

Micronesian

PERIODICAL
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
LIBRARY

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
LIBRARY

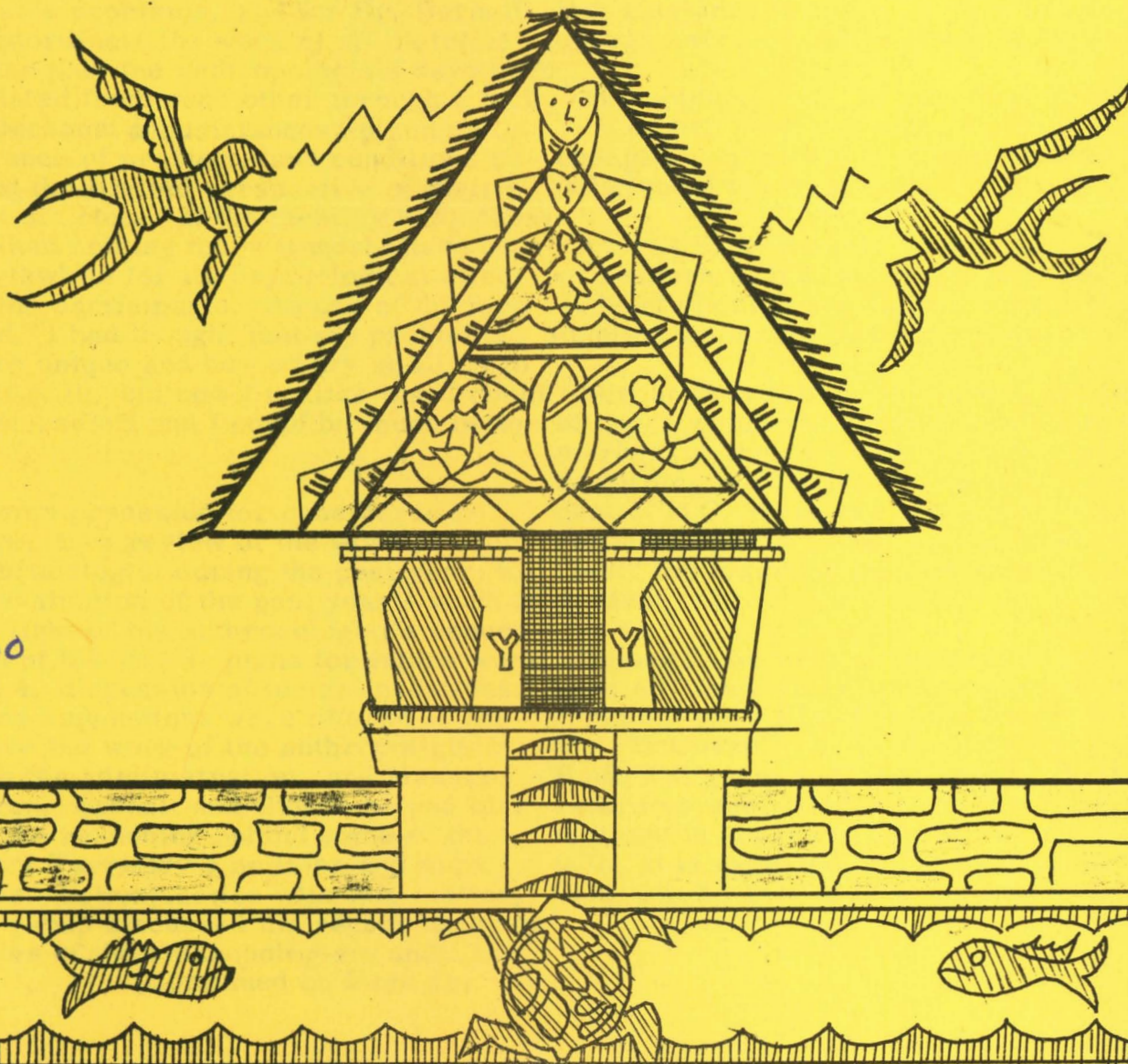
Reporter Monthly

PUBLISHED MONTHLY BY HEADQUARTERS - TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Volume 1 Number 11

Fort Ruger, Honolulu

September 1952



Palau Arai (Men's House)

ANTHROPOLOGISTS MEET AT KOROR

The meeting of the District Anthropologists at Koror from September 3 to 12 provided more excitement than Koror will see for quite some time. Among the VIP's in attendance were Bob Solenberger, Saipan; Shigeru Kaneshiro, Yap; Fran Mahoney, Koror; Frank Mahoney, Turk; Al Whiting, Ponape; Jack Tobin, Marshalls; Jack Fischer, Panape; and Dr. Barnette, Dr. Gibson and Don Heron from Headquarters. Observers attending all or some of the sessions of the conference were Mr. Whitcomb, Mr. Stille, Mr. Westerman, Alphonso R. Oiterong and Mrs. Whiting.

The long awaited talk-fest provided a chance for each District Anthropologist to discuss his own work and the problems confronting him in his district. It also gave an opportunity for the men to become better acquainted with each other's problems, and for Dr. Barnett to coordinate the work of all districts. In the past the anthropologists have been isolated from each other through a lack of personal acquaintanceship and an ignorance of problems and conditions beyond the limited perspective of their own districts. If the meeting had accomplished nothing more it would have been worthwhile for its psychological effect on the participants. As one of the men said, "I had thought that my problems were unique and beyond my abilities to cope with, but now I realize that I could be worse off and I could be much better off."

Items presented for consideration were: 1. a review of the work of each anthropologist during the past year; 2. an evaluation of the past year's work in the light of the anthropologist's conception of his job; 3. plans for future work, and 4. discussion of topical questions. Many suggestions were offered to improve the work of the anthropologists with the administration, and Messrs. Heron, Barnett and Gibson helped clarify the reasoning behind some of the Trust Territory's policies and objectives. In conjunction with this matter, the group discussed the recent letter on duties of the anthropologists and Dr.

(Continued on Page 18)

CHICOT PAUSES HERE

The MV CHICOT, the first Trust Territory vessel to sail to the United States, arrived in Honolulu Monday afternoon, September 22, and after taking on water and fuel, departed for San Francisco, where she is due to arrive September 30 or October 1.

The vessel is expected to remain in the Bay City until October 18. She is scheduled to arrive back in Honolulu October 26.

The original plan, to stop first at Majuro on her return voyage, has now been changed, and Saipan or Tinian is scheduled to be the first stop.

As was reported last month, the CHICOT will return with a full cargo, including 65 head of cattle for Saipan, commissary supplies and numerous other items.

Now on board the vessel are 3,122 tons of copra which will be sold in a stateside market for the first time in four years. According to Charles C. Stewart, president of ITC, there are also 3,000 whole coconuts aboard. They will be used to "test" the mainland market for such a product, Mr. Stewart said.

Among headquarters personnel who "inspected" the CHICOT on her arrival in Honolulu were High Commissioner Thomas, Mr. McConnell, Al Hurt, Miss Crosby, Hank Wolfgram and Nan Lockett. On the return voyage, what with no maritime regulations in regard to visitors to contend with, it is expected that more staff members will be able to look the ship over.

MICRONESIAN MONTHLY

Established November 23, 1951

Published by Headquarters

TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Editorial Board

Jack L. Taylor

Brian Casey Cecilia H. Wahl

John Palmeter

- - -

Editorial Assistants

Loretta Surdyk - Sarah Wagner

EDITORIAL

Marshallese Congress

The third annual session of the Marshallese Congress was held at Majuro last month. The members attending the Congress had traveled, many of them for hundreds of miles, from their home islands by local boats, government vessels and aircraft. They had come to assist in their own government and to contribute toward the development of democratic rule for their islands. The sense of responsibility displayed by these representatives, and the energy and serious thought that they applied to solve their many problems was impressive. They conducted their own meetings without outside assistance. The problems they discussed were their own problems, introduced on their own initiative and argued without interference from the administration. They asked only that the District Administrator assist them by giving technical advice on questions outside of their experience.

The attitude of the District Administration toward this meeting of the congress is worthy of note. At the outset it was made clear to the members that the congress and its committees would conduct their own meetings without outside influence from the Administration. The assistance of the District Administrator and members of his staff was offered and made readily available to the congress, and I can report that many hours of consultation were contributed for this purpose. But in each case where advice was contributed by the Administration, it was in direct response to a request from the congress or one of its committees. This attitude has been a great step toward strengthening the morale of the congress and in increasing the sense of personal responsibility of its members. They were made to feel that they had a real stake in their own government.

