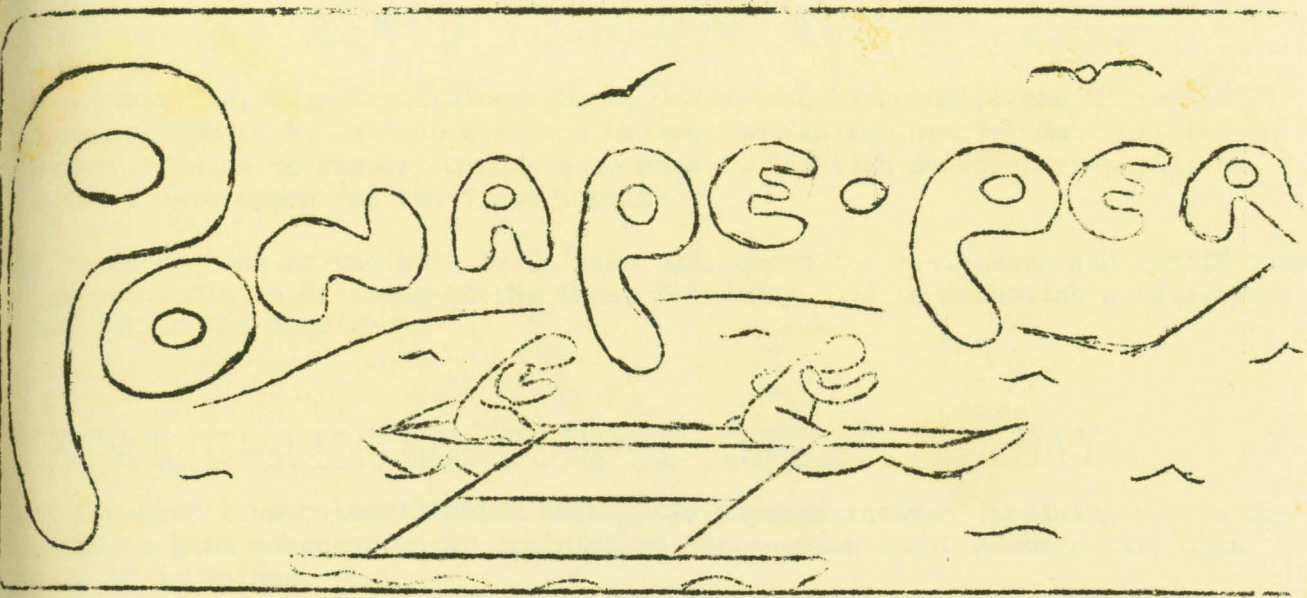


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BENITEZ RESIGNS

The February 29 edition of the Honolulu Advertiser carried under the headline "Trust Territory Official Resigns" the following article:

"Jose Benitez has resigned as deputy high commissioner of the Pacific Trust Territory effective last Monday to 're-enter private business', the Interior Department disclosed yesterday. The resignation was accepted.

"There was no hint in the exchange of resignation letters between Benitez and Interior Secretary Stewart Udall that he intended to run for the governorship of Puerto Rico as had been speculated....In his letter accepting Benitez's resignation, Udall appointed the Puerto Rican politician to serve for 30 to 45 days as of March 2 as a consultant on a 'when-actually-employed' basis to help evaluate the study made by a special presidential mission into Trust Territory problems. Benitez had been helping the committee, the Solomon Mission, in its survey since last July.

"'It is my intention to re-enter private business', Benitez told Udall in resigning 'with regret'. He offered to help President Johnson and Udall 'in any and every way I can'. ...

"Udall told Benitez in a reply letter that the deputy high commissioner's service in the Pacific had been 'colorful and constructive and a source of satisfaction.'

