

built across the river and then onto the mills.

The timber itself is very finely textured, has a low shrinkage quality, is soft, easily worked and light. It also has high resistance to attack by rot or marine organisms. Because of this it is held in high regard as a ship-building timber and for furniture making, joinery and wood turning.

Apart from actually making furniture, Martin designs the pieces he wishes to make. His latest project is a roll-top study desk, made totally from Blackwood. He has made all his bedroom furniture and has also restored some antique furniture.

Constable Rosenberg has no regrets at having made the move to Tasmania. He finds the work interesting and challenging with plenty of variety in the inquiries he has to deal with.

He and his family enjoy the beauty of Tasmania and the friendliness of the Tasmanian people. By the time he leaves, his whole house could be proudly furnished with 'Rosenberg' designed and made furniture.

Busting the big-noters

IN December 1986, three workers congregated in the office of a garage manufacturer and watched as one of them placed a \$100 note on a photocopy machine and copied one side of it. With a few attempts, the reverse side was lined up with the first side, cut out and, hey-presto!, instant money.

This note was given to one of the other workers present so he could play games on his friends. Instead, that evening, this, this group of friends and their girlfriends went to a speedway meeting where the note was uttered in payment for some drinks.

Statements were taken and inquiries made, but the identity of the person who uttered the note was unknown and hence the case was filed 'offender unknown'.

In March 1987, the former wife of one of the workers, who knew about the earlier incident, jokingly said to the maker of the first note: 'Have you made any more of that money lately. I've got a few bills to pay.'

The next day he turned up with nine \$100 notes hot off the photocopier. The joking remark made earlier went as far as her uttering three of them, one successful. During one of the unsuccessful

LETTERS

Sir,

On 7 June a bomb threat was received at this hospital. We were forced to evacuate some 300 patients, together with the staff caring for them, from the hospital's main ward building.

The successful evacuation under very trying circumstances was a real tribute to all concerned. Once the building was declared safe all patients were quickly returned to their wards. The contribution of members of the Australian Federal Police played a significant part in the success of the operation.

Please pass the sincere thanks of the patients and staff of this hospital to all those members of your organisation who helped us in our time of need.

Dr Denis Smith

Acting General Superintendent
Repatriation General Hospital Concord

Sir,

During my absence in Melbourne, my house was broken into and valuable jewellery was stolen. The intruder made quite a mess which was a distressing job for my daughters to tackle.

Senior Constable Ian Corey of Woden Police Station was of great assistance to them in every way. They were very impressed with his calm approach and his outstanding courtesy.

We are all very grateful and would like to register our gratitude in a formal way.
Mrs. M. Lynch
Curtin ACT

Sir,

I am writing to place on record the compliments I have received here in the Northern Region commending the high standard of production of our magazine *Platypus*. Only this morning I received a letter from Brigadier D.A. Formby, Commander, 1st Military District, Victoria Barracks, Brisbane, who stated in conclusion: 'I find it most interesting

utterings at a Kentucky Fried Chicken outlet, the cook who refused to accept the note was astute enough to jot down the registration number of the vehicle the lady was driving.

After an article in the Hobart Mercury the following day about the counterfeit money being circulated, two anonymous phone calls were received confirming the information obtained from the registration inquiries.

Search warrants were obtained and the woman was picked up. Ashes were found in a fireplace with a serial number corresponding to the serial number on the hundred dollar note she had successfully passed two days earlier. She later admitted to burning the other eight notes and was convicted and sentenced to six months suspended sentence. She stated that she had found the nine \$100 notes.

The newspaper printed a heart-rending story, headed 'Crime of Hunger'. The article began: 'A debt-ridden mother of three...'

This provoked a further anonymous phone call giving further sketchy information which some surveillance on the garage manufacturer filled in to give a fuller picture of the persons involved. A couple of search warrants later, combined with a little questioning, led to the conviction of the maker of the notes (\$1200 fine) and the person who uttered the note in December 1986 (six-month suspended sentence).

An attempt also was made at using a colour photocopier to print \$10 notes but information received caused the AFP to

search the house after only half the note was made.

