the single-petaled Gardenia - see Teuira Henry, p.287 - but is nowadays used for all Gardenias. I can't think why your author called it "tiara". "Tiale" is the Samoan form of the same word (Hawaiian "kiale"), the reason being that Tahitian and Samoan have a "t" where Hawaiian has a "k", whereas Tahitian has an "r" where both Samoan and Hawaiian have a "l". Peter Buck told me that once you know one Polynesian dialect and the rules for inter-consonantal change you can get by in any part of Polynesia: certainly he did.

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I have no objection to your sending me as many queries as you like, mss. for readers reports or books for review, etc., for I am a gentleman of leisure now; and occupied only with my own Pacific studies. Later on in the year I may be joining the National University as a Research Fellow in Pacific Islands history.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'H.E. Maude', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

H.E. Maude

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Dear Maude,

Many thanks for your letter of 23 December, from which I am interested to learn that another manuscript is on its way to us.

I wonder if you could spare a moment from your last few hours of office to help me over two small detail queries?

1. You know the things they hang round your neck in Hawaii, Samoa, and elsewhere? I have always heard these described as "leis", but we have a manuscript describing in particular the Society Islands (with special reference to Tahiti) in which they are referred to as "heis". Can you confirm whether this is correct?
2. The same author refers to the South Sea gardenia as the "Tiarā-Tahiti". According to the Herbarium "Tiale" is more likely. Can you help?

I realize that this sort of detail point is probably much more difficult to answer than something on a rather higher scholastic level - that is why publishers always find them so difficult! - but possibly someone in your office may know the answer, and if so we would be very grateful for any help you can give us.

Your news was rather a shock, though one had, of course, heard rumours of it. I do hope you have contrived something both satisfying and enjoyable to do, for I cannot imagine you completely relinquishing your interests in the Pacific.

All good wishes from us both,

Yours sincerely,

Frank Eyre

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2, Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.
Australia.

11th January, 1956.

Dear Cummings,

Yes, I have left the Commission, and largely for the reasons you set out so clearly in your last letter. There comes a time when one can no longer take easily the complacency of such organizations and the vast expenditure of public money with such little result.

At each Session there is a long round of drink parties, mostly at the expense of the tax-payer, with complimentary speeches on the Commission's activities: yet there is not a single native of the Pacific invited, and actually not one on the staff.

If the Commission was willing to tackle some of the really pressing problems in the islands - such as alcohol control and land tenure - I believe that it could be a force, but as it is it is really becoming confined to research and advice on a few technical problems relating to agriculture and health.

I felt very deeply your kind offer to join me in any island work I may be undertaking in the future: I should certainly like nothing better. As it is, however, I shall be engaged in writing work for some time to come, as far as I can see, but I will keep in touch with you from time to time and hope that you will do the same.

I cannot understand why the Tongan Administration persists in employing such a number of low grade Europeans,

J. Cummings, Esq.,
c/o Bank of New South Wales,
SUVA, Fiji.

when apparently there are Tongans now ready for the jobs. In my reorganization report on the Tongan service I recommended that Tongans should be trained abroad to take over all posts in the Government and that they should supersede the semi-literate European type of employee at the earliest possible date. And fifteen years have passed since then.

Best wishes for a successful 1956.

Yours ever,

Lee M.

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c/o Bank of New South Wales

Suva.

FIJI.

Oct. 8. 1955

Dear Maude.

It was a great pleasure to me to get your letter, and I am not at all surprised to hear that you had no success in your efforts to control the addiction to "booze" of the people in the islands. I quite believe that the delegates themselves have no interest in such a control, as they are usually chiefs or nobles of the respective groups of islands, and are as you well know the greatest offenders. If something is not done, the result to all natives, mentally and physically, is incalculable in so many ways. One only needs to pass the various bars in Suva, and remark the brawling fighting and shouting, to appreciate the rapid deterioration of the Fijian, compared to fifteen years ago.

No doubt you have heard of the crime wave in Fiji. Nearly all the Fijians responsible are men returned from Malay. Bishop Kempthorne's house was broken into, whilst the bishop was making one of his periodical tours around the islands. I was talking to Mrs Kempthorne, who told me all about the outrage. The man stole money, but the worst feature was the fact that he wanted sex connection with her, which fortunately did not happen. There was also a Mrs Sims who was badly beaten up on the face and head. The house of the Chief Justice was also broken into, also two other houses were broken into when the women were alone. Money was stolen, but the women were not harmed. There have been many other cases, and such crimes continue regularly.

I came to Tonga, and stayed about six months from February. When I returned to Fiji after being absent for six months, it was very noticeable to me the changed general attitude of the Fijians towards the white man. Formerly, as you know, the Fijian gave one a pleasant smile. Now it is a scowl, and no attempt of common courtesy given on the side walk. Very white people are seen on the streets in the evening. I am told by most reliable Fijians that the Fijian soldiers were told by the Malays and Chinese that they were not wanted in Malay, and that they were not fighting for the freedom of the Malays, but for the freedom of the English vested interests in rubber and tin. I spent a long time in Malay, as you may remember, and I am afraid this is true. I have seen the coolies on the rubber estates housed more like animals than human beings. Perhaps you will not agree with me on this point, but it is true.

The permit system in Fiji is a farce, as any Fijian or Indian who has not a permit needs only to give money to a friend who has a permit and get all he wishes. I think that the best remedy is to make the price of liquor (whiskey in a bar in Suva 30/- per bottle) about three times that at present, or about 90/- a bottle, with every kind of liquor priced in proportion. The government and the importer, who do not give a damn for the welfare of the native, would still make enough "rake off". The Fiji government could easily do something in the matter, and also the missionary "racket". I am truly sorry for the poor Fijian, who is (except the young ones) a most loveable character. As a Fijian told me they are held down by government officialdom and their own chiefs, but the chief is slowly but surely losing his control of the people, and well they know it, whilst the Indian surges ahead. England appears to be afraid of offending Nehru, with the result that the Indian in cunning and cleverness

and hard work is rapidly assuming control of Fiji, and I guess that in another ten years they will control and own everything. Nearly every bit of household property is bought up by the Indians, whether it be a town house or farming land. I have little love for the Fiji Indian, but at the same time I know many Mohammedans who are very kind and hospitable. There was a big meeting in the Lilac theatre a few weeks ago, when influential Indians passed resolutions for a change in the method of government, that is to say more elected members, and less nominated. The Indians are very clever in the manner in which they are fraternising with both sexes Fijian, and undoubtedly making propoganda which will only lead to what is happening in other English and French colonies. I think that you would be amazed if you could meet some of the new type of Colonial Servants. They are terrible creatures, arrogant, intolerable, lacking in gentlemanly instincts and in no way worthy of administrative power. One arrived about two years ago, only a boy. In a very short he was going ^{around} the Lau islands holding court on the Fijian. What on earth can such a man know of the mentality of the Fijian, and their customs, without which knowledge no man is able to assess the crime of a native and give sound judgment. Forty years ago when I was in Malay, there were DO's and DC's, who were men of ability, courage, resource and initiative, now they are only a key in the typewriter of Whitehall, who have to be pampered with loans to buy a car, a frigidaire, and a personal loan if they are hard up, a disgraceful state of affairs, and an insult to humanity.

I came back to Tonga on Sep 19th, to fill in some time before maybe going back to the Lau, or India. Still more white men arrive to fill the government jobs, but a poor type of white man, a very very second rater. Some of the appointments are really ludicrous. A man called Apon, a Dutchman was sent to Suva to be instructed in Inland Revenue, Income Tax etc. On his return to Nukualofa, he was made Postmaster, and another white man who knew damn all about taxation, was made head of the Inland Revenue dept. A man who was supervising a Fijian gang on a drilling machine at Vatukoula, was imported and made Farm Manager on Tongatabu. Here is the best of all however. An American landscape artist who has been in Tonga for about nine has just recently been made "Marketing Officer". He is accompanied by a most objectionable English wife. He is a man about sixty, and also has worked in a Museum in U S A , where I think he met his wife where she appears to have worked. She is what we call in Canada, an accomplished "suck hole", and has applied these methods to the so-called nobles in Tonga.

Naturally the Tongan commoner gets very mad about these silly appointments, particularly those whose parents have gone to considerable expense in having them trained in some vocation. One I am told is a fully qualified doctor, another has I believe a "Bachelor of Commerce", who would no doubt have made a good Marketing Officer. Another has a certificate of Accountancy, although I am told that none of the white men employed in the Treasury have such sign of proficiency. Tugi has wonderful ideas since his world tour, but none are suitable to Tonga. If, for example, he would concentrate on growing vanilla at Vavau, and coffee in suitable places he could easily find a market, but he tells the Tongans about the wonderful possibilities of exporting such things as mats, baskets and tapa, the selling price of which in Honolulu or U S A in no way indicates a lucrative proposition for the Tongan, who only make such things when they feel like it. Some of Tugi's ideas are absolutely absurd and ludicrous.

I recently read a report in one of your South Pacific Commission periodicals of a reclamation scheme in Tongatabu , by the Dir of Agriculture(?) called Straatsman. He did not report however the practical

results. Rice was planted on the area reclaimed. It all died, and to-day there is no sign of any rice. The land was not built high enough above the sea water "water table". I think that I am right in saying that such land should be built at least three feet above high water level. The land reclaimed in Tonga was by no means of such elevation. I could tell you some most amusing things about the manipulations of the powers that be in Tonga. As in Fiji (the chiefs) the nobles (exclusive of the Royal family) are invariably heavy boozers.

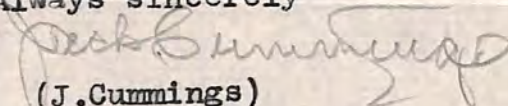
I met Vaskess a short time ago when he told me that you were leaving the South Pacific Commission, as least he had heard so. I hope that the story is true, as I cannot see what the Commission has done, except a few negligible things, for the uplift of the indigenous people. You love these people as I do, therefore why do you not come here as consul and agent, and advise the Queen in a sensible way for the future good of her people.

If you have other plans in view for the benefit of the native people, and can take me with you, on the smallest salary, I would be delighted to work for you and the welfare of the island people. I do hope that, whatever you do, or wherever you go, you will keep in touch with me. In general I do not like the south country Englishman, but for you I have not only a great liking but a respect that I rarely give to anyone, as few people these days are worthy of inspiring such a feeling in my heart.

I will shut up now, with my best regards to your very admirable wife, whom I never knew very well, but due to my wandering life I consider myself a damned good judge of men and sometimes of women.

For yourself I wish you the very best of everything.

Always sincerely


(J. Cummings)

P.S.

There is no woman for whom I have a higher respect and admiration than Queen Salote. If she were the queen of all the Polynesian people in the Pacific, with a representative parliament from the respective groups, proportionally represented, a very few white experts, particularly in commerce and outside trade, there would be no fear of revolt and the people would all be happy. I would suggest however that none of those white men were of the English Colonial Service, and that they would undertake to train the native people in the various branches of administration, and so later be dispensed with, as the Japanese did with the foreigners who built the Japanese railroads.

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PERSONAL

11th July, 1955.

Dear Cummings,

This is just a note to say that I did what I could to get the question of liquor control taken up by the Research Council, and in fact wrote a paper on it for the Meeting which ended last week.

Everyone was sympathetic and all recognized the problem but after a long discussion it did not seem that the Commission, as a technical research and advisory body, could do much to assist. The Medical Research people could, of course, make a study of addiction and tolerance, or even of curative measures, but from a medical standpoint liquor addiction would seem to be a world rather than a regional problem. This Section could, as I suggested, make a survey of legislative control measures for the information of territorial Governments, but it was generally felt that such information was readily accessible to them.

After listening to the delegates it really did seem that the whole question of liquor control in the South Pacific is essentially a territorial Government problem, which each administration must face up to according to their local circumstances. In the South Pacific we have every form of liquor control from absolute prohibition to virtually no restriction at all: each Government has its own definite views and I do not think it is likely that any would call us in for technical advice. And if they did what criteria is one to go on in giving it?

Sorry that I failed, but I thought that I ought to let you know that I did at least try.

J. Cummings, Esq.,
c/o Bank of New South Wales,
SUVA, Fiji.

It must be nice to be staying in Tonga, but I am sorry to hear that the Government is employing even more Europeans than in my time. As you say, I strongly recommended to the Queen that Tongans should be trained to take over all positions in their own Civil Service, rather than employing a rather low grade of European who did not always have a real interest in the country.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

J. M.

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FIJI.

Personal
letter to
Cecilia
11/7/55.

April. 14. 1955.

Dear Maude.

It gave me very great pleasure to at last receive a letter from you. I could not understand why you had never replied to my last letter, and came to the conclusion that for some reason or other I had lost a friend for whom I have a great respect. I wish I had known that you were going to England on Leave, and I would have asked you to get in touch with my life long friend Lord Armstrong, who was for many years in Canada before he inherited the title. He has been a man of the world and I am sure that you would thoroughly enjoyed talking to him.

I am glad that you appreciate the terrible ravage that booze is causing in the Pacific islands. You have the spot when you say "political and social progress may well be hindered, if not rendered impossible, by drink". I was in the LAU over New Year and Xmas, as I could imagine what would happen in Suva over the festivities. On my return to Suva, I was told by friends of mine that Xmas day was absolute hell. The Fijians, I am told, celebrated the birth of Christ with the worst carousal in the history of the town, drunkenness, fighting, and general hell in every way. After talking with several friends I am sure that what I was told is authentic.

Before I forget, I want to comment on another remark that occurs in your letter. "I am surprised that the problems you mention have not been brought up by some of the delegates". I think the answer to that is that the delegates themselves, with perhaps the exception of Tugi, are too fond of booze to create a feeling which might have good results by depriving them of their ration. As I have remarked to you many times, 90% of the shortcomings of the islanders, as also the other coloured people where the white man has exploited, are entirely due to the bad influence of the white man, and mostly rotten materialists at that. My opinion is based on wide experience in coloured countries, not second hand in my work and travels in Ceylon, Malaya, China, Japan, Tahiti, New Caledonia, Fiji, Tonga, Cook Ialnds, and many other countries.. The same exploitation of the coloured people, but with more ruthlessness, the mailed fist of commercialism, has cast aside the velvet glove, and the poor Fijian is lost beyond redemption. Even Fijians have remarked that the Fijian is going backward, not forwards.

As you well know I am no saint, and have lived very intimately with the people of the islands, and it takes a very great lot to disgust me, but I am extremely disgusted with Fiji, particularly in the way that the lovable Fijian is rapidly going to hell with booze. If you have any trusted friend in Fiji, in whom you have absolute confidence, ask him if I am telling you the truth. I have seen more disgusting behaviour, drunkenness etc in Fiji during my short experience of a few years than I saw in Tahiti during 13 years of residence there. One Fijian told me "I know that booze is ruining my people, but once we have felt the effect, we want to get it again, and it is so easy to buy". I have had many such expressions. Nobody seems to care a damn for what is now happening, not even the missionaries, who still carry on with the same old lip service, ritual and useless ecclestical formulae, which will never do a cent of good. The native sees a white man drunk at dances and parties, also women, who are supposed Christians, and he naturally thinks that

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he too can be a Christian in the same way. Fiji makes a lot of money in customs duties, and the commercial man and publican reaps a colossal profit so who in hell cares. Thank God that Canada is one country where Drink is not the alpha and omega of every endeavour, and the liquor laws of my country would be better if applied in the Pacific islands, only with tighter restrictions, but as you well know, there would be practically no support from white people in general to restrict the sale, or even the prohibition of the same. It is too late now, and the further the curse penetrates, the more is there a likelihood of revolt amongst the coloured people. I do wish that I could talk to you, as there are many things I could tell you, which I do not want to put on paper.

These island people are condemned unjustly, for what is called moral laxity, which is all bunkum. They obey a God given impulse, and there is not seen amongst them the nervous wrecks (due to sex repression) which one sees to-day in our own white youth, although in fact there is more sex perversion amongst the white youth than in the islander. How can a people who can give such wonderful expression of their "joie de vivre" by song and dance, be fundamentally bad in any way? They do not give such expression for money like a bunch of white chorus girls, but show it by the exuberance of their souls. I know that, because I have lived with them. In fact the Tahitian woman with whom I lived for many years, was the finest woman of any colour I have ever met. The white man's scourge, T B, took her away. I am afraid I am rambling, but I am trying to express to you, as my thoughts come along, just what a love I have for these fine people, who even have to-day the "colour bar" thrown at them, and all other kinds of discrimination particularly in Fiji, and islands under British administration.

I am writing this letter in Tonga, where I am staying for awhile, and I know well, as I have been here on many occasions for long periods, that the Tongan very much dislikes the white man, on account of the New Zealander's attitude towards them, but unfortunately their standard of a white man is based on their dislike for that type of man, who is so much employed in the Tongan government. I was told by someone that you advised Queen Salote, when you were here, to let her own people administer their affairs. That was most sound advice, but the number of white men increases, and a very poor type of white men, who have no interest in the Tongan people., only their salary and leave.

You are in a good position to do something in the many problems, but I quite well know the impossibility of your task, you would be a voice crying in the wilderness, as you will find few to help you, even the delegates to the Conference, who only see in that Conference an excuse for a good time.

Another thing which interests me very much is the Indian question. This is very much worsened by propoganda, even by white men. In the outer islands like Lau, there is no animosity between the Fijian and the Indian. The few Indians there live quite harmoniously with the Fijians, and help them with credit until they have cut their copra. I have seen this myself. It is only in the towns of Viti Levu, particularly Suva (the worst town in the Pacific) where the flame of racial discrimination is fanned by foolish people, and one day there will be a terrible reckoning, probably with bloodshed, and my humble opinion is that the white people will bear the brunt. Remember that the Indian is very cunning and crafty, and is doing everything in his power to find favour with the Fijian, and is succeeding probably to a greater extent than the powers that be realise. There are many fine Indians in Fiji, they are not all of the Gugerati class, but many of them are men of culture ^{with} and perhaps a higher grade of intelligence

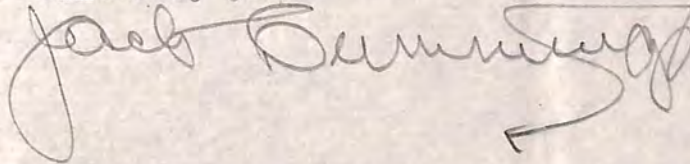
than most of the white men. As you well know, the higher caste of Indians have behind them a culture of three to four thousand years, and I firmly believe that, as in the past, some good man such as Christ, Buddha or Mohammad, will arise and put a little more spirituality into this chaotic world, and that man will come from the EAST not the WEST.

One other point I would like to raise with regard to the drinking propensities of Fiji, is that, as you know, unfortunately the chiefs are perhaps the greatest offenders, and no good example to their people. The Royal Family of Tonga, on the other hand, are non drinkers, and although the example is good, the result is not what could be wished.

I could write in this strain for hours, but I do not want to bore you, but I can assure that I wish only the welfare of a very fine island people, the best of all being the Tahitian, who is vastly maligned by sex craved white people who write about Tahiti from the point of view of Papeete, which is no worse, ~~and~~ in my opinion, than Suva.

May I close by asking you to give my very kind regards to your wife, who I must admit I know very slightly, but who to me possesses the very fine qualities of her father, Sir Carrick Robertson, a very fine man. For yourself, I wish you the best of everything, and may your efforts for the welfare of the island ^{people} meet with eventual success.

Sincerely yours



P.S.

The new type of Colonial servant, unlike those of forty years ago, seems to me entirely lacking in any interest in the native people, and only concerned in their pay, leave, and eventual pension. The men I knew in Malaya forty years ago were men of courage, resource and enterprise, and capable of making their own decisions. The new type have neither any positive thinking or positive action, and this has not a good affect on the native people. I do not want you to repeat what I have said in criticism, or there would be repercussions on me. I do wish that I could talk to you. I am still of the opinion that sound big capitalistic corporations such as I have worked for in the past, are the only solution in our materialistic world. The drones are kicked out, whilst the good men are encouraged by good treatment to make a success of an enterprise.

J.C.

17th February, 1955.

Dear Cummings,

I am sorry not to have replied before to your letter: it arrived here ages ago but I have been on long leave to England so it was held up in the office pending my return.

I quite agree with you that the increasing addiction to drink, which is daily becoming more apparent in the islands, is a most serious problem and one which the various administrations have got to face up to; and the sooner the better.

Programmes for economic advancement are of little use if the resultant increased income is only to be absorbed by an increased expenditure on alcohol, and thus lead to the ultimate deterioration of native morale. And by the same token political and social progress may well be hindered, if not rendered impossible, by drink.

I have in the past urged that the Commission should study and report on the problem of alcoholic addiction in the South Pacific and measures for dealing with the situation before it is too late, but so far without success; but I shall have another shot at the next Research Council meeting. As you know, the Commission is in no sense a super state or government and its powers are strictly advisory. I am surprised that the problems you mention have not been brought up by some of the delegates to the South Pacific Conference, for surely they must be in a good position to see the ill-effects of drink in their own islands.

You don't say what you are doing these days but I sincerely hope all goes well with you. Somehow I always felt that you would return to Tahiti sooner or later but apparently you have not done so yet for I see that your address is still Suva.

With best wishes and hoping to meet you again some day.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

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c/o Bank of New South Wales
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April. I. 1954.

Dear Maude.

I very often think of you with pleasant remembrances, and at the same time wonder if the South Pacific Commission is doing much real good for the people of the Pacific.

As you know I am no saint, but I regret so much to see how the drinking propensities of the native people is rapidly ruining their morale.

If you could only take a walk with me around the streets of Suva, pass the bars, and take note of the terrible uncontrolled boozing, which is substantiated by the court cases, the conditions of this awful curse would force upon you the necessity of something being done.

Neither the government nor the missionaries, appear to realise or care what happens to the people. Not only in Fiji but also in the other islands the same condition prevails.

Too much booze, as you well know, will break sooner or later the ability and moral fibre of any man, whatever his colour may be, and no man white or brown, who is continually soaking, can competently do his job.

Fundamentally it is all the fault of the white man, and soon it will be too late to help the native people.

How can the Fijian people be taught to govern, and supercede the white man in government, unless some means are taken to either stop the importation of liquor, or apply some form of prohibition, which I know is practically impossible. On pay day all the Fijian thinks about is to fill himself with booze.

The drinking in Tonga is undoubtedly due to the example of New Zealanders who fill the government jobs, and who care little for the indigenous people or their welfare.

I have spoken to many missionaries on this matter, but they appear to take no steps to remedy the plight of the natives, so long as they can be persuaded to go to church and consequently provide the funds to glorify some particular denomination, not for the glorification of God. To my mind, the mission, generally speaking, is just another racket on a competitive basis and by no means fulfilling the teachings of the Master. I feel sure that you will agree with me in this expression, although I do not want you to admit of it. No doubt you have read that very many white men are these days visiting a place in the foothills of the Himalayas, called Rishikesh where there is a Swami of the Yogis, who appears to be doing a tremendous lot of good in his work to establish the true teachings of ALL the masters, independent of the species of religious denomination. He was even visited by a famous Harley Street psychiatrist, who commended him very highly. I am no lover of the Fiji Indian, but it seems to me that the three or four thousand years of Indian culture may succeed in establishing a peace which our atomic scientists will never give. These latter especially in USA, are creating a hell, which if it continues, will lead us back to barbarism and brutality.

Well I will stop now

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Mr. H. E. Maude
Executive Officer for Social
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Social Development Section
Box 5254, G.P.O.
Sydney, N.S.W. Australia

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13/1/56 G.P.O. Box No. 2784Y

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netharby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

Dear Maude,

Many thanks for your most helpful letter of 9 January, which should certainly help our author.

I am very glad indeed to learn that you are willing to read and give us reports on new manuscripts, for which, now that you are a gentleman of leisure, we will of course pay our usual fee. It may well be that we shall not get so many Pacific manuscripts now that you are not at the S.P.C. to steer them our way, but if they do come in to us I should certainly welcome your views on them.

Yours sincerely,

BT.

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GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY,
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Bairiki.

13th January, 1956.

T.F.24/14.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your contribution to the Fiji W. & O.P.S. for the year 1955 totalling £F60 = £A67-16-0.

2. I should be grateful if you would forward your cheque in this amount at your earliest convenience.

3. Monthly contributions during 1956 will be deducted from your salary which will be paid through Colony Agents in Sydney.

I have the honour to be,
sir,
your obedient servant,

(J.A. Shaw).
for Accountant General.

H.E. Maude Esq.,
2 Netherby street,
Wahroonga,
N.S.W.

MEMORANDUM

To: Secretary-General.

From: Acting Executive Officer for Social Development.

✓ Copy to: Mr. H. E. Maude.

No: 3235

File: S/1/c/9.

Date: 19th January, 1956.

Subject: Leave Credit on Termination: Mr. H. E. Maude

Reference your memorandum A/4 No. 4 of the 10th January, 1956.

1. As I did not succeed in forwarding you a final leave assessment in respect of Mr. H. E. Maude by yesterday's mail, owing to the pressure of report work, I am today cabling you on the matter (copy attached).

2. Our records show leave taken by Mr. Maude from the date of his assuming duty on the 20th December, 1948, to the date of his retirement on 31st December, 1955, to have been:-

(i) Furlough

6 months' furlough, plus time of travel to and from the United Kingdom, as approved in Secretary-General's memorandum A/4 No. 23 of the 19th January, was taken from the 8th May, 1954 to the 10th January, 1955, inclusive.

(ii) Local leave

(a) between 20.12.48. and June, 1952, as recorded in Executive Officer for Social Development's memoranda Nos. 373 of 17.7.50. and 1261 of 4.6.52. .. 8 working days

(b) between June, 1952, and 31.12.55, as recorded in Social Development Section's leave records book 11 working days

Total 19 working days =
————— 27 calendar days

3. The Secretary-General's approval for the accumulation of Mr. Maude's leave entitlement in relation to furlough, owing to the pressure of work at the period when furlough first fell due to him, is contained in Sir Brian Freeston's memorandum A/4 No. 17 of the 19th January, 1952. My calculation of Mr. Maude's outstanding leave entitlement on the basis of the above information is therefore as follows:-

(i) Length of service, 20.12.48 - 31.12.55:		7 years, 0 months 11 days
<u>less</u> 3 years in respect of which furlough has been taken, and one six months' furlough plus travelling time, from 8.5.54 - 10.1.55., inclusive:		3 years, 8 months, 3 days
	=	3 years, 4 months, 8 days
(ii) Furlough due at date of retirement, in respect of 3 years' service	=	6 months, less 27 calendar days taken as local leave
	=	5 months, 0 weeks, 3 days
(iii) (a) Period of service in respect of which additional leave is due:		
		4 months, 8 days, <u>less</u> 27 calendar days' local leave, not counted as service :
	=	3 months, 11 days.
(b) Leave due in respect of this period, on the basis of a proportion of furlough entitlement		2 weeks, 2 days
(iv) Total leave due at date of retirement	=	5 months, 2 weeks, 5 days

4. As I am not certain that proportion of furlough entitlement is the correct basis to use, at (iii)(b) above, for calculating leave due in respect of the short period of service remaining after full furlough-earning periods, and furlough and local leave themselves, have been accounted for, the information which I am cabling is expressed in terms of furlough and leave actually taken, as set out in paragraph 2 above. I have assumed that the other information cited in paragraph 3 relevant to calculating leave entitlement (date of first assuming duty with the Commission, and the Secretary-General's approval for accumulation of furlough entitlement) will be readily available at Headquarters, thus enabling a calculation of leave credit to be made which will provide a detailed check against the calculation set out here.



Acting Executive Officer for
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Economics Division.
23 Jan 1956.

Dear Harry,

I wonder how you're getting used to the idea of not going in to Brenonme each day. I've no doubt your feelings are very mixed on leaving the SPC, as mine are. I really miss the Commission and my colleagues there very much and look back with great warmth on all my SPC associations. I valued working with you a lot and am only sorry that in the early days my self-will and ambition caused us some misunderstandings which were happily banished. I don't know how the Commission is going to replace your wide knowledge of and devotion to the peoples of the South Pacific. I very much hope that you will be present at the 3 S.P. Conference in an official role, and that I shall meet you there.

Joining a large organisation like FAO and moving into such a vast area as Asia & the Far East is rather trying to the spirit - I feel like a new boy and my heart is pretty empty at times. Still the activities promise to be very much to the point and very much in line with my interests and training. Everyone in Rome was most kind, and now I have just arrived in Karachi to make my first contacts with agricultural officials in part of my new domain. They met me at the airport this evening and I was much encouraged by their warmth.

In a few days I go on to New Delhi and then to the 2 weeks ECAFE session in Bangalore - thence on to Bangkok via Bombay + Calcutta, arriving about 22 Feb.

All good wishes & best greetings to Honor & yourself.
Sincerely,
Eric Oels

3, Milson Road, Cremorne N.S.W.

26th January 1956.

Dear Sir,

On the eve of my departure for Europe I wish to say good-bye to you and to express my sincere gratitude for everything you have done for me and for the great and most kind guidance you gave to my work.

I will always be grateful for the interesting and happy period which I was privileged to spend under your direction.

I thank you very much indeed for the excellent testimonial you gave me, which will be of invaluable and continuous help in my future.

I offer my best wishes to you and Mrs Maude and Alarie Maude.

I should be glad if there might be anything I could do for you in my home-country.

I am, Sir,

yours sincerely,

Harold Heij's

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION

LITERATURE BUREAU,
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION,
BOX 5254, G.P.O.
SYDNEY, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA

3rd February, 1956.

Dear *Harry*,

I guess you are already besieged with people clamouring for your services, and are resolutely knocking them back until you have had time to think.

However, in order not to lose a place in the queue, I am wondering whether you would at any rate give some consideration to accepting the role of general editor of our "Pacific Heritage" series. It is planned that this series of little books shall be devoted to material of a biographical and historical nature related to the Pacific, and it is being published by Messrs. Macmillans.

We badly need informed advice and assistance with the series and I feel its development and success needs shaping and co-ordinating by the hand of an overall editor.

The books are only small of course, and I felt we should plan to have say one to two manuscripts ready this year, and from two to three per year in succeeding years; something of that order anyway, and my idea was that the work of the editor vis-à-vis this Bureau should be planned in consultation with him in such a way that it could remain for him a labour of love rather than becoming an irksome chore.

It may be that you already have too much on your plate to be able to consider this; but if you feel you could give it further thought, perhaps we could meet for lunch one day when you are in town, and at any rate talk it over together to see

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2, Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

what is involved, both as regards work and finance, after which you would be able to think it over and see how you felt about taking it on. I very much hope you will.

Yours sincerely,

Bruce Roberts

Organizer for Island Literature.

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6/2/56

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

Dear Maude,

We sent off to you last week a review copy of
Oliver : A Solomon Island Society, which I hope you will be
able to write about somewhere. Not in 'Oceania' please, by
the way, as we sent them a separate review copy.

Yours,

Yancy

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,

6th February, 1956.

H.H. Vaskess, Esq., C.M.G., O.B.E.,
Government House Offices,
SUVA, Fiji.

Dear Vaskess,

You must have been wondering when, if at all, I was going to reply to your letter 12/1/4 of the 23rd December, with its enquiry as to whether I would be willing to prepare an assessment of the practical value of Commission activities, and if such results as may have been achieved could have been effected better or cheaper by other means, as set out in your para. 6.

2. There were a variety of reasons why I could not answer immediately (though I should have sent an interim reply). In the first place I had had the Commission, but recognized that this was probably only a temporary phase; secondly, I felt so strongly about the conduct of the present Secretary-General (who I consider is steadily wrecking the Commission) that I doubted my ability to be objective; and finally, but most important, I expected daily to be visiting Fiji myself on another assignment and felt that this would afford us an ideal opportunity to talk the proposition over.

3. From news received this morning it seems likely that I am to fly to Fiji for about a fortnight as soon as I can manage it, i.e. in the course of the next two or three weeks, so I suggest that we should discuss your proposal in detail when I see you. If it is decided that I should undertake the work we could draw up the general lines on which the enquiry should be conducted and the report written. One difficulty is that I have not got copies of the published reports and other documentation of the Commission (and I should need, in particular, budgetary documentation). I take it that my appraisal would be one of several commissioned by you, and that you will use them all - with their several viewpoints - to prepare an integrated summarization: or am I wrong?

4. Part of my reason for visiting Suva is to discuss certain confidential matters affecting Pacific relations with Sir Ronald: could you possibly let me know when he is likely to be in Suva

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himself, as it would be little use my coming if he was away for the period of my stay? Naturally I should like to talk over these matters (which are not really so very confidential) with you first, and obtain your advice: but best not by letter.

Hoping to see you before long, and with my kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

COMMISSIONERS FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM
on the
SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION.

Government House Offices,
SUVA, FIJI.

23rd December, 1955.

No. S.P.C. 12/1/4.

Dear Maude,

Thanks for your letter of the 28th November, covering copies of the correspondence with the Western Pacific High Commission authorities relative to your approaching retirement.

2. You have no doubt been informed by the Western Pacific High Commission of the Secretary of State's approval of the salaries revision being made retrospective to the 1st January, 1954. While it will not presumably affect your pension, it means that I have to pass on to the South Pacific Commission an application from the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific for an additional pension contribution for the year 1954. I enclose a copy of my letter for your information.

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3. I envy you being so near the end of your connection with the South Pacific Commission. Just now I wish I had never had any connection with it. You probably heard from time to time at the recent session, of the general review of the Commission and all its works which the Colonial Office is calling for as a basis for consideration by the United Kingdom Government of its future policy towards the organization. To be of any use the work must be done thoroughly and cover all aspects of organization, operation and activities; and you will readily appreciate the magnitude of the task of producing such a review. It is of course wanted urgently; and when its production is added to my other full-time work of clearing up after the session, I think you will agree that I have good reason to envy your prospect of early freedom for concentration of effort on a geranium project. I sincerely hope that you will feel able firmly to resist all Commission attempts to "co-ordinate" your geranium research or obtain from you "technical information" on the subject for circulation in the area.

4. In preparing our review of Commission activities I am aiming at providing the necessary material to enable a fair assessment to be made of the value of those activities in terms of resulting practical benefits for the people of the area, while bearing in mind that those benefits will have to be weighed against the cost of providing them through the agency of the South Pacific Commission as compared with the cost of other possible methods, if any, which could be employed to achieve the same results. The assessment will not be easy and we will need all the assistance we can get. It is proposed to seek the aid of the United Kingdom territorial Administrations in this direction; but, as you know, Commission activities are spread over a wide field and Administrations are composed of a number of departmental officers who are fully employed with their normal work and whose knowledge of Commission activities would as a rule

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rule be confined to those more directly affecting their own particular departments. Consequently the picture as seen by the local Administrations would probably be of a more or less fragmentary nature and incomplete, especially if, for lack of time or particular interest in, or knowledge of, the work of the Commission, the Secretariat Officer responsible for piecing together the individual departmental views should fail to fill in the gaps or complete the overall picture.

5. It has occurred to me that on your retirement from the Commission service you might be prepared to consider giving us your assistance in making the desired assessment. I feel very great diffidence and reluctance in suggesting this, and venture to do so only because I know how highly you regard the indigenous peoples of the area and how much you have their interests at heart, while being in an unique position to help in this direction by virtue of your knowledge of the Commission and its activities and your background of long practical administrative experience in the area and intimate acquaintance with sections of the people and their needs and modes of thought and life.

6. What I have in mind is an independent appraisal by you of the value of the work the Commission has done, and is doing, to promote the welfare and advancement of the peoples of the area; together with an expression of your views as to whether the Commission is in fact the most suitable medium for the purpose; whether the results achieved justify the high cost of the Commission organization; and whether better results could be achieved by other means at a lower cost if each of the participating Governments were to limit its activities to its own particular territories. The value of international co-operation, as an integral part of the picture, has, of course, to be taken into consideration; and, both in this connection and separately on its merits, we have to consider the value of the South Pacific Conference in any review of the work of the Commission.

7. If, for any reason, this suggestion does not appeal to you or you feel that it would be too great an imposition on your time and energies, please do not hesitate to say so. You would certainly be quite justified in refusing to consider it.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Maude and yourself and wishing you all the compliments of the season.

Yours sincerely,

Maude

C O P Y.

COMMISSIONERS FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM
on the
SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION.

Government House Offices,
SUVA, FIJI.

23rd December, 1955.

No. S.P.C. 12/1/4.

Sir,

With reference to my letter No. S.P.C. 12/1/4 of the 29th June, on the subject of the increased pension contribution in respect of Mr. H. E. Maude, I have the honour to inform you that I have been notified by the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific that the revised salary of Mr. Maude's substantive post has been made retrospective to the 1st January, 1954, and that the High Commissioner has applied for the payment by the South Pacific Commission of a proportionately increased pension contribution for the year 1954 in respect of this officer.

