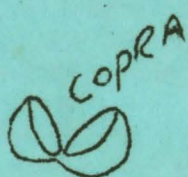


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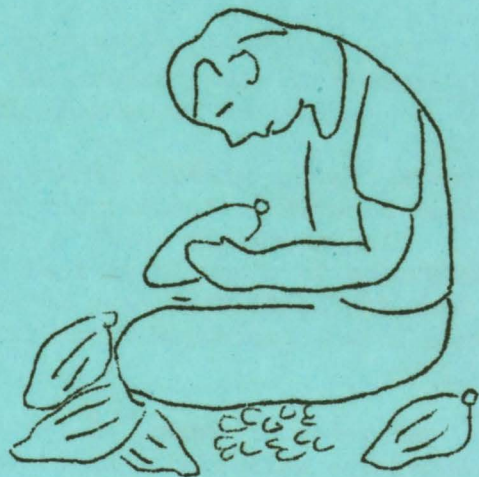
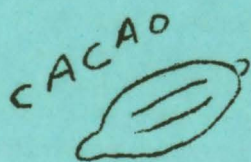
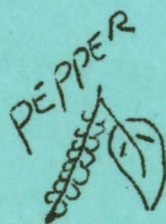
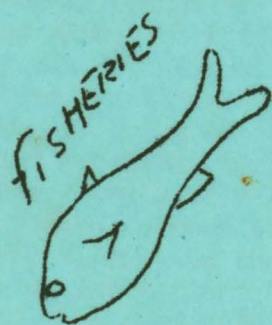
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The man who never alters his opinion is like standing water, and breeds reptiles of the mind. —William Blake.

NEWS BRIEFS

Bad weather in the "splash down" area at sea forced postponement of John Glenn's orbital flight into space Wednesday and a new storm made it appear unlikely he could take off before today. It was the eighth postponement of the 40-year-old astronaut's round-the-world trip.

A high-ranking Royal Air Force officer stood stiffly at attention in a London court today and testified that he would push the button to launch a nuclear attack—if those were his orders. Air Commodore Graham Magill, Air Ministry Director of Operations, was a witness in the trial of members of the ban-the-bomb committee of 100, charged with violating Britain's Official Secrets Act. One of the defendants, Patrick Pottle, who conducted his own defense, called Magill to the witness stand and asked him: "Would you press the button that you know is going to annihilate millions of people?" The Commodore braced himself and replied: "If the circumstances so demanded it, I would." "Would you slit the throats of all the two-year-old children in this country, Air Commodore?" asked Pottle, almost shouting. "I must rule that out," snapped Magill. Committee supporters, many of them wearing ban-the-bomb badges on their lapels packed the public gallery at old Bailey on the third day of the trial. Six persons were charged with conspiring to incite others to enter the U. S. Strategic Air Command base at Wethersfield, England last November, during a mass attempt to stage a sit-down on the base and stop operations there.

Britain and the United States told Premier Nikita Khrushchev today they are ready to participate in a summit level meeting on disarmament once it appears that such participation could positively affect the chances of success.

Premier Nikita Khrushchev might go to Geneva for a summit meeting anyway, despite today's Anglo-American stand, to open the 18-nation disarmament conference with a propaganda bang, some Western diplomats said today. These diplomats said Khrushchev's decision to answer his own call for a meeting of heads of government next month more likely would depend on the response he gets from the eight neutral members of the conference. These are the United Arab Republic, India, Brazil, Mexico, Burma, Nigeria, Ethiopia and Sweden.

Richard Brown, 19, was fined 13 pounds (49.40 dollars) in London Thursday for driving a bed without a license. He pleaded guilty to an interesting catalogue of charges and was disqualified for one month from driving vehicles on her Majesty's highways. He and 12 other students at the Royal aircraft establishment at Farnborough were charged with using a bedstead on the road last September without a license, without insurance, without sufficient brakes and without the

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MOONLIGHT BARBECUE TOMORROW NIGHT

Boats will carry Club Kolonia members to Langer Island tomorrow at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. for the February club party. If bad weather obscures the moon, the party will be held at the club where a paper moon and a little imagination will have to suffice.