VISITING MISSION LEAVES WITH PRAISE

The following message was received this afternoon from High Commissioner M.W. Goding: 1964 UNITED NATIONS VISITING MISSION LEAVING TRUST TERRITORY WITH HIGH PRAISE FOR COOPERATION AND DISCUSSIONS CARRIED ON IN ALL PARTS OF MICRONESIA X MY CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS TO YOU ALL.

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CONGRESS ASKED TO BOOST AID TO T.T.

On February 28, High Commissioner M. W. Goding and Director of the Office of Territories Richard F. Taitano appeared before the Senate Interior Subcommittee on Insular Affairs to request Congress to pass legislation designed to permit the economic development of the Trust Territory.

The main purpose of the bill is to make U.S. technical assistance and tariff benefits available to citizens of the Trust Territory, and to establish a development fund within the Territory.

LEGAL TRAINING COURSE OPENS MONDAY

A three-week Prosecutors'/Public Defender's Representatives' training course designed to give advanced legal training to Micronesian staff members will open March 16 in Saipan.

The course is being sponsored by the Trust Territory Attorney General's Office. All members of the office will serve as instructors as well as Chief Justice Edward P. Furber. Administration and planning of the sessions is the responsibility of District Attorney Richard V. Backley and Public Defender Roger St. Pierre.

The first such course to be offered since 1960, it will cover many phases of legal activities with heavy emphasis placed on criminal law and procedures.

Approximately 30 Micronesian legal staff members from all Districts in the Territory are expected to take part in the course, including Ponape District Prosecutor Tomisiano Martin, Assistant District Prosecutor Marcus Nedlic, and Representative of the Public Defender, Yoster Carl. The course will continue through April 2.

PALIKIR WINS SOKEHS TRACK MEET

The citizens of Sokehs Municipality and visitors from other areas had an enjoyable and exciting experience last Saturday at the Palikir school grounds when the annual Sokehs Municipality Track Meet was held there. The competitive spirit was high among both participants and parents.

The colorful costumes of the children from the participating schools added to the gaiety of the scene. Each school had its own rooting section with many routines that were pleasing to watch.

Participating in the track meet were Palikir, Sekere, Iohl, Sokehs Powe and Sokehs Pah schools. Palikir was the victor, scoring over 100 points in the winning effort.

Teachers involved in the meet are to be commended for the excellent job of organization. All phases of the track meet were very competently handled.

WORLD NEWS . . .

BY OUR KUP66 STAFF

Concord, N.Y.: Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, the candidate who wasn't there, Wednesday hailed his victory in New Hampshire's Republican presidential primary as "a great honor". His defeated rivals promptly set out to try to prove he won only as a "favorite son" triumph. In Viet Nam, Lodge accepted congratulations on his Tuesday write-in victory over Senator Barry Goldwater and Governor Nelson Rockefeller, the active New Hampshire campaigners, but he brushed aside their demands that he return to debate the issues if he wants the Republican nomination. With complete unofficial returns from all of the state's 302 precincts, here are the votes: Lodge 32,207 (write-in); Goldwater, 20,741; Rockefeller, 19,993; Nixon, 15,587 (write-in); Senator Margaret Chase Smith, 2,004; Harold E. Stassen, 1,320; Governor George Romney of Michigan, 86 (write-in); Governor William W. Scranton of Pennsylvania, 72 (write-in).

Nicosia, Cyprus: Turkish troops based in Cyprus moved up into positions close to this tense capital Wednesday and Turkey warned in a formal note it will intervene on this Mediterranean island unless an international peace-keeping force arrived quickly. A major battle appeared imminent as warring Turkish and Greek Cypriot forces dug into sandbagged positions commanding key spots in the Nicosia area. The British, beleaguered in their efforts to keep the peace, fortified their Nicosia headquarters with anti-tank and machine guns. In Nicosia, thousands of shouting, cheering Greek Cypriot students staged an anti-American, anti-British rally in the heart of the city, briefly trapping the British High Commissioner in his car. He escaped injury but several British soldiers were injured by stones hurled by demonstrators.