2. In my letter under reference you were informed of the increase of the pensionable emoluments of the post mentioned from £2,100, Fiji currency, to £2,820, Australian currency, per annum. As the rate of pension contribution payable in 1954 (see my letter No. S.P.C. 12/1/4 of the 25th March, 1955) was 22 per cent. of the pensionable emoluments of the substantive post, the present application is for the payment of an additional contribution for 1954 equal to 22 per cent. of the difference between £2,100, Fiji currency, and £2,820, Australian currency.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) H. VASKESS

For Senior Commissioner
for the United Kingdom.

The Secretary-General,
South Pacific Commission,
NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA.

TELEGRAMS: "ISLANDS, WELLINGTON,"
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 P.O. BOX 8026, GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.



OUR REFERENCE I.T.
 (PLEASE QUOTE IN YOUR REPLY.)
 I.T. 1/66/6
 YOUR REFERENCE:

Department of Island Territories,
 Hotel Cecil Building,
 Lambton Quay,
 WELLINGTON.

6 February, 1956.

Mr H.E. Maude,
 C/- South Pacific Commission,
 Sydney Office,
 Box 5254, C.P.O.,
SYDNEY, N. S. W.

Dear Mr Maude,

You will recall our interest in your visiting Niue in connection with the establishment of community development activities there, including co-operatives. Mr McEwen is still keen that you visit the territory, but the question of finance has to be considered.

Mr McEwen suggests that the Commission might be asked for a grant towards the cost, but I know that we would be a bit diffident about making a request at the present time. My own view is that the cost should be met out of our own funds and, with estimates under preparation, it has occurred to me that some financial provision should be made soon, that is if the visit is still likely to take place.

Although it may not be quite fair to ask you on what basis you would accept the Niue assignment, nevertheless, I would like your views to assist us to arrive at a figure. We should also like to hear from you whether or not you are still in a position to make the trip. Then, with all this information the proposal can be studied officially and a recommendation made to our Minister.

As we do not appear to have your address, this letter is being sent care the Sydney Office of the South Pacific Commission to be forwarded on to you wherever you may be. I suppose by now you are knee-deep in geraniums or otherwise peacefully occupied in quiet retirement.

With kind regards to you and to Mrs Maude,

Yours sincerely,

DSR
 D.S. Reid,
 for Secretary.

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Dear Sir,

I have just returned from the Fourteenth Session of the South Pacific Commission in Noumea to hear that Mr. A. T. Dix, Research Assistant on the Commission staff, has applied for the position of Assistant Director of Talks in your organization.

In fairness to Mr. Dix, I feel that I should explain that we would be loathe indeed to dispense with his services were it not for the fact that the Social Development Section's activities are about to be removed from Sydney to New Caledonia, a place to which he is not anxious to proceed.

Mr. Dix has been my assistant since July, 1951, and has shown an exceptional capacity for administrative work connected with the organization and direction of research. He is well able to assume responsibility, and many of the services to Pacific Governments which he now controls were conceived by him in the first instance.

On reading your advertisement for the position of Assistant Director of Talks I have been struck by Mr. Dix's suitability through his background, contacts and interests, for the particular work required.

In brief, we shall be sorry to lose such a willing and resourceful member of our staff and more especially one with his pleasant disposition, but at the same time I can thoroughly recommend him for the position he is now applying for. Should you require any further details, please ring me.

Yours faithfully,

H. E. Maude

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
SUVA, FIJI.

10th February, 1956.

My dear Harry,

Many thanks for your letter of the 16th December enclosing a copy of Professor Spate's incredible ditty about the relative values of degrees conferred by Indian Universities. I quite agree with you that it is a very remarkable effort; and difficult to believe that he can toss that stuff off straight on to his typewriter.

I am keeping it privily tucked away as I should not like some of my Indian friends to see his diatribe!

Yours as always,

Keith G.

H.E. Maude, Esq., O.B.E.,
Social Development Section,
South Pacific Commission,
Box 5254, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
SUVA, FIJI

14 February, 1956.

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
Social Development Section,
South Pacific Commission,
Box 5254, G.P.O.,
Sydney, N.S.W.,
Australia.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Please accept my apologies for having failed to acknowledge your letters of the 16th December, 1955, within a more reasonable period.

The information on the relative merits of American institutions was most valuable, and I am looking forward to receiving copies of the publications referred to.

Professor Spate's letter was superb, and it arrived just in time to brighten the Christmas holidays of several people to whom I saw fit to show it. What a pity I dare not give it a wider circulation! Please pass on to Professor Spate not only our thanks but also our admiration of his command of the English language.

Yours sincerely,

J. B. Lodge

Acting Director of Education.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
15th February, 1956.

Major C.A. Swinbourne, O.B.E.,
President, Pacific Islands Society,
G.P.O. Box 2434, SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Major Swinbourne,

This is to confirm my verbal intimation that I do not wish to stand for nomination as Vice-President of the Pacific Islands Society for the year 1956.

My health has been indifferent during the past few months and I have been advised by my doctor to give up serving on Committees.

Yours sincerely,

H.C. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
15th February, 1956.

The Accountant-General,
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony,
Treasury Department,
Bairiki, Tarawa Island,
Gilbert Islands, Central Pacific.

Dear Sir,

As requested in your letter T.F.24/14 of the 13th January, received today, I enclose a cheque for £A67.16.0 to cover my contribution to the Fiji Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund in respect of the year 1955.

I note that my contribution in respect of 1956 will be deducted monthly from my salary being paid through the Colony Agents in Sydney.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
17th February, 1956.

Mr D.S. Reid,
Department of Island Territories,
Hotel Cecil Building,
Lambton Quay, WELLINGTON, N.Z.

Dear Mr Reid,

Thank you for your letter I.T. 1/66/6 of the 6th February. I am willing to visit Niue for the purpose of investigating the possibilities of community development on that island, using the term in its broadest sense to include the development of co-operatives and other forms of community self-help, and to submit a report to your Department with my recommendations for future action.

The terms on which I am willing to accept the assignment are as follows:-

- (a) payment of a daily fee of £N.Z.8 while engaged on the work, including the preparation of my report; and
- (b) refund of all expenditure incurred in travelling, accommodation and meals, on production of receipts or a signed declaration.

These are identical with the terms received from the Commonwealth Government of Australia for similar work which I am about to do for them. The daily fee will be found to be approximately equivalent to the salary and allowances which I received when travelling on duty for the South Pacific Commission. Actually it is a bit less, and considerably less when one takes into account the fact that it is taxable, whereas my Commission emoluments were not.

I estimate that I should require approximately one week prior to my departure for Niue to make a thorough study of the documentary material on the island available in the Mitchell Library and in my own collection, and a further period of about a fortnight after my return to complete the report. Whether or not it is considered that I should

visit Wellington on

visit Wellington on my way to, or return from, Niue is of course for your Department to decide but I should probably wish in any case to stop over in Auckland to visit relations (but during this period I should naturally not be a charge on the New Zealand Government).

I know that you would like to have your possible financial commitments clearly set out in advance and I think this gives you all the information you require to prepare a fairly exact estimate.

I would anticipate being able to make a far better job of this investigation now that I am clear of the Commission, as I should be in a position to devote my whole attention to the one project instead of being subject to inevitable distractions.

I must admit that I am enjoying retirement so far, though I cannot see that the amount of work has diminished very sensibly. The great difference is that I am now able to pick and choose what I do and prepare things more thoroughly. But I wish I had a Secretary.

I am very pleased, for the sake of the Pacific territories, to hear that you are joining the Commission staff. It is my firm opinion that all members of the secretariat, with the exception of purely technical specialists, should be island people or at least people with extensive island experience.

With our kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
19th February, 1956.

Miss P. Mander Jones,
Mitchell Librarian,
The Mitchell Library,
Macquarie Street,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Miss Mander Jones,

I've got the most terrible confession and abject apology to make. I had practically finished work on the draft "Bibliography of the Languages of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands and of Nauru" which you so kindly lent me, when the copy completely disappeared.

We have all of us spent days hunting the whole house from cellar to attic, and as a consequence have discovered a number of treasures we had forgotten about; but of the missing photostat not a sign.

I can honestly say that I do not remember such an astonishing thing happening before: I lose money, hats, umbrellas with the greatest of ease, but books no. These have the tendency to accumulate, despite all efforts, until one can hardly get into the house.

Under the circumstances I can only seek your forgiveness and suggest that, if at all possible, an additional copy of the draft bibliography be photo-copied entirely at my expense for Judge Ferguson and the others to examine.

Meanwhile I have managed not to lose a pencilled series of notes which I had prepared on my holdings and the entries relating to them. These I have typed out, in the form of three enclosures:-

(i) a List of my Library Holdings not already noted in the Bibliography;

(ii) Notes on the Entries relating to these Holdings; and

(iii) Notes on my Holdings of "Moral" and "Moral & Physical"

The notes are not, alas, complete and one or two may need revision. I had intended to complete and revise long ere this and would have done so had the vital draft bibliography itself not vanished into thin air. As it was I expected to find it every day and thus obviate having to make this confession.

I can say at once that I found the bibliography a most excellent and painstaking compilation which should serve as a model for (I hope) many to follow. The following comments, therefore, are merely written in a desire to see the finishing touches put on what is already good, and eminently worth perfecting as far as possible.

In general then I felt that the draft required further checking and parts of it revision before it should be published. In particular it seemed to me that:-

- (i) the form of the entries were not always consistent, even between different editions of the same work;
- (ii) all entries required re-checking with the actual books (where feasible); and
- (iii) what I term the "title headings" should in several cases be re-drafted, as they are at times too detailed and not always accurate.

I am sending you copies of the books referred to in Notes (1), (2), (4) and (24) of my Enclosure II. Also a pamphlet which was issued by the Information Office in Suva on the victories of the Eighth Army during World War II. It had a large circulation and ought, I suppose, to be included in the bibliography; though I shouldn't like to make out the entry myself.

I'm afraid I cannot now say for certain to which entry my Note (8) in Enclosure II refers but it should be easy to trace given the draft bibliography.

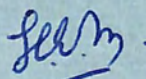
I am quite willing to discuss all the points contained in my enclosures with Dr Kunz and assist him in every way possible. If you like I could work at the Mitchell (no remuneration required!) and, in collaboration with him:-

- (i) suggest amendments to the entries after comparing them with the Mitchell holdings, as I have done for my own;
- (ii) go through the title *Readings and suggest* revisions, where required; and

(iii) recommend any changes necessary in title and format, e.g. I recollect that the Gilbertese language is referred to as the language of the Gilbert Islands throughout the work. This sounds distinctly odd, rather like referring to French as the language of France, especially as Gilbertese is spoken in the Phoenix and Line Groups and on Nui Island, none of which form part of the Gilbert Islands.

Anyway, please let me know if I can be of any additional assistance and how much I owe for photographing a new copy of the draft bibliography (that is, if you are still speaking to me at all after all this).

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

Enclosure 1.

List of my Library Holdings not already noted
in the Bibliography.

The fact that the following items are in my possession does not appear to have been noted:-

3; 7; 8; 11; 12; 13; 14; 17; 22; 23; 24; 25; 28; 131;
154; 156; 161; 218; 219; 229; 244; 245; 247; 248; 251.

Copies of all these will be gladly loaned for inspection.

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Enclosure 11.

Notes on the Entries relating to my Library Holdings.

- (1) Pateman, E.M. "Umaia ni Maeka kain Aonaba". Additional entry MHE.
- (2) -Pateman -Bataeru. "Te Oto Rongorongo ao Tuan te Taetae ni Kiribati". A 2nd edition was published in 1949 and as will be seen from the note on the back of the title page the new edition is a substantially revised one, the text and pagination being different. Additional entry MHE.
- (3) 188 How is the date of publication (1928) arrived at? Not from any statement contained in the book itself. Should it not be (n.d.)?
- (4) ³⁹1 have a copy of the 6th edition of this Primer.
- (5) 232 Should not the authors be -Tibwere, -Bataeru, -Pateman?
- (6) 228 Suggest following amendment '(on verso acknowledgment to the Rev. J.R. Dunmelow for passages taken from his book "The One Volume Bible Commentary")'. Also deletion of Dunmelow as joint author with Spivey, as the latter states that he has borrowed from other Bible Commentaries besides Dunmelow's.
- (7) 194 I feel that the title pages of Vols. 11 and 111 should be quoted in full, especially as these volumes were often bound separately.

Also I suggest the following addition "(on verso of t.p.: First Edition. 1,000 copies. June, 1930)".
- (8) ??? Is not the entry heading rather meaningless, as well as being too discursive? There is nothing about the "voice of Christ" in the title, nor does the book only deal with the various "John Williams". And the work is translated by Tarieta. I suggest the following amended entry heading: "-Eastman, G.H. Tarieta: History of the London Missionary Society vessels".
- (9) 223 Suggest amendment of title heading to read: "-Mathews -Eastman: History of the London Missionary Society vessels".

- (10) 237 If the authors names should come first, it should be "-Scott -Aber -Sadd".
- (11) 167 As will be seen from the note facing the contents list, the 1922 edition is not the first but a revised one (see Entry No. 126).
- (12) 239 I think this entry should be re-drafted. The book is essentially Bingham's Hymn Book (see Entry No. 133) with the new supplement bound with it. I suggest that Bingham should be credited as author of the first part and the whole title page of the second part (the supplement) copied: it will be found following p.231 and shows that this part was published in 1946, and not 1945.
- (13) 222 MEH should read MHE.
- (14) 218 Should not one state "Title from cover"?
- (15) 132 Delete "(Congregational?".
Should not the title heading read: "-Goward -Iupeli: Church Manual"?
- (15) 153 Suggest deletion of "Young Disciple" in title heading.
- (16) 131 Delete "(5th ed.)" in title heading?
- (17) 158 Should not one add "No t.p.: title from cover"?
- (18) 198 "Buki-a", not "Buki-A".
- (19) 244 "Buki-a", not "Buki-A".
- (20) 202 Should be "Harris - Levett:".
- (21) 196 Title heading should read: "Eastman, G.H. and W.H.: Christ on earth".
- (22) 211 "Wareb'ai", not "Wareb'AI".
Title heading should read: "-Arithmetic -Book 1 (Stage 111)".
- (23) 214 "Stage 1V", not "Stage 11".
Title heading should read: "-Arithmetic -Book 11 (Stage 1V)".

- (24) 242 My edition of this work differs both as to the title page and number of pages. In fact it is a separate edition for use in London Missionary Society schools and should presumably be an Additional entry.
- (25) 143 Title heading should be: "-Geography -Book 11".
- (26) 146 Title heading should be: "-Geography -Book 111".
- (27) 48 Should be "pp. 3-46".
- (28) 263 Date of publication was 1946 (see verso of t.-p.). Subject matter is not "Island Regulations". Title heading should thus read "1946 - Native Governments Ordinance, 1941".
- (29) Alter also line in brackets to read: "(on verso of t.-p.: Te po 3 Novema, 1946)".
- Substitute MHE for MEH.
- (29) 213 Substitute "-Native Laws" for "-Native Ordinances".
- (30) 195 Add "(Text in English, Gilbertese and Samoan)", as in the case of the entry for the 2nd edition (No. 207).
- (31) 243 Change title heading to: "-Native Governments Ordinance, 1941" as in the case of the suggested amendment to Entry No. 263.
- Alter MEH to MHE.
- (32) 32 Quote full title "Te Itoi ni Kiribati ae Banan te Aro ni Katorika".
- Delete "?" after "(Printed by the Catholic Mission)": it is so stated to be on the cover.
- (33) 33 I cannot trace any possession of No. 141, Feb., 1941: on the other hand I have No. 153, April, 1941.
- (34) Under the heading of "Dictionaries" I suggest the inclusion of the following entry:-
"1905 - Bingham, Rev. Hiram.
A letter on the lost Gilbertese Dictionary
In The Friend, vol.LXII, No.11, pp. 5-6,
Nov., 1905."

Notes on my Holdings of "Tero" and "Tala o Tuvalu".

(i) "Tero".

The only missing nos in my series are 2; 8; 20; 44; & 101.

The Coronation Issue (June, 1953) was apparently unnumbered and undated.

(ii) "Tala o Tuvalu".

I am missing 1-9; 13; 26-32; 39; 41; 45-46; 55; 60-62; 79-80.

The numbering between the issues for:-

February, 1951 - No. 63

and

September, 1952 - No. 82;

went sadly astray, and my copies have several ink corrections of numbers made by the publishers. I suggest that the correct numbering, as ultimately reverted to, is as follows:-

March, April, May, 1951 - No. 64-66

(this was a combined issue)

June, 1951 - No. 67

and thenceforward in monthly sequence. No. 82 would therefore be the issue for September, 1952.

I do not have two issues numbered 64 but I do have two numbered 85 (i.e. for December, 1952, and February, 1953) and two numbered 96 (i.e. for January and February, 1954). The numbering is as follows:-

October, 1952 - 83

(November, which I do not possess, presumably 84, if there was one)

December - 85

January, 1953 - 84

February - 85

March - 86

and, for the second:-

December, 1953 - 95

January, 1954 - 96

February - 96

March - 97

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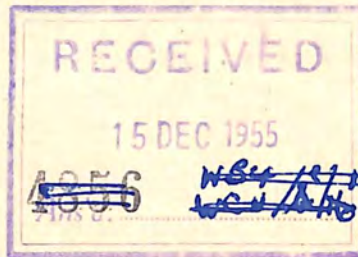
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12th December, 1955.

H.E. Maude Esq.,
South Pacific Commission,
Social Development Section,
Box 5254, G.P.O.,
CREMORNE. N.S.W.



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Dear Mr. Maude,

I am enclosing a draft^x of a Bibliography of the Languages of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands and of Nauru. This, the first part of a projected Bibliography of Pacific Islands Languages, is planned for publication early in 1956, so could you let us have your comments by 15th February, 1956? Please return the draft bibliography as we want it for further checking with Mr. Justice Ferguson. We shall be glad to receive any comments, criticism or correction, but in particular, please let us know :

*received
15/12/55*

1. Whether all your holdings are noted.
2. If the relevant entries agree with your copies.

We are most grateful for all the generous co-operation you have already given to this bibliography.

Encl.

Yours sincerely,

Phyllis Mander Jones

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February 22nd 1956

Dear Mr. Mander

Thank you for your letter of 19th February and for the comments you have kindly made on our draft Gilbertese Bibliography. It is easy enough to mislay papers as I myself know only too well - we will certainly not have an extra copy made and charge it to you though it is most generous of you to suggest that we do.

Dr. Kunz has a working copy and would be very grateful, as I would also, if you would discuss the various points with him. Please ask for him next time you are in and if there is anything you want to

P.T.O.

discuss with me please ask for me too.

yours sincerely

Phyllis Mander Jones

Ida Leeser

1956

My dear Ida,

I have been exercised a bit about your resolute endeavours to undercharge ^{me} after having so kindly undertaken the cataloguing of my library: hence my delay in writing to you.

I should be less than human if I did not appreciate the generous arguments you have advanced in support of your action - knowing you I am not surprised at them, as I would ^{had they come} be _{from} others less altruistic by nature.

Nevertheless, dear Ida, I must gladly remove the main plank on which your citations rest: ^{the plain truth is that} I owe far more to you than you could ever to me. How much only the recording angel can assess, but I will say that most of what I have ever learnt of libraries and librarianship, books and the methods of documentary research has

been by dint of a deliberate, but I hope not too blatant,
pursuance of picking your brains and unrolled fund of
accumulated experience. And then how many times during
the last few years have I been saved from committing
some solecism, or indulging in some interference of
judgment, by timely recourse to your exceptional knowledge
of human nature in general and of half the inhabitants
of Sydney personally or by repute?

And then there is the indisputable fact that the
work was agreed to as a professional service and that
will you to charge double the ^{instead of what I felt} usual rate, it would be
cheap at the price - for you performed your task not
only better than others (so you should) but in half the
time (and here I speak from experience: I know).

I have taken competent advice and find that
the job, done by a professional of standing and experience,
would have cost ^{over} ~~about~~ £20. But honestly I don't want
to embarrass you or to be thought obstinate or pig-headed,

or what say we compromise at £¹⁸20. I assure you that I shall still feel myself greatly your debtor.

Please I da, make me a happy man. It was I intend to send ^{what you reject} it to the new fund which the "Tribune" is getting up to help provide comforts for the Russian troops engaged in liberating Hungary from the vile yoke of western capitalism which had ^{or} nearly succeeded in enslaving that ^{infected} country.

Just as other ^{rather while I am a the hell,} things I have been going through my manuscript records and keep fairly notes of progress of research which you did for me from time to time at the Mitchell: ^{and} ^{one} of these are invaluable. ^{This has made me} ~~I have been~~ ^{understand} whether you would be willing to do me of this sort of work for me when I am up at Camberra (and perhaps for others, such as Tom Davidson)? It would be interesting, I should think and we are known then may about the Mitchell as you do.

Anyway, many many thanks for all the help

you have given me - not only with this particular job
of cataloging, but in innumerable occasions in the

past. ^{Believe me,} I shall never forget.

Yours very much,

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
23rd February, 1956.

Mr Frank Eyre,
Oxford University Press,
G.P.O. Box No. 2784Y,
MELBOURNE, Victoria.

Dear Eyre,

Thank you very much indeed for sending me a copy of Oliver's "A Solomon Island Society". I shall read it when I have got through my present assignments and see if I can prepare a worthwhile review, though at first glance the work looks a bit too specialized for me to tackle, with my faded and obsolete knowledge of anthropology.

I am, however, preparing an omnibus review of the South Seas in literature during 1955 and it must certainly be featured in this, if only briefly.

I understand that McKay has been enquiring tenderly as to the fate of his ms. Have you got it back from your reader yet?

Yours,

See M.

The Pacific Islands Society.
(Founded 1937).

G.P.O. Box 2434, Sydney, N.S.W.

ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31ST, 1955.

Presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Society held at the Feminist Club Rooms, 77 King Street, Sydney on February 23rd, 1956.

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This Annual Meeting marks the Nineteenth year of the existence of the Society which was founded in 1937. It is with great pleasure that the Council presents a satisfactory report covering the year ended December 31, 1955. The year was a very successful one in every respect. On December 31 there were 118 financial, 14 life and 12 unfinancial members. New members during the year totalled 25; there were 4 resignations. The average attendance at the monthly gatherings was 61.

It is with regret that the Council reports the death of Major C. M. Southey, a Boer War veteran, and a member of long standing; also the sad loss of Mr. G. A. K. Williams, another member, in the tragedy of the vessel "Joyita", the passengers and crew of which disappeared after leaving Apia, Samoa. The Council also reports the withdrawal on December 31 of Mr. H. E. Maude, O.B.E., M.A. from the position of Patron of the Society in consequence of his retirement from the South Pacific Commission.

During the year a large sized screen was purchased for use with films and slides. The Society was fortunate as regards guest speakers at the monthly gatherings. The speakers all illustrated their talks with unusual and interesting films and slides.

The Speakers and their subjects were as follows, viz:-

Mr. A.G.T. Carver.	The Sugar Districts of Fiji.
Mr. F. J. Salisbury.	An Overseas Tour.
Mr. Brian Chaseling.	Australia's Coral Wonderland: Life with the Eskimo: Story of the Horseless Carriage.
Mr. John Grover, B.E., F.G.S., F.R.G.S.,	The Search for Gold in the Solomon Islands.
Mr. F.J. Salisbury.	Cook Islands: Tokelau Islands: Western Samoa: Miscronesia: New Caledonia: Papua.
Professor A. Grove Day, M.A., Ph. D.	Hawaii and its University.
Mr. Norman K. Wallis.	The Green and The Gold, New Guinea.
Mr. Brian Chaseling.	Winston Churchill, Man of the Century.
Major Basil Croft (R.L.).	A Ramble through Japan.
Mr. A. H. Smith.	Travels in the United Kingdom, Ireland and Europe.
Dr. John Cumpston. (Australian Consul in New Caledonia).	Conditions in New Caledonia.

The Society tenders its sincere thanks to the guest speakers for their help and co-operation.

The year was brought to a happy conclusion with an enjoyable Cocktail Party at which Mrs. H. C. Monckton arranged the community singing and the ladies of the Council provided savouries etc.

Thanks are tendered to Mr. R. W. Robson, F.R.G.S. for his generosity in kindly donating the "Pacific Islands Monthly" throughout the year and in allotting space in that widely read journal for reports and photographs recording the activities of the Society.

A cash donation from Mr. Bernard D. Moloney, a member, is acknowledged with thanks.

The charge for the use of the Feminist Club Rooms for the monthly gatherings was increased during the year with the result that the Society's cash balance at the close of the year was less than previously anticipated.

I wish to record my thanks to the President and those members of the Council who have helped in a number of ways especially by receiving members and visitors at meetings. Special thanks are expressed to the ladies of the Council for their help in providing savouries etc. for the Cocktail Party. In various ways all contributed to bringing the year to a successful conclusion.

M. M. Mc Gann.
Hon. Treasurer- Secretary.

ADDENDUM BY THE PRESIDENT.

On behalf of the members as well as myself, I wish to record my thanks to the Hon. Treasurer - Secretary, Miss. M.M. McGann, also to Mr. & Mrs. N.H. Foxcroft, Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Sabben, Mrs. Jean Edwards and Messrs. L.T. Haynes and N.B. Casey for their willing and cheerful co-operation at the monthly gatherings, and to the Council and members generally my thanks for their help and encouragement to me as President.

Charles A. Swinbourne.
President.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

R E C E I P T S.

YEAR 1955.

E X P E N D I T U R E.

To Balance at 31 December, 1954.	
" Bank of N.S.W.	37.19. 2.
" Membership Subscriptions.	80. 5. 6.
" Social Gatherings.	56.11. 0.
" Guessing Competitions.	7. 5. 0.
" Donation (Mr. B.D. Moloney).	10. 0.

£182.10. 8.

By Accommodation for Meetings:-	
" Monthly Gatherings.	£32.12. 0.
" Council Meetings.	3. 7. 6.
" Refreshments.	47. 6. 6.
" Postage, Telephone, General Expenses.	36. 7. 6.
" Monthly Circulars.	12. 3.11.
" Rent of G.P.O. Box.	2. 0. 0.
" Wines, Cocktail Party.	8. 2. 0.
" Gratuity, Cocktail Party.	1. 0. 0.
" Film Screen.	9.16.11.
" Refund of Overpayments.	1. 0. 0.
" Presentation to Mr. & Mrs. B. Chaseling.	5. 5. 0.
" Subscription South Pacific Commission - Publication.	1. 0. 0.
" Bank Fees.	1. 0. 0.
" Stationery.	3.13. 9.
" Rubber Stamp.	8. 6.
" Balance at December 31, 1955.	17. 7. 1.

£182.10. 8.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
23rd February, 1956.

The Registrar,
Australian National University,
Box 4, G.P.O.,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Dear Mr Hohnen,

I think that the best way to deal with the request contained in your letter 6.2.0.140 of the 27th January, on the subject of Dr K. Neijs' application for a Research Fellowship in the Department of Anthropology, is to forward a copy of a reference which I gave to him on his leaving the employment of the South Pacific Commission.

Throughout the 3 year period during which I have been associated with Dr Neijs he was engaged on research connected with the application of literacy techniques to the peoples of Melanesia. I'm afraid I know nothing as to his qualifications as an anthropologist, though I believe that he took anthropology as one of the subjects for his degree.

Dr Neijs has the necessary aptitude and ability for research, possessing a trained mind capable of sustained concentration on theoretical and practical problems related to his work.

In addition he has a good knowledge of the Melanesian territories, from Netherlands New Guinea to the New Hebrides, and has done some practical work in the field.

But whether or not Dr Neijs is suitable for a Research Fellowship in Anthropology would depend, in my opinion, on the nature of his proposed study. On any research project related to literacy I should not hesitate to recommend him for a fellowship. For work other than in this limited field, however, I can only say that he

is able, and

is able, and essentially research minded, and should be capable of doing a good job provided he possesses, or can acquire, the necessary knowledge of anthropological techniques.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

The Australian National University

CANBERRA
A. C. T.

TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS
" NATUNIV " CANBERRA

BOX 4, G.P.O.
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

27th January, 1956.

Ref. 6.2.0.140.

Mr. H. E. Maude,
Executive Officer for
Social Development,
South Pacific Commission,
2 Netherby Avenue,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Dr. K. Neijs has applied for appointment as
Research Fellow in the Department of Anthropology and has named
you as referee.

I would be grateful if you could let me know,
in confidence, your opinion of Dr. Neijs' qualifications and
abilities and whether you consider him to be suited for a
research post of this kind.

..... I enclose particulars about the position and
the University.

Yours sincerely,



(R. A. HOHNEN)
for Registrar

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITYCANBERRARESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES

Applications are invited for the following posts:

Senior Fellow (Linguistics)	Department of Anthropology)	Head of Department
Research Fellow	Department of Anthropology)	Professor S.F. Nadel
Research Fellow (two posts)	Department of Pacific History -	Head of Department Professor J.W. Davidson
Research Fellow	Department of International Relations -	Acting Head of Department Lord Lindsay of Birker.

... Information regarding the University will be found in the printed leaflet accompanying these particulars.

1. Duties

Each person appointed shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of his office. It shall be his primary duty to devote himself to research and the advancement of knowledge in his subject. He shall assist the Head of his Department in organising seminars and in supervising the work of graduate students; and generally contribute to the work of his Department and the Research School of Pacific Studies. He shall be responsible to the Head of his Department.

2. Salary and Tenure

The salary for Senior Fellows is determined within the limits £A2,200 - 2,650. The appointment of a Senior Fellow will initially be for five years, but he will then be eligible for reappointment to the retiring age of 65, with the option of retiring after the age of 60.

The salary range for Research Fellows is £A1,200 - 1,800. The appointment will be for three years, with a possible extension to the maximum of five years.

Reasonable travel and removal expenses for the successful candidate and his family will be paid. Assistance with housing will be provided.

Appointment is subject to a satisfactory medical report by a physician nominated by the University.

The Council may terminate an appointment at any time for incapacity, inefficiency or misconduct.

3. Superannuation

The University will contribute to an endowment insurance scheme on the principles of the Federated Superannuation System for Universities as in the United Kingdom. Five per cent of salary will be deducted as the staff member's contribution.

4. Outside Work.

Members of the academic staff shall not -

(a) sit in Parliament; or

/ (b) engage in

- (b) engage in paid outside work of any kind or undertake or conduct any paid occupation or business or engage in the practice of any profession, without the permission of the Council. Permission, in general terms, will be given in respect of a reasonable amount of such outside work as examining, lecturing, and broadcasting, and for the purposes mentioned in paragraph 5.

5. Visits to other Universities etc.

Members of the academic staff may, with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, on the recommendation of the Dean of the Research School, visit other Universities and educational or research institutes, for the purpose of delivering courses of lectures or assisting in research work, and generally for the purpose of maintaining good relations with other bodies interested in teaching and research in Australia.

6. Study Leave

A Senior Fellow is entitled to one year's study leave on full pay in every six years of his term of office. An allowance of up to £A700 will be made for travel and other expenses of study leave.

7. Reservation

The University Council reserves the right to fill these vacancies by invitation should it wish to do so.

8. Applications

Applications should reach the Registrar by 15th February, 1956. Applicants in the United Kingdom are asked also to send two copies of their application to: The Secretary, Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth, 36 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1. Applications should include date and place of birth, marital status, war service (if any), details of academic record, publications (together with single copies of reprints if available), appointments held and the names and addresses of three referees. Applicants are asked to provide two signed passport size photographs: applicants in the United Kingdom should send these direct to Canberra.

Australian National University,
Box 4, G.P.O.,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

R.A. Hohnon
REGISTRAR

29th November, 1955.

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

**A brief account of the foundation,
academic structure and purpose of
the University**

APRIL 1955

FOUNDATION AND GOVERNMENT

The Australian National University was established by Act of the Commonwealth Parliament in 1946. The primary function of the University, as laid down, is "to encourage and provide facilities for post-graduate research and study, both generally and in relation to subjects of national importance to Australia".

The University has, in the first instance, concentrated on the development of the four Research Schools mentioned in the Act:—

The John Curtin School of Medical Research,
The Research School of Physical Sciences,
The Research School of Social Sciences,
The Research School of Pacific Studies.

The governing body of the University is the Council which includes nine representatives of Convocation, three representatives of the staff and two representatives of research students. The Board of Graduate Studies, comprising all Professors, the Master of University House, the Librarian and the Registrar, under the chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor, is the senior academic body. The Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies have set up Faculties and a Joint Faculties' Board.

The original University Act provided a statutory appropriation of £325,000 per annum for the running expenses of the University. Since the University's inception some £4½m. have been made available by the Commonwealth Government for capital expenses, and in the last few years annual appropriations have been made by Parliament to cover the University's growing expenses now that it is approaching its full establishment.

ACADEMIC STRUCTURE

Each School is led by a Director or Dean and is divided into departments headed by Professors or Readers. Professors, Readers, Senior Fellows and Fellows are permanent appointments. Senior Research Fellows and Research Fellows are appointed for one- to three-year terms which, in certain circumstances, may be extended to a maximum of five years. Senior Research Fellows and Research Fellows are, however, ineligible on completion of their term of appointment, for re-appointment in the same category.

It being the Council's intention to provide stability in the direction of the research work undertaken in the University, approximately one-half of the members of the academic staff hold permanent appointments. The remaining members, who hold appointment as Senior Research Fellows or Research Fellows, spend a relatively short period in the University, either working in research teams or on individual projects, and will subsequently move to appointments elsewhere.

It is hoped that this movement of research

workers through the University to outside appointments will strengthen the institutions to which they ultimately go and improve the standards of those whom they may themselves ultimately train.

Consequently, the permanent staff members of each Department form its nucleus, while the temporary members complete it. It is customary for each Department to comprise a Professor or Reader as Head of Department, in several Departments a second permanent appointee (Reader, Senior Fellow or Fellow), and two, three or four temporary Research Fellows. There may also be attached to a Department, usually for about one year, a visiting Professor or Fellow from another University.

The Chancellor is The Right Hon. Viscount Bruce of Melbourne.

The Vice-Chancellor is Mr. L. G. Melville.

DEPARTMENTS

The Research Schools are made up of the following Departments (Heads of Departments shown in brackets):

- (1) The John Curtin School of Medical Research.
Dean—Professor A. H. Ennor.
Department of Biochemistry (Professor A. H. Ennor).
Department of Experimental Pathology (Dr. G. B. Mackaness).
Department of Medical Chemistry (Professor A. Albert).
Department of Microbiology (Professor F. J. Fenner).
Department of Physiology (Professor J. C. Eccles, F.R.S.).
- (2) The Research School of Physical Sciences.
Director—Professor M. L. Oliphant, F.R.S.
Department of Astronomy (Professor R. v.d.R. Woolley, F.R.S.).
Department of Nuclear Physics (Professor E. W. Titterton).
Department of Geophysics (Professor J. C. Jaeger).
Department of Radiochemistry (Mr. F. Scarf).
Department of Theoretical Physics (appointment pending).
Department of Particle Physics (Professor M. L. Oliphant, F.R.S.).
- (3) The Research School of Social Sciences.
Dean—Professor G. Sawyer.
Department of Demography (Mr. W. D. Borrie).
Department of Economics (including Economic Statistics and Economic History) (Professor T. W. Swan).
Department of History (Mr. L. F. Fitzhardinge).
Department of Law (Professor G. Sawyer).
Department of Political Science (including

Public Administration) (Mr. L. C. Webb).
Department of Social Philosophy (Professor P. H. Partridge).

Department of Statistics (including Mathematical Statistics) (Professor P. A. P. Moran).

(4) The Research School of Pacific Studies.

Dean—Professor ~~S. F. Nadel~~.

Department of Anthropology and Sociology (Professor ~~S. F. Nadel~~).

Department of Far Eastern History (Professor C. P. FitzGerald).

Department of Geography (Professor O. H. K. Spate).

Department of International Relations (Lord Lindsay of Birker, acting).

Department of Pacific History (Professor J. W. Davidson).

The present academic staff numbers eighty-eight.

RESEARCH STUDENTS

The University undertakes the research training of a small number of graduate students, of whom there are at present about seventy-five. Persons who have graduated with good honours in a recognised University and have shown promise as research workers may apply for admission. Only in special circumstances will applications from persons without these qualifications be considered.

Persons wishing to become research students should, in the first instance, write to the Registrar, setting out their previous experience and proposed study.

Research students may enrol for the Ph.D., M.A., or M.Sc. degree. The course for the Ph.D. extends over three years, although the Board of Graduate Studies may, in special cases, shorten a candidate's approved course to a minimum of two years or lengthen it to a maximum of four years. The course for the Master's degree normally extends over a period of two years. No undertaking can be given that a Research Fellow will be able to proceed to a degree.

