

(a) Gratuitous Issues:

(1) No gratuitous issues of food or clothing were considered necessary or made in the Ponape District during the quarter.

(b) Subsistence and Clothing:

(1) Available food supply seems to be catching up with demand and should produce a surplus in the near future unless shipments are curtailed by unforeseen events. Clothing and cloth appear to be adequate to meet actual needs, however, it will probably be some time before everyone has all the cloth or clothing they desire.

(c) Recreational Activities:

(1) The people of the Ponape District seem to be well able to take care of their own recreational needs and have not made any requests for assistance other than to make certain items such as baseball equipment available so that they may purchase it.

(2) An All-Island Tract and Field Meet was held on Ponape 11 September 1948, to celebrate "Liberation Day". A large suitable trophy had been procured by the Civil Administration Unit and was presented to the winning district. This trophy is to be presented annually hereafter.

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(3) The people of Ponape especially have requested and have been advised that they can hold as many intra-district and sectional meets, canoe races, swimming meets and baseball games as they want to just so long as the necessary work of each district is carried on. The other municipalities of the district have shown some interest in canoe racing, baseball, etc., but not to the extent of Ponape. Any signs of increasing activity by them is given every encouragement.