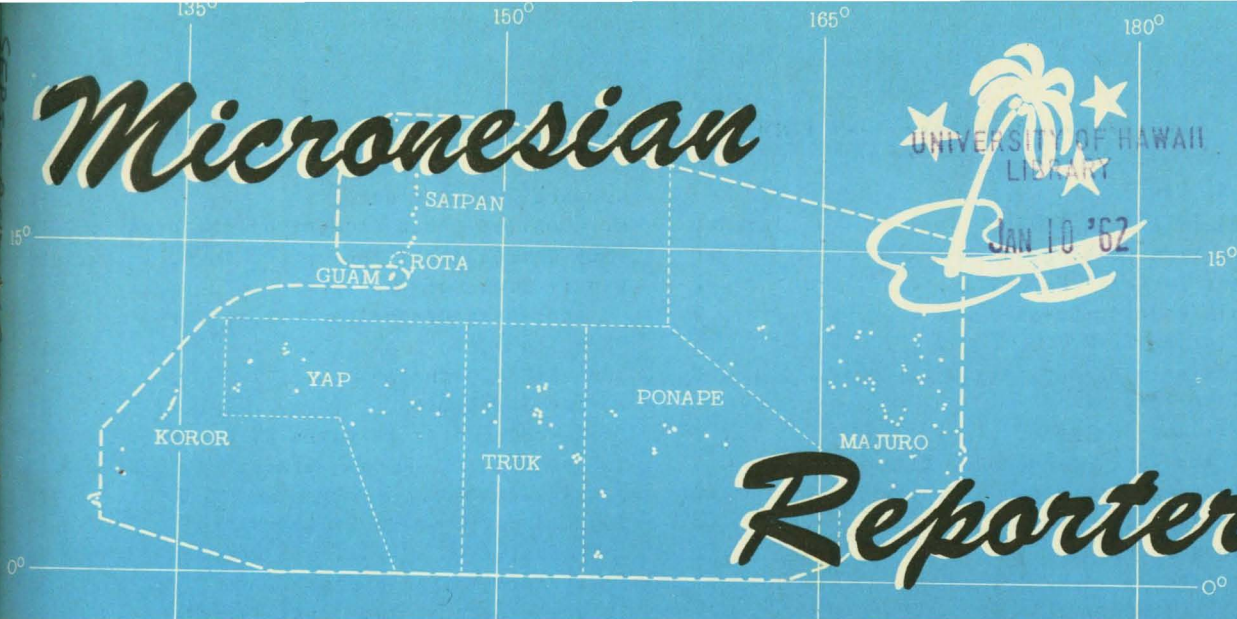


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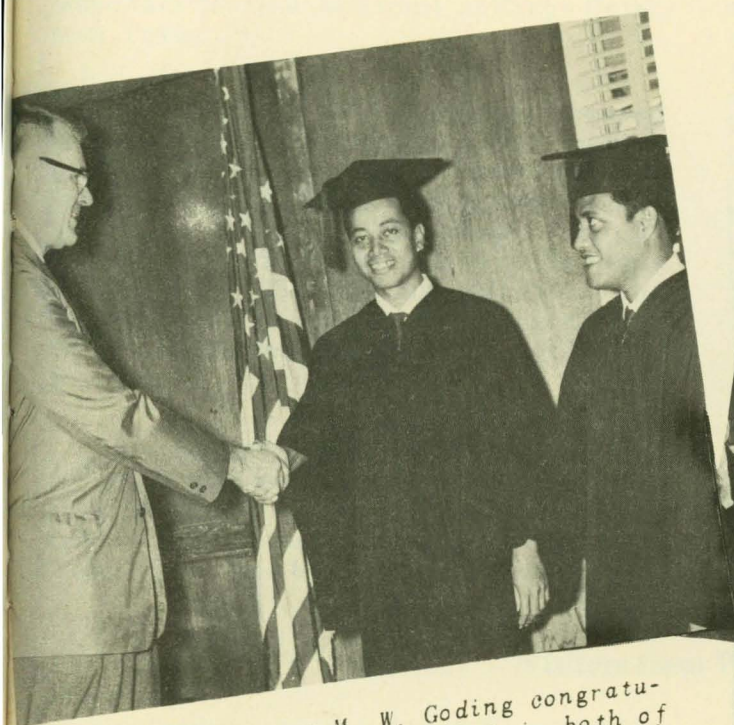
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High Commissioner M. W. Goding congratulates Strik Yoma and Ambilos Iehsi, both of Ponaape, after these two, clad in conventional caps and gowns, received degrees from College of Guam.



Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez smiles in appreciation as girl students of St. Cecilia School, Truk, in traditional grass costumes, perform dance in his honor.

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FAVORS

TRUST

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YOUTH

To authorize the Secretary of Interior to nominate citizens of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to be cadets at the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to permit, upon designation of the Secretary of Interior, not to exceed four persons at a time from the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to receive instruction in the United States Merchant Marine Cadet Corps and at the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York. The persons receiving instruction under authority of this Act shall receive the same pay, allowances, and emoluments, to be paid from the same appropriations, and subject to such exceptions as shall be jointly agreed upon by the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Interior, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations governing admission, attendance, discipline, resignation, discharge, dismissal, and graduation as cadets at the Merchant Marine Academy appointed from the United States; but such persons shall not be entitled to appointment to any office or position in the United States merchant marine by reason of their graduation from the Merchant Marine Academy.

Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.
Appointment of cadets to Merchant Marine Academy.

Approved September 14, 1961.

TRUST TERRITORY CITIZENS now are eligible to become cadets at the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York.

By Act of the 87th Congress, passed by the House of Representatives on August 21, 1961, and by the Senate on September 1, 1961, U. S. Public Law 87-244 went into effect as President John F. Kennedy signed his name to it on September 14, 1961. The new law authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to nominate Trust Territory citizens to become cadets at the Academy.

As a result of this law, Trust Territory youth who are nominated for the Merchant Marine Academy will be attending - and will have the opportunity to graduate from - one of the United States' five perma-

nent Federal Academies. As a Government school, the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy, although more recently established, is comparable to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado, and the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut. (TT citizens who graduate from the Merchant Marine Academy will not become U. S. Merchant Marine officers, but will be qualified to serve as officers on Trust Territory Government vessels.)

The law was sponsored and introduced by Representative John H. Kyl of Iowa. Its original suggestor was Thomas Gilliland, previously and again presently a member of the TT legal staff. At the time of the bill's introduction, Mr. Gilliland was Administrative Assistant to Representative Kyl in Washington, D. C.

Visitors from Washington

No longer can the Trust Territory be thought of as isolated. No longer is one district isolated from another - or from Headquarters - or from Washington, D.C. Official visitors arrive in the islands about as regularly and as often as official Micronesian residents leave for conferences, colleges and similar destinations abroad.

In July 1961, Robert Coote, Staff Assistant to Assistant Secretary of the Interior John A. Carver, Jr., and George Milner, Assistant Chief, Insular Affairs Division, Office of Territories, Department of the Interior, arrived at TT Headquarters, Guam, and thence proceeded to visit the districts to investigate matters pertaining to claims.

YAP OPENS FARMERS' MARKET



These two small fry appear to be enjoying their own private joke as they consider some of the handicraft items on sale at the Yap Farmers' Market.

"What's got into these folks! - aren't there enough taro and squash in the villages?" - or very likely, "I wouldn't buy them - I feed my swine with those things," (implying that he has more than enough to waste) - or some similar remark would have been heard a few years ago among some Yapese as they amusingly watched other people buy local food items.

Oddly enough, this wasn't the case when the Farmers' Market first opened in Yap this year. Instead, on its opening day, a sea of faces, both young and old, curiously rushed into the market. Some were enthusiastically buying the food and handicraft objects that were available for sale, while others were admiringly looking around at the various items displayed.

Opening of the Farmers' Market in Yap was not only a definite step in Yap's economic development but also a significant move away from one of the traditionally held attitudes of its people. Selling and buying of locally produced food items, for instance, was practically never carried on throughout Yap in the past. The Yapese when in other places would laugh among

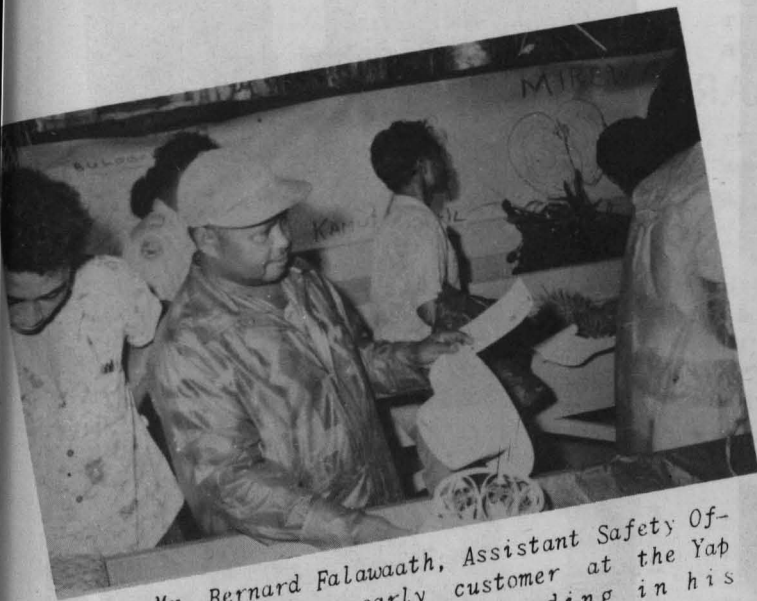
themselves at the people they saw enthusiastically selling and buying local products.