Supper will be served and liquid refreshments will be available at regular bar prices. There will be music for dancing. Dress should be as comfortable as possible, and it might be wise to bring a raincoat or umbrella to Langer. The party committee encourages members to bring their ukeleles, harmonicas, and bass fiddles. Skindivers may wish to splash about in the moonlit waters of one of the most beautiful harbors in the world.

RAMARUI AND TOVES HERE

Members of the Council of Micronesia's sub-committee on economic development gathered here this week. Mr. Heinrich Iriarte, local member, was joined by Messrs. David Ramarui of Palau and Albert Toves of Rota.

The sub-committee arranged for itself a full schedule including calls at the Cacao Project, Agricultural Station, and PICS. Visits to the Ponape Cooperative Company and the Fishermen's Cooperative Association were followed by an observance of soap manufacturing at a demonstration given in Mokil Village, Sokehs, today.

Tomorrow the members will visit the Farm Institute and the Metalanim Housing Cooperative as well as the Tamaroi mission school which is still under construction. A meeting with members of the Ponape Women's Association yesterday resulted in a discussion of handicraft marketing, and the sub-committee was able to observe some of the ladies' weaving products.

Next week's plans call for visits to the power and water plants, local boat builders, and a meeting with the Holdover Committee of the local Congress.

FISHING CO-OP SHARES PROFITS

The fast swimming Fishermen's Co-op, brought into the world by former District Administrator Bill Finale, is a minnow no longer. It cut its first melon recently to the tune of approximately \$3,000. Fattest slice went to top fisherman, Mr. Oiter Poll, who collected \$166.76 as his share of profits which had been retained on 18,127 pounds of fish delivered to the organization since it opened its doors in April, 1959. Members took over \$1,000 of the melon in cash and left the remainder in the Co-op for shares to be credited to their accounts.

Mr. Bumio Silibanuz of the Finance Department computed the dividends and made the distribution as ordered by the Co-op Directors. Mr. Dolliver Zaiger, Extension Agriculturist, supervised the preparation of Share Holders Books and assisted in pro-rating the monetary credits to the number of pounds of fish delivered to the dock. Dividends will be declared on an annual basis in the future.

With demand running ahead of the catch at present, the coming year looks as rosy as a Ponape sunset. A series of prizes will be awarded during the year for largest fish and most fish caught by members. Since its founding, the Co-op has caught and sold 360,000 pounds of fish.

AN INVITATION...

A number of people have seen some of the 30 or more paintings Mrs. Neas accomplished while we were stationed in the Marshalls. Many favorable comments were made about them and some expressed a desire to see the group exhibited here. This idea sounded quite nice. The matter of getting the pictures up in a place where they could be displayed has been solved. Mr. Murakami has agreed to help me put them up in my quarters on Washington's Birthday. Then I can leave them there for a few days and permit visiting at hours convenient to almost everyone.

Please consider this an open invitation to all who care to see how one person looks at island scenes. They are from the Marshalls with the exception of one or two Mrs. Neas worked on during the short time she was here at Ponape. This will probably be your last chance to see them here. She has asked for them to be sent to her in Oklahoma. They will be taken down and shipped on the next voyage of the GUNNERS KNOT. Visiting hours will be as follows: February 24, Saturday, from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.; February 25, Sunday, from 2 P.M. to 6 P.M.

The pictures will be left on display through the last of February and first part of March. These hours will be announced later.

Remember - it is an OPEN HOUSE. Tell everyone to come who may be interested.
--Maynard Neas

SHIPPING NEWS

M/V Kaselehlia went aground early Sunday morning off Namunito atoll in Truk District and proceeded into the lagoon off Onari island to await assistance from the M/V Militobi which was then 240 miles away. The vessel arrived Truk yesterday with the M/V Militobi as escort. Cargo was left aboard the M/V Kaselehlia. Damages to the vessel will be assessed at Truk and then it will be known whether the ship will continue on to Ponape or whether the M/V Militobi will take on the Ponape cargo for here. If she does, she probably will make a field trip to Kusaie and perhaps to Mokil and Pingelap as well.

