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WITH JOINT TASK FORCE EIGHT IN THE PACIFIC--Air Force Second Lieutenant Thomas T. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs'. Ward A. Crum of Toledo, Ore;. is participating in "Operation Dominic". the joint Department of Defense-Atomic Energy Commission nuclear test series being conducted in the Pacific.

Lieutenant Walker, a B-57 navigator permanently assigned to Kirtland APB, N.M., is on temporary duty for the tests. A member of Delta Upsilonfraternity, he received his B.S. degree from the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. The lieutenant is married to the former Marjorie A. Melum of Toledo.

Operation Dominic is a joint DOD-A& nuclear test series conducted in the atmosphere, over the Pacific Ocean.

President Kennedy authorized the operation on March 2, 1962, saying it would involve only those tests which cannot be held underground. The tests are to be conducted under conditions which restrict the radioactive fallout to an absolute minimum. The President authorized the series only after exhaustive evaluation of the Russian atmospheric tests of 1961 showed that the U.S. had been left no choice but to

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keep our defensive arsenal adequate for the security of all free men. He further stated that if the USSR would sign a fully effective treaty before the latter part of April and apply it immediately there would be no need for the tests to begin.

All the detonations of Dominic are conducted under stringent controls to insure the safety of all persdnnel associated with the operation.

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RENO, Nev. --First Lieutenant Thomas T. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs, Ward Crum of Toledo, Ore,, has completed the rigorous U. S. Air Force survival and special training course conducted by the Air Training Command at Stead AFB, Nev.

Lieutenant Walker, a B-57 navigator, received combat-type escape and evasion training to enable him to survive under adverse climatic conditions and hostile environments,

The lieutenant is being assigned to Clark AB, Philippines, He is a member of the Pacific Air Forces which provides air offensive and defensive units in Southeast Asia, the Far East and Pacific,

The lieutenant, a graduate -of Toledo High School, attended Oregpn State College, He was commissioned in 1961 upon graduation from the U. S. Air Force Academy, Colo-

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