Unfortunately, as the meeting was extended well beyond the originally planned scheduled period, it became necessary for me to leave before the session was adjourned; therefore the full details of what was accomplished cannot be reported here. Of one thing we may be assured; whatever the results and accomplishments of the third session of the Marshallese Congress may be, they will represent Marshallese thinking and Marshallese action and not be a mere parroting of our ideas. I believe that the Marshallese Congress has "arrived," and that they are making a real contribution toward self government in their islands.

-- Donald Heron

Director of Political Affairs.

PLAN U. N. PROGRAM

Plans are underway to celebrate United Nations Day, October 24. A committee, headed by Jack Taylor, has been named to prepare a program for presentation at Headquarters. Committee members include Winifred Crosby, Janet Grimes, Gerald Vittetoe and Brian Casey.

BURNETT, NEAS NAMED TO KEY POSITIONS

Two new staff members departed from headquarters last week to fill key positions at Koror and Majuro.

They are Sidney Burnett, 63-year-old engineer, businessman and world traveller who was appointed district administrator for Koror, and Maynard Neas, native of Oklahoma, who has been in the government service for many years. He becomes internal affairs officer for the Marshalls.

Mr. Burnett has really been around. His experiences, wide and varied, include eight years in the Philippines of which three and a half were spent as a prisoner of war. He was interned by the Japanese together with his wife, Blanche, who, incidentally, is now society editor of the San Francisco News, and daughter.

Mr. Burnett had gone to the Philippines in 1939 to open an office. A consulting engineer by profession--he studied civil engineering at Yale University from which he graduated in 1909--he made surveys for saw mills and mining properties, imported machinery and exported oil and materials. After the war, he reopened his office in Manila for awhile and in 1946 went to Shanghai where he entered the import business. Two years later he was in Mexico City and in 1949-50 was removing minerals from India under contract with the U. S. government.

Prior to 1939, Mr. Burnett operated his own construction companies and lumber mills in Washington State and Oregon for many years.

Mr. Neas, who received his M. A. in public administration from Columbia University in 1939, did claims work in the Washington office of the army's judge advocate general during the war. From 1947 to 1951, he was in Manila

with the Philippine War Damage Commission as chief of the sugar section.

Most recently, Mr. Neas was employed by the air force at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma.

* * *

CONVERSION OF FRELA IS PROGRESSING

Work on the Freela, the Trust Territory's proposed "floating laboratory," is progressing "entirely to our satisfaction," writes A. M. Pilgrim, president of Pacific Micronesian Lines, from Guam.

The Navy, which has undertaken the job of overhauling, converting and outfitting the Freela with X-Ray equipment for use as a medical diagnostic ship, has been "most cooperative," Mr. Pilgrim says.

Also being overhauled and re-outfitted is the Milleeta, which was in "deplorable condition," and which is being thoroughly rehabilitated. She will be assigned to Yap as a station vessel.

It is expected that the Freela will be ready for use in a few months. The ketch will be manned with a Marshallese crew and will travel throughout the entire Trust Territory taking modern medical equipment and techniques to the many thousands of Micronesians who live far from the District centers.

The Freela, which formerly carried copra in the Marshall Islands, was purchased from ITC a couple of years ago. According to Executive Officer Alfred M. Hurt, the Freela will perform the same services that the Whidbey did under the Navy.

"Many islanders are waiting for the Freela, which is to make a thorough survey of health conditions in the Territory", Mr. Hurt pointed out. "The
(Continued on Page 18)

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING ON PONAPE

By Robert E. Gibson

Robert Halvorsen, educational administrator on Ponape, discussed with his educational staff, both Ponapean and American, while I was there, a plan of utilizing American teachers in a new capacity. His proposal grew out of the ineffectual attempts to do much about improving the educational program on the outer islands and atolls where field trip boats land so rarely and stay so short a time. The Supervisor of Teacher Education can do so little to up-grade teachers on an island where a field trip boat stops only long enough to gather in the copra and exchange trade goods.

Halvorsen's plan amounts to this: He proposes that the Intermediate School be taught entirely by Ponapean teachers under the supervision of the American principal and that the American teachers now teaching full time at the Intermediate School be instead teacher trainers; further, that they spend considerable periods of time--up to six months--on one of the outer atolls, such as Kusaie, Nukuoro, Pingelap or Mokil.

During that time they would thoroughly acquaint themselves through the help of the anthropologist with the way of life of the people on that atoll. Utilizing that knowledge, they would then assist the island teachers to build fundamental education there. That is they would help them to develop a better organized elementary school system for all the children on that island or atoll. They would, in addition, help them to develop community education, concerned with youth and adults as much as with children. In other words, the American--educator living on this island with the people, would take into account the needs and problems of the people and would be concerned with group methods of solution.

This teacher-educator might be concerned with several forms of activity beyond the development of the elementary school program: adult literacy campaigns, health training and sanitation, organizing of community groups with library and museum techniques. Working with the agriculturist, he

would assist in the development of agricultural and extension services.

The type of education Mr. Halvorsen is here considering, is concerned with the community as a whole and should lead to social action. The methods must be chosen with the end in view of helping people to help themselves.

While realizing that much more thought needs to be given to such a proposal, that the people themselves must be willing to accept it and that many mechanical difficulties would have to be ironed out, it seems on its face to be a bold and creative plan. If any one can help it to successful operation, Mr. Halvorsen and his staff can.

* * * *

—//—

COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE

October is Red Feather Month in Honolulu. This year we should really aim at 100% participation of headquarters staff. Employees may contribute to the general fund or specify a particular agency they wish to be the recipient of their donation.

The following girls are helping Janet Grimes with the drive: Marie Minicucci of Public Works; Fran Warren, ITC; and Myra Gentner, Administration.

Let's all give our cooperation to the solicitors and make this drive a greater success than last year.

* * *

Income tax: The fine for reckless thriving.

--H. V. Prochnow

HEADQUARTERS ITEMS

Deputy High Commissioner James A. McConnell is back in Washington in connection with the Trust Territory's budget for fiscal year 1954. Mr. McConnell will testify before the Bureau of the Budget as to our financial needs and requirements for the year commencing July 1, 1953. He will also confer with Interior Department officials about organic legislation for the Trust Territory, and other legislative matters. The Deputy High Commissioner left for the Capitol September 27, and expects to be away about two weeks.

Bob Sherrod's articles on the Trust Territory are scheduled for publication in the Saturday Evening Post in November, according to word received here this week by Executive Officer Al Hurt who accompanied the writer on his tour of the islands a couple of months ago. The first article, one dealing with the natives, their way of life and problems and what can be done to help them is slated for publication on November 8. A second article, dealing with the American personnel in the Territory, is to follow in a subsequent issue. Mr. Hurt was informed that Mr. Sherrod has written at length on David and Doris Holmes, as a "typical American family" in the field. The Post has requested photographs of the Holmes at work and play and the request has been relayed to them by Mr. Hurt. David, who has been general supply clerk at Koror, soon is to be transferred to Guam. Mrs. Holmes has been working as a clerk-typist in the public works department at Koror.

Work on the proposed installation of heavy duty electric power generating plants for Truk and Ponape Districts is progressing satisfactorily, according to Hank Wolfgram, director of the department of public works. Procurement of these heavy duty diesel engines was made possible through the assistance of M. S. Burchard of the Office of Territories. "Despite limited funds, we are gradually acquiring some good equipment of a permanent nature which will alleviate a few of our major public works headaches", Hank reports.

Dr. K. C. Leebrick, liaison officer for the Trust Territory and an alternate commissioner on the South Pacific Commission, has returned from a threeweek business-vacation trip on the Mainland United States.

Dr. Leebrick carried back to Washington the Trust Territory's annual report to United Nations, which he discussed with State and Interior Department officials. He also attended meetings called by the State Department for the purpose of instructing the U. S. Commissioners on the SPC, in advance of the forthcoming semi-annual meeting of the Commission. It will take place in Noumea, New Caledonia, commencing October 6.

Dr. Leebrick also visited with members of his family in New York State, and en route back to Hawaii spent time with Rear Admiral Leon S. Fiske at Mare Island Naval Base in California. Admiral Fiske was deputy high commissioner of the Trust Territory under the Navy's administration.

Popular George Laycock, former hospital administrator for our organization, is the author of an article, entitled "Hospital Care in Micronesia" which appears in the August issue of Hospitals, the journal of the American Hospital Association. The story concludes with the statement, "The Trust Territory hospitals became members of the American Hospital Association in January 1952, and will depend on the services of the association for much assistance in administering this newest project in the far flung Pacific

(Continued on Page 20)

I. T. C. News
By Neil Houston

Copra - In recent weeks the copra market has fluctuated sharply over a fairly wide range with quotations in the \$135-\$150 bracket in San Francisco. This has been largely due to the activities of European traders, and American buyers have been reluctant to purchase at the higher prices because the U. S. coconut oil market has remained steady around 10¢ per pound and has not followed the higher asking prices for Philippine copra. Soybean and cottonseed oils are in plentiful supply and under government price support. Lard and tallow are at low prices with a good deal of lard apparently destined for the soap kettle. These factors tend to discourage advances in coconut oil.