TIDES

Saturday, February 17

HIGH:	0305	2.3
	1446	3.7
LOW	0813	1.2
	2141	0.7

Sunday, February 18

HIGH:	0323	2.5
	1512	3.9
LOW:	0845	1.0
	2159	0.5

STATION WAGON UP FOR BID

The Weather Bureau is now accepting bids for the sale of a 1957 Ford Courier Wagon. Inspection of vehicle and bid forms are available at the Weather Bureau Station, Ponape. All bids must be in at the Weather Station by 4:30 p.m., Saturday, February 17, 1962.

MEHKAN ME TIKITIK

A friend handed us a newspaper clipping the other day which indicated PW snapper Bob Hawley would not be returning to Ponape and had been leading some sort of a double life all along. The clipping reported that "Robert Hawley, formerly supervisor of subcontract budgets for Lockheed Aircraft Corp.'s Missiles & Space division, Sunnyvale, N. J., has been named to the new post of contracts planning manager for Dunn Engineering Corp., Cambridge, Mass." And here we thought Hawley was going to Marylee's plantation every weekend. Dunn, who is working for Page here, had nothing to say.

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Governor Bill Daniel of Guam imported two armadillos from his native state of Texas on the theory that they would be an excellent predator of the giant African snail. Some person or persons swiped the critters before it could even be determined whether or not they were fond of escargots. (Somebody told us that Frenchmen really don't like snails, but the sauce that comes with them is so darned delicious...). We are sorry the armadillos were stolen because if they do like snails, Kozo Yamada wants to bring them here to rid Ponape of the giant African snail. Not only do they eat up his garden, they eat up the concrete posts he sets out as boundary markers. They convert the markers into shell and his boundaries into chaos.

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We have long admired the classroom discipline maintained by the Sisters at the Mission School, but they met their match the other day when the U. S. Navy helicopter landed on the plaza. Where one second before there had been nothing but the school building in view, a sudden explosion of little bodies clad in pink pinafores and green shirts burst like a Fourth of July rocket over the mission grounds and soon engulfed the "chopper". The little ones demonstrated that their training had taken hold. One word from the guard and not one child laid a hand on the aircraft unless invited to do so.

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In one of their usually merry mealtime conversations the Weinrich family were discussing Washington's birthday. Young Bruce wanted to know who Washington was. He was told. Then the following conversation ensued: Bruce: How old is he? Prissy: He's dead. Bruce: Then why the heck are they giving him a birthday party?

FISH FRY AND BINGO NEXT WEDNESDAY

Club Kolonia members may purchase tickets at the bar for the fish fry to be held next Wednesday evening at the club beginning at 6:30. Tickets are 60 cents each and are good for all you can eat. At 8:00 o'clock, amidst smacking of lips over the good meal, bingo will be played for two jackpots and cash and merchandise prizes. The next day is George Washington's birthday, and a day of rest for some Kolonials, so bring the little ones for dinner, stay for bingo, live it up.

NEWS CONTINUED

British-required learner's plate for beginner drivers. The 12 others, who also pleaded guilty were discharged after paying costs of 16 shillings (2.24 dollars) each. The motorized bed was an ancient iron one, adapted by the students, and powered by a motorcycle engine. Brown was at the steering wheel, draped in blankets and wearing a night cap and night shirt. The students were members of a committee which had organized a parade to raise money for charity. They raised 600 pounds (1,680 dollars) by the procession.

Michigan State Sen. Charles Blondy, who has a tattoo of Pocahontas on his arm, introduced and then got the Senate to pass a bill outlawing tattooing of minors in Michigan yesterday. The Detroit Democrat said he introduced the measure "to prevent children from being marked for life." Blondy said he had a tattoo of Pocahontas on his arm which "has been a source of constant embarrassment to me for 36 years."

A startled Willie Mays has been told that a recently obtained Mexican divorce by his wife is worthless. Superior Court Judge Joseph Karesh advised the 90,000 dollar a year San Francisco Giants' star outfielder the divorce was not "worth the paper it's printed on." "And if you want to remarry—and I encourage marriages—I trust you don't rely on that Mexican divorce," the jurist added.

DON'T FORGET. . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pearce are celebrating their wedding anniversary tomorrow with an open house beginning at 2:00 p.m.