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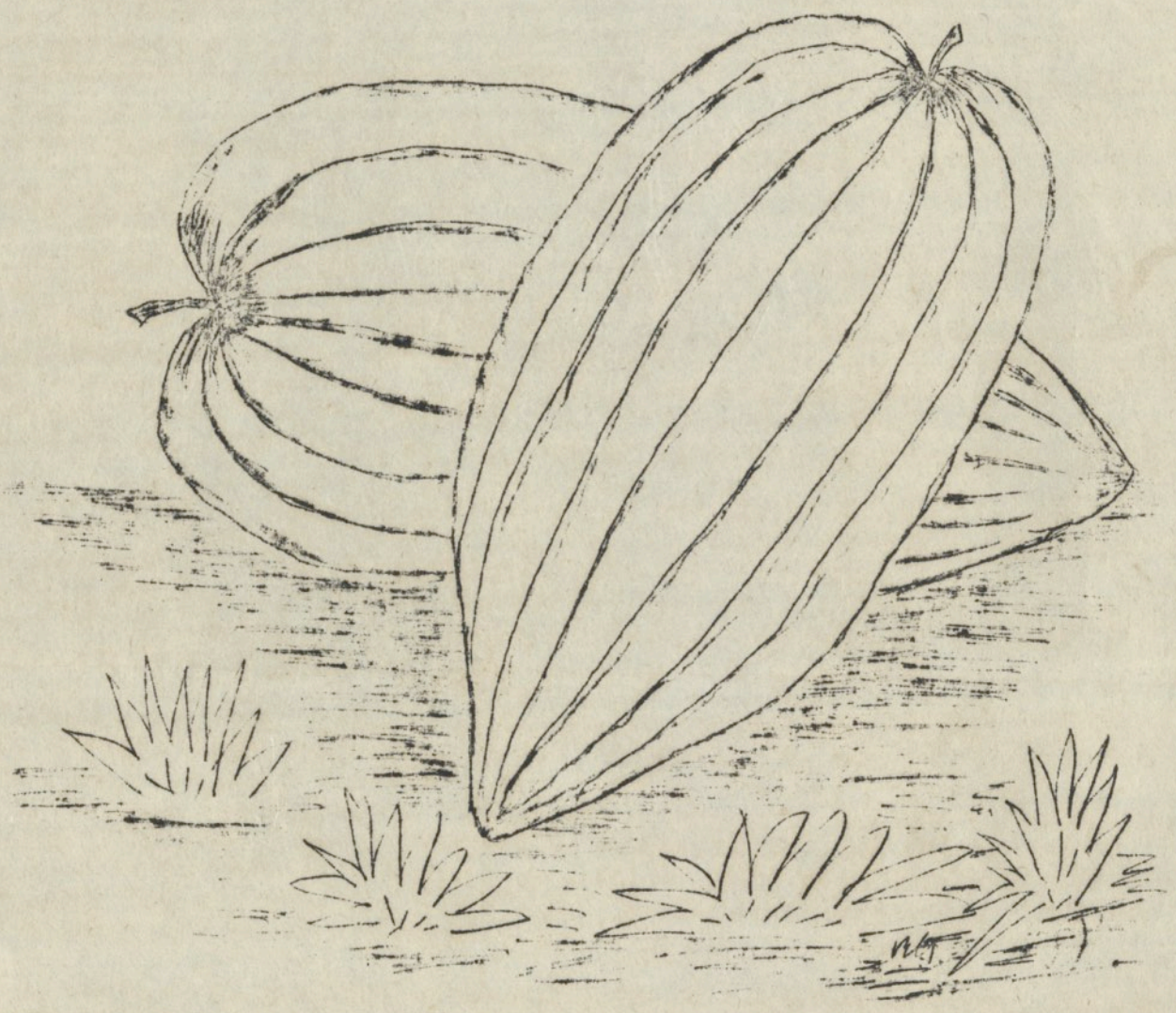

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FOUR EVENTS IN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Starting the month of December, a new way to pay the Elementary School teachers will be used. Instead of teachers coming all the way from their municipalities to claim their pay, one or two of the Education Office staff will go out to the municipalities and pay the teachers there. This will save time of the teachers as well as the students, who lose a day in which they could be doing something. It will also help the School Boards of the different municipalities to work in closer harmony with the Education Office for the constant improvement of each school.

