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ADLAI STEVENSON DIES IN LONDON

Radio reports received here last night brought word that Adlai Stevenson, United States Ambassador to the United Nations, had died of a heart attack in London.

The body of Ambassador Stevenson was flown to Washington, where President Lyndon Johnson met the funeral plane. The body was taken to Washington National Cathedral to lie in repose until funeral services are held on Friday. (Obituary on page 3.)

PRESIDENT CONGRATULATES CONGRESS

President Lyndon Johnson sent the following congratulatory message to the first opening session of the Congress of Micronesia.

"It is with great pride and pleasure that I extend congratulations and best wishes to the members of the Congress of Micronesia as they convene the Opening Session of the Trust Territory's first Legislative Body. This is a momentous occasion which truly reflects the aspirations and abilities of the people of Micronesia. The recent elections to the first Congress of Micronesia, with their surprising heavy voter turnout, were an impressive demonstration of the maturity of the Trust Territory electorate. The convening of the first Congress is a testament to the achievements of the representatives of all Trust Territory districts who have united in a remarkable experiment in progressive self-government."

"On behalf of the government and people of the United States, I wish you every success in your deliberations and pledge to you the continued cooperation and resources of this administration."

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CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA CONVENES

The historic first session of the Congress of Micronesia convened July 12, at 2 p.m. in the Capital Hill Theatre, Saipan. Congressmen had previously been sworn in at 10 a.m. that morning.

Following the official opening of the session by the Speaker of the General Assembly, Dwight Heine, the Congressmen and assembled public heard messages of greetings and congratulations on the achievement of the first elected Territorial-wide Legislature from the Honorable John A. Carver, Jr., Under Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior, the Honorable N. Neiman Craley and the Honorable Rogers Morton of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Highlight of the afternoon was the State of the Territory message of High Commissioner M.W. Goding, specifically addressed to the 33-member Congress outlining the achievements of his administration during the past four years. Accomplishments of the Trust Territory Administration in economic, political and social fields, Mr. Goding stressed, were primarily based on recommendations made by the United Nations Trusteeship Council.

Following this speech, Mr. Heine read congratulatory messages from the President of the United States; Senator Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Hawaii; U.S. Representative Patsy Mink, Hawaii; and Governor John A. Burns, Hawaii.

Four Resolutions of the General Assembly were read. These were acknowledgements of appreciation and gratitude of the people of Micronesia to those in authority within the Government of the United States who contributed to the development of the Congress of Micronesia; appreciation to the High Commissioner and Mrs. Godin and the residents of Saipan for the cordial welcome given to the Congress; grateful thanks to the East-West Center, University of Hawaii and its team of experts and acknowledgement of the contributions of the Trust Territory Headquarters staff.

PONAPE LEGISLATORS ELECTED TO CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES

The General Assembly of the Congress of Micronesia held its organizational meeting on Saturday, July 10, at which time its rules were adopted. The Assembly elected Dwight Heine, Marshall Islands, former Chairman of the Council of Micronesia, as Speaker. Chief Petrus Mailo of Truk was elected Vice-Speaker, and Bethwel Henry of Ponape was named Legislative Secretary.

The following committees were established: Appropriations, Chairman Juan Sablan, Marianas; Ways and Means, Chairman Lazarus Salii, Palau; Education, Health and Social Matters, Chairman Olter Paul of Ponape; Judiciary and Government Relations, Chairman Luke Tman, Yap.

The House of Delegates elected Tosiwo Nakayama, Truk, as President and Bailey Olter of Ponape, Vice-President. Committee Chairmen are Amata Kabua, Marshalls, Ways and Means; Olympio Borja, Marianas, Resources and Development; Roman Tmetuchl, Palau, Health, Education and Social Matters; and Jose R. Cruz, Marianas, Judiciary and Governmental Relations.

ASSEMBLY, DELEGATES HOLD WORK SESSIONS

Two bills and one resolution were introduced in the first session of the General Assembly of the Congress of Micronesia on Tuesday. Assembly Bill 1, introduced by Lazarus Salii, Palau, called for advice by local Legislatures on Senior Administrative positions prior to their confirmation by the District Administrator or the High Commissioner. Assembly Bill 2, also introduced by Salii, called for review of and recommendation on preliminary district budgets by District Legislatures prior to their submission to the High Commissioner by the District Administration.

Assembly Resolution 5, introduced by Manuel C. Muna, Marianas, asked for the establishment of a minimum wage in the Micronesian Title and Pay Plan of not less than \$1.00 an hour.

Prior to the final organization of the House of Delegates, its Committee on Credentials met on July 13 to examine the credentials of Jose R. Cruz, Delegate-Elect from the Marianas and his qualifications to be seated in the House of Delegates. The Committee granted a hearing on a petition submitted by the Popular Party of Saipan protesting the eligibility of Mr. Cruz to sit as a member of the Congress of Micronesia. The Committee concluded that Mr. Cruz's credentials were in order and that he should be sworn in as a member of the House of Delegates.

