

F.B.I. Women Agents

Criminals at large in the areas of Omaha and St. Louis are advised that they may now be eligible for arrest by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's first women special agents—**Susan Lynn Roley**, 25 years old, and **Joann Pierce**, 31. Miss Roley, a former Marine officer, and Miss Pierce, a former Roman Catholic nun, successfully completed the 14-week training course at Quantico, Va. The course included shooting guns and hand-to-hand combat, the kind of activity that was allegedly too difficult for women during the 48-year F.B.I. tenure of the late J. Edgar Hoover. The no-women policy was changed last spring and Miss Roley, whose first assignment is Omaha, and Miss Pierce, on her way to St. Louis, are the first of the 30 women to apply for agent's jobs to succeed. Like the 45 men who passed the course with them, the two women were given .38-caliber revolvers and bronze badges and they will be paid a starting salary of about \$15,000 a year.

Until Tuesday night, **Joe Frazier**, the heavyweight boxing champion of the world, had insisted that he would not endorse any politicians this year. Then relatives persuaded the champ, at his plantation in Beaufort County, S.C., that he should have State Senator **Eugene [Nick] Zeigler** over for dinner. Mr. Zeigler is the Democratic candidate for the United States Senate opposing Senator **Strom Thurmond**. When the meal was over, the champ allowed no pictures, but said to Mr. Zeigler "After rapping with my sister, they

all believe in you and I wish you all the luck in the world."

Now hear this: until further notice, payday aboard the U.S.S. *Sanctuary*, hospital ship, will be under the supervision of **Ens. Rosemary Nelson**, of Walla Walla, Wash. Ensign Nelson, the first woman officer assigned to a seagoing billet, is aboard the *Sanctuary* preparing to sail from the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard in San Francisco as the ship's disbursing officer.

"A canard of the basest sort," said a State Department spokesman of charges by Communists in India that **Carol C. Laise**, the United States Ambassador to Nepal, is a "C.I.A. Mata Hari." Miss Laise, who is the wife of **Ellsworth Bunker**, the Ambassador to South Vietnam, has been reported in India to be a possible successor to former Ambassador **Kenneth B. Keating** in New Delhi.

One of the few known jobs in New York City for a professional astronomer is going to **Dr. Kenneth L. Franklin**, the co-discoverer of high-frequency emissions from Jupiter and the developer of a lunar watch that tells time on the moon. Dr. Franklin's new place under the moon will be at the Hayden Planetarium at the American Museum, where he is replacing **Dr. Franklyn Mansfield Branley** as chairman. Dr. Franklin has been assistant chairman and is in charge of astronomy research at the Planetarium.

"Enough is enough," said **Luigi Fedeli**, who was the of-



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Ens. Rosemary Nelson, assigned to sea duty aboard the Navy hospital ship *Sanctuary*, talks with **Avis A. Robinson**, a seaman in the ship's deck force.

ficial Vatican butcher for 21 years until the Holy See took over management of his butcher shop and delicatessen last April. Once, Mr. Fedeli recalled, Pope John XXIII even called the delicatessen to express a preference for a particular Parmesan cheese. But now, Mr. Fedeli is annoyed and is suing the Vatican for \$259,720 he says should be rendered unto him for salary and unpaid bills.

The first black woman to head a major Federal health program will be **Marjorie A. Costa** of Brooklyn. Miss Costa was named director of the National Center of Family Planning Services, a branch of the Health, Education and Welfare Department. Under Miss Costa's supervision will be 325 birth-control projects, which provide services for 1.6 million

women, and a budget of almost \$100-million. Miss Costa, formerly on the faculty of the Columbia University School of Public Health, will be paid \$33,000 a year.

As **Rosalind Elias**, the Metropolitan Opera's mezzo-soprano, prepared to go abroad to sing with the Vienna State Opera, facts about her that would unsettle the average victim of triskaidekaphobia emerged. Miss Elias, who was born on March 13, 1935, was the 13th child in her family. There are 13 letters in her name and her Met debut was reported on page 13 of the *Opera News*. Also, her first apartment in New York was on the 13th floor and she was married on the 13th of the month. But there was no psychological explanation of why she is opening in Vienna Nov. 12.

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