The direct shipment of copra to market via the CHICOT is perhaps the most encouraging development as far as the Trust Territory is concerned, as a substantial saving in freight costs results. If this can become a regular thing, and if markets continue in the \$140 range, the future would appear somewhat brighter.

Trochus - Some activity in the long dormant market for trochus shell has cheered us this month. The Japanese buyers are suffering from tight credit conditions in Japan and are moving cautiously. Nevertheless some small sales have been made, and shipment from Guam has begun.

Rice - Prices continue high with no sign of easing in sight. In view of the large world demand in relation to the available supply the United States has recently placed rice under export control. The Trust Territory is not subject to export licensing, but this action serves to indicate the nature of the situation. We were recently offered Saigon rice at a price slightly higher than that now prevailing in the U. S.

Visitor - Headquarters has just had a visit from Mr. Sam Gazzano, manager of the Oceanic Trading Company, our San Francisco purchasing agent, who

was in Honolulu September 26-27 en route to the Far East. He will also visit the Guam warehouse and the Saipan Branch to gain firsthand knowledge of our field operations. The Oceanic Trading Company purchases also for the Far East Foundation, the French Government, South Pacific Commission, and others in the Pacific area.

I. T. C.'s Girl Friday, Fran Warren, has taken off to the windward side of the island for a week of real vacation after a year of more than busy days getting out the mail and coordinating the office for a half dozen busy executives. Her vacation will be doubly welcome, she says, since she and Eleanor Silva worked plenty overtime hours last week getting out the Annual Report of Operations, and Financial Statements.

* * *

VICTORIA AKIYAMA IS
GUEST AT STYLE SHOW

Featuring the latest in fall fashions by Hawaii's leading designers, the Zonta Club of Honolulu held its Aloha Week Style Show at the Halekulani Hotel September 26. Some 600 guests watched the gyrations of the models and listened to Walter O'Keefe of "Double or Nothing" fame as Master of Ceremonies, chat pleasantly about the gowns they wore.

Miss Victoria Akiyama, University of Hawaii freshman from Saipan, was a special guest of honor. Victoria is the recipient of Zonta's scholarship award for 1952-53. Other local organizations assisting with Victoria's education include the University of Hawaii Campus Club and Delta Kappa Gamma.

WHERE DID THE SHORT-TIMER GO?

(The following article appeared in the September 19 issue of Saipan Soundings.)

Back in the days of Naval Civil Administration, duty on the islands of the Trust Territory was regarded as just short of a prison sentence. The moment a family arrived on an island they began counting the days until they could go "home" again. A term evolved for those who were close to the end of their time---Short-Timer. Such people, the envy of their cell mates, "had it made"! Freedom loomed on their horizons and they had a perpetual smile on their faces.

The term S-T disappeared with the coming of Interior and the civilian administration. Originally the reason for its disappearance was simply that everyone had at least 18 months to do and it was just too heartbreaking to dwell on such a length of time long enough to count the days. For at least

16 months there would be no Short-Timers, so we all resigned ourselves to serving out the term.

In the past six months a subtle change has taken place. Fewer and fewer are the occasions when you hear a conversation begin, "When I get outta this hole...." A recent survey taken by the DistAd Office shows that at least 2/3 of the personnel on the island plan to either renew their contract or extend it when it expires. Most of those who do plan to leave have either a better job or further education ahead of them.

The reason for this acceptance of Saipan as a way of life is not immediately apparent. Housing has not materially improved, nor has supply. True the commissary is much better, but that is about the only obvious improvement.

One thing that is apparent, however, is that the vanishing "Short-Timer" is evidence that both morale and achievement have improved over Navy and beginning Interior times. Two-thirds of the population would not be remaining with their jobs if they did not feel some satisfaction and sense of progress. Most people are realizing that 18 months is just barely time to get acquainted and really get down to work.

Good bye, Short Timer.... forever.



"My contract's up"

FRANCIS SAYRE PRAISES T. T. PROGRESS

Francis B. Sayre, veteran state department official who was the U. S. representative on the Trusteeship Council when High Commissioner Elbert D. Thomas presented the report on the Trust Territory early this year, and who is now retired, wrote the Commissioner recently and expressed regret that he had to give up his work with the United Nations body.

His letter to Commissioner Thomas follows:

"It is a matter of real personal regret for me to give up the work of the Trusteeship Council. I feel sorry that I shall not have the pleasure of seeing you at the next council meeting. . . it has always been a pleasure to work with you.

"It is a matter of the greatest satisfaction to me to feel that under your wise and progressive leadership such splendid progress is being made. The United States is pioneering a new path-way in teaching other peoples something of the exasperating art of self government. In the present distraught world it gives one a glow of satisfaction to know what is being achieved in these fields. All power to you in your leadership."

Mr. Sayre went on to inform the Commissioner that he expects to go to Japan in October as the personal representative of Bishop Henry Sherrill of the Episcopal Church. "What I want to do if possible," he wrote, "is to help strengthen Christianity in Japan. To my mind Japan is one of the most critical spots in the world today and Christianity has had the rarest opportunity in Japan today that it has had for many a long year."

Named by President Truman to take Mr. Sayre's place on the Trusteeship Council was John J. Muccio, ambassador to Korea.

SCIENTISTS COMPLETE WORK ON MICRONESIAN SUBJECTS

Dr. Sidney Glassman and Dr. Thomas Gladwin have recently completed research projects for the Pacific Science Board and the Office of Naval Research on subjects of considerable interest to the Trust Territory.

Dr. Glassman's botanical study concerns Ponapean vegetation. The results were presented to the University of Oklahoma as a doctoral dissertation. His degree was awarded in June 1952. He spent part of 1949 and 1950 on Ponape as a participant in the Scientific Investigations in Micronesia Program (SIM).

Dr. Gladwin, linguist and internal affairs director at Truk from 1948 to 1951, completed his anthropological project on a study of the thinking and actions of the Trukese. His findings were incorporated into a dissertation entitled, "Trukese Personality," which he presented to Yale University. He was awarded his degree last month.

Dr. Gladwin was a member of the Yale University team which studied at Truk in 1947 and 1948 under the Coordinated Investigation of Micronesian Anthropology (CIMA) Program.

* * *

VENEZUELAN VACATION?

Bob Lawrence, assistant to the director of economic affairs, rocked the department by announcing his departure for Caracas, Venezuela and a position with the Creole Petroleum Corporation. After a tour of duty on Guam with the Government of Guam and a year and a half at Trust Territory Headquarters, Bob and his wife and child are forsaking the Paradise of the Pacific for enchanting Latin America. Bob certainly will be missed and we hope that Creole realizes how fortunate it is to get his services.

PROFILE

Mildred T. Griffin, assistant attorney general of the Trust Territory, asked a few questions about her life and times had a classic reply to make when the interview was over. "I hadn't thought about my past for so long it was quite a strain. I live day by day and every day to the utmost."

Mildred's "past" starts quite away back but being frank and forthright by nature she doesn't mind pin-pointing it: "I was born January 16, 1899, in Parkman, Ohio."

For a woman to admit having passed the half century mark is something. To do it freely and of her own accord is really something. But perhaps that is a trait that has enabled Mildred Griffin to live a rich and full life.

A woman lawyer was an "oddity" in Chardon, Geauga County (population about 20,000) Ohio, when Mildred started in general law practice with the firm of W. R. Davis. She had passed the bar in the fall of 1926 after receiving her L. L. B. degree in June of that year. "There was only one other woman attorney in the vicinity that I can recall," she says.

Mildred's practice revolved to a great extent around real property and such matters as escrows, actions to quiet title, examinations of title and foreclosures. In the eight years she remained in private practice she handled about 100 divorce cases--"most of my divorce clients were men"--and several big estates in the probate court. "Nothing really exciting".

It's common knowledge that after 1931 or 1932 lawyers generally were "practically starving." But it wasn't until 1935 that Mildred went with the government.

To digress a bit, Mildred attended Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, Michigan, and George Washington University law school. She is proud, justifiably so, that she worked her way through both

institutions. At Hillsdale, she was secretary to the Hillsdale County Farm Bureau and at George Washington was employed first as a typist with the Federal Civil Service Commission (Grade 1) and then as secretary to the assistant attorney general in charge of the anti-trust division at the Department of Justice.

