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## SEVEN BILLS BECOME LAW

High Commissioner W. R. Norwood has signed into law seven more acts of the Third Regular Session of the Congress of Micronesia. As of September 20, a total of 20 measures have been approved by the Administration since Congress adjourned on August 8.

Public Law 3-14, introduced as House Bill No. 23, clarifies the municipal government's authority to collect license fees for service-type businesses.

Public Law 3-15 (H.B. No. 33) establishes procedures for the Congress and its committees to issue subpoenas and administer to witnesses for the purpose of legislative hearings.

Public Law 3-16 (H.B. No. 66) appropriates \$5,000 to match Federal grants on inter-library cooperation.

Public Law 3-17 (H.B. No. 92) appropriates \$148,000 for the acquisition of two bulldozers and construction of "two emergency post-elementary school buildings" on Satawan and Ulul islands, Truk District.

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## DISTADS CONVENE

The 1967 District Administrators Conference opened in Saipan today. A pre-conference session was held on Saturday, September 23, to consider the week's official week's agenda.

In attendance are the District Administrators from the six districts, Peter T. Coleman (Marianas), Dwight Heine (Marshalls), Boyd Mackenzie (Palau), Robert Halvorsen (Ponape), Alan M. MacQuarrie (Truk), and James C. Flannery (Yap), members of High Commissioner W. R. Norwood's "cabinet"—Deputy High Commissioner Martin P. Mangan, Attorney General Robert K. Shoecraft, and the four assistant commissioners, Jos. F. Screen, Administration; James E. Hawkins, Community Services; Paul L. Winsor, Resources and Development; and N. Neiman Craley, Jr., Public Affairs.

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## PCV's ON HILL

Three more Peace Corps Volunteers have been assigned to posts in Trust Territory Headquarters on Saipan. This brings to five the number of volunteers with Capitol Hill assignments. All are working in the Public Information system.

Heading the Trust Territory's photographic operations is Norman Shapiro. He is training Micronesian counterparts and reorganizing dark-rooms and laboratory equipment.

Joining David Drake on the staff of The Micronesian Reporter is Dr. Fred Kluge. Mr. Drake and Dr. Kluge are reviewing the status of the magazine, planning increased coverage of all the districts. They hope to put the journal on a regular schedule and increase its readership inside the Trust Territory and elsewhere.

N. Neiman Craley, Jr., Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs (center), reviews a media project with Peace Corps Volunteers Dr. Fred Kluge, Norman Shipiro, Russell Barefield, and David Drake.



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## FALCAM ASSUMES NEW POST

Leo A. Falcam assumed his new post as special assistant to the High Commissioner on September 18. He had been assistant district administrator in Ponape since 1964. His appointment is one of a series of personnel shifts recently announced by the High Commissioner, designed to broaden the experience and training of Micronesian employees.

His position in Ponape has been filled by Edmund Gilmar who transferred from Yap where he had been political affairs advisor since January of this year.

## READERS WRITE

Dear Highlights:

I would like to say that Highlights is of vital importance to a student like me who is very far from home. . . I learn from it of vast improvement in education, politics, social life, and economy in Micronesia.

I observe that all Micronesians are truly and fully participating in political affairs. I, as a Micronesian, am proud of my fellow Micronesians for their remarkable achievement in politics. I share their deep interest in the status and well-being of Micronesia and I'm looking forward to hearing more about the potential future of the Trust Territory.

Many American Samoan and Tongan students here find Highlights very interesting. They are interested in learning more about Micronesia. . . Thank you very much for the interesting Highlights which comes weekly to my Micronesian fellows and me here in Fiji School of Medicine.

Edward T. Diaz  
Tamavua, Suva, Fiji

Dear Highlights:

. . . I would like to congratulate the Congress of Micronesia for the many good works they did on their Third Regular Session. I support all the bills . . . especially H.R. 37 and 66. I feel this is a priority for the Rotanese.

Joseph Inos '68  
Foreign Student Chairman  
Chaffey College  
Alta Loma, California

Editor's note: H.R. 37 requests the High Commissioner to expedite dredging and widening the Rota Channel and to make a supplemental allotment to complete its improvements. H.R. 66 requests the High Commissioner to

expedite the establishment of a Jr./Sr. high school on Rota Island, Mariana Islands District.

Dear Highlights:

In the name of the thousands of people in Truk District, I am writing a thank-you note for the splendid job you have done in devoting the second page of your September 4 issue to cuts and captions about Truk Legislature Day. Of the three cuts, one of them has shown a female Peace Corps Volunteer participating in one of the singing groups. This participation, as such, is a worthwhile demonstration of the Peace Corps and the ordinary citizens moving along under the same roof of cooperation.

Hiroshy A. Muludy  
Community Development Office  
Truk



TRUK DISTRICT LEGISLATURE

## MANGLONA APPOINTED DISTAD REP ROTA

Prudencio T. Manglona has been appointed District Administrator's Representative, Rota, by Marianas District Administrator Peter T. Coleman.

