

The efforts of CAU Yap in the field of self-government have been directed toward government by the remotest possible system of control, aimed at the eventual establishment of self-government or independence of the inhabitants, as may be decided by the United States of America as Trustee. The objectives to be realized by this civil administration unit count as a concomitant of local self-government the protection of an economic system in which there is no relative poverty, but an adequacy of food, shelter and security, and a social system in which all participate equally and actively in the material and aesthetic aspects of community life.

The development and use of the local court system is developing satisfactorily. The district chiefs, after seeing that we are backing them up, are becoming less hesitant about proceeding on their own without a gentle shove from CAU. It is believed they are coming more and more to realize that it is our desire that they exercise their own judicial authority over minor offenses, and it has met with their approval.