Dec. 10, 1997

Mrs. Honor Maude Rooms 40-42, Mountain View Hostel P.O. Box 61 Narrabundah, ACT 2604

Dear Honor:

What a pleasure it was to speak with you recently and the learn that all is well with you and Harry. Please thank Kaye for responding so patiently to all my queries about your well-being, and for not laughing at my atrocious American accent.

In August I attended a symposium on Rapa Nui (Easter Island) held here in the States, and presented a paper on string figures which, much to my surprise, was very well received. After the lecture one professor asked whether anyone had studied Tuamotuan string figures. Of course I was able to cite your book with Emory and to brag about how I've known you for 15 years, which made me feel important. But the most gratifying moment occurred when Mr. Kon-Tiki himself (Thor Heyerdahl) approached me after the lecture to tell me that he photographed an islander making a "good luck" string figure just prior to their famous attempt in 1955 to move a *moai* (massive stone statue) using only logs and ropes. I knew in advance that he would be there but never dreamed I would have the privilege of speaking with him face to face, a moment I will never forget. I also had the pleasure of meeting Grant McCall, who spoke quite highly of you and Harry. I didn't know that his wife adored string figures, having collected 60 figures at Easter Island during their fieldwork. However, it appears that all her notes were lost in a fire not long ago, a real pity.

Also in attendence was a dance troupe from Easter Island. Much to my delight two of the dancers knew how to make traditional string figures, which they incorporated into their performances. After my lecture, one of the dancers approached me asking whether I could teach her how to make some of the figures published by Blixen in his monograph. She had memorized the Polynesians chants long ago (some of which are pages long!), but didn't know how to make the corresponding figures, which quite surprised me. When I asked her why not, she explained to me that on Easter Island, knowledge of traditional string figures is circulated only among members of the Pakarati family, who refuse to share the knowledge with other islanders. They do this to ensure that a member of their family will always win the annual string figure contest, in which participants are judged on their ability to extend the figure, recite the chant, and charm the audience. I later met with the dancer (a gorgeous 20 year-old Polynesian girl) and successfully taught her all of Blixen's figures, which thrilled me to no end. However, I'm concerned that her newly acquired knowledge will trigger a small war among the islanders (or at least a cat fight), if and when she manages to win the annual contest. Anyway, I'll always treasure my moments with her, especially the expression on her face when designs she had known since childhood suddenly appeared on her hands. Incidently, when I tried to dazzle her

with a few Nauruan figures, her only response was "your hands move nicely." She later explained to me that string figures which lack an accompanying chant or story are boring and not worth learning! So there you have it, by "Rapa Nui Episode."

The December issue of String Figure Magazine is nearly ready to mail. I had hoped to illustrate a Nauruan figure requiring *Eongatubabo* or some other complex finishing technique, but had to settle for the Mangarevan "Navel of Maui" for health reasons (I've acquired an acute pain in my thumb from drawing too much!).

During the holidays I hope you are able to enjoy the company of your family and friends. I plan to do the same. The enclosed Australian \$50 bill surfaced last week during a cleaning binge. I'm not sure where it came from nor how long I've had it. Anyway, since I can't even buy a stick of chewing gum with it here, please accept it as compensation for all the money you've spent sending me parcels lately -- well in excess of \$100 at last count!

Good health and holiday cheer,

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Professor H.E. Maude 42/11 Namatjira Drive Weston, ACT 2611

Dear Harry,

I'm now settled back at USP where I'll be until the end of the year. I'll then head of to Wellington (my home town) and try to find work there. Goodness knows what will turn up but I venture to hope.

I wrote to you in Canberra and mentioned that when I got back here I would send you a gift copy of vol 20 of the <u>Journal of Pacific Studies</u>. However, I discovered that you had already ordered a copy, so whay I'll do instead is to give you a copy of <u>The Covenant Makers</u> in the hope that you find it of interest. I'm sending it by separate post.

I have something to ask you. On my last day at the National Library, I discovered that Peter Biskup had interviewed you on behalf of the Library's Oral History Program. It must have been a marathon session(s) because I seem to remember that there are eight tapes. Moreover, they are not available for consultation until your death and even then there are restrictions. This puts me on the spot because I would like to use those tapes for my current research while at the same time hoping that you're for this world for a few years yet.

My interest is twofold. First, the more I get into Davidson's intellectual biography, the more I realise how integral you are to the story. You were the vital backstop, there to hold the fort when Jim was pereginating, and doing things that Jim either could or wouldn't do. The two of you were so dfferent in temperament and with a sometimes exasperated understanding of each other, but what a great team! Second, I'd like to write an article on Maude the historian (in fact I've written the first 1,500 words), and it would be useful to hear the tapes for that reason. Anyway, let me know what you think.

You've just turned 91 and I should wish you belated but happy birthday. Trust that Honore is well and that you're as robust as I when I last saw you.

Best wishes,

Done

DOUG MUNRO, History/Politics University of the South Pacific PO Box 1168, Suva, Fiji.



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Bob Dent: In Memoriam

Bob Dent died in Darwin on 22 September 1996. He was the first person in the world to die under voluntary euthanasia legislation. The Northern Territory Rights of the Terminally Ill Act, 1995, which became effective on 1 July 1996, survived barely eight months before Federal Parliament extinguished it. In that time a total of only four people benefited from the provisions of the Act. Two others, who met the criteria and had completed the required documentation, were excluded and eventually died without having their wishes respected. On the first anniversary of Bob's death, Mary Gallnor, President of the South Australian Voluntary Euthanasia Society (SAVES) and President-elect of the World Federation of Right to Die Societies said:

'The Federal Parliament's intervention was an outrageous interference in the affairs of the Northern Territory government, using a provision in the constitution meant to deal with matters of national security. It was orchestrated behind the scenes by individuals who had decided that they knew better than the public how we should individually face death. To their everlasting shame, the leaders of the Liberal, National and Labor parties supported the interference against the groundswell of public opinion in favour of legalising voluntary euthanasia.

'But the fight goes on. In the words of American poet, Ella Wheeler Wilcox, "No matter is ever settled until it is settled right". So it is with voluntary euthanasia, which continues to be under intense debate in Australia and throughout the world. We thank Bob Dent and his family for the role they have played in furthering the fight for justice and choice in dying.'

Bob Dent Awards

The inaugural Bob Dent Awards were announced at a press conference held in the ACT Legislative Assembly on 24 September. Senator Bob Brown was chosen from many nominations to receive the \$1,000 award. Dr Nitschke said that this was in recognition of the efforts Senator Brown made to prevent the passage of the Kevin Andrews Bill through the Federal Senate, and the compassion that he had shown towards two terminally ill people caught up in the overturning of the Territory's Rights of the Terminally Ill Act in April this year.

'I was with Esther Wild and her partner Martin Williams when her final chance to use the Territory law was lost. Esther was particularly grateful for the efforts made by Senator Brown to allow her the right to pursue her chosen course. She lost that right because of the callous and indifferent attitude of the Federal Senate, but was grateful right to the end to those who had tried to help her'.

Two awards by VES NSW were also announced:

• A Gold Star Award to Dr John Ellard, the psychiatrist who, against considerable opposition from within the medical fraternity, publicly supported Bob Dent's right to use the Territory law. Without his help, it is doubtful whether Bob Dent could have

obtained the necessary signatures to proceed.

• A Janus Award to the two faced doctorpolitician Dr Brendon Nelson, for his exceptional ability to present mutually contradictory positions on this important issue.

Last year, Sydney's Powerhouse Museum approached Dr Nitschke, saying that while it wished to acquire his 'coma-machine' for display, it could not pay the \$4,000 to replace his laptop computer which operated the machine. The Museum must have become nervous because they did not accept when VES NSW offered to pay for the computer and make an 'historic gift' to the Museum to mark the anniversary of Mr Dent's death. The policydetermining power of what art critic Robert Hughes called 'freelance vandals who think they're acting in God's name' was shown by the October cancellation of Andres Serrano's exhibition at the National Gallery of Victoria after two youths destroyed his 'Piss Christ' photograph with a hammer. As the issue seems too 'hot' for Australia, Dr Nitschke is negotiating with the Smithsonian Institute's National Museum of American History, in Washington, which wishes to display the machine and the original documents which Mr Dent signed.

Joseph Quinlan: In Memoriam

We also pay tribute to Joseph Quinlan, who died of bone cancer in New Jersey aged 71. He and his wife were pioneers of the Right to Die movement after their daughter Karen Ann lapsed into an irreversible coma from alcohol and tranquillisers she had taken at a party in April 1975.

Quinlan died at home under medical care directed from a hospice, the Karen Ann Quinlan Centre of Hope, that he and his wife, Julia, founded in 1980 with money they received from the film and book rights to the story of their daughter's life and death. A landmark ruling by the New Jersey Supreme Court in 1976 gave the Quinlans legal authority to have Karen Ann removed from a respirator after doctors said she had no hope of recovery. At the time, the Quinlans were in the centre of a gripping debate on fundamental questions about life and death, involving ethical, legal, theological and medical issues surrounding the use of sophisticated technology to extend the lives of the terminally ill.

Although the Quinlans simply wanted to allow their daughter to die 'with dignity and grace', a court ruling became known as sanctioning a 'right to die' for the terminally ill. The Quinlans considered the phrase implicitly condoned suicide when they only wanted nature to be able take its course and families

to be able to reject futile treatment. Six weeks after the 1976 ruling, Ms Quinlan was removed from the respirator; to the surprise of medical experts, she continued to breathe without the respirator and lived for nine more years before dying of pneumonia in June 1985. In the 11 years since his daughter's death, Quinlan, a reserved man, worked quietly with his wife, counselling other families with terminally ill children or relatives. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter. Source: *Sydney Morning Herald* 2 January 1997 (reprinted from the *New York Times*).

"If my medical attendant chooses to ignore my expressed wishes, an injunction will be sought next day and the matter will be put to the test."

Prof Peter Baume, of the University of NSW, who has made a "living will" instructing doctors to allow him to die in certain extreme circumstances.

Sayings, Sydney Morning Herald, 1 November 1997

FOR YOUR DIARY

Changes to Note:

- The VES AGM will be in March (it is too hot in February)
- Membership fees have risen very slightly see the enclosed blue subscription form
- There will be three newsletters and three informal meetings a year, not four (to help keep expenses down). Tell us what you think about the new-look Newsletter
- Members who belong to other community groups are encouraged to see if these groups would like to have a speaker from the VES
- Members are asked to donate \$1 or \$2 to help defray the costs involved in holding VES meetings (hire of a hall, afternoon teas, advertising). The office would dearly love a FAX of its own. Can you help?

Meetings

- All You Ever Wanted to Know About Advance Directives (formerly known as Living Wills). Dr Giles Yates will be speaking on Advance Directives in New South Wales and will be happy to answer questions. Giles is a psychologist, a member of the VES Committee and the Director of Health Advocates Australia, a consultancy for Advance Directives. In addition, VES members Vince Phelan, John Doyle and Harry Hunter will seek members' views about such fundamentals as aims, how to spread the word and how the Society might become more active. The meeting will be held at 2pm on Sunday 23 November 1997 at the Dougherty Centre, 7 Victoria St, Chatswood
- Central Coast Branch. The next meeting of the Central Coast VES branch will be at 10am, Monday 1 December 1997 at the Gosford Senior Citizens Centre. Contact: John Doyle on (0243) 84 6676

News from the Northern Territory

A positive aspect of the recent election in the Northern Territory is that it has provided the framework for the ACT's Crimes (Assisted Suicide) Bill 1997. Recording the efforts made by the pro-euthanasia camp is also important. Here is the way the press reported the elections.

'There is legal support for a plan to bypass the veto on the Territory's VE law, according to the Sydney Morning Herald (12 August). Legal opinion given to Northern Territory Government is that the plan, to fine doctors \$50 if they practise euthanasia, could beat a challenge in the High Court. The Territory's Director of Public Prosecutions, Rex Wild, QC, said that the fine proposal trivialised euthanasia, but it was "not contrary" to the Andrews bill passed in Federal Parliament this March. David Bennett, QC, agreed. He said it was "marginally more probable than not" that the High Court would consider the plan to be valid, although it was "highly probable" that the High Court would be divided about the issue. contrast, the NT's Solicitor-General, Tom Pauling, QC, told the Government he had no doubt the High Court would rule against the plan.

