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ASST. SECRETARY CARVER VISITS SAIPAN

Accompanied by High Commissioner M. W. Goding, Assistant Secretary of the Interior John A. Carver, Jr., arrived in Saipan on Monday, November 4, for a week's visit and conference with the High Commissioner and his staff in connection with the Solomon Survey Mission's report. While en route to Saipan, Mr. Carver also met with Governor Guerrero of Guam and other Government of Guam officials during a few hours' stop there.

During a staff meeting held on Tuesday, November 5, at the Headquarters, both Assistant Secretary Carver and High Commissioner Goding noted that a number of major recommendations contained in the Solomon report were very much in the same direction of accelerated programs now already underway in the Territory. The Mission's report has been submitted to the President for review. The Assistant Secretary and the High Commissioner noted that the report was an official report to the President and has not been publically released by the President's Office. The High Commissioner added, however, that some of the recommendations of the Solomon Survey Mission might be discussed in general with the delegates of the Council of Micronesia during its forthcoming session.

High Commissioner Goding was in Washington, D.C., attending the annual budget meeting on program estimates for fiscal year 1965. He also met with the Inter-Departmental Task Force, chaired by Assistant Secretary Carver, and discussed the U.S. Mission's report.

Mr. Carver was scheduled to depart Saipan for Washington on November 12.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 20 marks the fourth anniversary of the "new" PONAPE-PIER. The paper originated seven years ago, but publication was suspended for some two years. Publication was resumed on November 20, 1959, and has been continuous since then.

COUNCIL OF MICRONESIA MEETS

The fourth session of the Council of Micronesia convened at the Territory's capital in Saipan on November 12, 1963.

The Council was scheduled to convene officially for business on Tuesday following an opening address by High Commissioner M.W. Goding. Assistant Secretary of Interior John A. Carver was expected to address the delegates at the opening session. The first order of the Council's business was the election of new officers, followed by the appointment of the Agenda Committee to work on the agenda items to be discussed by the Council.

Ponape delegates Heinrich Iriarte and Joab Sigrah were accompanied by Clerk of Court Edwel Santos who will serve as their interpreter.

FISHERMEN'S CO-OP IN ANNUAL SESSION

The annual membership meeting of the Ponape Fishermen's Co-operative Association was held yesterday at the Kaselchlia Inn.

Mr. Harry Jackman, Co-operatives Advisor to the High Commissioner, was introduced and spoke briefly to the group reviewing the Statement of Assets and Liabilities which he had helped to prepare.

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities noted a profit for the past year of \$7,261.54, making a present surplus of \$7,754.93. The members voted to distribute one-half of this amount in cash patronage refunds and one-half in share patronage refunds.

Members voted to follow the uniform membership fee and share value schedule proposed by the High Commissioner to make memberships in co-operative societies available to a greater portion of the populace in any one area, as well as to

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FIVE SCORE YEARS OLD

Tuesday, November 19, is the 100th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's immortal Gettysburg Address.

In commemoration of that humble speech and in honor of a masterpiece of effective use of the English language, Pacific Islands Central School students will participate in a contest to see who can fender the famous oration in the most creditable manner. Mrs. Adrienne Barry is sponsoring the event.

FLIGHT 40D DELAYED

Today's PAA flight was delayed in Guam because of mechanical difficulties. On the passenger list for Ponape were Dr. Robert Gibson and Messrs. Hastig, Kahle and Lucids. Because of passenger backlog all Districts have been asked to send only essential passengers via this flight. The DC-4 will pick up all backlog on flight 401/23. Ponape will utilize the PACIFIC ISLANDER to move low priority passengers to Truk.

FISHERMEN'S CO-OP

strive for a greater uniformity in co-operative organization and practices. The membership fee is now established at \$1.00 and a share value at \$5.00. Present members who have paid a \$5.00 fee will be given \$4.00 credit toward the purchase of an additional share.

At the invitation of the Board of Directors the District Administrator commented briefly and favorably on the operations and financial condition of the co-operative. He also pointed out to the members that the present practice of withholding from government employees' salaries amounts of their credit purchases of fish from the cooperative is contrary to government policy and regulation and advised the membership and its directors to consider their plan of future operations without the advantage of a salary withholding practice.

The membership will meet again on December 10 to consider discontinuation of salary withholding and credit practices, to elect the directors for the coming year and to distribute patronage refunds.

LIGHTS OUT

Public Works officials announced this week that until further notice there will be a routine check of power plant facilities every two weeks beginning at 12:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 19 (that is shortly after midnight, Monday--got it?). Power will be maintained on the island except for the PICS area. The maintenance work will require approximately four hours but may take longer, depending upon the nature of the conditions to be corrected.

