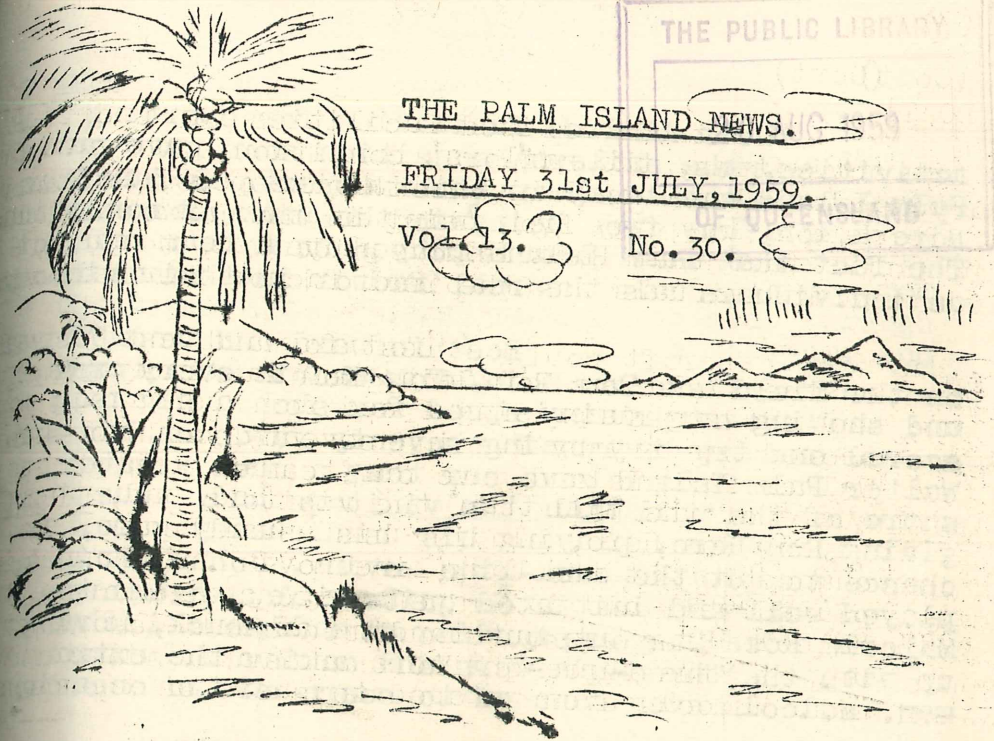


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FOOTBALL NOTES.

H.M.A.S. "SWAN" V PALM ISLAND.

An interesting and spectacular football match was played on Thursday 30th July, between a team picked from crewmembers of H.M.A.S. "Swan" and a Palm Island team comprised of most of our Representative players.

Palm Island had a runaway win, final scores being 45-Nil, but the sailors never stopped trying until the final bell. The game was played in a mostly friendly fashion, although hard knocks were taken and given by both sides.

The match commenced with the visitors forcing the pace, and for the first quarter of an hour it looked as though Palm Island would have a hard fight. However, due to

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Burt Lancaster.

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Dorothy Malone.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT 28/7/59.

starring Audie Murphy.
Marshall Thompson.

starring Edmund Gwynn.
Ann Blyth.

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their limited facilities for sporting activities, the sailors' condition soon gave out. Palm Island was lucky in this respect, as our boys were a long way from being in the peak of condition. The fact that Palm Island played as a team and not as individuals was the real factor in their victory.

Best forward and best player on the field was Tom Geia. Tom was in every move, and showing surprising speed for such a big man; scored one try by running seventy yards on his own. Walter Palm Island gave our team a much greater share of the ball than the visitors had, thus giving Ron Hero, playing his usual heady game, a chance to get the back line moving. Johnny Haines played well and initiated quite a few movements. Malcolm Ross was outstanding at full-back, moving up with the three-quarters and making the extra man. Malcolm even managed to score on two occasions.

Interested spectators were Mr. Baker. S.M., and Lt-Cmdr. Shand, Captain of the "Swan". Judging by the barracking, the visiting sailors showed us that the Navy is not such a silent service after all.

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H. M. A. S. "SWAN"

At the outbreak of war in September, 1939, H.M.A.S. "Swan", which is now used primarily as a survey vessel, was one of three sloops in service with the R.A.N.. Her two sister ships, H.M.A.S. "Yarra" and H.M.A.S. "Parramatta" were both sunk during the last war.

H.M.A.S. "Swan" had an extremely lucky escape, as she was well inside Milne Bay, New Guinea when the Japanese invasion