'The legal advice was released by the Territory's Deputy Labor Leader John Bailey, who proposed the plan. Mr Bailey said his \$50 fine proposal could become law by the end of the week if the governing Country Liberal Party (CLP) supported it. "Territorians have already suffered the injustice of having their law overturned by Canberra. There is now no reason to delay the enactment of my bill", Mr Bailey said. Dr Philip Nitschke welcomed the supportive opinions but didn't expect to "see any activity". He was right!

The Australian (13 August) wrote 'Electorate wins a say on euthanasia. On the day former Chief Minister Marshall Perron left the Territory for a four-month holiday, the Chief Minister, Shane Stone, called an election. While Mr Stone opposes euthanasia, he also opposed the way the Andrews bill overrode the Territory's euthanasia legislation. Mr Perron, the architect of the now defunct VE law, is still a force within the conservative CLP. He tipped that euthanasia would be an election issue and called for candidates to reveal their positions. The poll was the electorate's first chance to express its views on euthanasia since Canberra overturned the Territory's Rights of the Terminally Ill Act in March this year. The Labor Party capitalised on the issue, especially in areas identified as CLP heartland.

'After the election, Dr Robert Marr commented: "Voluntary euthanasia was a major issue in the election. The one ALP member who has strongly supported VE, Mr Bailey, received a 4% swing towards him and held his seat. The swing to Mr Bailey stood in stark contrast to the swing away from the ALP in the Territory

generally. Mr Bailey and the VE movement also withstood a fanatical campaign by antieuthanasia groups against him". This included targeting by the Right to Life who distributed cards with the message, "Vote 1, Bailey for a lethal injection".

The NT VES magazine noted that 'Dr Nitschke drew comfort from the fact that the issue played a role in the election. He said that Bailey had a positive result in his electorate. "Given that the antieuthanasia forces targeted him, I think that's very heartening indeed", Dr Nitschke said'.

Dr Nitschke Makes History

The Sydney Morning Herald (8 September 1997) reported that Dr Nitschke made history in authorpublisher relations by refusing an advance for the book he is writing. Nitschke, who has recently been honoured as the Northern Territorian of the Year and Humanist of the Year, said his publishers, Pan Macmillan, wanted 'a personal account of what actually happened and there's a lot of material that's never seen the light of day about those frantic days ... Before they all disappear into a murky haze I suppose one should try and get it down'. He rejected the advance because he is running a locum service and isn't sure when he can finish the book. 'I'm finding it hard to settle down and actually write, but when I do I'm quite pleased with the work', he said.

What Next in South Australia?

The following article by Bill Mettyear, about Anne Levy's VE Bill, is from the November issue of the SAVES Newsletter.

'The Voluntary Euthanasia Bill 1996 was introduced into the Legislative Council (SA's Upper House) about a year ago. In July 1997, after a substantial Second Reading debate, it was referred to a Select Committee. In addition, a referendum would be held before it could become law if both Upper and Lower Houses passed the Bill. The State election on 11 October 1997 brought an end to the Bill and to the Select Committee. By the time of the election, they had received some 3,000 written submissions but the Committee had not commenced hearing oral submissions. Anne Levy, the Legislative Councillor who introduced the Bill and who had been appointed chairperson of the Committee, chose not to stand for re-election. Anne is an experienced parliamentarian whose departure is a great loss to the Upper House. The Bill she presented was the outcome of careful deliberation, drawing on proposals for legislation here and overseas, and on the Northern Territory's Rights of the Terminally Ill Act. It provoked substantial debate in the Legislative Council and aroused widespread community interest.

While the new Parliament is not obliged to continue the process initiated by Anne Levy, there is a strong case for doing so. Good government requires continuity and attention to the will of the people and should not jettison a carefully drafted Bill of obvious public interest and the many written submissions, merely because the composition of the House has changed. The Bill should therefore be resubmitted to the Parliament and a fresh Committee appointed with authority to take account of these submissions. SAVES will be working towards ensuring that this is what happens.

The question is not whether voluntary euthanasia will be legalised, but when, in what form and on whose initiative. Despite the evidence of considerable public approval, it has everywhere proved a difficult political nettle to grasp in the face of opposition from minority groups which are vociferous, powerful and sometimes unscrupulous. Those who oppose it on grounds of

religious doctrine or medical ethos should accept that they will remain free to live and practise according to their own beliefs - they are asked only to allow others to do as much. Those who oppose it because it will be abused, or lead to laws that override freedom of choice, would do better to suggest improvements, rather than engaging in scaremongering speculation. They might also take into account the distress, unwanted suffering and covert behaviour occurring under the present law. It is more than two years since the Lower House of the South Australian Parliament rejected John Quirke's 1995 Voluntary The new Euthanasia Bill. Parliament is likely to have another chance to pioneer an honest and humane option in medical care. May it have the enlightenment and the courage that its predecessor lacked'.

The Need for Legalised VE

Suicides in Australia, 1990-94 for people aged 75+

- 171 hanged themselves
- 130 used firearms
- 93 used analgesics, barbiturates & tranquillizers
- 78 used carbon monoxide
- 46 suffocated by using plastic
- 40 drowned themselves
- 34 jumped from high places
- 17 took agricultural chemicals
- jumped or lay before a moving object
- 14 used cutting instruments
- 10 killed themselves with fire
- 10 electrocuted themselves
- 2 swallowed corrosive and caustic substances

These figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics show how people killed themselves but not why. Recently, suicides linked with fears about nursing home costs have been in the news. In Britain, desperation led a man to hire his own executioners, according to a 6 August report in The Express. terminally-ill man who could no longer bear the pain from asbestosis and lung cancer, feared that his money would not go to his family if he committed suicide. Instead he paid hit-men to shoot him and make it look like a bungled burglary. The plan misfired and the man's mother called for the hit-men to be charged with murder.

The State of Oregon

Good News:

In 1994 Oregon became the first American state to allow doctors to prescribe life-ending drugs if terminally ill patients had requested this. A series of legal challenges has blocked the law. For example, this May an Oregon Senate panel supported a bill to refer the issue to the voters. If the full Senate endorses this bill. voters will be asked in November if they want to repeal the assisted suicide law. Barbara Coombs Lee, the executive director Compassion in Dying and the chief petitioner for the assisted suicide law, predicted that the opponents would not achieve much by doing this. 'They think that if Oregon voters are hammered on enough with a multi-million-dollar campaign financed by the Catholic Church, then voters will change their mind. We don't think that's true', she said. On 27 June, after the US Supreme Court ruling, Coombs Lee promised to renew efforts to get the practice legalised. She announced the formation of an organisation - the Compassion Center for End of Life Law and Policy - to lobby for laws which reflect the public opinion supporting the idea.

The Sunday Oregonian provided additional positive news, reporting on 3 August that the State's Governor, John Kitzhaber, supports doctor-assisted suicide and plans to make his position known during the campaign to repeal the two-year-old law. 'I believe an individual should have control, should be able to make

choices about the end of their life', Kitzhaber said during interview. 'As a physician, I can tell you that there's a clear difference between prolonging someone's life and prolonging their death', said Kitzhaber, a former emergency room doctor. Although the popular governor doesn't plan to become active in the campaign, his public stature and medical credibility could affect the 4 November election and what is expected to be a contentious debate on the issue. Oregon is the only place in the world where they have asked that the electors vote on physicianassisted suicide (which passed 51% to 49% in 1994 but never took effect because of legal challenges) and the 1997 vote makes Oregon even more unusual - they are asking voters for a second time to decide on the same law.

On 1 October the Oregon Right to Die Society announced that Physicians for Death with Dignity, a six-week-old organisation of nearly 400 Oregon physicians would hold a press conference in Governor Kitzhaber's office. Included in the membership of this new group are three former Oregon Medical Association presidents. Kitzhaber said that not only was the legislature wrong to send the measure back to the ballot, but it shirked its responsibility by not approving changes to the law that they thought would make it stronger. 'They don't have the courage to repeal the measure. They didn't have the will to make it work, so

they just sent it back to the voters. It's not okay by me to pretend it's not a huge issue in our society and pretending we don't have to deal with it'. Physicians for Death With Dignity also take issue with the misuse of research data from the Netherlands. Opponents are now claiming oral medications don't work, but have no evidence to back up that claim.

And Bad News:

However, the pro-euthanasia side is up against stiff (and massivelyfunded) medical and religious opposition. The depressing details about this came on 15 September from The Portland Oregonian. The story of Californian-based Chuck Cavalier, the opposition's highly effective consultant, is reminiscent of Red Adair, the Texan incendiary expert who, in the 1980s, flew anywhere in the world to extinguish fires on oil However, Cavalier is employed to defeat or extinguish euthanasia laws.

Cavalier, the head of Cavalier & Associates, worked to defeat doctor-assisted suicide laws in Washington, California and Australia. He began his campaign in 1991 and created a dramatic impact with a come-from-behind victory. In Washington the public opinion polls had shown strong early support until Cavalier's ad blitz spread a message of fear, using words such as 'kill' and 'homicide'. Cavalier's hardhitting style made such an impression that he was hired to fight a similar initiative in



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LETTER TO MEMBERS OF THE ACT BRANCH OF THE NSW VOLUNTARY EUTHANASIA SOCIETY (THE ACT VES)

Introduction

We have had a busy couple of months, and some in the Committee have been working pretty hard! I should tell you what we have been getting up to.

Funding/Donations

A number of people have made donations to the ACT branch, and I thank them very much for their contributions. We are however still in need of financial assistance, and while we are well-supported by the NSW VES (of which we are a branch), we need to raise another couple of thousand dollars, to cover costs of printing and distributing election leaflets.

If you are able, we would be most grateful if you could make monetary donations of whatever amount you can afford to the 'ACT branch of the NSW Voluntary Euthanasia Society' at the address above.

Bob Dent Day

On 24 September we organised a symposium in honour of Bob Dent, the first person to die under the NT's now overturned voluntary euthanasia legislation. The symposium, sponsored mainly by the NSW VES, was a resounding success. We invited speakers from each of the major political parties, and Dr Philip Nitschke was the guest speaker. The reception room in the ACT Legislative Assembly was filled to capacity (130 people) and there were some stimulating speeches from the speakers, and some moving questions/statements from the audience. Paradoxically, the ACT Labor leader, Wayne Berry, indicated that he supports voluntary euthanasia, but that he will not support Michael Moore's assisted suicide legislation. He was the target5 of some harsh criticism at the symposium.

A night at the Woden Plaza

For 12 hours on the Friday before Bob Dent day we attended a stall in Woden Plaza (outside Katies). We provided information to the public, obtained about 200 signatures on a voluntary euthanasia petition (delivered to the ACT Legislative Assembly) and conducted a straw poll to understand the demographics of those supporting voluntary euthanasia. The reception we received was very positive and, subject to costs, we will try to hold some more of these information sessions in the future. Helpers are required!

Lobbying the ACT Legislative Assembly politicians

Some of us in the Committee have begun the arduous task of lobbying ACT politicians. So far we have seen Berry, Whitecross, Corbell, Reilly (Labor), Moore (Independent), and

Littlewood (Liberal). We hope to soon make appointments with the other members of the ACT Legislative Assembly, and these members (again). We are outlining our strategy to them: that we will be supporting those politicians at the next election who support voluntary euthanasia legislation.

Michael Moore's legislation is really our only hope in the near future, as it reduces the penalty for a doctor assisting with a patient's suicide from a maximum of 10 years gaol, to only 3 months, and possibly only \$50 if the Director of Public Prosecutions or a policeman issues an 'offence notice'. Voluntary euthanasia is not permitted in the ACT because of the Federal Government's Euthanasia Laws Act (Andrews' Act), so there must be a penalty. Labor is possibly our best chance (of the two major parties) as they have supported voluntary euthanasia in the past. However, if they don't vote for legislation such as Moore's, they are just as contemptible as the Liberals who generally oppose voluntary euthanasia. Post Andrews Act, we know that voluntary euthanasia must be illegal, but to give a doctor 10 years gaol is insanity, and anyone who opposes Moore's bill must be castigated.

Slogan

We are in need of a slogan, something that is catchy enough to be used by the media, and that we can use routinely against obstinate politicians. How controversial do we want to be? Any ideas?

Doctor's register

Rosemary Dewick, now President of the Voluntary Euthanasia Society of Queensland, has been maintaining a Register for doctors and nurses to offer support and referrals to other medical professionals concerning end-of-life decision making. Sue Cassidy, a registered nurse from our society, has been assisting in running the register. The hotline number is 1 800 655 288, and Sue's number is 02 6294 1775.

