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Council Meeting Postponed

Deputy Administrator, Mr.Gordon Williams, advises that as the Administrator Mr.D.V.01 Leary, is not return ing from Canberra until next Thursday, the Council meeting convened for next Wednesday, 4th April, has been postponed until Wednesday, 11th April.

Vale

Charles Chase Ray Nobbs, youngest member of the family of 16 children of the late Charles Chase Ray and Agnes Nobbs, died at his home in Mosman, Sydney on Thursday, 29th March. It is many years since he has been home to Norfolk.

Born on Norfolk Island on 27th August 1913, Charles, a T.P.I. has been retired for some years. An N.C.O. in the Air Force, he was in the Battle of Britain in World War II and also saw service in India. He leaves a wife Janette, and stepson Brennan. T

o Janette and Brennan and to Charleg brother and si sters and fa.miles and the many relatives, we convey our sincere condolences in their sad loss. Janette's address is 18 Cobbitee Street, Mosman, 2088.

Who's Who On Pitcairn.

In the December issue of the "Pitcairn Miscellany" there is the result of a Census taken at midnight on December 31st.

Readers might be interested to learn just who is living on Pitcairn. Christian names may serve as a reference for the reader in the future, for it is usual on Pitcairn to use first names only.

Government occupations are shown as for 1979, although all the Pitcairners produce curios, garden and fish, in addition. Pitcairners over the age of 65 receive a government pension of \$14.15 per month. Age groupings in parenthesis, as follow:

- (1) under 5 years;
- (2) 5 to 15 years;
- (3) 16 to 19;
- (4) 20 to 29;
- (5) 30 to 39;
- (6) 40 to 49;
- (7) 50 to 59;
- (8) 60 to 69;
- (9) 70 to 79 years and
- (10) 80 to 89 years.

- BROWN Len (7) Supervising Engineer : Thelma (6) Councillor; Kay (4) Trainee Engineer and Radio Operator 111; Clarice (4); Yvonne (3).
- CHRISTIAN Ben (7) Island Secretary; Irma (7) Radio Opeiator 11 and Trainee Typist; Dennis (4) Tractor Driver 11.
- CHRISTIAN Charles (6) Chairman of Internal Committee; Charlotte (7), Ron (2) Dean (2)
- CHRISTIAN Elwyn (8)
- CHRISTIAN Ivan (7) Island Magistrate; Dobrey (7) Councillor
- CHRISTIAN John (10); Bernice (9)
- CHRISTIAN Lloyd or Jimmy (8) Works Supervisor
- CHRISTIAN Gifford (9); Linas (8)

- CHRISTIAN Steve (4) Engineer and Dentist; Olive (4) Typiste; Trent (2); Randy (1); Shaun (1); Tania (1)
- CHRISTIAN Tom (6) Radio Officer; Betty (5) Radio Operator 11; Jackie (2); Raelene (1) Sherilene (1); Darlene (1).
- CHRISTIAN Warren (8) Postmaster Assistant 1; Millie (9)
- CLARK Glen (4) Roadman and Acting Postmaster Assistant 111
- CLARK Roy (10)
- WARREN Christy (10') Roadman
- WARREN Jay (4) Tractor Driver 1 and Acting Assistant Engineer; Carol (4); Darralyn (1) Jacob (7) Head Forester; Mavis (6) Postmaster Assistant 11; Meralda' (3)
- WARREN Morris or Mento (9)
- WARREN Reynold (6) Acting Postmaster; Nola (5)
- WARREN Virginia or Gina (9)
- WARREN Wallace or Maynard (9) Assistant Forester
- YOUNG Albert (9)
- YOUNG Andrew (9)
- YOUNG Sam (8) Assistant Forester; Vulu (7); Terry (4) Assistant Engineer and Anna (2).

In addition to the above, there are 6 non-Pitcairners, the families of the Pastor and Education Officer and one visitor to the island, Robert Quinn. Overall population 61. However, there are also 7 Pitcairners temporarily in New Zealand for medical attention, and if everybody was on the island as at 31st December there would be a population of 68.

As the Miscellany Editor says "readers may find the population distribution by age of interest, as it has some important ramifications for the future of the island:

GROUP	1	under 5	Number - 7
	2	5 to 15	5
	3	16 to 19	2
	4	20 to 29	9
	5	30 to 39	2
	6	40 to 49	5
	7	50 to 59	8
	8	60 to 69	5
	9	70 to 79	8
	10	80 to 89	3

The distribution is most notable in Group 5 - only 2 people and both women. The absence of numbers in this group, who are in the prime of life, is sorely felt on the island. However, an encouraging feature is the high number of 9 in Group 4. If these young people can find marriage partners and find a fulfilling life on Pitcairn, the future of the island is assured. But if, like others before them, they choose to leave, the future of the island will be very uncertain".