Sibbele Hylkema (1933-1998) was a Dutch missionary who worked for several decades in the Highlands of western New Guinea, first among the Ngalum, close to the border with Papua New Guinea, later among the Me, formerly named the Kapauku or Ekagi, in the western tip of the Highlands. About the Ngalum he wrote, in Dutch, a lengthy, outstanding ethnography ‘Mannen in het Draagnet’ [Men in the Carrying Bag], published in 1973. About the Me he prepared many manuscripts, together running to several thousands of pages. Several have remained unfinished. Nothing of this work has been published so far. In my paper I briefly introduce Hylkema’s life and work.