

Two governors among winners

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - Former FSM President Tosiwo Nakayama and former FSM Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry are among official winners of the recently completed January 9 FSM Constitution Con-

vention delegates election, according to official results reported by the national election commissioners from throughout the FSM.

Also among top official winners are FSM Senator Leo A. Falcam of Pohnpei and governors Resio

Moses of Pohnpei and Yosiwo George of Kosrae.

Henry, with a total count of 1,648 votes placed second to Associate Justice Judah Johnny's 1,794 votes in Pohnpei's election district #1.

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New Zealand Envoy presents credence

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - The first New Zealand Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the FSM, the Honorable Brett Lineham presented his credentials to President John R. Haglelgam during a formal ceremony held January 15, 1990, at the President's Cabinet Room at the Capital in

Palikir.

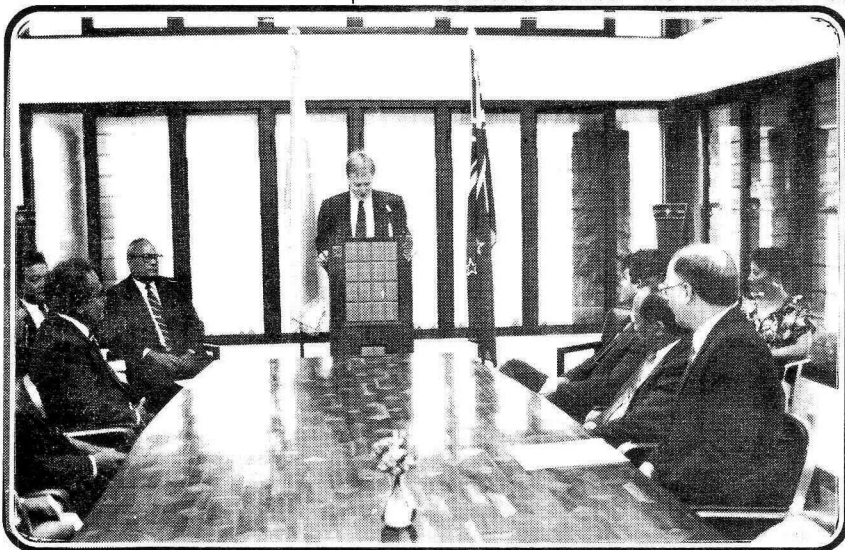
Presented at the ceremony were Vice President Hiroshi H. Ismael, Ambassadors Kenneth Brazel of Australia and Purisimo A de Peralta of the Philippines and Charge d'Affairs Edward Michal of the U.S. Embassy here in Kolonia, cabinet members and other officials. The Ambassador was

accompanied by his wife, Claire.

Lineham said that this is an important step for New Zealand to take. adding, "It will not have escaped the attention of the people gathered here that this is the third time in 18 months that a New Zealand official has presented his credentials to the President of the FSM. I would not blame you if you thought that this might be excessive. It is not that New Zealand wants to steal the limelight. But in the last 18 months, you have been witnessing the development and the evolution of New Zealand's policy towards Micronesia, and to the FSM in particular.

"At first, my predecessor, Mr. Terence O'Brien was accredited as New Zealand representative residing in New Zealand. Then I had the privilege of taking his place as New Zealand representative to the FSM but resident in the region, in Kiribati. Now I have the singular honor of being able, today, to give to you Mr. President, my credentials as New Zealand (first) Ambassador to the FSM," stated Lineham, and noting that, "New Zealand recognizes that there is still a formal action to be taken by the United States to terminate the strategic trusteeship that was established after the second World War. But the New Zealand Government

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AMBASSADOR LINEHAM PRESENTS CREDENCE - Moments before he presented his credence to President John R. Haglelgam as New Zealand's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the FSM, Mr. Lineham said New Zealand wants its relations with FSM maintained at all ambassadorial level. From left are: R&D Secretary Marcelino Actouka (partially hidden); President Haglelgam; Vice President Hiroshi H. Ismael; Master of Ceremonies, Exteranl Affairs Secretary Andon Amaraich; Lineham; Australian Ambassador Kenneth Brazel; Philippine Ambassador Purisimo de Peralta; U.S. Embassy Charge d'Affairs Edward Michal; and Ambassador Lineham's wife, Claire Robinson.

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State Senator Yosuo Phillip placed third with 1,641 votes in Pohnpei Precinct #1 (Kolonia, Sokehs, Sapwuahtik, Nukuoro, Kapingamarangi and Oroluk) which is assigned three delegates. Others who did not win include: State Senator Baker Meninzor, 1,118; State Senator Feliciano Perman, 1,082; FSM Ombudsman Nickontro Johnny, 1,025; Attorney Joseph Phillip, 924; and FSM R&D Secretary Marcelino Actouka, 725.

Senator Falcam, who is the only FSM senator in the elections from the FSM legislative branch, was the official winner in District #3 (Nett, U., Mwoakilloa, and Pingelap). He received a total official count of 1,520 votes, with Governor Resio Moses closeby with 1,460 votes in the two-delegate assigned district. Others who did not win include: FSM Human Resources Assistant Secretary Dr. Catalino Cantero, 1,339; FSM Budget Director Del Pangelinan, 698; State Senator Francis Simeon, 617, and former FSM Foreign Service Officer Norbert Rodriguez, 486.