Each year the University offers scholarships valued at present at £A705 p.a. with additional dependants' grants for married scholarship holders with children.

THE LIBRARY

There are now over 100,000 volumes in the University Library, including some 25,000 volumes in the Oriental collection. Current periodicals number 1,500 titles.

BUILDINGS

The buildings, both temporary and permanent,

are on the University site of 204 acres in Acton, Canberra.

The permanent laboratories for the Research School of Physical Sciences are complete and the permanent buildings for The John Curtin School of Medical Research have been commenced, and will be ready for occupation in 1956. The Departments of the Medical School, with the exception of Medical Chemistry, are at present housed in temporary laboratories. The Department of Medical Chemistry is located in the laboratories of the Wellcome Foundation, London, and will move to Canberra during 1956.

The Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies and the Library are located in temporary buildings.

It should be added that the temporary buildings referred to, while not ideal, do provide good working conditions.

LIVING CONDITIONS IN CANBERRA

Canberra is attractively situated and well planned as the capital city of Australia. The population is still small (about 30,000) but the provision made for the usual leisure activities is probably better than might be expected in an ordinary town of that size. On the other hand, distances are considerable and the bus service is not comparable to that in a city; private transport, even a bicycle, is a distinct advantage. The three main shopping centres are sufficient for most purposes and are supplemented by "corner shops" in most of the residential areas, but some people find that shopping is a greater burden than they are used to and that prices tend to be higher than elsewhere in Australia. An estimate of living costs is difficult to make, but as some guidance, it may be said that the scholarship allowances mentioned above are intended to cover all expenses and that most scholars find they can live quite comfortably without additional income. The climate is good, and although it is colder than in many parts of Australia during the winter months, there is plenty of sun; there are cold winds in winter and hot days in summer but the extremes are tempered by the dry atmosphere; clothing should, however, be planned to provide for these extremes.

Further information may be obtained from—

THE REGISTRAR,
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Telephone: Canberra U 0422
Telegraphic Address: Natuniv, Canberra.

Beach House.
Nukualofa.
TONGA.

CONFIDENTIAL

Feb. 24. 1956.

My dear Maude,

It was again a very great pleasure to get your last letter, and to know that you had resigned from the Commission. I was wondering how long you would allow the principles which I know you possess to conflict with the general futility of the Commission, which I have always understood was instituted for the benefit of the island people. Outside a very few incidental matters I cannot see what good the Commission has done for the moral welfare of the indigenous people.

I am still in Tonga, and I think that I will stay here in the meanwhile, as I prefer it to Fiji.

I went to Suva for Xmas and the New Year, and, no doubt as you have heard, the place was a perfect bedlam of riotous carousal of drunken Fijians. Inside the bars were stationed policemen, who hauled them out into taxis or the police wagon. I have lived in many countries, but I have never seen such a perfect mess of drunken humanity as I saw during the celebration of the birth of Christ.

I blame the total inefficiency of the Colonial Service, who these days care little of what becomes of these poor misguided Fijians.

A few days ago I received a letter from my oldest friend, a Peer of the Realm, and I will quote from his letter some of his remarks. I FEAR SOME OF THE COLONIAL OFFICIALS ARE VERY POOR. AS ALL THE CHIEF PLACES ARE NOW INDEPENDENT, LIKE INDIA CEYLON ETC, IT SEEMS TO ME HARDLY WORTH WHILE TO KEEP A FEW PLACES WHICH CAN ONLY CAUSE TROUBLE. I FEEL THAT HONG KONG FOR INSTANCE CAN ONLY BE A SOURCE OF IRRITATION TO CHINA, WHICH IS NOW A VERY POWERFUL STATE. CHINESE GOODWILL AND TRADE ARE PRESUMABLY MORE VALUABLE THAN HONG KONG. IN THE SAME WAY, GIBRALTER CANNOT BE MUCH USE TO BRITAIN LIKE IT WAS IN THE OLD DAYS, BUT AS LONG AS WE HAVE IT THERE IS ALWAYS A STRAIN IN SPANISH BRITISH RELATIONS.

This Peer was an honours History man at Cambridge, and has been a great student of international relations, and I have always valued very highly his opinions. He has been a life long friend, and passed many years in Canada before he assumed the title, which he drops when he still visits Canada.

Even in this little place there is a man called BAIN who acts as secretary to the government. An absolute twirp, if ever there was one. He is a New Zealander, and passed a few months in either Oxford or Cambridge, and returned with the Oxford accent, also his wife, a half caste and a daughter of Felix Embasson in Suva, who perhaps you remember. I think she at one time worked in the Secretariat in Suva. She also has acquired the Oxford accent, poor fool. I have been told candidly by a very high Tongan that the Tongans dislike the white man, and I do not blame the Tongan. I told the Tongan who made this remark that he should not judge all white men by the poor type who work for the Tongan government. Funnily enough, a short while ago, a Tongan remarked to another Tongan " Ah yes, Mr Maude is the man we need here". Many times I have heard similar remarks made about you, and as I mentioned in one of my other letters, it would be a fine idea

Idea/

if you would come here as Consul and Agent. Your advice and love for the Tongan people, and also your fearless guidance, would save a people from drifting, as they are doing. Tungi is an idealist, with an idealism which will never bring this little kingdom to a sound maturity. The present Consul and Agent is a man called NOTT, who, in my opinion, is neither a guide nor a help to the administration, but simply passing time in a soft job, waiting retirement.

Another detriment here to the Tongans, is not only the fact that the Europeans are a poor type, but their drinking habits are a hellish example. I see some of them coming into the Boarding house in the Morning^s with their eyes bulging almost out of the sockets, and their faces suffused with booze from the night before. I want to repeat again as I have done before, that I am no saint, but I do have some principles when they apply to the welfare of my fellow man, especially coloured people who have not the background that a half decent white man has. If we cannot "Do unto others as ye would they would do unto you" then this world will become just a shambles of hypocrisy, unless those responsible for administration do not apply some moral principles, instead just working for a salary and to hell with the effect on the people, especially coloured people, who are to-day being exploited more viciously than ever before by the white man's policy of DOG EAT DOG. I do wish I was in a position to carry out my wishes for these people, but I have neither the wealth nor the opportunity, one of which is necessary to achieve anything. To give these people happiness needs mental and moral guidance, not only an attempt to make them content.

"That something still which prompts the eternal sigh,
For which men bear to live or dare to die "

Even the average missionary is a wash out, and is afraid to to make some determined effort to stop the pernicious drinking which is quickly undermining the physical and moral advancement of the island people. Often have I spoken to Kempthorne of this curse, and although he well knows the ravages which result, he does nothing I presume.

Well I guess I will shut up. When you have time to write to me again, please do so to the address I have given in this letter.

All the best to your wife and yourself.

Always most sincerely

Jack Cunningham

Sometimes I get very lonely, and dream of the very wonderful happiness my Tahitian girl gave me, after some years of hell married to a white woman. The Tahitian girl was the neice of the paramount chief Terieero, and the finest woman I have ever known. She died of T B. At the same time I think I have loved my men friends more than I ever loved a woman, which reminds of the Persian proverb:-

THE LOVE OF A MAN FOR A WOMAN WAXES AND WANES LIKE THE MOON, BUT THE LOVE OF A MAN FOR HIS FELLOW MAN IS AS CONSTANT AS THE STARS AND ENDURETH LIKE THE WORD OF THE PROPHET.

Dear Lady Pat,

Please forgive me for not having written before to thank you for having me to G. H. - the reason why I have delayed is because I promised H. E. I'd let him know as soon as I heard about my going to the A. N. U., and I expected to hear daily but so far nothing has materialized and I really can't wait any longer or you will think I'm even now looking in the social graces than I am. Sir Harry Lake once told me that only 1 in 6 of the guests he had up at Garsnet House during the war ever wrote and thanked him: I have never quite believed it.

But please tell Harold that the A. N. U. position is that Jim Davidson tells me that I needed the pulls for the position - besting, I'm glad to say, all

the academies - and the University have decided to make me an offer on certain terms. When that arrives I shall have to accept or turn it down - but it hasn't arrived yet as they are a bit slow in their secretariat: so I am as much at sea as always.

You've no idea how much I enjoyed staying with you - it was really lovely, bringing back all my memories of life in the islands when our hearts were young and gay. I wish we could relive those days, when we had such a zest for life that it almost hurt. But at any rate you people are still making away familiar scenes, though life must be infinitely more complicated.

I finished my report on my last visit and I hope that it will be productive of results - anyway it's gone in so I can feel that I earned my passage.

Alan's bought a Lambretta and it's great

fun riding it. He uses it to cover the 17 miles to the University each day and finds it quicker than the train, surprisingly. But now he wants to go to College instead of living at home - and I think he's right, though one probably does less work in college.

This should reach you with the Bedellos and I hope you enjoy their visit. She really has quite a heart of gold, despite a rather florid exterior. Unfortunately she had a car accident some years ago, I believe, and as a consequence has a bad lock which necessitates her lying down quite a bit.

I rather wish I didn't have to go to the Conference because there's so much to be done here and time just flies, but I suppose it will be interesting in a way: the first one certainly was.

Again my thanks for being here and

making me feel so much at home - I was
honestly less scared of your husband as Governor
than I was of him when he acted as Resident.
He must have mellowed.

How kind he has been and would care
to stay with me if he can't raise the
fare so must please stay put.

Yours very sincerely,

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
25th February, 1956.

The Public Relations Officer,
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony,
Tarawa, Gilbert Islands, Central Pacific.

Dear Sir,

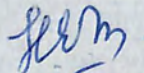
I should be grateful if the copies of "Tero", "Tala O Tuvalu", and "News from the G. & E.I.C." formerly sent to me as Executive Officer for Social Development, South Pacific Commission, Box 5254, G.P.O., Sydney, could in future be addressed to:-

Mr H.E. Maude, O.B.E.,
2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
Australia.

No files of the above periodicals are kept by the South Pacific Commission as they have always been handed to me on arrival. I have almost complete sets of each and will let you know my missing numbers in due course in case you are able to supply them (perhaps in exchange for some of my duplicates).

If I owe you anything for this much appreciated service, which keeps me in touch with happenings in my old Colony, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th February, 1956.

The Acting Chief Secretary,
Western Pacific High Commission,
HONIARA, British Solomon Islands Protectorate.

Dear Sir,

I should be grateful for your formal permission to accept the following engagements while on leave prior to retirement:-

- (i) from the Commonwealth Government of Australia: a confidential mission connected with the settlement of the people of Nauru Island;
- (ii) from the Government of New Zealand: a field survey of community development possibilities on Niue Island, with special reference to the development of co-operatives and other forms of community self-help; and
- (iii) from the Australian National University: a senior research fellowship in Pacific Islands history.

I have tried, whenever possible, to postpone undertaking assignments such as the above until after the expiration of my leave. In these cases, however, it has not been possible as the authorities concerned wish the work to be commenced in the immediate future.

I hope that His Excellency the High Commissioner will be able to approve this request.

A copy of this letter has been forwarded to His Honour the Acting Resident Commissioner, Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony.

Yours sincerely,


H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th February, 1956.

His Honour F.N.M. Pusinelli, Esq., O.B.E.,
Acting Resident Commissioner,
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony,
TARAWA, Gilbert Islands, Central Pacific.

Dear Nigel,

I attach a copy of a letter which I have sent to the High Commission asking for formal permission to accept one or two engagements during my period of leave.

Stoddard, the C.S. in Fiji, tells me that this sort of request is never, in practice, refused, so let's hope he's right.

Yours sincerely,

John

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th February, 1956.

His Honour F.N.M. Pusinelli, Esq., O.B.E.,
Acting Resident Commissioner,
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony,
TARAWA, Gilbert Islands, Central Pacific.

Dear Nigel,

Thank you for your letter of the 31st December. I am quite happy about my leave computation and sorry to have worried you with what was little more than a pious hope that I was due more.

I am now forwarding a formal letter notifying you that I should like to draw my pension in full rather than a gratuity and reduced pension. I know its contrary to majority opinion but we have a house and a car already paid for and, not being a business man, I might well lose the capital if I invested it at 8%, which seems to be the lowest rate which would compensate for the loss in pension.

By the way, I never thanked you for your letter sent from Brisbane in which you mention Rennie and Stephen. As you say Rennie was unable to see us on his way through Australia but we have met more than once since. He's a very pleasant type and unusually keen on research.

Alfred Stephen we know quite well. As one of Ellis' contemporaries he should be able to give quite a bit of information on early days in the B.P.C. and the P.P.C. But he will digress so that I find him hard to listen to. He evidently did not get on well with a number of his colleagues, including Gaze.

Many thanks indeed for arranging for the payment of my salary so promptly. There was never a hitch which, in view of the fact that Burns, Philp were involved, is quite a triumph.

Honor and I send our best to you both and hope that you are still enjoying the acting (too many parties for me, but I was ever peculiar).

*Very sincerely,
F.N.M.*

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th February, 1956.

His Honour,
The Acting Resident Commissioner,
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony,
TARAWA, Gilbert Islands.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the provisions of the Colony pensions legislation, notification is hereby given that I do not opt to be paid a gratuity and reduced pension but desire to be paid my pension in full.

To the best of my recollection, notification to this effect was made prior to the war, but the letter was no doubt lost during the Japanese occupation.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.

S. P. C.

Cremona

2.3.56.

Alex M. Maude,

I forgot to give the enclosed
to you today, hence this note.

I should be most grateful
for any "lines of fair comment and
encouragement" you could provide
for me. I intend to submit
my application about mid-March,
but knowing that you will be
away next week, I felt you would
like to have plenty of notice
of my request.

Kindest regards

Alex Maude Esq.

Alex

Title of Post : Programme Specialist
Post No. : CUA-80d
Level : P-3 (Base Salary: \$6,000 - Allowances
according to Staff Regulations and Rules)
Department : Department of Cultural Activities,
Division of Arts and Letters

Duties and Responsibilities : Under the supervision of the Chief of Division and the Specialist P-4, the incumbent shall be responsible for the following duties within the framework of the Programme concerning the production of reading material for new literates:

1. Assist in arranging for the collection, analysis and use of documentation concerning the production of reading material for new literates;
2. draft working documents, reports, contracts and correspondence necessary to the implementation of the project;
3. assist in the organization and holding of meetings of experts and conferences;
4. assist in maintaining liaison with the various departments and services of the Secretariat and act as Secretary of the Inter-Departmental Committee created for co-ordinating this project;
5. establish and maintain a documentation of organizations, agencies and individuals concerned with the production and dissemination of reading material for new literates throughout the world.

Qualifications and Experience required:

1. University degree or equivalent qualifications;
2. Knowledge of the production of literature for adult education purposes and of printing methods;
3. Experience in the field of administration;
4. Thorough knowledge of English or French, with the ability to draft clearly and concisely therein; working knowledge of the second language.

Closing date: 30 March 1956

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Dr. Starnes

The Australian National University

CANBERRA
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TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS:
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6th March, 1956.

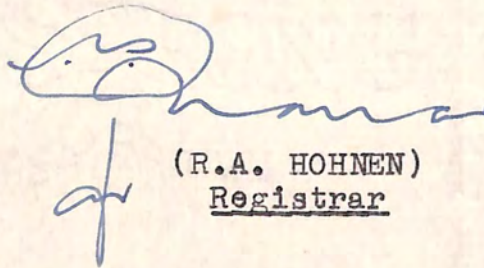
Mr. H. E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Owing to the death of Professor S. F. Nadel, the University does not now propose proceeding with the appointment of a Research Fellow in the Department of Anthropology.

We are, nevertheless, grateful for your letter of 23rd February and the copy of the reference concerning Dr. K. Neijs. They may well become of use in the future.

Yours sincerely,



(R.A. HOHNEN)
Registrar

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION
NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA.

COMMISSION DU PACIFIQUE SUD
NOUMEA, NOUVELLE-CALEDONIE.

In reply, please quote.....

7th March, 1956.

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

PERSONAL

Mr. Harry E. Maude,
South Pacific Commission,
Box 5254, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY.

Dear Harry,

We are now in the final stages of preparation for the Third South Pacific Conference and the Deputy Secretary-General and I have been reviewing decisions now necessary to assure the success of the Conference.

2. As you will recall it was the expressed desire of the Commissioners that you attend the Third South Pacific Conference if the new Executive Officer were not appointed by that time or if he found it impossible to attend.
3. It is my opinion that the Commission will not be able to appoint a new Executive Officer prior to the Third South Pacific Conference. I know, however, that your long experience with the Commissioners tells you how difficult it is to make a prediction of this kind with accuracy. There is, of course, some chance that the Commission will take action by cable. I doubt, however, that such will prove to be the case.
4. It is my intention to wait until the first week in April and if I do not have positive action of the Commission on the appointment of the Executive Officer for Social Development by that time then I will officially ask you to attend the Conference and to speak for the program in Social Development.
5. I am enclosing a copy of a brief statement by Dr. Kroon indicating his project to the Conference. Dr. Massal is preparing a similar statement and I will forward it to you as soon as it is completed. It is my thought that these will be of some guidance to the preparation of your own.
6. The report of the Secretary-General will cover the program in detail and is intended to put before the Conference the action of the secretariat with respect to the program during the past three years. This draft is now largely completed and I hope I have it available soon.
7. Mr. Ryan is arriving in Sydney by the same aircraft as carries this letter. If there are further questions on this matter I hope you will feel free to take them up with him.
8. I am sorry I could not arrange to see you and Mrs. Maude on my last visit to Sydney. Inasmuch as it was my purpose to carry out para. 99 of the Fourteenth Session pertaining to salaries of the personnel in Sydney, I thought it best not to do anything to appear to the local employees that you and I were consulting about this matter. I had hoped to be able to complete the work in time to be able to spend an evening with you. The task proved more formidable than I had anticipated and I was unable to complete the necessary decisions pertaining to salaries before leaving Sydney. I hope to have this done very soon and, therefore, look forward to the opportunity to seeing you on my next visit early in April.

9. I was most happy to see Mrs. Maude in the office at Dalton House and hope that she conveyed to you my highest regards and best wishes.

Cordially,

Ralph Clairon Bedell

Ralph Clairon Bedell
Secretary-General.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
7th March, 1956.

The Acting Registrar,
University of Sydney,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Sir,

I think that the best way to deal with the request contained in your letter RG of the 1st March, on the subject of Dr K. Neijs' application for the position of Senior Lecturer or Reader in Indonesian and Malayan Studies in the University of Sydney, is to forward a copy of a reference which I gave to him on his leaving the employment of the South Pacific Commission.

Throughout the three year period during which I have been associated with Dr Neijs he was engaged on research connected with the application of literacy techniques to the peoples of Melanesia. I'm afraid I know nothing as to his academic qualifications in the field of Indonesian and Malayan Studies, as I had no occasion to ascertain these.

Dr Neijs certainly has a quite unusual aptitude and ability for research, possessing a trained mind capable of sustained concentration on theoretical and practical problems related to his work. I should judge that he would make an equally good lecturer, but as I have not myself heard him deliver an address this is little better than a surmise.

As regards Dr Neijs' personal characteristics, he possesses a pleasant personality and is easy to work with, though inclined to be diffident in his social relationships. He was always most popular with the other members of my staff.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.



The University of Sydney

SYDNEY, N. S. W.

RG

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE :

1st March, 1956.

H. E. Maude, Esq., O.B.E.,
2 Netherby Avenue,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Sir,

The University of Sydney is entering the field of Indonesian and Malayan Studies by establishing a course in the history and cultures of these regions. Applications have been invited for a Senior Lecturer or Reader to be in charge of this Department, and it is intended that he should have qualifications in some of the languages of the regions as well as in the cultures and history. Dr. K. Neijs has applied for this position and has given your name as a referee.

The Advisory Committee appointed to consider applications would be glad to have your opinion of Dr. Neijs' suitability, both academically and personally, for this position of Senior Lecturer or Reader. Any comment which you may care to make will, of course, be treated as confidential.

Yours faithfully,

Acting Registrar.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Information on Posts of Experts and Specialists

1. Title of Post : Expert in Adult Literacy Techniques and in the preparation of Reading Material for New Literates
2. Location : Tajgaon (East Bengal), Pakistan
3. Background and Functions :

The Government of Pakistan has requested an expert to advise on literacy problems connected with their Village Aid Programme. The expert will be required to work with the Village Agricultural and Industrial Development Administration, under the Ministry of Economic Affairs. His functions will be as follows :

 - a) To organize and develop Fundamental Education Centres;
 - b) To carry out research in matters of adult literacy and fundamental education in the context of the Village Aid Programme;
 - c) To produce and to periodically revise literature necessary for adult literates;
 - d) To undertake appropriate audio-visual activities;
 - e) To advise on the curriculum for Village Literacy workers and to conduct classes for training adult literacy teachers.
4. Qualifications :

Specialisation in research and methodology of adult literacy teaching as well as in production and periodical revision of necessary literature, charts, etc.
 Experience in audio-visual and in adult literacy teaching methods.
5. Language Qualifications : ENGLISH
6. Duration of Appointment : One year, renewable
7. Salary and Allowances :

Between the equivalent of \$6,000 and \$7,300 per annum (national income tax reimbursed if levied), depending on qualifications and experience, plus family allowances. In addition, the expert will be entitled, for the first 30 days of his service in the country of assignment, to an installation allowance representing full subsistence and, thereafter, to free lodging or alternatively to a project service allowance. Free return passage is provided by Unesco for the expert and his dependants (wife and children under 18 years of age).
8. This post is : (1) vacant.....
 (2) filled by.....
 (3) will be vacant.....
9. For use of Recruitment Sources.



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UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION
ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES POUR L'ÉDUCATION, LA SCIENCE ET LA CULTURE

In your reply, please refer to :
En répondant, veuillez rappeler :

N° PEM/TA/376/56

22nd February 1956

Dear Sir,

I should be obliged if you would give me some information in connexion with the candidature of Dr. Karel Neijs of Fahrenheitsstraat, 688, The Hague, Netherlands,

who applied for an appointment under the Technical Assistance Programme and has given your name as a reference. He is at present under consideration for the post of Expert in Adult Literacy Techniques and in the preparation of Reading Material for New Literates at Tajgaon, Pakistan. (Details of the post description are supplied on the attached form.)

I should particularly like to have your opinion on:

1. his technical competence for the assignment;
2. his suitability for employment in the country specified, with particular reference to his ability to work in a team and to get along with people of other nationalities, and his adaptability to prevailing conditions;
3. his general integrity and character.

This will be considered strictly confidential and your frank appraisal would be appreciated. Would you kindly mark the envelope enclosing your reply "confidential"?

Yours faithfully,

A. Shahbaz,
Chief Appointments Officer,
T.A. Personnel Unit.

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2, Netherby Avenue,
WAHROONGA
N.S.W.
Australia

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dr. K. Neijs joined the staff of the South Pacific Commission as Adviser on Literacy on the 1st October, 1952, having been selected, from a number of applications received through the six member Governments, on a basis of his high technical qualifications coupled with an exceptional general scholastic record, a good knowledge of English and French and suitable temperamental qualities.

Dr. Neijs was engaged on a three years contract, subsequently extended to the 31st December, 1955, his duties being to advise the metropolitan and 19 territorial Governments in the South Pacific area on all matters related to literacy work; to conduct experimental projects on literacy techniques; to prepare follow-up material for use in literacy teaching; and generally to advise and assist in the work of the South Pacific Literature Bureau in so far as it related to literacy.

In carrying out this task Dr. Neijs has made a very comprehensive study of literacy teaching methods in all parts of the world, from documentary sources, and in addition has made a field survey of the Melanesian territories in the Pacific (Australian Papua and New Guinea, Netherlands New Guinea, the British Solomon Islands Protectorate and the Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides) where illiteracy is still a serious problem.

The results of Dr. Neijs' work are contained in detailed reports made to each territorial administration and in three general works entitled:-

- (i) "The Construction of Literacy Primers for Adults". April, 1954.
- (ii) "Literacy Teaching for Adults". Commission Technical Paper No. 72. November, 1954.
- (iii) "Literacy in the South-Western Pacific" (not yet published).

The first two studies have been published by the Commission. The demand for "The Construction of Literacy Primers for Adults" in particular, has exceeded all expectations and has necessitated the printing of a new and revised edition.

Dr. Neijs' expert advice and assistance has been of considerable use to the various organizations and individuals concerned with literacy work in the area, as shown by the many expressions of appreciation received (in particular from territorial Government Departments and missionary bodies). I have myself been impressed with the exacting thoroughness with which he has set about his task and the practical nature of his recommendations.

At a plenary session of the Commission in November, 1955, the six Senior Commissioners, representing Australia, France, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States, passed a resolution expressing their appreciation to Dr. Neijs "for his excellent work in furthering the spread of effective literacy teaching in Melanesian territories".

I am glad, but not surprised, that Dr. Neijs' work is becoming internationally recognized for much of it breaks new ground in the theory and practice of literacy teaching among dependent or under-developed peoples. I can recommend him without hesitation to any Government or organization engaged in literacy work, or to an academic institution interested in native education.

H. E. Maude

Sydney, N.S.W., Australia,
31st December, 1955

Executive Officer for Social Development
South Pacific Commission

2, Netherby Street,

Wahroonga, N.S.W.

CONFIDENTIAL

8th March, 1956.

Dear Sir,

Your letter No. PEM/TA/376/56 of the 22nd February asks my opinion on the suitability of Dr. Karel Neijs for the position of Expert in Adult Literacy Techniques and in the preparation of Reading Material for New Literates at Tajgaon, Pakistan.

I feel that in response to your request I cannot do better than forward a copy of a reference which I gave to Dr. Neijs on his leaving the employment of the South Pacific Commission.

Throughout the three year period during which I have been associated with Dr. Neijs he was engaged on research connected with the application of literacy techniques to the peoples of Melanesia. I have carefully examined the post description enclosed with your letter and feel that the work which he would be required to perform in Pakistan would be very similar to that which he successfully accomplished in the South Pacific area: this will, I think, be clear from a perusal of my reference attached and his published works.

To deal briefly with the specific points mentioned in your letter:-

- (i) I consider Dr. Neijs to be entirely technically competent to perform the work required of him.
- (ii) Dr. Neijs is a Dutchman who speaks perfect English and has worked in several countries, including Indonesia and Australia. Not surprisingly,

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The Chief Appointments Officer,
Technical Assistance Personnel Unit,
Unesco.

therefore, he possesses an international outlook and is accustomed to work with people of diverse nationalities. His pleasant personality and willingness to co-operate make him a good team worker, while I have always found him readily adaptable to the varied living conditions experienced during his field work (including life in primitive Melanesian villages).

- (iii) Dr. Neijs' general integrity and character are beyond reproach. He is popular with, and respected by, people of all races and classes in the Commission area.

I hope that this letter will serve to give you the information you require regarding Dr. Neijs, for whom I have a high regard.

Yours faithfully,

H. E. Maude

2, Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

8th March, 1956.

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir,

I understand that Mr. A. T. Dix is applying for the position of Programme Specialist in the Division of Arts and Letters of Unesco and am taking the liberty of writing to you in support of his candidature.

I am perhaps in a unique position to assess Mr. Dix's qualifications and capacity since he was my Research Assistant since he first joined the staff of the South Pacific Commission in July, 1951, until my retirement on the 1st January, 1956.

During this period Mr. Dix was engaged in organizing and directing a wide variety of research services, specializing to a certain extent in documentary research and the management of clearing house activities.

He has shown throughout an exceptional capacity for administrative work connected with the direction of research projects and services, involving the collection and analysis of documentary material bearing on social development, the organization of conferences and the maintenance of a close liaison with the Commission secretariat and other sections of the Research Council.

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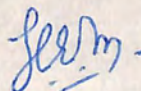
The Director,
Division of Cultural Activities,
Unesco,
19 Avenue Kleber,
PARIS XVI^e,
France.

Mr. Dix is an experienced draftsman and has had the sole responsibility for organizing and carrying into effect a number of noteworthy documentary research projects covering the Commission area, such as the periodical Review of Social Science in the South Pacific (Commission Technical Paper No. 52), now in its second revision, and the Quarterly Pacific Reading List.

I can confidently recommend Mr. Dix for the particular position of Programme Specialist as he possesses the necessary qualifications and experience and the duties, as stated in the advertisement for the post, are strikingly similar to those which he has been performing for several years. Although his work with the Commission has never been confined to the field of literacy, much of it has been, in fact, connected directly or indirectly with the production of reading matter for new literates in the South Pacific area.

In conclusion I should say that Mr. Dix is well able to assume responsibility and indeed is now, as acting Executive Officer for Social Development, in sole charge of the Commission's work programme in the social development field.

Yours faithfully,



H. E. Maude

Copy to: Australian National Advisory Committee for Unesco, Sydney.

Telegram

STEAD ABCOM SYDNEY

Regret owing continued illness impossible complete broadcast
before end session stop Have therefore proposed to Collins
that Dix my successor in Commission should substitute.

Maude.

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FIJI SOCIETY.

c/o South Pacific Health Service,
Headquarters Office,
Suva, FIJI.

9th March, 1956.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Mr. Derrick has passed Dr. McGusty's paper - "A Viewpoint of Colonialism as seen in the History of Fiji" on to me. The possibility of arranging for it to be read at a meeting and subsequently published in the Transactions of the Fiji Society, has been discussed by the Council. It is generally felt that the subject matter, though of considerable interest, is hardly suitable for a Fiji Society paper. I am therefore returning it to you under separate cover.

We are wondering if you will be in Fiji for the South Pacific Commission Conference in April? If so, we should very much like to ask you to read a paper at one of our meetings.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Parkinson.

PRESIDENT.

Mr. H. Maude,
Social Development Section,
South Pacific Commission,
G.P.O. Box 5254,
Sydney, N.S.W.,
AUSTRALIA.



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The University of Sydney

13th March, 1956.

H. E. Maude, Esq., O.B.E.,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of 7th March, in support of Dr. K. Neijs' application for the position of Senior Lecturer/Reader in Indonesian and Malayan Studies in this University.

The Advisory Committee will be grateful for your help in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

S. W. Wilson
Acting Registrar.

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION,
BOX 5254, G.P.O.
SYDNEY, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA

16th March, 1956.

Dear Mr. Maude,

The Deputy Secretary-General has asked me to inform you informally regarding your attendance at the Third South Pacific Conference.

The relevent section of his memorandum reads as follows:-

"You will be aware of the decision made by the Commission at its 14th Session with regard to the attendance of the new Executive Officer for Social Development or of Mr. Maude. The Secretary-General is arranging direct with Mr. Maude in this connection. If Mr. Maude is to attend the Conference arrangements will be made for him to travel from Sydney to Nadi on Tuesday, 17th April, and to return from Nadi to Sydney on Wednesday, 9th May. He will be housed with all other members of the Secretariat at Nasinu Teachers Training College and at hotels in Suva as mentioned above. The Secretary-General will confirm the arrangements to be made at the appropriate time."

The accommodation at Nasinu will be available from the 21st April to the 5th May and arrangements are being made by Mr. Ryan for your accommodation in a hotel in Suva for the remaining period.

Yours sincerely,



A. T. Dix
Social Development Officer

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
2, Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.



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In your reply, please refer to :
En répondant, veuillez rappeler :

N^o PEM/TA/553/56

16th March 1956

Dear Sir,

I am writing to acknowledge with very many thanks receipt of your letter dated 8th March, concerning Dr. Karel Neijs.

I am most grateful for the very useful information you were kind enough to send us.

Yours faithfully,

A. Shahbaz,
Chief Appointments Officer,
T.A. Personnel Unit.

Mr. H.E. Maude,
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N.S.W.
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Mr. H.F. Maude,
2 Netharby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

Dear Maude,

The Australians in German New Guinea

We have spent a fair amount of time on this, as I agree with you that it is an interesting study. Nevertheless I am afraid that our decision must go against it, because it is, in our view, a study rather than a book. Obviously the author has done a most thorough and exhaustive piece of research, but he has been so conscientious in his determination to document every point, however minor, and has kept so closely to his sources throughout, that the result is, it seems to us, a book of far greater length than the subject justifies.

I believe that a most interesting book could be made from this material, but rather doubt whether there would be anything to be gained by suggesting this to the author, since it seems to me that, like Belshaw over 'The Great Village', he would probably feel that it is a case of the whole or nothing.

I won't, therefore, make any suggestions, but am breaking our usual rule and sending to you with this our reader's notes, as some at least of these relate to matters which Rowley may wish to tidy up before he submits the manuscript elsewhere.

The manuscript is being returned to you by registered post to-day.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Eyre



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In your reply, please refer to :
En répondant, veuillez rappeler :

N° PEM/RAD/IA/227

22 March 1956

Dear Sir,

I wish to thank you very sincerely for the warm recommendation you have sent us in connection with the application made by Mr. A.T. Dix to a post of Programme Specialist in the Division of Arts and Letters of Unesco.

The interesting information you give us concerning Mr. Dix's experience is very useful and we shall not fail to get into touch with him when a decision is made regarding the filling of this post.

Yours faithfully,

A. Shahbaz,
Chief,
Recruitment and Appointments Division,
Bureau of Personnel and Management.

H.E. Maude Esq.,
2, Netherby Street
Wahroonga, N.S.W.
Australia

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
25th March, 1956.

The Secretary-General,
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G.P.O. Box 5254,
SYDNEY, N.S.W., Australia.

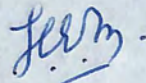
Dear Sir,

In view of the fact that I have worked for some 7 years as a Principal Officer of the South Pacific Commission I should be grateful if you could see your way to place me on the mailing list for the Commission "Quarterly Bulletin", as from the 1st January, 1956.

This journal is naturally of considerable interest to me and furthermore such features as the "Quarterly Reading List" are of direct use in connexion with my present work.

Should it not be possible to give your favourable consideration to this request please have the Bulletin sent to me until further notice and let me have your account in due course.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
1st April, 1956.

Dear Mr Simpson,

I returned from Fiji the other day and began sorting out the piles of letters that seem to accumulate whenever one takes a breath. And to my horror I found that through some inexcusable mischance I have never written to thank you for so kindly sending me a copy of your "Islands of Men".

This is specially remiss of me for I read it from end to end with the greatest interest. I liked it all - to me its your best yet - but especially the part on the New Hebrides, thus completely disagreeing with your "S.H.M." reviewer. But all the narrative is authentic, unexaggerated material, which is more than you can say of some of your brother writers on the South Seas.

I have prepared a brief review of the book to be included in an article on the "Pacific Books of 1955".

I am also returning, under separate cover, a Torres Strait reader which you lent me. It is certainly a remarkable production for its time and indeed few territories have anything better even now (the American Trust Territories are an exception).

I expect that you are still in Japan. As for myself, I'm off again in a few days to Fiji: this time for the third South Pacific Conference. I wish you were coming again - I can discover no human being on the list of observers, etc.: for the most part they seem rather a dull collection of no-hoppers. Thank goodness its the last job I have to do for the Commission.

Yours sincerely,

J.L.M.

Colin Simpson

27 GLENVIEW STREET, EAST GORDON, N.S.W., Australia :: JX 3437

23 October 1955

Dear Mr Grande,

I'm returning herewith the Sandwith opus you so kindly loaned me, and which proved most useful, as the foreword section of the new book "Island of Men" will show. It publishes in about the first week of November and a copy, which I'll sign on Tuesday, will be posted to your home address.

I'm off to Tokyo on Wednesday to do a book on Japan. I'll be stopping off in the Philippines, and going back to Japan next April.

I understand that, at this writing, you're over in Normen for a Research Council meeting. Perhaps when I return we can have lunch.

Many thanks again for Sandwith. His encounter with the Asian "wizard" beats anything in fiction I've read this year!

Very best wishes,

Sincerely

Colin Simpson

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION

LITERATURE BUREAU,
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SECTION,
BOX 5254, G.P.O.
SYDNEY, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA

4th April, 1956.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Do you remember a manuscript entitled "The Ariki"? It was a story of the first Polynesian migration to the Pacific. You may remember that you agreed with me last year that it might be a good idea for the Literature Bureau to sponsor this publication; and you kindly undertook to write to one or two people enquiring about its authenticity, etc. I believe it was about September that I sent the file across to you and I seem to remember that you took it up to Noumea with you to do some work.

I don't know if you ever found the time to do anything about it, and I am wondering, if you didn't, whether you would still be prepared to do so. We should, of course, welcome any assistance you could give. If, however, you feel unable to take it on, I wonder if you could let me have back the file and the manuscript.

Many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Douglas Pearce

for Organizer for Island Literature.

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
7th April, 1956.

Mrs Susan Parkinson,
C/o the South Pacific Health Service,
Headquarters Office,
SUVA, Fiji.