When she returned to government work it was as supervisor of women's projects for the federal emergency relief program in Geauga County. Within the next few years she held such positions as county auditor under the Civil Works Administration, assistant district supervisor of women's projects in the Works Progress Administration (WPA, that is), and then district supervisor of the same agency in Cincinnati. In 1937 Mildred was made state director of women's and professional projects, WPA.

Four years later Mrs. Griffin was administrative officer in that famed (or infamous!) organization's Washington office. When WPA folded in 1942, Mildred went with the Federal Works Agency as assistant regional director in Richmond, Virginia. It was in Richmond that she met and married Paul Griffin, who as you all know, is director of finance and supply for the Trust Territory.

In 1944, Paul was transferred to Washington with the Federal Housing Administration and so Mildred went back to the civil service commission after a 20-year absence. She returned as director of the division of forms control, which, incidentally, was a Grade 12 position.

(Continued on Page 17)

TRUST ISLAND NURSES HERE FOR TRAINING

(The following story on Misses Kiyoko Sulial and Irminia A. Benevente, who came to Hawaii to further their nursing education, appeared in The Honolulu Advertiser September 26.)

Two nurses from the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands arrived in Honolulu this week to begin a year's study in practical nursing at Hawaii hospitals.

Kiyoko Sulial, 23, of Palau in the Western Carolines, and Irminia A. Benevente, 18, from Saipan in the Northern Marianas, came here to further their nursing education under the sponsorship of the Hawaii Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

The women's group awarded the two girls a scholarship of \$300 to help defray their financial expenses while in the islands.

The need for training skilled practical nurses in the far-flung Trust Territory, which the United States administers under a trusteeship agreement with United Nations, was pointed out to the sponsoring organization by Dr. H. Leo Marshall, director of public health for the Trust Territory.

Miss Sulial and Miss Benevente, who are the first Micronesians to come to this country to study nursing, soon will start intensive on-the-job training at Leahi hospital. Later they will move to other Honolulu hospitals for training in maternity and child care and general public health services.

MEMBERS OF the committee which worked out the program the two young women will follow were:

Mrs. Rebecca T. Clark, chairman; Miss Ahia Davison of Maui; Miss Elsie Watt of Kauai and Mrs. Mary Lehmann of the BPW Federation and Miss Virginia Jones, director of the school of nursing at the University of Hawaii; Miss Allison McBride, educational director of the bureau of public nursing; Mrs. Patience Martelon, director of

nursing service at Leahi hospital and Mrs. Marjorie Elliott and Mrs. Myrtle Shattenberg of the school of practical nursing.

* * *

ORIENTATION PROGRAM IS STARTED

New personnel going out into the field will spend three to five days, depending upon grade, in orientation at Headquarters before emplaning for the districts, it has been announced.

Headquarters has been aware of the need for such a program and many of our employees have commented how much it would help them to know what to expect upon arrival in the field, especially in relation to living conditions, social life, and the American community in general.

These needs, along with the plan for development of the recruit's understanding of his job and his community relationships, have been developed into a formal orientation program by the new training specialist for the Trust Territory, Mr. Steele Holman, in conferences with Headquarters department heads.

So that the man in the field can express his ideas of what is needed in such a program, and can assist the trainers by keeping them informed of current conditions, letters are being sent to selected employees asking for comments and suggestions. This information will be coordinated by the Personnel Department into a booklet for the uninitiated.

YAP HIGHLIGHTS

By Richard E. Drews

School days, school days, Labor Day, Indian summer and greetings from Yap. Our spirits have been lifted since a ship (barko) arrived and brought us a touch and smithering of stuff from the outside world. Inside Yap the wheels are turning and progress is bursting forth. There is a hustle and bustle of students getting ready for PICS, Honolulu and so on.

The first Ulithi student, Ramon by name, has departed from Yap to PICS to "pick up a leattle English and zen to Suva and the Cadavas". We hope to see him as the first Ulithi doctor.

Work has begun on the new hospital, which we are happy to see. A diet kitchen, T. B. ward, American ward plus inside toilets which will enhance the standards Public Health wants to reach here in Yap.

Dr. Sykes was called away to assist at an operation in Ponape and Dottie is watching the clock and calendar waiting the return of Frank or the phonograph.

We were honored by a visit from Dr. Marshall, director of public health, and Mr. Nucker from Washington, D. C.

Here is the latest helpful hint given on Yap in regards to preparing a budget. Simple rules are - 1. what you take in goes on top the paper - thus - what you take out goes on the bottom of the paper thus - if the figures don't balance well you can cut the paper in twain and the right hand need never know what the left is doing; just put and take. Easy, isn't it?

When in Yap visit the Royal Colonia Hotel - where for \$65.00 a month you can move from room to room full or empty unbeknown to Management, bell hops, or termites. Mr. Thomas Bunting is triplets according to the Management. Every room you enter--there he is striped shorts, luggage and all. In case he loses his job with ITC he wants one as a mattress tester. When interviewed, Tom said; "this place has bounce."

Jack (whispering) Mobley, who bent Tom's ear telling him to stay put, could be heard clear to Keeng village. I wonder who lost whose battery to whose hearing aid?

After passing ITC and getting the drift of the conversation your reporter had to have his ear treated for blast.

Meisha Throckmorton Popufnick, the local war dog and canine neurotic was last seen at 42nd and Broadway lying in the road with his paws over his ears shaking like hell and drinking from his own brandy keg. Final diagnosis for Meisha by local Veterinarian Doc Melnikoff was Shock.

With torches and flashlight the community was ablaze the other night looking for war veteran No. 1 (our Meisha) and guess what! We found Meisha in the post office slot since he said it was rarely ever open.

To top this off he is now being treated for allergy from dust in the slot. What's the matter, here, doesn't anyone here ever write, so the place can get dusted?

Well, so goes it on Yap--

Kafel eh!

Did you know that - People learn things most quickly during their middle 20's; undergo their greatest personality changes between the ages of 25 and 35; and earn their greatest income at 55 or 56.

STUDY OF MICRONESIAN POSITIONS COMPLETED

Friday, September 26 saw the long-awaited wage and classification study of Micronesian positions go into the mail pouche for the districts. A neatly-bound, mimeographed book of 150 pages, the study represents six months of research and preparation begun last spring by Miss Roberta Jorgenson, a wage and classification specialist, and discussed and developed by the Personnel Department with the assistance of Economic Affairs and the district administrators.

This title and wage program represents a definite step forward in the employment policy of our Micronesian employees. The project was necessitated by the extreme variation in wage patterns within the districts and lack of any related wage and classification program among the several districts. The wage rates of Micronesian employees originally were established during Navy administration on a territory-wide basis. But wages had, by reason of many unrelated individual adjustments and the establishment of numerous classifications outside of the original pattern, lost all semblance to a formal classification and wage plan.

Miss Jorgenson conducted a survey in all the districts using the technique of questionnaires for job and living cost data; interviews with employees, supervisors and local private employers; and observation of working and living conditions in all district centers of the Territory. Tentative proposals were submitted to administrative officials, and their comments and suggestions were considered in the final proposal presented in this report. Roberta reviewed job information for all the jobs Micronesians are presently holding, looking for differences and similarities of work, levels of responsibility, degrees of supervision received or exercised and minimum qualifications desirable. The jobs were then grouped into classes. The final includes 128 types of job specifications.

In preparing a pay plan for Micronesian positions, the survey committee has attempted to assure equitable compensation for differences and similari-

ties in job content throughout the Territory, and still recognize differences in geographical location, size, and, to some extent, economic development of the various districts. A single pay schedule applicable to all districts permitted no consideration of important local influences, while complete local autonomy, granting each district administrator freedom to establish district rates based on his knowledge of the community and its people, gave no assurance that compensation would be equitable on a Territory-wide basis. A basic Territory-wide pay schedule, with provision for pay differentials where necessary to reflect local differences, was selected.

The basic pay plan consists of fifteen separate pay grades, each with a range of five steps from minimum to maximum. The lowest present pay rate of all districts, based on analysis of selected key classes, was found to be in round numbers 15¢ per hour, and was used as the minimum rate for the new pay range of Laborer, easily the most uniformly representative class in the title plan. The resultant five-step ranges were computed on a percentage rise basis, graduating downward from 8% in the lower pay ranges to 5% in the higher pay levels.

The new plan will go into effect on November 9, after the district administrators have had time to give it final review. Administration of the plan will be totally at the district level. Though the plan is expected to have some levelling influence on the wage structure generally, no reduction in the wages of present employees will be made in carrying it into effect. New employees, however, will be appointed in accordance with the schedule.

