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# Ponape Legislator Raps COM's Track Record

SAIPAN—The central Caroline Islands may be joining Palau and Marshall islanders' disenchantment with the work of the Congress of Micronesia.

itor Harris, speaker of the Ponape Legislature recently asked leaders of other district legislatures to "frankly review the record of the Congress of

Micronesia in formulating an effective and viable negotiating stance before the United States."

Harris made his appeal last month in a letter charging the COM with failure to deal with "many diverse interests which compose Micronesia.

"Indeed, its attempts are becoming ever more ineffectual each year," he said.

"Hopefully, we can begin to fashion a true picture of the future of the western Central Pacific and afterward be able to approach the American leadership with an informed and progressive approach to the settlement of our many problems," he said.

Harris proposed Palau as a meeting place, but whether he still wants it in the wake of United States-Micronesia status talks now going on in Honolulu was not known.

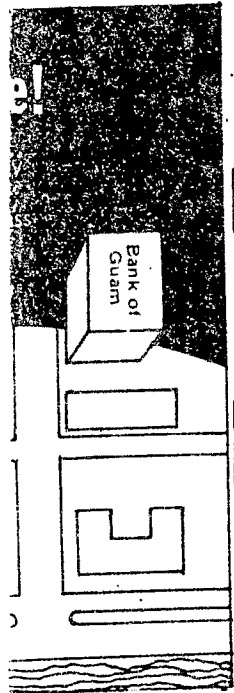
# Student-Veterans Lose Advance Pay

A change in G.I. Bill payment procedures effective June 1 will bring checks at the end of the month rather than at the beginning to 1.5 million veterans, dependents and service members enrolled in Veterans Administration education programs.

William C. Oshiro, director of the V.A.'s regional office in Honolulu, said another June 1 change modifies an arrangement which in the past automatically gave trainees a two-month money advance at the start of school.

Ending of the prepayment system will have the most noticeable effect on veteran-students continuously enrolled this summer, he said. They will receive their last V.A. check under the prepayment system on May 1, covering enrollment for May.

The next check, covering June enrollment, will be issued July 1. Subsequent V.A. checks will follow each additional month of enrollment. A student whose enrollment ends in June will receive the payment for June on July 1.



# Guess Who's Who In New Who's Who

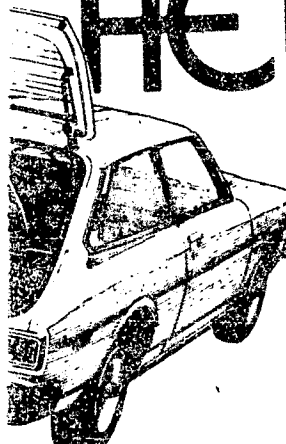
Pedro L.G. Santos, 39-year-old former director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services, is among about 18,000 government officials listed in the third edition of "Who's Who in Government."

Santos recently received a form letter from Marquis Who's Who Inc. of Chicago, the book's publisher, informing him that his biographical sketch would be included in the upcoming edition.

"Who's Who in Government," the company said, lists "approximately 18,000 biographical sketches of key officials from all departments of the federal government, from every state government, and from city and county governments throughout the United States."

Santos was public health director from January 1975 until last November, when Gov. Ricky Bordallo called for his

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