The Crimes (Currency) Act 1981 is worded: 'A person shall not take, or begin to make, counterfeit money...' (Section 6). The court case is pending.



reading and if you see your way clear, I would very much like to see future copies.'

I have received numerous phone calls from other enforcement agencies, especially Queensland Police officers who read the copy sent to the Queensland Police Academy and the Queensland Police Training College. Other complimentary remarks have also come from the judiciary, officials of World Expo 88, airline companies, newspaper editors and security consultants.

The favourable remarks have come not only from Brisbane but from Cairns, Townsville and the Gold Coast.

I would add my compliments for the high standard of this publication which has brought not only credit to the Australian Federal Police but also a good circulation of our functions which were barely known by other organisations outside of Canberra.

Chief Superintendent R. H. Gillespie
Commander Northern Region
Brisbane, Qld.

Calling all Vietnam Veterans

A welcome home parade to mark the 25th year of Australia's involvement in Vietnam will be held in Sydney on Saturday October 3. Organisers are expecting more than 30,000 to attend. It will probably be the first and last such parade.

On Friday, October 2, there will be a formal cocktail party at 6 pm by invitations. Various unit reunions have been organised at RSL clubs that night.

There will be a dawn service at 4.30 am at the Cenotaph and a 7 am service at the RAR memorial. The march will form up at 8 am in the Domain and begin at 9 am. It is expected to finish at about midday in Hyde Park. Unit reunions will be held at lunch.

On Sunday, October 3, there will be various memorial services held at 9 a.m. At 11 am, there will be a free concert for veterans, their families and friends, in the Domain which will feature entertainers from Vietnam such as Col Joye, Lucky Grills, Johnny Holmes and many others.

Any member planning to attend is asked to contact the organisers through the Vietnam Veterans Association or on Sydney (02) 292671 or 293412.

To All AFP Members, Kathy, Mark and Philip, wife and sons of the late Freddy Bouman would like to express their deepest thanks to all Fred's colleagues and friends for their support, sincere cards, beautiful flowers and generous donations which have been of enormous help to us all. I know you will join us in recalling the pleasant memories shared by all of us.

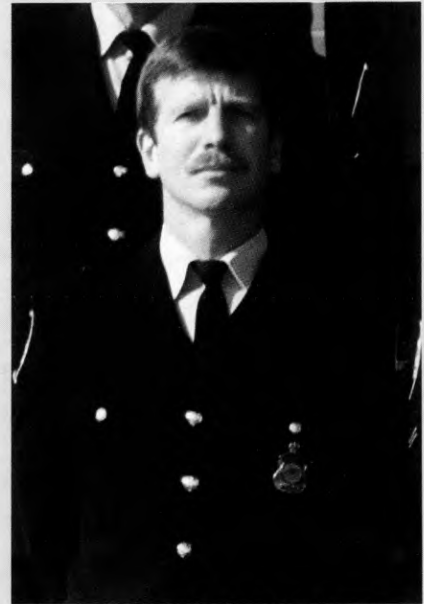
OBITUARY

Colleagues and friends were saddened to hear of the sudden and accidental death of Senior Constable Freddy Bouman of the ACT Command as a result of a pedestrian accident near his home in Mawson on July 24.

He is survived by his wife, Kathryn and sons Mark, 17, and Philip, 10.

Senior Constable Bouman was born in Holland in 1949 and came to Australia in 1960 and lived in Adelaide. He worked in the Highways Department of South Australia for 13 years before joining the Australian Federal Police in November 1980.

He worked in a number of protective service places and in 1981 completed the bomb search course where he did excep-



Senior Constable Freddy Bouman

tionally well and gained 99 per cent in the theory examination.

In General Policing 2/84 he became dux of the course and impressed the instructors with his policing skills which suggested he had potential in any area of the AFP.

He then worked in the Warrants and Process Section, Tuggeranong Police Station, Diplomatic and Consular Security and the ACT Fraud Squad.

At the time of his death he had applied to undertake the Basic Investigations Course and had applied for family compassionate reasons to transfer to Central Region.

He was accorded a full police funeral at the Norwood Park Crematorium at Mitchell in Canberra on Wednesday 29 July attended by more than 200 family, friends and colleagues including Commissioner Grey.

A full police funeral was accorded.