As the Yapese were relatively self-sufficient and independent, each family producing its own needs, formerly a person who would sell products cultivated on his land was considered too money-minded - and a person who was willing to buy such local products was thought to be too lazy to cultivate for his family needs on his own land. It must also be remembered that cash did not play an important role in the daily lives of the people, consequently they did not feel the need to sell local produce in order to increase their income.

But now that certain inevitable economic changes have taken place in Yap - now that money, among other things, has come to play an important part in the lives of the people, the Yapese have taken a new look. They are working hard to keep abreast with the rest of the districts in terms of modern economy.

Opened on June 30, 1961, the Farmers' Market, located in Colonia, the district center, offers a variety of vegetables, fish and other locally produced food items for

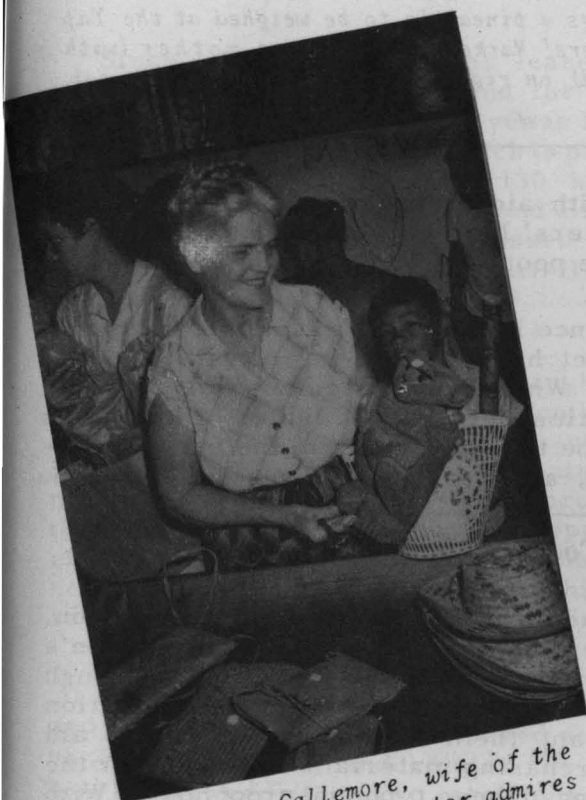
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Mr. Bernard Falawaath, Assistant Safety Officer, who was an early customer at the Yap Farmers' Market, considers trading in his baseball cap for a straw hat from Ponape.



A young matron shops for vegetables at the Yap Farmers' Market. On her left arm is a conventional woven basket . . . "Yapese purse"



Mrs. Gallemore, wife of the District Administrator, admires a piece of Yapese handicraft on opening day at the Yap Farmers' Market. The youngster on her left is Tommy Iriarte.



Carmen Chigi, principal clerk from the District Island Affairs Department, acts as cashier on opening day at the Yap Farmers' Market, while Mr. Neil Morriss, District Agriculturist, extreme left, looks on. The purchaser, dealing with Chigi, is Gotmai of Mulro' village, Weloy Municipality. In background in Agriculturist John F. Johnson of Ulithi (in helmet hat).



At the Yap Farmers' Market an interested participant, Marmar, agricultural agent of Tomil Municipality, has in his hand one of the watermelons from his Municipality.



Miss Anna Henry, formerly of Palau, an employee of the Yap Hotel, is shown as she brings a pineapple to be weighed at the Yap Farmers' Market. The Yapese mother (with child) on right is Buthung of Map Municipality.

YAP OPENS FARMERS' MARKET (Continued from page 2)

sale. Handicraft articles also are brought in from the districts of Ponape and Palau and put on sale. Individual farmers bring their produce to the market, and the Agriculture extension agents who operate the market sell the items to the public. On items sold, the market charges five per cent commission. This activity is backed by the Yap Islands Congress.

With aid from the Administration, the Farmers' Market building was constructed by the people of Yap.

Since its opening in June, the Farmers' Market has been having continuing success. When more adequate transportation facilities become available, more items may be transported from the outlying villages, and a greater success is expected.

Metalanim Housing Co-Op

Inexpensive "typhoon-proof homes" are under construction in Metalanim, Ponape District. The cement block buildings, especially designed to withstand typhoons, and of which sixty-five are now being constructed, are privately owned by the members of Metalanim Housing Co-operative, who have combined their skills and money in order to provide better housing, typhoon resistant.

Like the Rochdale pioneers, the members of the Co-op had each saved ten dollars a month. After saving for a period of

six months, they began the construction. By September of 1961 the organization's accomplishments were significant enough for the Trust Territory Administration to grant them a loan of \$15,000 to aid in purchasing materials wholesale for the building of these typhoon-proof houses. With three styles of houses available, it is estimated that a completed house will cost somewhere from \$350 to \$600, depending on its design.

The Metalanim Co-op members are proud of their progress to date.

lawyer turned farmer

LAWYER turned farmer, Francisco R. Cruz of Chalan Kanoa, Saipan, has a variety of talents and interests tucked away in his tall frame of six-feet-three.

With the ability to coordinate different types of occupations at the same time, Mr. Cruz has made a success of several business ventures, but the one which currently monopolizes his time and interest is his ranch where he is raising cattle, pigs and produce. Of the three, his cattle herd is perhaps the most important, not only for him as a business man, but also for Saipan where the cattle industry, under the encouragement of Naval Administrator Paul W. Bridwell and with the guidance of the Saipan Department of Agriculture, is getting a good start.

Since 1957 Mr. Cruz has leased 300 hectares of Government land for cattle grazing. In the ensuing four years he has built up a cross-bred herd which is proving well adapted to the area. His 130 head of cattle are bred of Saipanese and Brahma stock, also Saipan stock crossed with Hereford-Brahma and Angus-Brahma bulls.

Mr. Cruz's cattle are being slaughtered for beef at the rate of seven a month. They average 350 pounds, carcass-weight. Slaughtering age is approximately 15 months, as he has found this stage produces the best quality beef. He has good opportunity to test the quality of the meat because he is selling the bulk of it through his own retail store and meat market in Saipan.

In order to provide good pasturage, Mr. Cruz has divided his leased acreage into two sections, and rotates the cattle stock between the two acreages each month.

A permanent-type water system supplies adequate water for the herd. It consists of concrete troughs and a big cistern-type tank for catching water from off the cattle sheds. The fenced corral is partly

roofed, to provide shelter for the cattle at feeding time.

In addition to his cattle, Mr. Cruz is raising pigs on some 80 hectares of land which he owns; the coconuts on this land are made into copra and used for pig feed.

On his farm Mr. Cruz grows, in season, breadfruit, pineapples, oranges, several varieties of taro, avacadoes and mangoes. In addition he is developing coffee with an eye to the future. He is assisted in his several enterprises by this son-in-law, Jose C. Cabrera.

Mr. Cabrera looks with admiration at his father-in-law, thinking of the day the latter survived a torpedoed ship at sea. In October 1943, during World War II, Mr. Cruz was returning to his home on Saipan. He had just concluded four years of studying law in Japan. When within sight of Saipan harbor, the 2,300-ton steamship in which he was riding home was torpedoed by a U. S. submarine. It was hit amidship and sank within two minutes. Most of the 350 aboard found themselves in the ocean with

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Francisco R. Cruz, with small child, watches pigs on farm at Saipan.



High Commissioner and Family Welcomed



Mrs. Goding is welcomed over Radio KUAM by Bob Jordan. At her side is the High Commissioner. Facing camera is Guam Governor Daniel, and at right, Deputy High Commissioner Benitez.



When High Commissioner M.W. Goding returned to Guam in July 1961 after appearing before the U. N. Trusteeship Council in New York, he was accompanied by Mrs. Goding and their son Charles - the latter two arriving for the first time. A great turnout of Government officials and members of the Trust Territory staff were at airport to greet them.

