

he was munching peanuts when i entered the tent. as it was immediately after lunch i concluded that pop had been quite successful in his brave attempt to see that the officers received the same food as the mon. i write this story as capt ain boyd told it without the embells ilmonts added by his visitor who was in his tent when i errived. * * * ho was born but not brod in christchurch, and feeling that that town had enough able people went to wangenul where he studied at the technical college. he trained as engineer and worked in the railways department. * * at walouru he was acting o.c. of this company, a position he occupied until major blacker arrived in new naledonia to take over the duties. * * * one of captain boyd's jobs now is that of unit consor. unfortunately the men's letters were causing such a corruption of his morals that he found little comfort in the meagre beer ration and was contemplating embracing another favourite hobby when the padre bravely offered to take over a great percentage of the consorship of the work. * * * he has become a professional scrounger and is always on the lookout for useful material or machinery when visiting other camps. in a very short time such equipment becomes our property. when on scavengen with our heath rebinson sgt.mcras, even rubbish dumps yield valuable objects. * * * the surf club is also his responsibility and even though we are now far from the beach that must be kept functioning. * * * as officer in charge of transport and supply, he and egt. ryo often cook up a magnificent batch of scones.

OUR DON R. REPORTER.

don r. reporter temmy stokes arrived back on tuesday night after afourteen hour journey from base camp. convoying the tank transporter was no easy job for the drivers, bill and wally. the load of pipes on the transporter had the boys out of the cab releading, and severaltimes on the way up all hands were restacking the pipes, * * * the merae-johnston-circus is getting under way. expects to be here in a few days, the NAIOULI CONSTRN. GOY doing good work, * * * sgt. charlie bishop and party, says temmy, have the bridge where they want it, charlie and boys too modest too modest to write us, perhaps trever bluch will drop us a line, * * * nert, c nelson is plaining out the road

up 4th gen. way. * * * cpls. whitten and georgeson lip up bourail with something better than plank. We heard they were doing a line with crazy and lazy " * ** mason and burge so tired these nights they dent get time to admire each other's picture gallery. * * * T.P.H. gives u the bird enour last editorial, say we forget we are not the only fish in the pool. * * * erns neuman drops poetry for bulldezer rhymes...bill charleton makes political speeches before and ofter voting...fools call of platform, but doesn't like local planks....wally hobsen says he feels lensly and so endeth the gossip.