Mr. Manglona began his government career in 1956 as senior administrative clerk. He served as District Finance Officer from 1957 to 1960, and as Administrative Aide from that time until his new appointment.

He was the first Micronesian to be designated Acting District Administrator, and in 1962 received a Special Services Award for his performance in that capacity.

Mr. Manglona's career background includes the legislative branch of government. He was elected to the First Session of the Marianas District Legislature in 1963. The following year he was elected Chief Commissioner of Rota Municipality. He was re-elected to the District Legislature in 1965 and continued as a legislator until his appointment as District Administrator's Representative.

He studied Public Administration at the University of the Philippines under a United Nations Fellowship.

The Headquarters Division of Environmental Health will present four trophies in Palau and Truk Districts during Sanitation Week, September 25 - 30. The two districts recently passed municipal legislation establishing observance of Sanitation Week.

District centers and outer islands will compete for the trophies by working to improve their environmental conditions, including safe water supply, proper human and solid water disposal, sanitary buildings and grounds, and control of insect and rodent pests.

Melvin Koizumi, Chief, Division of Environmental Health, said winners of the trophies will be determined by careful inspection of individual premises by the District Division of Environmental Health.

#### HAE OPENS THREE FIELD OFFICES

The firm of Hawaii Architects and Engineers, (HAE) holder of a territory-wide comprehensive planning contract, has established field offices in the Districts of Truk, Palau and the Marianas. The purpose of establishing these offices is to insure maximum local participation in the planning process.

All local planning will be accomplished in the field offices and will be coordinated with both the District Administration and the local planning groups which have been formed. The work will then be passed to the firm's main office in Saipan for compilation into a report to the High Commissioner.

The office in Truk is headed by Ed Inskeep. He is assisted by Hubert deBoer. The Truk office is currently responsible for the planning effort in Majuro and Ebeye, in the Marshalls and Moen in Truk.

The office in Palau, with responsibility for Koror, Southern Babelthuap and Yap, is headed by Bill Isley. He is assisted by Stanley Chun.

The office in the Marianas is headed by Carl Smith and is responsible for the Saipan program.

Interested persons may contact any of these men for further explanation of the project.

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Joseph Vederman, Meteorologist-in-Charge of the Weather Bureau Forecast in Honolulu, is visiting stations in the Trust Territory from September 21 to October 9. He is evaluating the quality of Weather Bureau data acquisition programs and assessing the effectiveness of forecast and warning services in the districts of the Territory.

#### CANINE CONTROL ON SAIPAN

As part of the Trust Territory's rabies prevention program, all dogs on Saipan not wearing registration tags will be picked up by the Municipal Police beginning September 25.

Six months ago rabies appeared on Guam. To prevent its transmission to other areas, all dogs and cats originating from Guam have been prohibited from entering the Trust Territory. Animals only passing through Guam are allowed entry into the Trust Territory provided the owner possesses a certificate to the effect that the animal has been confined during its stay on Guam at an airport terminal, dock, or government quarantine station.

#### VISITING DRIVERS NEED LICENSE

Visitors to the Trust Territory are permitted to operate a motor vehicle for 30 days without examination, provided he is a licensed operator in his home state, and has the license in his immediate possession. After 30 days non-residents are required to obtain a Trust Territory operator's license.

Beginning October 1, Trust Territory operator's license will be valid for three years.

#### CORRECTION

The Stragglers was written by E. J. Kahn, Jr., not Robert Trumbull as stated in September 18 issue of Highlights.

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#### SEVEN BILLS . . . .

Public Law 3-18 (H.B. No. 94) appropriates \$100,000 to help the farmers in Saipan, Rota, and Tinian increase their agricultural produce. The appropriation is contingent upon the availability of funds in the Congressional treasury.

Public Law 3-19 (H.B. No. 80) calls for improvement and clearing two channels at Kusaie Island, Ponape District.

Public Law 3-20 (H.B. No. 58) appropriates a total of \$80,000 for the current fiscal year for the "improvement of roads and bridges" in Ponape District.

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#### DISTADS CONVENE . . . .

The agenda will include a discussion of the Nathan Report and economic development in the Trust Territory, administrative relationships and financial management, the political future of the Trust Territory, various facets of planning, and the special federal programs under OEO and PL 89-10. Attention will be given to various administrative problems in the area of transportation, communications, housing, staffing, emergencies, and employee policies.

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#### PCV'S ON HILL . . . .

They also plan a thorough revision of the Trust Territory's Information Handbook.

Russell Barefield, on loan from the Palau District, is working with Marian Stave in the Trust Territory's Broadcast Center. Their immediate goal is an inventory of existing radio equipment, repair or replacement of broken parts. Eventually, they plan improved, coordinated programming schedule for all district stations. Under such a schedule, sixty percent of radio time would be allocated to a fixed program schedule established by the Broadcast Center, forty percent would remain open local option time.

All Peace Corps personnel are working alongside permanent staff members and are under the direct supervision of N. Neiman Craley, Jr., Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs.

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