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FISHERMAN DROWNS WHILE DIVING IN WATERS OFF VAN CAMP DOCK

A 32-year old Korean fisherman from the fishing boat Jinam No. 25 drowned yesterday morning while trying to retrieve a metal door that had fallen from his fishing boat. The victim, Hak Ro Park, was dead on arrival at the Hospital of American Samoa.

Soon Jee Cho, a representative of the Jedong Industrial Co., which administers the Jinam fleet, said the door that had fallen in the water was one located on the side (of most fishing boats) to enable fishermen to work more easily with the fishing lines at sea.

Park, who had been treated for an intestinal disorder at the Hospital of American Samoa the day before, volunteered to use a diving mask and air hoses to go after the door. He made three dives: on the first, he couldn't find the door, on the second he found it, and on the third he went down to pick it up.

What happened while he was on his third dive is still a mystery; Park gave two tugs on the life rope, signaling the surface crew to pull him up, but he was unconscious when he reached the surface. The dockside crew tried artificial respiration but he didn't come to.

Police were told by a doctor at the hospital that drowning was the cause of death.

Park will be buried in American Samoa.

VILLAGERS ASKED TO BURN COMBUSTIBLE TRASH

Acting Governor Owen S. Aspinall has issued a memorandum asking residents of villages not in the bay area to burn as much of their trash as possible.

"It has been brought to my attention that many of the villages are not burning their own trash but are putting it in the sanitation barrels to be picked up by the garbage trucks. This makes an additional workload for the government that is not necessary," the memorandum reads.

Acting Governor Aspinall asks that "only the trash that is not capable of being burned, such as cans, bottles and metal, be placed in the sanitation barrels. The Public Works garbage trucks shall have the right to refuse to empty any sanitation barrel that has burnable material in it.

"An exception to the above instruction is the area from Utulei through Lepua (the bay area), where the burning of trash would constitute a hazard to the safety of people and their homes."

TELEVISION FOR TONIGHT

CHANNEL 2: (7:00) Friendly Giant (7:15) News (Samoan) (7:31) Expedition: "Operation Noah's Ark" (7:56) Soifua Fa'a Samoa (8:22) Wide World Of Sports.

CHANNEL 4: (7:00) News (English) (7:16) Friendly Giant (7:31) Lucy: "Lucy's barbarshop Quartet" (7:56) What's New (8:25) Bonanza: "San Francisco Holiday" (9:15) N.E.T. Journal: "Indonesia" (10:15) News (English).

DODD AIDE CALLED MASTER FORGER

WASHINGTON, (UPI) - The defense began presenting its case today in the Senate investigation of Senator Thomas Dodd's financial affairs.

An attorney for Dodd told the Senate Ethics Committee that Michael O'Hare, a former Dodd aide, was a master forger who signed Dodd's name to checks.

Atty. John Sonnett said he would establish that O'Hare, Dodd's former bookkeeper, lied under oath when he said he never signed the senator's name to a check.

He brought up a top handwriting expert, Charles Andrew Appel Jr., who testified that O'Hare could have signed 39 checks figuring in the investigation. Appel, a retired FBI specialist who played a role in the Lindbergh kidnaping case, described O'Hare as a master forger. But Appel was not asked who, in fact, did sign the disputed checks.

O'Hare yesterday denied that he ever signed the senator's name to a check while employed by Dodd. Under cross examination he conceded that he forged Dodd's name on 23 money orders.

LODGE WON'T SEEK NOMINATION

SAIGON, (UPI) - Henry Cabot Lodge said he has no plans to get into the presidential race next year.

Lodge is a Republican and ran as Richard Nixon's running-mate in 1960. After President Johnson announced yesterday that Lodge is stepping down as ambassador to South Viet Nam, Lodge said here, -- "I am an irrevocable non-candidate." He added, "No, I'm not going to get into the campaign."

The man who will replace Lodge is Ellsworth Bunker, a career diplomat who helped resolve the Dominican crisis.

Lodge was a write-in winner in the 1964 New Hampshire presidential primary election, but his backers were never really able to get his candidacy off the ground.

U.S. JOB PICTURE STRONG

WASHINGTON, (UPI) - The Labor Department says the nation's job picture remained strong in February despite some signs of weakness elsewhere in the

economy. Unemployment held steady at 3.7 per cent, exactly where it was in January and December.

CLARK URGES FIREARMS CURB

WASHINGTON, (UPI) - Attorney General Ramsey Clark testified on behalf of President Johnson's plan to restrict the sale of guns. Clark, appearing before a House Judiciary Committee, said guns have killed more Americans in peace than in all the nation's wars. He urged the Congress to pass curbs on interstate and foreign commerce in firearms.

MADDOX GETS LETTER THREATS

ATLANTA, Georgia. (UPI) - Georgia Governor Lester Maddox has received three letters threatening his life. The letters apparently resulted from a widely published photograph showing Maddox in a handshake with Negro Representative Julian Bond.

Bond is the controversial Negro who was denied his seat in the Georgia House last year because of his opposition to U.S. policy in Viet Nam.

The threatening letters came from out of state, and are therefore a violation of federal law.

SOVIET SUPERSONIC TRANSPORT?

SAN FRANCISCO, (UPI) - The Air Force Association said that Russia has been secretly flying a supersonic transport for more than a year. The assertion was made in San Francisco at an AFA convention.

LAW OFFICIAL CALLED TO TESTIFY

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana. (UPI) - A grand jury investigating a conspiracy theory in the death of President Kennedy has summoned an assistant district attorney to testify. He is Dean Andrews, a law officer in Jefferson Parish which adjoins New Orleans. Andrews told the Warren Commission that presidential assassin Lee Oswald requested legal advice from him several times in 1963. Andrews said that he received a call from a man named "Clay Bertrand" the day after Mr. Kennedy was killed. New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison contended "Clay Bertrand," is businessman Clay Shaw, whom he alleges was