SAIPAN SOUNDINGS

Saipan Radio has shifted its home to a new location at Kobler Field. The entire move of the station required about three weeks without the station being off the air. Moving of the station was considered essential by Fred Briggs because of the high noise level at the old Distad location. Even the dentist's drill at Distad was drowning out communications.

The station itself is located in the airport building while the transmitter is some 300 yards away, connected with the station by a remote control set-up, made of boondocked materials and a tribute to Roy Isley.

Preliminary tests were run to Rota and Tinian last week. There will be three operating positions at the station - one for ships-to-shore, one for aircraft, and one for point-to-point work. The flip of a switch will enable one operator to handle any or all of the three from one position.

The entire station is air-conditioned with green and inlaid linoleum on the deck and five new tables and furniture throughout. An open house for all Distad personnel is planned as soon as things are in order.

Good news comes from Saipan in the form of a recent survey taken by the Distad office showing that at least two-thirds of the personnel on the island plan to either renew their contract or extend when it expires. Most of those who do plan to leave have either a better job or further education ahead of them. Those remaining must just like the place too much to leave - other Distads take note!

Two Navy civilian employees from Guam Naval Base spent a week on Saipan looking over the telephone and power systems to make reports and recommendations.

R. H. Anderson, head of Telephone Exchange Operations on Guam, inspected

the local system. He found that Saipan's main telephone trouble was due to faulty cable. The repairing of the cable is a highly technical job and will require importation of trained men to do the job.

Roy Schilling, head diesel machinist for the Navy on Guam, inspected the power plant and made some much needed adjustments on the spot.

Both men will submit reports with their recommendations and estimates of cost.

Ronald Ring's School for x-ray technicians opened its second session on September 9. Plans are for seven students to attend the three-month course designed especially for Trust Territory trainees by Ring. Upon graduation, each student is presented with a certificate and is capable of working as an assistant in his local district, with a background of anatomy, physiology, and repair work, as well as x-ray procedures.

The Boy Scouts of Saipan have submitted a request to the Boy Scouts of America for a charter from that organization. BSA has indicated that such a request will be honored and the Saipanese boys have hope of completing their organization by October. Henry Pangelinan will be the Scout Master of the new organization and the Catholic Church is sponsoring the group.

Fran Aldon, operator of the government boat to Tinian, and Amparo Guerrero, daughter of a municipal official, were married on September 4 at Chalan Kanoa.

SAIPAN, ISLE OF PROGRESS.

(The following editorial appeared recently in the Guam Daily News.)

Saipan has what it takes to get ahead; backbone instead of wishbone. Our tiny neighbor to the north has charted an ambitious recovery program and is carrying it through to a successful completion.

By the end of the year, Saipan will have a balanced economy, barring an unforeseen hitch in plans. This means the island will be spending no more than she makes; exports, in dollar value, will equal--might even possibly exceed--imports. And the wealth of Saipan's 5,000 residents is derived solely from the land, in produce and livestock.

Guam is three times the size of the United Nations' war orphan, yet we produce very little. We have thousands of acres of tillable land yielding nothing but boondock vegetation. If all of this land were put into production, several millions of dollars annually, now poured into outside markets, could be kept on the island.

We would not have to depend on an export market to make such an agricultural program profitable. Guam's civilian and military demands are greater than we could hope to meet for years. And we would accomplish, to a degree at least, one of the basic principles of sound economy: self sufficiency.

* * * *

GREETING CARDS FOR SALE

It won't be long until the Christmas season is at hand and it will be time for sending greeting cards to relatives and friends. Each of the Educational Administrators and Liaison Officer Jack Evans at Guam has a supply of beautifully colored cards which may be purchased for a nominal sum. Receipts from this sale will be turned over to the Micronesian Students Scholarship fund.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

A position as Equipment and Salvage Inspector is vacant in the Western Caroline area. This position is similar to that held by John S. Hoffman in the Marianas area. The work involved covers the inspection of Micronesian Metals Corporation salvage activities. In addition to the regular reporting of materials collected, the inspector will be responsible for the selection of such items of equipment as he deems economically repairable and suitable to the requirements of the Trust Territory. The position also embraces liaison between the District Administrator concerned and the Micro Metals activities. For the present, the inspector will be located on Peleliu or Angaur Island.

If married, the employee's dependents will have to be quartered on Koror. But since quarters are not immediately available, there may be some delay in moving the dependents to that location.

We are confident that we have several well-qualified men in the Trust Territory who may be interested in this job. The job carries a GS-9 grading. Persons interested are requested to submit their applications with a brief outline of their qualifications pertinent to the vacancy to the Director of Personnel.

* * *

ANOTHER LATE FLASH

Late, but incomplete, news brought from Truk tells us that Irene and John Spivey are parents. We're still waiting to know whether to run up the pink or the blue flag, and to release such details as name and horsepower of the infant.

* * *

Income taxes notwithstanding, 62 per cent of the country's wage earners saved money last year; 7 per cent broke even and 31 percent went into debt.

THE TRUK TIDE

The first anniversary of the Truk Tide was celebrated on August 29 with a king-sized edition for its far flung reading public. Proud of being published every week in spite of occasional power shortages, scarcity of copy, and editorial assistants, the Truk Tide has managed to remain the biggest weekly newspaper in the Trust Territory.

Says the story in the anniversary issue: "The constantly changing tone of the Tide is due in large part, no doubt, to the fact that there is a new editor each month, and each editor is completely free to change the makeup, the tone of the stories and the story headings to his own taste. Each editor seems to sit down on press night with a slightly different staff than got out the edition for the previous month - and for that matter - the previous night. There are always a few faithful staffers who help get out every edition.

"The staff meets at the Tide office each Thursday or Friday evening and the editor begins to parcel out to the journalists and printer masters on hand the stories that have been submitted during the week by the members of the community. Sometimes during the evening some wonderful person will stop in with a batch of cookies, a bowl of doughnuts, or even a pie. There is usually a pot of coffee brewing, and the call "Copy! Copy!" sometimes drowns out. . the laughter of a staffer over his overwhelming accomplishment in the field of humorous prose."

The Micronesian Monthly salutes the Tide and congratulates its editorial staff on its 52 issues of news and views. The Tide's rededication is particularly timely and will be genuinely appreciated by readers at home and abroad. The statement reads: "In the past 14 months the American community at Truk has come to regard the Trukese people with great respect and true affection. Nearly every American here has pointed to their friendly waves of greeting, illuminating smiles, and gentle manners. They have demonstrated often what we knew in the beginning: that they pos-

sess a capacity to learn equal to our own. We are here to work with them to make these islands a better, happier area for them. In the year ahead we rededicate ourselves to this task."

The Truk Scholarship Fund is more than \$200 richer as a result of the Gay Nineties Night held recently in the Truk Casino. Everyone contributed generously and had a grand time to boot. Many new, but questionable, talents were discovered. It is widely rumored that some of the presently more respectable people must have, in the past, used their hands for things other than eating.

Larry and Mary C. Chappelle, formerly of the Truk family, are now employed at Guam. Larry is highway safety engineer and Mary is with the Camp Bright PX.

Truk is alive once more with 125 PICS and 200 intermediate school students back on their campuses. Frank Mayo, dispenser of postage stamps and money order blanks, and Hank Chatroop, movie king, are doing their best to acquaint them with two great American customs; writing letters and going to the movies.

All the way from Rome comes word that Nick Gianutsos, former hospital administrator, and his sister are having a grand time looking, listening, and eating ala European style. Nick expects to leave for Peru shortly after Christmas.

Only four employees are planning to return to Hawaii or the mainland in December upon completion of their 18 months contract. Looks as if another gay Christmas is in the offing for the more rugged individuals.

FOOD NEWS By Cecilia Wahl

The Saipan Soundings for September 19 items a new cookbook we'd like to be able to quote on this page soon. The article says, "You've heard a lot of talk about tropical recipes, but you 'ain't seen nothin'" until you get a load of My First Recipe Book, a collection compiled and tested by Alice Quick's summer school class of Intermediate School girls. The recipes contained therein are those which were brought from home by the girls and made in the class for sampling. They had to meet with the class approval before being included. All are cheap to make and use strictly local products, requiring only the learning of slightly different techniques (for Americans, that is).

"Banana blossom salad, candied papaya and various ways of using taro and banana are only a few of the extremely practical recipes. The girls each signed their own for the whole class to have one. There were a few extras, and if you got one, you were lucky, because there aren't many more."

Since we were not "lucky" we put in our plea for a copy of the second run.

