

Sponsorship Brings Indonesian to City

Some scoff at the "power of the press," but others know there is some truth in it. A local believer is Max van Aagten, a 21-year-old Indonesian from Amersfoort, Holland.

Van Aagten, seeking sponsorship to the U.S. under the Pastore-Walter act which allows specific emigration, wrote to Medford Mayor John Snider requesting that he submit his plea to the local news media.

Within 10 days the young man received three offers for sponsorship, two of which he had to turn down, after his letter and picture appeared in the Mail Tribune last November.

Local Sponsorship
Local sponsorship was provided by Lawrence A. White, 443 Haven st., Medford, Mr. and Mrs. White wrote Van Aagten early in December and later filed papers of affidavit of support and responsibility so the Indonesian could come to America.

Of Dutch nationality, the Asiatic had also requested sponsorship from the National Catholic Welfare conference and the American Consulate General in Rotterdam; offers also came from these organs after the White proposal had arrived.

Two other applications for the guarantee were also said to have been made after the Whites wrote.

A deadline of June 30 faced the traveler, as that was the final date for obtaining a visa to the U.S.

Interned by Japanese

When three years old, the youth and his mother were interned by the Japanese forces when the Pacific war broke out. In August, 1945, they were again interned by the Indonesians because of being Dutch nationalists. After being freed in 1947, they had to leave the Indonesian republic for Holland when the trouble came to a head.

Because of the current situation in Holland—over population, government control and the lack of personal freedoms—van Aagten executed his initial plan.

He arrived in New York about April 21 and was in Medford three days later. As of several weeks ago, he moved into his own apartment on North Holly st., Medford.

After working for a while at White's restaurant, The Clock, in Medford, Max is now employed at Holiday House, Inc., Fir st., an affiliate of Bear Creek Orchards. Max assists in preparing small vacation and house trailers for painting.

Although White sponsored him, he is now living on his own rather than with the Whites so as not to be a burden upon them, he continued.

Speaks of Holland

In speaking of Holland, the foreigner comments, "... Since the beginning I cannot feel myself home in Holland which country has no prospects for me. Holland is over populated, in the first ten years the house famine shall not be finished. That means that young people cannot marry because they cannot get a house or even rooms to live in.



SPONSORED—Max van Aagten, originally from Indonesia, is shown preparing equipment for spray painting at Holiday House, Inc., Medford, where he has been employed since his arrival to the United States in April. He is sponsored in the U.S. by Lawrence A. White, 443 Haven st., Medford, largely through the publishing of a letter in the Mail Tribune from the man, who was then in Holland, to the Medford mayor requesting local sponsorship last November.

"Since I was a kid I always had the idea to settle down in the States once in my life. All my life I felt a great admiration for America and for the big men the mighty country has brought up."

His family currently consists of his mother, a brother and a sister. His mother is now residing in Amersfoort, Holland, and the sister is married and now living in New Guinea.

His brother, Fred, is now in Amsterdam and is expected to come to the U.S. this fall with his family under the sponsorship program, as Max did. Fred has hopes of settling in California.

May Move
The local man indicates that he might move near his brother when he comes to the U.S., although at this time he does not have any future plans, nor does he contemplate marriage.

Van Aagten's father died of mistreatment in a Japanese war camp, according to his son.

In considering the future, Max said "it looks much better here. There are many, many homes for rent and sale and the government lets you live." In Holland, in order to get a house, one has to be on a government waiting list, he adds.

In comparing his home country and Medford, van Aagten says Medford has a much better climate, although Indonesia is much warmer. He prefers the moderate climate.

Speaking of how he was accepted here, the Asiatic volunteered that there is not as much discrimination in this

locality as there is in Holland. Also, in Holland he noticed what people wear to work, school, and church makes a big difference and is stressed. While in the U.S., he went on to say, dress is, or appears to him at least, not so important.

Sporting an oriental complexion himself, he has found that people have accepted him well and have been friendly to him here.

Max reported that he had been to New York several times due to his participation in the Holland Navy. He has many acquaintances in the city, he added.

Max said he is well adjusted and settled in the area and feels the future looks good. As he said in his initial letter to the local mayor, "For me America is the one and only country which I can make my new home country."

Although he has done some bookkeeping and other occupations, van Aagten indicates he enjoys his present job and appears to be content.

Local Boys Named Regional Directors

Corvallis—Two Medford boys were designated acting deputy regional directors of the U. S. civil service commission during Beaver Boys' State activities, Saturday, John M. Young, regional director, announced.

Mike Higgins, 2200 Oakwood dr., and Jerry Gastineau 2847 Eastover Terrace, won the honor through a competitive examination given under the same circumstances as for any civil service position.

Six awards, acting regional director and five deputies, were made to the six boys receiving the highest grades from among the 850 who took the test.

In a letter to Lester D. Harris, Medford High school principal, Young said, "The examination was a difficult one and the questions dealt with political economy, American history and Constitution. It is a pleasure to inform you that the grades made by the Beaver Boys' State were considerably higher than any in the United States."

Smith Hopeful of Trade for Pilot

Albany—The man who first suggested that U-2 "spy plane" pilot Francis Powers be exchanged for convicted Russian spy Rudolf I. Abel expressed hope here Friday that Powers' father is successful in arranging the exchange.

Elmo Smith, Albany, publisher, former governor of Oregon, and Republican candidate for the United States senate, commended Oliver Powers, father of the pilot, on the courage he has shown in taking action toward the exchange.

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