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L O C A L N E W S S E C T I O N

YAP TRADING COMPANY (Continued from last week)

There are very many ways that YTC wants to improve the service it gives. All of us can think of ways that YTC should be improved. We still need more merchandise always on hand for the people to buy. Even more so we need more and better warehouses to store this merchandise. Our wareshouses are so crowded now that the managers of YTC think that it might be good just to stop buying anything for three months or until a new warehouse is built. Also our store is barely large enough to display the things Yapese want to buy. We ought to improve the landing where people in the villages to bring in their copra, fish, trochus, and other things they would like to sell. YTC should be getting stronger so it can be ready to operate a ship like MIECO and the other Micronesian trading companies do.

YTC's Directors just this week are discussing how YTC could operate a movie. The American Club has been discussing how they might give up movie operation for the Yapese if a Yapese company was ready to take it over. YTC's management estimates it will take at least $1,500 to get new projectors and to build or repair the other equipment used in operating a movie. YTC is not sure whether it actually has that much extra money to put into a movie operation. A Yapese owned movie is an example of something YTC would like to do and has been thinking about doing for several years, but now when it looks like there is a chance for the Yapese to run their own movie, YTC isn't sure it is going to have $1,500 needed to start a movie. If you would a Yapese company to operate the movie, and would like Yapese to help choose what movies will be shown, you will be making this possible if you invest more money in YTC.

Buying shares is not giving money to YTC, it is merely loaning YTC the money. YTC has always paid at least $1.20 per year for every $10 people have invested in it. Profits so far this year look like it will do it again this year. Besides making your money earn you money, you are also saving money that you may need in the future. If you have an emergency need for money and you don't know somebody who wants to buy your stock immediately, YTC will be happy to buy it back from you at the same price you paid for it. So besides helping to improve Yap District with your

ck purchases, you are also improving yourself. Why not invest $10.00 now and do your part toward making all business in the Yap District owned and operated by the people who were born here as the American Government wants.

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TRUST TERRITORY PLANT PATHOLOGIST IN YAP

The Trust Territory plant pathologist, Mr. Morwood of Australia, arrived in Yap last week. His works consist mainly of field works in the area of investigating the diseases of plants, their nature, causes, etc. On Monday of this week, Paam and Gilrou took him to the cacao plantation in Dugor and on the same day they took him to the municipality of Gilliman; on Tuesday he was taken to Gagil; on Wednesday, he was taken to Map; and on Thursday he was taken to Rumung and Fanif. His interest in the fields has been that of studying diseases of food crops, mainly the taro - cyertospema and calocasia.

He has already left for Koror on today's flight. He took a sample of rotten cyertosperma taro to Koror for further study.

Agriculture personnel have indicated that the Yapese in general have shown interests in Mr. Morwood's work and that the results of his study of diseases of food crops should be most appreciated by the people.

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MR. IWANIEC'S PARTY AT SCHOOL

On Friday of last week the Agriculture employees had a farewell party at the Intermediate School, honoring Mr. Iwaniec, the District Agriculturist of Ponape, who stayed here for two weeks. Other guests were - Mr. Halvorsen, the Knights, Mr. Bowne, and Dr. Gibson, the Trust Territory Director of Education.

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YAP ISLANDS COUNCIL MET

On Wednesday of this week the Yap Islands Council held its regular meeting in the men's house in Keng. Main topics discussed were:

Tagareng Canal -

It was discussed and agreed that the Tagareng Canal should be deepen again, before the small corals inside the canal get bigger and bigger. (The Canal is one of the German Administration's contribution to Yap and is used widely today. It was first opened during the German Administration, and cleared several times during the Japanese regime, and once during the U.S.Navy Administration. This time will be the second time of clearing the canal under the United States Administration and the first time since the Interior Department took over the Trust Territory. The canal is believed to be the only one in the Territory.) The exact details have not been set yet. However, it is tentatively planned to start the canal clearing sometime in MARCH of next year.

Transfer of Assistant District Administrator -

The Assistant District Administrator, Mr. John F. Boland, announced in the meeting that arrangement has been made for him to be transferred to GUAM. He said he was

[illegible] sure yet as to what he is going to do on Guam. He express his appreciation [illegible] Yapese hospitality and thanked the members of the Council, Agriculture, Education, and others who have helps and worked with him in the last couples of months on Yap.

The Council decided that a party be given for the Bolands in Tomil. The date is December 18th, Wednesday, 3 o'clock.

A Committee to Study Possibility of Chartering Yap -

A Committee, composed of Ranganbay, Roboman, Finiginam, Luktun, Fanachoor, Kenmed, and Kenrad, was appointed to study the ways in which Yap Islands could be granted a charter from HiCom.