The decision was based on the reluctance of the Committee to go beyond the wish of the majority of the Marianas electorate and refuse to seat Mr. Cruz. They emphasized that the facts of the case, which reflected "a number of serious lapses of character in the past on the part of the member elect in question, should not be cited as a precedent to be followed in the future". The Committee's decision was based in large measure upon the urgent need to get the House of Delegates organized and to promote cooperation and harmony at the outset of the convening of the Congress of Micronesia.

ADLAI E. STEVENSON, 1900-1965

Adlai Ewing Stevenson was born in Los Angeles, California, on February 5, 1900, and named for his grandfather who was Vice President of the United States in the second Cleveland Administration.

He attended Choate School and Princeton University. He studied law at Harvard Law School for two years and then worked for the family newspaper in Bloomington, Illinois. His law studies were completed at Northwestern University, and he practiced law for many years in the city of Chicago.

From 1941 to 1944 he served as Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy, and in 1945 he was Assistant to the Secretary of State. He was elected Governor of Illinois in 1948, running well ahead of President Truman and Senator Douglas, and recording the largest winning margin in the State's history.

A reluctant candidate for the Presidency in 1952, he was defeated by Dwight Eisenhower, and then defeated again in 1956.

On December 9, 1960, Adlai Stevenson was named United States Ambassador to the United Nations by President Kennedy, the position he had filled with great distinction for five and a half years until his death this week.

DINNER OFF; DANCE ON

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"Sentinel of the Senyavins" Published Weekly by the District Administration, Ponape, Caroline Islands, Territory of the Pacific Islands.

As the regular July monthly party at Club Kolonia has been cancelled, a three-man committee of the Club's Executive Board will sponsor an evening of music for dancing and listening, tomorrow night, July 17, starting at 9 p.m.

Bring your left-over hors d'oeuvres, left-over desserts, left-over snacks, or what have you in the way of FOOD. Coffee, music, dancing, relaxation will be free for your enjoyment.

Acting Club Manager Tony Materne will be Master of Ceremonies; music will be provided by Tom Tatekawa, and arrangements are in charge of Toni Castro.

KCCA MEMBERS ACCEPT BOARD ACTION

Last Saturday morning, there was standing room only as KCCA members filled the Court House to hear the report on earnings for 1964.

Dr. Burton Jano, KCCA President, chaired the meeting. However, Mr. Kasiano Joseph, as he was President during 1964, explained the Board's recommendations for distribution of the earnings, mostly refunds from the Federation.

Mr. Joseph explained that a copra refund of 14¢ per bag in cash and 28¢ per bag in shares had been received and that it was the intent of the Board that all KCCA members receive 14¢ per bag in cash and 28¢ per bag in KCCA shares. A few copra producers wanted a larger payment in cash than the 14¢ received by KCCA. When it was fully explained that there was no idle cash to pay more than was received, the copra producers accepted the Board's decision.

After much to-the-point discussion, the members accepted by a large majority the Board recommendation that the 7½% patronage refund from store operations be paid in shares.

Other matters brought before the meeting included the question of why no dividend (interest) was being paid on part shares after the first one; the members voted to pay no more than 4 per cent. It was suggested that only co-op members should be employed since they would be more likely to have the interests of the Co-op at heart; no decision was made in this respect.

TT HIGH SCHOOLS GRADUATE FIRST CLASSES

Last month, four recently-established public high schools in the Trust Territory held their first graduation exercises, awarding diplomas to 64 young men and 23 young women in the Marianas, Marshalls, Palau and Truk districts. Another 52 young men and women from Yap and Ponape districts graduated from Pacific Islands Central School, bringing total public high school graduates for the Territory in 1965 to 139. Mission high schools graduated 55 students.

Public high school enrollment in the Territory has multiplied over 17 times between 1962 and the school year of 1965-66 when public high school enrollment is expected to reach 2,500.

Club Kolonia "ovie Schedule

- Friday, July 16th Objective Burma (M)
starring Errol Flynn in an action packed war movie of the second world war.

- Sunday, July 18th The Sign of the Cross (Y)
starring Fréderic March and produced by C.B. DeMille. The setting is in first century Rome with the Romans, Christians and lions-- a real spectacle!

- Tuesday, July 20th Black Gold (M)
starring Anthony Quinn in a story of a boy and his horse and racing. Cinecolor

→ Are you interested in double features? If so, let your feelings be known to members of the executive board, John Barry, Toni Castro, Tom Tatakawa, Mort Colodny or Gus Moses. It would cost the club more money and involve other things.

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Humor Corner "How could you swindle people who trusted you?" asked the judge.
Replied the crook, "Your Honor, it's almost impossible to swindle people who don't trust you."

The professor of Chemistry was demonstrating the properties of acids. "I am going to drop this silver dollar into this glass of acid," he said. "Will it dissolve?"
"No," several students answered promptly.
"Explain your answer," said the professor.
"If it would, you wouldn't drop it in," came the reply.

DAFFYNITIONS- by Paul H. Gilbert

1. car sickness- The feeling you get every month when the installment payment is due.
2. telephone- an instrument on which the wrong numbers never are busy.
3. politician- a man who shakes your hand before the election and your acquaintance afterwards
4. statistics- a set of figures which firmly establishes one thing- jobs for statisticians!
5. paint- a preservative, which explains why women live longer than men.