In picture above, from left, are Governor Bill Daniel, Mrs. Goding, Mrs. Rose Celestial, Charles Goding, Maria Maanao, Speaker A.B. Won Pat of Guam Legislature, the High Commissioner, Rear Adm. W.F.A. Wendt, Mrs. Wendt, Col. Wilbor B. Beezley USAF, Mrs. Beezley, Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez, Mrs. Benitez, Secretary of Guam Manuel Guerrero, Miss Teri Santos, Miss Diana Sanchez, Miss Barbara Perez, Miss Sylvia Toves, Director of Education Robert E. Gibson, Director of Public Works Horace J. Leavitt, Mrs. Gibson, Miss Melba Villagomez, Harold W. Hughes, Mrs. Hughes.

Trust Territory Staff Greet the Godings



On lawn of their home overlooking the ocean, Deputy High Commissioner and Mrs. Benitez entertained TT staff and friends, to meet Mrs. Goding and son Charles upon their arrival in Guam.



High Commissioner and Mrs. Goding pose with some of the guests who were prize winners. After the Godings, from left, are Art Maanao; Iskia Sony, scholarship student from Truk; Mrs. John A. Cronan; Jose Lizama, Mrs. Robert E. Gibson and Dr. Gibson.

*TT Dental Officers
Benjamin Ludwigh, left,
and Rubeang Ngiruhelbad
- in training at U.S.
Naval Dental Clinic, Guam.
Capt. Max J. Brandt
demonstrates latest
technique in dentistry
as practiced at the
clinic.*



*TT Dental Officers Techo
Oiph, center left, and
Etsin Etse, center right,
during ceremony upon
completion of refresher
studies at Naval Dental
Clinic, Guam.*

*Capt. Max J. Brandt is
shown reading certificate
of accomplishment. At his
right (out of view) is
Deputy High Commissioner
Jose A. Benitez who made a
brief congratulatory talk.
Standing left is Capt.
Robert B. Young, Executive
Officer, Dental Clinic.*



TT DENTISTS TAKE POST-GRAD TRAINING AT U. S. NAVAL DENTAL CLINIC, GUAM

ON OCTOBER 25, 1961, the Trust Territory Dental Officers' Training Schedule at the U. S. Naval Dental Clinic in Guam was at the half-way mark. The first eight men, in pairs, had completed the first four courses, in sequence. The next pair was to report on November 3, 1961, and the series was scheduled to be finished on June 18, 1962.

Capt. Max J. Brandt, Director of Dental Services, U. S. Navy, Guam, who organized the refresher course especially for the Trust Territory dental officers, has taken a fatherly interest in his Micronesian "post-grad" students. The course series was arranged jointly by Dr. A. A. Jaffe, TT Director of Dental Services, and Capt.

Brandt, with the endorsement of the Commander Naval Forces Marianas (presently Rear Adm. John S. Coye Jr.) and Dr. H. E. Macdonald, TT Director of Public Health.

Following are the pairs of trainees, as scheduled: Drs. Rubeang Ngiruhelbad of Palau and Benjamin Ludwigh of Ponape; Techo Oiph of Palau and Etsin Etse of Ponape; Enta Peter and Jeton Anjain, both of the Marshalls; Momotaro Lanitulok of the Marshalls and Ketebengang Marcil of Palau; Teheltoeh Robert of Palau and Untun Kadagued of Yap; Jack Helkena of the Marshalls and Sanchiro Sawid of Truk; Itor Harris of Ponape and Nakauo Sonish of Truk; Jacob Aliska of Ponape.

early days in dentistry

By Dr. A. A. Jaffe

Little more than a century ago, even the bravest cringed in terror at the prospect of minor surgery. Man's good friend, anaesthesia, had not yet been discovered.

In 1844 in Harford, Connecticut, a young dentist, Dr. Horace Wells, sensitive to the tortures necessarily inflicted on his patients - and needful and fearful of similar treatment for his own bothersome wisdom tooth - became interested in a "laughing gas" used at parties by his puritan neighbors. Since drinking and card playing were forbidden to these religious people, such parties had become popular as a substitute. This gas was to become an ill-wind that blew much good.

Dr. Wells reasoned that his gas (Nitrous Oxide--N₂O) if given in proper dosage might make a man so drunk he would feel no pain. Experimenting with himself, he had his own wisdom tooth removed painlessly by his assistant. Jubilant, a demonstration was arranged at Harvard Medical School, but because the student requiring treatment cried out in

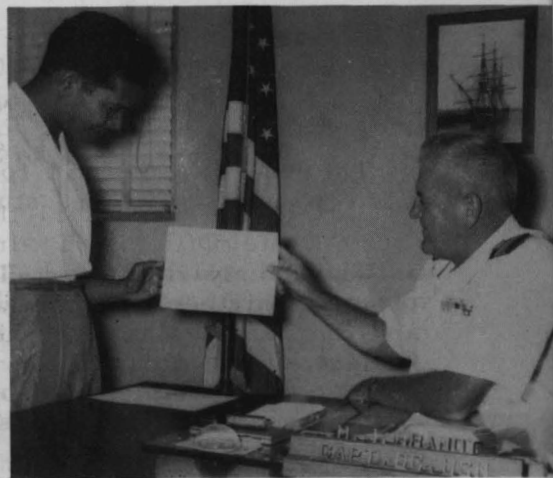
nervousness, Wells withdrew the gas too soon. The performance failed. Later, in administering the gas to one of his patients, an excess very nearly caused death.

Discouraged, the good dentist gave up his practice, drifted from one menial task to another, and eventually, after continued self-experimentation with chloroform, became deranged. In 1848 he committed suicide.

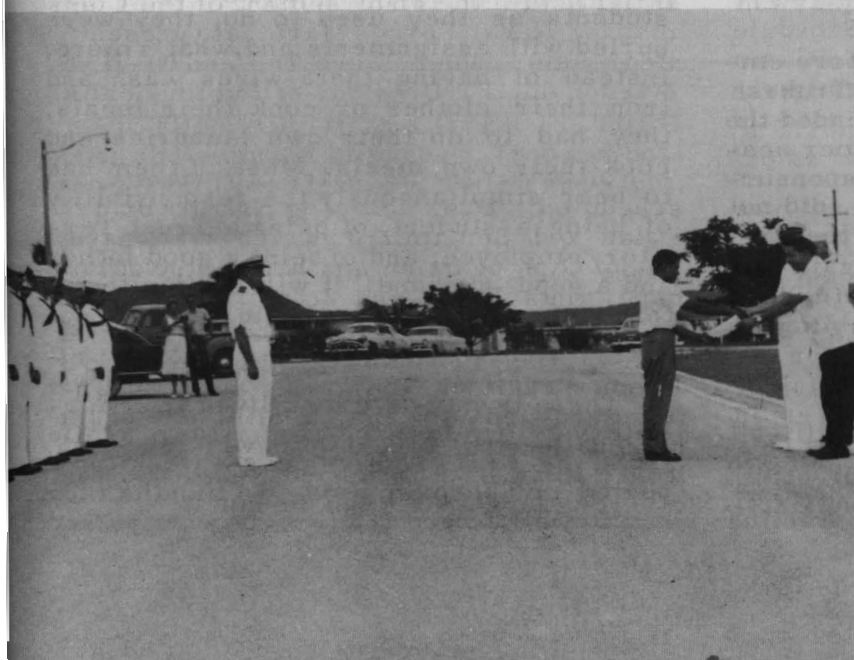
Dr. William Morton, a fellow dentist, in 1846 had succeeded in producing a more efficient machine for administering the gas, resulting in acceptance of the anaesthetic. Other pain killers have followed, each with its special application in relation to safety, effectiveness, and lessened toxicity.

The discerning will find many lessons in the life of Horace Wells. Few will question his willingness to have paid the great price his discovery cost him.

TT Dental Officer Jeton Anjain inspects his diploma in office of Capt. Max J. Brandt, U.S. Naval Dental Clinic, following presentation ceremonies held outdoors. Capt. Brandt at right.



NAVYMEN at attention as Dental Officer Anjain receives diploma from Capt. Brandt and is congratulated by Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez - on grounds of U.S. Naval Dental Clinic, Guam. Capt. Young is officer standing alone.





Twenty-five men took time off from their jobs in Truk and Palau to attend the College of Guam for the 1961 summer session.

The students, left to right, are: front row - Nachsa Siren, Robert Tochi, Kachuo Mefy, Andrew Siro, Riosang Salvador, Tem Obakerebau, and Masami Siksei.

Second row - Nick Bossy, Gideon Doone, Iuanis Alanso, Endy Dois, Mitaro S. Danis, Ermes Siales, Tatasy Wainis, Tiu Kiniol, and Chutomu Nimes.