Internet addresses

The ACT VES is very active on the Internet. Both Dagmar Robinson and I are in contact with the other Australian VESs (via the AVENET network), and eminent Australian and world figures (including Philip Nitschke). Included below are Internet addresses that are useful sources of voluntary euthanasia information. Many ACT libraries now have Internet access, and I believe that there are sessions where senior citizens can get instruction in how to use the Internet. Have a look at these sites, and see what is there!

South Australia Voluntary Euthanasia Society	http://www.on.net/clients/saves/
	http://www.vicnet.net.au/~vse/vl.htm
Tasmania Voluntary Euthanasia Society	http://www.tased.edu.au/tasonline/vest/vest.htm
Northern Territory Voluntary Euthanasia Society	http://www.users.bigpond.com/waynes/ntves.htm
Deliverance, Dr Philip Nitschke's home page	http://www.ozemail.com.au/~dcar1946/deliverance/
Euthanasia world directory	http://www.efn.org/~ergo/

David Swanton

President ACT branch, NSW VES

28 October 1997

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

YOUR 1998 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS DUE ON 1ST JANUARY

Membership renewals are due on 1 January each year. Please disregard this notice if you have already paid your 1998 subscription. However, if you have not paid, please send this completed form, together with your cheque or money order for your renewal NOW! If you first joined our Society after October, 1997 we will waive your renewal until 1 January 1999. Life members, please disregard this notice.

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California. In both campaigns, Cavalier went straight for the emotions with images of hapless grandparents, sinister health care bureaucracies and mistake-prone doctors. The result was a second come-from-behind win. Money proved influential as well. The opposition campaign spent a total of (in US dollars) \$2.8 million, ten times the amount those in favour of the initiative spent. Significant backing for the opponents came from the California Medical Association and the Catholic Church. In 1994, assisted-suicide proponents in Oregon spent about \$600,000 while opponents spent around \$1.5 million. Cavalier won't discuss his media strategy but he is expected to dispense with the niceties because opinion polls show that his side (before his blitz) is trailing. He is also silent about the budget, although observers say his radio and television expenses could easily exceed \$1 million. Contributions include \$50,000 from the Mormon Church and \$125,000 from the Right to Life. The Catholic Church paid Cavalier \$50,000 for polling and research, according to the financial disclosure report, and

in-kind contributions of at least another \$45,000. Cavalier first began working for the Oregon repeal effort this March, after he had completed work for clients seeking repeal of the Northern Territory's euthanasia law. As readers well remember, Australia's Parliament repealed the law in March.

More Good News:

VES NSW sent a donation to help our like-minded US colleagues in their attempt to win this historymaking decision. While no one really knows, both sides are rumoured to have spent around \$3 million. Associated Press announced on 7 October that prochoice supporters 'out spend foes'. Two contributions (of \$150,000 each) are from Aloha businessman Loren Parks and New York philanthropist George Soros. Barbara Coombs Lee said that 'Soros is well known for contributing to causes where one side is clearly being swamped by money from the other side'.

The Oregon Right to Die Society, in a press release on 8 October, announced that half of Oregon's television stations had refused to show a misleading commercial. In it an announcer says Billy is waiting for a lethal prescription but doesn't know he won't die quickly and will 'choke on his own vomit in painful convulsions, and linger for days'. Barbara Coombs Lee said 'it's ironic that the Legislature used these same lies to send a voter-approved measure back to the ballot for the first time in Oregon's history. And now for the first time in history, television stations are refusing to allow the deceit to continue. Chuck Cavalier may be able to use this kind of advertising in California, but these ads offend Oregonians. We applaud these television stations for having the integrity to stop the lies', she said. In a clever move, supporters of the assisted suicide law have applied the opposition's own 'fatally flawed' tags to opposition ads. As a result, confused voters are likely to vote No so that the law will remain - the outcome the VE supporters want. The voting on 4 November is expected to be heavy. It will be by mail so bad weather or last-minute sensations will have no effect. Watch for details in our next newsletter.

Dr Kevorkian is Releasing a CD

Dr Kevorkian, who attracts a great amount of negative publicity, has recently been in the news for a different reason. He has released a CD album, 'A Very Still Life' which 'incorporates the best elements of both classical and swing'. Richard Leiby, from the Washington Post, writes that it would be a 'deadly mistake' to make jokes about Kevorkian exchanging a scythe for a flute or describe his style as 'too cool, too

detachedand melancholy; in a word, funereal'. Rather, Leiby says it's time to add the word 'musician' to the resume of the 'Michigan Renaissance man, with previous credits as physician, inventor, artist, philosopher and thrice-acquitted assister of 45 suicides. Now he has revealed himself as 'a hot-blooded hep cat [who] prowls throughout the grooves of this pulse-quickening disc'. 'Bet you never knew the

man they call Dr Death is a huge fan of Benny Goodman or Artie Shaw', Kevorkian writes in the album notes. He plays flute in eight of the 12 tunes, accompanied by the Morpheus Quintet. The reviewer notes that while he is no Jean-Pierre Rampal, his song writing clearly reflects his other passion. He injects his compositions with much vigour and rigour.

Newly Released VE Books

Fifteen in Favour:

Lynda Burns and Ian Hunt, editors, *The Quality of Death - Euthanasia in Australia*, Centre for Applied Philosophy at Flinders University. E-mail: ian.hunt@flinders.edu.au

Nina Clark The Politics of Assisted Suicide (Garland, USA)

Jean Davies, Choice in Dying, The Facts About Voluntary Euthanasia (Ward, Lock, UK)

George E Delury, But What If She Wants to Die? A Husband's Story (Birch Lane Press, USA)

Sally B Geis and Donald E Messer, editors, How Shall We Die? Helping Christians Debate Assisted Suicide (Abingdon Press, USA)

James M Hoefler, Managing Death: The First Guide for Patients, Family Members, and Care Providers on Forgoing Treatment at the End of Life (Westview Press, Colorado, USA, & Oxford, UK)

Derek Humphry, Final Exit: The Practicalities of Self-deliverance and Assisted Suicide for the Dying, 2nd edition (Dell, USA)

Stephen Jamison, Assisted Suicide: A Decision-making Guide for Health Professionals (Josey-Bass, USA)

Bert Keizer, Dancing With Mr D: Notes on Life and Death (Doubleday, USA)

John Keown, editor, Euthanasia Examined: Ethical, Clinical and Legal Perspectives (Cambridge University Press, UK)

Sheila McLean and Alison Britton, The Case For Physician Assisted Suicide (Pandora, UK)

Rob Neils, Death with dignity: Frequently Asked Questions (Kendall/Hunt, USA)

Marilyn Webb, The Good Death: The New American Search to Reshape the End of Life (Bantam, USA)

Robert Weir, editor, Physician-Assisted Suicide (Indiana Univ Press, USA)

Sue Woodman, Last Rights: America's Battle Over the Right to Die (Dove, USA)

Two Against:

Herbert Hendin, Seduced by Death: Doctors, Patients and the Dutch Cure (WW Norton, US)

Wesley J Smith, Forced Exit: The Slipery Slope from Assisted Death to Legalised Murder (Time Books, USA)

Members may need to ask a bookshop to order in some of these overseas titles. Why not ask your local library to get some of them?

Queensland's Power of Attorney Bill

Brisbane's Courier Mail (3 September) reported on two studies by the University of Oueensland which found that terminally ill patients fear losing mental faculties, independence and dignity more than they fear pain. The first study involved 1,300 health professionals 1,100 and community members. The second study (of 400 general practitioners and 600 patients) found that 60% of patients, and 43% of health professionals, supported doctorassisted suicide for people who felt that their quality of life was so poor that they did not want to live. 'We found there was a great deal of support for increasing patients' rights to have a say in the medical treatment', the University's Department of Social and Preventive Medicine researcher, Colleen Cartwright said. Both studies have helped in the drafting of Queensland's Power of Attorney Bill, expected to be put to State Parliament in October. It will allow the use of an Advance Directive and proxies to make endof-life decisions.

Editor's Note: Last month the Sydney Morning Herald's Stay in Touch column ran an item about the latest Australian Concise Oxford Dictionary which contains 1,500 new, peculiarly Australian, entries. One is Living Will, which is defined as 'a statement of a person's desire not to be kept alive by artificial means if suffering from a terminal illness'. The fact that we now use the term Advance Directive is proof of the opening sentence, 'It's in the nature of dictionaries that they always lag behind the way people actually talk'.

A British Commercial for Euthanasia

Britain's Daily Telegraph reported on 6 September that an advertisement in favour of euthanasia was shown at a London cinema and may be repeated later this year in conjunction with a leaflet campaign. The 50-second slot (with approvals from the British Board of Film Classification and the Cinema Advertising Association) features Jane McDonald, a 48-year-old victim of multiple sclerosis. The commentary is by Actress Zoë Wanamaker, Vice-President of the Voluntary Euthanasia Society.

John Oliver, general secretary of the society, said that at first there were problems trying to find a cinema which would show the advertisement, but the Odeon West End previewed it and agreed. They showed the advertisement for a week. Mr Oliver said the society had been approached by executives from the advertising agency Euro RSCG Wnek Gosper who said they supported the Society's aims and offered to make an advertisement free of charge. 'Naturally we jumped at the opportunity. We supplied Zoë Wanamaker and Jane McDonald who is one of our members', he said.

Miss McDonald, who has also had breast cancer, is pictured with her dog. Miss Wanamaker gives a list of symptoms and observes that it would be kind to end the misery. It appears that she is referring to the dog. But the camera pulls back to reveal Miss McDonald. Simon Haynes, art director of the agency, said: 'We wanted to get people thinking

without hectoring or preaching'.

Mr Oliver said that 'the aim of the advertisement was to point out that people should have a choice. There have not been any complaints'. They cancelled an accompanying leaflet campaign because it coincided with the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. The Society hopes to try again later. The leaflets say: 'Jane has a good life. Will you help to ensure that she has a good death?'.

Professor Jack Scarisbrick, chairman of Britain's Life Organisation, said that the advertisement was 'disgraceful' and should not have been allowed. He called the views of euthanasia advocates, 'modern liberalism - a nasty if not sinister departure from traditional medical ethics'.

Electronic Expansion and a Handy Hint

Resources for our computer-linked members are:

- Britain's Voluntary Euthanasia Society Internet web-site is the ERGO! electronic mailing list (E-mail address: right_to_die@efn.org).
- The US National Library of Medicine which has made biomedical literature searches available without cost at: http://www4.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/
- The US-based DeathNET was nominated in August by the White House's selection committee 'out of hundreds of web sites to enter the 1997 Global Information Infrastructure Awards in the category of Health'. It doesn't seem likely that Vice-President Al Gore will say 'and the winner is DeathNET'.

Ian Lowe, one of our members, sent a tip of general interest: Anyone wishing to send individually addressed correspondence, for example, to all Federal members of parliament, can do so with least postal expense by enclosing the letters in a postbag addressed to:

The Mail Room House of Representatives Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Japan Holds the Record

The Japan Society for Dying with Dignity, founded in 1976, has 80,800 members, according to its June 1997 newsletter. This makes it the largest such organisation in the world. In 1996 it got 11,600 new members (many of them couples) and lost 5,000 due to death or resignation.

Supportive Parish Priest

Bavarians have donated around \$580,000 to help a nurse who was jailed for five years for practising euthanasia. She was sentenced by a Bavarian Court for injecting an incurably ill 85-year-old woman with a fatal dose of a drug. In the small town where the nurse lived, a collection was organised by the mayor, the parish priest and a teacher.

Discrepancy on attitudes

Dr Keith Woollard, the president of the AMA, during an interview on the 7.30 Report, quoted only one survey of Australian doctors' attitudes towards patients' wishes regarding euthanasia.

He did not mention two previous surveys on doctors' attitudes, also published in the Medical Journal of Australia: one conducted in Victoria in 1988 and one in New South Wales in 1994. The same questions were asked and the same findings reported for both these surveys. They showed that 50 per cent of doctors would be prepared to help their patients die at their patients' request if euthanasia were legal.

The differently worded survey mentioned by Dr Woollard was carried out in 1996. It found that only 10 per cent of doctors would be willing to help their patients.

I'D LIKE TO HELP
YOU DIE WITH DIGNITY,
BUT I'M TOO DIGNIFIED
TO DO IT



Why is there this discrepancy? Could it be that the 1996 survey was designed in such a way that opponents of voluntary euthanasia, such as Dr Woollard, would be happy to quote its outcome?

Vice-President, Voluntary Euthanasia Society of NSW, January 7 Ultimo.