Dear Mrs Parkinson,

Thanks for sending back Dr McGusty's article. I really thought it was not suitable for the Transactions of the Fiji Society, as it has virtually no research content.

I have been thinking much over your suggestion that I should read a paper at one of your meetings: and more particularly one on the Coral Islanders and their Future, or some such title.

I should like to do this but I'm afraid that I cannot undertake it during this next trip to Fiji, simply because I have just completed one long report and have three more to do, so I am quite flat out.

I know that to the gifted the delivery of a talk is such a simple matter that no prior preparation is necessary - or very little. But this is emphatically not so with me: the subject you proposed is an intriguing one but would demand much careful thought if it is to be a real contribution to the subject. One simply could not compile it from the work of others.

Sorry about this but I can get you someone else, I'm sure, if you're desperate. There's usually plenty at the Conference who can discourse at the drop of a hat; at the first Conference we got Dr Baas Becking to talk to the Society - what about Keesing this time?

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

WESTERN PACIFIC HIGH COMMISSION
HONIARA
BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE

9th April, 1956.

No. 752 FF.15.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter of 29th February requesting formal permission to undertake certain engagements while on leave prior to retirement. Your application has been referred in accordance with Colonial Regulations to the Secretary of State. I will let you know his reply as soon as possible.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

A. G. Mitchell

for Acting Chief Secretary.

H. E. Maude Esq.,
2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
9th April, 1956.

Mr G.A. Ferguson,
Angus and Robertson, Ltd.,
89 Castlereagh Street,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Mr Ferguson,

Thank you for your letter of the 4th April. I have had in mind the writing of a history of the Pacific Islands, for I have long been convinced that there is a real demand for one, and not only in Australia.

It is an astonishing fact that the only general history of the area - Scholfield's "The Pacific, its past and present" - was published in 1919. And yet we all have to use it, despite its obvious defects.

I have seen one or two manuscript histories recently but they none of them meet the need, in my opinion. It is essential, among other things, that a work of this nature should capture the feel of the island world and give due emphasis to the social and other conditions obtaining in the islands themselves at each period: and this cannot easily be done by a professional textbook writer sitting in Australia, however conscientious.

For the moment, however, I have almost decided to accept the position of Senior Research Fellow at the Australian National University (in Pacific History), in which case I shall be moving off to Canberra before the end of the year. If I do accept this offer I shall be engaged for some time to come on more detailed research studies, probably on the following subjects:-

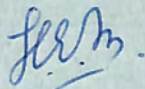
- (1) the Guano Islands of the Pacific;
- (2) a history of the Central Pacific Equatorial Islands; and
- (3) a history of Traders and Trading in the Pacific.

None of these, I imagine, would be of interest to Angus and Robertson?

If I should decide

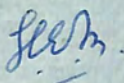
If I should decide not to go to Canberra (and it is the cold that worries me) I shall probably tackle a history of the area within the next few months. It would be aimed at the general reader, and possibly the lower level of University students, but not the specialist.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

P.S. By the way, if you ever want any reader's reports, and the like, on manuscripts relating to the islands (or reviews of books on the area) I should be glad to undertake the work, as I have done for other firms.



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GAF'JS

4th April, 1956.

Mr H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Mr Maude,

It occurs to me that as you are no longer with the South Pacific Commission you may be considering writing something about the Pacific area. If this should be the case I would like you to know that anything you write would command the greatest respect and immediate attention here. For instance do you think there would be any chance of doing a history of the Pacific or even of the South Western Pacific area? I should think that there ought to be a sale for such a book throughout the world—provided of course that it were done by someone of standing such as yourself.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
11th April, 1956.

Dear Cyril,

Sorry not to have replied to your two letters before this but I have been flat out doing a job of work for the Australian Government, which entailed going to Fiji, from whence I have only just returned. Unfortunately, I have to go there again on Tuesday for the South Pacific Conference.

As to your not joining the Commission, I am sorry about it for their sake but quite certain in my own mind that you did the right thing. I always wondered at your wanting the job of E.O.S.D. but as you seemed to be prepared to take it I felt that it was not for me to dissuade you. Certainly I believed that you were the right person for it and that you would have done all that you could to help on the island peoples.

At the same time I felt that you yourself would have been unhappy in such a frustrating post, and quite expected you to pull out again in a year or so when you found that little could be done. The Commission is, I'm afraid, very much in the doldrums: despised by the territorial Governments and ignored by the metropolitan countries. I often feel that it is the Commissioners that keep it going but that, in some cases, it is rather for reasons of personal prestige or similar motives. What good it does could be done more effectively for a fraction of the cost.

Then relationships within the Commission (at Noumea, that is) are far from happy. It is incredible how little work is done, but for this state of affairs the secretariat is, in my opinion, really to blame for they have succeeded in getting all operations so bound up in red tape, forms, directives, authorizations. etc., that it takes days instead of hours to do the simplest job. In addition, it seems generally agreed that the new S.-G. is incompetent and very second-rate, so that means that in practice everything is in the hands of John Ryan, who is efficient but essentially a lawyer.

No, I think you were very sensible not to have taken on the Commission job. I wonder who the Commissioners will

fall back on now: not one of the 5 candidates selected by the metropolitan countries, I hope, for they all seem to me to be too inexperienced to be acceptable to the territories.

I am glad that your book is coming out all right after all; and that you have not had to cut. I sent Frank Eyre a ms. by Rowley on the history of the transition period from German to Australian rule in New Guinea, but again he wanted substantial cuts: yet the Melbourne University Press have accepted it as is and with no subsidy.

As to my own plans, I have been offered one or two rather good jobs in the islands but think that, after all, I will go to the National University and take up history. Probably about the end of the year. If only Canberra wasn't so perishing cold.

Congratulations on becoming an Associate Professor (I shall hold you in considerable awe in future): I cannot conceive how you could have had any difficulty in deciding between the two offers. Believe me, though I have a great admiration for your energy, the machine would have beaten you in the end with the Commission.

Wishing you both every success in your new work, and I hope the field trip to Fiji is still on,

Yours ever,

J. M.

University of British Columbia
Vancouver 8 B.C. Canada

8th March 1956

Dear Harry,

I have a very guilty confession to make to you. After a great deal of heart searching I asked the New Zealand government to withdraw my candidacy for the South Pacific Commission job. They informed me I had received their nomination almost identically in time with an offer of an Associate Professorship here with a considerably increased salary. If the SPC job had still been Sydney based the UBC offer would not have made me change my mind, but I have had so many doubts as to whether I could do the job satisfactorily from Noumea and, incidentally, retain sanity and cohesion within the family, that I decided -- and it had to be done in haste -- to opt for the certainty of this job rather than the uncertainties of the SPC. In my letter I pointed out my growing concern that a social development officer with my sorts of interests would only be able to do half a job if he were divorced from a library and continuously adequate transport facilities; and (although frankly this did not affect me too much) that I felt that the recent budget cuts implied that a social development officer would have as a major task the uphill job of convincing governments of the need for research -- that is, persuasion rather than actually carrying out what was needed. I don't know if they will see the point or take the hint. But a man will put up with a lot if he feels he has the backing of those who are behind him; if they are lukewarm, and I think everything points that way, the best of conditions are hardly tempting enough, at least in competition with jobs where that is not so.

I hope all is going well with you and that you have painlessly re-oriented yourself from the Commission -- and that this letter gets to you, as I am very vague as to whether you will still be at the same address.

All the best,

Lynil

University of British Columbia
Vancouver 8 Canada
8th February 1956

Dear Harry,

As you took such a helpful interest in my book, I thought you might like to know that last month it received a part subsidy from Wenner-Gren, the remainder being made up by UBC, and that Kegan Paul are proceeding with publication. It should be out this year.

I sent my application to the New Zealand Government some time ago but so far have heard no word as to their nomination. McKay was very helpful, but it seemd to me that the boys in the office were being a bit stolid; in the short correspondence I had with them there was quite a bit of muddle!

If I stay on here I have agreed with TRIPP to carry out an eighteen month study in Fiji, comparing different kinds of economic adjustment in different villages (e.g. successful co-operation, co-operation with opposition of chiefs, economic failure, etc).

What news of your own movements? I send this to your home address as I should imagine you have left the officenow. We do not get much news of Australia.

With all best wishes,

Lynne

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
11th April, 1956.

The Acting Chief Secretary,
Western Pacific High Commission,
HONIARA,
British Solomon Islands Protectorate.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No.337 PF.15 of the 14th February, I am most grateful to you for kindly letting me know about the Industrial Appreciation Course organized by the Federation of British Industries and for enquiring whether I should like to be nominated as a candidate for it.

I have given the matter careful consideration but, though the thought of becoming a business magnate is a tempting one, I have decided not to seek nomination, at least for the time being.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.

WESTERN PACIFIC HIGH COMMISSION
HONIARA
BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE

16th February, 1956.

No. 337 FF.15

Sir,

I am directed to forward a pamphlet on an Industrial Appreciation Course organised by the Federation of British Industries.

2. The Secretary of State has indicated that there will only be approximately 6 out of 24 places on each course available for members of the Oversea Service and the range of applicants will be limited to Administrative Officers who have held a super-scale position in the Oversea Service. It must be appreciated that acceptance for a course in no way carries an offer of employment.

3. I shall be grateful if you will let me know whether you wish to be nominated as a candidate.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Ally Mitchell

for Acting Chief Secretary.

H.E. Maude Esq., O.B.E.,
Social Development Section,
Box 5254, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY N.S.W.

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A scheme for the introduction to industry of
retired senior Service and Colonial Service officers

IN CONSULTATION with a number of its member firms the Federation has given serious attention to the problem of absorbing into useful employment retired senior officers from the three armed Services and the Oversea Civil Service (until recently known as the Colonial Service). There can be no doubt that very many of these men are really first-class and deserve better when they compulsorily retire in the early or middle fifties than the disheartening hunt for satisfactory employment or the rustication which is the fate of so many of them. In any case it is a shocking waste of high quality manpower in a country badly short of good people.

The numbers involved are not large : there is no problem with technical officers but only with those whose careers have been devoted to general administrative duties. A number of appeals on behalf of such men reach industrialists each year, but in spite of much good will it is found difficult to fit them straight away into the industrial world. In years gone by many of them may have accepted, or been able to secure, speedy appointment to boards of directors. Today most of them realise that changed conditions make this improbable,

and that they cannot expect, at any rate at once, to be appointed to posts of high rank in management, not only because companies will not normally disturb channels of promotion for their regular employees, but because the growing specialisation in industry demands training and experience which these men will not have had. Nevertheless many senior men from the Services have much to offer. They are accustomed to work as members of teams, are personable, travelled and often linguists ; they have learned to handle men and have carried big responsibilities. For men of this stamp there should be many satisfactory starting points in industry, especially perhaps in posts not in the main stream of organisation but out on a wing, either in the United Kingdom or overseas in connection with the export trade.

Consultations about these problems have shown that two things are particularly needed as a method of helping those who are really keen to enter industry to make a success of doing so and to make them fully "employable". The first need is that the men should submit themselves to a selection board composed of suitable people of good will drawn from industry to render such a service, and whose object would be to identify those likely to be able to adapt themselves to industrial conditions—for there are some in the Services to whom the re-orientation would present special difficulties and others whose wish or need to find employment in industry is not sufficiently keen to give much promise of success. The second need is to provide for those who have passed the sieve of the selection board an introductory training course specially adapted for and only open to the senior men who have passed the selection board.

In consultation with others concerned the Federation has therefore decided to sponsor arrangements which will give men in this group an appreciation of industry and its economic and social background.

Advisory Council

The Federation has set up an Advisory Council to exercise general oversight of all aspects of this scheme. Besides a Chairman and three members appointed by the Federation, the Council includes representatives of the Officers' Association, the Colonial Office, The Polytechnic, the Administrative Staff College and the Ministry of Labour. The Secretariat is provided by the Federation.

Method of Application for the Industrial Appreciation Course

Applications from retired senior Service officers of the rank of Colonel and its equivalent or higher and from Oversea Service officials of equally senior rank will be considered in the first instance by the Officers' Association or the Colonial Office, who will inform the Federation from time to time of the numbers coming forward for consideration by the Industrial Selection Panels.

Industrial Selection Panels

The Federation has invited a number of industrialists of director level to allow their names to be placed on a roster from which a small Selection Panel of three or four members will be drawn from time to time to interview the nominated candidates. The Industrial Selection Panels will report their opinions to the Officers' Association or the Colonial Office, who will communicate them to the individuals concerned. Those approved will be entitled to enter for the Industrial Appreciation Course.

The Industrial Appreciation Course

After consultation with the Administrative Staff College, the British Institute of Management, The Polytechnic and others, it was found most convenient for the new course to be organised under the direction of the Head of the Department of Management Studies at The Polytechnic and to be conducted at St. Katharine's House, Regent's Park, London, N W 1. The Advisory Council of the Federation will be invited to act also in an advisory capacity to the Governors of The Polytechnic in matters affecting the nature and conduct of the course. It is thought that each course should consist of not more than twelve to fifteen of the nominated applicants and that it should be restricted to them. Three courses can be conducted in The Polytechnic's year and the first of the 1955-56 session began in November. The courses will be full-time and will extend over a period of five weeks, lectures being given by the staff of the Department of Management Studies and by visiting lecturers from industry and commerce. On four days a week there will be morning meetings devoted to formal class work but the afternoons will be given over to private study, syndicate or project work, or other forms

of preparation allotted during the morning sessions. The whole of the fifth day will be devoted to visits to industrial and commercial undertakings in offices and factories.

The fee for the course payable by each member is at present £12 10s.

Placement

The Federation is not able to undertake any work connected with the placement of men who have taken the course but will notify members as they become available. Arrangements for placing them will be undertaken by the Officers' Association and the London Appointments Office in the case of ex-officers and by the Colonial Office and the London Appointments Office in the case of Oversea Service officials.

Interested employers will wish to note that the addresses are :

Major-General Sir Maurice Dowse, K C V O, C B, C B E
Director, Officers' Association
Higher Employment Department
28, Belgrave Square, London, s w 1

Under-Secretary of State
Oversea Service Division, Colonial Office
Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London, s w 1

London Appointments Officer
Ministry of Labour and National Service
1-6, Tavistock Square, London, w c 1



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2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
11th April, 1956.

Mr Frank Eyre,
Oxford University Press,
346-8 Little Collins Street,
MELBOURNE, Victoria.

Dear Eyre,

The Australians in German New Guinea.

Thank you for your letter on this manuscript: I felt myself that, without condensation, it would probably not be regarded as a publishable proposition. Interested though I am in Pacific history I began to flag towards the end.

It was kind of you to send part of your reader's notes. I have passed these on to Rowley and can see that they will rescue him from a number of small errors and inconsistencies.

I hear that McKay was not, as I had half expected he would be, upset at your not being able to publish his work as it stood, but merely stated his inability to titivate it further himself. He has now asked Nancy Phelan to do this for him and she is at present engaged in reading the ms. to see if she can tackle the task.

I predict that if she does do this the result will be readable but definitely in the light literature class. It might appeal to Whitcombe and Tombs, as its main sale would probably be in New Zealand.

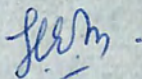
I have only just come back from Fiji and return there on Tuesday. Helen will, I think, be taking on a position with the Fiji Government in charge of the arrangements for sending Fijian and Indian students abroad for their higher education. It is hoped to send large numbers to Australia, New Zealand and elsewhere during the course of the next few years.

Honor and I seem likely to go to Canberra towards the

end of the

end of the year to take up a research fellowship in Pacific Islands history, though I have had one or two tempting offers (financially) to return to the islands.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
12th April, 1956.

F.N.M. Pusinelli, Esq., O.B.E.,
Bairiki, TARAWA ISLAND,
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony.

Dear Nigel,

Thank you very much for sending me Stempien's preliminary report on filiariasis on Abemama. According to Dr Iyengar he did write a full on at some time or other but probably only the American Army authorities have a copy of this: Iyengar himself apparently hasn't and I really doubt if he has ever seen one.

If I succeed in getting hold of one at any time I'll send a photostat for the Colony Medical Department.

Just back from Fiji and off again on Tuesday for the South Pacific Conference.

Yours sincerely,

H.E. Maude

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OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER
GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS
COLONY

Bairiki, Tarawa Island.

F. 52/20/5.

24th December 1955.

Dear *Harry*

On receipt of your letter of 12th October, I caused a search to be made for the report on Filariasis by Stempien, but neither the Senior Medical Officer nor my office can trace ever having received one. We have, however, found his preliminary report which I think he made on a visit to Abemama, although the only identification of its location is the A.P.O. No. 242. I am, thus, forwarding two copies of this if it is of any interest or use to you.

Yours sincerely,

Nigel.

(F.N.M. Pusinelli)
Acting Resident Commissioner.

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Box 5254, G.P.O.
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AUSTRALIA.

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY GARRISON FORCE
APO 242

8 June 1944

Subject: Preliminary report of Filariasis Survey Team at APO 242.

To : Commanding Officer, Naval Air Base, Navy 809
(Thru: Commanding Officer, Hq Army Garrison Force, APO 242.

1. Laboratory and clinical findings in natives.

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Number positive by genital examination -----	47	(27.65%)
Number positive by both methods -----	73	(43%)

c. Natives from Kuria and Aranuka.

Total number examined-----	56	
Number positive by blood smear-----	0	
Number positive by genital examination-----	4	(7%)
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2. Laboratory and clinical findings in Army Personnel.

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c. Number indicating filariasis by history and physical examination-----	27

3. Epidemiological data.

a. All of the army suspects originated in three (3) main areas of the island where Nonouti natives have congregated over relatively long periods of time during the course of their work by day and during their leisure hours by night. It has been ascertained that the mosquito population was very dense in these areas at the time of arrival of the Army Garrison Force.

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b. Another possible but less likely source of infection was the 8th Defense Bn USMC, which had previously occupied the positions of the Army Garrison Force. Approximately one-hundred fifty (150) cases of filariasis had occurred in this unit while it was stationed on Wallis Island.

c. The positive cases among the Apamama natives were a source of infection mainly if military personnel entered and tarried in their villages for any considerable length of time. This source of infection is present in nearly every village on this island.

4. Entomological data.

Two species of mosquitoes have been found prevalent over the island. They are Aedes variegatus (day biter) and Culex fatigana (night biter). Both species are transmitters of filariasis.

5. Conclusions.

On the available evidence, it can be concluded that filariasis is present on this island and can be transmitted to military personnel.

6. Recommendations for control.

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- (a) filling, oiling or introduction of fish minnows into tare pits and other depressions holding standing water. (Diesel oil // 2 is best suited for mosquito oiling but waste motor oil thinned with kerosene has also been satisfactory. The water should be covered with a thin film of oil at least once a week to insure that each brood of mosquito is killed off).
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STEPHEN J. STEMPIEN
Capt., Medical Corps.

Certified to be a true copy:

s/ W.J.N. DAVIS, Jr.
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Island Medical Officer

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12th April, 1956.

K.G. Collins, Esq.,
Fiji Broadcasting Commission,
Post Office Box 334,
SUVA, FIJI.

Dear Mr. Collins:

We are hopeful that you will be able to assist us in obtaining recordings during the coming South Pacific Conference for special programmes we are putting out to mark this event. I have no doubt the Conference will throw a very heavy load on to you but I do hope that you will find it possible to assist us at this time.

We are planning to put out a special ten minute talk for our European Service by Mr. H.E. Maude who will be attending the Conference and we are anxious that he should be able to obtain facilities through you for this recording. We should be additionally grateful if you could despatch the talk direct to London, marked:

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and identified on the tape and in an accompanying note "For European Service.

We are also endeavouring to produce a complete half hour programme in our "Commonwealth Club" series on the General Overseas Service devoted to the South Pacific Commission and to the activities of the Conference. For this, we have already recorded here in Sydney a background introductory piece by Mr. H.E. Maude and a statement by the Secretary General of the Commission Dr. Ralph Bedell on the activities of the Commission and the format of the Conference. Mr. Maude has been additionally most helpful in making suggestions for speakers and is agreeable to offer advice on useful speakers on interesting subjects which may emerge during the Conference. I have given Mr. Maude a number of suggestions from the producer of the programme Miss Shirley Macnab and we very much hope that you will be able to assist us by providing dubbings of the material you feel will be of interest to us following the lines indicated in the producer's general briefing. I think I can do no better than enclose

in this context a letter I have sent to Mr. Maude outlining the project in which he is assisting us and in which too, we shall be glad to have your help. Mr. Maude will, I know, be glad to make available any help that he can give and I trust that it will be possible for you to get in touch with him over this project. You will note that we propose that the material should all be sent piecemeal to London - properly identified as to speaker, delegation and subject - and that the overall programme will be linked in London by the usual narrator. I suggest that the tape or tapes for "Commonwealth Club" should be despatched direct to London marked:

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As I have said, your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated. If you have any query, then please do not hesitate to write or cable. My cable address here is "STEAD, ABCOM, SYDNEY", and if you are involved in any expenditure either with speakers or in airfreighting the tapes to London, please bill us with the amounts and we will reimburse you from here.

All good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Stead
Australian Representative.

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13th April, 1956.

H.E. Maude, Esq.,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA.

Dear Mr. Maude:

Confirming our conversations on the subject of contributions for our Overseas Services covering the South Pacific Commission and forthcoming Conference; I give below some details of the programmes we have in mind together with suggestions from the producers as to content:-

1. European Service: Our European Service would like to have a ten minute talk on the developments in the Pacific Islands having particular regard to those under Commonwealth administration, reflected through the work of the Commission, some of which may be discussed at the Conference. They understand that specially good progress has been made in health and education and, if this is so, information about these aspects would be particularly welcome. European Service would also be interested in any evidence of co-operation with the French and Dutch and any information about the administration of their Islands in the Pacific.

I hope you will find it convenient to do this talk for us whilst you are in Fiji in order that you may use during the talk points emerging from the Conference itself. I am getting in touch with Mr. K.G. Collins, the Manager of the Fiji Broadcasting Commission, Gladstone Road, Suva, with a request that he may make available to you facilities for recording on our behalf, and I should be grateful if you would contact Mr. Collins with a view to arranging a mutually convenient recording time. I shall ask Mr. Collins to arrange that this recording be flown straight to London from Suva. It should be addressed:

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and identification of the talk should make it clear that this is for our European Service and is in response to Miss Elford's request of March 8th to Australian Representative.

2. General Overseas Service: "Commonwealth Club": The producer of this programme, Miss Shirley Macnab, is proposing to devote one complete 30 minute edition of this programme to the subject of the Pacific and is anxious to fill the programme with background to the South Pacific Conference, material recorded at the Conference and on the general subject of the South Pacific Commission activities.

We are proposing that this should take the form of a general background piece on the pattern of life in the Islands and we have been glad to have your assistance in the preparation of this piece to be recorded by you here in Sydney on the 13th and despatched to London. This we propose to follow with a contribution from the Secretary General of the Commission, Dr. Bedell, in which he reviews the general activities of the Commission and speaks about the format of the Conference. Dr. Bedell has already recorded this piece for us in Sydney and it will be despatched from here to London.

Then we should like to go on to one or two lines of development and the producer offers the following suggestions:-

1. Education ... what is being done in this field - there is, I believe, an intense awareness of the need for education among the islanders themselves.
2. Agriculture ... experiments in livestock raising, though this of course has only limited application, bigger and better coconuts, improved citrus industry, e.g. the Cook Islands; development of fishpond farming ... in general anything that is going to relieve pressure of population on resources. Allied to this, of course, is the movement of people from one island to another as resources dwindle ... Phoenix Islanders going to the Solomons.
3. Progress of indigenous industry and new industries being established. What is being done and what markets will there be for any products, taking into consideration the difficulties and cost of transport etc.

We realise that there are many other topics which can be covered but we think perhaps it is best to concentrate on a few and do them fairly thoroughly. We hope it will be possible to obtain these pieces on the lines of development indicated, from people who are either delivering papers at the Conference, or who make useful contributions on these subjects and where possible they can be followed up by island delegates talking about their education, agriculture or indigenous industry in their particular areas. It is a little difficult to make very definite suggestions as to contributors at this stage. I was very grateful for your suggestion that Prince Tupouto 'a-Tungi might be invited to do a piece for us on the question of the independent nations' contribution at the Conference and that the Samoan delegation might also have a useful contribution to offer. We should like, too, to have a recorded extract from the opening address by the Chairman, Sir Ronald Garvey. One other piece we should particularly like is a

short contribution from someone who, if possible, has been to all three Conferences and can tell us something about the emergence of island leaders; we are particularly interested in this new development of the island people becoming their own spokesmen. In this connection you mentioned the possibility of a short piece by Dr. Keesing, and I shall ask Mr. Collins if it is possible to arrange this for us.

I am seeking Mr. Collins' assistance in obtaining recordings of this kind and was delighted to have your agreement to assist Mr. Collins in an advisory capacity on particular subjects and contributors.

I am asking Mr. Collins, as with your talk for the European Service, to despatch this material direct to London by air. The material for "Commonwealth Club" which I have outlined, should be despatched to:-

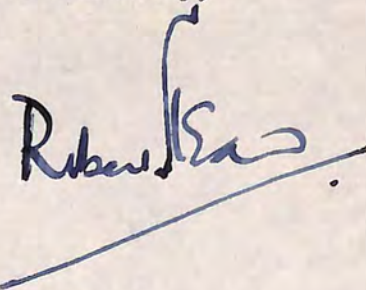
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It will not matter that the recording sent are in snippets provided they are clearly identified on the tape and in an accompanying note detailing the name of the speaker, name of his delegation and the subject on which he is speaking. The programme will then be collated in London and the recordings will be introduced there by the usual narrator of the programme or by some other. It will not, therefore, be any worry to us if a much larger quantity of material is sent than is actually needed for the 30 minute programme.

We hope and believe that from all this material we shall get a most interesting programme and I am very grateful for your interest and help.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert Stead", with a long horizontal line underneath it.

Robert Stead,
Australian Representative.

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16th April, 1956.

Mr H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Mr Maude,

Thank you for your letter of 9th April. My request to you was in the nature of a shot in the dark as I had no idea what your plans were. I just knew that you were not now with the Commission and I knew also that there was nothing adequate on the history of the Pacific. From then on I just tried to put two and two together.

I do sincerely hope that whatever your immediate activities are to be they will give you time and scope to do the kind of book which you have in mind. However if in the first place you are going to work on the more detailed research studies on the subjects that you mentioned, we should very much like to see them too. I realize of course that they will have a more limited appeal than a general history of the Pacific but I don't see why they should not make publishable books, especially the last two.

Anyway, I take this opportunity to register again our interest in anything you do on the Pacific. Thank you also for your P.S. I certainly shall not hesitate to ask your advice about any manuscripts relating to the Islands which we may receive.

Yours sincerely,

George Ferguson

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G.P.O. Box No. 2784Y

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

Dear Maude,

Many thanks for your letter of 10 April about 'The Australians in German New Guinea'. I must say I rather agree with you about the probable result with McKay's manuscript if the proposed course is adopted!

I was glad to hear that Helen is taking on what sounds like an interesting job. I wrote to her some time ago but got no reply, so if you should happen to be seeing her in the near future do please jog her memory and remind her that we would both like to hear how she is getting on.

Your own plans too are interesting. Do please remember to keep in touch at least to the extent of letting us have an address, as I hope there will be a fair number of Pacific books on which we should from time to time like your professional (if that is the word) advice.

Regards,

Yours,

Frank Eyre

JX 3134.

c/- Mr M. Scott,
23, Greengate Road,
Killara, N.S.W.
18th April, 1956.

Dear Maude,

It is some years since we met in the old W. P. H. C. office in Suva in the late years of the Varkess regime, but I think that you are now head of the S. P. C.'s Sydney organisation.

I am on my way back to Fiji after 5+ months of U. K. leave, going on by Qantas plane this coming Saturday. Though I understand that I am to go to Ba as D. O., which is too far from Suva to hear much of S. P. C. activities in the Colony, I would be glad to take any message or papers over for you to the Suva people if that would be of assistance.

England was chilly at times, but there is still nowhere like it; I suppose one is always rather loathe to return to the outposts after a good holiday there.

I hope that you and your family thrive.

Yours sincerely,

James Coode

1956

Excursion to Rabi, Koro and LantohlaAmended estimate of expenditure

Fares to Tavuni (return)	£20
Launch charter	£35
Projects for Bostan community	£25
accommodation and meals	£15
Miscellaneous expenditure	£60
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INWARDS CABLE

TO: MR. MAUDE

FROM: RABI SOUTH PACIFIC CONFERENCE NASINU SUVA

ALL AT RABI LOOKING FORWARD SEEING YOU AND PARTY STOP RABI LUNCH
WILL BE NASELESELE FOURTH FOR USUAL NOON ~~PLANE~~ PLANE UNLESS
YOU ADVISE OTHERWISE REGARDS

BANBANABAN ADVISER

27th April 56.

INWARDS

FROM : RABI
TO: MR. MAUDE SOUTH PACIFIC CONFERENCE SUVA

34 SUGGESTED PROGRAMME FOR YOUR COMMENTS ARRIVE RABI 4.30 FOURTH MEET
TABWEWA UMA PEOPLE AT NUKA IN EVENING SATURDAY LUNCH TO TABIANG BUAKONIKAI
KIOA RETURN NUKA SUNDAY DEPART NUKA IN VENTURE WITH DISTRICT OFFICER ~~TAVUNI~~^{TAVUNI}
FOR LAUCALA SLEEPING LAUCALA VENTURE OR TAVUNI DEPARTING TIME AND VISIT
LAUCALA

Signed: BANABAN ADVISER

Date: 28/4/56.
Time: 12.30
AB.

INWARDS

FROM : RABI
TO: MR. MAUDE SOUTH PACIFIC CONFERENCE SUVA

**34 SUGGESTED PROGRAMME FOR YOUR COMMENTS ARRIVE RABI 4.30 FOURTH MEET
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Signed: BANABAN ADVISER

Date: 28/4/56.

Time: 12.30

AB.

Cost 10/-

Visit to Rariki and Kwa

Grant - Banaban Advice - Rariki

Request permission visit Rariki with ~~Bob~~ Aloys Bob and
Raymond Gadabu Namuan delegates South Pacific Conference
stop If visit acceptable glad ~~to meet us at the lunch~~
~~for Rariki to meet us~~ Taveuni airport 10 a.m. on

~~4th May take us Rariki and later Kwa returning via~~

~~Louisa 7th May~~ →
Maude

Could you please ~~send~~ ^{shorter lunch} at my expense to meet us nearest
to Taveuni airport ^{my} of fourth May take us Rariki
Kwa Louisa returning Taveuni ^{with May}?

Maude

South Pacific Conference

Nassau



Telegram

To: Banaban Adviser Rabi

Sent 30.4.56.

Suggested programme appears admirable but
suggest visiting Lancela only if quite
convenient District Officer and Island
Manager otherwise could proceed direct

Taveuni.

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To

MAUDE SOUTH PACIFIC CONFERENCE NASINU SUVA

34	SUGGESTED	PROGRAMME	FOR	YOUR	COMMENT
ARRIVE	RABI	4/30	FOURTH	MEET	TABWEWA
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SATURDAY	LAUNCH	TO	TABIANG	BUAKONIKAI	KIOA
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VENTURE	WITH	DISTRICT	OFFICER	TAVEUNI	FOR
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= PERSONAL FROM WRIGHT REFERENCE YOUR LETTER
SEVENTEENTH FEBRUARY STOP APPRECIATE YOU VISIT
NIUE FOR ONE MONTH AFTER CONFERENCE TO
ADVISE ON COOPERATIVE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
STOP SUGGEST YOU TAKE TOFUA FROM SUVA TO
NIUE ON TWENTYSIXTH MAY AND LEAVE NIUE FOR
SUVA TOFUA TWENTYSEVENTH JUNE AGREEABLE TO

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 TO SUVA PLUS SIMILAR AMOUNT DAILY FOR
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 APPROVAL ONLY JUST RECEIVED STOP PLEASE
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To MAUDE SOUTH PACIFIC CONFERENCE NASINU SUVA.

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BANABAN ADVISE



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Nasimu Training College,
29th April, 1956.

Dear Sir Ronald,

Somehow we never seemed to get a chance to discuss Tonga when I came to dinner the other night: and you are always well shepherded when you come to Nasimu.

Perhaps, therefore, it would be simplest for you if I set down the position briefly in a note.

I hear from Honor that the Australian National University have now formally invited me to take up the post of Senior Research Fellow in Pacific Islands History.

Having created so much fuss and bother to everyone (including yourself) in my attempt to secure this position, I feel that I cannot morally turn it down now. Furthermore, apart from ethics, I should be rather in the soup when I left Tonga after 3 years.

If, however, you felt inclined to request the Vice-Chancellor to sanction my secondment to act as Consul I should, of course, be glad to go. Several secondments of this nature have been approved of recent years, including Dorothy Crozier (now transferred) and Norma McArthur to your own Government, one to India and another (this month) to Western Samoa.

His Excellency Sir Ronald Garvey, K.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., M.B.E.,
Government House, Suva, Fiji.

I know all this sounds as if I am rather unappreciative of your suggestion. Believe me, this is far from the case: I do deeply appreciate your kindness in having made and if I had suspected such a possibility a few months before I should almost certainly not have sought a position at the National University.

As it is, however, what passes for my conscience worries me at the thought of letting down those who have supported my application at the University. A secondment, however, would be rather a different matter as it may well be that the University authorities are not in a tearing hurry to have the pleasure of my company - having already spent over 4 years in filling the job.

Yours ever,

Lee M.

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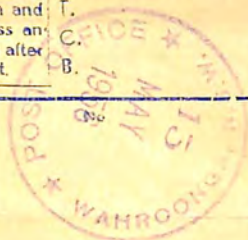
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M248 SECRETARY OF STATE HAS APPROVED YOUR ACCEPTING PROPOSED
ENGAGEMENTS WHILE ON LEAVE PRIOR TO RETIREMENT
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AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR UNESCO

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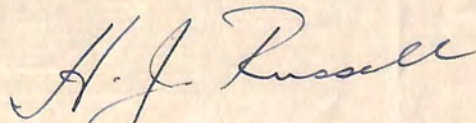
Mr. H. E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA.....N.S.W.

Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge and to thank you for your letter of 24th April 1956 in which you support Mrs. R.S. Phelan's application for a position as Visual Aids Officer with Unesco.

The Australian National Advisory Committee for Unesco is aware of Mrs. Phelan's experience in her specialist field, and I am forwarding her application to the Director-General with the recommendation that he should avail himself of her experience if a suitable position becomes available.

Yours faithfully,



(H. J. Russell)
SECRETARY.

No.....

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY,
OCEAN ISLAND.

28. 5. 56.

Dear Mr. Maude,

I returned from leave in UK only last week, to find your letter and the photographs of the Ellice Is. annexation awaiting me. It had been dumped with all my newspapers etc. to await my return and you must by now be wondering why it had not been acknowledged.

As you see I am now at Ocean Island, so I have forwarded the documents to the Secretariat at Tarawa.

We enjoyed having Nancy and Helen at Bairiki but it was a great pity that Helen should have contracted spots - rather spoilt their plans. They saw quite a lot of the island and their peoples, I believe, and stood up very manfully to ~~the~~ Nelson Maro War's ministrations and eternal green peas.

Please remember me to both of them, and may I
thank you again for the trouble you have gone to, to get us
a copy of the Report on the E.I. annexation. Many
thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Joe.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th May, 1956.

Dear Mr Goldup,

I am sorry not to have replied before to your letter of enquiry about the South Pacific Commission - or rather about Noumea - but I have only just come back from a visit to Fiji to find your letter here awaiting my return. Yes, I remember meeting you very well when in London some years ago: at the Overseas League, was it not?

Now, as regards Noumea: I have lived there quite a lot off and on during the past few years and would regard it as a pleasant enough spot. The climate is definitely good and the Commission provides excellent married accommodation at a cost of only 15% of one's salary. Its healthy; in fact quite a holiday centre, with nice drives, bathing beaches, restaurants and night clubs. Children thrive and the schools (French, of course) are considered good: I imagine your eldest would be going in a year or two.

Social life is restricted, as the small Commission community does not mix to any great extent with the French, who are inclined to keep to themselves. Living is expensive (more expensive than Sydney, which is more expensive than England), but it is possible to live on one's salary and allowances and, if one lives quietly, to save.

Having said this I should add that as it was recently decided to move the social development section of the Commission to Noumea I have myself resigned, with all my staff. This does not sound as if the place is very attractive; but actually we left because, being interested more in the research work we were doing than in our salaries, we were not anxious to live in a place where any effective research work is impossible, owing to the absence of library facilities and scientific contacts.

