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" THE SOUTH SEAS "

SNOOPER SAYS-"when going on leave to Noumea leave your false teeth in Orderly Room."

"Bitchy" - A new word that has come into use the last few weeks.

" SEX takes a holiday with me " - says Hamilton Maxwell.

WE hear that Tony greatly enjoyed his trip to Tio - for days afterwards he was talking of it.

SAPPERS who have difficulty in spelling are advised that Spr. J.G. Nicholas is prepared to help them out. Spelling his hobby.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT.

PRESIDENT " IKE " Smith, of Vitamin D. Company says:- I face coming year with calm and the firm convictions that business in the future will be stable and progressive. I cannot say what the immediate plans of my Company are - the loss of our Directors (see page 2)

" **THOSE** who live comfortably around Pacific shores can no longer afford to ignore the problems of their island neighbours ", partly because this war has revealed how important the Pacific Islands are in world strategy, partly because the islands are a source of great mineral and other wealth - New Guinea, one of the world's greatest oil reservoirs - and partly because the pre-war organisation of Pacific Islands in a crazy quilt of Mandates, Condominium and Establishments is now a thing of the past.::: WHAT the post-war settlement will be it is not our business to enquire, but whatever the settlement, it is our business to familiarise ourselves with the islands and the people who constitute our "neighbours" IT no doubt comes as a surprise that our "neighbours" take in about one eighth of the world's surface; that the archipelagos and islands within it have a combined area of about 319,000 square miles - almost twice the size of pre-war France, and three times the size of Japan proper. The total population is near 2½ million. ::: THEY were grouped into eighteen separate jurisdictions

under the sovereignty of eight different nations, Australia, Chile, France, Great Britain, Holland, Japan, New Zealand & the United States. This crazy quilt pattern no doubt "worked" while the attention of world powers was focused on domestic and European problems. But the Pacific - our "neighbours" have come to stay.

" I don't want riches,
I don't want wealth,
I'll be content,
When I get my teeth
back

"Bluey" P's
song

" Kanaka " Jewellers, Brownlee and Macale, respectfully advise all patrons that owing to pressure of work no further orders can be taken until Christmas.

THIS IS NOT A "HOMER"