Sydney Morning Herald, 14 January 1997

Baroness Warnock: A Bob Each Way

Baroness Warnock, who is well known for her support of euthanasia (so long as it is a private arrangement), spoke to London's *Times* (19 September) about her husband's VE death. Baroness Warnock, a member of the Archbishop of Canterbury's advisory group on medical ethics, revealed that her husband was helped to die by her general practitioner, Nick Maurice, who advocates euthanasia for terminally-ill patients. Lady Warnock said that her husband's life was deliberately brought to a 'peaceful and dignified' end 18 months ago. Dr Maurice is not said to be breaking the law and is not being investigated by the police or medical authorities.

Sir Geoffrey Warnock, a former Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University, was dying of a rare and extremely painful lung condition. Lady Warnock said that she and the couple's five adult children knew what the doctor was going to do. Her husband had said that he wanted it all to end, and the doctor's intentions were to make his last days more comfortable by giving him more morphine. 'Geoffrey died with dignity and, if he had not had his medication changed, he would probably have lived for only another fortnight'. Lady Warnock said her view had been strengthened by talking to doctors while serving on the recent House of Lords Select Committee on Euthanasia. 'I talked to lots of doctors who said they gave more drugs to help end their patients' suffering. It's something that doesn't really need to be explicitly talked about. I don't feel the law should be changed because it would be so hard to define in legislation how it should be carried out. Doctors already do this themselves and it works well'.

Dr Maurice, who has been the Warnocks' GP for six years, stirred controversy last week when his views on euthanasia were reported in the press. He confessed to having induced a 'quiet and easy death' for two patients in the previous three months, for which their relatives had been grateful. He also invited his patients to fill in advance directives in which they can specify that, if they were to become terminally ill, painkillers should be used if necessary, although they might shorten life. He also argued that

patients would suffer if laws were introduced governing euthanasia. Dr Maurice added: 'I am doing what every other GP in the country is doing but, because I was prepared to raise my head above the parapet, it has provoked this debate. I have given sufficient quantities of morphine to ensure that the physical and mental suffering of the patient, and the relative also, have been kept to a minimum. It would be true to say that a small proportion of patients who have been in intense and sudden pain, or who are in great distress, may require very large doses of morphine and that this may hasten their death. These are terminally ill patients with only a few days left. In the vast majority of cases the pain relief lengthens their lives.'

Editor's Note: People who are rich or have the right connections, such as Jackie Kennedy and Fred Hollows can usually rely on end-of-life medical assistance. However, people who are extremely famous, such as Emperor Hirohito, have had their deaths considerably delayed. For the rest of us, the surest way is to change the laws to ensure that euthanasia is an option for those who wish to use it.

Save my Life and I'll Sue

In Britain, *The Daily Telegraph* reported in May that a retired headmistress, before she committed suicide, hung a note around her neck warning that she would sue anyone who resuscitated her. An inquest was told that a paramedic who was called to her home had tried to revive her. His action became the subject of debate between the emergency services, who said their duty was to save life, and the euthanasia lobby.

The note which the 81-year-old woman left stated that she had taken her own life and ordered anyone who found her not to interfere. The coroner praised the paramedic for ignoring the note and trying to save her. However, a representative of the English Voluntary Euthanasia Society argued that, had the paramedic's efforts been successful, he might have been liable to an action for damages.

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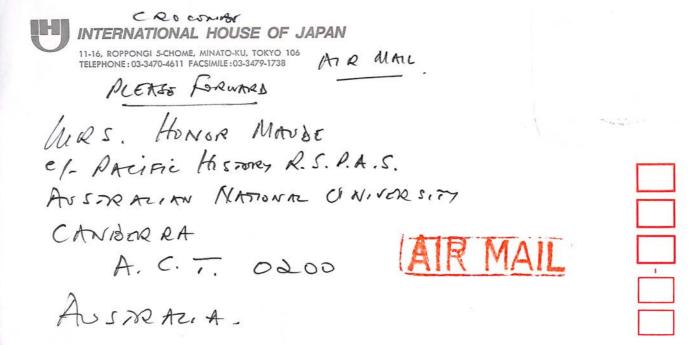
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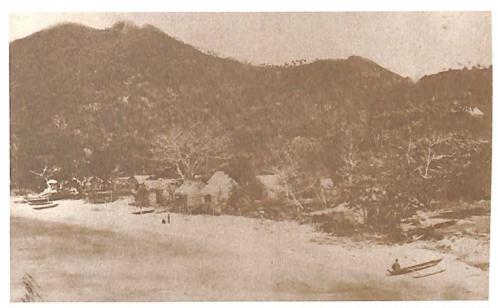
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Dear Honor + Harry 8.10.1996 - I am writing This on Chickigina (Peel Island) in Ogasawara (Bonin I/all), - aluch I first heard about from Harry ages ago, so -PLEATE FORWARD thought of you two. Mu + aus H.E. MAUDE This is an old photo of el- PACIFIC HISTORY the main village but som all is very modern + up to R.S.P.A.S. date with T.V. and fast cars. AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY I have met various CANBERRA descendants (ruchding Nottanial A.C.T. 0200 Sovoy 5th of the original eathers although wort today are full AUSTRALIA. Toproces. A beautiful island + very enteresting. Best wishes A IR MAIL Roa Crocombe

Source of photo on back of it in case you or anyone wants to Ron Crocombe Follow up

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Tear Harry,

Before I leave for Suva l'really must thank you for granting me an audience earlier in the week. I'm most grateful for your continued willinguess to provide reminiscences and information,

When I get back to USP, I'll send as promised a copy of the special issue of the special issue of the special issue of the special issue (vol. 20 "Reflections on Pacific Colands Historiography"). Dotty has 6ts of nice things to say about you in her contribution.

Do pass on my best union to Honor, who I trust makes a speedy recovery.

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Doug trums University of the South Pacific

Mrs Honor Maude Unit 42 11 Namatjira Dr WESTON ACT 2611

11 August 1997

Deavid E. Buffett MLA Deputy Speaker Old Military Barracks Kingston Norfolk Island 2899 South Pacific

Dear David

We were delighted to hear from you. I still remember the big hug I got from Ma Adams after the ceremony of handing you the ring.

I often look at my book of photographs which bring back very pleasant memories of our visit to Norfolk Island.

Our neice, Eryl, wrote us an enthusiastic letter about her visit to you. She enjoyed every minute of it and was thrilled to be connected with the ring.

Thank you too for the photographs you sent us. I have never regretted donating the ring to Norfolk Island.

With our very best wishes,

Yours sincerely

Honor Maude



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2 July 1997

Mrs Honor Maude 42-11 Namatjira Drive Weston A.C.T 2611 AUSTRALIA

Jear Im mander,

This morning I had the pleasure of offering Morning Tea to your niece Eryl Kay, here in Norfolk Island. I was able to show her the room where you and Professor Maude generously presented the Bounty Ring and she was able to view the Ring in the Norfolk Island Museum and talk with the Curator.

I thought whilst this was happening, that I should write to you and reassure you that we in Norfolk Island continue to cherish the Bounty Ring and give it much care.

With warmest regards,

David E. Buffett. MLA DEPUTY SPEAKER



Ms Sandy Polikanski (Maude) 26 Blyth Street PARKSIDE SA 5063

22 September 1997

Dear Sandy

I really must write today to apologise to you for seeing only the possible faults in your kind suggestions for Honor's better care.

I am afraid that I was woken up from a deep sleep and was not objective enough in my reasoning. Please forgive me, because it will not occur again.

Kaye and I sat down this morning and made a list of all the current proposals for Honor's treatment on her return, and you can be sure that yours was at the top. I heard Kaye telephoning to the Angel's outlining your proposal for her night care and she has been promised an estimate of costs.

Honor was due to accompany a team of professionals from the hospital to vet the proposal which we are making for alterations to doors and appliances in this flat to facilitate Honor's moving around; but the whole scheme was unfortunately put off this morning because Honor had a couple of falls during the weekend, but we hope to get things moving again as soon as possible.

Again, my heartfelt apologies for my ill-mannered behaviour last night.

Yours very sincerely

Harry

Mr H. Maude Unit 42 11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611

7 November 1997

The Manager National Bank of Australia 14-16 Brierly Street WESTON CREEK ACT 2611

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: FLEXIACCOUNT NO. 668971122

Effective from 17 November 1997, I have authorised the Department for International Development, Overseas Pensions Department, Payments Section, East Kilbride, Glasgow, UK G75 8EA to direct deposit my pension cheque - Ref No. 044224 - directly into National Australia Bank Account No. 668971122.

On receipt of the pension amount and its conversion into Australian dollars, I hereby authorise that an amount of A\$3,000 be transferred monthly to Westpac Kingston BSB No. 032722, The Salvation Army Mountain View Trust Account No. 107033 and the balance of the pension to remain in my above National Australia Bank Account No. 668971122.

Yours faithfully

Henry Evans Maude

cc The Business Manager Mountain View Hostel, Narrabundah ACT 2604

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18 November 1997

Australian Natl. U. Press Unit 42 Mirinjani 11 Namatjira Dr. Weston, ACT 2611, AUSTRALIA

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to inform you that H. E. Maude's *Slavers in Paradise* has gone out of print. This book had a productive and influential life on our list, since publication in 1981.

The decision of the University administration earlier this year to transfer our fulfillment and warehousing to Cambridge University Press in Port Chester, New York, together with Cambridge's inventory recommendations, made it necessary for us to reduce our overall inventory and to put out of print a number of older, slow-selling titles—titles that we had the luxury of keeping in print indefinitely when we had our own warehouse.

We regret that the administration's decision and ensuing pressure to vacate the warehouse, move close to a million books across country, and dismantle our accounting and customer service systems, all in just sixty days, meant that we had to dispose of the remaining copies of out-of-print editions without having time to notify their authors in advance and allow them to purchase any copies they may have wanted.

With best wishes,

Christie B. Cochrell Assistant Sales Manager

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INTERIM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE THE AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF ANTHROPOLOGY (FORMERLY MANKIND)

C/O THE ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY NSW 2006

12 August 1997

Mr Mande

Dear

By 1987, the Anthropological Society of New South Wales had reached a stage where it existed only as the owner of the journal *Mankind*. In 1990, after canvassing the remaining members of the Society, the journal was re-named *The Australian Journal of Anthropology (TAJA)*.

From 1987 onwards, it became increasingly difficult to conduct an annual general meeting of the Society owing to an inability to form a quorum. Essentially, to ensure continuity of *TAJA* the Society continued to run with a caretaker management committee and an editorial committee appointed by the then Editor. In 1994, changes in management enabled the Society to restore its annual general meetings. By that time it had become embarrassingly clear that the Society as such no longer had a reason for its existence other than as publisher if *TAJA*. Negotiations were made over the past three years to wind up the Society and divest its assets to an alternative organisation with similar aims.

After looking at several possibilities, including an offer by the publisher Blackwell's, to take over *TAJA*, negotiations with the Australian Anthropological Society were undertaken. In late 1996, AAS were presented with a set of proposals which, after some refinement, were accepted at the AAS Annual General Meeting. The Society no longer exists. The existing management committee was asked to continue overseeing TAJA and resolving other matters until October 1997.

Consequently, I have been asked to inform you that with the closure of the Society your life membership has had to be terminated. Should you wish to subscribe to TAJA now that it is owned by the AAS, please write to the Editor, Professor Michael Allen at the above address. On behalf of all former members and of the present TAJA Editorial and Management Committees, I would like to thank you for your support and valuable contribution to the work of the old Society.

Yours sincerely,

PETER J F NEWTON

HONORARY SECRETARY

Mrs H C Maude 42/11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611

12 November 1997

J P Finucane Chief Executive Officer Guide Dog Association of New South Wales And ACT PO Box 496 NORTH SYDNEY NSW 2059

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: CD51 108112

Please find enclosed a cheque for \$500.00.

I have been a long time supporter of the Guide Dog Association but reluctantly must now finalise my contributions to your wonderful cause.

I am 92 years of age and have lost most of my sight. I will shortly be moving to a nursing home and will therefore not be able to attend to my correspondence as I once did. Please do not send me any more literature.

Thank you for the joy that being part of your organisation has given me. May you be able to continue helping those in need.

Yours truly

Honor Maude

12 November 1997

Mr Kent Odegard C/- Tuggeranong Bus Depot PO BOX 1155 TUGGERANONG ACT 2901

Dear Mr Odegard

Please accept the enclosed cheque with many thanks for your kindness in returning my wallet found on the 240 bus.