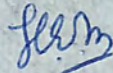
I am afraid the poor Commission is rather an unhappy organization just at present, due to an unfortunate choice as Secretary-General, as well as to the continual political pulls inevitable in an international organization: there have been many resignations of recent months. However, none of these things need worry the Conference Officer and, if he has a sense of humour, I can imagine him extracting a good deal of amusement out of all the wire-pulling that goes on.

I believe that there are several hundred applications

for the post of Conference Officer (including a Viscount and a Knight) from England, Holland and New Zealand. But you may well be the one to get it as there is some attempt made to keep a balance in national representation on the staff and at the moment there is not a single Englishman in the whole show. The salary offered is unlikely to attract an American, Frenchman or Australian with the required experience, I should imagine, as even the dustman gets over a thousand a year here.

Hoping this gives you all you want to know; if not please write again.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

12 BROWNLOW COURT

BROWNLOW ROAD

LONDON, N. 11.

1.5.56.

Dear Mr. Maude,

I dare say you have forgotten me. We did however meet at the Overseas League in London a number of years ago, with Jack Grumbidge. Name - Goldup. This letter is not about stamps, for I am no longer a collector. It is to enquire what you think of Nouméa, in particular as a place for a wife and family (aged 18 & 4). I ask not because I am seriously likely to go there - mathematically I dare say the odds are a thousand to one against. But I am applying for a job which would take me there if I were to get it, or rather I am proposing to apply, and there isn't much point in doing so if, perhaps, the place is such that it would be such of an idea after all. The job is that of Conference Offices to the South Pacific Commission (as you are at Sydney and the applications go to Nouméa I imagine there is nothing improper in my writing to you - if you had been at Nouméa I would not have done so). ~~The~~ Information about Nouméa in this country is almost non-existent.

I need not ask you about the job itself because your people at Sydney have supplied me with fairly full details. The Pacific, which I missed during the war, is a place I have always wanted to visit (though it maybe that Polynesia is preferable to Melanesia). ^{and my wife is fond of travel} In many ways it is rather absurd for me to think of going there just at this moment as I am in the throes of having a house built here - but the pay and ^{and the job is very much my line -} all expenses sound attractive (to me in the book trade, anyway) (and at any rate a 3-year spell would enable me to pay for my house, maybe! - the way building costs go up overnight here is fantastic. Oh yes - ~~what~~ how is the cost of living in Nouméa?

My apologies for this rather illegible letter - my paper pen has packed up. I hope all goes well with you. Should you come to this country sometime - as I suppose is likely - and just go to the Pacific - which, equally, I suppose is likely - and should you find yourself in the Reading area ^{after October next}, then do call in at Bozaern (I think that is what we shall call it), Hardwick Road, Whitchurch, nr Pangbourne.

Best,
kind regards,

John Goldup.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
31st May, 1956.

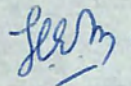
Dr. W.J. Weedon,
Chairman, Australian National Advisory
Committee for Unesco,
Commonwealth Office of Education,
Box 3879, G.P.O., SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Dr Weedon,

I am sorry not to have been able to send you my comments on the Unesco draft programme for 1957-58, as requested in your letter No. 16/42/40 of the 12th April. Unfortunately the letter was addressed to me care of the South Pacific Commission, from which I resigned on the 1st January last, and although it was eventually forwarded to my home it arrived after my departure for Suva to attend the South Pacific Conference. I therefore saw it for the first time a few days ago, on my return to Sydney, by which time it was too late to do anything about it.

Please do not hesitate to let me know should there ever be any way in which I can be of assistance to your Committee.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

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12 APR 1956

Mr. H.E. Maude,
Executive Officer for Social
Development,
South Pacific Commission,
Box 5254, G.P.O.,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

Dear Mr. Maude,

A meeting of the Australian Unesco Committee for Education is to be held on 7th May, 1956 to consider the Unesco draft programme and budget for 1957 and 1958. There are a number of sections relating to fundamental education which, as you know, forms an important part of Unesco's programme and I am proposing to seek the assistance of yourself and a few others as a small panel in giving the Education Committee the benefit of expert knowledge and experience in considering the programme.

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I am enclosing copies of the relevant parts of the draft programme, and would be grateful if you could let me have any comments you would care to make by the 23rd April, 1956. We will then have sufficient time to prepare a summary of the panel's views for Committee members before their meeting.

Yours sincerely,



(Wm. J. Weeden)
CHAIRMAN.

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL
ORGANISATION

Sections from proposed Programme and Budget for 1957-58
relating to Fundamental Education

EDUCATION

1.4 FUNDAMENTAL EDUCATION

Unesco will continue its efforts, by means of fundamental education, to meet the needs of those "who do not have the advantages of formal education",* particularly in rural communities. As the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies extend their programmes of practical work in the social sphere, and co-ordinate them more satisfactorily, fundamental education takes a larger place and its functions become clearer. It is an essential technical service in the implementation of any scheme of social and economic development. As fundamental education is introduced into new countries or territories, however, it becomes increasingly clear that it must be adapted to meet a great variety of situations, ranging from that of the small rural community still living in comparative isolation and unlikely, in the near future, to be affected by the more spectacular forms of material development, to that of countries in which mass education is viewed as part of overall plans for promoting the economic and social progress of all the constituent communities, or of groups of communities. (137)

In fact, if not in theory, the stress during the early years was placed on a type of fundamental education designed to help isolated communities to improve their living conditions by their own efforts, and with their own resources, and Unesco is under an obligation to pursue the work it has been doing along these lines. It might, however, find itself lagging behind economic and social advances in a large number of so-called "underdeveloped" countries if it failed to take account of the new needs in education arising, in those countries, as a result of the implementation of large-scale programmes for the utilization of natural resources, industrialization, or land development. To quote only one example, in 1955-56, the Government of India, with the help of Unesco, set up a national "Social Education" centre as part of its Five-Year Plan. (138)

Viewed in this light, the experience gained since 1947 makes it clear that, for satisfactory results, fundamental education projects must have the co-operation of all the Ministries, Departments or Services responsible for the country's economic and social development. One of Unesco's priority activities in 1957-58 will be to promote the establishment, through the efforts of visiting experts and members of the Secretariat, of national committees or bodies to co-ordinate undertakings which are still too often hampered by dissipation of effort or competing claims. (139)

At the international level, great advances have been made in co-ordination. For instance, in pursuance of a decision taken by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination in October 1955, the Secretariats of the organizations concerned (United Nations, Unesco, International Labour Organization, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, World Health Organization) have instructed a mission consisting of their officials to appraise the aims and programmes of the two international Fundamental Education Centres (CREFAL, for Latin America, and ASFEC, for the Arab States) in relation to the educational needs arising out of economic and social development in the countries concerned. The conclusions of this mission, and the observations or recommendations put forward by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination at its meeting in May 1956, will be referred to the General Conference. (140)

* From the definition of fundamental education adopted by the General Conference at its sixth session.

(141)

In 1957-58, Unesco will continue its experimental study of various methods of fundamental education, with particular reference to the teaching of reading and writing and the production of reading materials for new literates. These two types of studies in fact represent Unesco's special contribution to the common effort of the international organizations. Other special activities will be concerned with the field studies and investigations, in the sphere of the social sciences, which must precede and accompany the execution of community development schemes (see Social Sciences, paragraphs 168-169), with education through local arts and crafts (see Cultural Activities, paragraphs 126-131), and with the use of audio-visual techniques in education (see Mass Communication, paragraphs 96-97). Secondly, Unesco will continue to be technically and administratively responsible for the two international Fundamental Education Centres (Patzcuaro and Sirs-el-Layyan) and to contribute to their financial support, in co-operation with the United Nations, the appropriate Specialized Agencies, the governments of the host countries and other States interested and, in the case of the Patzcuaro Centre, with the Organization of American States. Lastly, it will participate in the activities of certain Member States, at their request, and, in particular, in the development of Associated Projects in the field of fundamental education.

(142)

Resolution 1.41: The Director-General is authorized to assist in the development of fundamental education:

- (A) by initiating studies and experimental activities on various aspects of such education;
- (B) by continuing to operate the international Fundamental Education Centres for Latin America and for the Arab States, in co-operation with the United Nations, the appropriate Specialized Agencies, the Organization of American States and the government of the two host countries; and
- (C) by participating in Member States' activities in the field of fundamental education at their request.

(143) Project 1.411: Fundamental Education

Project budget summary	1955 Budget	1956 Budget	1957 Estimates	1958 Estimates
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Staff costs	137,461	141,677	133,596	137,614
Other costs	404,240	390,160	418,500	331,500
Total	541,701	531,837	552,096	469,114

- (A) Studies and experimental activities
- (i) Teaching of reading and writing

(144)

During 1956, the final version of the study made by Mr. W.S. Gray, in 1953-54, on methods of teaching reading and writing will be published in English, French and Spanish (see Report of the Director-General for 1954, page 56).

As a sequel to this study, two experts will have carried out experiments, during 1956, in some of the countries taking part in the work of the Fundamental Education Centres for Latin America (CREFAL) and the Arab States (ASFEC), in the use of the methods advocated by Mr. Gray, and in the preparation and use of suitable teaching materials (grading vocabulary, tests for assessing the knowledge acquired). It is proposed that these experiments be continued during the first quarter of 1957. The results of this work will be used by the two Centres and made public either in the bulletin, Fundamental and Adult Education, or in one of the two works on fundamental education which are to be published in 1957-58 (see above, paragraph 70). (145)

1957: \$6,000 (mission staff) (146)

(ii) Production of reading materials for new literates

Chapter 4, Cultural Activities (paragraphs 135-152) contains a description of this work, the purpose of which is to assist organizations responsible for producing specially designed reading materials for adults who have recently learnt to read and write. (147)

1957: \$9,500 (staff travel \$1,000; supplies \$500; contracts \$8,000) (148)

1958: \$500 (supplies)

(B) International Fundamental Education Centres

In 1957-58, the two Fundamental Education Centres for Latin America (Patzcuaro, Mexico) and the Arab States (Sirs-el-Layyan, Egypt), established by Unesco in 1951 and 1952 respectively, will continue their work with the help of the United Nations, the appropriate Specialized Agencies (International Labour Organization, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, World Health Organization), and, in Latin America, of the Organization of American States. (149)

The functions of the two Centres will, in essentials, be the same as hitherto: the training of teachers who, in their turn, will be able to train teams of fundamental education workers in their respective countries; and the production of pamphlets, books and audio-visual aids suitable for use in such education, as part of the work done jointly, in the vicinity of Patzcuaro and Sirs-el-Layyan, by the teaching staff and the students of the Centres. (150)

An inter-agency appraisal mission (Unesco/UN, FAO, ILO and WHO) visited the two regional Fundamental Education Centres and some of the co-operating Member States in Latin America and the Arab States. The recommendations of this mission concerning the training and production programmes of the two centres will be considered by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and the Executive Board. (151)

As a consequence some changes in the proposals made below may be necessary and will be presented to the General Conference as a Corrigendum. (152)

The Secretariat will endeavour to publicize the results of the work of CREFAL and ASFEC more widely, making more systematic use than it has done in previous years of the usual channels of publicity (the quarterly bulletin, Fundamental and Adult Education; and the programme of co-operation with educational journals; see above, paragraphs 51-57). (153)

(154) CREFAL will be five years old in May 1956, and ASFEC in December 1957. At the end of those five years, consideration may be given to the possibility either of continuing the present system of technical and financial responsibility for a given number of years, or of inviting the States concerned gradually to take over that responsibility. During 1957-58 it is proposed that a transitional measure be introduced which, without reducing the contributions made by Unesco and various other organizations (United Nations, ILO, FAO, WHO, OAS) to the operation of the Centres, will give the States in the two regions a greater share of responsibility. This measure relates to the award of maintenance grants for students.

(155) Of the 65 new students admitted to the Patzcuaro Centre, in principle, at the beginning of each academic year (April), 10 Mexicans will, under the agreement concluded in 1950 between the Organization and the Mexican Government, be paid for by Unesco; the Secretariat also expects that 20 students from other Latin American countries will, as in 1955-56, receive grants from the Organization of American States. From the beginning of the academic year in April 1957, fellowships for the remaining 35 places will be awarded to the governments concerned in response to applications submitted by those governments under the Exchange of Persons programme (see Exchange of Persons, paragraphs 84-85).

(156) The same system will be applied to the Sirs-el-Layyan Centre from the beginning of the academic year in September 1957. On the other hand, in return for the assistance that the Egyptian Government is continuing to afford the Centre, Unesco will pay the maintenance costs of the Egyptian students, for whom the Executive Board, at its 29th session, decided that one-third of the places should be reserved each year.

(157) In 1955-56, efforts were made to bring the budgets of the two Centres into line. The tables given below show what has been done in this respect and contain the fullest possible estimates for the general financing of the two Centres in 1957-58.

Fundamental Education Centre for Latin America (CREFAL)

(158) On 1 January 1955, this Centre ceased to be an independent institution and the Secretariat took full technical and administrative charge of it. The persons locally recruited by the Director (teachers, technical staff and secretaries) now belong to the category of "local staff" on the same footing as persons employed by the Regional Office in the Western Hemisphere or by the Science Co-operation Offices.

(159) The proposed amount of Unesco's contribution for 1957-58, under the regular budget (Education Chapter) and the Technical Assistance programme, has been calculated on the following assumptions:

- (i) number of students admitted annually to the Centre - 65, length of course - 19 months, number of directing and teaching staff paid by Unesco, unchanged - 14 posts; (ii) on the other hand, the number of locally recruited technicians and secretaries (at present 29) will be reduced.

- 1957: \$148,250 (local staff \$68,000; contracts \$5,000; staff travel \$5,000; supplies \$15,000; equipment \$3,000; printing \$5,500; communications \$1,500; freight \$1,250; maintenance grants for students \$44,000). (160)
- 1958: \$126,750 (local staff \$70,000; contracts \$5,000; staff travel \$5,000; supplies \$15,000; equipment \$3,000; printing \$7,000; communications \$1,500; freight \$1,250; maintenance grants for students \$19,000). (161)

Under the agreement concluded between Unesco and the Organization of American States, a Joint Advisory Committee, which normally meets once a year, is responsible for co-ordinating the work of CREFAL and the Latin American Fundamental Education Press (a subsidiary body of OAS). The Director-General is represented on the Committee by the Director of CREFAL and a member of the headquarters staff. (162)

- 1957: \$2,000 (staff travel) (163)
- 1958: \$2,000 (staff travel)

Estimated expenditure of CREFAL under Unesco's regular budget for 1957-58

Objects	Estimates		Observations
	Paragraphs 160-161 \$	Other expenditure \$	
Established posts: (Director, Deputy Director, Adminis- trative Officer)		57,600	Amount included in staff costs for fund- amental education, paragraph 14.3
Local staff	138,000		
Contracts	10,000		
Staff travel	10,000		
Supplies	30,000		
Equipment	6,000		
Printing	12,500		
Communications	3,000		
Freight	2,500		
Hospitality		1,500	Included in the provision for hospitality for the Office of the Director, paragraph 8
Maintenance grants	63,000		
Maintenance grants		89,000	Amount of the 35 grants that the States con- cerned may apply for under the Exchange of Persons programme; incl- uded in the budget under "Exchange of Persons", paragraphs 84-85
Total	275,000	148,100	
Grand total	423,100		

(165)

Nature of post	Division of financial responsibility for the Directorate and teaching and administrative staff of CREFAL (estimates for 1957-58) among:						
	UNESCO		United Nations	ILO	FAO	WHO	TOTAL
	Regular programme	Technical Assistance					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<u>Directorate</u>							
Director	1						1
Deputy Director	1						1
Administrative Officer	1						1
Total	3						3
<u>Teaching staff</u>							
Education	5	2					7
Ethnology			1				1
Community development			1				1
Agriculture					1		1
Co-operatives					1		1
Hygiene						1	1
Home economics					1		1
Local arts & crafts				2			2
Drama & recreational activities	2						2
Films & filmstrips		2					2
Total	7	4	2	2	3	1	19
<u>Library</u>							
Librarians	1	2					3
Translator	1						1
Total	2	2					4
<u>Technical staff</u>							
Illustrators	2						2
Printers	3						3
Films & filmstrips	2						2
Total	7						7
<u>Administrative staff</u>							
Administrative Officers (assistant)	2						2
External relations	1						1
Doctor	1						1
Secretaries	11						11
Total	15						15
Grand totals	34	6	2	2	3	1	48

Fundamental Education Centre for the Arab States (ASFEC)

(166)

The Fundamental Education Centre at Sirs-el-Layyan (Egypt) will continue its work in 1957-58 on the same basis as in 1955-56. The amount of Unesco's contribution, under the regular budget and the Technical Assistance programme, has been calculated on the assumption that a maximum of 60 students would be admitted to the Centre (which can

accommodate 160 students in all), that the length of the course would remain at 21 months, and that there would be no increase in any category of the staff.

- 1957: \$207,750 (local staff \$71,500; contracts \$5,000; staff travel \$7,000; supplies \$15,000; equipment \$3,000; printing \$5,500; communications \$1,500; freight \$1,250; maintenance grants for students \$98,000) (167)
- 1958: \$157,250 (local staff \$73,500; contracts \$5,000; staff travel \$7,000; supplies \$15,000; equipment \$3,000; printing \$7,000; communications \$1,500; freight \$1,250; maintenance grants for students \$44,000)

A regional advisory committee, consisting of representatives of the organizations taking part in the Centre's work (United Nations, Unesco, ILO, FAO, WHO), discusses with its Director questions concerning general programme policy, the selection of students, and the way in which the States concerned are to use the services of graduates. This committee will probably meet twice a year in 1957-58. (168)

- 1957: \$1,000 (staff travel) (169)
- 1958: \$1,000 (staff travel)

Estimated expenditure of ASFEC under Unesco's regular budget for 1957-58

(170)

Objects	Estimates		Observations
	Paragraphs 167-168	Other Expenditure	
Established posts: (Director, Deputy Director, Admin- istrative Officer)		56,295	Amount included in staff costs for fundamental education, paragraph 143
Local staff	145,000		
Contracts	10,000		
Staff travel	14,000		
Supplies	30,000		
Equipment	6,000		
Printing	12,500		
Communications	3,000		
Freight	2,500		
Hospitality		1,500	Included in the provision for hospitality for the Office of the Director, paragraph 8
Maintenance grants	142,000		
Maintenance grants		46,000	Amount of the grants that the States concerned may apply for under the Exchange of Persons programme; included in the budget under "Exchange of Persons", paragraphs 84-85
Total	365,000	103,795	
Grand total	468,795		

(171)

Nature of post	Division of financial responsibility for the Directorate and teaching and administrative staff of ASFEC (estimates for 1957-58) among:						
	UNESCO		United Nations	ILO	FAO	WHO	TOTAL
	Regular Programme	Technical Assistance					
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<u>Directorate</u>							
Director	1						1
Deputy Director	1						1
Administrative Officer	1						1
Total	3						3
<u>Studies and teaching</u>							
Studies & investigations	2	1					3
Education	5	1					6
Community development			1				1
Rural housing			1				1
Agriculture					1		1
Co-operatives					1		1
Hygiene						2	2
Home economics					1		1
Local arts & crafts				1			1
Total	7	2	2	1	3	2	17
<u>Production of fundamental education materials</u>							
Chief	1						1
Textbooks	2						2
Films & filmstrips	1						1
Total	4						4
<u>Library & Information Centre</u>							
Librarians	2	1					3
Translator	1						1
Total	3	1					4
<u>Technical staff</u>							
Illustrators, photographers, offset machine operators, etc.	6						6
Total	6						6
<u>Administrative staff</u>							
Administrative Officers (assistant)	4						4
External relations Secretaries	1						1
Secretaries	13						13
Total	18						18
Grand totals	37	7	2	1	3	2	52

The following table shows the total estimated expenditure (172) for CREFAL and ASFEC in 1957-58, and the division of that expenditure among the organizations and governments concerned:

(173)

Centre	Unesco			United Nations & Specialized Agencies	Organizations of American States	Governments of host countries	Grand Total
	Regular programme		Technical Assistance				
	Education	Exchange of Persons					
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CREFAL	334,100	89,000	104,000 ¹	89,000 ²	76,000 ³	80,000 ⁴	772,100
ASFEC	422,795	46,000	135,000 ¹	160,000 ²		116,000	879,795
	756,895	135,000	239,000	249,000	76,000	196,000	1,651,895

1. Tentative estimates
2. Salaries and travel of experts, based on the situation in 1956
3. Twenty annual maintenance grants
4. Maintenance of buildings, staff of "General Services" level

(C) Participation in Member States activities

So far as the available resources permit, Unesco will participate (174) in the fundamental education activities of Member States, at their request, in a form appropriate to their particular needs. Unesco may participate in a variety of ways: by providing the services of experts or members of the Secretariat, documentation, and fundamental education and demonstration materials. It is proposed that priority be given to requests relating to: (i) the work of associated projects in fundamental education; (ii) the establishment of centres for training qualified staff for fundamental education work. Member States which received assistance in this sphere in 1955-56 may naturally ask for further help in 1957-58 which will ensure continuity in Unesco's participation in the enterprise. In particular, Unesco will continue its participation in the Member State project for a national fundamental education centre, set up in 1956.

It is scarcely possible to state exactly how the appropriations (175) requested will be divided among the various objects of expenditure but, in the light of experience in 1955-56, the following division may be expected:

1957: \$44,000 (mission staff \$36,000; supplies \$2,000; equipment \$6,000) (176)

1958: \$44,000 (mission staff \$36,000; supplies \$2,000; equipment \$6,000)

SOCIAL SCIENCESProject 3.921: Social Sciences and Problems of Social Development(B) Problems of technological change and urbanization(ii) Urbanization problems

(168)

The approved Programme and Budget for 1956 provided for Unesco's collaboration in a Joint UN/Unesco seminar on urbanization problems in the region of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East. In response to the desire of Member States and the United Nations, it is proposed to hold a similar seminar in Latin America in 1958, which will bring together social scientists and representatives of governments to study and seek solutions to human and social problems of urbanization. This seminar will be preceded, as in the case of the one in South Asia, by field studies performed the previous year. Thus, in 1957, studies will be carried out in three Latin American countries on the human and social implications of urbanization. A joint seminar with the United Nations and ILO will be held in 1958.

(169)

1957: \$11,000 (contracts \$8,000; consultants \$3,000)
 1958: \$6,870 (delegates' travel \$4,000; staff travel \$1,070; consultants \$1,800).

CULTURAL ACTIVITIESProject 4.621: Maintenance and Adaptation of Traditional Cultures(D) Participation in the activities of Member States in the field of the teaching of the arts and crafts

(126)

In the development of teaching of the arts and crafts, Unesco's participation in the activities of Member States will be directed towards:

(127)

(i) improving, by providing experts and equipment, the programmes and methods of basic training for adults in the plastic arts, the crafts, music and theatre;

(128)

(ii) assisting the organization of national and regional seminars on the role of the arts in adult education.

(129)

(New activity)

(iii) forming permanent collections of fine art reproductions and music recordings to provide programmes of popular culture; the Member States concerned will be responsible for the maintenance and utilization of these collections.

(130)

(New activity)

(iv) helping a Member State to set up an experimental centre for training instructors to teach arts and crafts; this centre could be open to trainees from other countries.

(131)

1957: \$45,000 (contracts \$7,000; mission staff \$25,000; equipment \$13,000)
 1958: \$45,000 (contracts \$7,000; mission staff \$25,000; equipment \$13,000)

Project 4.641: Reading material for new literates

(135)

Project budget summary	1955 Budget	1956 Budget	1957 Estimates	1958 Estimates
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Staff costs	21,404	22,251	23,900	24,434
Other costs	22,600	48,000	35,300	35,300
Total	44,004	70,251	59,200	59,734

In large areas of the world, especially those which are economically less developed, the social and cultural development of communities is retarded by the lack of reading materials to carry the newly-literate from bare literacy to a stage at which they can read with ease. Consequently, each year there are many who relapse into illiteracy as soon as they leave the primary schools and literacy classes and are plunged into surroundings where there is no reading matter sufficiently interesting and worth while to maintain and develop the habit of reading. The success of literacy campaigns may, therefore, be quickly nullified. This makes it necessary to produce well-planned, interesting material, with attractive illustrations, while striving to introduce cheaper and more efficient techniques for the production and distribution of reading matter. (136)

Unesco has already played an important role in this field by studying the use of vernacular languages, embarking upon tests and other methods of assessing literacy, improving methods of teaching reading and writing, and introducing programmes for the development of public libraries. (137)

In 1955-56, a programme of assistance to Member States in the field of preparation and production of reading material specially suitable for new literates was undertaken by Unesco for the first time. The Secretariat assembled the necessary documentation and carried out several surveys and studies. Field activities were concentrated in Burma, Ceylon, India and Pakistan. (138)

In 1957-58 this project will be continued on an inter-departmental basis, in close collaboration with the Departments of Education and Mass Communication and the Exchange of Persons Service. Activities will be concentrated in the four countries invited to take part in the project during 1955-56 - Burma, Ceylon, India and Pakistan. (139)

(A) Documentation, surveys, studies and advisory services

The Secretariat will continue to assemble the necessary documentation on the various aspects of this project. The study of current practice - working methods, costs and distribution - including the study of low-cost printing equipment will be continued. Experiments carried on will be reported. This clearing house function will involve contracts for studies, translation and printing, and distribution. (140)

1957: \$1,000 (purchase of equipment)
1958: \$1,000 (purchase of equipment) (141)

(B) Regional and national seminars

During 1957-58 two national or regional seminars will receive support from Unesco. This will take the form of contracts with local authorities for sharing the travel costs of those attending, providing experts, supplying documentation, etc. (142)

1957: \$5,000 (contracts)
1958: \$5,000 (contracts \$4,000; staff travel \$1,000) (143)

(C) Experimental activities

(144) (i) An experimental project for launching a series of popular booklets will be organized in close co-operation with one or more Member States. Unesco will encourage authors and translators to prepare material on international themes - on popular science, the understanding of other cultures, the popularization of the Scientific and Cultural History of Mankind, collections of classics, folk tales, mythology, etc.

(145) 1957: \$5,000 (contracts)
1958: \$5,000 (contracts)

(ii) Public libraries experimental project

(146) A contract will be concluded in 1956 with the Public Library, Colombo (Ceylon) to test and demonstrate techniques for encouraging the use of easy-to-read material among new literates, especially those at the "average" level, i.e. those who have already acquired a certain skill in reading. This activity will be continued during 1957-58. The Colombo Public Library will endeavour to attract and serve new literates by organizing suitable group activities, such as discussions, lectures, classes and film displays, arranging exhibitions, providing individual reading guidance, and making easy-to-read publications more accessible through the setting up of small collections of books in schools, community centres, hospitals, etc. The staff of the Library will keep a careful record of successes and failures and will report to Unesco on techniques used and results achieved.

(147) 1957: \$5,000 (contract)

(D) Assistance to literature bureaux and national book centres

(148) Unesco will assist literature bureaux and other centres engaged in producing books, newspapers and periodicals for new literates. Suitable projects for the training of specialists, for research and for the production of reading matter will be assisted with funds, services of experts, advisory services, documentation and technical equipment.

(149) Unesco will also assist the development of national book centres in the countries of South and South-East Asia, encouraging co-operation among the national associations of publishers, booksellers and librarians.

(150) 1957: \$19,300 (contracts)
1958: \$24,300 (contracts \$22,300; staff travel \$2,000)

Fellowships

(151) Fellowships will be provided in the programme of the Exchange of Persons Service (see paragraphs 80-81)

Interdepartmental budget summary for the project "Reading material for new literates" (1957-58)

(152)

Programme items	Cultural Activities Education				Exchange of Persons	
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
(a) Documentation, surveys, studies and advisory services:	1,000	1,000	500	500	-	-
(b) Regional and national seminars:	5,000	5,000	1,000	-	-	-
(c) Experimental activities:	10,000	5,000	-	-	-	-
(d) Assistance to literature bureaux: and national book centres:	19,300	24,300	8,000	-	-	-
(e) Fellowships:	-	-	-	-	2,900	5,800
Totals:	35,300	35,300	9,500	500	2,900	5,800

(This table is given here to indicate the total for this inter-departmental project. Funds related to Education (paragraphs 147-148) and Exchange of Persons (paragraphs 80-81) are in the respective chapters.)

MASS COMMUNICATIONS

(A) Films and Filmstrips

A limited number of short documentary films will be produced, in co-operation with the United Nations Film Board, illustrating the activities of Unesco in Member States. The films will be designed for television, theatrical and non-theatrical use and will whenever possible be adapted into languages other than the working languages of the Secretariat. Three Unesco themes have been provisionally selected by the United Nations Film Board as possible subjects for joint films: Arid Zones, Oceanography, and Fundamental Education Problems of the Andean Indians. In order to give the three films as universal an appeal as possible, the co-operation of Member States will be sought. Filmstrips will be produced for use by lecturers and in classrooms to illustrate and supplement the Information Manual for Lecturers. Filmstrips with descriptive notes will also be produced specifically for television use and if the response is favourable will be supplied periodically to television stations in Member States.

(96)
(filmstrips for TV New)

1957: \$13,000 (contracts \$8,000; supplies \$5,000)
1958: \$13,000 (contracts \$8,000; supplies \$5,000)

(97)

EXCHANGE OF PERSONSProject 6.211: Fellowship Administration(B) Fellowships under the Participation programme

- (84) To supplement and follow-up expert missions, and to meet specific requests of Member States for fellowships under the Participation programme, provision is made for approximately 90 fellowships. These will be awarded in the authorized fields of the Participation programme. Maintenance grants to non-Mexican students at CREFAL and non-Egyptian students at ASFEC may be requested by participating States under this provision (see Education, paragraphs 154, 164 and 170).
- (85) 1957: \$130,500 (fellowships, 45 at \$2,900)
1958: \$130,500 (fellowships, 45 at \$2,900)

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Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
31st May, 1956.

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New Zealand.

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I should explain that I am not so much interested in first editions of early voyages and other collectors' pieces as in works of value to students of the islands and their peoples.

I hope some day to be visiting the Hocken Library myself in connection with my historical work. In the meantime please do not hesitate to let me know if there is ever anything which I can do.

Yours faithfully,


H.E. Maude.

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Mr. H.E. Maude,
Deputy Secretary,
South Pacific Commission,
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27th April, 1956.

Dear Sir,

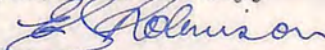
My Committee has asked me to offer you Associate Membership of the Hocken Library.

At a recent meeting, the Hocken Library Committee discussed ways and means by which the Committee's scope could be extended to the Library's advantage. It was decided to invite certain people to accept "associate membership" of the Committee. The Committee does not envisage a formal society, but rather, a loose fraternity of people interested in the preservation of historical material and interested in the welfare of the Hocken Library.

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Yours faithfully,



(Miss) E.J. Robinson - (ACTING LIBRARIAN)

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New Zealand

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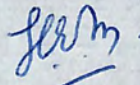
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Dr Robert E. Gibson,
Director of Education,
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands,
TRUK, Caroline Islands.

Dear Dr Gibson,

Thank you for your letter HiEd 442 of the 11th January, forwarding the report of the team visit to Ngiwal, which was sent on to me by the South Pacific Commission.

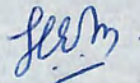
This certainly seems a practical way of giving the village people a measure of assistance from the educationists at District Headquarters, and at the same time getting these desk workers away from their administrative duties for a refresher course at the village level.

A programme such as this could, as a matter of fact, be even more easily carried out in some of the other territories; were the will to try it out present. I find so many of the territorial educational staff quite out of touch with village problems and needs.

I have just come back from the South Pacific Conference in Suva - my last job for the Commission - and am now enjoying doing nothing preparatory to going up to the National University at Canberra later in the year.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

REPORT ON FIELD TRIP TO NGIWAL

The Idea

The idea of a "team visit" to Ngiwal evolved out of the thinking of the District Director of Education, the Elementary Advisor, and the Superintendent of Schools as at least a partial answer to the problem of giving adequate service to village schools, without at the same time sacrificing other responsibilities at the District headquarters and elsewhere.

During the most recent summer school the Principals of the Elementary Schools requested that the Education Department do something to help them with their health education program. Even short visits where time permits only cursory inspections and admonitions to village leaders to correct unsanitary conditions were requested as an aide to their own efforts. This kind of visit to a village, although necessary at times, obviously left much to be desired. In the area of health, for example, a positive approach is to be preferred if possible. Thus, if time permits, the good health of the village can be seen and praised. The logic of this is borne out by the public health practice of holding "well baby clinics" as well as treating those that are ill. To implement this approach, the Sanitation Teacher who accompanied the team was asked to seek out that which he could praise as well as looking for those bad conditions which contribute to poor health.

Another basic approach employed was that of working with the people rather than just for them. Thus, no one team member worked as an isolated agent. Each participated with the group and within the framework of the existing mediums of the school or the dispensary. The team was fortunate to include among its members Miss Kiyoko Sulial, Assistant Director of the Nurses' School who stationed herself at the Dispensary but participated in team programs and conducted her work in such a way as to contribute to the joint effort.

A sub-area for concentration was that of "Citizenship". This was felt to be important due to the rapid strides Palau is making in self-government, and to insure that the younger people are informed and appreciative of both the "old" and the "new" concepts of citizenship which are both important to the social "health" of the people of Palau.

The Program

Each member of the team that visited Ngiwal was requested to write his own report. (These are attached)

Although the group that planned and carried out the project at Ngiwal carried cases of "C" Rations for sustenance, these were not needed save in the morning to start the day. The real food--the meat--was provided by the people willingly and generously. Similarly, we did

not carry a "canned" program to Ngiwal, but took only such ideas and materials as might set us in motion; the rest was to evolve from what responses we gained from the people. The "meat" of the program was to be that which the situation we found provided. Just as there was ample good food in Ngiwal, there were ample resources for education. The older people were willing to come to the school and impart such knowledge as was requested. Materially, even a portable organ was found to liven the music program and kerosene lamps to provide light for meetings and night work.

Perhaps the most fortuitous circumstance contributing to the success of our first endeavor was that of having a popular "native son" return home after an absence of months just prior to our coming. Marino our Assistant Superintendent of Schools, had been attending summer school and visiting in the Marianas. He quite frankly served as our "advance man". He alerted the people to our coming and reassured them of our purposes. He suggested that the P.T.A. members be ready for a meeting. Hence, on the night of our first full day in the village the P.T.A. meeting was held. The chairman made a gracious talk welcoming us. The business of the meeting was conducted as usual and we were given an opportunity to explain our mission. We told the parents that we had come to help their teachers in teaching health and citizenship and illustrated what we meant. We explained that two nights hence they were invited to come to the school again and view a program given by the school children during which they would demonstrate some of the things they were learning about health and citizenship. We concluded the program with the showing of some filmstrips on health--the first of three showings, all of which were well received by large audiences. These film strips were narrated in Palauan by Nobuo the Sanitation Teacher and Kiyoko Suñial.

Our first evening in the village we held a meeting with the local teachers and our team. We laid preliminary plans. We sang a few songs to establish an esprit de corps. These soon drew an audience of youngsters. This was the first in a series of musical activities led by our Pied Piper, Yemesei. A few instruments, and a great deal of talent combined to give Yemesei a control of the children not unlike that of the legendary piper of Hamelin. Had he piped his way out of the village he might well have had all of the children with him.

Our first morning at the school we organized ourselves for classroom work. Each team member worked with a local person where possible, or with one of the ninth grade students who were part of the team. Each teacher proceeded on his own, bearing in mind only that we were looking for opportunities to make our points concerning health, citizenship, and by so doing to aid the local teachers by demonstrating to them a variety of desirable teaching methods employing local resources.

Accomplishments

Our accomplishments are enumerated in the individual reports; yet as there was some overlapping, they are summarized as follows:

1. The team was able to create a feeling among the students that their village held an interest for them and for us beyond anything that could be studied in text books and equal to that found in other places.
2. The team was able to impart factual knowledge about health without embarrassment or without calling attention to the laxity of any individual or group.
3. The team helped numerous older people to feel wanted at the school and to provide natural teaching situations in which the students became duly impressed with the wisdom and knowledge of their parents and leaders.
4. The team operated in a relaxed manner that made it possible for us to say what we thought it necessary for us to say and do what we wanted to do without unduly interrupting the daily activities of the village.

Specifically it should be noted that the team was successful in completing a literacy survey of the village, in addition to the important data drawn out by Mr. Uyehara's group such as the varieties of taro and methods of planting, the uses and types of timber, and factors dealing with the construction and function of Bais that will become valuable permanent additions to the working knowledge of the district. Miss Sulial was especially successful in working with the mothers of the village both in meetings and visits to their homes.