On the field trip that has just left a few days ago were Mr. Edson, Mr. Quackenbush, and Mr. Gorong. Mr. Edson went on this field as the field trip officer. Mr. Quackenbush and Mr. Gorong represented the Education Department. The purpose of Education Department on each field trip is to assist the outer island teachers, to find out ways to improve the Education standard at the outer island area, and to give them supplies and so forth.

The Education Department wishes to acknowlege the rare opportunity given to them by Mr. Ed. Iwaniec, the District Agriculturist of Ponape. Mr. Iwaniec has been working with the Intermediate Students on cacao, copra, breeding, drafting, and other problems concerning agriculture. We hope that a thing like this can be further developed not only between the Agriculture and Education but other departments as well. We are sure that all departments now working under the name of "Yap District" have a great deal of worthwhile contributions to make toward our number one goal: "improvement of our living condition".

And the last event in Education Department is one that has been a problem ever since the establishment of Education Department here in Yap. The Education Department is very much interested in finding out the people who want to make Education as their career. So, if you are interested or have somebody you know who is interested, please have him come to the Education Office and talk to the people there. We

especially want to have people who are Elementary, Intermediate, PICS graduates or any graduates of equivalent schools mentioned above.

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HEALTH EDUCATION (by Etmol)

On November 22, 1957, I accompanied Dr. MacDonald, the director of public health for the Trust Territory and Mr. L. Keeyes, health educator for Western Pacific, to Koror. Mr. Keeyes is working in conjunction with (WHO), World Health Organization as a specialist for health education. His territory covers an area from Manila down south as far as Tahiti and Samoa extending up North as far as Korea, Japan, excetra. He expressed that he was greatly honored by the opportunity to be with us for the first time of his 3/4 time that he should be spending in the field.

In Koror, we had a conference with the education and public health departments. In our first conference which was with public health we met with some of the key personnel. Doctors, nurses and sanitation workers were present. In this meeting some of the problems which have arisen in health education were brought forth for consideration. Although the health educator was not prepared to give solutions to each specific problems he expressed that those would be very valuable for him in order to make practical recommendations for better health education in the Trust Territory, building around the knowledge of problems which was nicely demonstrated by these people. Our following conference was with the education department which was conducted and proceeded in the same manner as that of the first. Here more problems were brought forth. The Educational Administrator, Intermediate School principal, and many other intermediate teachers were in the gathering. The education department has actively participated in the health education program. In fact the two departments in the past have had various campaigns such as TB and village sanitation done as an interdepartmental efforts. In our third and last meeting the two departments were brought together. The District Administrator was there also. In this meeting the health educator briefly spoke of his concept of health education thus pointing out several important methods and principles of health education He spoke of the long range plan for the Trust Territory, which includes establishment of another health education course some where in this area, most probably Guam where more people from various departments may enroll. By this way it is hoped that recognition of this type of education would be more extensive. He also made a short commentary on the programs which have been carried out in Koror, pointing out some of the facts such as liaison of departments and their methods and principles employed during the campaigns.

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NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The American Community Club is happy to announce that it wishes to find an interested party or organization to take over the operation of the movies.

A public meeting will be held at 3:30PM, December 10, 1957, for all interested parties at the American Community Club rooms. At this time a financial statement will be furnished as well as estimates necessary to operate a movie business. Any questions that anyone wishes to ask will be answered at this time.

by Movie Committee

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee met at Distad Office on Wednesday of this week. Mr. Halvorson introduced Mr. Iwaniec, the District Agriculturist of Ponape, to the Committee. Mr. Iwaniec explained to the Committee that he was assisting the Agriculture here in Yap in experimenting the processing of cacao. He said the students are being taught to process the beans at the Ag Station. The Committee thanked him for his fine works in Yap and asked him to pay a visit to Yap when he can.

He is leaving on tomorrow's flight for Ponape. According to Agriculture personnel he has given lots of helps and good suggestions during his stay in Yap.

On the agenda for next week meeting a committee will be charged to study the various various possible ways of chartering the Yap Islands and the municipalities. Also for discussions is the new way of working out the census in the Trust Territory.

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YAP TRADING COMPANY

The week ending Friday, December 13th, is the last week YTC can buy trochus in order to have it ready to ship out on the ERROL when it returns from the field trip. The trochus fishermen should bring their trochus just as soon as possible.

YTC Still Needs More Stockholder Money

YTC is still looking for people who would like to invest $10.00 or more in the company. YTC now has a little over $44,000 of invested capital. This is good, but if the people in the Yap District want YTC to continue to improve, Yapese and Outer Islanders will have to continue to invest.