Yours truly

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12 November 1997

Mr Lothar Sawa C/- Tuggeranong Bus Depot PO BOX 1155 TUGGERANONG ACT 2901

Dear Mr Sawa

Please accept the enclosed cheque with many thanks for your kindness in returning my wallet found on the 240 bus.

Yours truly

H E MAUDE



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May 21, 1997

To: Stanford University Press authors

From: Norris Pope

Subject: Change in the distribution of Stanford Press books

This memo is to explain that beginning June 1, 1997, the distribution of all Stanford University Press books will be handled by the Cambridge University Press Distribution Center, in Port Chester, New York.

This change is the result of the University's decision to put to different uses our existing campus warehouse--once on the campus periphery, but now quite central. Among the alternative possibilities, distribution via Cambridge was deemed the most attractive, not least because it offers our authors a unified system for distributing their books throughout the world. (This change does not affect any other Stanford Press functions.)

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If you have any questions about this arrangement (and, in particular, about how it might affect the distribution of your book), please don't hesitate to contact me.

With regards,

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Mr Harry Maude 42/11 Namatjira Dr WESTON ACT 2611 AUSTRALIA

26 June 1997

Thomas F. King, PhD 410 Windsor Street Silver Spring MD 20910-4242 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dear Dr King

Thanks for your letter of 6 April, 1997. I should have replied long before this but, as you know, my blindness is a handicap and it was constantly being postponed by urgent work connected with our biographical project, which I am anxious to get completed before I depart this life.

To answer your questions -

Question 1

I know nothing about these New Zealanders supposedly on Nikumaroro at the same time as we were; and I cannot see how the two parties (ours and theres) could have been on such a small atoll at the same time without coming across each other. I can only suggest that you get in touch with E.R. Bevington on the matter.

Question 2

No, I don't remember seeing the hut or the overturned whaleboat; although they would not have interested me very much had I done so as my mind was full of the reason for my visit, i.e. the potential of the island for settlement by Gilbertese, including details of the well-water supply and its capacity to grow coconut palms and other food bearing plants.

My interest in Arundel's workers was mainly due to my great friend Sir Albert Ellis, who as a young man was associated with them. He mentions his work on the three southern Phoenix Islands in one of his books; I think it was called

Adventuring In Coral Seas. I was also a friend of Arundel's daughter, Mrs Sydney Aris, so called because she was born on Sydney Island, later known as Manra to our settlers. I deposited all of the many volumes of Arundel's Diaries in the National Library of Australia here in Canberra.

Wishing you all the best.

Yours,

THOMAS F. KING, PHD 410 WINDSOR STREET SILVER SPRING MD 20910-4242, USA 301-585-9572, FAX 301-589-5049, E-MAIL TFKING106@AOL.COM

April 6, 1997

Professor H.E. Maude Unit 42 11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611 AUSTRALIA

Dear Prof. Maude:

I'm just back from Nikumaroro, and wanted to report to you on its situation.

It's still there, of course, though a bit battered by northwesterly storms that have laid waste to a considerable part of what is normally the lee shore. The flagpole is about a third smaller in diameter than it was in 1989, and will, I fear, be gone altogether before long. Gerald Gallagher's grave remains undisturbed, except by a large crab that had dug into it before 1989. Our ship's crew in '89 made short work of him (or her), and the hole does not seem to have been re-occupied. On our next trip, planned for fall of '98, we intend to install a replica of the dedicatory plaque that you and your colleagues placed on the monument, and which has long since disappeared.

The coconuts seem healthy enough, so I thought I could report that the question of whether coconuts can thrive in soils friendly to Buka trees had been answered in the affirmative, but then we were blown by Cyclone Hina to Funafuti, where the coconuts were obviously much heatthier -- producing lots of nuts, which was much more than could be said for those on Nikumaroro. So maybe the trees grow all right in Buka soils, but don't produce very well.

As for Earhart, we found more somewhat ambiguous data -- more airplane parts in the village, many of them in the process of conversion into fish lures and/or hooks and/or handicraft pieces, and several items requiring analysis. As has become traditional with us, it seems, we also got last minute evidence (in this case an oral report of wreckage on the reef, received from a lady in Funafuti who lived on the island in the late '50s) that sends us off in a new direction. For me (Thus, I suppose, is an archaeologist's heart), the most exciting thing we found was one of Laxton's property markers, on the edge of the Sir Harry Luke Highway, that will enable us to tie his sketch map into the distribution of things on the ground.

The island was, as always, beautiful, mysterious, seductive -- the association with Manganibuka makes perfect sense when one is there.

I don't like to trouble you with questions, but I hope I can presume with regard to two points about your visits to the island that puzzle me.

- 1. When you landed the first ten workers on 20 December 1938, records indicate that a party of six New Zealanders was already on the island, surveying the place as a possible seaplane base. According to their reports, they had been based on the land that subsequently came to be known as Nutiran (for obvious reasons) since 1 December, and didn't leave until February of 1939. There is no mention of them in any of your reports that we've found, though their report mentions your arrival. I don't mean to put you "on the spot," but was there some reason for not mentioning them, that might help me to understand the spirit of the times?
- 2. Rather in the same vein, when you and Bevington came ashore in October of 1937, since you disembarked across Norwich City you must have come close to a hut built either by the survivors of that wreck or Arundel's people, and an overturned whaleboat, that the New Zealanders photographed a year later. If you saw these things it didn't cause you to report them, yet Bevington reported, and you recalled, the pile of sand near Baureke Passage that you both saw and interpreted as something left from Arundel's workers. Again, I'm not trying to put you on the spot; I'm just wondering about how you perceived things at the time -- what drew your attention, what didn't.

Any enlightenment you can provide on these points will be very much appreciated. Reading your accounts, and Gallagher's, and Bevington's, and even Laxton's, I'm constantly impressed with how distant I am in time and experience from all of you in those days. I don't begin to understand the contexts in which you made observations, and this limits me greatly in interpreting the historical and archeological record.

We had hoped to take short trips to Orona and Manra, to get some comparative observations and check the prehistoric ruins there -- the Bishop Museum had asked especially for information on their current condition, having not heard of them since they were inspected in 1949 -- but the cyclone drove us away from the Phoenixes and we reached Funafuti only with difficulty. At the airport there -- where of course the occasional arrival of an Air Marshall Islands flight is something that draws everyone in to watch -- we ran into an ex-coastwatcher from New Zealand named Wilson, en route to visit his prior haunts, who had been on Viti with Gallagher on his last return to Nikumaroro. A very poignant send-off, and he gave us other people to contact.

I hope this finds you well. I've ordered all your publications from USP, and paid for them while I was in Fiji, but have not yet received them. I'm very much looking forward to reading them when I do; I looked at one of them while languishing in the departure area bookstore at Nadi, and it looked fascinating. The the

With best wishes

THE CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY OF THE ACT

Dear Fellow Cambridge Graduate,

Sloles Strot PO Box 1535, ACT 2601 I am inviting you to join the Cambridge Society of the AC

An interim committee has recently been set up to form this Branch and has the positive support of the Cambridge Society in Fitzwilliam House, Cambridge, who have supplied me with your name and address. Dr Rafe de Crespigny, Master of University House, ANU, acting as Chairman, Emeritus Professors Anthony Low, formerly President of Clare Hall, Cambridge, Bernard Neuman, and Paul Weaver, with Dr Peter and Mrs Barbara Treacy, have asked me to be its Hon Secretary.

Certain disclaimers need quickly to be made:

- (1)The Cambridge Society (ACT) is not another social club. That would seem superfluous and onerous. Most Cambridge University graduates have enough to do already and, we assume, adequate social outlet. Nevertheless, we do intend to meet, probably over dinner, two or three times a year, as occasioned by visits to Canberra of senior members of Cambridge University.
- The Cambridge Society (ACT) is not a fund-raising organisation, Such bodies already exist. You may already know of the Cambridge Foundation and of the Cambridge Australia Trust. One forwards the work of Cambridge University generally, the other focusses on funding scholarships. If you wish to explore this avenue further, you may contact them both c/- University House, GPO Box 1535, Canberra City 2601 [Fax 06 249 8830].
- (3) The Cambridge Society (ACT) does not exist to celebrate longingly some idealised period of Cambridge past. Most Cambridge colleges organise functions to satisfy such appetites.

The Cambridge Society (ACT), however, has been formed to advance within Australian society a wider understanding of the role of modern universities, of which Cambridge University is a pre-eminent model.

With this in mind we have invited the new Master of Selwyn College, Sir David Harrison, CBE FEng, to address our inaugural dinner to be held in University House on Friday August 8, and he has agreed. (A response sheet is attached).

We have shaped our identity on that of the central Cambridge Society, whose Objects are:

- '...the advancement of the welfare and interests of the University of Cambridge as a place of education, religion, learning and research, including:
- (a) the encouragement of closer relations between resident and non-resident members of the University by fostering interests which they have in common;
- (b) keeping members of the Society informed of events in the University and of any questions which concern its welfare:

If you wish to take out concurrent membership, the ACT branch committee suggests that you send us your annual subscriptions for the central Cambridge Society in Australian currency (for the duration of 1997, \$21.50 single membership and \$32 couple). This should greatly assist those who do not maintain UK accounts (and face disproportionale bank fees to remit in pounds sterling). Any extra amounts will help us meet our own presently minimal administrative costs.

No payment is asked of those who wish only to enrol in the Cambridge Society (ACT).

Please signify your level of interest on the attached sheet and return it to us.

The ACT branch committee thank you for giving time to reading this, and await your response.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Robert S M Withycombe,

Hon Sec, Cambridge Society (ACT)

Mr Harry Maude 42/11 Namatjira Dr WESTON ACT 2611

21 May 1997

Mrs Kay Kepler 400 Snapfinger Drive ATHENS GA 30605 USA

Dear Kay

While we were sending the last of our old correspondence to Adelaide we found this letter among them and as it is the original letter which I sent to Colony Headquarters, Ocean Island on the subject of the Declaration of Bird Sanctuaries on Enderbury, Phoenix, Birnie and McKean Islands I am sending you a copy for your records. Unfortunately the enclosures mentioned were not with the letter.

Wishing you all the best in your wandering life on cruise ships.

Yours Ever

Enclosure copy - Susan abodhorn has original letter.

H E & H C Maude 42/11 Namatjira Dr WESTON ACT 2611

29 April 1997

The Curator Norfolk Island Museum Norfolk Island

Dear Sir/Madam

THE BOUNTY RING

The ring which I presented to the Norfolk Island Museum-to-be has now been in your Museum for some years and several people have remarked to me there is no explanation as to how I came to be on Pitcain Island and discover the ring. The facts are as follows -

Honor Maude accompanied her husband H.E. Maude to Pitcain on an official visit to prepare a Constitution and Code of Laws.

They had with them their 2 year old son Alaric and as their visit was to be for 3 months Honor planted vegetable seeds to enable Alaric to have fresh vegetables. As she pulverised the soil in her hands she felt the ring between her fingers. The site was once underneath the floor of John Adam's house and the ring must have dropped between the uneven floor boards. John Adam's wife was then blind so this would explain why the ring was so easily lost.

It took a good deal of washing before the crown and GR appeared revealing the genuiness of her

discovery. The islanders insisted that as she had found it she should keep it and she deposited it in the Auckland Museum for safe keeping until the war was over. Some years later Honor decided to deposit it in your Museum which was then under construction.

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Old Cholmeleian Society

Australia - New South Wales Section



Representative: Nick Booth 34A Third Avenue EPPING NSW 2121 (02) 9868 2197

Dear OC,

My apologies for the long delay since the last OC function, caused mainly by my inertia.

Arrangements are now in hand for a gathering on Wednesday 14 May at The Little Snail restaurant, 135 Broadway, Ultimo, at 7.30 pm. Information about the restaurant is on the reverse. As you can see, it offers a three-course meal for \$22. Please either BYO or buy your own drinks. I have had lunch there at a farewell for a colleague, and it is a pleasant place for a gathering.

Parking is available in the old brewery building opposite the University of Technology, about a block away, or you could probably find street parking within a reasonable distance.

As this function is to be at a restaurant, it is essential that I have firm numbers a week in advance to confirm the booking. Would you please let me know by Sunday 4 May whether you will be able to attend. As always, partners and other family members are welcome to come if they wish. I can be contacted at home 9868 2197, work 9514 2162, fax 9514 1272, or e-mail <Nick.Booth @uts.edu.au>.

Yours sincerely

Nick Booth

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There are also party rooms for groups for the value for such delifrom 15 to 150 people at both restaurants.