Third row - Yanangi Matul, Hasida Sasang, Noboru Ueda, Wenty Tongmy, Yoich Kohama, Andon L. Amaraich, Rokucho F. Billy, David Ngiraterang, and Kodep Kloulechad.

Students Again

The courses weren't too hard but it was an ordeal to be students again.

The twenty-five Trust Territory employees (thirteen of whom were Trukese and the rest, Palauans) who attended the College of Guam during the summer session on an experimental project sponsored by their district congresses, did not find the courses any harder than they expected - but becoming students again was a little rough for them, after having held important positions of responsibility in their respective districts.

No doubt, it was especially difficult for the teachers who had been teaching in their home districts, to be themselves students in turn. Instead of correcting

students' papers, their papers were corrected; instead of assigning work to the students as they used to do, they were buried with assignments; and, what's more, instead of having their wives wash and iron their clothes or cook their meals, they had to do their own laundries and cook their own meals. Most of them had to bear simultaneously the responsibility of being a student, of being a Trust Territory employee, and of being a good father and a good husband. It will suffice to say that their initiative and efforts were not unprofitable.

These twenty-five men lived in a "dormitory" little less than a quarter of a mile from the college. Five days a week for a period of approximately two months they had to walk to and fro (except when picked

up by a friend) from the college with a load of books and notes under their arms.

One of the problems which confronted these twenty-five able men was that of differences in taste for certain types of food. But small differences such as this did not bother them; they managed to get along with each other without much difficulty.

To the Trukese students, the best day of the week was Thursday, while the Palauans celebrated Mondays. This is the reason why: though the regular flight arrives from the Western Carolines on either Friday or Saturday, the Western Caroliners don't receive their mail until Monday; and for the Trukese Thursday was the day for letter-reading.

Scholastically, these twenty-five men all did a commendable job; four of them, Nick Bossy and Gideon Doone of Truk and Yoich Kohama and Masami Siksei of Palau, were "honor students" for their excellent academic achievement during the session. Dr. Morris Harvey, Dean of Students, College of Guam, commented on the alertness and enthusiasm of the entire group, and their excellent participation in class discussions.

PROMOTIONS IN PALAU

Lazarus Salii, who recently returned from the University of Hawaii where he completed a four-year college course and received his degree, has been appointed Political Development Officer in the Palau District Administration. Another change in the administrative roster at Palau is the

PICTURE CREDITS-COVER PICTURE left, and pictures on pages 5, 7 top and bottom, 9 left and right, 10, 14 left and right, 17, 19, 26 right, all by the Editor; cover picture right, St. Cecilia School, Truk; pages 2, 3 and 4, Roy H. Goss, Yap; page 6 top, Guam Police; pages 12, 13, 15, 16, Franz Polloi, Palau; pages 21, 22, 23, 24, Dolliver Zaiger, Ponape; page 25, Xavier High School, Truk; page 26 left, Masao Miyamoto, University of Hawaii; page 27, Ralph E. Turner, Marshalls; page 29, Art Studios Suva.

Perhaps the most significant thing manifested by this group, aside from their scholastic achievements, was living in "togetherness" despite their slight cultural diversity. The group demonstrated a growing feeling of unity, a feeling of not being exclusively Palauan or Trukese, but a sense of being "Micronesian," as they lived together, ate together and studied together.

The students, in addition to those mentioned above, included Nachsa Siren, Chutomu Nimes, Andon L. Amaraich, Mitaro S. Danis, Endy E. Dois, Tatasy A. Wainis, Tiu Kiniol, Rokucho F. Billy, Iuanis Alanso, Ermes Siales, and Kachuo Mefy - all of Truk. The representatives from Palau included Wenty Tongmy, Hasi-da Sasang, Tem Obakerebau, David Ngiraterang, Yanangi Matul, Noboru Ueda, Robert Tochi, Andrew Siro, Riosang Salvador, and Kodep Kloulechad.

Mr. Siren, who is the Trust Territory Director of Sanitation, was elected group leader. Elected district leaders were Mr. Nimes and Mr. Siksei. Two others, Mr. Amaraich and Mr. Kloulechad, were selected treasurer and secretary, respectively. L.M.T.

promotion of Jonathan Emul to Social Development Officer, his duties to include liaison for the Palau broadcasting station and promotion of recreational and sports programs. Mr. Emul also is editor of the Palau News Flash, a daily mimeographed newspaper.

LAWYER TURNED FARMER (Continued from page 5)

a strong current forcing them out to sea. Some were caught in the sinking ship.

Mr. Cruz started to swim, but couldn't make it to shore against the current. After six hours, along with 34 others, he was rescued by a fishing vessel; the remaining 315 persons aboard are believed to have drowned. His strong physique helped him to survive the harrowing six hours, he believes. In any event, he has lived not only to tell the tale, but to build a career for himself in Saipan - a career far removed from his original choice of law.



AT PALAU

The mural and the Summer Art Workshop students who helped paint it.

"way out but wonderful"

The story of Margi and the Mural

"What your office needs," observed Palau Educational Administrator Heinz E. Meyer, "is a few pictures on the wall." He was feeling a bit smug, having recently hung his own air-conditioned "vault" with three landscapes of his own deft workmanship and one utterly Meyer abstraction.

"I'll agree it needs something," rejoined District Administrator Fran Mahoney, "but with an office only two feet smaller than Mussolini's, it'll have to be massive. Maybe a mediaeval battle sequence." he added dreamily. It was Friday after the plane had left, and both men were in an inactive, contemplative mood.

"Something more topical with a personal significance," suggested Heinz. "How about a larger-than-life mural of 'Custer's Last Stand'?"

"I probably would get a tomahawk in my scalp for violating the Trust Territory Color Code!"

Big joke! Even when the District Administrator was all but moved out of his office while scaffolds were being thrown up, people said, "A mural? Your're joking!"

But Mr. Mahoney wasn't joking, nor was a certain artist from Guam named Margaret Daniells, who came down to lead the

1961 Palau Summer Art Workshop sponsored jointly by the Palau Museum and the district Education Department.

Mrs. Daniells is a tall, handsome woman with auburn hair, large eyes and a creative mind. She has little fondness for the type of people she considers "vegetables" and doesn't want to become a "vegetable" herself. In the words of a friend in Guam who introduced her, "You'll like her. She's way out there, but wonderful!"

On her arrival in Koror with her four sons, "Margi" Daniells found herself and her colleagues caught up in a curriculum that rivaled a small art institute, with classes in ceramics, sculpture, drawing and painting, as well as applied work in silk-screen poster technique, fashion design and a teacher-training course in the uses of art in the classroom. Somehow that wasn't enough for this busy, vital person.

"What would you like to see us do in this workshop?" she asked the District Administrator, perhaps expecting him to express the fatuous wish that the students might "learn something."

"WAY OUT BUT WONDERFUL"
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"I want a mural," came the answer. "Big enough to cover that entire wall - something about Palau past, present and future - not too abstract, not too realistic, not corny. Er . . . you don't think I'm insane, do you?"

"Margi" passed up a heaven-sent opportunity to tell a District Administrator off and took a long look at the 21 by 14 1/2 foot wall behind his desk, which featured a portrait of President Kennedy, two large windows and a view of three prisoners cutting grass by the radio shack. Persons present testify they saw sparks flash wildly from her brown eyes. Finally in a low, musical voice she said, "I love murals. You're sure you'd be willing to let us try?"

As simply as that things started to happen, and fast — big sketches on wrapping paper, scaffolding, brilliant colored enamels, forty-five Palauan apprentices taking turns on the rigging, sketching the design, then painting, and Margi, "riding herd" — touching up here, encouraging there, and soliciting technical advice about canoe shapes and abai designs. (Of course, there were "kibitzers" replete with advice -- "Why don't you paint the 'TT' plane sinking gently in the background?" one wag suggested).

A little less than three weeks after the first swipe of a paint brush, the last stroke was completed. The mural shows a middle-aged Palauan contem-

plating the Koror of yesterday and today, and if one looks carefully one can recognize most of the scenic trademarks of the Palau islands: the abai, the bread-fruit-tree legend, the woodcarver, the fisherman, the Palau Congress, the Scatter-site towers, a Japanese stone lantern — all against a backdrop of humpbacked limestone islands.

Reactions thus far have been generally favorable. At least no one has asked, "What's all that supposed to be?" which is regarded as a good sign. A few have trumpeted jubilantly, "Another 'first' for Palau!"

District Administrator Fran Mahoney, of course, is delighted with "his" mural.

"Most people seem to like it, or if they don't, they are kind enough not to say anything," he said. "Even if you don't agree with me that it's an artistic milestone, you'll have to admit that it's the largest mural west of the Honolulu Telephone building on Alakea street."

"Only one thing bothers me," he mused, "what is Horace going to say when he finds out what I've done to his color code?"

