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PUBLIC MAY BOARD PERUVIAN NAVAL SHIP THIS AFTERNOON

The Peruvian Naval Training Ship "Independencia" that arrived yesterday morning for a three-day stay will be open to the public this afternoon from 2 p.m. to about 4 p.m.

The "Independencia" was the U.S.S. Bellatrix, a U.S. Navy cargo ship, before it was bought by the Peruvian Navy several years ago. It is now used as a training vessel for midshipmen from the Peruvian Naval Academy. Of the 429 men aboard, 98 are midshipmen from the naval academy, 12 are officer trainees from the Peruvian Air Force, 12 are officer trainees from the Peruvian Army, and one is an officer trainee from the Argentine Navy.

The midshipmen aboard have been training more than four years to become officers. After they return to Callao, they will take nine more months of classes before they are commissioned officers in the Peruvian Navy.

This is the first visit of a Peruvian naval vessel to Pago Pago in many years -- possibly the first Peruvian vessel to come here since the Peruvian explorer Fernandez de Quiroz stopped in the Samoan islands during his Pacific voyage of 1606.

The "Independencia" left Callao January 2 on a 75-day training cruise that has so far included stops in Tahiti and here. Thursday morning, the ship will depart for New Caledonia, Australia, New Zealand and Easter Island.

The captain of the "Independencia" is Jorge Parodi.

MONTEREY DUE THURSDAY MORNING

Port Administration officials said today that the "Independencia" will depart for New Caledonia at 6 a.m. Thursday -- instead of 10 a.m., as was previously planned -- to make room for the cruise ship Monterey at the main dock.

The Monterey, making its regular South Pacific cruise, will stay until noon that day.

Next Monday the Matson freighter Ventura will arrive with mail and freight from the U.S.

EVENING ENGLISH CLASSES FOR ADULTS

The Department of Education announced today that it will begin evening classes in English for adults. Registration for the classes will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Lee Auditorium.

All persons 18 years of age or older who are not presently enrolled in high school are eligible to enroll. The classes are open free to the public for two hours twice a week. They are designed primarily to improve the English reading and writing skills of adults.

The first classes will be held at the Utulei high school campus. However, it is expected that other evening classes in English will be offered at the

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Evening English Classes For Adults (cont'd)

at the Leone high school campus soon. After the first few weeks of classes, students will be furnished with textbooks and materials that have been specifically prepared for adults.

The English courses will be available at both beginning and advanced levels, and classes will be small enough to allow individual attention to each student.

Additional information will be available at the registration Thursday evening in Lee Auditorium.

PIERRE SALINGER IN SAMOA FOR EASTERN AIRLINES

Pierre Salinger, press secretary for the late President John F. Kennedy, is in Samoa to do some work for Eastern Airlines in connection with the Trans-Pacific Route Case.

He arrived Sunday morning, went to Apia yesterday morning, and returned to Pago Pago today. He will leave tonight for Honolulu.

Eastern Airlines is one of several U.S. airlines that have applied for routes to or through American Samoa. The Civil Aeronautics Board will begin hearings on the case next month in Honolulu; in March, the hearings will move to Washington. The outcome of the case is not expected for three or four years, according to some observers.

NEW DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE TRUST TERRITORY

SAIPAN, Trust Territory -- Deputy High Commissioner and Mrs. Martin Mangan were welcomed at Kobler Field on January 7th by hundreds of well-wishers, including Saipan municipality officials and members of the Congress of Micronesia who are presently in Saipan.

Mangan was formerly assistant director of the Office of Territories, Department of the Interior, with special responsibility for the Trust Territory, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa. Prior to that, he was with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, as assistant commissioner for legislation.

FARMERS SAID NOT TO BE THE CAUSE OF HAWAII'S HIGH FOOD PRICES

HONOLULU -- Testimony at Hawaii's high food price hearings yesterday revealed that Hawaii's farmers are not doing very well, even with the high price of food they produce.

Several agricultural authorities at yesterday's hearings at the Kaimuki Branch Library said that the farmers need all the money and help they can get.

Kenneth Otagaki, Chairman of the State Labor Board of Agriculture, said that farmers in Hawaii must pay between \$15,000 and \$18,000 an acre for their land, compared with \$300 to \$2,000 an acre on the mainland. Otagaki says farmers are not making the big profits. Most of them make no more than \$1.25 to \$1.50 an hour.

TELEVISION FOR TONIGHT+ (7:00) Friendly Giant (7:14) Funny Company (7:19) What's New (7:49) Olaga Manuia: "Bunchytop Control" (8:28) Tala 'Ese 'Ese (Today's News) (8:49) You Are There: "Daniel Webster's Sacrifice" (9:24) News In Review N.E.T. News In Perspective. (9:44)