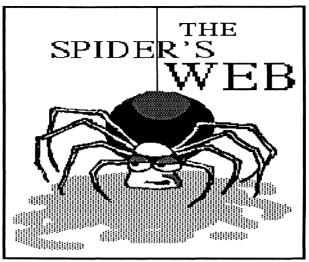
ENDING OFFENDING

The week the Chief Minister announced his alcohol reform package (including gaol sentences for repeat offenders) DEET held a seminar on *Ending Offending*, the intent of which was to come up with ways of keeping people out of prison.



KEEPING ONESELF NICE

Apropo the DEET conference, one witty delegate suggested that rather than paying in excess of \$100 a day to keep people in prison we ought to pay everyone \$100 a day to be good. Apparently the comment was not well received.

MILLNER MATTERS

The legal profession's representation in the legislature was looking good at the time of ALP preselection for the traditionally Labor held seat of Millner. Among the candidates were solicitors Peter McQueen, Tony Fitzgerald and Ken Parish. For those of you who don't know, Ken Parish was preselected.

MILDREN J IN ALICE

A ceremonial sitting to mark the first sitting of Mildren J was held in Alice Springs on Remembrance Day. There was a social function in his honour (so to speak) the following week which resulted in a couple of die-hards belting out numbers on the piano. Was it really a 4am finish?

HASTY EXIT

Still in Alice Springs, Prosecutor Chris Roberts was carted off to hospital in the middle of a Justices Appeal before Mildren J.

STEAMING SOLICITOR

Following the handover but before the opening of the Supreme Court the Solicitor-General was refused access to the library because he did not have his electronic access card. Redback's agents say Mr Solicitor was blowing steam from the ears when he returned to his chambers.

IMPARTIALITY

A judge is not supposed to know anything about the facts of life until they have been presented in evidence and explained to him at least three times — Lord Chief Justice Parker.

DPP

Peter Tiffin will change roles in the new year: he's accepted a position in the office of the DPP.

WHICH BALL?

Who was the special guest in Darwin for the Opening of the Supreme Court who seriously considered ex-

tending the duration of the Darwin stay to attend...no, not the Law Ball, the Hookers Ball! Some cultural experience...

FAST MOVE

Which Associate happened to become airborne on the dance floor at the ball but made a very impressive, lightning-quick recovery?

WHERE FOR ART THOU?

And speaking of the Law Ball, where was the Department of Law? Oh, but that's right: you didn't know anything about it, did you?

LAST WORD

Redback wishes all his friends and informants a damn fine festive season. Be festive, then report back.

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