Problems

The language barrier is, of course, pronounced at the village level, and is especially difficult for any who do not know the indigenous language and are trying to teach in an elementary school. Fortunately this was the case for only one of our group.

It is possible that a "concentrated dose" wherein several specialists visit a village at one time might leave the village or at least the school in a comparative vacuum after their departure. It is necessary to work more closely with the village teachers as is noted in Alfonso's report, and also to have a followup program in which we leave the village something to carry on with. These points were borne in mind, but were felt to be our weak spots nevertheless.

Daniel J. Peacock
Educational Administrator

Brief outline of projects conducted
and instruction given to the 6th
grade, Ngiwal School, by D. Peacock,
Nobuo and Rufino assisting.

I. NUTRITION

- A. Valuable local foods.
 - 1. Necessity of eating a variety of them.
- B. Importance of milk for babies and children.
- C. Unimportance of imitation fruit drinks.
- D. Skit: Milk and coconut drinkers prove far stronger than "fruit drink" consumers.

II. GEOGRAPHY

- A. Local land marks: "What should I take a picture of in Ngiwal?"
- B. Relief map in sand: "Place a stone where you live - how far do you walk to school?"

III. ARITHMETIC

- A. Measuring local distances
- B. Finding and measuring largest tree in Ngiwal.
- C. Measuring height, weight, etc. of students

IV. CITIZENSHIP

- A. Skit: "Poor picnic" vs "Good picnic"
 - Poor picnic - leader dictated, works in favor of leader and a few friends.
 - Good picnic - democratic organization, voting for leader, appointing committees, group decision on foods, location, etc.
- B. Municipal Government - Outside speaker - Magistrate.
 - 1. Who built this school?
 - 2. Who supports this school
 - 3. How do the people support the school, the dispensary, etc.
 - 4. The types of taxes.
 - 5. Municipal elections: How, when, where.

C. Understanding local rules and customs.*

1. Brief discussion
2. Outside Speaker - Chief (spoke very briefly.)

V. ENGLISH

- A. All of the above topics discussed in English with definition of new words.
- B. Reading labels of milk and fruit drink cans.
 1. Defining such words as: imitation, artificial, fresh, cooking, baking, etc.
- C. Final examination in English with mistakes explained.

VI. SANITATION

- A. Group from the 5th grade accompanied the Sanitation Teacher on an inspection of the school grounds and facilities. The following were noted and explained:
 1. The best construction for the benjo now under repair
 2. Points to consider in caring for the coconut stumps on the school grounds. Especially, inspect concave stumps frequently for mosquito larva.

*Planned and introduced, but not complete because of lack of time - something for the local teachers to carry on.

November 9, 1955

MEMORANDUM

To: Educational Administrator
From: Advisor to elementary Schools
Subject: Team visit to Ngiwal Municipality

A. Itinerary

- 1) Departed M Dock, 8:40 A.M., Oct. 31
- 2) Arrived Aimekang Dock, 12:00 noon
- 3) Arrived Ngiwal Village, 12:30 P.M.

- 4) Departed Ngiwal Village, 12:15 P.M. Nov. 4
- 5) Arrived Aimekang Dock, 1:00 P.M.
- 6) Departed Aimekang Dock, 1:30 P.M.
- 7) Arrived M Dock, 4:30 P.M.

B. General Impressions

The team visit to Ngiwal Municipality, in the opinion of the writer, was a success not only in terms of the work that each of the team members was able to accomplish, but especially in the rapport which was sustained between the team and the villagers throughout the period of the team's visit.

Excellent rapport was evident in the sumptuous meals served to the team during its stay, the cooperative attitude of villagers who were called upon to serve as guest speakers at school or who were subjected to the literacy survey, the obvious enjoyment manifested by the audience during "Show Night", and in many other little ways.

No doubt, the receptiveness of the villagers to the visit by the team was the result of a number of factors - - - relative absence of competing local events, novelty of visits from the "administration" with the discontinuance of official administration field trips, anxiety over shortage of teachers, desire to please the administration because of the "dispensary situation", and tolerance of behavior of team members. Perhaps the biggest reason, however, for the favorable attitude of the villagers to the visit was because of the identification of the visitors in their minds with a fellow-villager, Marino, who is esteemed. In addition, Marino had undoubtedly prepared the villagers psychologically for the visit by the team before its arrival.

C. Work Accomplished

The writer taught the fifth graders of Ngiwal School (except for one joint session with the sixth graders) with the assistance of Marino and three outside speakers. Tracing in outline was made of a large-scale map of Ngiwal for class use. A short field trip was made to one of the abais by the class.

Below is an outline summary of lessons covered.

- A) Geographical orientation (outside speaker)
 - 1) Location of Ngiwal in Palau
 - 2) Recording of place-names of Ngiwal
- B) Traditional leaders of Ngiwal (outside speakers)
 - 1) Hamlets of Ngiwal
 - 2) Abais associated with each hamlet
 - 3) Men's council (klobak) associated with each abai
 - 4) Functions of men's council
- C) Inventory of natural resources of Ngiwal
 - 1) Plants
 - 2) Animals
 - 3) Land
 - 4) Sea and streams
- D) Certain man-made resources
 - 1) Docks, abais, homes, taro paddies, gardens
- E) Inventory of varieties of trees (outside speaker)
 - 1) Utilitarian values according to variety
 - 2) Varieties of timber used in the construction of Ngiwal School
- F) Inventory of varieties of taro (outside speaker)
 - 1) Present varieties as well as extinct varieties of Ngiwal
 - 2) Varieties most in demand
 - 3) Qualities of most favored varieties
 - 4) Physical layout of a taro paddy
 - 5) Material most favored for use as fertilizer in taro paddies.

A literacy survey of the villagers was carried out with other members of the team. Two afternoons and one evening were spent in covering the village.

Pictures were taken of important and characteristic struc-

tures of the village, such as municipal office, dispensary, school, church, abais, stores, different types of dwellings, privies, wash-houses, boathouses, docks, and fish traps.

D. Suggestions with regard to projects undertaken on team visits.

The writer feels that the themes adopted for these visits, "Health", "Citizenship", and "Local resources", should be continued. They proved useful in the first trip and should be elaborated further in future trips.

Projects, such as "Show Night" skits, singing and dancing, visual aids (film strips and "paper movie"), map-making of the municipality to be visited (preferably a relief map), a photography for documentation purposes, and literacy survey should be continued.

Other projects might be added on future team visits, depending on personnel available to the team, and the municipality to be visited. Something might be done in the line of Arts & Crafts so that children could be taught the making of items, such as book ends, vases, tray, benches, tables, etc., from locally available resources (At the moment, infested coconut logs are being disposed in connection with the beetle program. Perhaps it might serve as a useful material). It would be desirable if the items to be made are both novel and utilitarian and can be quickly completed.

"Farming" might also serve as a future project where children might be taught simple farming practices, proper uses of gardening tools, desirable fertilizers, and cautioned against "burning and planting" method. The children might also study the kinds of vegetables grown locally and their nutritional value, their preparation into meals, and their part in the total diet.

Projects should not be so numerous, however, that it would overtax or dissipate the efforts of the team.

E. Municipality to be visited next.

The writer proposes that Angaur Municipality be selected as one to be visited. According to its magistrate, the Angaurese are probably feeling that they are being neglected by the Administration (Distad Rep is no longer there, and furnishings of its quarters have been largely removed). At present, Angaur is enjoying a brief prosperity because of Micro-Metals. A number of members in the Education Department staff are available in preparing the municipality for a visit by the team: Akiwo (the former principal), the Superintendent of Schools (related by marriage to the magistrate), or the writer if necessary.

Nevertheless, in considering Angaur as a place to be visited by the team, the possibility of the team being marooned there because of bad Weather must be borne in mind.

F. Value of team visits

One of the valuable aspects of team visits, especially of visits lasting as long as a week at a place, is the first-hand acquaintance with the outlying communities and their schools to be gained by members of the Education Department. The members will be apt to gain a clearer idea of the needs of the schools and the communities. Also, in working with teacher-trainees, later on, the members need not deal in abstract terms in illustrating their ideas but use concrete examples from the environment of the teacher-trainees which they can better comprehend.

If, as pointed out by the Superintendent of Schools, closer collaboration is maintained by members of the team with the teachers of the school being visited in carrying out the various projects and classwork, the value of these visits should be more permanent.

G. Emphasis to be given to team visits

For the time being, these visits should perhaps be spaced from one-and-a-half to two months apart. After more experience is gained and over-all planning can be carried out with greater clarity, perhaps a visit should be made to each of the municipalities during the school year.

H. Articles to be taken on team visits (partial list)

<u>For team</u>	<u>For individuals</u>
1) Pressure lamps or lanterns (2)	1) Mosquito netting
2) Fuel (5 gals.?)	2) Raincoat or umbrella
3) Gasoline stove	3) Toilet kit and towels
4) Coffee pots, cooking pot	4) Flashlight
5) Buckets or basins	5) Extra changes of clothing
6) Metal cups	6) Slippers
7) Toilet paper	
8) Measuring tape	
9) Tracing paper	
10) Insect repellent	
11) Camera and films	

S/ Harry K. Uyehara
Advisor to Elementary Schools

November 9, 1955

Memorandum

To: District Educational Administrator, Palau
From: District Superintendent of Schools, Palau
Subject: Comments on Ngiwal Trip

Achievement: On a very first day when assigned to a third grade in which there were fifteen children there was not much to be done except planning with the children. In social studies each one reported what he does at home, how many members in the family, what father and mother do, etc. etc. Then "Our food" was determined to be taken up:

1. Children became able to name many kinds of food they eat at home.
2. They learned the values of various kinds of food in contrast- fish and taro, papaya and yam, fat and vegetables etc.
3. They learned to make charts (combined class of third and fourth grades) How many varieties are made from each kind of our food? Taro-sliced taro, ground taro etc. How each kind of food is cooked? - boiled, fried, broiled, etc.
4. They learn to act in little skits on "Eating Good and Bad food."

Children in the third and fourth grades were found very poor in hand-writing thus it was stressed more.

In arithmetic class children did not seem to understand the problem arithmetic (numbers and experience.) The playground on the sand was used occasionally as writing note. More problem arithmetic were stressed by counting stones, class members, houses in the village etc. Flannel board was also used to show fraction in comparison of sizes.

Story telling: Stories of strong warriors of Ngiwal pleased the children-such as a story of Ngirngemelas and Ngiwal's friendship with Ngaraard etc.

Health and Sanitation related to daily food and drinking water was also interesting to them.

Nothing too new was taught to the children but the writer only tried to see what are the weakest points that should be improved then confer with Benjamin and Tulmau. For examples, in social studies there would not be enough materials in which children's interests may be stimulated. Classrooms would be just bare. An arrangement of the rooms seemed inflexible and it has to be flexible by changing the tables and individual's position around.

Suggestions for the next trip: The next trip should, I think be planned or Peleliu or Ngerdmau otherwise. There has not been any visit to Peleliu during the last two school years. The only advanced preparation might be that we should only send a note rather than sending a person.

All persons who will be going on the trip should hold a meeting a latest a week before departure and discuss what should be done in that particular school to be visited. This will help each member to know what he is going to do and then materials will be prepared accordingly.

So far as an over-all picture of this trip is concerned, I think the work was well conducted; it reveals a good school-community relationship.

Both parents and students delighted with the presence of the team and with the methods used. The only comment I would like to make with regard to the objective of the trip is that we should have had daily meetings with the teachers and discuss what we thought should be of help and, plan together with them. It seems to me that we helped the students more than we should help the teachers. Helping the teachers, I think, should be the primary objective because they are with the children indefinitely. The team should leave with the teachers a good continuation of the work. This may be the fact that the students will lose confidence in the teachers if teachers fail to make good continuation of what the team had done. It would be as though the team has shown to the students and the people the contrast of ability with the local teachers. I am sure each of the team members had a private conference with the teachers as I did, however, what I think is more essential and effective would be a general conference every day with the teachers.

In general, I think the 9th grade students did a good job in helping the classes and taking part in the program. They were of great help on this trip. The skit on T.B. campaign I helped with them and Nobuo was of great mean to both people and school students.

Alfonso R. Oiterong
Supt. of Schools

November 7, 1955

Memorandum

To: Educational Administrator
From: Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Field trip report to Ngiwal Municipality

1. I departed for Ngiwal on October 25, a week ahead of the other members of the team, for several reasons. One of my assignments was to fill in as a substitute teacher as there was only one teacher at Ngiwal School. In addition, I had been asked to approach the local magistrate with the problem of hiring an additional teacher.

It was fortunate that a meeting was held at the school shortly after my arrival there. The meeting had to do mainly with resolutions passed at the last Palau Congress. I had a chance to talk about the salary plan for school teachers for the next fiscal year. The villagers assisted in selecting Tulmau to be hired as a new teacher.

I assisted in the arrangement for a P.T.A. meeting to be held after the arrival of the rest of the team members. The agenda for this meeting was to include:

1. Who will have the responsibility of seeing that the needs of the school are taken care of, such as note-books, papers, pencils? The parents? The municipality? The school?
2. Enlargement of classrooms and construction of new desks (there is not enough desks for the pupils now).
3. Water supply for the school.
4. Care of health in school and at home.

When the meeting was held, it turned out to be more successful than I had hoped for. The magistrate and chief agreed to help the people in working out the problems.

2. It is my opinion that it will be very helpful if a one-week visit is made to every school. It will be necessary to notify the school to be visited in advance so that adequate preparations can be carried out. Ngardmau School should be visited next.

3. It is my feeling that this idea of "team visit" could be tried out in several ways. Formerly, field trips did not work out very well because it was carried out in one day or in one or two hours. If the "one week plan" is continued, both the school and the community can learn from each other. The people of the community will learn of new methods in teaching their children to a better life. The visual aid program (posters, film strips, "paper movies") of the Public Health Department will also be of great service to both the school and the community.

Marino Joshua

NGIWAL

Nov. 9, 1955

I am reporting about the work which had be done at Ngiwal school last week. On the first day I, fortunately, had two 9th grade girls, Dengelei and Ulai to help me teach music. We took 4th grade at first and taught them two songs; one of them was a song it had its action. On the second day we had the first and second grades. In these class, I presented them with three songs and two dances. I also taught the fifth and sixth grade how to play instrument and also taught them a song which is called Ngiwal. On the fourth day night, we had a program at school. All parents came to see the show. On Friday I looked at my record book and found out that there were six songs, three dances, and two kinds of instrument played. I had already taught the students of Ngiwal school with these many songs and dances.

Now I suggest that in the next trip, it is necessary to have materials prepared, such as Instruments. I hope to introduce an intense happiness to all the school. I am thinking that it is not necessary to send someone in advance to the subject school as we did for the last trip. It is nice to send an advance letter to magistrate and principal of that village.

I wish earnestly for the next trip to be in a school which has no teacher graduate from P.I.C.T.S. such as a Ngerthmau, or Ngeremlengui, or Peliliu school. Now I remind that Ngeremlengui school is better for us to be in on the next trip.

Ymesei E. Hezekiel
Music Teacher

BRIEF REPORT ON THE TRIP TO NGIWAL

Our trip to Ngiwal was more of an experimental program and everyone of us wasn't prepared for anything special. All of our work were planned after we got to Ngiwal and I was really impressed with the amount of work that was done by the teachers and students from Koror.

Nobuo and I worked together in showing film strips on health to the parents and to a group of mothers. I thought that these film strips really impressed the people of Ngiwal because hearing about a certain thing and actually seeing how it's done will be a big help to anyone. Some of these people actually told us that they have heard these things but had no idea how they were done or what they look like. I sincerely encourage this work of visual aids because I really think it's a big help to anyone in Palau or any where in the micronesia.

I met with approximately forty mothers one night and talked to them about the importance of health. I talked to them mostly about the health of children which was very general information. Although I got the impression that those mothers were interested in knowing such information unfortunately we had a limited time in Ngiwal and I couldn't give them more help. However, I hoped and thought that maybe could work out some sort of program to help those people who are in need of such help. Because by talking with some of these people I realized they were interested enough to be given some help and really hope that some kind of teaching program be developed in the future.

I also had sometime to help the school teach a little about the health of school age children and I'm sure he did get something out of it and I hope that it will be some help to him.

All the members of this trip to Ngiwal worked so well together including 5 students who went with us, and even during this short period of time we spent in Ngiwal I think there was a great deal of help given to Ngiwal school and as well as other people of Ngiwal.

Kiyoko Sulial

November 16, 1955

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Peacock, Education Officer
From: Nobuo, Sanitation Worker
Subject: Trip to Ngiwal School

Most of the school hours, I was assisting Mr. Peacock in taking care of the six graders. On one school day, this class was divided into two groups. One group worked with Mr. Peacock and one worked with me. The group which I was working with worked on the T.B. posters which they finished. With the same group, we went out to look at their benjo and found it in a very bad shape. Nothing could be done to it except digging another pit which is already started by the students.

Miss Kyoko and I helped each other in presenting health film strips to the people during the nites. The films were Cleanliness and Health, Hook Worm, How diseases travel and Clean Water. The movie box was presented too.

Mr. Alfonso and I organized a skit about the danger of T. B. which was acted by the Int. School students because it was difficult for the elementary students.

I made the village inspection with Miss Kyoko and reported the condition of the village to the people at the school program. The written report of this inspection will be submitted to the Sanitation Department.

I suggest that the next trip will go to Ngchesar. For the advance preparation, each member of the field trip party should be notified by the field trip officer what he is expected to do in the school and what grade will be his responsibility. He should be informed at least two weeks before the trip departs from Koror.

I believe that this sort of team is very helpful and we should continue with it. It is not just for the benefit of the school but it is also for the good of the whole community.

S/Nobuo W. Swei
Sanitation Worker

LIST OF FILM STRIPS SHOWN IN NGIWAL

1. "Clean Water"
2. "How disease Travels"
3. "Cleanliness and Health"
4. "Hook Worm"

The above list of film strips were presented at Ngiwal village to the school children and adults on three of the four nights the education team was there. Miss Sulial assisted me with some of the explanations while I was operating the machine. All of these films are colorfilms.

The Kamisibai (paper movie) was presented to the adults as well as the community people. I did the explanation of this paper movie which is about sanitation in the village.

HOME VISITS

Miss Sulial and I visited some families and discussed with them the proper construction of their benjo, at the same time Miss Sulial talked to them something about nutrition and baby care. At this time I noted that the people were interested in this sort of visiting and they discussed these problems with us.

Nobuo W. Swel

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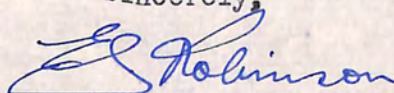
19th June, 1956.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Thank you for your letter of the 31st May and, on behalf of the Hocken Library Committee, I would like to express pleasure that you have accepted Associate Membership of the Hocken Library.

The Hocken Librarian is at present compiling a desiderata list of Pacific material, and when this is complete I shall forward a copy to you. The Library is being built primarily as a working collection.

Yours sincerely,



(Miss) E.J. Robinson
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2 Netherby Street,
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3rd July, 1956.

Miss M.M. McGann,
Hon. Secretary-Treasurer,
Pacific Islands Society,
G.P.O. Box 2434,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Miss McGann,

I am sorry to have caused you all the trouble of having to write and remind us of the fact that we have not yet paid our long-overdue subscriptions to the Pacific Islands Society.

As a matter of fact we had not forgotten (at least my wife hadn't) but always expected to be at the next meeting, and thus able to pay up in person. However, something always seems to prevent us at the last moment.

We really did make a special effort to get to the meeting last month, but as we did not succeed I am now enclosing a cheque to cover our dues, with renewed apologies for being so tardy.

Please note that we shall be retiring from the Society as from the end of the year, as we are about to leave Sydney permanently.

How sad the news is about the Major: I am afraid that even if he gets over this attack he will have to give up all thought of continuing as President.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

John



THE PACIFIC ISLANDS SOCIETY

G.P.O. BOX 2434, SYDNEY N.S.W.

24th June 1956.

Mr. & Mrs. H. E. Maude.
2 Petherby St.
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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Maude,

I am bringing to your notice, as it may have slipped your memory, that your subscriptions to the Pacific Islands Society for 1956 have not been received. Rule 5 of the Society's constitution states: "If any member fails to pay any such subscription within three months of having been notified of its due date, the Council may cancel the membership. Such membership may be renewed on such terms as the Council may decide."

Yours faithfully

M. M. McEwan

Hon. Secretary-Treasurer.

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2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
3rd July, 1956.

R. Raymer, Esq.,
The Secretariat,
SUVA, Fiji.

My dear Raymer,

Please forgive me for bothering you again on the Subject of my former senior Research Assistant, Miss Helen Sheils.

I am indeed grateful for all you have done to secure her a position on the secretariat staff. I know, from my six years experience of her work, that you will be more than satisfied with her accession to the strength.

I gather that, after discussion with you, Miss Sheils decided to try for the post of Overseas Scholarships Officer (or whatever it was then called) with the Education Department, rather than for one of the new positions of Permanent Secretary to a Department: there not only appeared a more definite possibility of her getting this but the work sounded interesting and likely to offer scope for initiative.

However, after reading the note on the duties of this post prepared by the Director of Education, which emphasizes so emphatically the routine nature of the work, I have been wondering whether, in fact, she is right in her assumption.

I know it is asking a lot but would it be possible to drop me (or, better still, her, when you are forwarding the official offer) an~~a~~ unofficial word of advice as to whether we should take the note~~s~~ as indicating that the work of the Examinations Officer is, in fact, almost entirely of a routine clerical character and, if so, whether it would be possible for Miss Sheils to be considered for one of the posts of Permanent Secretary which, I imagine, would be of a fairly responsible nature and require the exercise of a good deal of initiative.

As you know, I have a high regard for Miss Sheils' abilities: hence my anxiety to see her placed in some position

where she can

where she can be of real value.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

JRM.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
3rd July, 1956.

The Secretary-General,
South Pacific Commission,
Post Box No. 9,
NOUMEA, New Caledonia.

Dear Sir,

Receipt of the following amounts is acknowledged, with
thanks:-

- (i) £A.144.9.10 - being the balance of salary and salary-
in-lieu-of-leave due on my retirement from the Commission
service (forwarded under cover of your letter B8 No.6777
of the 27th June); and
- (ii) £A.213.10.11 - being fee and allowances due in respect
of my attendance at the Third South Pacific Conference
(forwarded under cover of your letter A4 No 6770 of the
27th June).

Yours faithfully,

H.E. Maude.

H.E. Maude.

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION

NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA.

Post Box No. 9

6770

A/S

In reply, please quote

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

COMMISSION DU PACIFIQUE SUD

NOUMEA, NOUVELLE - CALEDONIE.

Boîte Postale No. 9

27th June, 1956.

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
South Pacific Commission,
Dalton House,
Pitt Street,
SYDNEY.

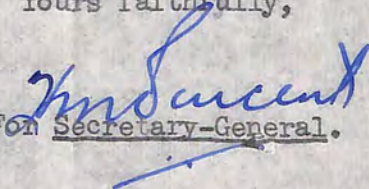
Dear Mr. Maude,

I enclose cheque for the sum of £A.213.10.11 representing fee and allowances due to you in respect of your attendance at the Third South Pacific Conference, calculated as follows:-

<u>Fee</u>	10th April to 6th May at £Stg.2,200 p.a.	£Stg. 162. 6. 0
<u>Per Diem</u>	27 days at Stg.25/- p.d.	<u>33.15. 0</u>
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<u>Less</u>	Advance by Sydney Office	<u>25. 4. 3</u>
		£Stg. 170.16. 9
		<u><u>£A. 213.10.11</u></u>

Your acknowledgment in due course of the enclosed cheque will be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,


For Secretary-General.

Encl:

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ADRESSE TELEGRAPHIQUE:
"SOUTHPACOM." NOUMEA.

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6777

27th June, 1956

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

H.E. Maude Esq.,
South Pacific Commission,
SYDNEY.

Dear Mr. Maude,

I enclose cheque for the sum of £A.144.9.10, representing salary and salary-in-lieu-of-leave due to you, calculated as follows:

Salary

1 January, 1956, at £A.2,750 p.a. £A.7.10.3

Cost of living allowance

1 January, 1956, at £A.99 p.a. 5.5

Salary-in-lieu-of-leave

179 days at £A.2,849 p.a. 1,393.7.3

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Less Cost of one copy of Bibliographie
de l'Océanie

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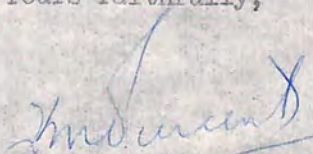
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Yours faithfully,


for Secretary-General

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Office of the High Commissioner

Department of Education

Majuro, Marshall Islands

In reply refer to HiEd

July 9, 1956

Mr. H. E. Maude
2 Netherby Street
Wahroonga, N.S.W., Australia

Dear Mr. Maude:

Your letter of 3rd June acknowledges mine of 11th January and comments favorably on the report of the team visit to Ngiwal. Since this first visit of a team to one of the municipalities in the Palau District at least three other such team visits have been made to other municipalities. As techniques have been modified and improved through experience, even greater success has been achieved with each succeeding team visit. I am not at my office on Truk or I would send you the latest report of Mr. Dan Peacock, Educational Administrator, Palau District. He intends in time, I believe, to write for publication an account of Palau's particular type of community development project. I shall forward to him a copy of your letter. He will appreciate the comments of so imminent an authority.

I am, indeed, sorry to hear of your separation from the South Pacific Commission. It was a profitable and enjoyable experience to have such close relations with you and your fine staff. I understand that most of them are also leaving the organization.

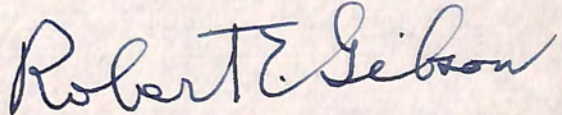
I have just read the June 1956 issue of Pacific Islands Monthly. The article entitled "Deadwood and Stupidity Threaten Usefulness of South Pacific Commission" indicates that all is not well with the SPC and that you resigned because you could no longer take the increasing power being given to the Noumea bureaucracy. I have been wondering if something like this weren't behind your resignation and that of some of your good staff members. In this you have my very real sympathy. I have been suffering from a very similar malady, only I'm not going to resign. I think I can outlast them. I'm betting on the election this fall and I am hopeful there will be a change among those "who live only for files and regulations, and know nothing of people and their dreams and ambitions."

By the way, Bruce Roberts has written asking for a request to come from us to the Secretary General for his services here in

our Territory sometime this fall. What would be your reaction? Would he be helpful?

I'd like to continue our contact.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert E. Gibson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Robert E. Gibson
Director of Education

16.7.56.

12 Brownlow Court
Brownlow Road
London, N.11.

Dear Mr Maude,

Many thanks for your letter of 29 May, with ~~your~~
the low-down on the S.P.C. It was just the sort of information
I was looking for. Financially, at any rate, the job certainly
sounds a good deal less attractive than in the advertisement.
Indeed, for that reason and also because of the counter-pull
of our new house and doubt whether 37 is the age for a married
man to change his trade, I nearly didn't send in my application.
But in the end I did, and shall now wait, and see. In view
of the number of applicants you mentioned — presumably
~~not~~ ^{since} added to — I am not setting my expectations very high.
And in any case, at the moment, I fear, my wife is not
well enough for me to accept (which is why I have not written
~~earlier~~ ^{having been rather because} ^{expect}), though I ~~hope~~ ^{write and} ~~hope~~ ^{write and} in a few months she will be.
Very nice of you to give such a succinct picture —

Yours sincerely

John Gardner.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
17th July, 1956

My dear Gilson,

I have been meaning to write for ever so long; but unfortunately that seems to be my usual position these days, I never just get down to doing anything that I should.

And then I held up until we had decided when we could get up to Canberra to house hunt. The trouble was that we sold our Citroen (which I was very fond of) as being too expensive to run, and for some weeks we had nothing. But now we've bought a Volkswagon which runs on practically nothing at all and only needs repairing when one has an accident (or so they say).

So we're coming up to Canberra on Thursday night to Sunday a.m. and will look you up Friday for sure. Were so cold down here at 40 that I cannot imagine how we could possibly live at your 20 unless we have some sort of central heating.

Many thanks for your kind offer to lend me Murdoch's letter (we got to know him quite well when he lived in retirement of Kuria) and the Restieaux microfilm. I am at last getting down to things, believe it or not, and should love to borrow both; but I warn you that I am apt to photo-copy everything that I lay my hands on - even the letters in their handbags, the girls at the office used to swear.

What I should like to buy is a little copying machine of my own: the one I got the Commission was not ideal - do you know anything about them?

Ida Leeson is going to finish cataloguing my things in August, or so she says, and then you will be able to check through the cards just in case there is anything you would like.

I feel awful today because I have to talk at a National Missionary Society do tonight on Missions in the Pacific - a Baptist is to preside. Its all written out - took me ages - but on reading it through I have suddenly realized that I may get thrown out.

If, however, I do survive I shall look forward to seeing you at Canberra Friday.

Yours truly, J. L. M.

12 Waratah St.
O'Connor, A.C.T.,
26th May, 1956

Dear Mr. Maude,

Many thanks for your letter of the 17th. I am so glad that you found the Beru journal of interest. Your material on Prout makes it quite clear that he must have been the author of the document. I hope you don't mind if I extract the relevant information from your letter and send it to the Turnbull Library (with appropriate references to the source) in order that they can catalogue the journal properly. They might be able to identify the thing independently, but they are so busy that it would be a long time before they could tackle the job.

As I think I mentioned before, the only material which I have on the Gilberts and environs is that which I've come across by the way. It is possible, however, that I have one or two other items which would interest you. One is a long letter written by George Murdoch in the early 1930's in which he recalls some of his early experiences in the Pacific and also mentions the respective fates of some of his old-timer friends, Volleiro included. Another item is a microfilm copy of the reminiscences of Alfred Restieaux of Funafuti. Being memoirs rather than diaries, these manuscripts may not be terribly reliable as history (taken by themselves, anyway), but I think they are valuable for the color and flavor they lend to the period. The Restieaux piece is especially interesting in this respect. It was the basis for certain passages in Westbrook's "Gods Who Die", but the book didn't exhaust the contents of the manuscript which Westbrook had solicited from Restieaux.

The point of my mentioning these is that you are welcome to see them at any time. Just say the word. Come to think of it, I believe I have a copy of an outline which I prepared on the Restieaux manuscript at the time I identified it for the Turnbull Library. I'll look for it and send it along to you.

I'm afraid it will be some time before I'll be getting to Sydney again. We have another baby due soon; this, together with other things, will tie me down here for the next few months.

Jim mentioned that you might be coming up briefly to have a look at the housing situation. If there's anything I can do for you before you come, do let me know. Meanwhile, all best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Walter Wilson

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
17th July, 1956.

Dear Bill,

This is just to follow up our telephone conversation by saying that I shall be in Canberra Thursday night to Sunday a.m. and staying, with Honor, at University House. So if you'd like to discuss further the matter we spoke of just give me a ring or leave a message where and when to phone you so we can fix a meeting.

Sorry I've been so long getting up to the metropolis but I sold my car and had to wait for a new one as we wanted to drive up.

I went to Ushers to look you up the day you mentioned but you were out so I left a message but probably it never got delivered.

I shiver every time I look at the Canberra temperature figures in the "Herald": amazing what conditions the human race can get habituated to.

Yours,

J.M.



DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,

CANBERRA.

In reply quote No.

18th July, 1956.

Dear Harry,

Thank you very much for letting me know that you will be coming to Canberra. I would certainly like to see you and will make an occasion to do so. Unfortunately our programme is very full and it does not look as if we will be able to arrange for you to come and see us. I will be taken up a good deal with the Australian Association for the United Nations until Saturday mid-day, as its Federal Council is meeting at Canberra from 19th to 21st and both myself and the Minister are addressing the Council. We are, unfortunately, engaged for all the three evenings you will be here and I think the best I can do is to get in touch with you by telephone sometime on Friday and see when we can get together.

Now I come to think of it, getting in touch with you by phone at University House is very difficult. I stayed there earlier this year and found this one of the few inconveniences. A better suggestion is, if you don't mind, that you call me at office U2161 or home X2586. *On Friday* case I happen to be out of my office when you call would you please get in touch with Miss Thompson on U0413 Extension 212.

I particularly want to have a chat with you about S.P.C. at the present time.

Kind regards to yourself and Honor.

Yours sincerely,

W. Storrath

afternoon ~~morning~~ in

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
23rd July, 1956.

Robert Stead, Esq.,
B.B.C. Australian Representative,
National Building,
250 Pitt Street,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Mr Stead,

Thank you for your letter of the 18th July, enclosing a cheque for £10.10.0: the appropriate portion of the engagement form is returned herewith, as requested.

I am glad that my contribution was of some use, but it was most unfortunate that I got so ill at the Conference for I was looking forward to doing the second broadcast for you. However, some sort of plague ran through our dormitory and I ^{was} laid low for some time: in fact it was not until 2 weeks after my return that I really began to feel myself again. I hope that Dix, who I suggested should take my place, did the job all right.

I am now a gentleman of leisure until the end of the year, when I go to the National University as a Research Fellow in Pacific Islands Studies; so if you would like me to talk on any subject at all connected with the South Seas I should be glad to suggest subjects or to submit scripts, without your being committed in any way. Having lived for over a quarter of a century on more Pacific Islands than any man alive (67, to be exact) I can claim to know my subject.

I sometimes feel that the B.B.C. Pacific Service does not give enough talks from people intimately connected with the islands and therefore known, at least by name, to most of the listeners.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

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18th July, 1956.

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
South Pacific Commission,
Dalton House,
115 Pitt Street,
S Y D N E Y.

Dear Mr. Maude,

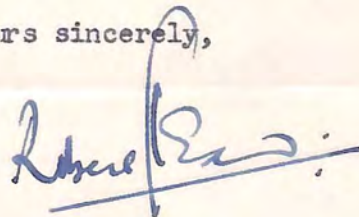
I have had a note of thanks from London for the arrangements which were made for coverage of the South Pacific Conference. Your contribution was used in "Commonwealth Club" and I am particularly asked by Shirley McNabb who produces this series to thank you for your excellent contribution. Miss McNabb adds her kind regards to you.

We were sorry you were unable to contribute further due to ill health, and I do hope that you are now fully recovered.

I have pleasure in enclosing our contract form and cheque for £10.10.0 for your contribution and assistance.

All good wishes,

Yours sincerely,



Robert Stead
Australian Representative

P.S. Would you kindly return, signed, the appropriate portion of the enclosed engagement form.

THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION

c/o The Australian Broadcasting Commission,

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Date 18.7.56.

Dear Sir/Madam:

The British Broadcasting Corporation invites you to prepare and record one talk/s as follows:

TITLE Introductory talk to South Pacific Commission Conference

DURATION Five minutes

DATE OF RECORDING Friday, 13th April, 1956.

FEE: £ 10 : 10 : -

TIME 11.00 am.

The script/s should be submitted seven days in advance.

This engagement will be subject to the following conditions:

1. that you assign to the Corporation world rights in the broadcast use of the script/s and the recording/s;
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3. that the manuscript/s of the talk/s shall be your original work, or that all necessary licenses or permissions for the broadcasting of the talk/s shall be held by you at the time of recording the talk/s, and that the talk/s as recorded shall conform with the approved manuscript/s, and shall not contain anything defamatory or anything calculated to bring the Corporation into disrepute.

If this engagement is acceptable, will you kindly sign and return the enclosed letter of acceptance.

Yours faithfully,

Robert [Signature]
BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION.

Australian Representative.

NAME H.E. Maude, Esq.,

ADDRESS 2 Netherby Street,

WAHROONGA.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
27th July, 1956.

My dear Ronald,

Thank you for kindly keeping me in touch with the University's reactions to your suggestion that I should be seconded for service as Agent and Consul in Tonga.

I had hoped that they might take a more generous attitude but rather feared all along that they might not. But I am most grateful to you for trying; and I feel that it did no harm with the Canberra people.

We went up to Canberra last week-end and were very hospitably received by the University folk: but so far we have been unsuccessful in locating a suitable house - and without one I will not go.

In case you thought that I was the author or instigator of that article on the Commission in last month's "Pacific Islands Monthly" (some people did) I can say definitely that I was not, though I agree with much that was in it: I have neither seen nor spoken to Robson (except casually) since I left the Commission, despite several invitations from him to come down and talk.

However, I am still interested in the Commission, and in making something useful out of it; so if Vaskess ever decides to chuck his hand in please give my name a thought as his successor. It would be one of the few jobs for which I would willingly leave the National University. But I fear me Vaskess is immortal.

Again many thanks for being my referee with the University people. I am quite sure that it was your very generously phrased letter that tipped the scale.