An Office for the Council -

The Public Works Committee was asked by the Council to work out a plan of a building for the Council. The committee members said they would present the plan at the next meeting of the Council. The exact location for the office is not decided yet.

Pay for the Council Officials -

The magistrates and their secretaries received their first pay since the American Administration. Their pay comes from the local taxes.

New Form for Trust Territory Census -

All municipal secretaries will be in COLONIA on the 6th of JANUARY for receiving instructions of taking the census. This new census form contains more informations and is better than the previous census forms.

A New Teacher at Bael Elementary School -

The Board of Education reported to the Council that a new teacher is hire to teach at the school of Bael. His name is Choay, a PICS graduate, and is to be working with Fizingmew.

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W O R L D N E W S

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In Yokohama, Japan - The United States Army has charged George Kupsi for murder of a Japanese girl. The Army said that Kupsi has confessed killing the girl. He could be sentenced to serve from three years to life in prison.

Arming allied forces in Europe with intermediate range ballistic missiles is estimated to cost the United States an initial 150 million dollars in increased foreign aid next year. Congress voted $1,878,000,000 last session for military (as distinguish from economic) aid on a global basis. While all the funds have not yet been committed, America's European allies are expected to get between 750 and 800 million of this total, of which almost half is for new weapons.

Two ships collided in a channel of the Panama Canal for the first time in the recorded history of the 43-year-old waterway. In a heavy rain squall, United States and New Zealand liners hit headon, midway through the canal. One ship went around, but no one was hurt.

The United States Air Force's Chief missiles scientist said that the United States and Russia are in a close race to develop ballistic missiles and "we need to do everything possible to go faster". The scientist is helping primarily with development of the Atlas and Titan, the 5,000-mile-range intercontinental missile, and Thor, the Air Force's intermediate range missile.

The King of Morocco has completed talks in Washington with Department of State Officials and the President. He has been one of the President's visitors since the illness of the President.

Jack Soble, a confessed spy for Russia, who turned into a valued informer after his capture, was reward for his change in heart by receiving only a seven-year sentence from a federal judge. Soble had faced the electric chair for heading a spy ring that passed defense secrets for 10 years. Also let off with light sentences, for showing sign of "REMORSE", were Soble's wife and an accomplice.

In Fountain Valley, California - This town became the first in California ever to have a Japanese-American mayor when Jim Kanno, a 31-year-old truck farmer, was elected. Mr. Kanno has led a drive to prevent Fountain Valley from being engulfed in a "hodgepodge development" by rapid growth in the area.

The United States Jet Fighter "Voodoo" has broken the jet flight record by traveling practically 800 miles per hour. The jet fighter plane made a roung trip from Los Angeles to New York and back in 6 hours, 42 minutes and 6 and 7/10 seconds.

In three parts of the world, new nuclear explosions were uncorked last two months ago. Russia led off-two days after sending up the first space satellite - by firing, high up, a "mighty hydrogen warhead of new design". Next day the United States set off the 24th and last of its 1957 test blasts in NEVADA. Two days after that, Great Britain exploded a "clean" H-Bomb over the Australian desert so powerful that it singed the hair off the legs of a man in a tent five miles away.

President Eisenhower made a farewell presentation of the Medal of Freedom to Charles E. Wilson as out-going Secretary of Defense. There was a long citation to go with the award, which drew this parting shot from IKE: "Charlie, that's a lot of words to say we really appreciate you".

Major General Abdel Hakim Amer, Egypit's War Minister, flew to Moscow last month as President Nasser's personnel representative. He carried a letter from Nasser appealing for more Soviet aid. He held discussion with Khrushchev and, as a guest of the Soviet Defense Ministry, witnessed the RED ARMY's autumn maneuvers. He flew back to Cairo in triumph aboard a Soviet TU-104 jet airliner. The Russians had given Cairo a twelve-year, $175,000,000 "stringless" loan in the form of manufactured goods and technical services.

In Jakarta, INDONESIA - President Sukarno narrowly escaped death last week when unknown assassins threw four hand grenades at him. Sukarno was unhurt. Seven persons were injured, all children. All were understood to be badly hurt. Later, Sukarno said: "Let us stick together in our grief, May God protect us all".

The State Department confirmed that the United States had released about $10,000,000 of $40,000,000 in Egyptian assets frozen during last year's SUEZ CRISIS. The State Department added that the United States had also put $600,000 into a joint Egyptian-American rural development fund which Washington and Cairo negotianted in 1953.

Foreign Minister Pinot of France says that Communist will take over in ALGERIA if France is driven out. The French Permier has stated that his government is prepared to stand or fall on its Algerian Reform Bill.