

## 10 PUEBLO CREWMEN GET PURPLE HEART

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 4 (UPI)—Comdr. Lloyd M. Bucher and nine crewmen of the intelligence ship Pueblo received Purple Hearts Saturday for wounds suffered when their ship was "attacked and boarded on the high seas."

The 72 other surviving seamen of the Pueblo looked on as the medals were awarded in a ceremony in the courtyard of the Balboa Naval Hospital.

Rear Adm. Horace D. Warden, commander of the hospital,

where the men have been undergoing debriefing and rehabilitation since their release from 11 months in a North Korean prison, called Commander Bucher to step forward and pinned the medal on his chest. Then the other men stepped forward to have the admiral present the medal. Some 59 relatives of the crew witnessed the ceremony.

The Purple Heart also will be awarded posthumously to Fireman Duane Hodges of Creswell, Ore., the only man killed when the ship was captured on Jan. 23, 1968. Fireman Hodges has been buried in his home town.