All of us can remember a few years ago or back in 1951 and 52 when Yap's company was first getting started. The store was small (behind Googag's store) and it was not possible to buy very many things. YTC has been able to grow, to have much more to sell, the company can buy and sell copra, buy and sell trochus, and it operates a snack bar and a bakery because it has received enough money to do these things. This money has come in the past from two sources: 1) YTC profits in selling merchandise and 2) new investments. Lately YTC has been lowering its prices while at the same time offering more costly service to its customers (for instance better buildings, more variety, and less running out of essential items). Because of this YTC profits are much smaller and profits therefore can no longer be used to improve the company. This makes it all the more important for new people to invest $10.00 or more in YTC and old stockholders to invest more money.

Over a year ago YTC was able to borrow $25,000 from HICOM to help improve YTC. However, several months ago the Directors of YTC decided to pay back this loan to HICOM rather than have the company indebted to anyone. Instead of paying interest money to HICOM for borrowing this money, YTC would rather pay dividends to the people in the Yap District for using the money they gave the company for shares. YTC does not want to have to pay money to persons outside of Yap District, but this means that it is even more necessary for the local people to put money into YTC.

(YTC STILL NEEDS MORE STOCKHOLDER MONEY - TO BE CONTINUED ON NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE)

WORLD NEWS

This December, a team of scientists from the University of California, Great Britain and Western Germany, had planed an expedition to Antractica to follow up the earlier studies, to study personnel who have wintered-over in the polar region, and to determine the effects of long exposure to the cold environment. Such expedition has been organized by Dr. Nello Pace, Professor of Physiology and will be financed by the Office of Naval Research.

A group of eleven professors and metal experts had spent more than three weeks of last month touring Russian steel and nonferrous metals plants and laboratories. Their trip was sponsored by the New York University and the Moscow Steel Institute, and was backed by the STATE DEPARTMENT, "as a means of contributing to better understanding between the two countries". A similar group of Russian metallurgists is visiting the UNITED STATES now.

The Teachers College of Columbia University is conducting a research program to step up the flow of bright science-minded students from high school to college. It is hoped that improvement of the courses will encourage more qualified high school graduates to continue scientific study in college.

In ROVIGO, Italy - at least 160,000 persons will need emergency relief to see them through the winter as a result of crop losses caused by floods in the Po River delta.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, 70, (BRITISH), will resign his post as Deputy Supreme Commander of the ALLIED FORCES in Europe on September 20, 1958, after half a century of service. He has requested permission from the British Government and the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe to be allowed to relinquish his NATO appointment as Supreme SACEUR, and he further requested the Secretary of State for War that he may be allowed to withdraw from active employment in the British Army. These requests have been accepted. There has been no public discussion of Viscount Montgomery's successor.

The French Government wants the two powers (U.S. & Britain) to agree to limit their arms shipments to amounts that the existing TUNISIAN forces can use, leaving so surplus that might reach the nationalist rebels in ALGERIA. The French also seek an agreement by the UNITED STATES and GREAT BRITAIN that neither country will again take any such action as the arms shipments without consulting FRANCE, (probably meaning without France's consent).

In Manila, President Carlos P. Garcia, his election assured by other candidates' admission of defeat, declared that he would welcome United States financial aid to help rehabilitate the Philippines' economy. He hoped to settle the controversial question of U.S. military bases in that country "as soon as possible". He indicated that he intended soon to visit the United States.

The Soviet technical journal Znaniye-Sila (Knowlege Is Power), quoted by Tass, predicted that rocket planes driven by "molecular energy of the air" would be built by the end of the century.

A group of Soviet physicians offered free medical treatment in the Soviet Union to one of the original victims of the NAGASAKI atomic bomb explosion. Heiichi - Fujii, a member of the Japan Council of Embassy in Tokyo. This offer was contained in a letter received through the Soviet Atomic Bomb Victims.

Earlier last two weeks, General Curtis E. LeMay, Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force, piloted a round-trip flight to Buenos Aires in a KC-135 Stratotanker. His record for a non-stop flight from the Argentine capital to Washington was 11 hrs. and 5 minutes.

Three ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIESTS in Bosnia, Yugoslavia, have been jailed for distributing anti-Government literature and making "propoganda speeches". All the priests were of UKRAINIAN origin.