Caracas, Venezuela: Raul Leoni was sworn in Wednesday as President of Venezuela, succeeding Romulo Betancourt. It was the first time in Venezuelan history a freely elected President has completed his term and been succeeded by another chief executive elected by the people.

Athens, Greece: Mrs. Lyndon Johnson and former President Harry Truman arrived Wednesday to lead a host of dignitaries at the funeral of King Paul of Greece.

London, England: Queen Elizabeth and her new-born third son were "both well" Wednesday as her husband Prince Philip flew off to Athens to attend the funeral of King Paul I.

KNIGHT CHECKS LOCAL POWER SYSTEM

A busy visitor to Ponape this week has been Mr. George Knight of Headquarters' Public Works staff. Mr. Knight spent the week checking and gathering information on various aspects of the district power system.

Formerly Public Works Officer in Truk and Majuro, Mr. Knight was recently assigned to the Headquarters staff as Planner and Estimator on rehabilitation of all power systems. He will also act as Construction Supervisor on all power projects, as well as Technical Advisor on all power problems, operation and maintenance.

KEEPING UP WITH THE POST

The PONAPE-PER of July 19, 1963, carried the news that a writer for the SATURDAY EVENING POST was touring the Trust Territory. It was not known then whether he would come to Ponape. He not only did not come to Ponape--he didn't even pass through. Perhaps that is why Ponape does not appear on the map of territory that is prominently featured along with the article and considerable candid camera work in the February 29, 1964 issue of the POST, personal copies of which were received here on the last plane.

Some who have read the article and others who will read it in the future may not be aware that previous issues of the POST make equally interesting reading--especially now. Taken in sequence, they tell a story of their own. Here then are the dates, titles, and authors of the articles in the order in which they appeared and representative quotations from each.

May 3, 1947 - LET'S NOT CIVILIZE THESE HAPPY PEOPLE, by Rear Admiral Carlton Wright

"What a temptation they offer to the brisk missionaries of modernism, the bureaucrats...and the busybody do-gooders... but the impulse, of course, will be to uplift them, and God help them--and forgive us--if the effort is made."

November 8, 1952 - TWO THOUSAND ISLANDS--AND WE'RE STUCK WITH THEM, by Robert Sherrod:

"Are we wise to educate the native--to uplift them, so to speak--so that they will be discontented with their immemorial lot, which is a rather pleasant subsistence? Should they be allowed to acquire tastes their poor economy cannot satisfy?"

December 20, 1952 - WANT TO LIVE ON A TROPICAL ISLAND?, by Robert Sherrod:

"The Government has good jobs waiting in the Western Pacific. The scenery is beautiful, pay high, rent \$20 a month, the cost of living low. The catch? Well, there are certain disadvantages..."

April 12, 1958 - THOSE AMAZING ISLAND MEDICS, by Milton and Margaret Silverman:

"'Those native medics have been criticized on the grounds of what they can't do,' it was asserted recently by Dr. Paul Hawley, outspoken director of the American College of Surgeons. 'This is a smug, ridiculous and dangerous attitude. The important thing is what they can do. No honest American doctor can consider their accomplishments without getting a healthy feeling of humility. It's a feeling that could benefit all of us.'"

February 29, 1964 - AMERICA'S NEGLECTED COLONIAL PARADISE, by Don Oberdorfer:

"As administrator of a United Nations trust, the U.S. has failed to fulfill its treaty obligations. We have stood idly by watching..."

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LOOKING BACK . . .

PONAPE-PER

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Four years ago Oshiro Master was top man in his class at Communications School . . . Three years ago the Sixth Ponape Congress was getting ready for its opening . . . Kiyooko Sproat received a quitclaim, the first of its kind on Ponape for the property adjacent to the Agricultural Station . . . and Abraham Hespak finally got back home after four years in Mexico and miles of red tape.