Rumour has it that you are moving on from Fiji towards the end of the year. If not I hope to see you again next year as it seems likely that I shall be working for a time in the W.P.H.C. archives (subject, of course, to Dorothy Crozier's permission).

*Yours ever,
J.E.M.*

His Excellency Sir Ronald Garvey, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., M.B.E.
Government House, SUVA, Fiji.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
SUVA, FIJI.

28th June, 1956.

My dear Hamy,

With reference to my suggestion that you should be seconded from the Australian National University in order to take up the appointment of Agent and Consul in Tonga for a period after Charles Nott leaves, I enclose - for your confidential information - copies of two letters which I have received from the Vice Chancellor.

I think we both appreciated that it was a forlorn hope, and naturally I am sorry that we have not managed to work the oracle; nevertheless, I dare say that it is not only in the interests of the University, but possibly in your own best interests too for you to get your nose to the grindstone in Canberra as early as possible - and to keep it there.

Yours as always,
Korald G.

H.E. Maude, Esq., O.B.E.,
2 Netherby Street,
Warhroonga,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

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THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

CANBERRA

23rd May, 1956.

His Excellency
Sir Ronald Garvey, KCMG, KCVO, MBE.,
Governor of Fiji,
S U V A.

Your Excellency,

Your letter of 5th May about Mr. Maude arrived just after Professor Davidson, Professor of Pacific History, had left Canberra. I shall of course write to him immediately for what he has to say will have an important bearing on our decision. However as he is abroad this will take some time and I should therefore perhaps tell you of my own doubts.

We believe we are fortunate to have persuaded Mr. Maude to come to us and we are expecting much of him. However as you know it is not easy for anyone who has been absorbed for so long in Government Administration to resume academic life. If Mr. Maude does not make the change now, he may later be at a disadvantage.

From our own point of view we probably cannot afford the delay to the progress of work in our Research School of Pacific Studies that Mr. Maude's secondment for three years would involve. He would I think be expected to resign and to apply again if there were a vacant post when he is ready to come to us.

I am sorry to have to reply in this fashion; the co-operation that has existed with Your Excellency's administration and the many kindnesses that have been shown our scholars make it very difficult for me to do so. I will, in any case, write again when I hear from Davidson.

Yours sincerely,

L.G. MELVILLE

Vice Chancellor.

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THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
CANBERRA

15th June, 1956.

His Excellency
Sir Ronald Garvey, KCMG, KCVO, MBE.,
Governor of Fiji,
S U V A.

Your Excellency,

I have now heard from Professor Davidson that he agrees with what I had to say in my letter of 23rd May. He is sorry that after all the help we have had from you the University has to reply in this way, but he believes that we cannot agree to second Maude.

I am sorry that you are finding it difficult to select the right officer to replace the present Agent and Consul in Tonga and also that we should be adding to your difficulties. In all the circumstances however both in Maude's interests and our own it seems that we have no choice.

Yours sincerely,

L.G. MELVILLE

Vice Chancellor



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
SUVA, FIJI.

5th May, 1956.

My dear Harry,

Many thanks for your letter of the 29th April dealing with the question of your appointment as Agent and Consul, Tonga.

I fully appreciate your position and it was never in my mind that you should sacrifice the senior fellowship for the purpose of going to Tonga for a temporary period.

I am now writing to the Vice Chancellor to ascertain whether he would be prepared to give favourable consideration to your secondment to Tonga for a period of say, three years. No doubt if you enquire from him he will let you know the nature of his reply to me.

With kind regards.

*Yours as always,
Korold G.*

←

H. E. MAUDE ESQ., O. B. E.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th July, 1956.

J. Cummings, Esq.,
C/o the Bank of New South Wales,
SUVA, Fiji.

Dear Cummings,

Thank you for your letter of the 4th June, which seems to have taken an unconscionable time to get here.

I too much enjoyed our talk at the Metropole though, as you say, it was too short. I spoke to Tungl about you when I next saw him: he seemed to have a high regard for you and said more than once how glad he was that you had agreed to join the Queen's service.

It is true that I was tempted, at the time I saw you, to take a job in the islands again, but I'm afraid that on my return to Sydney I decided against it, largely for family reasons.

As I don't want to do nothing I have joined the Australian National University as Senior Research Fellow in Pacific Islands History, and expect to move up to Canberra in a few months' time.

I certainly agree with you that the islander is getting rather a raw deal these days. Those who ought to have his interests at heart are too often time-servers and self-seekers interested in nobody but themselves. Unfortunately, the South Pacific Commission is one of the worst centres of cynical inactivity. Meanwhile the islanders become increasingly dependant on Government to do everything for them and are fast losing their spirit of resource and initiative.

Though pessimistic of the eventual outcome myself I do appreciate your efforts to bring some realism into the island scene of today. I will keep you very definitely in mind in case some work should turn up which might be of interest to you.

Wishing you all the best in the future,

Yours very sincerely,

Beach House.
Nuku'alofa.
TONGA.

June.4. 1956

Dear Maude,

This is only a short note, as I intend writing you at greater length later.

It was a great pleasure to me to see you again in Suva, although we did not have much time to talk of the many things which we could have discussed.

I remember well that you told me that you had several appointments offered you in the Pacific islands, and I just wish to say -to repeat what I said in a former letter- that whatever you do, if you can use me, I will be delighted to work for you in any kind of work which will be for the benefit of the people of the islands, that is the native people.

The exploitation of the island people is I am sure more vicious than ever, due to the fact that they (natives) are quickly getting wise to the white man's tactics of plundering their products for their gain, and care not one damn for the welfare of the native. It is time that some effort was made to lift up and help the native people to govern their own islands, and fill the civil service appointments, but few white men care one damn about such an object, and I wish I could in some small way help the natives along the road. It needs men who understand the native to accomplish this end, not a lot of inane Colonial Servants who only think of their own advancement, and who are these days a poor type of man.

Will write to you at greater length later.

All my best wishes

Jack Cunningham

P.S.

~~Jack Cunningham is now in Suva, Tonga, as General Agent.~~

The question of salary for me, if I can be of use to you, will not be a question of much consideration, whatever small pittance you think, will be satisfactory to me.

J.C.

When you write to me, please address as below, as I may return to Fiji next month.

c/o Bank of New South Wales
Suva.
FIJI.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th July, 1956.

Dr Ralph C. Bedell,
Secretary-General,
South Pacific Commission,
NOUMEA, New Caledonia.

Dear Dr Bedell,

I must apologize for not having replied before to your letter H/12/a of the 27th June but I have been away from Wahroonga for some time.

I recollect well our talk in Suva on the possibility of my re-writing selected Commission material in a simplified style which would be more readily understood by the island peoples, with a view to its distribution to local periodical publications in the area.

This is a project which I certainly believe should be undertaken at an early date and while, as you say, I was unable to be very definite at the time of our discussion I had hoped to be able to tackle it myself on behalf of the Commission.

I have, however, recently joined the staff of the Australian National University as Senior Research Fellow in Pacific Islands history and find that my available time and energies are likely to be more than fully engaged during the next few years on the work programme which I have mapped out for myself.

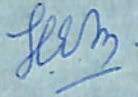
I am really sorry not to be able to assist you in this important work but I know that with your own great experience of both the administrative and academic fields you will appreciate that to change from one to the other at my time of life is not altogether easy.

With my best wishes to Mrs Bedell and yourself, and hoping that you will be able to look us up when next in

Australia (we shall be

Australia (we shall be either at Canberra or Sydney),

Yours very sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

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PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

27 June, 1956

Dear Harry,

I recall that when we were in Suva I discussed with you the possibility of having some of the articles in the Quarterly Bulletin and other publications of the Commission written in appropriate style and form that would be useful to newspapers published in the Islands. At that time it was not possible for either of us to be very definite on this matter, but I would like again to invite your attention to it.

If you feel that it would be possible to devote some time to a project of this sort, then I would be prepared to enter into an agreement with you for the production of materials of this type.

I believe that in beginning the venture we should probably limit the material to a rather small amount until we see how much time you would have to put on it and the extent to which the Commission's documents might be adaptable to this type of writing.

I will be glad to have your suggestions as to whether or not you feel you could undertake this work on a part-time basis and what you feel would be a reasonable compensation for it.

As I mentioned in my previous conversation I have only a small amount of money that might be given to this matter, probably not more than £150 or £200. I am, however, reviewing the status of our 1956 expenditures at this time and it may be that in two or three weeks I could find a slightly larger amount, if you feel you could devote some time to this work.

I want to tell you again how much I appreciated your presence in Fiji at the Third South Pacific Conference. You have an unusual way of appealing to Island people and I am sure that all of us profited by the fine material you presented and the excellent advice you gave.

I hope that it will be possible for me to see you when I am next in Sydney.

Please be assured of my very best and highest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph Clairon Bedell
Ralph Clairon Bedell
Secretary-General

Mr. H.E. Maude
2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.

M.V. Trivanda
Brisbane 29/7.

Dear Harry,

I tried to ring you up a couple of times on Tuesday morning to say I was leaving Sydney but each time the line was engaged so I lost heart.

I came up here on Tuesday afternoon expecting to sail on Thursday, but it was put off until Friday & now it looks as if it will be tomorrow. I am afraid this delay means that I shall not see the Tubagi or your assistants.

When we were talking you showed surprise that Rennie had gone to Vila without seeing you. I asked Terry of A.P. for details & he said that Rennie got off the ship from Singapore at Brisbane & then flew to Honiara & then to Vila by ship - Korala or something - so that was why you didn't meet him. As I said it was about a month ago.

One night at dinner I was sitting next to an old man & getting into conversation I found out that he was one of Elliot's colleagues at Ocean House in their earliest days. He was an analytical chemist & made a few trips there but fell out with Gator's father. If you ever want history & anecdote of that era he could supply - perhaps you already know him - he is Alfred B. Stephens & address Box 1108, Sydney.

I hope Harrow is well again, I am so sorry I did not see her. My love to you both.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
SUVA.

14th August, 1956.

My dear Harry,

Many thanks for your letter of 27th July. I have noted that you would be interested in the post of second United Kingdom Commissioner on the South Pacific Commission should Vaskess decide to lay down his rod of office.

However, as you say, Vaskess may be immortal, although I do once remember him saying to me that he did not wish to retain the office after my period of office terminated. However, I will certainly bear your name in mind.

Yours as always,
Ronald G.

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PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

14 August, 1956

Dear Harry,

I want to hasten to congratulate you upon your appointment as Senior Research Fellow in Pacific Islands history at the Australian National University. You will, I am sure, be a most valuable asset to this outstanding research institution and your new assignment should be a profitable and pleasant one for both the University and yourself.

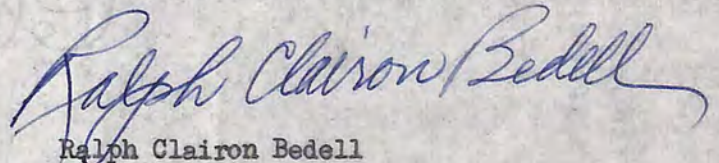
This also means that I probably will be able to see you more often than ordinarily because I hope that the Commission will continue to increase its association and relationships with the Australian National University.

I am wondering if this means that you will be moving to Canberra and if so, I would appreciate knowing what your new address will be.

I am of course disappointed that you will not be able to undertake the re-writing of selected Commission material for I know you would have done this job superbly well.

You and Mrs. Maude have my very best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely yours,



Ralph Clairon Bedell
Secretary-General

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.
Australia

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
23rd August, 1956.

Mr G.A. Ferguson,
Angus and Robertson Ltd.,
89 Castlereagh Street,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Mr Ferguson,

The other day I got hold of a copy of your new edition of "By Reef and Palm" and it has stimulated me to write an article on Louis Becke.

It is not so much a review of the book as an essay on the author's life and works; but I am sending you a copy as it deals incidentally with the question of the biographical value of the introduction by the Earl of Pembroke and also expresses the hope that you will bring out a uniform edition of the best of Becke.

I should be glad to help in such a venture by preparing introductions, notes on the characters, places and events, and any other editorial work desired. I have every one of Becke's 34 books in my library, as well as a considerable amount of unpublished material on him.

Please don't bother to send back the article as I have another copy, which I will send in to some periodical in due course; probably the "Pacific Islands Monthly".

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
19th August, 1956.

Mrs Judy Tudor,
Editor, "Pacific Islands Monthly",
G.P.O. Box 3408,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Mrs Tudor,

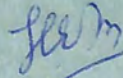
A week or two ago I mentioned to Mr Robson that, in connexion with my research in Pacific Islands history, I keep on coming across items which seem to me to be of interest to your readers.

He then suggested that I should send in articles from time to time for you to have a look at. He mentioned about 1,500 words as being the preferred length.

As he appeared to be serious I am enclosing an article on Louis Becke: for some reason you have had practically nothing on him since PIM started. I have written it because I want to provoke someone into sending us some more facts about his life in the islands.

If it is any use and you would like a photograph of Becke to go with it I can find you several in the Mitchell. I myself prefer the one which forms the frontispiece to one of his books (I forget now which, but can find it), but you already have a good photo on page 10 of PIM for May, 1932, and a drawing from life is referred to in the last para of Mr Robson's letter on p.27 of PIM for March, 1955.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

Louis Becke : His Life and Writings

by

H.E. Maude

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(Note: Mr Maude is an old-timer in the Pacific, where he has lived on over 60 islands in the course of his work as a British Colonial official, and latterly on the staff of the South Pacific Commission. He is about to join the Australian National University as Senior Research Fellow in Pacific History.)

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Louis Becke : His Life and Writings

The recent publication in Australia¹ of a new edition of "By Reef and Palm" (the first since 1916) has revived interest in the works of Louis Becke; appearing, appropriately enough, on the centenary of his birth, and at a time when his books are rapidly becoming prized collectors' pieces.

Though no longer a popular best-seller throughout the English-speaking world, as he was in the 1890s, Louis Becke still remains the favourite island author of those who actually live and work in the South Seas. The literary world may find their Pacific through the pages of Melville or Stevenson; but in an atoll trader's home or the cabin of a copra schooner the only island book one will likely find is an obviously much read Becke. At least that has been my experience.

The reason, I think, is that Louis Becke really knew his Pacific from end to end as no other author ever has. He writes, therefore, from the inside - of personal experiences and stories heard by him in his wanderings - and his local colour and characterization bears an authenticity readily apparent to those living in the area.

Becke's future biographer is going to have some heavy weather in making a coherent story out of the many, often mutually conflicting, accounts of his life and adventures found in his books and newspaper interviews. It was not

¹ By Angus and Robertson, Ltd. Australian price, 13/6.

that he suffered from failing memory, for he had a remarkably good one, but that he was a born romancer and could not forbear exercising his talent for picturesque invention even when giving a supposedly factual account of himself.

However, since his death patient research by A.T. Saunders, Basil Lubbock and others has given us a reasonably clear picture of the main landmarks in a life eventful enough to need no ~~artificial~~ embroidering. One thing this reconstruction shows beyond doubt is that the biographical introduction to "By Reef and Palm" by the Earl of Pembroke, usually quoted² as our most reliable source of information about Louis Becke, is in fact as good a piece of fiction as any of the other stories in the book. Unfortunately, it has been reprinted in the new edition as it stands; and thus perpetuates a fraud, though an unintentional one as far as the Earl is concerned, who merely reproduced information provided by Becke himself.

George Lewis Becke (he adopted the name Louis as an Europeanized version of "Lui", by which he was known to the natives) was born on the 18th June, 1855, at Port Macquarie, N.S.W., where his father was Police Magistrate. In 1868, when his family moved to Sydney, he attended the well-known Fort Street school, and on the 21st March, 1872, when not yet turned 17, he sailed for the islands as a stow^aaway on the

² even by PIM - see the issue for May, 1932, p. 10.

barque "Rotumah", bound for Samoa.

In Apia he was befriended by Mrs Mary McFarland, the daughter of John C. Williams, then British Consul, and given a job as book-keeper in the McFarland and Williams trade store. The following year he became supercargo on a decrepit and unseaworthy 60-ton ketch, the "E.A. Williams", with instructions to deliver her to the famous, or infamous, Bully Hayes in Mili Lagoon, one of the Marshall Islands: when last in Apia Hayes had undertaken to try and sell the ketch to the King of Arno, a neighbouring island. The whole business was a rather shady one and resulted in Consul Williams being censured by Commodore Goodenough.

Leaving Apia on the 3rd December, 1873, the "E.A. Williams" was duly delivered to Hayes, who took such a fancy to Louis Becke that he offered him the position of supercargo on his own brig, the "Leonora": one of the finest and best-kept ships in the South Seas. Thus began Becke's relations with Bully Hayes, the theme of so many of his stories. It lasted, not for the years Becke was wont to make out, but for just $8\frac{1}{2}$ months - 2 trading in Micronesia on the "Leonora", until she was wrecked at Kusaie on the 15th March, 1874, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ on the island, from which he was removed, at the request of the King, by H.M.S. "Rosario"; while Hayes escaped in a 14-foot dinghy.

It seems probable that Becke returned to Sydney soon afterwards, joining in the Palmer River gold rush and later becoming a clerk in the Townsville branch of the Australian

Joint Stock Bank. How long he remained in Australia we do not know but certainly by 1880 he was back in the islands, for on the 11th April he landed on Nanumanga, in the Ellice Group, trading for Messrs Tom de Wolf, of Liverpool, and about a year later removed to Nukufetau, where he set up as an independent trader.

Leaving the Ellice Becke was wrecked on Beru, in the Gilberts, in August, 1881, losing everything he possessed. After some months on the island he obtained a passage to Sydney on the "George Noble", but seems to have sailed again almost immediately for New Britain where he claimed to have had some connexion with the ill-fated colonization scheme organized by the Marquis de Rays. In November, 1882, he was certainly located at Majuro, in the Marshalls, and probably remained in the Micronesian islands until his marriage at Sydney in 1886 to Miss Bessie May Maunsell, the daughter of Colonel Maunsell, a retired British officer residing at Port Macquarie.

For the next eight years we have only the plentiful, though scattered, details contained in his books; but his dates are few and unreliable and it is impossible to separate fact from fiction even in his professedly autobiographical articles. It is clear that he roamed over much of the Central and Eastern Pacific, from the Carolines to the Tuamotus, and was in turn supercargo, resident trader and labour recruiter; and probable that he helped to smuggle arms and ammunition to the Mataafa faction in Samoa. But the details still remain

to be filled in, for we have no contemporaneous records as exist for the period 1880-82 in his letters to his mother (now in the Mitchell Library).

In 1894 Louis Becke left the islands for good, after a more or less continuous residence of 22 years, and settled down in Sydney where he was introduced by the author Ernest Favenc to J.F. Archibald, founder and editor of the Sydney "Bulletin". Listening to his stories of island life, Archibald asked him to write some of them down for publication in the "Bulletin", and by the next day Becke, who was broke and in ill-health at the time, had completed "Challis the Doubter", soon followed by the other stories in "By Reef and Palm".

With the publication of this first collection in book form the same year (which was also the year of Stevenson's death), Becke's fame as a writer was made and for the next two decades a constant stream of novels, short stories, sketches and articles appeared from his pen, though not necessarily under his name, not only in the "Bulletin" but anywhere he could sell them. Six of his books were written in collaboration with Walter Jeffery, then editor of the "Town and Country Journal", to whose expert assistance may be attributed their greater historical accuracy and better sustained plots.

In 1897 Becke left for England, arriving just in time to assist in exposing De Rougemont's fabrications in the "Wide World Magazine"; and he continued to live in England, Ireland and France (where his daughter was educated) until

1909, when he again returned to Australia. That the call of the islands was still strong is shown by his continued efforts to get back: as manager of a trading company, plant collector for Burroughs, Wellcome and Company and finally as leader of a scientific expedition under the sponsorship of several British and German learned societies.

But nothing came of it all except a brief visit to Suva in 1908 and a longer one to New Zealand. The last 18 months were spent in Sydney, partly in a private hospital and partly at the York Hotel where he died on the 18th February, 1913, seated in his chair with a half-completed manuscript in his hand. He had been ~~so~~ ill ~~for~~ for many years and looked an old and weary man, though in actual fact he was only 58.

Opinions will probably always differ as to the value of Louis Becke's work; in the heyday of his popularity he was generally preferred by the reading public to Stevenson, at least in Australia and New Zealand, while at the same time ignored or condemned by most literary critics.

The passage of time will almost certainly prove both sides to have been wrong. Louis Becke is not a great author: he lacks the polish of a literary craftsman and he wrote too much too hurriedly (34 books in 19 years, with innumerable other items) in order to keep his head financially above water.

Admitting all this, however, one must also acknowledge that Becke is a natural story-teller who returned to civilization

after nearly a quarter of a century of adventurous island life stocked with an inexhaustable supply of reminiscences, personal and hearsay, and authentic local colour. This he proceeded to reproduce in that peculiarly condensed, simple and direct form which the "Bulletin" insisted from its contributors, a style which never left him though in later years, when sickness and financial pressure caused his standards to be lowered, he tends to be more diffuse.

Unlike most South Sea writers Becke is essentially a realist, seeing the islands not through a rosy cloud of sentiment but objectively - as indeed we all come to do if we live in them long enough. He is seen at his best in his short stories, and particularly the earlier ones; crisp narratives concerned for the most part with a single simple episode. There is little in the way of psychological analysis; we see what his characters do, but gain scarcely any insight into their feelings and motivations.

In his themes Becke is concerned in general not so much with native life and customs but with incidents within his own limited and specialized experience: the relations between the white residents during the 1870s and 80s (usually connected with trading, whether ashore or afloat), and between them and the "brown men and women" among whom, and with whom, they lived.

Louis Becke's best books are usually held to be his first three collections of short stories, "By Reef and Palm", "Pacific Tales" and "The Ebbing of the Tide", and his descriptive study "Wild Life in Southern Seas". Of his later work,

some unfortunately falls into the class of "pot boilers" but most of it is still eminently readable, particularly by those fortunate enough to know the localities where the action takes place. It is to be hoped that Messrs Angus and Robertson, or some other enterprising publisher, will now follow up "By Reef and Palm" with a definitive edition of all Becke's major works; and with introductions less misleading than that provided by the Earl of Pembroke. Then only will "the islands favourite author" come fairly into his own.

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28.7.56

My dear Harry

We were delighted to learn from Home's
letter to David that you had found a niche
at Canberra; I hope it is as excellent,
remunerative & congenial as you deserve.
Will it mean disposing of your house in
Sydney? Or will you keep it on as a
fund refuge when you retire - (!) 20
years time? Or will you decide to buy
the aged bones to rest - England (!).

Home gave us some disturbing bits of
news about the S.P.C.; I'm very sorry to
think that it's heading for shipwreck. Do
write & give me fuller details - especially
about John Ryan. Has he found another

job worthy of his abilities? I always thought
him - first rate man, even if - little
lacking on the ^{workshop} personal relationships
side. Honia mentions an article -
P.P.R. ; I must try to run it to earth
at the R.E.S. ~~my~~ somewhere. For the
last year or more we've been completely
out of touch with the Pacific - except
that in July the BBC suborned me into
"compiling" a drawing talk on the 3rd
S.P. Conference. It was a bad show (the
broadcast, I mean); the BBC had very
scanty & ~~stuffy~~ sketchy material, & this
I sent an SOS to the Pentagon for more
it didn't reach me till the day after
the broadcast!

Flabel & I are very happy & contented
in our present life; money is a bit tight,
of course, but we have enough to manage
on, provided we don't give ourselves social airs!

What with domestic chores, the garden (on
which I'm wildly enthusiastic - but I won't
allow geraniums!), my loom (a full-
size six-pedal Kentish model, which occupies
most of my bedroom!), a choral society,
the grandchildren, & sundry minor
hobbies I work far harder than ever
I did when I was paid for it! We've
both been amazingly fit, & surprised
each other by the ease with which we
surmounted the climatic rigours of
last February - thirty days continuous
frost, & snow half-way up the hedges.
But I believe Cambridge can be very cold too!

Do write soon, & give me
all the low-down

On love to Hona, & greetings
E. Marie

Yours ever

Brian Frost

R. TURPIN,
TARAWA,
GILBERT ISLANDS,
W. PACIFIC.

5th September 1956.

Dear Mr Maude,

I thought maybe you may have forgotten that you said in Suva that you would send me some books for me to buy & some photostats & also some papers on loan. I am still most eager to have them. They may of course be in the mail but so far I have not had them.

After we returned from Rarangi in May I can not remember whether you were with me when I heard that the appointment to E.O. Social Development had been made - anyway it had & so there was then no point in applying. If, next time the post is vacant & I hear about it, I may try for it as I think it could be a great job if only it can be saved from the clutches of the present Secretary General. The great trouble will be getting the right staff now that all

your enthusiasts have left. Nancy Pheasant has just written & she tells me Dixie has left now & only Bruce Roberts is left.

Sawa & the S.P. Conference seem ages ago now. Mick Townsend & I had a very enjoyable & worthwhile two days at Nusiudawa & a rush round Sawa before we went our various ways. On return to the Gilberts I eventually managed to get Kiakia (now owned by the Mwinimeang Society - a union of the Butaritari, Makin & Tekeaoi (2nd Atthemang) Co-operative Societies) to Butaritari in mid June. H.E. came in early July & then in mid August I had to go to Tarawa for some rather abortive discussions on lands with H.E. A couple of weeks ago I returned to Butaritari & in about another two weeks I hope to have finished here.

When I have finished there will be individual ownership of lands at Butaritari. I think that after a few years when they have got used to it it will be much better for them as they have not enough communal spirit here to work by family groups on the lands & communal ownership without

any communal working spirit is hopeless.
The lands have been completely neglected
& produce is dwindling as the trees get
old & more & more land becomes covered
with bush. At Butaritari after Roy Roberts's
Commission they asked for the lands to be
divided individually - well it is now
nearly done. I came up here ~~for~~ last
October & have been doing it since except
for about four months to account for
trips to Darawa & Suva. Makin have
decided they don't want it done. I am not
over sorry as I can't say the prospect of
doing another one is one I look forward to
- doing Butaritari has been strain enough.

We now have a new lands Ordinance
- H.E. signed it at Darawa in August. We had
already put it into Gilbertese & if I can get a
spare I shall send you one. The final Gilbertese
text is my effort - a combination of an
original draft by Pusinelli, Tabunabati & Kautu,
~~with~~ 25 pages of notes by Kanton & Bauso & about
20 odd pages of notes of mine. Please criticise.
One thing we tried to do - we tried to give
as an exact a translation as possible so that
the Gilbertese can be a fairly authoritative text.

All the difficult parts will be explained in a book of instructions that I am now producing. The Ordinance is pretty hefty as it combines all the lands business - Courts, leases, codes, penalties etc.

H.E. came to Butanitari in early July - I think it was pretty good here - H.E. was not bored as it was his first island outside of Tarawa. I have heard that later on on his tour of Abaiang, Abemama, Onotoa, Tamana, Beru, Canton, Fanning, Christmas, Canton, Funafuti, Vaitupu, Arorua he was a bit bored & the shore visits were a bit perfunctory. Probably a shorter touring programme would have been better - they had 47 days on the Mareau - H.E. & Mrs Gutch, H.H. & Mrs B., A.D.C., Legal Advisor & Lusnell in the Gilberts, Penitela in the Ellice & Honora in the Phoenix. I must say I did not enjoy them.

I wrote to Binatake some while ago asking him for the promised loan of those papers for you but I have not had any reply yet. He is now at Funafuti so maybe it will take some time for his reply to come. I shall try to collect a set of instructions in Gilbertese to send to you but I can only do that in Tarawa & so that also may take some time.

On my return to Taranaki I am going to be busy beginning the work of straightening the mess the Abaskoro Lands Court has got itself into; then I am going to begin with Bruce McCaig at Kaimarama. They have made a mess - Downward registered lots of dead owners & the Court began the Kakarangi's & are now really entangled. McCaig is to become Lands Officer when I go on leave next year & until then he is going to work with me or anyway under supervision. He has part the written papers of Higgin Gilbertson but not the oral but I hope he will do those pretty soon.

Next year I am going to assemble all the Lands Scribes at, I hope, Takitenua for a couple of weeks so that I can teach them something about Court procedure & records. It should be good fun & I think it will benefit the Lands work of the Colony considerably.

How about you? Have you made up your mind about what you are going to do? Are you going to Rankin to make that comparative study? I do wish you would as no one else knows the Bonabans as you do & so far there has never yet been such an opportunity for a study of a transported Pacific people ten years after their move by someone who had studied them in their previous environment.

I am afraid I have written rather a lot of "my shop" - please forgive me. My wife is always accusing me of talking shop & she is probably correct.

Do please try to remember those books & papers.

Yours very sincerely
L. J. Fox

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
Australia,
9th September, 1956.

Harold J. Coolidge, Esq.,
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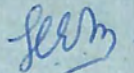
Dear Harold,

Many thanks for kindly sending me all the information on the plastic blocks: it was just what I wanted and I have passed it on to the Committee that deals with plant nomenclature on the promise that they will return it in due course so that I can try it out myself.

I was surprised how cheap the technique is: one would certainly think that it would be in greater use in this part of the world but we are, I'm afraid, many years behind the times.

With all good wishes,

Yours very sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

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July 31, 1956

H. E. Maude, Esq.
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Australia

Dear Harry:

I hoped after all this time that you would not address me with a title when we know each other as well as I feel that we do.

Thank you for your letter of June 25th which I found upon my return from a highly interesting General Assembly of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in Edinburgh. I know of two or three sources of information about the plastic blocks which you have asked me about and will contact them immediately and have them send you the necessary literature. One of these will be the firm which prepared the rhinoceros beetle that Dr. Bedell showed you.

Pete and I were very distressed at your illness at the Suva conference and were particularly sorry that we had no chance to discuss with you the detailed plans for the forthcoming Bangkok meeting. I do hope that by this time you have completely recovered, and I am counting on seeing you in November 1957 in Bangkok.

With warm personal regards.

Ever sincerely,



Harold J. Coolidge

P.S. I am very disturbed that the present activities on Christmas Island will have an adverse effect on the endemic flycatcher-like bird, Conopoderas, which is only found there, and also a number of other species that nest there. We should have arranged to take over the island at the time of your Washington visit.

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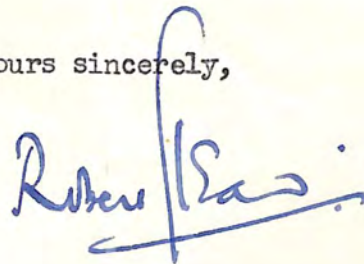
1st August, 1956.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Thank you very much for your letter of July 23rd and for letting me know that you are available to do talks for us. I welcome the suggestion, and shall be very happy to pass it along to London. I feel it would be best to have a few subjects to suggest to them, and I should therefore be grateful if you would let me have a few suggestions and I could then select one or two on which I should be happy to take advantage of your offer to submit scripts.

I was very pleased to hear about your National University appointment, for which all good wishes.

Yours sincerely,



Robert Stead
Australian Representative.

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.,
Australia,
9th September, 1956.

Mr Ernst Godeffroy,
Ferdinandstrasse 56,
HAMBURG 1, Germany.

Dear Mr Godeffroy,

I am a Senior Research Fellow of the Australian National University engaged in the preparation of a comprehensive history of commercial development in the South Pacific Islands: this is expected to take some 5 years to complete.

In this connexion I am naturally most anxious to give every credit to the pioneer work done by the German firms, and particularly by J.C. Godeffroy and Son. As you may know, the records in Samoa were destroyed some time ago by an idiotic Government official.

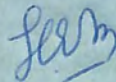
I know from the accession list of the Hocken Library that there exists a history of the commercial house entitled:-

Schmack, Kurt "J.C. Godeffroy & son: Kaufleute zu Hamburg. Leistung und schicksal eines welthandshauses dargestellt";

and that this was published in Hamburg during 1938. The library authorities gave me your name as the source from which it was obtained by them.

I should appreciate it very much if you could kindly let me know if a copy of this work may still be purchased and, if so, from whom. If no copies are available today I shall endeavour to get it microfilmed.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
Australia,
9th September, 1956.

Miss E.J. Robinson,
Acting Librarian,
University of Otago,
DUNEDIN, N.1, N.Z.

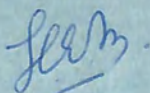
Dear Miss Robinson,

Many thanks for sending me the information about Schmack's "J.C. Godeffroy & son". I have written to Mr Godeffroy in the hope of obtaining a copy.

If I have no luck I shall try and get the National University to arrange with you for it to be microfilmed.

I am looking forward to seeing your desiderata list of Pacific items. I too am engaged in preparing a revised list for my own library. I'm afraid Francis Edwards are not as good as they were 20 years ago.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

THE LIBRARY, UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Please address all correspondence to :—

THE LIBRARIAN,
UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO,
DUNEDIN, N.I.
NEW ZEALAND.

22nd August, 1956.

Mr.H.E.Maude,
2, Netherby Street,
Wahroonga,
NEW SOUTH WALES.

Dear Mr.Maude,

Thank you for your letter of 15th August, 1956.

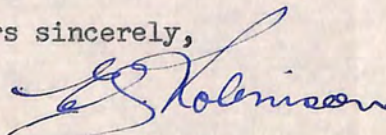
Schmack's "J.C.Godeffroy & son", Hamburg, Broschek & c.,
1938, 311 pg. was presented to the Hocken Library by Mr.Ernst
Godeffroy. We wrote to the publishers asking for a copy of
a microfilm of the book.

The letter was referred to Mr.Godeffroy who donated a
copy. I do not know whether he has any further copies for
disposal, but his address is:

Mr.Ernst Godeffroy,
Ferdinandstrasse 56,
Hamburg 1,
GERMANY.

The Hocken Library Pacific desiderata list will shortly
be ready for distribution and a copy will be sent to you
immediately the list is completed. Your comments would be
most welcome.

Yours sincerely,



(Miss) E.J.Robinson
(ACTING LIBRARIAN)

(1) Have title translated.

(2) See if in Mitchell.

Schmack, Kurt. "J.C. Godeffroy & son: Kaufleute zu
Hamburg. Leistung und schicksal eines welthandelshauses
dargestellt." Hamburg, 1938.

detailed

.....

This is listed in the Hocken Library, Associate Membership
Bulletin No. 4 (July, 1956) as having been donated to the
Library by Ernest Godeffroy.

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an account of

The achievement and the fate of the ^{old world} commercial house

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
9th September, 1956.

Miss Margaret Titcomb,
Bernice P. Bishop Museum,
HONOLULU 17, Hawaii.

Dear Margaret,

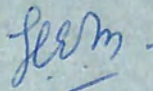
Thank you for the Army book on the Gilberts and Marshalls, which arrived at the same time as your letter.

You say that you have \$16.05 left (what a lovely lot - I thought it had nearly all gone - so please would you use part of it to send Vol. I of the "Insects of Micronesia". I'm not particularly interested in insects, except when they bite me, but it seems to me an excellent introduction to Micronesia.

Have just read "Yankees in Paradise" - I liked it, but was a bit disappointed that it had nothing about Bingham Jr., the father of the Gilbert Islands mission.

We go to the National University in December. I'm not really very keen, partly owing to the frightful climate of Canberra and partly because I have grave misgivings as to whether I could ever settle down in an academic environment. However, I feel that I should give it a go for a time at least.

Yours ever,



H.E. Maude.

BERNICE PAUAHI BISHOP MUSEUM

The Library of the Museum has received the following:

Sir,

Bishop Museum Press has issued VOICES ON THE WIND,
by Katharine Luomala- commentary on Polynesian myths,
with eight illustrations by Joseph Feher, artist in
Honolulu. \$3.00

Also TALE BEARING WINDS - the illustrations from
the above, done on excellent paper, folio (portfolio)
\$4.00

I await your order before sending.

Sincerely,

Margaret Titcomb

Honolulu, Hawaii,.....5/28/56

Librarian

BERNICE P. BISHOP MUSEUM
HONOLULU 17, HAWAII

July 11, 1956

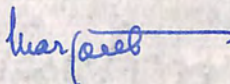
Dear Mr. Maude,

Off goes the U. S. Army in World War II
Gilberts and Marshalls to you. Wrapped, in the mail
box, it will go out tomorrow, and the bill is in process
of being paid.

That leaves your balance with me, \$16.05.

Cheerio to you and Honor. I hope the leisurely
life (?) is a happy one.

Sincerely yours,



Margaret Titcomb

To Mr. Harry E. Maude
2, Netherby St.
Wahroonga, New South Wales
Australia

TELEPHONES
M A 9197
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G.P.O. BOX
3408,
SYDNEY

Pacific Publications Pty. Ltd.
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29 ALBERTA STREET, SYDNEY, NSW

17th September, 1956.

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA.

Dear Mr. Maude,

Thank you for the book on Becke and for the MS on Stevenson. I will get a block made from the illustration in the front of the book and return it to you registered mail, when the GPO strikers decide to go back to work.