A meeting of the top ranking leaders of the world Communist was held in Moscow last month. It was learned that such meeting was resulted in working out details for the future cooperations of their parties and governments. Soviet participant in these talks was NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV, Communist party chieftain. Mao-Tse-Tung, leader of both party and Government in Red China. Other outstanding Communist leaders that took an active part in the Kremlin discussion included Wladyslaw Gomulka of Poland, Dr. Edvard Kardej of Yugoslavia, Maurice Thorez of France and Palmiro Togliatti of Italy.

Stamp dealers in United States have received from the Soviet Union a new 40-kopecks blue stamp showing the first Russian satellite circling the earth. The stamp is the equivalent of 4 cents in United States money. It is now on sale in United States for about 50 cents.

The Soviet Union has denied West German claims that there are more than 100,000 persons in the Soviet Union who should be given the right to decide whether they want to return to Germany. However, the Soviet Foreign Ministry accepted a file of more than thirty cases of persons whom the Bonn Government said were German citizens. Moscow promised to investigate their right to repartriation and give an early account.

Nine French soldiers were killed and five wounded when Arab Nationalists ambushed a motorized patrol in the Quarsenis Mountains. French officials said their troops killed forty insurgents in a counterattack.

A British spotter planes and jungle-trained troops were called out in an island-wide search for Tan Eng Chuan, kidnapped nephew of a Singapore multi-millionaire, Tan Lark Sye. The Tan family had received a ransom demand for 250,000 Malayan dollars (nearly $84,000).

Soviet scientists told a news conference that they had not yet solved the problem of bringing satellite back to earth intact. Another scientist said, in another lecture that the Russians would have a whole galaxy of satellite laboratories in space "in the next few years". He said that they could serve as stations for human flights into space.

The United States Army has developed an anti-missile missile "beyond the drawing-board stage". The Air Force scientists cited plans for a similar weapon that would explode enemy ballistic missiles while they are in the outer space.

At the Pentagon, plans were rushed to reorganize research and development in ballistic missiles, space platform and other novel weapons of the future.

[illegible] meeting is scheduled to begin in Paris, on December 16th, into a heads-of-government assembly which the leaders of fifteen Nato nations will attend. The suggestion of such meeting came from the Nato's secretary general, Paul Henri Spaak of Belgium, at the close of a conference between President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Harold Macmillan of Great Britain in Washington. The purpose of the meeting, as it was learned, will be "to demonstrate the vitality of the alliance, and will also attempt - by diving up defense assignments among the Nato members.

The Democratic Advisory Council, composed of twenty-four leaders, have called on the Eisenhower Administration for a greater urgency in United States arms plans in meeting the Soviet Union's military scientific threat.

In addition, the council disclosed plans to set up a nuclear stockpile under the jurisdiction of General Lauris Norstad as commander of the United States Forces in Europe. He is also Supreme Commander of all NATO forces. The council said that the United States must also make it plain that its armaments were intended "only as a shield to prevent war and to give us an opportunity to persuade the Russians to agree to a settlement of the differences between us to the greatest extent possible and to a reliably enforced system of disarmament".

President Eisenhower lay ill at the White House last week of blockage of a branch of a brain artery - a condition commonly called a stroke. His physicians, didn't use the word "stroke", described the ailment as mild and said the outlook for complete recovery was excellent. But the President needs several weeks of rest and "substantially decreased activity" will be necessary.

In Frankfurt, Germany - Nikolai E. Khokhlov, former secret agent for the Soviet Union, was reported ill from arsenic poisoning, which he said was given to him by Soviet Agents. Formerly, Mr. Khokhlov spent thirteen years in the Soviet intelligence system. In 1854, he led a murder squad of three to West Germany. Instead of killing his intended victim, he warned him and defected to the West. In recent years, Mr. Khokhlov has been active in anti-Communist revolutionary forces. He has reported on conditions inside Russia for various leading magazines in the United States.

Russia has claimed its new MI-6 helicopter that set a new world's record, lifting a 12-ton load to an altitude of 2,400 meters (7,872 ft), eclipsing the former record of 2,000 meters (6,500 ft) set by the United States Air Force.

In Ascom, S.Korea - two young girls were shot and wounded by two U.S. Air Force guards when they came too close to a U.S. bomb dump. The two airmen were accused and have been court martial on charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

U.S. jet airliners of the 1960's will not aim to match the speed of military planes. The Donald Douglas, aircraft firm official, predicted operating speeds will level off at about 550 miles per hour, because greater speeds will push costs too high.

The director of the American satellite program told congress last week that unquestionably the U.S. could have launched a satellite ahead of Russia, but he was denied the top priority he asked for the project, back in 1955.