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Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs N. Neiman Craley, Jr.

## ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER CRALEY ASSUMES DUTIES

N. Neiman Craley, Jr. assumed the duties of Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs on January 23. Mr. Craley has been in the Territory on two previous occasions. As a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania, he was in Saipan to speak at the opening of the First General Session of the Congress of Micronesia in July 1965. As a member of the House of Representatives' Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, he traveled throughout the Territory in November and December 1965. "I am happy to return to Micronesia. On two previous visits I found many friends here. I look forward to renewing those friendships and working with the people of Micronesia," Mr. Craley said. He plans to make familiarization trips to all the districts in the near future. Mr. Craley's wife Ruthe and their four children, Sarah, 14; Nathaniel, 13; Harry, 11; and Stacy, 9, will join him in the Territory at the close of the school term in York, Pennsylvania.

## 1967 UN VISITING MISSION

The 1967 UN Visiting Mission is tentatively scheduled to arrive on Saipan Sunday, February 12. After spending three days in Saipan meeting with the High Commissioner and his staff and Marianas District officials, the Mission is scheduled to visit Tinian and Rota on Feb. 15 and then go on to Palau on February 16.

There will be nine members of the Mission. Dr. Angie Brooks, Chairman (Liberia); Mr. Pierre J. Basdevant (France); Mr. Richard N. Posnett (United Kingdom); and Mr. Kenneth Rogers (Australia). Members of the Secretariat on the Mission are: Mr. Nasmuddine Rifai, Principal Secretary (United Arab Republic); Mr. Richard W. Wathen, Political Officer, (United States); Mr. Bhagirathan Ramanathan Devarajan, Economic Officer (Ceylon); Mr. Henry Astwood, Administrative Officer (United States); and Miss Norma Chai, Stenographer (Trinidad and Tobago).

## 86 NEW PCS's IN MICRONESIA

John Pincetich, director of the Peace Corps in Micronesia, and 86 Volunteers arrived in Guam January 26 aboard a chartered World Airways jetliner. Mr. Pincetich had traveled from Saipan to Hawaii earlier in the week to meet the Volunteers when they arrived in Honolulu from their training site in Florida. The High Commissioner and members of his staff personally welcomed the latest group that came to Saipan at a special meeting held at the Trust Territory Government Administration Building. Mr. Norwood expressed his view that "new meaning and depth to the Trust Territory's search for viability will be added by your presence." The Volunteers were told that they would play a part in the formulation of a cohesive and ordered attack on the development of Micronesia. Deputy High Commissioner Martin P. Mangan noted that "your presence in Micronesia enables the American Government to once more show its interest in becoming deeply involved in efforts to promote the wellbeing of Micronesia." From the group of 86 Volunteers, eight have been assigned to the Marianas, 7 to Yap, and 8 to Palau. The remaining Volunteers will be assigned to Truk, Ponape, and the Marshalls. They will work in the fields of education, health, law, and community development. With the arrival of 35 PCV's from the Molokai, Hawaii, training site in two weeks, there will be over 350 Volunteers in the Territory.

## NINDB RESEARCHERS CONFER WITH TERRITORY STAFF

Two medical researchers were in Saipan January 30 to February 1 to confer with the High Commissioner and Acting Director of Public Health Luke A. Howe. Jacob A. Brody, M.D., Chief, Epidemiology Branch of the National Institute of Neurologic Diseases and Blindness (NINDB), Bethesda, Maryland, and Kwang-Ming Chen, M.D., Chief, NINDB Research Center, Guam, were here to discuss previous, present and future research. The U.S. Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health, have been studying chronic neurologic diseases in Guam and the Trust Territory for the past 12 years. They maintain a permanent staff at Guam Memorial Hospital. Drs. Brody and Chen also visited the Dr. Torres Hospital.



EAST MEETS WEST--Vice Speaker of the House of Representatives Chief Petrus Mailo of Truk meets with High Chief Ibedul of southern Palau on the Congress of Micronesia Interim Committees' recent tour of the western districts.

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The eight designated groups representing Headquarters departments and activities elected the following members to the Council:

Group 1	Manuel T. Sablan
Group 2	Juan A. Sablan
Group 3	Antonio C. Tenorio
Group 3 A	Jesus S. Deleon Guerrero
Group 4	Daniel J. Peacock
Group 5	Melvin K. Koizumi
Group 6	Francisco G. Camacho
Group 7	Leo Migvar

The members of the Employees Council met on January 27 and elected the following officers:

Chairman	Antonio C. Tenorio
First Vice Chairman	Juan A. Sablan
Second Vice Chairman	Leo Migvar
Secretary	Daniel J. Peacock

At this meeting, the members agreed that the council will hold its regular meeting the second Friday of each month.