When I read the Hilo Women's Club Cookbook I wish I were back at Koror where crab and lobster are sometimes "presento" or where they can be gotten from the reef occasionally. No matter how stuffed we got with crab and lobster on the several field trips, we always wished a half hour later that we'd had room for "just one more" bit of that wonderful seafood. Now, we'd love to try one of the following:

Deville Crab

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 1/2 t. butter | Dash of Worchester- |
| 1 T. (rounded) flour | shire sauce |
| 3/4 C. milk | 1 T. lemon juice |
| 1/2 t. mustard | 2 C. crab |
| 1 t. grated onion | 2 hardboiled eggs |

Melt butter, add onion and simmer. Add flour, to which mustard, salt and pepper have been added. Cook until smooth. Add milk, let boil for several minutes. Sprinkle lemon juice and Wor-

cestershire sauce over crab and add it with chopped eggs to sauce. Fill casserole, or crab shells, with mixture and sprinkle with 3/4 C. bread crumbs mixed with melted butter. Bake in moderate oven until nicely browned.

Crab Souffle

| | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 2 C. cream sauce | 2 C. crab meat |
| 3 eggs | dash of cayenne |
| 1 C. grated cheese | or tabasco sauce |

Add well beaten egg yolks, cheese and cayenne to the cream sauce which has been made quite thick. Add flaked crab meat and beaten whites of eggs. Bake in quick oven until puffed and brown - about 25 minutes in 350° oven.

Hawaiian Lobster

| | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| 1 C. milk | Salt |
| 2 T. butter | 1 C. grated coconut |
| 2 T. flour | Meat of medium sized |
| 2 t. curry powder | lobster |

Melt butter. Mix flour and curry powder and cook in butter over slow heat for 5 minutes. Add milk and cook two or three minutes after it begins to boil. If too thick, thin with a little more milk. Add lobster, coconut and salt just before taking from stove. Serve in rice ring with chutney.

Quick Curried Tuna

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1/3 C. milk | 1-7/8 oz. can tuna |
| 1 t. curry powder | Rice, or toast |
| 1 can condensed mushroom soup | |

Stir milk and curry powder into soup in saucepan. Add coarsely flaked tuna; heat. Makes four servings.

A CHANGED ATTITUDE TOWARD LEPROSY

By John Valentine, physician in charge, Trust Territory Leprosarium, Tinian

In 1873 Father Damien arrived at the leprosarium at Kalaupapa on the Hawaiian Island of Molokai, and recently, on my visit, the life of the patients and staff there seemed to move on as usual. But Kalaupapa as an institution may be said to have aplastic anemia, i. e., no new patients have been received at that isolated hospital for two years.

During all past years the principal of complete segregation of leper patients has been accepted. The state has separated the patient from his family and friends and taken complete charge of his material welfare. That this has been well done is seen by the fact that among the 250 patients on Molokai today, 140 patients own cars.

But the effects of segregation have been reflected in a high divorce rate between patients and their healthy partners on the outside. Moreover, a patient who was finally discharged was frequently refused by his family. Many patients, cured but with residual deformities, were afraid to face an unfamiliar world and preferred to remain, completely cared for, in the leprosarium.

Today in Honolulu bacteriologically negative cases are being treated as outpatients. They take the sulphone drugs at home and return to the clinic for adjustment of the dosage and blood estimations.

"Open" cases are still admitted to an institution called Hale Mohalu (Happy Home) on the outskirts of Honolulu. Here "open" cases undergoing treatment may receive their friends during generous visiting hours. A special bus is available to take patients to see sights and parades in town. Those able and willing to work are paid and encouraged.

A special office of the Health Department encourages the public to accept Leprosy, or Hansen's Disease as it is called in Hawaii, as a curable disease and not as a Biblical scourge.

When the patient is cured and becomes a "closed" case, it is expected that he will be accepted back into his home and into society as a useful member.

I owe a debt of gratitude to E. K. Chung-Hoon, M. D. and G. H. Hedgecock, M. D., both of the Department of Health, Territory of Hawaii, for making it possible for me to observe and study their cases and their program.

PROFILE

(Continued from Page 9)

After the war ended, the Griffins took off for Manila to join the Philippine War Damage Commission, Mildred as assistant to the secretary of the commission, Paul as director of finance. They stayed there four years.

They returned to the U. S., via Europe, in the summer of 1950 with the idea in mind of settling down in semi-retirement in the blue ridge mountain area of Hendersonville, North Carolina. After less than a year of taking life easy, "We decided it wasn't as late as we had thought. And we were bored with a tranquil existence. So, in April, 1951, we joined the staff of the Trust Territory and here we are."

Mildred says that she and Paul hope to continue working for a "few more years" and then they are going to give retirement another try. "Maybe the next time we can retire gracefully and like it," she smiles.

Mildred has yet to visit the districts and is looking forward to it. "I hope to make the trip sometime this fall," she says.

ANTHROPOLOGISTS MEET (Continued from Page 1)

Gibson mentioned in particular the value of the work of the anthropologists to the education program.

Mr. Heron discussed field trip problems, and the members of the session prepared a joint opinion on means of increasing the administrative effectiveness of each district. Mr. Heron also proposed that a Territorial convention of Micronesian leaders from each district be planned. The group was generally in favor of a convention provided that it would cover problems in the social, political, and economic fields that could be resolved by the efforts of the people themselves.

Discussion also revolved around the proposal to train Micronesian assistants for the development of local governments, and Mr. Heron gave a resume of the detailed requirements necessary for local governments. He also discussed the general subject of land and land claims, and the group gave thought to the establishment of District

CONVERSION OF FRELA (Continued from Page 3)

vessel can proceed at her own pace, without following a rigid schedule, throughout the islands."

The Milleeta is being completely overhauled, according to reports. New deckhouses are going up, all wiring is being renewed, all old machinery is to come off and the vessel is to be made entirely safe and seaworthy.

* * *

Offices for the Public Defender and the Micronesian personnel working with him.

A related purpose of the meeting was to provide as many of the anthropologists as possible with an opportunity to observe conditions in unfamiliar parts of the Territory. In order to give balance to the picture of the acculturation at Koror and the variety of administrative problems presented, an overnight field trip to Ngaraard was arranged. This not only gave the visitors a more representative impression of the Palauans but offered an example

of change which might occur in other parts of the Territory with the addition of outside influences. Dr. Barnett's Palauan friends at Ngaraard, accorded him and the visitors with a huge feast. Afterwards Dr. Barnett was formally initiated into Palauan life and given the title Skras or "Ambassador to the High Chief." He is the second non-Palauan in history to be accorded this honor. Congratulations are extended to Skras Barnett on his new title, and on the fine success of the conference.

* * *



"one for you
one for me, one for the Bishop Museum!"

THE COLONY OF PONAPE

Ponape is to receive one of the four new Cooper-Bessemer 200 KW diesel generators which are being obtained by the Trust Territory. The estimated earliest delivery date is December first, but no estimate was made as to when the generator would be installed and ready for operation.

Receipt of this new generator will greatly alleviate Ponape's power problem. The addition will not create an increase over the present level of electric power, but will make it more efficient and certain.

Gladys Adams, recently arrived member of the Finance and Supply Department, and Raymond Redmond, of Public Health, were married on Monday, August 25 in the Catholic Mission by Bishop Feeney. A nuptial mass followed, and the special nuptial blessing was given the couple. Music was Acappella singing by the school children.

Monique Etscheit and Kan Akatani were maid of honor and best man respectively with Mr. Lynch giving the bride away and Gerald O'Donnell as usher.

The bride wore a white semi-formal wedding dress with veil, and held a bridal bouquet of gardenias.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was given at the Etscheit home in honor of the newlyweds.

Three men from Ponape are accompanying the Chicot on her trip to San Francisco and a fourth has joined the crew of the Torry during the stay of the two vessels at the port of Ponape.

Abraham Riten, formerly employed at the dock, and Moses Nene, until recently a patrolman at the Constabulary, have signed on as regular crew members of the Chicot for a year's contract. Jesus Villagomez is signed on as a special member of the crew to assist in bringing back cattle and poultry to the Trust

Territory from San Francisco. He will leave the ship on completion of the current voyage.

Gustave Weilbacher, who joined the crew of the TORRY has until recently been attending the Intermediate School. He is the son of Fritz Weilbacher, employed at the Ponape Co-op, and has interrupted his schooling to accept the job.

"Kolonia en Pohnpey" has inaugurated a children's page in which poems, puzzles and fun are presented. Full coverage for the whole family is their motto!

Virginia and Linda Wheat have arrived on the Mainland for a vacation period and a chance to replace some of their belongings lost by fire last spring.

Renee, the youngest of the three Etscheit girls, is now in school on Guam. With Yvette in Europe, the remaining family on Ponape are no doubt most lonesome.

In view of the increased tourist trade on Ponape, the news sheet has presented a list of highspots in Kolonia. Included in the list are:

BRIDGE TO NOWHERE: This is the longest bridge in the world built for no apparent purpose.