Following is a list of the Palauan art students who participated, under the supervision of Mrs. Daniells, in painting the Trust Territory's first mural: Denis Alfonso, James Anthony, Joseph Arstiba, Felisa Daniel, Peter Elechung, Jullina A. Erungl, James Franz, Santiago S. Haruo,

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A mural he wanted and a mural he has — District Administrator Fran Mahoney at desk in office at Palau.





Dolliver Zaiger, one of the passengers on "Forty-three Fox", arrives back in Guam on another TT plane.



Dr. A. A. Jaffe keeps right on traveling, undaunted by plane accident or anything else. He is Director of Dental Services.

"43 Fox" upside down

THE ACCIDENT to "43 FOX", and the Cooperatives Seminar, actually were two quite distinct and separate events, but they were so intermingled in time, place and personnel that when mention of one is made, the other comes to mind.

The date was July 20, 1961; the place, Palau - a short distance from Koror; the personnel, delegates from other districts en route to the Seminar, together with Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez who was to be (and was) the main speaker at the opening session on Cooperatives.

The plane - Aircraft N9943F otherwise known as "43 FOX" - was a "Seminar Special"; only two of its passengers were not Seminar-bound. These were Dr. Aaron A. Jaffe, TT Director of Dental Services, and Mrs. Limou Heck of Yap.

What happened?

As of this writing, it had not been clearly established what caused the acci-

dent, but what happened was this: the Trust Territory plane in making the customary water landing off Skoki Ramp at Arakabesan, Palau, sustained major damage (a large hole almost big enough for a canoe to fall through ripped in her hull), and the craft rapidly filled with water while the passengers were still aboard. Subsequently, about an hour later, "43 FOX" capsized - with no passengers aboard - while being towed toward shore.

If each passenger were given opportunity to state his version of the accident, it would fill the pages of this magazine and over, and probably each version would be a little bit different - for to each one something different happened and each has his own vivid recollection of the event. An account written by Deputy High Commissioner Benitez, one of those to whom particular credit belongs for fast thinking and a quick "All out!" order in the face of the emergency, appears elsewhere in this issue.

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SURVIVORS

OUTSTRETCHED HANDS help survivors on to shore at Palau. In boat, from left, are Augustine Moses, Kasiano Joseph, Christy Alex, Joe Tumag, Mrs. Heck (Limou) and boat operator.

Below, seated, are more survivors: George Davis, Palau District Administrator Fran Mahoney (who went to accident scene), Reginald H. Boyan and Neil H. Morriss. Man being helped to shore at rear is William Allen. Men in sweatshirts are the boat operators.



Scenes above and at right show sunken aircraft being raised to surface at Malakal Dock, Palau.



"43 FOX" Upside Down
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That several of the passengers displayed real heroism is unquestionable. That the lives of all were spared may be attributed to the wisdom and strength shown by certain ones in guiding and assisting others to escape. Special praise goes to those who stood at the upper hatchway and urged or pushed their fellow-passengers out, thus preventing a bottleneck at the open escape-hatch. To mention one and not another is scarcely fair. Most of those involved helped in one way or another, and all, in different degrees, demonstrated valiant action in escaping, and in remaining afloat until help came. By so doing they contributed to the morale of the whole group in the water. Had one given up, others might have panicked, too. As it was, some helped to support their companions in the water, and some called out to others, giving them the courage to leave the plane. (Most made their escape by swimming out, as the water rose quickly inside the craft.)

Standing by at the Radio Communications Station in Palau throughout the breath-taking episode, and afterwards, was Kodep R. Iyong, Chief Radio Operator at the Koror Communications station. Bit by bit over the voice radio he relayed information to TT Headquarters, Guam, as he received it from the M-boat communications operator who was witnessing the entire sequence of events.

In charge at TT Headquarters was John M. Spivey, Acting Deputy High Commissioner. (High Commissioner M. W. Goding was in Washington, D. C. en route back

to Guam and, of course, Deputy High Commissioner Benitez was in the midst of it all at Palau.) Mr. Spivey, upon first hearing word of the accident, tersely announced to office associates, "43 FOX UPSIDE DOWN!"

After the passengers had safely reached shore by M-boat and small motor boat, and had been examined for injuries, the next thought was for the cargo - mail, baggage and other plane contents.

The Coast Guard vessel PLANETREE assisted in bringing the plane to the surface, but was unable on first attempt to lift it clear of the water, due to the craft's size and its weight of thirteen tons. A second attempt, however, was successful, and this time the plane was raised and moved up to Malakal Dock where it was dropped to the bottom in 40 feet of water at a location which would permit shore equipment to lift it onto the dock.

Through repeated trips down to the plane, Navy divers Charles Priest and Bill Weeks retrieved the U.S. mail, the special TT pouches containing official communications, the passengers' baggage and other cargo. Water-soaked, almost illegible copies of some of the office memoranda were returned to the senders in Headquarters offices in cryptic explanation for the delay in answering.

Also with the help of divers Priest and Weeks, and under direction of L. Beryl White, Public Works Officer at Palau, the plane eventually was raised and moved onto the dock proper. Four cranes and four additional pieces of heavy equipment were used for this operation.

At this writing, FORTY-THREE FOX sits dejectedly on the wharf at Malakal. Its fate? N9943F is destined to become a pile of scrap. In its ragged condition, it has not been judged worthy of repair.

Coincidence: Two of those on the ill-fated plane are twice-survivors. In April 1959 near-tragedy approached for Mr. Boyan and Mr. Mackenzie (and twelve others including the latter's bride), as the TT plane lost an engine mid-way between Guam and Truk. All cargo, baggage, mail, even plane seats and other equipment, were jettisoned to enable the craft, with but one engine functioning, to keep aloft and return to Guam. The run was successful, and all arrived back safely.

UP FROM THE DEEP - The plane is shored up with cargo pallets at Malakal Dock.



COOPERATIVES SEMINAR

DISCUSSING COOPERATIVES and Credit Unions - High Commissioner M.W. Goding and SPC Cooperatives Officer Reginald Boyan point to locations on map where credit unions have been established in the Trust Territory.



In spite of a harrowing experience which befell some of the delegates en route, the first Trust Territory Seminar for the discussion of cooperatives and credit unions opened at Palau as scheduled on July 21, 1961, and continued for two weeks under joint auspices of the Trust Territory Government and the South Pacific Commission.

Director and principal instructor for the seminar was Reginald H. Boyan, SPC Cooperatives Officer. Organizer at Palau was Francis B. Mahoney, who had returned only a few weeks earlier from participating in a SPC technical meeting on cooperatives at Noumea, New Caledonia, and who has actively sponsored the formation of cooperatives and credit unions in the Palau District. Arrangements were coordinated at Headquarters by John M. Spivey, Contracts and Programs Officer.

Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez made the opening address - not the speech he had planned to make because at the moment his notes were at the bottom of the ocean - but a heart-to-heart talk about cooperation and the benefits to be derived from pooling resources and working together for a goal. (Later in the session his official talk on the origin and development of cooperatives was read before the seminar.)

Seminar subjects included the various types of cooperative societies and their relative adaptability to the Trust Territory. Financial and management problems involved in a cooperative venture were dis-

cussed, and successive steps in the formation of credit unions were considered.

A highlight of the meeting was an overnight trip by delegates to observe activities of the Ollei-Kayangel Credit Union at Ollei, Babelthup.

Delegates and participants included the following: Marshalls - J. Boyd Mackenzie, Assistant District Administrator; Kazuaki Matsumuro, District Agriculturist, and William Allen, Economic and Political Advisor. Ponape District - Joseph Kasiano, Community Development Officer; Dolliver Zaiger, Assistant District Agriculturist, and Augustine Moses, teacher, PICS. Saipan - Francisco C. Lizama, Senior Agricultural Specialist. Truk - George M. Davis, District Agriculturist; Christy K. Alex, Assistant Extension Agent, and Napoleon Defang, Assistant Educational Administrator. Yap - Neil Morriss, District Agriculturist; Joseph Tamag, Chairman, Yap Economic Development Committee, and Carl Schug, Yap Trading Co. Advisor.

Palau - District Administrator Mahoney; Sadang Ngiraecherang, Supervisor, Adult Education; Salvator Ongrung, Acting Economic Development Officer; Benjamin Orrukem, Cooperatives Officer; Valentine Ramarui, August Remoket and Mrs. Bertha T. Paulis, representatives of credit unions; Huan Rechesengel, Acting Extension Agent, Thomas O. Remengesau, Acting Public Administration Officer; Charles Hughes, Land Title Officer; Bert Ogata, District Agriculturist; Dr. Robert McKnight, Anthropologist, and Mrs. Anastasia D. Ramarui, Community Group Advisor.