#### TWO MICRONESIANS WILL TRAIN IN TAIWAN

Two junior agriculture extension agents from Ponape have gone to Taiwan to study rice culture. Siro Lohrens and Benjamin Joel Isac will participate in a six-month training program jointly sponsored by the Trust Territory and the Institute for Technical Exchange, East-West Center. Messrs. Lohrens and Isac will be stationed with rice growers in Southern Taiwan. They will work with these farmers in all phases of rice culture from land preparation and planting to harvest and processing. Communication will be in the Japanese language. Upon their return they will be employed with the Trust Territory experimental rice project in Ponape.

#### STAFF ENTOMOLOGIST IN SAIPAN

Staff Entomologist Robert P. Owen, duty station Palau, arrived in Saipan on January 30. He is here principally to accomplish certain administrative work relative to the entomology and agricultural quarantine programs of the Trust Territory. In addition, while here, he will investigate reported pest insect damage to truck garden crops and coconut palms in the Mariana Islands. Mr. Owen will remain in Saipan for two weeks.

#### L. K. ANDERSONS RETURN

Administrative Officer for Administration and Mrs. Laurence K. Anderson returned from home leave on January 27. Mrs. Anderson is secretary to the Attorney General.

#### SECRETARY NOTES

Mrs. Donna Cook has returned to Trust Territory employment as secretary to the Deputy High Commissioner.

Mrs. Shirley Peacock has been assigned as secretary to the Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs.

Mrs. Jane Fujii has been assigned as secretary to the Political Affairs Officer.

Mrs. Earlee Franklin, the Territory's newest secretary, arrived in Saipan on February 1. She has been assigned to the Department of Engineering and Construction. Mrs. Franklin transferred from the Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C.



Around the Council table, from left: Daniel J. Peacock, Fred J. Muhleman, Leo Migvar, Manuel T. Sablan, Haruo Willter, Neoma Leppke, James A. Beil, Pete Igitol, Francisco G. Camacho, Jesus S. Deleon Guerrero, Antonio C. Tenorio, and Melvin K. Koizumi.

The Interim Committees of the Congress of Micronesia continue to be a focal point in Territory news. Traveling in two groups--one to the Western districts of Yap, Palau, and Marianas and one to the Eastern districts of Truk, Ponape, and the Marshalls--the fact-finding unit to the West has returned to tour the Marianas. The Eastern group has visited Truk and the Marshalls and is now in Ponape.

In Palau, the Committee's tour included Angaur and Peleliu as well as Western and Eastern Babelthup Municipalities. They visited schools, the hospital, entomology laboratory, and boat yard.

In Yap, they visited the municipalities of Giliman, Kanifay, Dalipebinaw, Rull, Weloy, Fanif, Gagil, Tomil, Map, and Rumung. They inspected hospital facilities, the water reservoir, and Yap High School. Yapese traditional dances were performed in honor of the Committee under the joint sponsorship of the Yap Islands Council and Yap Islands Congress.

Members of the Committee visiting the Western districts were Senators Bailey Olter and Hiroshi Ismael of Ponape; Senators Isaac Lanwi of the Marshalls and Tosiwo Nakayama of Truk; Representatives Luke M. Tman of Yap, Petrus Mailo and Chutomu Nimwes of Truk, Ekapap Silk of the Marshalls, Ambilos Ieshi of Ponape and Carlos S. Camacho of the Marianas. Mr. John A. Sablan accompanied the group as a staff member and Mr. Tatasi Wainis as an interpreter.

In Truk, the legislators met with members of the Truk District Legislature, Trust Territory Government staff, the Moen Municipal Council, and members of the Peace Corps. Discussions were held with magistrates from the islands of the Truk Lagoon. The Committee visited Udot, Tol and Dublon islands where public meetings were held. Residents expressed their views on such matters as public health, water supply, transportation, logistic support, and economic development--items which are expected to receive top priority consideration when the Congress of Micronesia convenes for its third regular session in July of this year.

The East Interim Committee members arrived in Kwajalein on January 24 en route to Majuro. The entire Committee made an inspection tour of Ebeye and met with Ebeye Councilmen and the Territory representative. In response to the Councilmen's request for more time to discuss their unique problems with the Committee, Senator Olympio T. Borja and Representative Lazarus Salii were designated to remain in Ebeye while the remainder of the group proceeded to Majuro.

In Majuro, the Committee met with Councilmen of Darit-Uliga-Dalap (DUD) Municipality, Laura Councilmen, the Marshall Islands Congress, and district administration officials.

The Committee continues to Ponape District where they will remain until February 8. Members of the group are Senators John O. Ngiraked, Palau; Olympio Borja and Francisco Palacios, Marianas; and Francis Nuuan, Yap; Representatives Lazarus Salii and Jacob Sawaichi, Palau; Bethwel Henry and Daro Weital, Ponape; Atlan Anien, Marshalls; Soukichi Fritz, Truk; Manuel Muna, Marianas; and Kaleb Udui, Legislative

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