The menu offers dishes such as entrees- Prawn Monday to Friday and bisque, French onion dinner seven nights. coun enaile in the shell

nothing garlic butter, duck liver slow about The pate, Caesar salad, fried Snail calamari with tartare sauce, baby octopus salad, wild mushroom crepe and prawns with sweet chilli (\$4 extra).

Main courses are lamb fillet with Rosemary sauce or chicken fillet with honey and ginger sauce or trout with dill cream sauce, lamb fillet with pepper sauce or beef fillet with peppe. sauce (\$5 extra) or, kangaroo steak with sweet berry sauce (rare only) or grilled salmon fillet (\$3 extra).

For dessert, try chocomousse, creme late caramel, poached pear or lemon cheesecake, pecan pie, profiteroles, mango bavarois, wild berry mousse or brie (\$2 extra). Service is excellent and the atmosphere is happy and bright.

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Mr H. Maude 42/11 Namatjira Dr WESTON ACT 2611

23 April 1997

Mr Nick Booth 34A Third Avenue EPPING NSW 2121

Dear Mr Booth

Thank you once again for including me in your mailing for OC functions, however, as I am now in my 91st year, blind and hard of hearing it is no longer possible for me to attend such occasions. For this reason I would be grateful if you would remove my name from your mailing list.

My best wishes for a very happy gathering on 14 May.

Yours sincerely

H. E. Maude

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H.E. Maude 42/11 Namatjira Dr WESTON ACT 2611

16 April 1997

V P Cuppens 24 The Avenue Niddrie VIC 3042

Dear Ms Cuppens

I must explain that I am in my 90's and also blind as far as reading or writing is concerned, but I am glad to be of any help

I think the best I can do is to send you a copy of the section of the Maude genealogy dealing with our side of the family. The whole genealogy, which I have not seen, is I believe a fearsome document and is kept in London by the head of the family, whose name I have also forgotten.

It goes back to William the Conqueror, with only three names missing, I believe. The Maude family, I understand, was born in the Swiss mountains, overlooking Italy; but in the year 1700, or thereabouts, came down and settled on better land for farming close to the river Po. In 1064, approximately, Eustace de Monte Alto (down from the High Mountains) as the family were then called, answered the call of William of Normandy and came with some 700 men to fight for him at the Battle of Hastings.

In return he was given extensive lands in Cheshire, where Hawarden (pronounced Harden) Castle was built as our headquarters.

A century or so later when everything in England was Frenchified our name was changed to De Montalt and under this name they fought at Flodden Field, where they captured the King of Scotland and we were allowed to add the head of the King of Scotland behind a bar, as you can see on my

signet ring.

Later still, some of the Maudes fought in Ireland and were granted land there and their descendants have in some cases returned to Yorkshire and Lancashire, but in some cases the Maude name has got twisted.

If you would like, I could send you particulars of the title and publishers of some books on the Maudes, such as Sir Stanley Maude's biography, the account of the Maudes of Christchurch, New Zealand, and the autobiography of John Maude.

I hope that some of this may be of interest to you, and I am sorry that my failing memory due to age cannot think of much more.

Wishing you all good luck in your search for your ancestors.

Yours sincerely

The Pacific Theological College Privat Mail Bag, Suva FIJI

27 November, 1996

Dear Honor and Harry,

We have recieved your letter (aerogramme), and thank you so much for writing to us.

Rakunene Teaotai, who was ill when we left Canberra, is now well and very happy here in Fiji. On that morning when we flew out of Canberra to Sydney, Rakunene had a mild fever but we thought he was fine; however, he got very sick when we left Sydney on our way to Fiji. He vomited several times on the plane, I guess because of the high altitude, and his temperature rose. The flight took about five hours and we were very worried. Rakunene looked very weak, and his breathing was not normal; whizzing sounds accompany every breath he made; he was struggling to breathe. Neina, who hold him most of the way to Fiji, was crying, which was not very helpful to me for it made me confused. All sorts of ideas came into my mind.

Iaoniman, who was so happy to fly in a very big plane (a 747 compared to the small 737s he is used to) was asking a lot of questions. While I tried to attend to Neina and Rakunene, Ioaniman kept me busy by taking him back and forth to the toilet and around the plane to explore. Ruta and Tion, who had been looking forward to this flight (flying in real Jumbo Jet 747), sat accross the ailse from us. I let them enjoy the flight, so I didn't bother them with Iaoniman. Iaoniman finally was settled whan a movie was screened.

We arrived in Nadi Airport at about 10.00 pm. Rakunene was sleeping. His vomiting had stopped, but his high temperature still remained. His breathing seemed to be getting worse, and I was starting to get worried. I guessed I panicked a bit, for I misplaced our travel papers (exempted port papers for we did not have proper visas) and we were taken to a special room away from the long queues. We stayed there for about 20 minutes. At one one of the counters we checked in to continue our flight, we were told that our plane had gone. I was annoyed with myself, but looking at Rakunene I thought it was good that we missed our connection to Suva, for Rakunene looked very weak for another flight. On our way out of the teminal, we were called and told by the agents that it was not our fault we missed our connection, it was the airline's and they were prepared to put us in a hotel of our choice closest to the airport at their expense. Tion and Ruta decided on our hotel; they chose one of the luxuriest and most expensive one in Nadi since it was the airline that was paying for our stay and meals.

We stayed for two days in Nadi when Fiji Air finally got seats for us on Sunflower Airlines to Suva. The two days rest in Nadi was very good for Rakunene. His fever had gone down a bit but his

body was still very weak for he has not eaten anything since we left Canberra; he rejected everything he was given.

On arrival in Suva we were taken immediately to the hospital and Rakunene was adimitted into the emergency ward. He was given an injection, some medication, and put on a breathing apparatus to help his breathing every half hour. He didn't like the gas mask on his face and the nurses had a hard time controlling him every time they put him on the breathing apparatus. Although very weak, somehow there was still some energy left in him to struggle with the nurses. He bit the hand of one of the nurses during one of those scuffles. Rakunene was on medication and under emergency care for about a week.

Rakunene's health has now returned. He has gained weight, and now we are controlling his eating or he will become very fat. His vocabulary has increased, and now he has no problem asking for food or wanting to go to toilet; he knows the name of every member of the family and even some of the neighbours. Life is back to normal now for evey member of the family, except me. I guess my work on my doctoral thesis and the worries in those trying weeks when Rakunene was very sick had completely drained me out. Several times I thought we were going to lose him.

The children are now in their new schools. Iaoniman goes to Etina Havea Kindergarten, owned by the Pacific Theological College. I take him with me every morning since my office is close to his school. He's enjoying school, even when he is sick he still wants to go to school. 'Ioio', as his friends and teachers call him, is now becoming popular in his school.

Ruta goes to Veiuto Primary school, quite close to the College where I work. Since her arrival, she has remained at the top of her class. We are awaiting the full results of their end of year examination for I promised her she would get a surprise if she comes first in her class. The results of some of her subjects that have been returned are very good; she came first in most and came second only in maths and drawing.

We couldn't get a place for Tion in class six. The only place available and close to my work was at Suva Grammar School in form one. We put him there in form one with the view that he will remain in the same class next year as well. However, Tion seems to be doing well, and his class teacher and others taking him in other subjects think that Tion can and will go on to form two.

Tion joins the School cricket team. He is the vice-captain of the team. He is one of the bowlers in the team, a fast top-spin bowler. In early October, they toured Viti Levu playing cricket with other secondary schools. They returned with several trophies.

Im' settling in in my new job. Andrew Thornely, a former student of Niel Gunson and a graduate also of the Australian National University is the head of our history department here. Earlier this month, the College launched the book he co-edited with Doug

Munro, a reader in history at the University of the South Pacific. The book, The Covenant Makers: Islander Missionaries in the Pacific is co-published by the Pacific Theological College and the Institute of Pacific Studies of USP. Andrew is returning at the end of this year to support his wife, Carolyne, who is a minister of the Uniting Church of Australia, in her ministry probably in Sydney.

After Andrew's departure, I will be left with John Broadbent, a Roman Catholic Priest and former rector of a Catholic seminary in Auckland. He is taking the history of the Early Church next year while I'll be taking all of the courses on Pacific History. I have only one student in the master's programme to supervise, so I hope I have enough time to work on my own thesis.

Neina and Rakunene stay most of the time at home in Nasese, which is not very far from the College. Our house is on the same road with the new Parliament House (the old parliament house was situated opposite the Travelodge Hotel in the heart of Suva), and so security is not a problem in our area. However, we are moving in onto the College campus at the end of January next year.

The College academic year has ended, so now the College is very quite, but I am still comming to the office to work on my chapters. I hope to complete my draft by end of April next year.

The copies of my book In Their Own Words: History and Society in Gilbertese Oral Tradition have finally reached Kiribati. They are sold at \$7.50 each. The copies sent out to the Kiribati Protestant Church have been sold out. I understand that the other distribution points are the National Archives and the Autralian High Commission office in Bairiki. A good publicity of the book was made over the radio and in the weekly newspaper, Te Uekera.

We are not going anywhere during this long holidays. We planned earlier to go to Kiribati, but we have now decided that we are not going; I need all the time I can get to work on my thesis. We'll be celebrating Christmas and New Year in Suva on our own.

Neina is very happy with the sewing machine Honor gave her. Our neighbour, an Indian Couple, are very good, and the wife has taught Neina how to sew. Neina has attempted two shirts; I like the second shirt she sewed, and I wear it everywhere. The first shirt she sewed, unfortunately, cannot be worn in public: it is good only for the house for it is somewhat out of proportion.

We keep talking about you to our friends, and they envy us for knowing you personally and as friends. Most cannot believe that you folks are in your nineties and well and working on Harry's book on Nui.

Our love to you both!

Kan na Kabara,

Neva, Kanbati and

the Children - Tion,

Rata Laoniman, and

Rakukene. May God bless you both, look upon you with favour, and give you good health.

Tape 10 Kanbati

Harry & Honor Maude 42/11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611

16 April 1997

Kambati K. Uriam
The Pacific Theological College
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Dear Kambati Nei Na

I am so sorry it has taken me such a long time to answer your letter of last November because we were so happy to hear from you and to hear about your journey and how you and the children had settled in. The journey must have been a worrying one for you with Rakunene so sick. And it was just as well as you said that you missed the connection to Fiji. I can imagine Tione and Rwta enjoying staying at a very good hotel as the ones in Nandi are very good - we stayed there once and enjoyed it very much.

I can imagine too how much Tione and Rita enjoyed the trip in the really big plane and the film. I wonder what the film was about? I wonder too whether they slept at all, because I think you left at night. I see you are living, or were living, at Narsisi, so you should have found other Gilbertese there as well as this very nice Indian women you describe who is helping Nei Na to sew. Fancy making shirts they are awful things to make. I think she is very clever if she has made one you can wear to work. We are wondering how you are liking the work and the people you work with and hope, as you say, that you will find time to get on with your thesis.

It is good news to hear that, In Your Own Words is in the Gilberts and getting good publicity and has actually sold out. Congratulations. Harry brings it out now and again when we have the odd visitor. It is surprising how many

visitors we do have. We had Ron Crocombe here a couple of weeks ago and it was great seeing him again as we havn't seen him for years. We also had Jean Paul Latouche and we hadn't seen him for a long time. He has promised to come again in a little while. We hope he brings his wife with him. His children, of course, are school age and may not be able to take time off. Unbelievable that his boy, whose name I did remember, is now 15 years old, so it must have been 7 years since he was here. He is a nice person.

We have been wondering if you felt the hurricane at all. You probably had some fairly strong wind even if you weren't very near it. I was in Suva once when they had a bad hurricane in Nausori and we boarded up all the windows and brought in all the pot plants - the rain would beat in through the windows and as it happened I had a friends 3 children staying overnight as she was in hospital. As far as I remember they all slept well and I think we did too. It was over before the night was over. Frightening things they are, Just as well we don't get them in Kiribati.

Harry is well and still goes for long walks, not every day but quite often and I go with him sometimes. He, with the the 3 canoes that drifted alison has finished the story of

the island of Nui. They worked out dates with the help of at least 2 genealogies that Harry had, and the dates came out much the same, also the date in which they left Samoa for Vaitupu when the first Samoans arrived in the Ellice Islands. Then we were able to link up these dates with the visit of Mendana and his voyaging around the world and the first missionary. They were firm dates that they could link up with the dates they got from the genealogies. And I think his secretary, who had never done anything like it before, got so interested you couldn't stop her. She is very good with figures fortunately. That paper is quite a small one. It is first of all going into a Festschrift and then we will get it published as a small booklet and you will certainly get one in due course.