CARROLL'S INFORMATION BUREAU: Large staff is capable of answering any question about anything.

ANDERSON'S ORCHARD: This is the site of the fabulous "cacao capers."

HEADQUARTERS ITEMS

(Continued from Page 5)

Islands". The article, which is several pages long, is illustrated with pictures and is well written indeed.

A staff member noted an expression of happy satisfaction on the face of High Commissioner Thomas as he read the story on the passing of the "short-timer" in a recent Saipan Soundings. We are now wondering if some one is going to get a "Who Dun It?" letter from the Hi-Com. Even before the High Commissioner saw it, the editors had decided to re-print the story in full.

Dr E. M. Ojala, deputy chairman of the South Pacific Commission's Research Council, was a visitor at headquarters last week. Dr. Ojala conferred with the High Commissioner, Dr. K. C. Leebrick, liaison officer and a commissioner of the SPC, and with officials of the University of Hawaii and Bishop Museum on the Commission's work program. Dr. Ojala commented that commission specialists in such fields as marine agriculture, anthropology, and economics will arrive in Hawaii soon to "work out an exchange of information to benefit the people of the South Pacific."

After a nine year period the paths of H. C. Wolfgram and William V. Chloupek have crossed once again.

During World War II LCDR Wolfgram, now director of public works for the T. T., was in command of the Ninth Super Naval Construction Battalion with LCDR Chloupek serving as his executive officer. In 1943 when the battalion was deactivated, Wolfgram and Chloupek were separated and assigned to different sections of the South Pacific. Recently, Bill Chloupek was contacted regarding his interest in joining our organization. His cheerful affirmative reply was welcomed and after due processing Chloupek will assume his new duties as Assistant Director of Public Works and Chief En-

gineer. The parallel situation of the former Skipper and Exec of the "CAN DO" outfit may be significant to prospects for better public works activities. Best wishes and a hearty welcome are extended to Chloupek.

Orchids to Marie Minicucci and Donna Archibald for their hard work in the TV-Nani Hawaiian play which was presented at the University of Hawaii Amphitheater, October 1.

The play is a romantic Hawaiian drama on the marriage customs of ancient Hawaii.

Marie was the Director of the play and Donna was the Assistant Director until she was asked to play the part of a witch. The difficult part remained unfilled for lack of a suitable person, until Donna so gallantly volunteered. It was interesting to see how this attractive gal was made-up to look like a witch - wonders never cease!

There were some 100 persons in the cast including professional Hawaiian singers and hula dancers.

According to Director Minicucci, the directing of so many people at one time called for quantities of milk on one hand to soothe erupting ulcers and bottles of aspirin on the other hand for screaming headaches. All in all, though, she enjoyed every moment, including the possibility of ulcers.

* * *

VITAL STATISTICS!

Karen Ann Burby made her debut Sunday morning, September 28th, at the traditional time, 5 a. m., and weighed in at 6 pounds 1 ounce. The relaxed and happy parents are Lois, ex-Personnel secretary, and Jack, Advertiser reporter, Burby.

* * *

(Ed. Note. Reprinted in part is a delightful essay by Doris "Dusty" Stoughton from a recent Koror Buckets) "THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER IS.....

I am disenchanted with the Tropics. When I pronounce the magic words, "Celebes, " "Tutuila, " Bangkok, " - I do not think of sandalwood and wind, but of whether I can get a good repellent, and had I better pack an extra hot plate in case there is no stove. This is going to infuriate and disillusion a lot of nice people who would prefer to keep their Hollywood-fostered and travel-book-nurtured dreams of the "Far Places" intact.

Be that as it may, and at the risk of being called an unimaginative hick who should have stood in Seattle, right now a good millinery shop filled with utterly ridiculous chapeaus would be a more thrilling sight than a Palauan woman paddling barefooted down a muddy road with a Navy tray balanced on her head, said tray containing, 1. a machete, 2. a bunch of gardenias, and 3. her betel nut and lime.

Many are the volumes of deathless and asinine prose which start - "The mighty wings of the great silver bird bore us swiftly away; away - over the green mountains - over the silver sea - following the sunset - to ADVENTURE." Blah! Have these purveyors of Romantic Goo ever bucked against the unyielding seat belt of a little PBY when she slams her belly down on the cement-hard bosom of a blue, Romantic, Tropic sea? Have they ever tried to describe - Romantically - what one of these silly, though utilitarian, little monsters actually looks like as she comes roaring and grumbling down the ramp from the sea, complaining and waddling like a fat, ugly duck? Have they ever seen them stand dripping forlornly while a rectangle in their belly opens to disgorge passengers somewhat wild-eyed from the Romantic Landing in the Lush Tropic Paradise?

Then, of course, there's the sheer thrill of excitement and Adventure when you come to a new Island, and the peo-

ple greet you brightly with, "Lucky you. You have a house." You are led to an affair with a roof and some screening and asked, "Isn't this nice? Of course, it isn't fixed up yet, but it has Endless Possibilities." (They all have!)

You sigh, look for a place to set your bags where the roof isn't leaking too badly, and take stock. One "davenport," 2 iron cots, with two musty mattresses (nuts we forgot to bring sheets); 3 chairs - two have all four legs, too! A refrigerator that doesn't refrig, and no stove. Again you sigh, or swear, depending on how tired you are or how many times you have been out before. So you hang your Royal Poinciana lei up on a nail, jab a gardenia in your dank hair for morale, and wonder if the 4 towels in your suitcase will cover enough of the mattresses so you can sleep.

The rain comes down in torrents, it's only been sprinkling up to now; the heat washes over you in great waves. You plug in the coffeepot which you had the good sense to bring with you, lace the results strongly with the contents of another commodity you also had the foresight to bring, and flop into a chair. The chair collapses. You don't know whether to cry, laugh or swear. Laughter wins - it usually does.

Finally, in a month or three your gear arrives. And as you unpack the familiar things and listen to the yard boy sing as he transplants gardenias and croton, you put the Mills Brothers or Heifetz on the record player and grin at the green, wet hell outside. You think, "You darn fraud! You love it here and you know it!"

UNITED NATIONS FELLOWSHIP AWARDED DWIGHT HEINE

Dwight Heine of Majuro, Marshall Islands was notified recently that he has been awarded a United Nations Technical Assistance Fellowship in the field of public administration.

Mr. Heine will take leave of absence from his position as Superintendent of Elementary Schools in the Marshall Islands District in order to pursue his studies in Fiji and New Zealand.

Following two years study at the University High School and the University of Hawaii in Honolulu from 1948 to 1950 under a Trust Territory scholarship, Mr. Heine was appointed to his present position. In addition to his educational duties he is president of the Marshallese Export-Import Company, an excellent interpreter and translator, and a church and community leader

* * *

LEGENDS OF MICRONESIA ARE USED IN AMERICAN SAMOA

An excerpt from a letter to High Commissioner Thomas from R. L. Bothwell, a high school teacher in American Samoa who has undertaken extra-curricular work in adult education reads as follows:

"It might interest you to know that we have taken the 'Legends of Micronesia', published by your office in Honolulu, and translated them into Samoan for use in special radio broadcasts. Together with annotations, they show the close relation between Micronesian stories and Samoan legends. This is coordinated with our initial attempts to broaden the Samoan's views of his own 'immediate' environment and relations to other peoples in the Pacific."

The High Commissioner was pleased to learn that the Legends are serving as useful a purpose outside the Trust Territory as they are in the schools of Micronesia.

LATE FLASH FROM TRUK

A letter from Distad Truk, arriving the day the paper goes to press, brings the exciting news that Frank Mahoney, Truk's bright young anthropologist, and Patricia Yamasaki, Intermediate School Teacher from Honolulu, were married on Thursday evening, September 18 by the "Right Reverend W. Chester Muller." Mr. and Mrs. John Smith were witnesses.

As Mr. Muller says, "Frank and Pat requested that, for personal reasons, the news of the ceremony should not be publicized at that time. They did, however, permit the announcement to be made at the Community Club last Saturday night. Of course the Truk Tide got scooped. The Tide, however, shouldn't feel too badly. Frank, who is Editor for September, put off the ceremony until 10 p. m. the night of his marriage to guide the destinies of that publication for one more issue! Best wishes and congratulations are indeed in order.

* * *

RED CROSS GIFT BOXES ARE RECEIVED

Each of the six districts has recently received several hundred gift boxes from mainland Junior Red Cross Clubs.

Packed by school children in various parts of the United States, the boxes will serve as useful Christmas gifts for the youngsters of the Trust Territory. A typical gift box consists of a bar of soap, a tooth brush, a tube of tooth paste, three pencils, a rubber ball, a bag of marbles, a spool of thread, a box of crayons and a slip of paper bearing the name of the packer.