Mr. Benitez Gives Account of the Crash

On Thursday, July 20, our airplane N9943F better known as "Old Faithful", left with some of our delegates and myself for the conference of the Cooperatives Seminar to be held at Palau July 21

The weather was favorable for the take-off from Guam at 7:30 that Thursday morning. We landed in Yap District under normal conditions exactly two hours and 45 minutes later. Here we picked up Neil Morriss, Yap District Agriculturist, and Joseph Tamag, Yap District Congressman. Also we took as passenger a woman from Yap (Mrs. Heck). Fortunately she was the only woman passenger. As you can see no infants or children were aboard.

At this point (Yap) we changed our watches back one hour.

The flight from Yap to Koror, Palau, was completely normal; weather still was favorable. Wind was mild.

Exactly at 11:20 Palau time, 12:20 Guam time, we started to sit down on the water. Plane speed was around 90-100 miles per hour at this exact moment. The navigator, William Frisbie, went toward the rear of the plane and took a look at both wing flaps. While he was on his way to his seat in front of me, I asked the flight mechanic, Edward Deto, what Mr. Frisbie was looking for. He answered, "He was double-checking the instruments."

I was looking through the window at our approach toward the water and it offered a magnificent view. Up to that minute I had been a great admirer of sea landings.

At the same second that the plane hit the water I felt directly in my face a strong gush of water that I calculated to be around two square feet.

I was sitting in the first seat to the left of the plane, in the large passenger compartment. As soon as I recovered from the first surprise shower I noticed that the

plane was three-fourths full of water. At the same time I noticed the plane was leaning toward the right. Both motors were still working.

About five seconds later another big gush of water came in, filling the whole cabin for the second consecutive time.

Between the two gushes of water I had opportunity to get some air into my lungs.

My first impression was that the water was coming from the pilots' cabin. For sure it was coming from the front.

At this moment I knew we were sinking.

Looking under the water I saw Mr. Deto, our flight mechanic, rolling like a rubber ball and making every effort to regain his balance in order to stand up.

After the second gush of water it took about five seconds for the water to settle on a level of about one foot from the compartment roof.

Immediately we looked toward the back door of the plane. This is the door normally used to come aboard the plane. We opened it and started immediately jumping into the ocean.

As the process of the passengers' abandoning the plane was normal, under the circumstances, and orderly, Mr. Deto tried to reach the pilots' cabin in an effort to find out how they were. The pilots (Captains Glenn Taylor and Howard Ashcraft), on the other hand, were trying with all human effort to open their door and help the passengers. This was impossible for them because of the water pressure from our side so, as the body of the plane was sinking fast, they opened their cabin roof door and jumped onto the wing. Upon seeing the passengers swimming in the ocean, they started throwing life jackets to them. If it had not been for this help from the pilots, we would have lost Francisco Lizama from Saipan who already had gone to the bottom of the ocean twice.



DELEGATES to Trust Territory Cooperatives Seminar. Four of those shown here at airport in Guam are survivors of the July 20 plane accident at Palau; one made the trip by ship. From left are George M. Davis, Kasiano Joseph, Christy K. Alex, Napoleon Defang (who traveled by surface vessel) and Augustine Moses.

The pilots immediately tried to inflate one of the rubber life rafts. The first one did not work but the second one did.

Meanwhile all the passengers were safe and accounted for outside the plane.

Our only concern at this moment were the sharks and barracuda. In our Trust Territory we have more sharks and barracuda than people.

We then maintained ourselves in a circle in order to help each other in case of emergency. As soon as the air-raft was in the water we tried to swim toward it. The water current moved all of us 200 feet away from the airplane.

About 10-15 minutes later the aircraft crash-boat, which the district of Palau sends out at all times when there is a landing, reached us.

This lapse of time was due to the fact that the plane crashed up as soon as it touched the water, and the crash-boat was still far away. As we loaded on the crash-boat we noticed that Mr. Mackenzie was suffer-

ing with tremendous back pain. (The Navy Hospital of Guam informs us that he will be all right.) Mr. Lizama was suffering from near-drowning. Dr. Jaffe had two small cuts, one on top of his left eye and one across the nose. . . . Mr. Deto had a cut on his left arm and two minor cuts on each of his legs.

The woman from Yap was in perfect condition and proved to be a . . . of a good swimmer. She always kept her bill-fold in her hands. That money never got wet.

After we were loaded on the boat, Captains Taylor and Ashcraft jumped into the ocean and tied a rope to the nose of the sinking plane in an effort to salvage the aircraft. Unfortunately it was too late and nothing could be done. The "Old Faithful" was dead.

People from Palau including the District Administrator, Francis B. Mahoney, did an outstanding job of taking care of all of us and next morning at 10:30 I was giving my opening speech to the Cooperatives Seminar. . . .

PICS COMMENCEMENT 1961

The first Commencement exercises of the Pacific Islands Central School since its establishment in Ponape District were held Tuesday evening, June 27, in the school's flower-decked auditorium. Upon this historic occasion, 35 gown-clad senior students - representing six districts of the Trust Territory - received their diplomas culminating twelve years of study in the TT.

The Marshall Islands led the list with ten in the graduating class; Truk came next, with eight; Ponape, with six, Yap and Palau, with five each, and Saipan, with one.

Commencement addresses were made by Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez and Mayor Ignacio Benavente of Saipan. In addition, Student Body President Bermin Weilbacher of Ponape District and Senior

Class President Masao Nakayama of Truk spoke. Bermin expressed gratitude for the opportunity to attend PICS and for the friendships it had afforded - friendships which closed the miles between the districts and made the Territory as one land.

The TT Director of Education, Dr. Robert E. Gibson, gave the diplomas to the graduates as PICS Acting Principal Daniel Peacock made the presentations. Master of ceremonies for the impressive program was Arthur N. Ngiraklsong of Palau. Invocation was given by Rev. Albert Iehsi, and benediction by Rev. George McGowan, S. J.

Calvin Jormelu of the Marshalls was chairman of the working committee on arrangements. PICS teachers Emi Mukaida and Robert Sutcliffe were the senior class advisors.

Deputy High Commissioner Addresses Graduates

In addressing the graduates of the Pacific Islands Central School, and also the graduating class of Xavier High School, Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez pointed out that those who a few years ago were small children playing on their home islands, today are emerging as educated young people, many of whom will be carrying responsibilities in the educational, political and economic development of Micronesia.

The speaker pictured the young, educated generation as holding the destiny of Micronesia in their hands, and urged that the wisdom and advice of the old be combined with the strength and knowledge of the young, in order to achieve the goals

for which all are striving. He pointed out the need for Micronesians to become educated and to gain experience in order that they may become capable leaders in the future. He said that the work done by the different municipalities is encouraging, and that of the Inter-District Advisory Committee and its subcommittees inspiring.

The debate between PICS and Xavier, held recently at PICS, was an example of the growing unity between the people and districts of the Trust Territory, Mr. Benitez stated. "They debated like the best of students," he said, "with the bravery of a caballero and the finesse of a diplomat."

"WAY OUT BUT WONDERFUL"
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Ngulitl Illamelong, Joseph Lenge, Tulmau Kloteraol, Martha Miller, Maria Melaitau, Eusevia Ngiracheluolu, Erica Ngirabiochel, Ignacio Ngiraiwet, Saburo Ngiramengior, O. Ngiratechoboet, Rose M. Ngirableku, Renguul Ngircheungel.

Also O. Ngirchomtilou, Benjamin Pedro, Lorenza Pedro, Justina Ramarui, Yosie A. Rdechor, Mary Rechetuau, Anita Rechirei, Teruko Rengulbai, Ricky Riungel, Oikang Sebastian, D. Secharraimul, Kulas O.

Sengebau, Belau J. Skebong, Mahensia Tabelual, Omil Techechur, Setsuwo Telei, Lydia A. Teliu, Erika Tmewang, Johnson Toribiong, Mike B. Towai, Lewis Tsungio, Remeldil Turu, Gilbert Uchel and M. Ucherkemur.

So well did "Margi" Daniells like her visit to Palau that she has returned to stay. Her husband, Gordon P. Daniells, has been recruited as Staff Surveyor, based in Palau district. . . . F.B.M.

"see you again. . ."

(This is the farewell message of Masao Nakayama, PICS senior class president, to his classmates, June 1961. He is now a freshman at the College of Guam.

TWICE WE have been separated from each other during our vacations. Before, we knew we would be back and meet as a class again. But now, at last, it is time to say good-bye! We will be missing PICS, its faculty, staff, and the sophomores and juniors. We are going home sad since we won't have a chance to see each other again, for a long time. Some of us may never meet again.

However, let's be more optimistic. Our future is wide open with possible opportunities for most of us to smile at each other again. A few years from now some of us will meet as students in institutions of higher education; others, possibly, in Inter-District Conferences, and the like, still more as lone travelers.