With regard to book reviews -- as you note these are done by myself and already take up far too much room in the PIM. I do not fancy myself as a top-ranking book reviewer, of the cultural variety; but then to my mind, 97% of our readers are not cultural minded either. Years ago it was the practice here to review only those books that had a Pacific background. However, just because people live in the Pacific Islands does not mean that they are interested only in Pacific Islands stories -- in fact, to the contrary. Therefore, some years ago I arranged with various publishers to get a general selection of their books and these are the ones that I review each month. My reviews are not meant to be taken too seriously -- and in fact, a large proportion of the books received are utter tripe. None-the-less, as I have said, most people prefer tripe to serious literature and that is why I have decided not to specialise in Pacific books to the exclusion of all else.

(over)

But I suppose that the 3% who do like serious Pacific literature should also be catered for and if you care to supply something occasionally we will do what we can with it. The trouble is, as you can see for yourself, that with a monthly magazine a flood of MS from any one contributor is likely to throw everything all out of gear. There just aren't enough months in the year to cope with the material that comes in.

I think myself that the composite survey that you suggest would probably be the very best way out of this -- and it should in fact make very interesting reading. However, don't let it run beyond 2,000 words which is the very limit that we can use in one article.

The mystery as to how I find the time to read all these books is very simply solved; (1) I read very quickly; and (2) I read in bed -- a terrible habit!

Yours faithfully,

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
29th September, 1956.

Dear Mrs Warbarton,

Many thanks for lending me the draft of your List of Theses on the Pacific Islands. I have read through your entries with great interest (and indeed have taken the liberty of making copies, or summaries, of many of them); also I have shown them to other research workers engaged in area studies.

I consider that you have performed a task which will be (when it is published, as I hope it will be) of very real value to all those working on Pacific problems. The present position is, as you know, quite ludicrous: large sums of money and a vast amount of time and energy have been put into Pacific research during recent years, but most of it lies buried in papers and theses such as those you list. Unless others can take advantage of the work already accomplished, it might just as well have never been done at all.

I have more than once found research workers engaged on some problem quite oblivious to the fact that previous work had been done on it: work at least worthy of examination. Yet one can scarcely blame the researcher, for he cannot be expected to investigate the holdings of every University and Foundation (and there is as yet, alas, no master index of research theses). If your work serves to prevent unnecessary duplication and at the same time enables future workers to benefit from past research it will have more than justifies all your efforts.

As to your lay-out, I have no real criticism, for it gives all the information one needs in a small compass. I found the list of contents, abstract of the thesis, and detail of the bibliography particularly useful, whenever you have been able to give them.

You will need to do a good deal of revision work if the entries are to be consistent in form, and I feel that they should be. At present there are hardly two entries in similar form or order, but I appreciate that what you have shown me is only a draft.

The text will require examination at the same time to eliminate such statements as that G.E. Hammer's thesis covers

the period 1882-1855

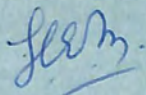
the period 1882-1855 or that J.D. Legge's deals with "evolution, or indirect rule ...". No doubt such typing mistakes will be corrected in the final copy.

As to coverage, your entries are as yet far from complete as the bulk of the European University theses have not yet been included and even the Australian National University is only partially represented. But whether it is worth waiting for completion or whether one should publish and keep further material for a second edition is a matter which only Dr Seddon can decide.

I certainly hope that in the introduction the unique attitude of the University of Sydney towards their theses will be given appropriate publicity.

With renewed thanks for letting me see the draft and my sincere congratulations on the very painstaking and worthwhile work you have accomplished,

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

The same query applies to your incomplete entries, though I see that some of the missing material can be filled in from information already in your possession.

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3rd October, 1956.

H. E. Maude, Esq.,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Mr Maude,

Before he went to New Zealand Mr Ferguson asked me to reply to your letter of 23rd August with which you were kind enough to enclose your interesting article on Louis Becke.

We very much like the idea of bringing out "the best of Becke", and should be very glad of your help. Would it be possible for you to call and discuss the matter some day when you are in town?

We are in touch with Louis Becke's daughter, Mrs Hardy, and feel sure she would be delighted at the prospect. The copyrights are all, we believe, now free.

Perhaps you will be good enough to telephone me?

Yours sincerely,
ANGUS & ROBERTSON LTD

B. Davis
Beatrice Davis

Office of the Resident Commissioner
Gilbert & Ellice Islands Colony
T A R A W A.

10th October, 1946.

Dear Mr. Robinson,

Your letter of the 19th June, making enquiries regarding the whereabouts of Dr. W.L. Isaac, has been received by me today, on my return from Suva to the Gilbert Islands.

2. Dr. Isaac changed his name by Deed Poll, about the year 1941, to Dr. W.L.I. Verrier. He is now a Medical Officer in the Fiji Government Service and when I left Suva a few weeks ago was acting as Medical Officer of Health for the Suva area.

3. A letter addressed to Dr. Verrier, C/o. Medical Department, Suva, would be sure to find him.

Yours faithfully,

H.E. Maude

Mr. G.H. Robinson,
51 Macquarie Street,
Sydney,
Australia.

H.E. Maude.

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19th June, 1946.

H.E. Maude, Esq.,
The Residency,
Tarawa, Gilbert & Ellice Islands Colony.

Dear Sir,

We are endeavouring to contact Dr. W.L. Issac, who before the war resided at Tarawa.

If you know his present address or any address he has used since 1941 your advice would be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,



Accountant.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
11th October, 1956.

Miss D. Harvey,
Australian National University,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Dear Miss Harvey,

Thank you very much for kindly letting me know the latest position regarding housing possibilities in Canberra and for sending the three plans.

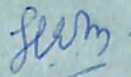
My wife is leaving on Tuesday to spend four days with Mrs Garsia and will take the opportunity to call in and see you and, if possible, have a look at the house in Captain Cook Crescent, as you say there is at least a chance of our getting it.

We have become reconciled to the absence of garages and are prepared to erect one, or purchase it from the outgoing tenant: no doubt it can be sold again when we leave.

I am most grateful for the efforts you are making on our behalf and can sympathize with you on your difficulties. I once had just such a job endeavouring to make bricks without much straw.

My wife will return the plans to you with this letter,

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

The Australian National University

CANBERRA

A.C.T.

TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS:
" NATUNIV " CANBERRA

BOX 4, G.P.O.
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Ref:- 6.2.3.26.

28th September, 1956.

Mr. H. E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

Dear Mr. Maude,

I was very sorry that Mrs. Maude was not able to come to Canberra this week and hope that it will be possible for her to do so during next month. My apologies are due to you for not writing before this but I was delaying doing so until I had something further to discuss with you.

During this week there have been some developments which have cleared the situation a little bit. Professor Partridge will be leaving the house in Landsborough Street and while we shall, of course, consider your preference for this house in deciding about the next tenant, I am afraid that it is unlikely that we shall be able to let you have it as one of the applicants will shortly have five children and badly needs the space in this house.

... If, however, he moves to Landsborough Street, his house in Captain Cook Crescent, Griffith (not far from the Wells Gardens house, ~~but closer to Manuka~~) will become vacant. I think you could be interested in this house and I was planning to show it to Mrs. Maude this week. Again, I regret to say there would be another contendor for the tenancy and I cannot predict who would get it. The enclosed plan of the house will give you most of the details you will want to know. There is no garage, but the present tenant would be happy to sell the temporary one he has erected which, I believe, is quite a good size and would allow some room for storage. The rent is at present £4.16.11. a week and this includes a small sum for the kitchen linoleum.

... The Wells Gardens house has gone but we are repeating the design on two of the new blocks of land in Jansz Crescent, Griffith. I think we looked at these sites when you were here; they are a short distance from Wells Gardens away from Manuka. Again, there will be no garages. Another slightly larger house is to be built there and I am enclosing the plan in case you would like to be considered for it. We have already built a house to this plan in O'Connor. The contract for these three houses has just been let and I should think it would be well into next year before they are finished. If you were to be allocated one of these houses, you would have to stage in a Tasmania Circle flat for some months.

To summarise the position:-

- (a) We could definitely let you have a Tasmania Circle Flat or a "Wells Gardens" house in Jansz Crescent.
- (b) We would consider you for Professor Partridge's house (an unlikely allocation); the house in Captain Cook Crescent or the other house in Jansz Crescent; both these being very likely, but not at this stage, definite offers.

Our housing allocations are not always as complicated as we may seem to be making yours, and I hope that we can soon make a satisfactory settlement.

Yours sincerely,

Dorothy Ramsey

(R.A. HOHNEN)
for Registrar

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
Australia,
21st October, 1956.

C.R.H. Taylor, Esq.,
Alexander Turnbull Library,
WELLINGTON, C.1. N.Z.

Dear Mr Taylor,

In sorting through old correspondence, prior to leaving for Canberra (in December) to join the National University, I have come across a letter from you dated the 15th June, 1945, in which you say:-

"I think you mentioned that you had a dictionary of Nauru that you were willing to exchange with me for the translation of Kramer's Samoa Inseln. If the offer still holds, I am agreeable and the volumes are here."

Your letter was signed as the Hon. Secretary of the Polynesian Society, but I imagine that the exchange was for the Turnbull Library rather than the Society.

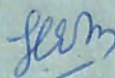
The work referred to is no doubt Father Kayser's Grammar of Nauruan (223 pages), which was processed on the island by the local administration just prior to the war and all but a few copies destroyed by the Japanese.

I don't remember now why I did not send it to you at the time but presume that it must have been packed with my other books and that by the time I unpacked it at Tarawa I had forgotten about your offer.

Anyway, if you have not got Father Kayser's Grammar yet (and there are only a handful in existence) I am quite willing to complete the deal now: better late than never.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
23rd October, 1956.

Mr J.B. Wright,
Secretary, Department of Island
Territories,
Hotel Cecil Building,
Lambton Quay, WELLINGTON, N.Z.

Dear Mr Wright,

I am sorry not to have written before about my suggested visit to advise on matters related to community development on Niue. My own affairs, however, have been in a decidedly fluid state, consequen on my departure from the Commission and it was not much use addressing you until I knew where I was (and, even more important, when I could go).

Unfortunately, your cable received during the course of the South Pacific Conference in Fiji was unexpected and I had therefore already committed myself to a programme of work on behalf of two other Governments.

This work is now completed but, on the other hand, I have now become a Senior Research Fellow in the Department of Pacific Studies of the Australian National University. While, therefore, I am now prepared to visit Niue for any period required, and at short notice, I am precluded from doing so without the permission of the University.

If, therefore, you still wish me to undertake this assignment it will be necessary to write officially to the Vice-Chancellor of the A.N.U. explaining what I am wanted for and requesting that I be given the necessary leave of absence.

I do not anticipate that there would be any difficulties raised from the University side as there are plenty of precedents - one Fellow, I believe, has recently been seconded to do census work in the Cook Islands and at least three have been seconded to the Fiji Government and the Western Pacific High Commission.

I do not suppose that I am still wanted for Niue, as you may well have arranged for Noakes or someone else to do the job. However, I thought it only fair to put you au fait with my final

location, just in case.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'H.E. Maude', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

H.E. Maude.

Kingsley Ridd

1956

Dear Kingsley,

My conscience has been worrying me for ages in that I have never got down to returning the money you (or rather Jane) so kindly lent me when I was broke in Suva last. If you remember it enabled me to buy a watch from Mr Widdowson (which is still going).

And by now I have forgotten how much it was and lost the slip on which the amount was written. So to make sure I haven't done you down I enclose all the Fiji money I can find in the drawers of my desk which comes to £3.15.0. and I feel nearly sure the sum was not much more than £3. If there is any balance please give it to your favourite charity and, on the other hand, if I owe you more, please let me know.

Here and I are in the throes of packing up preparatory to departing for Canberra, where we have at

last, succeeded in securing a house - or I suppose you would really call it a two-storied flat. We didn't go for a walk or so but there is much to move, including glassware and the cat.

By now you will have Helen Steels in the Government, so things should be moving fast. I love her dearly and was heartbroken when she left - also a bit dubious as to whether she will succeed in finding a niche in Surin and work that is congenial and not strictly routine. It's hard to be a career girl.

I feel very much retired these days and quite contented to work gently at historical research - though how one does it at Caribena, where there are no records, still eludes me. But Jim Davidson will be back from his travels in a few weeks and will no doubt put me wise.

Thank you ever so much, both of you, for

all your kind hospitality during the Conference: your
home was indeed a haven of refuge from the storm out
at Tasman. Do please let us know when you
are coming through this way and perhaps you can manage
to make Canberra and see the glories of the National
Capital - we have four bedrooms and oceans of
built-in cupboards so can put you up for as long
as you like.

Helen sends her love to all (and so do I) -
she has been on television a week or so ago, doing
string figures, and they want her for more, so she is
a bit above herself just at present: and of big does
it pay. It was really Mrs Reddick who put her
on to it - isn't she a dear; we liked her awfully
but she's gone back to England now. She asked all about
you very much and would have liked to have returned
via Fiji.

Yours ever,
Johnnie

The Australian National University

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TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS
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BOX 4, G.P.O.
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Ref. 6.2.3.26.

26th October, 1956.

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

Dear Mr. Maude,

I was pleased to receive your letter telling me that you have decided to take the Tasmania Circle flat until such time as more suitable accommodation becomes available.

We call them the "Tasmania Circle flats", but the correct address for your flat is -

Flat 4,
98 Arthur Circle,
FORREST, A.C.T.

We shall look forward to seeing you on or about 11th December when you expect to move some of your goods into the flat.

...

I hope the enclosed letter will help you with your purchases.

Yours sincerely,

Dorothy Loney
(R.A. HOHNEN)
for Registrar.

The plans have also arrived - thanks.

The following is a disgusting poem which came into my head while I was, as it were, seated one day at the organ. It is dedicated to Francis West, who may be able to get me an LP recording contract.

THE WORMS OF WILLIAM ROFF

(To the tune of 'The Ball of Kirriemuir')

The worms, the worms, the ruddy worms,
The worms of William Roff;
Some of them came to have some fun,
The rest to carry him off --

Singing, We'll do for him this time,
We'll do for him noo;
The worms that did him last time
Didna carry it through.

Oh the Round Worms they were there,
Pushing through the crush,
Poking him in the pancreas
And listening for the flush --

Singing.... etc. etc.

The Amoebae oh they were there,
On a special mission,
Clinging to the stomach wall
And shouting 'Binary fission!':

Singing.... etc. etc.

Oesophagus Joe oh he was there,
In an intestinal bend,
Whispering to his cousin Lil,
'Let's get him in the end' --

Singing....etc. etc.

Oh the Tape Worms they were there,
Crawling down the drains,
They reached the hepatic portal,
And then came the rains:

Singing.... etc. etc.

The parasites they all were there,
Some of them had no name,
But they burst into his bile duct
And did for him just the same --

Singing.... etc. etc.

There was breeding in the lower gut,
Satyriasis in the spleen;
You couldna hear the doctor speak
For the rumbling in between:

Singing.... etc.etc.

Oh the Hook Worms they were there,
Hanging by their tails,
Swinging from the lymph nodes
And hitting his entrails:--

Singing, We'll do for him this time,
We'll do for him noo;
The worms that did him last time,
Didna carry it through.



T.L. 1/21.

THE ALEXANDER TURNBULL LIBRARY, WELLINGTON C.1, NEW ZEALAND

October 29, 1956.

H.E. Maude, Esq.,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA. N.S.W.

Dear Mr Maude,

Thank you for your letter of 21st inst. reminding me of an old offer. I am a little uncertain how to meet this just now because the Society's library, including Krämer, is in storage and it would take me some little time to get at the volumes. In addition, however, the society is, for this reason, negotiating to transfer its book collection to the Turnbull, and this may well eventuate when we return to our building in Bowen Street again. I can therefore only ask if you will hold the offer over a little longer.

I don't think I have congratulated you on your accession to the National University, and I hope you will find it interesting and useful.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

C R H. Taylor

Librarian.

"Balketh"

Grose St.

Leura

30th October 1966

My best two hands.

Just to say thank you for your
generous hospitality last Thursday.

We both enjoyed your garden
especially your geraniums - I feel that I know
nothing at all about the lovely things.

I've put in all the cuttings. They
seem to be happy although it is too early to be
certain.

We have had beautiful days -
until today. It's cold + wet.

This house is upside down!
have the painters in - & as it is a timber house
there is much to do. & they seem to be every
where -

With many thanks for a most
enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely,
Ilma Slack.

CABLE ADDRESS:
"SOUTHPACOM," NOUMEA.

ADRESSE TELEGRAPHIQUE:
"SOUTHPACOM," NOUMEA.

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION
NOUMEA, NEW CALEDONIA.
Post Box No. 9

COMMISSION DU PACIFIQUE SUD
NOUMEA, NOUVELLE-CALEDONIE.
Boîte Postale No. 9

In reply, please quote A/4.

14 November, 1956.

PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Mr. H. E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA.

Dear Mr. Maude,

1. I send on to you a copy of a request received from Unesco concerning Mrs. N. E. Phelan, as you are obviously in a much better position to supply the information asked for than I. It is probable, too, that your name went forward as a personal referee, in which case I should be reluctant to interfere in any way.

2. My present plans will take me to Sydney early in the New Year, when I hope we might be able to meet and have a quiet chat about things in general and social development in particular.

Please accept my personal good wishes for a pleasant Christmas and New Year.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Seddon
Executive Officer
for Social Development

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UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

19, Avenue Kléber,
Paris, XVI.

No. PEM/TA/1850/56

31 October 1956

Dear Sir,

I should be obliged if you would give me some information in connexion with the candidature of Mrs. N.E. Phelan of 15 Cyprian St, Mosman, Sydney, who is under consideration for the post of Audio-Visual Aids Specialist at the Arab States Fundamental Education Centre, Sirs-el-Layyan, Egypt, under our Technical Assistance Programme. (Details of the post description are supplied on the attached form).

I should particularly like to have your opinion on:

1. her technical competence for the assignment;
2. her suitability for employment in the country specified, with particular reference to her ability to work in a team and to get along with people of other nationalities, and her adaptability to prevailing conditions;
3. her general integrity and character.

This will be considered strictly confidential and your frank appraisal would be appreciated. Would you kindly mark the envelope enclosing your reply "confidential"?

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.)

A. Shahbaz,
Chief Appointments Officer,
T.A. Personnel Unit

Mr. H.E. Maude
Executive Officer for Social
Development,
South Pacific Commission,
Noumea,
New Caledonia.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
17th November, 1956.

Mr R. Gilson,
Australian National University,
Box 4, G.P.O., CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Dear Gilson,

I hasten to reply to your letter of the 15th November about Brian Baldwin, and hope that it reaches you in time.

My recollection of Baldwin, and I have confirmed it by checking up with others who knew him, is that he was a conscientious, plodding worker without any particular intellectual brilliance.

Admittedly while with us he was engaged almost exclusively on editorial work (notably on editing Capell's Linguistic survey of Melanesia) so I cannot say that we ever tested his abilities as a research worker. We should not, however, have entrusted him with the conduct of any project requiring a high standard of original research, since we doubted whether he possessed sufficient originality and adaptability to compensate for his lack of knowledge of the area.

From my observation of Baldwin and his work I do not consider him so outstanding as a scholar that I could recommend his selection for a General Motors-Holden fellowship. If, however, the Department should desire to support his application I feel that he should be required to undertake research of more limited scope than the "development of government in Papua-New Guinea". And as Baldwin's knowledge of Portuguese is an unusual research asset, at least in Australia, his suggested study of Portuguese administration in Timor (or some aspect of it) might well be considered suitable (I gathered some time ago from I think Bill Forayth in the Department of External Affairs that they were particularly interested in this subject).

To deal with your other queries, I would judge Baldwin capable of conducting documentary research in the archives of a territory such as Timor, under reasonable supervision, and I am sure that he would gain an appreciation "of the issues essential to a study of colonial societies and their

institutions". But, as I have indicated, I do not regard him as of sufficient calibre to justify recommendation for a General Motors-Holden fellowship in the absence of some special knowledge of the proposed subject matter of his research, or indeed of any previous special interest in it.

Many thanks for the tip about a room being ready to take my books and gear - this will be a great help. All I think I shall need is a desk (with some drawers), two chairs, a nice big table (for dumping), approximately 110 feet of shelving for books and a 3-door filing cabinet capable of taking foolscap sized files. If this seems unduly pretentious I shall be very content with what I can get and buy anything else required myself, as I did on the Commission.

Be seeing you soon,

Yours,

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The Australian National University

CANBERRA

A.C.T.

TELEGRAPHIC AND CABLE ADDRESS:

" NATUNIV " CANBERRA

BOX 4, G.P.O.
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

15th November, 1956

Mr. H.E. Maude,
2 Netherby Street,
WAHROONGA, N.S.W.

Dear Mr. Maude,

We have just received a scholarship application from a Mr. Brian Baldwin, who was employed in your Section of the S.P.C. as a Research Assistant in 1952-53. Owing to the nature of the research which he proposes to do, I think your advice would be extremely helpful in the assessment of Baldwin's qualifications. But first, let me sketch in the background.

As you may know, the applicant is a Cambridge graduate, class 2, division 1, in both parts of the history tripos. In 1948-50 he was associated with the British Council in Portugal, where he acquired a knowledge of the Portuguese language. After leaving the S.P.C., he took up a post with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Library, as a Research Officer, and at present he is working for that organization in Darwin.

In 1954 Baldwin applied for an ANU Research Scholarship, to undertake a three-year course for the Ph.D. degree. For his special subject he proposed to choose between Australian policy towards China and South East Asia, and the Portuguese administration of Macao and/or Timor. His application was supported by two referees from Cambridge and one from the British Council. The gist of these was that he had been an industrious and competent under-graduate, but a man of "promise rather than performance"; and that he had "developed" after leaving Cambridge. He seems to have given very satisfactory service to the British Council. Needless to say, these testimonials left some important questions unanswered.

This earlier application was rejected by the Department of International Relations on two grounds: that Baldwin was not fully qualified to tackle the first subject, and that the second, for which he may have been qualified, was not of very great interest to that Department.

There is no written record of these proceedings on Baldwin's file, but I gather that his application was also considered by the Departments of History and Pacific History. I have been told that Jim interviewed the applicant and that some additional information was received from a source in Cambridge; and I am advised that the result was Baldwin's rejection on academic grounds. But I must emphasize that I have no record concerning the rejection, and that I am unable to contact Jim before submitting a report on the present application.

Baldwin, using his previous testimonials, now seeks a General Motors- Holden fellowship, three of which may be awarded by this University. These appointments are more lucrative than the Research Scholarships, and the standards of selection must be at least as high. Degree candidacy is not a requirement of the fellowship, but it is not precluded either. Tenure is for one year in the first instance, with provision for extension to two or three years. None of the social sciences is excluded as a prospective field of study, but other things being equal, preference would be given to the natural sciences, engineering, and economics (including economic history). Among the present applicants are several people who have their doctorates already, so Baldwin, who again proposes a Ph.D. course, would have to be quite outstanding to merit selection in this year's competition.

Baldwin has changed his research subject (probably because of the failure of his earlier entry), and now proposes a study of the development of government in Papua-New Guinea, with special reference to the unification of the two administrations. For various reasons, I am rather doubtful about this subject, but that is not the most important consideration at the moment. For example, we might be interested in research in Timor, if the Portuguese would co-operate and if Baldwin were capable as a scholar and sufficiently adaptable to cope with the field-work.

Although your name was not offered amongst Baldwin's referees, I think it is perfectly proper to get a report from you. Among other things, we would like to know your views on his ability to pursue independent research, particularly under island conditions, and his appreciation and perception of the issues essential to a study of colonial societies and their institutions. Your impressions of Baldwin's work for the S.P.C. would be useful too, if you feel free to give them.

I am afraid that this matter is rather urgent, in spite of the fact that the competition has just closed. I must try to submit a report by the 22nd of this month, so I should be most grateful to receive your advice before that date. I hope that this is not asking too much.

We are looking forward to seeing you here early next month. Jim arrives in Canberra on the 12th. -----With regard to your packing and moving, it may save you some trouble to know that an office will be ready for your books and other research gear on your arrival; you can move your things in directly. It will be the room next to Jim's. It may be necessary to get extra shelves, filing cabinets, and other furnishings, to suit your needs; but if you wish to send an "advance list", we shall do everything we can to get the place in order for you.

With best regards to you and Mrs. Maude,

Yours,

Wick Gilson

P. S. I have just discovered that Baldwin was turned down for a Research Fellowship here in 1951 or 1952, but I have not found the papers on this application -
D. G.

Q U A D R A N T

PHONE: BU7134

2 Albert Street,
SYDNEY

5 December, 1956.

Dear Harry

I am taking the liberty of sending you, by accompanying post, the first issue of Quadrant, in the hope that you will want to subscribe to it. I am enclosing an account for a year's subscription. If you do not want to take it just send me back the account with a note in the negative; otherwise please make out payment to Quadrant and send it to Box 4714, G.P.O., Sydney.

Yours sincerely,

Jim McAuley

16/- sub. sent.

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Dynian Office,
Secretariat,
Suva.

15 Dec. 56

Dear Harry,

Believe it or not, this is
me answering your last letter. It
was very thoughtful of you to
have sent me some money. I
think it was about £3, so we will
spend the credit balance on you
next time you come & see us, pro-
vided it is before October next year,
as we begin our pre-retirement
leave then. We don't like the
Suez canal any more & we don't
agree with South African politics
towards the natives so are pro-
bably going via Canada, which
Jane has not yet seen.

My office has recently moved
in (this morning, in fact) to our

new accommodation on the top
floor of the Native Land Trust
Bldg, the beginnings of which
I pointed out to you in April but
you have now forgotten. From my
own suite we have a fine view
of the double faced Government
Buildings clock though neither face
tells the same time as its fellow.
I can also make signals to Helen
Sheils, who is ensconced in the
corner of Gov. Bldg. nearest to me
& we are developing a code of
mute messages to exchange about
Lassalle - Séré, which activities,
provided there is, behind it, real
malice, genuine intention, and
positive belief, is bound to
bring about his early downfall
into the Pacific. Great indeed
are the advantages of my new
office.

As for Helen she has clearly
fallen on her feet. Getting
on with our Education Dept
is nothing compared ~~with~~ to
getting on with the late
South Pacific Commission.
She has a house already
rented & has borrowed the
use of somebody else's car
whenever she wants it. I shall
hope that she is looked for
higher executive responsibility
as soon as the new C.S.
realises her worth.

Well, as I have only got 3⁰
until the end of the month I can
only send you this one aero-
gramme but it takes our very
best wishes to you in your new
chair & our love to Honor
& yourself as of usual.

Yours ever,
Kingsley

Research School of Pacific Studies,
Australian National University,
G.P.O. Box 4, Canberra, A.C.T.,
15th December, 1956.

Dr A. Shahbaz,
Chief Appointments Officer,
T.A. Personnel Unit,
U.N.E.S.C.O.,
19 Avenue Kleber,
PARIS XVIIe, France.

Dear Dr Shahbaz,

Your letter No.PEM/TA/1850/56 of the 31st October has been forwarded to me from Noumea, as I am at present engaged in research for the Australian National University.

In reply, I can state without reservation that from my personal observation of Mrs N.E. Phelan's work for the South Pacific Commission over the past 5 years she is eminently qualified for the position of Audio-Visual Aids Specialist at the Arab States Fundamental Education Centre, Sirs-el-Layyan, Egypt.

Mrs Phelan's technical competence for filling such a position can surely admit of no serious doubt. She is a highly trained specialist who has been engaged for over 10 years in the production of all types of audio-visual materials both in the United Kingdom and Australia, and has latterly concentrated on designing and producing filmstrips, flannel-graphs and posters for use in connexion with fundamental education work among the peoples of the Pacific Islands. In addition, she is familiar with film and broadcasting techniques, and was for some time engaged in broadcasting weekly film reviews for the Australian Broadcasting Commission, as well as in writing radio scripts both for the A.B.C. and B.B.C. (and, in particular, serials and stories for children).

Mrs Phelan's recently produced technical handbook on "How to Produce your own Film-strips" has been very favourably reviewed in specialist periodicals such as "Look and Listen" and the "Community Development Bulletin", and I understand that a second work by her entitled "How to Produce your own Posters" is about to be published by the South Pacific Commission.

The booklet "How to Use the Kerosene Projector" you

may already know, as it was produced, with the collaboration of your technical staff, from Unesco material. Perhaps you may not be aware, however, that a selection of visual aids materials produced by her received the Diploma of Honour (1st class) at the third International Union for Health Education of the Public recently held in Rome.

I have been particularly impressed by Mrs Phelan's ability to keep constantly in mind, in all her production work, the needs and viewpoints of the villagers whose welfare and progress it is designed to serve. This valuable gift, not always found among technical workers, I attribute to the happy manner in which she is able to live in the homes of the people among whom she is working, regardless of race, conveying without affectation or trace of patronage a sense of her own genuine sympathy with their aspirations and enthusiasm for their development.

In her experimentation with techniques too I found that Mrs Phelan had a keen awareness of the improvisations and adaptations often necessary, and even at times desirable, at the village level, where one may have to use locally obtainable materials and makeshift equipment, while operating at the same time on a shoestring budget.

As regards your second query, I would regard Mrs Phelan as well suited for employment in Egypt and the other Arab States in the Near East. Having been on the technical staff of an international organization for over 5 years she is accustomed to working as one of a team with people of many races, possessing widely different cultural and educational backgrounds. Furthermore, her work has at times been carried on in the field under difficult physical and climatic conditions. That she succeeded in maintaining the most harmonious relations with her colleagues and all with whom she worked throughout this period, which I can vouch for from personal knowledge, I consider to be due in the first place to her burning enthusiasm in her work and secondly to the complete absence in her of any racial or other prejudices. She makes friends readily, and as easily with the village peasant as with those engaged in the same undertaking.

From conversations with Mrs Phelan at the time of her leaving the Commission staff I know that she is anxious to serve in some country in the Near East (and particularly, I would surmise, in Egypt), having many interests in that part of the world and friends among the Arab peoples.

On the subject of your final enquiry I can state categorically, again from my personal knowledge of Mrs Phelan

and many of her friends and professional associates, that her general integrity and character is irreproachable. I have met few people held in such high personal and professional estimation, not only in Australia but throughout the South Pacific.

In brief, Mrs Phelan would appear to possess, to a striking degree, the personal and technical qualifications required for the position you have her in mind for and I feel that you would be fortunate to obtain her services.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.

Flat 4, 98 Arthur Circle,
Forrest, A.C.T., Australia,
19th December, 1956.

Dr Ward H. Goodenough,
Box 14, Bennett Hall,
University of Pennsylvania,
The College,
Philadelphia 4, Pa. U.S.A.

Dear Dr Goodenough,

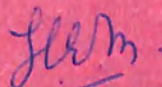
Many thanks for kindly sending me a copy of your paper on "Componential Analysis and the Study of Meaning". I have read it through with interest, though it is a bit out of my line of country.

Do please let me have a list of anything you publish on the Gilberts. I am completing my bibliography of material on the Central Pacific Equatorial Islands, including the Gilberts, and should not like to miss any item of yours.

I have now joined the Australian National University as Senior Research Fellow in Pacific History and hope to concentrate on the Central Pacific for the time being. I shall have to try and get to the States to examine the Mission records in Boston and also anything I can find on early whaling discoveries in the area.

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year, and hoping to see you again in this part of the world.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

Flat 4, 98 Arthur Circle,
Forrest, A.C.T.,
23rd December, 1956.

Miss Margaret Titcomb,
Bernice P. Bishop Museum,
HONOLULU, Hawaii.

Dear Margaret,

Thank you so much for sending us a copy of your "Voyage of Ka Manu Lele". We have both enjoyed reading it and only wish that one of us could write interestingly, as you do.

I can manage a factual article on some island topic but am quite aware that no-one, except a few specialists, ever reads this sort of stuff.

So I envy you your ability to write such a lovely story, based on the old legends. I know it will be successful, for I couldn't put it down once I had started it; and I quite fell in love with the beautiful Ala (and almost wept when Keahi was killed).

But I must confess that Andrew Sharp's "Ancient Voyages in the Pacific" has convinced me that even if the Polynesians ever got from Tahiti to Hawaii they never could have found their way back. Still, it is a story of what should have happened, even if it didn't.

We move to Canberra next week and our new address will be as above.

With all good wishes for Christmas and the New Year from us both,

Yours very sincerely,



H.E. Maude.



COLONIAL OFFICE,
THE CHURCH HOUSE,
GREAT SMITH STREET, S.W.1.

28th December, 1956.

Dear Mr. Maude

Now that you have retired from public service overseas, I want to thank you on behalf of the Secretary of State, who is away in Central Africa, for your loyal and valuable service of twenty years to the Governments and peoples of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony and Zanzibar, service which was deservedly marked by the award to you of the Order of the British Empire in 1949. I also want to thank you for your valuable service on the South Pacific Commission, as Executive Officer for Social Development and member of the Research Council, since 1948.

The Secretary of State and I have seen with pleasure the tributes paid to you by those with whom you have served and we send you our very best wishes for the future.

Yours Sincerely
J. Maude

H. E. Maude, Esq.

Research School of Pacific Studies,
Australian National University,
G.P.O. Box 4, Canberra, A.C.T.,
29th December, 1956.

Dr R. Seddon,
Executive Officer for Social Development,
South Pacific Commission,
P.O. Box 9, NOUMEA, New Caledonia.

Dear Dr Seddon,

Thank you for forwarding the request from Unesco concerning Mrs N.E. Phelan, which I have duly dealt with. I was, as far as I know, one of her referees, which is no doubt why the letter was addressed to me personally,

I am sorry not to have acknowledged your letter before but have been away and am only now beginning on my correspondence again.

Yes, I certainly hope that we may meet some day and have a talk on this and that. I am no longer, however, resident in Sydney, though I am keeping on my house there and visit the place from time to time. Perhaps our sojourns there may coincide before too long.

I enclose a letter which has been passed to me in error by your Sydney office; a natural enough mistake since it had my name on the envelope.

Many thanks for your kind Christmas and New Year good wishes. May I reciprocate by wishing both you and the Social Development section a happy and successful 1957.

Yours sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

Research School of Pacific Studies,
Australian National University,
G.P.O. Box 4, Canberra, A.C.T.,
29th December, 1956.

Dr K. Neijs,
The Punjab Club,
LAHORE, Punjab,
Pakistan.

Dear Dr Neijs,

I was so glad to get a Christmas Card from you yesterday and see that you are indeed in Lahore.

We have often thought and spoken of you during the past few months and wondered where you were these days.

Unesco sent me an enquiry about you for a senior position in Pakistan on community development and I wrote them a glowing account of you and your work in reply and hoped that it would do the trick.

So now you are a real "big shot", and earning, I suppose, about three times as much as the Secretary-General of the Commission.

I have been feeling contrite in that I never wrote and thanked you for the kind letter of farewell you sent me just before you left for Europe. But I appreciated it all the same; and also all the excellent work which you did for us in the Social Development section. I wonder if you ever look back on those days with a certain degree of nostalgia; as I do.

Did you hear that John Ryan was pushed out of the Commission by old man Bedell (it said officially that he retired, so face was saved by all). And Alex Dix is now up in the clouds as Private Secretary to the Commonwealth Minister for Air. Helen Sheils is in the Fiji Government, and very happy there from all accounts.

Nancy leaves for 3 months visual-aids work in the Cook Islands in a week or two; and we hope that she will after that succeed in getting the post of Audio-visual Aids Specialist at the Arab States Fundamental Education Centre in Egypt. It would be a year's assignment and I think would suit her well.

Have you no job for Nancy in Pakistan - say 6 months to

a year, or even longer - as you know, she is good and would work hard.

I am now Senior Research Fellow in Pacific History at the Australian National University, hence the new address, so all of us seem to be placed now (and most in better jobs than before, though perhaps not happier ones).

I do wish you all success and happiness in your work, and please let me know if at any time I can be of any farther service.

Yours very sincerely,



H.E. Maude.

2 Netherby Street,
Wahroonga, N.S.W.,
31st December, 1956.

Hornsby Shire Council,
Electricity Department,
Council Chambers,
Pacific Highway,
HORNSBY, N.S.W.

Dear Sirs,

As I am vacating my premises at 2 Netherby Street, Wahroonga, on the 2nd January, for a year, I should be grateful if my Meter could be read as soon as possible after the New Year holidays.

I do not know the exact date on which the incoming tenants, Mr and Mrs C. Halton, will be taking over but I anticipate that it will be on or about the 3rd January.

Please send the meter reading and all future accounts to me at the Netherby Street address as before, and Mr Halton will forward them on to me.

Yours faithfully,



H.E. Maude.