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ROAD CHECKS TONIGHT, TOMORROW NIGHT

American Samoa's policemen will be conducting road checks at various spots on Tutuila tonight and tomorrow night in an effort to keep this year's traffic fatality total at three. The policemen will be on the lookout for drivers who have been drinking.

"There have been only three traffic deaths in American Samoa so far this year," said Commissioner of Public Safety Dewey Allen. "Last year there were six. With a little effort -- and some common sense over the holiday period -- we can cut last year's figure in half."

THIEVES STEAL CHRISTMAS STAR

All Tutuila residents will miss the symbolic beauty of the gigantic Christmas star atop Mount Alava this year. Last year the Coast Guard vessel Cape Providence reported seeing it clearly from far out at sea, and an admiring tourist from a holiday Matson liner commented that it "looked like the original Christmas star all over again."

The star cannot be erected this year because over the intervening 365 days; the wires, sockets, and bulbs have been stolen. Bob Ware, assistant director of education for engineering services, expressed regret at being unable to erect the star over the bay. But he promised to make every effort to locate new materials in time to produce a shining cross at Easter time.

"CHEYENNE" RETURNS TO KVZK EVENING PROGRAMMING

The popular western television series, "Cheyenne," returns to KVZK-TV Monday. Tivis Wicker, supervisor of adult education and evening programming, said the program was discontinued several weeks ago when the series ran out. Because of the program's popularity in Samoa, however, a new series has been bought.

NO DAILY BULLETIN MONDAY

Because Monday is a holiday, there will be no Daily Bulletin on that day. The same will hold true for the following Monday, January 2. The evening news program "Tala 'Ese 'Ese" will be telecast both nights, however.

TV FOR TONIGHT:- (7:00) Friendly Giant (7:14) Christmas Program (7:35) Sing Hi Sing Lo: "Buffalo" (7:50) Funny Company (7:56) Lucy Show: "Together for Christmas" (8:22) Tala 'Ese 'Ese (8:52) Bonanza, "The Friendship"

TV FOR SATURDAY:- (7:00) Bugs Bunny (7:22) Alakazam: "Once Upon a Mystery" (7:53) International Showtime: "Circus Goes Latin" (8:48) Disney Feature Movie: "Shaggy Dog" (10:29) America: "Village"

TV FOR MONDAY:- (7:00) Friendly Giant (7:14) Funny Company (7:19) What's New (7:49) 20th Century: "Admiral Byrd" (8:14) Tala 'Ese 'Ese (Today's News) (8:51) Cheyenne: "Big Ghost Basin" (9:41) British Calendar.

ON THE WASHINGTON SCENE

WASHINGTON, (UPI) - Starting February 1, all National Guard and Army Reserve unit vacancies will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis. The Defense Department is taking the action to curb criticism that draft-eligible professional athletes are given first crack at these units.

More About Powell

Comment from a top Negro leader on the current effort to deny Harlem Congressman Adam Clayton Powell his seat in Congress, Clarence Mitchell, an N.A.A.C.P. spokesman, said he does not believe that race is behind the "oust Powell" drive.

U.S. Announces Food Aid To Pakistan And India

An announcement in Washington that 500,000 tons of food grains will be shipped to Pakistan from January through April under the Food For Peace program. The word comes less than a full day after the United States said it plans to give 900,000 tons of grain to India.

Negro Author Goes To Viet Nam With State Department Blessings

A leading Negro author and television personality leaves tomorrow for North Viet Nam.

Louis Lomax is going with the blessing of the State Department. Today, he will be briefed at the department by top officials. Lomax says Secretary of State Dean Rusk will take part in the briefing.

The 44-year-old author says he will interview North Vietnamese President Ho Chi Minh during his stay in Hanoi.

SPACE NEWS

SPACE CENTER, Houston. (UPI) - The Federal Space Agency has named its men for the second and third manned Apollo shots and says the crew of the third will try for a record altitude.

These crews also have new titles. Veteran James McDivitt will be prime crew commander for the second shot with David Scott his command module pilot and Russell Schweichart lunar module pilot. For the third shot, Frank Borman will be commander, Michael Collins, command module pilot, and William Anders, lunar module pilot. The third flight will try for an altitude record of 4,000 miles.

In a ground test of the Saturn-V last night, an engine of the second stage failed to ignite. The static firing test at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, might have to be delayed until early January.

Pilot Bruce Peterson flew the new H.L.-X on its first manned free flight yesterday after it had been released from a B-52 4,500 feet over the Mojave Desert. NASA is investigating the lifting body concept of the H.L.-X for possible application to manned spacecraft.

Also yesterday, the Air Force simultaneously launched two Minuteman-I missiles from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California. Both were fired toward targets in the Pacific.

SEVEN-YEAR-OLD BOY DIES AS "VICE ADMIRAL"

WHITEFISH BAY, Wisconsin. (UPI) - Tommy Donnelly, age seven, loved to hear his uncle tell about the exploits of the battleship U.S.S. Alabama during World War II.

His uncle, Dr. Newton Strandberg, is a professor at Sanford University in Birmingham, Alabama. The battleship now stands at Mobile as a memorial to Alabama war dead.

Friends of Strandberg heard of Tommy's interest in the Alabama and arranged to have the boy commissioned as a "Vice Admiral" on the battleship. They also located the original flag that had flown on the ship and arranged for that to be sent to him. The flag was what Tommy wanted more than anything else for Christmas.

Strandberg arrived with the present last night. But Tommy, his little body ravaged with cancer, had died that morning.

Tommy and his flag will be buried tomorrow, Christmas Eve.

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