Condition of power equipment here has not improved. Each power user should have emergency facilities available for light and cooking. It is recommended that refrigerators and freezers not be opened immediately before and during power outages.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE FORMED

A Ponape Softball League will commence on or about November 19th. The following teams have signed up to play and rosters of these teams are to be submitted by the respective captains to Lee Mendiola at the Kaselehlia Inn.

Team

Page Communications
Land & Weather
PICS
Education
PWO
Debits

Captain

Lon Truelove
Frank Castro
Augustine Moses
Mike Gordon
Sachio Murakami
Ben Franklin

CHRISTMAS SEAL TIME AGAIN

Christmas seals will be on sale at the administration building next week.

SOFTBALL FOR FUN AND ??

Because of an absence of players, the regular showing of the comedy of errors, commonly referred to as a softball game, was not held as scheduled on Sunday, November 10. Therefore, this report will cover some of the highlights of weeks gone by. In any spectacle like this there are many choice items, but time and space limit and permit only inclusion of the following.

Sach Murakami beat out an infield hit to the Mission wall.

Mike Gordon finally fielded a ground ball that was below his knees.

Jim Coyle successfully caught three fly balls in one game. This raised his fielding average to .030.

Betty Gordon ~~magnificently~~ defended herself against several fly balls hit in her direction. Not one of the balls hit her.

Lee Mendiola finally tied into one and popped up to the shortstop. No wonder he bunts all the time.

Phil Clevenger turned out for one game and was an immediate riot with his juggling act at third base. In order to preserve marital peace we shall not mention Hannah Clevenger who outplayed Phil.

The double play combination of Tom Tatekawa and Lee Mendiola thrilled the assembled multitude with their inimitable version of kickball around second base.

George Igawa is still fielding magnificently but his batting average in recent games could be beaten by pygmies using toothpicks.

Frankie Castro has been winning pitcher in 4 out of the 5 games played. To put his pitching prowess in proper perspective, we feel that we should add that his only loss on the mound came while Betty Gordon was the opposing chucker.

Bob Rivard, losing pitcher in all of Frankie Castro's victories, claims no support.

Lately we have missed the liners of Russ Varner and the "lines" of Renee Varner. Also missing in recent efforts have been Gus Moses and Lon Truelove.--M. Gordon.

SHIPPING NEWS . . .

According to a revised schedule the GUNNERS KNOT ETD Guam for Ponape is December 6. M/V KASELEHLIA is in Japan; M/V TUNGARU is enroute to Rabaul; and the PACIFIC ISLANDER is expected early next week with the Kusaie field trip party.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

A few Christmas cards are still available at the Print Shop for last minute shoppers. There's still time to buy and "mail early". Remember, only 33 shopping days and five planes until Christmas.

LOOKING BACK . . .

Four years ago the "new" PONAPE-PER went to press with a staff of four: R.J. Umhoefer, Diane Sammet, Harriet Weinrich, and Tony Materne. The first issue carried word of the new point system housing policy and an account of Interior Secretary Fred Seaton's visit to Ponape.

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"Sentinel of the Senyavins". Editor: Lee Hastig. Contributing Editors: Dan Peacock, Nancy Fish, Tom Tatekawa. Feature Writer: Joan Sutcliffe. Published Weekly in Ponape, E.C.I., Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Three years ago the paper announced the imminent arrival of Senators Oren Long and Ernest Greuning . . . a group of what the P-PER called "base women" gathered at the Hanlins to welcome Mrs. Grace Neas to her new home.

Not much happened two years ago, but the front page story one year ago was TYPHOON KAREN DEVASTATES GUAM . . . the commissary was temporarily nameless until someone should think of a civilian-type name to replace the military "commissary" . . . and Kolonials were preparing to observe an early Thanksgiving on November 22.

WATCH THAT WATER!

Public Works Officer George Hartung today warned that the Kolonia water system is now running on the river pump. Because of the unusually dry weather the water supply is very low. Unless all users cooperate to conserve water it will be necessary to establish water use hours.

Volleyball to resume

After giving the court time to dry out, the Women's Volleyball League will resume play beginning Tuesday, November 19. A meeting of the captains and coaches will be held Monday at Club Kolonia to work out details of the schedule.

SUNDAY BRUNCH OFFERED

The Kaselehlia Inn has announced that brunch will be served every Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. beginning November 17. Steak will be included in the \$1.25 menu. Reservations may be made by calling the Inn.

TIDES . . .

	Saturday, Nov. 16		Sunday, Nov. 17	
High	0252	3.4	0317	3.4
	1507	4.5	1530	4.6
Low	0843	1.2	0902	1.2
	2143	1.2	2210	1.1

ACTING EDITOR . . . Miss Nancy Fish again edited the PONAPE-PER for Lee Hastig who is expected back on the next flight.