So let us not be too serious in considering this a sad situation. Instead let's bid each other farewell, saying, "See you again." There is a deep meaning there.

Sharing past experiences together we have developed a deep spirit of friendship and cooperation. We have gotten to know each other well. But of what consequence is this? It is a good sign for the future of



Masao
Nakayama
of Truk

Micronesia, if we, the youths, cherish this experience, and teach its value to others who have not had it.

My fellow classmates, preserve in minds and hearts that we have heavy burdens ahead of us to carry for our beloved Micronesia. Individually we are nothing. Together we are strong. We have learned much at PICS, but it is very little compared to what we should have learned.

Let our comradeship and learning here at PICS be the first step to the great goals we must win together. In parting, let us say that we will work together until all people throughout our islands can say: "I am happy and proud that Micronesia is my home."



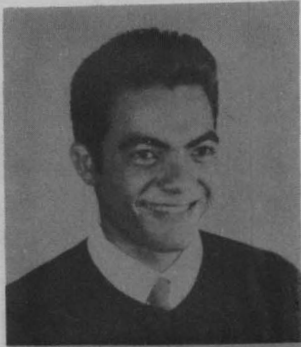
Calvin Jormelu
Marshalls
Senior Treasurer



Christina Kadoi
Palau
Senior Secretary

Pictures of other 1961 PICS graduates appear on the following pages.

1961 PICS GRADUATES



Bermin Weilbacher
Ponape
Student Body President



Katherine Kesolei
Palau



Ribo Jarom
Marshalls
Senior Song Leader



Carmen Milne
Marshalls



Francis Giltamingin
Yap



Wakako Sisior
Palau



Kikuo Apis
Ponape



Erika Refilong
Truk



Herinos Hiram
Marshalls



Ponciano Materne
Ponape

1961 PICS GRADUATES



Hilary Pong
Yap



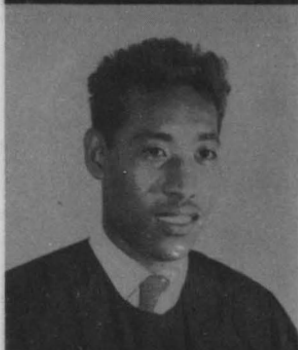
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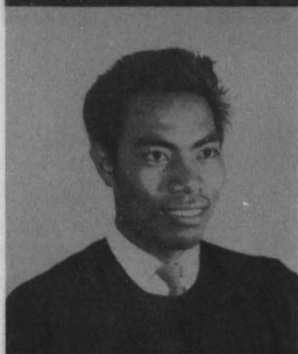
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Oktan Damon
Marshalls



Carmai Lawrence
Marshalls



Tatasy Derry
Truk



Mista Ongelungl
Palau

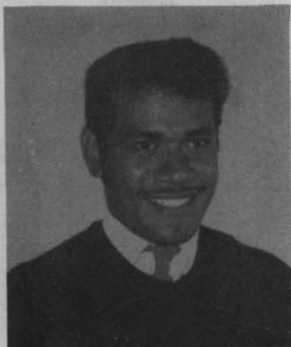


John Ranganibay
Yap



Mamoru Kabua
Marshalls

1961 PICS GRADUATES



Miasiro Albert
Truk



Alex Keju
Marshalls



Paulino Maipi
Truk



Rensiper Jack
Ponape



Andrew Cheuaw
Yap



Isidro Sablan
Saipan



Chuji Chutaro
Marshalls



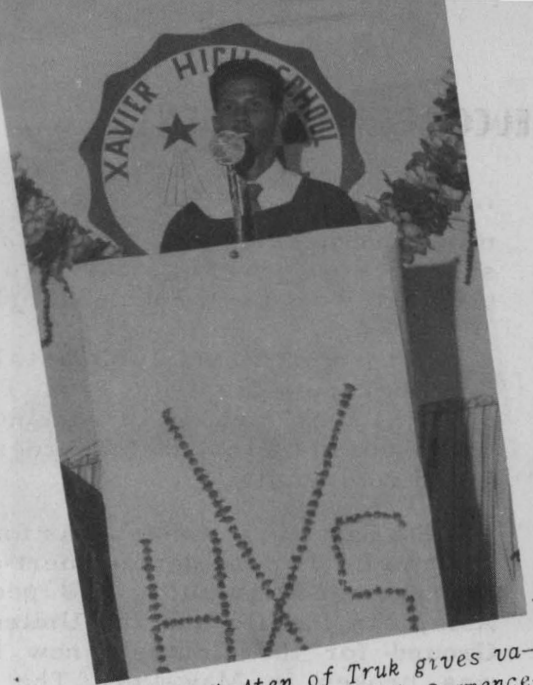
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Truk



Haser Epineisar
Truk



Dison Gideon
Ponape



Gerhart Aten of Truk gives valedictory at Xavier 1961 Commencement exercises.



Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez addresses graduates. Seated at right is Bishop Vincent I. Kennally.

Xavier Graduation

The DAY was June 26, 1961. As the evening drew near, trucks, jeeps and automobiles made their way from the Truk district center to Mabuchi Hill where the graduation exercises were to be held. The vehicles were not in full speed, but they were traveling fast enough to arrive on time.

At about 7 p.m. the cars pulled up before the school. The ushers, seeing that the hour for the graduation was drawing near, started directing the guests to their seats. Finally the anticipated moment came. "Pomp and Circumstance" was played by Tony de Brum, a junior, while the graduates marched down toward the stage of the auditorium.

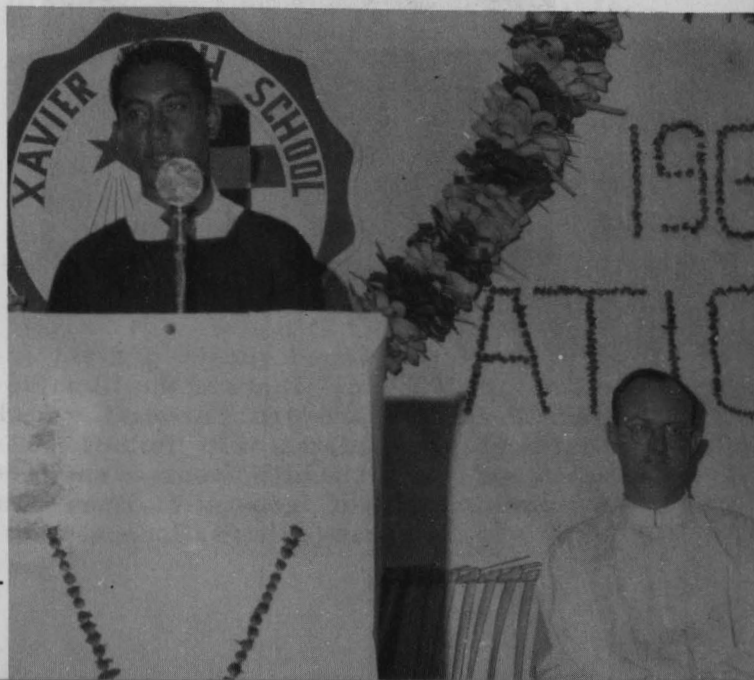
When the last man had reached the stage, Charles T. Dominick stepped forward and delivered the salutatory address. Coming after him was Gerhart Aten, giving the valedictory address. Up to the ceiling went the applause as the Glee Club under the direction of Father Flavin, S.J., got itself ready to sing "The Three Bells" by Jean Villard.

Following the Glee Club came the guest speaker, Hon. Jose A. Benitez, Deputy High Commissioner of the Trust Territory. The presentation of diplomas was made by

His Excellency Bishop Vincent I. Kennally, S.J., and the school principal, Rev. Allen J. Cameron, S.J. After the presentation of diplomas came the graduation song sung by all the students. The commencement exercises ended with a prayer by His Excellency Bishop Kennally.

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Charles Dominick of Marshalls is Xavier Salutatorian. At right is Rev. Allen J. Cameron, school principal.



EAST-WEST CENTER WELCOMES TT STUDENTS

THE EAST-WEST CENTER at the University of Hawaii has welcomed its first two students from the Trust Territory. They are Leo A. Falcam, whose major is Government, and Strik Yoma, an English major, both from Ponape. Ekpak Silk of the Marshalls was accepted for the 1961 fall term, but was detained by illness. He will enroll at the start of the next term in early 1962.

These Micronesian youth, all of whom have maintained high standards in their previous college courses, are the recipients of two-year, all-inclusive scholarships at the University of Hawaii, and an academic tour of one semester at a university on the U. S. mainland.

Acting Chancellor Murray Turnbull, as the school opened in September 1961, said,

ONE YEAR TO GO: Leo A. Falcam of Ponape, after completing three years at University of Hawaii, received scholarship to East-West Center, is now enrolled.