"Sentinel of the Senyavins". Published Weekly by the District Administration, Ponape, Caroline Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Two years ago PICS had 45 seniors ready for diplomas . . . and Mrs. Goding visited Ponape for the first time when Mr. Goding was the main speaker at the PICS graduation.

One year ago Mr. Heinrich Iriarte and Mr. Joab Sigrah were off to Saipan to attend a session of the Council of Micronesia . . . 12 former owners of land on Langer Island received quitclaim deeds for their lands which had been taken from them by the Japanese administration in 1940. . . Dan Sammet gave an account of his TUNGARU voyage to Rabaul . . . and a world traveller from Turkey, of all places, dropped in to pay us a visit.

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"ing as the region decayed into a shambles of dilapidated buildings, crumbling roadways, inadequate hospitals, and neglected schools."

All of these issues of the SATURDAY EVENING POST except the first one listed may be examined at the PICS Library. Persons wishing to obtain copies of their own may obtain addresses of dealers from the librarian.--D.J.Peacock.

MISS BROOKS AN INSPIRATION TO LOCAL LADIES

Miss Angie E. Brooks, the lady member of the 1964 U.N. Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands was an inspiration to the young women students of Ponape when she met with them first at the Protestant Church and later at the mission house on Sunday, March 1.

She is a good model and a living example of the heights to which a woman can work up and become a respected leader of community, country, and world. She gave a sketch of her life to help the girls of Micronesia understand how she obtained the most honorable and most dignified position in her country of Liberia in Africa.

She said she is the product of three tribes. She was taken away from her family at the age of five because they were too poor to support her; but of all the many siblings, her father insisted, "This child must be educated!" A relative supported her through the eleventh year of high school, but she died and Miss Brooks had to be sent home. Back home in her village, she was the only one with that much education, so she was given the job of teaching. She still wanted to finish high school

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so when she passed the examination which enabled her to enroll in a mission school she walked a mile everyday after her teaching responsibilities were over, and thus was able to graduate from high school.

After high school, she was determined to attend college in the United States. She thought she could simply pack her things and start walking to reach America, but she soon found she needed money and had an ocean to cross. With borrowed money she managed a taxi-cab-transport business, but the cab driver was making all the money and she was making none, so she finally had to give that up. She remembers saying to a friend of hers who found her crying beside the road, "My money just ain't reaching!"

This friend and several others helped her with money and advice, and after struggling along, she finally set out to purchase her ticket, only to discover that the fare cost \$300.00 instead of the \$200.00 she had thought. Undaunted, however, she bought the ticket and arrived at Boston, U.S.A. with only \$25.00 in her pocket.

She enrolled at Shaw College in North Carolina and worked her way through. Her job kept her working until 7:00 o'clock in the morning and her classes began an hour later. After school, she worked again. Then she transferred to the University of Wisconsin where she took 20 credits and two jobs to pay her way through college.

It was not until her last year of graduate work at law school that her government recognized her by giving her a scholarship. This late reward was due to the fact that she was majoring in political science and her countrymen held the belief that women should not be involved in the political affairs of a country.

She recalled a moment of great satisfaction when at Harvard, in an academic procession, she was the only woman among men and further, when the audience saw the significance of her hood, broke out in audible admiration and approval of her, for she was the only hood indicating a doctorate in law.

Returning home, she was not allowed to become a member of the bar or to practice law because she was a woman; but she didn't break down or give up. She kept right on digging into the statutes of her country until she discovered one which enabled her to practice in Liberia's Supreme Court where she won her very first case and soon won the admiration and respect of her people.

Miss Brooks urged the girls of Micronesia to struggle for their education, saying that women did not need to walk under the feet of men. She never believed that God created women to be inferior to men and added humorously, "We can argue that God took a rib from man's side, and not from his feet; therefore they can walk side by side and be equal." Education does not teach women to be disrespectful of men. Men will seek far and wide to marry educated women and it is about time that Micronesian women did something about getting as much of an education as the men, according to Miss Brooks.