I, unfortunately, have become really old and my blood pressure is starting to go all over the shop, still not very good, and my eyesight is dimming. I knew that would happen as I had cataracts and I had an aunt who had the same trouble. But everyone tells me I am lucky to be so strong

otherwise which is true.

You will remember Mrs Mountifield who lives nearby. She is going to be 96 this year, and although very frail, I don't know the Gilbertese word for that, she still does her walk every day around the block with her sort of seat on four wheels. I went with her one day and was quite tired after the end of the walk. I'm sure she must have been very tired too.

We have a grandson, Richard and his wife Belinda staying not so very far away and they are very good about ringing us up at least once a week to see we are alright and now and again coming and bringing a curry or this week they came and cooked for us and we all had a meal together. Alaric and sandy are coming this next weekend and will no doubt get going on the garden. Alaric has become a tremendous gardener and I was able to go over to Adelaide just before I got ill and spent 4 days over there enjoying a house which they have been re-constructing more or less. They have altered all the sitting/kitchen into an open light place looking into a lovely garden that Alaric has made. He has become a very keen gardener and has done very well. It is very near the city and an old house which needed a lot of renovating and they have enjoyed doing it. They have done a lot of the work themselves in the way of painting. Richard and Belinda also bought a house which needed a lot of renovating and Richard scrapes off old paint and gets it ready for the painters to come in and put on new paint.

Alaric's daughter Susan, had a son in June 1995 so we now have one great-grandson. His name is Declan, and has been brought over several times to see us. He is a lovely boy. He will be 2 years old next month and he is Alarics's daughter's son and Alaric and Sandy enjoy having him visit and as there are twin boys living next door to Alaric and they come across with all their little tricycles and other toys and Declan has a lovely time - so I enjoyed my 4 days with them very much indeed.

Richard and Belinda took me to the airport here and Belinda handed me over to the air hostess to make sure I was looked after. Alaric and Sandy met me at the other end and then the same thing happened on the way back. When we got to Adelaide I had to wait until all the other people had left

the plane. I was then put into a lift that was right out in the open and lowered to the ground. They then wheeled me into the airport. The same thing happened when I came back. I suppose one day they will build a proper place to get in and out of airplanes.

All our library went to Adelaide to join Harry's earlier collection so they now have the largest library on the Pacific Islands in Australia. The Librarian put on an exhibition in Adelaide in which Alaric spoke for Harry and later a smaller exhibition was sent here for us to see. Harry, of course, had to speak from memory so we spent several days making it up and then he learnt it, very successfully.

With our love to you all and best wishes to Tione and Nei Rwta for their studies. Iaoniman we hope is enjoying his play school.

Flourishing

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Honor and Harry

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Cultural Environmental Planning and Assessment, Education and Training

January 26, 1997

Prof. Harry E. Maude 11 Namatjira Drive, Unit 42 Weston ACT 261 Australia

Dear Professor Maude:

Thank you so much for your recent letter. I'm always reluctant to bother you, knowing how busy you are and how difficult it must be to respond to me, given your blindness.

Anyway, thanks both for your answers to my questions and for pointing me toward the maps you had made of the Nikumaroro villages -- and in advance, for the papers.

I'll be leaving on February 20 for Nikumaroro. You'll be much on our minds as we wander through the Bukas and the quiet streets of "Karaka" village. The PISS was a magnificent effort, and one that may yet bear fruit; I understand the government of Kiribati is planning another effort to resettle the Phoenixes.

I'll be in touch when I return in late March, to let you know how the place is holding up.

With deep respect and best wishes,

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Cultural Environmental Planning and Assessment, Education and Training

November 30, 1996

Dr. Harry Maude 42/11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611 AUSTRALIA

Dear Dr. Maude:

Thank you so much for your gracious letter of November 6. I hope this finds you not only alive but well.

I don't like to trouble you, but I do have three further requests, if I may:

- 1. I would very much like to obtain seven of the eight monographs you listed in the attachment to your letter, which you indicated you could provide. I have your 1977 paper on the evolution of the Boti, but have not seen the others. I'll be happy to pay whatever costs are involved, of course.
- 2. Can you give me a contact person's name and address at the Archival Section of the University of Adelaide? I'd very much like to try to get a copy of the plan you had made of the villages on Nikumaroro; this would be a tremendous help in our research.
- 3. Can you, perhaps, recall what sort of debris made up the little pile that you and Bevington looked at, and what about it led you to conclude that it was deposited by Arundel's workers?

Thank you very much for all your assistance, and best wishes for the holiday season.

Sincerely,

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Professor H E Maude Unit 42 11 Namatjira Drive Janaia Elusa in 1922 WESTON ACT 2611 Decipion in company Use AUSTRALIA

15 January 1997

Institute of Pacific Studies
University of the South Pacific
PO Box 1168
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Dear Sir/Madam

Please send the following books to the address given below and debit him with an account for the all inclusive cost for the books.

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1. The Gilbertese Maneaba

Tungaru Traditions

Traditional Stories from the

Northern Gilberts
4. The Story of Karongoa

5. An Anthology of Gilbertese Oral Tradition

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Send to:

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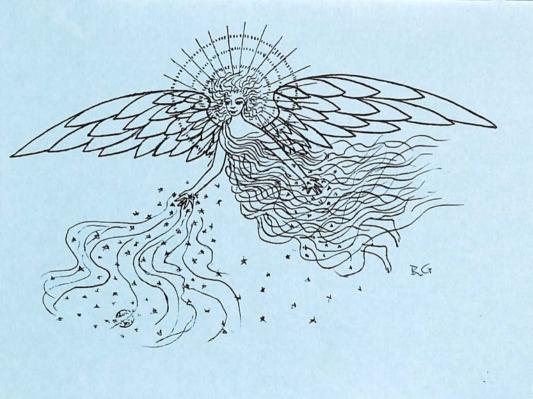
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As far as I remember the debris you speak of looked like a pile of coral sand. I concluded that it would be from Arundel's workers because they were the only people to live on the island prior to our arrival. If you want further information on the history of the occupation of Gardner Island you could also ask Susan from Adelaide to photocopy the section on Gardner Island in my monograph titled Report on the Phoenix and Line Islands with Special Reference to the Question of British Sovereignty, Suya 1940.

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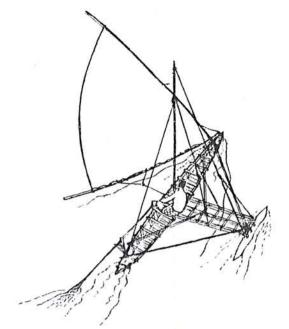
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Honor and Harry Many Good Wishes with love Losemony



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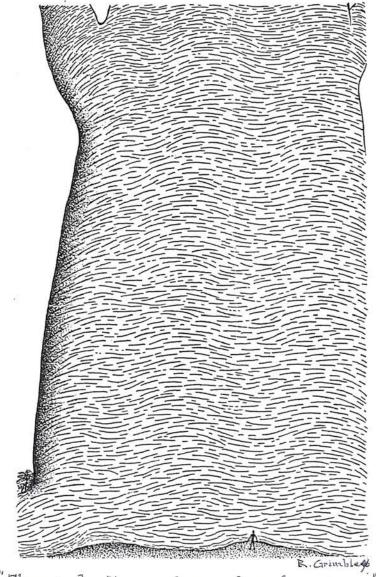
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I hope all goes well.

With Pove, Soth to you and

Honox.

Yours Posenvory



"There stood, on Tarawa, a huge and wondrous tree ..."

Unit 42 11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611

16 January 1997

Rosemary Seligman 28 Stanley Road Wimbledon LONDON SW19 8RF ENGLAND

Dear Rosemary

Thank you for your letter of October last which has turned up again for some reason. I see that it contains one query. Yes, I would like John Murray's to have a look at *Tungaru Traditions*, if you think that they are still interested in such matters. I agree with you that it was a very well produced book, but that is due to the Publishers in Honolulu and also to the Editor, rather than to me.

We are near the end of the Colonisation of Nui which is to come out in a shortened form as an article in Ron Crocombe's Festschrift and then slightly amended as one of the I-Kiribati Series. After that we have only to finish the final typing of a work giving the documentary history of the Gilberts to 1875. It will be a useful book for future Gilbertese historians to use as it contains all sorts of documentation written about the Gilbertese.

Must stop now and get on with the book.

Yours ever



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28th January, 1997

Dr Harry Maude, Unit 42, 11 Namatjira Drive, WESTON, ACT 2611 AUSTRALIA.

Dear Dr Maude,

It is such a pleasure and a privilege to receive your letter of 27 Nowember and to have the additional delight to have a long standing problem resolved.

I have just ordered and received your book "An anthology of Gilbertese oral tradition", and am in the midst of checking all our holdings and will obtain all your material which the library does not already hold. Fortunately, I am glad to say, that that is very little. I see that the typeface of your letter to me and of your book "An anthology of Gilbertese oral tradition" are similar - does this mean, that you have prepared the entire publication?

We are most grateful to have received also your "Journeys through Pacific history" which will be included in the library and for which I thank you sincerely.

You may be interested to learn that the RAI library having just celebrated its 150 anniversary of existence has been merged with the library of the Department of Ethnography, British Museum, and both are soon to move to a new building in Museum Street opposite the main British Museum into a building which is to become the British Museum Study Center. Here it will form the nucleus of the British Museum collections and be more available to a broader range of scholars and researchers — an exciting prospect for the collection of books that we have.

Meanwhile I shall be in Australia at the end of March and will be visiting a former Reader from the Univ. of Queensland who now lives in Weston, ACT, so I trust that the summer is not too hot, and with best wishes for 1997, and our very grateful thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Beverley Emery (Mrs)

RAI Library representative.

H.E. Maude
Unit 42
11 Namatjira Drive
WESTON ACT 2611
4 March 1997

Mrs Beverley Emery RAI Library Representative Museum of Mankind 6 Burlington Gardens LONDON W1X 2EX

Dear Mrs Emery

Thank you for your cordial letter of 28 January, 1997.

I am glad that you will soon have a complete collection of my I-Kiribati series of books. I got going on these soon after my retirement as an attempt to return to the islanders all the material on their culture which Grimble and several others had collected from their ancestors. It has proved a success and I am told by a recent European visitor that for the first time on any of his visits he was overwhelmed with discussion and queries about Gilbertese culture and history.

If you really find yourself so far afield as the wilds of Weston, ACT, please ring us up on 288 0121 and perhaps we could meet and have a talk on common interests.

I took my Honours at Cambridge in Anthropology in 1929 and became a Fellow of the RAI in the 30's; but somehow my wandering life in the Central and South Pacific broke the link, probably because I missed receiving letters for months on end. Altogether I lived on, or at least visited, over 100 islands in the area, being at one time Consul in Tonga, Administrator of Pitcain Island and Resident Commissioner of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony, before leaving to be in charge of the Social Development Program of the South

Pacific Commission and later Professorial Research Fellow at the ANU.

In answer to your query, yes my wife or I did type most of the book 'An Anthology of Gilbertese Oral Tradition' on my Olivetti Word Processor. It was not really difficult material.

Wishing you all the best in the Antipodes: Summer is nearly over and it will be Autumn when you arrive - and probably too cold.

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4 March 1997

Mrs Phyllis Bhogal 30 Norman Crescent Point Lonsdale VICTORIA 3225

Dear Mrs Bhogal

Thank you for your letter of 6 January 1997.

I had some difficulty in replying as I am in my 90's and too blind to be able to read or write so I have to await an opportunity from someone else who could render this service.

I am afraid that all my books and papers on the Pacific Islands are now deposited in the Maude Library attached to the Barr Smith Library at the University of Adelaide and I have nothing at all in this retirement village on the subject of documentary material in Tahiti or Samoa.

My wife's cousin was for many years the only solicitor in Western Samoa and he would have been the person to contact. But alas, he and his wife are both dead and I have no idea who you could approach nowadays to look up the information you require.

My only suggestion is that when the time is opportune you should fly to Apia and find out for yourself who can help most. The same applies to Papeete where I remember that the best newspaper by far was the Messager de Taiti of which there are copies in Australia, which you could find by consulting the lists of Pacific Islands newspapers in the book on that subject, of which there would be a copy in your State Library in Melbourne.

I am sorry to be of so little use to you but you will understand that an aged and blind person living far from libraries and with a very faulty memory is unlikely to be of much help.