XAVIER GRADUATION
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The distinguished guests present included the TT Chief Justice, the Hon. Edward P. Furber, and Mrs. Furber; the Truk District Administrator, Robert Halvorsen; Mrs. Richard Taitano; Mrs. Jose A. Benitez; Mayor Ignacio V. Benavente of Saipan, and many others.

"We feel that we are passing a significant milestone in extending our welcome to this second large group of students to arrive at the East-West Center under scholarships.

"We are particularly happy to be able to greet students from the Trust Territory and will look forward to working closely with them in their academic programs and in the community."

The East-West Center was founded in 1960 to further the development of mutual understanding among the peoples of Asia, the Pacific and the United States. Ground for the Center's new facilities was broken in May 1961. The recently designated Chancellor, Dr. Alexander Spoehr, a distinguished scientist, will assume his post on January 1, 1962.

HAWAII-BOUND: Pictured at Trust Territory Headquarters prior to departure for studies in Hawaii, Elias (Eliasa) Robert, center, and Strik Yoma, right, exchange banter with TT Program Officer John E. deYoung.



The graduates were Bonifacio S. Basilius, Charles T. Dominick, Gerhart Aten, John Edmund, Lucio Abraham, Michael Emiliano, Pedro M. Temengil, Remigio Irons, Stephen Muller and Valentine Sengebau.



CLASS of 1961: Graduates Taisacan, Rain, Timothy, Mangtamag and Renguul.



CLASS OF '63: from left - Misses Kilisou, Ngiraked, Shoniber, Lamurlik, Hary, Mathew, James, Anson, Timothy and Ngedikes.

School of Dental Nursing Graduates Five; New Class Enrolls

EXERCISES for the first graduating class of the Trust Territory School of Dental Nursing were held at Uliga Court House, Marshall Islands, on Tuesday evening, June 6, 1961. The courtroom was transformed into a festive setting with decorations of ferns and flowers.

Five were graduated on this memorable occasion - Jesus Taisacan of Rota, who as class valedictorian gave an appropriate, well-received speech; Thomas E. Renguul of Ngiwal, Babelthuap, Palau District; Tiriten S. Rain of Moen, Truk District; Akira M. Timothy of Kusaie, Ponape District; and Mangtamag Henry of Dachangar Village, Yap.

The program began with a welcoming address by Dr. A.A. Jaffe, Director of Dental Services, whose devotion to the school has been largely responsible for its successful continuation despite setbacks and difficulties now and then. A prayer by Rev. James Lalej followed. A feature of the evening's program was a speech by Dwight Heine, Educational Administrator in the Marshalls, who served on this occasion as Special Representative of the High Commissioner. Short addresses also were given by Kabua Kabua, Judge of the District Court; J.B. Mackenzie, Acting District Administrator; John Iaman, District Director of Public Health, and Peter Enta, District Director of Dental Services.

Surprise of the evening was the welcome arrival of Jose A. Benitez, Deputy

High Commissioner of the Trust Territory, who gave a fitting address which was warmly applauded.

Awarding of the diplomas was in the hands of Dr. Armer Ishoda, dean of the School of Dental Nursing, and Deputy High Commissioner Benitez. The graduates appeared happy as, dressed all in white, they stepped forward to receive their rolled diplomas. The program ended with a prayer by Rev. L. Hacker, S.J.

Scholastic records of the class were good, in the opinion of Dr. Jaffe - the highest grade being 91, the lowest 75. The two-year course covered a curriculum of basic theory as well as clinical practice; each candidate handled no less than 50 cases of school children covering prophylaxis, caries-preventive treatments, and record keeping.

After a short vacation, the graduates entered upon duties as dental nurses in their home districts. A new class - this one of girls - began in September 1961. One of the students - Miss Towai Ngedikes of Palau, a graduate of George Washington High School, Guam - is serving as Acting House Mother. Others in this class are Rosania Ngiraked, also of Palau; Judy Shoniber, Deruko Anson and Arue Timothy, all of Ponape; Peter Kilisou and Salome James of Truk; Kimlok Lamurlik, Rosemary Hary and Elma Mathew, all of the Marshalls.

FIRST SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES IN '63

BEGINNING IN 1963, regional Pacific Islands sports tournaments known as the South Pacific Games are scheduled to be held every three years. A South Pacific Games Council has been set up by the South Pacific Commission to organize the first of the Games, which are to be held at Suva, Fiji, in August-September 1963.

Plans for the games were made at a meeting held at SPC Headquarters in Noumea in March of this year, and subsequently the Council was designated. Its members comprise the officers of the Fiji Amateur Sports Association: L.R. Martin, chairman; L.O. Simpson, secretary, and S.W. Meeks, treasurer.

Purpose of the inter-territorial sports tournaments, as expressed by the sponsoring body, the South Pacific Commission, is to foster better relations and understanding in the South Pacific.

The following games probably will be included, according to a report from the South Pacific Games Council: swimming; men's basketball; women's basketball (seven-a-side); boxing; rugby football, and table tennis. Demonstration games of volleyball and baseball also are being planned, it is reported.

South Pacific Games Emblem-Design Competition

A first prize of £stg.40 (\$112.00 in U. S. money) is offered for the best design for an emblem for the first South Pacific Games. Second prize will be £stg.10 (\$28.00). The winning design may be adopted as a permanent emblem for the Games.

The conditions of entry are that ----

- (1) The design should embody the words "SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES 1963".
- (2) Entries should measure 5 1/2 x 7 1/2.
- (3) Up to three colors may be used (black and white count as separate colors).
- (4) The design should be suitable for a postage stamp or medal.

TRUST TERRITORY ATHLETES

The Trust Territory has some swimmers, baseball players and trackmen of considerable ability, according to Administration personnel who have officiated as umpires and referees in the several districts. Among these are Satauo Fiti of Dublon, Truk District, a school principal who clocked 100 meters in 11 seconds flat in one of the heats at a United Nations Day competition in Truk - ran it without great effort, having time to look back to see how far behind his competitors were. On another occasion Satauo had stiffer competition and no time to look behind - his rival was his young brother, Wie Fiti, a schoolteacher who was close on his heels. Satauo, by the way, is a PICS graduate, '55, and is married.

Another outstanding baseball player of Truk is Gerhart Aten of Udot, who was graduated this year from Xavier High School. Gerhart possesses good coordinating ability, shows keen judgment and thinking on the field, and has "sure hands" in handling the ball, according to one of Truk's leading umpires. Palau and, in fact, all of the districts, have excellent baseball players and athletes who excel in various other sports. Ponape has some expert swimmers as well as ball players.

Full copyright in respect of the winning entries will be vested in the South Pacific Games Council.

Entries will be judged more for the idea each embodies than for artistic merit; hence designs need not be finished to professional standards.

Entry is free and any number of entries may be submitted. Entries must reach the Secretary, Organizing Committee, South Pacific Games, P.O. Box 124, Suva, Fiji, not later than December 31, 1961.

Future Medics of the Trust Territory



IN FIJI it will soon be summer - and these Trust Territory medic and pre-medic students, now in the midst of their "spring" term, are looking forward to the long vacation which starts in late December and ends early in February 1962 - for south of the equator, of course, the seasons are in reverse from those north of the equator.

Pictured above are the ten TT students in Fiji, all enrolled at the Central Medical School. The occasion of the picture-taking was a meeting of the Micronesian Student Club, the officers of which are Hiroshi Ismael, president; Arthur Sigrah, secretary, and Nobui Swei, sports captain. In the front row, from left, are Anthony H. Polloi, Rufino Xavier, Miss Ulai Otobed, Justino Odaol and Mr. Swei, all of Palau. In back row are Mr. Ismael, from Kusaie; Mr. Sigrah, also of Kusaie; Carlos S. Camacho of Saipan; David Aminis of Ponape, and Simeron Jim of Mokil.

For four of these students - Messrs. Camacho, Ismael, Polloi and Swei - the "summer" vacation will be utilized in part by attending a WHO (World Health Organization) course of training in vital and health statistics. They were selected as Trust Territory representatives in this course designed for the South Pacific territories, to be held at Suva from January 8 to February 3, 1962. Announcement of their selection as delegates has been received by Dr. H. E. Macdonald, TT Director of Public Health, in a message from Dr. I. C. Fang, Regional Director of WHO at Manila.

"INTERIOR" FLAG DESIGN CONTEST

A FLAG DESIGN CONTEST has been announced by the Department of the Interior, Office of the Administrative Assistant Secretary, with prize of \$300 cash. Persons interested in submitting drawings

may apply at the Personnel Department, TT Headquarters, Guam, or at the district administration offices, for rules of the contest. The closing date is December 31, 1961.

