

ARMED FORCES NEWS

The U.S. Navy Recruiting Station in Klamath Falls announced the enlistment of two men, Gerald LaMar Jensen, 18, and Archie Earl Blake, 19, graduates of Klamath Union High School. Both attended Southern Oregon College prior to enlistment.

Jensen, son of Mr. and Mrs. LaMar Jensen, 1844 Melrose Street, entered the Navy Musician's Program and Blake, husband of Georgi Sue Blake, 1217 Eldorado Boulevard, will be attached to Naval Aviation.

Both men are undergoing recruit training at the U.S. Naval Training Center in San Diego. Upon completion of the recruit training they will be granted 14 days leave prior to reporting to their respective schools.

Maj. Arthur M. Holtorf of Mount Shasta was presented the United States Air Force Commendation Medal at a ceremony in Yokota, Japan, recently. Major Holtorf, a flying safety officer, received the medal in recognition of his meritorious service at Laredo Air Force Base, Tex. He is presently assigned to the 6102nd Air Base Wing at Yokota.

The major, who entered the service in June 1943, is the son of Mrs. A. C. Holtorf of Mount Shasta. His wife is the former Marilyn J. Lee of Mount Shasta.

Major Holtorf received his B.A. degree in general education from the University of Omaha.

Marine Pfc. Ron P. Halterman, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Halterman, 4503 Bristol Avenue, Klamath Falls, is undergoing intensive training with other members of the Second Battalion of the Fifth Marine Regiment at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The six-week period of training progresses from basic infantry tactics of complex battalion maneuvers. Emphasis is on fundamental knowledge and conditioning.

Two weeks of the training deals with weapons training, counter-guerrilla warfare, and scouting.

Army Pfc. Roger L. Stark

Woman Killed In Home Fire

GRESHAM (UPI)—Mildred Agnes Darnielle, 46, died here Tuesday night when fire swept through her home.

Seven pieces of fire equipment from three districts battled the blaze for two hours in 28-degree temperatures. Winds up to 40 miles an hour hampered fire-fighting efforts.

The fire apparently started in an overstuffed chair in the living room. It was tentatively blamed on smoker's carelessness. Mrs. Darnielle, who lived alone in the \$35,000 home, was found in the kitchen.

Defense Chief Reveals Soviets Control Cuba

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara told Congress today that about 17,000 Soviet military personnel still remain in Cuba and that they probably control the principal elements of the island's air defense system.

But he also said flatly that U.S. surveillance of the island "has not revealed the existence of strategic weapons systems" there since the Soviets pulled out their medium-range missiles in October.

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Fiji Visited By Royalty

LONDON (UPI)—Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip fly to the tropical Fiji Islands today on their way to an eight-week tour of Australia and New Zealand.

The royal couple scheduled two brief stops at Vancouver, B.C., and Honolulu on the 10,600-mile trip to Fiji, where they will spend two days.

They are leaving behind a crisis over the collapse of Britain's effort to enter the European Common Market and a new surge of winter snow, ice, freezing temperatures and a fuel shortage.

In Fiji, a royal banquet awaits Elizabeth and Prince Philip—pork, native fruits and vegetables and the Fiji royal drink, yanggona.

The drink, reported to look and taste like dirty dishwater, is a must for all visitors to the islands. According to tradition, Queen Elizabeth cannot refuse to drink a half coconut shell of yanggona.

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"DENNIS THE MENACE"



Steel Reports Lowest Earnings In Ten Years

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

Do-It-Yourself Voter Registration System Proposed For California

SACRAMENTO (UPI)—A do-it-yourself voter registration system was proposed in the California Legislature Wednesday.

Assemblyman Nicholas Petris, D-Oakland, authored the bill which had the backing of Gov. Edmund G. Brown. Petris said he and Brown reached an independent conclusion that such legislation was necessary.

Under the measure, county clerks would be required to distribute books or pads of registration affidavits to be filled out by prospective voters in all public buildings and "other such places as large numbers of electors may gather."

"This includes banks, supermarkets and department stores," Petris said. "But it is not necessarily limited to those places."

The Assemblyman called the bill a measure to facilitate registration in fast-growing California and said it would be a "major step forward in enlarging participation by our citizens in their government."

"We really don't need the ritual and structure of deputy registrars signing people up and giving them an oath," said Petris. "The system should be streamlined by making the registration pads available to anyone who asks for them, even in the corner market."

Present law allows appointment of deputy registrars—sometimes officials of the political parties and at times officials of labor unions—to sign up voters.

But Petris said that some counties don't permit the registrars to go from house to house to register new voters, although state law specifically allows this practice.

Other counties permit full freedom by the deputies and pay from 5 to 10 cents for each voter registered.

After the voter is registered, the signature is checked by the county clerk to make certain he is eligible to vote.

Petris estimated that in the 1962 general election with more than 7.5 million registered in California, about 3 million who could have legally done so failed to register at all.

With Democrats leading by a 3-2 margin in registration, Republicans seemed certain to object to the measure as a method of registering more Democrats.

But Petris said he hadn't considered this.

"I hope the Republicans respond favorably and help us pass it," he said. "But I haven't discussed the bill with any Republicans."

"This convenience makes it more likely that potential voters will register," Petris said.

Other developments in the Legislature:

Sovereign Immunity — The Senate Judiciary Factfinding Committee continued an investigation

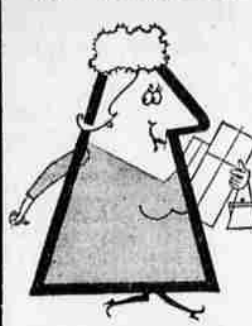
into a package bill proposal defining sovereign immunity in California.

Education — Assemblyman Clair W. Burgener, R-San Diego, proposed legislation making it mandatory for school districts to provide an educational opportunity for severely mentally retarded children between 5 and 18.

Courts — Assemblyman John G. Veneman, R-Modesto, and Sen. Hugh P. Donnelly, D-Turlock, introduced legislation to establish courts of conciliation in counties with a population of 200,000 or less. They said it was requested by superior court judges in Stanislaus County.

Teachers — Assemblyman Charles B. Garrigus, D-Fresno, proposed legislation to insure the right of classroom teachers to be notified of pending dismissal and have a prior hearing before a school board.

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