Wishing you success in your endeavours to locate your ancester.

Yours sincerely

30 Norman Crescent Point Lonsdale Victoria 3225 Jan 6, 1997

Mr H.E.Maude, Mirinjani Village, Namatjira Drive, Weston ACT 2611

Dear Mr Maude,

You do not know me at all, but I am one of the many descendants of Thomas James McGrath, the rogue whaler you wrote about in your book about Slavers in Paradise. I was already very fascinated by the story of this man's life, and I have come to the conclusion that he was not an honest man obviously, but he certainly had a bad start in life. I won't go into it all here as it would take quite a few pages to tell you all about him.

This is my query. My co-Family History Researcher and I have already travelled to Stewart Island and Tahiti in 1992 trying to fill in the gaps as to what happened to him after he was charged with barratry, and we presume went to prison in New Zealand. Up to now I have not beer able to find this out because court records in NZ have not been kept I've been told as far back as 1864.

He died in Papeete Tahiti in 1882. The only little bits of information we got in Tahiti were his death certificate, where he admitted or at least the informant did that he was married to Elizabeth Pearce who resided in Tasmania (an English colony).

No burial information was forthcoming even though we visited the

nearest large cemetery in Papeete without any luck.

The other lonely piece of information, about half a sentence mentioned him as certain commercant du nom de McGrath, "a homme deconsidere dans le pays". This was in reference to a French marine Officer Eyriaud Desvergnes who obviously was fraternising with McGrath to his detriment. The remark was in Tahitiens, Reportoire bibliographique de la Polynesie Francoise.

Family oral history has a bit of a puzzle to it. Poppy (my research 2nd cousin) told me her father was sure there was a link between Robert Louis Stevenson and Mcgrath, but certainly not in Tahititas RLS didnt go there until I think 1888. Poppy's father thought it was in Samoa, where TJMcG must have gone many times. The only way there could be a link is IF TJMbG had another family. It seems unlikely in Tahiti but could have been possible in Samoa. What I would like to know is iffPoppy and I go there, is it possible to find out such information. It seemed to me to be logical to ask you first, as you do know such a mighty amount about the South Seas? (I recently read a recent publication by a former resident and your name was mentioned more than once) Incidentally I lived for nearly 7 years in Papua New Guinea in 1960's leaving theresin 1970. I went there with my husband, an Indian architect and one child, and 2 more sons were born in Port Moresby so I still feel a kinship with that country. However I have never been back there, and now I am a widow, I doubt very much if I will go there again due to the very bad crime situation. Not at all like that in 1960's. As well a Very good friend of mine and his wife spent about 7 years previous to my going to PNG, in Ocean Island, so maybe you knew them. Bryan and Margaret Harrington. I went to school in Hobart with them both. They live there still, but I came to Victoria in 1953 before I was married and have never returned to live but have visiteds lots of times.

About a Samoan family - Poppy and I thought maybe he did have another family there and RLS may have met the children, because we read that Fanny Stevenson was very good to the mixed race children in Samoa, teaching them dancing etc.

Poppy and I want to go on a visit, but we don't know when because her husband has developed Alzheimer's disease and cannot be left alone. So we will only be able to go if she can have him taken care of for 2-3 weeks. This is possible but very hard to say exactly when. We, incidentally, are also very interested to have a look at the house he built and so we would have more than one reason to go there, apart from its beauty.

Please excuse this lengthy letter. I'm afraid I talk and write too much! I hope you are not bored with reading it though. Incidentally I found your address from a fellow descendant of TJMcG Dr John Howe, who told me he knew you and has sent me your address today.

The research we would like to be ableeto use is birth death & Marriages shipping records, and any mention of McGrath name wherever we can find it. We didn't have much luck at all in Tahiti. When we asked did they have any old newspapers they said ,yes 1960!! We told them thats a bit too modern for us. His reply was, newspapers don't keep in this climate!! He was not very helpful.

Thank you for your book on the blackbirding industry. I read it all with much interest.

I look forward to your reply,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs) Phyllis BHOGAL

(Mis) P. Chogal

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4 February 1997

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Mrs H.C. Maude Unit 42, Mirinjani Vlge Weston, ACT, 2611

Dear Mrs Maude

In 1994, you were kind enough to allow us to interview you a second time for our Study of Health and Well-being in older people in Canberra and Queanbeyan. Your help was very important as it ensured that information could be obtained about the health of a representative sample of people.

Enclosed you will find a brochure to tell you about some of the results from the second phase of the survey. We hope that it will be of interest to you. The information we have gained from this study is of great value, both for medical research and for the planning of better health care throughout Australia.

In 1998, we will carry out the survey for a third time. The usefulness of our research will be much greater if we interview you again. It will enable us to look at factors involved in changing health over an eight year period. I very much hope that you will allow us to interview you a third time. This will be the end of our eight year study.

Yours sincerely

Professor Scott Henderson

Director

lo/2. - Yes, will be happy to participate

CANBERRA & QUEANBEYAN SURVEY OF HEALTH & WELL-BEING IN LATER LIFE

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PSYCHIATRIC EPIDEMIOLOGY RESEARCH CENTRE

with the participation of 1045 community residents



In 1994 the Psychiatric Epidemiology Research Centre (formerly the Social Psychiatry Research Unit) carried out a second survey of older people in Canberra and Queanbeyan who had been surveyed in 1990-91. You were one of over one thousand people who very kindly helped in this by allowing one of our research staff to interview you. This brochure has been produced to let all participants know how our research is progressing and what we have learned so far.

The aim of this survey is to examine many aspects of health in people over 70 years. In particular we are interested in looking for factors that may cause the decline in memory and mental abilities which occur in illnesses like dementia and Alzheimer's disease. Studying such changes over time may yield clues as to the cause of such diseases. Another aim is to examine characteristics of people's lives which may contribute to well-being and quality of life. Such information can be used in planning better health and social services.

Genes and Dementia

Last time we saw you, we took a "cheek swab" to allow testing of your genes. Using this information we found that a person's genetic make-up can make them more likely to develop dementia in old age. However, the genes we tested are not as important in the development of dementia as earlier studies have indicated. Our findings have been published in the world's leading medical journal 'The Lancet'.

The Importance of Keeping Active

While some people become worse in memory and mental abilities as they age, others improve. We have found that elderly people who keep physically and mentally active are less likely to experience decline in memory and thinking.

Well-being and Depression

While some people became more depressed with their life, just as many people felt better than they had last time we saw them. A number of people had moved into hostels or nursing homes, and we found that those living in such accommodation were no more or less depressed than those still living independently.

For people living independently, those living with others were generally more satisfied with life than those living alone and those who had regular contact with friends, neighbours or relatives were very contented.

Visiting the GP

When we saw you last, most of you gave us permission to access your Medicare file. From this we have found that women visited their GP more often in one year than men. In fact, 12% of men did not see a GP at all in one year. These men reported quite high levels of illness and pain but did not have as many friends or relatives to help them. This suggests that some men may benefit from help from social services.

This Survey Has Made a Difference

The results of this study have been useful in trying to improve health services for the elderly. Using data from the study, we developed the Psychogeriatric Assessment Scales for assessing dementia and depression. These scales are now widely used in aged care throughout Australia.

The Next Step

Most of the aspects of health that we are interested in will change over time. By interviewing you on two occasions we have been able to look for factors which may influence such changes. To enable further study of such changes we would like to interview you again in 1998. We are not asking you to commit yourself at the moment, but we do hope that you will participate.

Keeping in Touch

Keeping track of everyone who took part in the survey is a big job. If you have moved or are about to move, please return the card in the enclosed reply-paid envelope. Even if you are not moving soon, please keep the card and return it with your new address if you move before the next survey.

The Role of Rotary

This survey was made possible by two grants from the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund; one for the first phase of our study in 1990-91 and the other grant to enable genetic testing in 1994. We would like to thank Rotary for its generous contribution to medical research on older Australians.

Confidentiality

Because of the personal nature of much of the survey, it is important to know that every phase of our research is carried out strictly in accordance with the ethical guidelines set out by the National Health and Medical Research Council. The answers you gave will never be released by us to any Government Department or other organisation; the list of survey participants is kept secure and will not be passed on to any business or organisation.

About the Psychiatric Epidemiology Research Centre

The Centre was founded in 1975 at the Australian National University by Professor Scott Henderson. It was set up by the National Health and Medical Research Council to conduct research into important aspects of health and wellbeing.

The Centre's research has always focussed on health problems as they occur in the general population. In recognising the unmet need for information about the health of older Australians, the recent work of the Centre has concentrated on this group, with particular attention being paid to studies of dementia.

Our name has recently been changed to provide a better description of the research we undertake.



A small memento of Kiribati dear Harry + Honor. It is as beautiful as ever! Gralofully,

Early morning silhouette, Teavraereke, Tarawa. 8 Jan'97

So Margaret

O.L.S. H. Convent P.O. Box 20 Bairiki Jarawa 8th January 1997 Dear Harry + Honor, Thank you very much for your welcome letter of 29 November and your generous donation towards our Pacific collection of books. you have both been so ill. I tried to ring you but Telecom's message was the your number is not connected. Perhaps you could let me know your new number of you are able to write again. you might like to know that there are fifteen I- Kiribati priests, eight of them M.S.C and the rest diocesan. Four more

are due for ordination in the near future. There are about twenty I-Kiribate Seminarians studying in Suva or in P.N.G. at present I am advertising for teachers from Australia as a couple of posseble Canadian volunteers changed Their mends in December! We have only one teacher graduating from Australian Catholic University with a BEd this year. So we still depend on overseas bolunteers for our schools. I was sorry to hear that you both have sight problems now, I hope your shingles have cleared by now, Honor. Thank you again for your generous donation towards our library books. I hope to really start on OLS H Archives & C. EO library once the schools have settled down for Jerm! in His hove + Peace, yours sincerely In Margaret Fonse

H E Maude Unit 42 11 Namatjira Drive WESTON ACT 2611

16 January 1997

Sister Margaret OLSH Convent PO Box 20 BAIRIKI TARAWA

Dear Sister Margaret

Thank you for your letter just received. I shall be writing to you again when we have finished this booklet on 'The Atoll of Nui: Its Settlement and People'; it is finished really but we have still to make out the final draft for sending to Wellington.

I was delighted to hear about the number of your Gilbertese priests - I had no idea that you had so many ordained or about to be ordained. This must relieve the good Bishop of one of his main worries.

This little note is really to tell you our telephone number. After calling Operator Assistance I was informed that you would need to ask your Operator to put you through to your Australian number. The Operator number you should dial is 910 and you then ask for 61 6 2880121.

Yours sincerely

Harry Maude

ison: Phone Susan tomarraw arvo!

429 Gilles St. Adelaide South Australia 5000

16 September 1997

Dear Harry and Honor,

Two months already since I saw you in Canberra: it seems to have passed so quickly. I am making slow progress with the biography, and have now worked through your personal and official correspondence to 1945, fleshing out my recordings and notes from the interviews, your own notes and essays, and your letters home during the 1930s. There is still a lot of correspondence to work through, and each year's file takes me some hours to read and make notes from. At least I can type out extracts straight into the computer and they are there for possible use in the final work. I was also looking again at the photographs you sent back with me in July, and they will provide some marvellous illustrations for the published work.

I am not finding many questions to raise at the moment; indeed the only problem that presents itself seems to be how to fit in all the detail, as your lives were so packed with activity in the years up to and including the war. I wonder if there are things you yourselves have forgotten, and will find surprise and pleasure in remembering when you see the first drafts.

You will be impatient for some evidence of what I have been doing I am sure, but I continue to find writing (as against the research) very difficult. I have not been well for some time, and go in to hospital this Friday. Nothing life-threatening, but I have been easily tired for some months. However, I plan to use the recovery time to concentrate on our work, and hope you will bear with me and forgive me my slow progress.

One question quite separate from the biography. I received an inquiry from a postgraduate student proposing to write his thesis on some aspect of visual representations of the Pacific. He asked about photographs and films of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands in your papers. When providing details I noted three photographs of the Gilberts, dated c1916, which you had annotated as from "the Fred Doutch collection". Can you recall what that collection was, and where it is held? It may be valuable if the researcher decides to concentrate on the Gilberts, as he is thinking of doing.

How is the Nui book progressing, and is there is anything further you need from your papers for any "work-in progress"? If possible (through Alaric or Alison perhaps) please let me know how things are with you both. I think of you both often, and look forward to seeing you again - with, I hope, some concrete work to show -early next year.

Warm regards.

Susan Woodburn