She advised the girls to set their minds to a goal and never lose sight of it; to have a strong will and to work hard to reach their goal. -- E. Mukaida (Compiled from reports by Carmina Andreas, Dengelei Secharraimul and Miriam Uong)

ALL-STARS TO TAKE ON PALAU TEAM

At a general meeting of the Ponape Recreation Association yesterday it was decided that the Ponape All-Stars will play the Palau All-Stars sometime this year. Selection of players for the Ponape All-Star team will be made during the baseball league series shortly to get underway in preparation for the United Nations Day celebrations. It was also agreed that assistance be solicited from all municipalities.

The Palau All-Stars defeated the Ponape players last year when the former team invaded Ponape and walked away victorious. (How about bringing that trophy to Ponape this year?)

Baseball games and the fun associated with them are not the only driving force that generates inter-district sports. The understanding and the exchange of ideas that emanate from such inter-district competitions are perhaps the most satisfactory results, the President of the P.R.A. stated. In the future we may be having territory-wide All-Stars competing against all-stars from other Pacific island groups. Thus the horizon of our understanding and exchange will be extended to our neighboring island groups, President Eliuel Pretrick further said.

Classified . . .

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SHIPPING . . .

M/V PACIFIC ISLANDER is in Japan, ETD unknown. The GUNNERSKNOT was expected to arrive in Guam last Wednesday afternoon to load for Truk, Ponape and Marshalls. No ETD has been announced.

The TUNGARU is in Rabaul. The M/V KASELEHLIA will pull into port at 7:00 a.m. tomorrow morning, completing its passenger run to the Eastern islands. No further field trip runs have yet been announced.

TIDES . . .

SATURDAY, March 14

SUNDAY, March 15

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	1548	4.3	1617	4.2
LOW	0930	0.6	1002	0.5
	2211	0.4	2234	0.4

CALLING ALL KIDS Edited by Lee Arten

SCHOOL ROOM SCOOP

On March 6 the third and fourth graders went to the Weather Bureau because the third graders had been studying about the weather. All of the children liked the trip.

The first thing we saw was the big radio antenna in the dome. Most of the children liked this the best. Next we saw the theodolite, a special telescope used to track the balloons. We saw a hydrothermometer which records humidity and temperature. There are two rain gauges, one automatic, the other hand-worked. Rain gauges record how much rainfall there is in a day, week, month, or year. Then it was time for them to send up the balloon. As it went up the man holding it almost went up with it. After we couldn't see the balloon anymore, we went into the building and watched the men record where the balloon was going and the information which it sent back.--Pete McNutt.

JARS, JARS, JARS

Have you ever eaten a ripe mango, tasting the tang of the juice as it rolls down your chin? Can you imagine being able to spread that flavor on your breakfast toast? You may have this opportunity. The Kolonia junior high school girls are going to make mango jam. They may even sell you some. There is one obstacle-- they don't have the jars to put it in. They would like you to contribute jars-- jars with lids: peanut butter, mayonnaise, or jelly jars. Notify Mr. Coyle if you have any jars you can spare. Can't you just taste that jam now?

SOCIETY SAGA

"You are invited to a dancing party at the Castro home. It will be from 7 to 10: Don't eat too much for dinner as there will be snacks at the party." This is how the invitation read.

Most of the boys reacted immediately. "Dancing party! I'm not going." Nevertheless, they did turn up. With the party underway the girls announced their strategy "If you don't dance, you don't eat!"

Hits of the evening were new impromptu steps which may or may not sweep the nation. These were named the Bayonet Charge Cha-Cha, the Shirt-tail Twist, and the Fightin' Twist. The boys had a hilarious time; what about you, girls?

PUZZLERS

The answer to each puzzle is one word. How smart are you?

Three strikes + a rule = ?

A weapon + a fine dust = ?

A house + ill = ?

Drinking vessel + a piece of lumber = ?

Flame + a limb = ?