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San Nicolas Is.

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met Mr Jungquist photog for the Daily News at around 7:15 - went to home of Jack Smith news reporter & drove to Pt. Mugu - Guided missiles Base - arrived around 9:45 - 10 met by St. ^{Alfred} Rockland & were taken to Pub. Relations office after ~~being~~ receiving a badge & signing card - we ate lunch in officers mess & after a while at the slot machines & then we went back to the office Day was overcast low fog on lower ceiling not too high but about 1000 ft took off & landed at San Nick about 1:45 trip was uneventful - came down in DC 3 - couldn't see much from the window. air cleared somewhat visibility fair but clouds continued we were located in B.O.Q. north w of air strip which is at east end of island - situated very windy.

Pres. ^{Clyde} Christie

St. Comm. Bob Holt - Public Information office
Pt. Magn.

Chief press office Martin E Prouse
Pt Magn - 522 Nicholas

St. Jg Donald Rodman
Press officer - Pub. Inf.
APIO US Naval Base L.A.

2. The grass covering on top of the island looks good - large patches of *Vernonia* ~~lupinus~~ along beach land, east of the old ranch house site. The ranch house area is entirely changed. It is now occupied by a series of old army barracks which are abandoned - living quarters for the navy are on top of sand (soil) plateau above ranch house. (Ravens are thick on the island.)

Our quarters were comfortable enough, clean heat, stoves, bunk beds green wood single beds - we drew linen + blankets a piece from Ship Service, dgs. 25¢.

Dinner was, ^{pickled beets} dried beans - rice, carrots, ^{utter} bread, milk, canned peaches, cake cost 35¢ - ~~was~~.

The boys played pool at the table in recreation room at end of B & Q. I met a number of who drinks + boys read some of them.

B & Q painted oyster shell color on white wall board ceiling. Poor varnish except for 3 wall lockers unpainted pine

3 One green painted small table &
seven narrow beds. four radiators
to keep room warm - old Sam Nicholas
was never like this - although the
Navy insists on keeping barracks or
places with wind blowing free, I'll never
Rude.

The party of press men were
Smith.