Children receiving the gifts are encouraged to correspond with the pupils who packed the boxes. In this way, a real live acquaintanceship among children of the United States and the Trust Territory is generated.

* * *

Many resolutions came in from both houses of the Marshallese Congress, and they are being analyzed at the present time by the District Administrator. The Hold-Over Committee will convene in October, presumably the 15th, to receive the instructions on such resolutions as have been acted upon. Most of the delegates have returned to their home atolls by field trip ship or Marshallese boat.

Interest in the Congress was very keen this year and the consensus of opinion is that it is the most successful Congress thus far. One resolution was discussed on the floor for three days, showing the tremendous interest the Marshallese have in their Congress and its accomplishments.

One of the interesting sidelights of the Congress was the five women members, who took a very active part in all the sessions.

With very little fanfare or advance notice the Air Force descended (by boat) upon Majuro recently. Twenty-two men, a weather reporting element, invaded the sanctuary of peaceful Majuro, and left everyone wondering what would happen next.

These men are from the Sixth Weather Squadron, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma City. Their commanding officer, Capt. John W. Donahue, is a weather expert who has recently served a tour of duty in Alaska.

Majuro welcomes these men to the island community and is helping make their stay comfortable. The group plan to be home again by Christmas.

Majuro is happy to report that a good percentage of personnel are seriously considering extensions or renewals of their contracts.

Tom Fay, public works officer, and Jim Manford, snapper plumber, want to sign up for another two years. Dr. Brown, Kenneth Mosher, sanitarian; Justus Records, snapper mechanic; Dick Wimer, snapper electrician;

Harry Tubb, snapper carpenter; and Golden Jenkins, general supply clerk, have asked for extensions varying from three to six months. Lou Furtado, fiscal accounting clerk, is as yet undecided.

Such response is another indication that the folks on Majuro, on the average, are satisfied with conditions and are thoroughly in favor of the program.

As quietly as an Arab folds his tent and steals away the Majuro galley tucked away its ladles and lids and moved to the club house. The move was one of a series of changes made with the transfer of galley, commissary and hotel from ITC to Trust Territory.

Diners may now take their meals in the cozy, congenial atmosphere afforded by the club house, while they look out on the waters of the mighty blue Pacific. Small, individual tables have been substituted for the long one formerly used. The setting does justice to the delicious food prepared by Phil Kahuhu and his staff.

Abbie and Humphrey Leynse, deciding that they weren't meant to be sailors anyhow, have recently raffled off their boat, Salome. After taking five months to build their boat, having Abbie fall in the water, watch and all at the launching, and having Salome run aground, drift away with the tide, and be towed back time and again, they gave up the ghost. Golden Jenkins is the new owner, having won the raffle after a big discussion over the signature on the ticket. His first move was to get her off the beach again!

BOOKS WORTH READING

Anatomy of Paradise, written by Joseph C. Furnas in 1947, is one of the better books on Oceania. Mr. Furnas does not boast of being an intrepid pioneer traveler in the Pacific, nor one who has spent numerous hot, muggy days roaming through tangled underbrush, but he does feel he has done a fine research job in the preparation of the Anatomy of Paradise.

In cooperation with the American Institute of Pacific Relations, Furnas worked for 11 years gathering the pertinent information required as a background for this interesting and easily readable 500 page book.

This is another book about the "South Seas." Since the number of books on the subject has probably reached five figures, an apology is indicated, but fortunately it is easy to make because few books on the Pacific have included general reporting rather than rhapsody or scientific description. Furnas is proud that his approach is different. He doesn't want to be preachy nor does he claim to be classed an ethnologist or anthropologist, but he does offer some cogent remarks concerning respect for island people. For example, he writes, "it is impractical as well as hideous to deal with human persons impersonally although their skins may be of a deeper hue than ours."

Concerning recovery from the recent war in the Pacific, Furnas says, "Whites are now trying to put things back together, but the native has grounds for wondering if such help is anything to welcome. Here and there he says out loud that he wants more responsibility in whatever reconstruction is achieved. The speed with which he has bounced back from his recent trauma speaks well for his stability. But more responsibility----that is a moot question."

No particular portion of the book is

devoted to Micronesia although Chapter 7 entitled, Brother's Keeper, describes America's hopes and aspirations in the Western Pacific. Furnas feels the United States is saddled with strategic and nonstrategic islands alike but because of the present world situation and the current use of the Marshall Islands as an atomic energy proving ground, tight military security controls are not only highly desirable, but necessary.

Not only as a solid reference (28 pages of bibliography and 30 pages of illustrations) but for interesting reading, Anatomy of Paradise is highly recommended. Orders placed with the Honolulu Book Shop, 1024 Alakea Street, Honolulu, will receive prompt attention. The cost of the book, including mailing charges, is \$6.10. J. L. T.

* * *

VIP DEPARTMENT

Two VIP's have come and gone. Irwin W. Silverman, chief counsel for the Office of Territories, and Del H. Nucker, executive officer for the same department, both spent time at headquarters this month.

Mr. Nucker made a trip to the field and on his return nearly bought out ITC's handicraft shop. If we had more visitors like Mr. Nucker perhaps we wouldn't have to ask Congress for appropriations. Who did you say the girls are that the gifts are for, Mr. Nucker?

Mr. Silverman conferred at length with the High Commissioner and other department heads on Trust Territory matters. He looked in tip top shape.

Things must have gone smoothly because before we knew it he was on his way back to Washington before Suzy Kamemoto could place a lei around his neck. Will you take a rain check, Mr. Silverman?

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Monday a. m. the 29th of September seems to be a bad time for me to collect my thoughts and prepare the news of personnel changes. But aren't all Mondays like that!

Last month Thorvald Esbenson's promotion was not reported. This month Yap's teacher heads the list.

We now have a training administrator, Steel Holman, who has set up an indoctrination program here at Headquarters and will soon be visiting the districts. The result of his acquisition is that Majuro's new Internal Affairs Officer, Maynard Neas, and Sidney Burnett, Distad for Koror, were the first guinea pigs in the comprehensive indoctrination course before embarking on their new assignments with the Trust Territory.

Ben Kesler has now been permanently assigned as Distad Rep at Ebeye. We have a new diesel mechanic about to depart for the Marshalls. He is Arthur Grimmitt. Majuro is losing Humphrey Leynse to Hicom, where he'll be administrative assistant to the Director of Political Affairs. A replacement for the Majuro position has not yet been found.

Charles Cohen has been promoted to the duties of Liaison Officer, Angaur, after several months' special assignment to that unique position. Dave Holmes is scheduled for a transfer to Guam and a promotion to the new assistant to the Chief of Supply Operations. Arthur Dralle will replace him at Koror. Mr. Dralle has been with Hawaiian Pine for the past nine years, and is most enthusiastic about his new job. William Westerman has been promoted at Koror from teacher to Agriculturist-Teacher.

Charles Goo is the new diesel mechanic for Guam. John Good has moved from Guam to Truk as Will Muller's Administrative Assistant, and Mrs. Good is also going to work. Lillian Robinson of the Finance and Supply Dept. Truk, has received a promotion from her training

position. Truk has a carpenter at long last - Shizuma Yamada is hard at work by this time. John G. Smith, PICS teacher at Truk, has been promoted to the new Agriculturist - Teacher position.

Jack Wheat of Ponape has moved up to the Agriculturist-Teacher position.

Saipan will have Jed Wade as Commercial Advisor soon. Earlier this year he did research in Palau on cacao. Yda Chambers has reached Saipan after much passport trouble, to take her place on the Education staff.

Bob Lawrence has completed his employment agreement and is taking a job with an oil company in Caracas, Venezuela. We will all miss the Lawrences very much, and we wish them aloha on their new adventure. Mary Jane Short has replaced Kitty Franchino in the administration department, and Rose Arndt has joined the personnel staff. Bill Riley is now permanently assigned as Nat Logan-Smith's assistant.

Kurt Hirsch is awaiting transportation to Yap where he will take over Russ Curtis' duties. The Curtises are returning to Yap where Russ will take over the Internal Affairs Officer's duties.

Masa Yoshimasu has received a promotion in the F. and S. Department. Suzy Kanemoto is our new librarian. Margaret Weed has joined the Legal staff preparing to take over when Dola Petry returns to Seattle at the end of her contract.

Note: Personnel and F. & S. have received some questions as to Federal Service credited for leave purposes. Mistakes have been known to be made, but sometimes there are discrepancies in the records we receive. Anyone wishing an audit should submit a certified statement of Federal service, and adjustments will be made.

Aloha to all in the districts, Jan.