The official vote count in Pohnpei Precinct #2 (Madolenihmw & Kitti) which is assigned two delegates, revealed that the official winners are: State Justice Department Director Daro Weital, 1,278 votes and State Dental Clinic Division Chief Dr. Olter Paul, 1,098 votes. Others who did not win include: Pohnpei Chief Justice Edwel Santos, 1,062; School Principal Hanover Ehsa, 972; State Senator Herman Semes, 842; State Senator Midion Neth, 619; FSM R/D Commerce and Industry Administrator Burnio Silbanuz, 245, and School Principal Elias Thomas, 235.

Representatives of the Pohnpei Traditional Leaders to the Constitutional Convention are: Nanmwarki of Sokehs, the Honorable Ioanis Artui and Iso Nahnken

of Nett, the Honorable Salvador Iriarte.

In Chuuk, a Classroom teacher Ritis Heltart, with an official count of 2,453 votes, led by a vote of 598 over FSM Congress Administration Director Suda Rayel who got 1,855 votes in the two-delegate designated District #1 (the Mortlocks). Others who did not win include: FSM U.S. Relation Division Administrator Epel Ilon, 1,464; and Chuuk Attorney General Kachuo Eko, 922.

In District #2 (Weno, Paneu, Fono, Tsis) which was designated a three-delegate precinct, Chuuk Court Administration Director Sichiwo Kichiro, led with an official count of 1,996 votes over MLSC Chuuk Directing Attorney Camillo Noket's 1,940 votes, and 1,777 votes for former FSM President Tosiwo Nakayama.

In District #3 which was designated a two-delegate precinct, Chuuk Chief Justice Soukichi Fritz led with an official count of 2,696 votes, while Legislature Legal Aide Sabino Asor received 2,540 votes. Attorney Maketo Robert, who received 2,005 votes, did not win.

In District #4, a two-delegate designated precinct as announced by Chuuk election officials before the January 9 election day, State Associate Justice John Petewon led with count of 2,502 votes over Chuuk Governor's education matters Special Assistant Chutomu Nimwes' 2,193 votes. Others who did not win include: Classroom teacher Ben Enlet's 2,074 votes; write-in vote candidate Tadasy Wainit's 467 votes, and State Associate Justice Machime O'Sonis' 947 votes.

The only two candidates in the two-delegate designated precinct, District #5, are FSM External Affairs Deputy Secretary Asterio Takesy who received 1,182 votes and FSM Washington Embassy Political and Cultural Affairs First Secretary

James Naich who received 1,166 votes.

Chuuk traditional leaders have not elected their two representatives to the convention as of the date of this publication.

Meanwhile, in Kosrae, FSM Liaison Officer Wilton J. Mackwelung was declared the winner with an official count of 1,083 votes over Governor Yosiwo P. George's 1,028 votes, FSM Budget Administrative Management Division Administrator Reed G. Nena's 1010 votes, and State Senior Land Commissioner Kun N. Sigrah's 842 votes. Kosrae was to elect four delegates to the Convention, since its two traditional leaders slots will be elected through at-large election. Others who did not win include: FSM Statistician Timothy S. Semuda, 776 votes; Legislature Speaker Thurston Siba, 698; State Senator Kiyus Jackson, 615; Lelu Councilman William O. Tosie, 599; FSM Human Resources Assistant Secretary Jefferson Benjamin, 587; State Budget Officer Frank K. Lonno, 575; Mr. Lanson K. Alik, 530; State Senator Gaius F. Nedlic, 511; and former FSM Human Resources Assistant Secretary Isamu Abraham, 505.

In Yap, State Associate Justice Martin Yinug was declared the winner with a margin of 276 votes over the closest challenger. Yap State selects three delegates aside from its two traditional leaders representatives. At the close of the count on January 16, Martin Yinug had received 2,475 votes over State Senator Robert Ruecho's 2,199 votes and FSM Finance Department Secretary Aloysius Tuuth's 2,007 votes. Others who did not win include: Former State Senator now businessman Joseph Tamag, 979 votes; FSM International Affairs Division Administrator Jesse Raglmar, 723 votes and State Education Deputy Director Louis M. Tarweiche, 680 votes.

The two representatives of Yap Traditional Leaders to the convention have not been selected as of the date of this publication.

Joseph elected Speaker

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION OFFICE) - Former Federal and Foreign Relations Committee chairman Senator Kasiano Joseph of Kitti was elected Speaker of the Pohnpei State Legislature replacing Senator Annes Leben of Sokehs during a reorganization meeting which was held at the Legislature Chamber in Kolonia on January 16, 1990.



include Senator Feliciano Perman of Sokehs, Finance; Senator Yosiwo Phillip of Kolonia, Resources and Development; Senator Itor Harris of Kolonia replacing Senator Herculano Kohler of Sokehs as chairman of Judiciary and Governmental Relations Committee; Senator Joseph Moses of U, Education and Cultural Affairs; Senator Bernell Edward of Kitti, Public Works, Transportation and

Communications; Senator Tosiwo Liwy of Sokehs, Federal and Foreign Relations; Senator Dr. Simeron Jim of Mwoakilloa, Health and Social Services; Senator Nelson Pelep of Madolenihmw, Lands; and Senator Herman Semes of Kitti, Labor and Manpower.

Vice chairmen are: Senator Job Micah, Finance; Senator Annes Leben, Resources and Development; Senator Midion Neth of Madolenihmw, Judiciary and Governmental Relations; Senator Mitchuo Daniel of Kitti, Education and Cultural Affairs; Senator Dachuo Johnson of Madolenihmw, Public Works, Transportation and Communications; Senator Ambros Senda of U, Federal and Foreign Relations; Senator Banker Meninzor of Sapwuahfik, Health and Social Services; Senator Francis Simion of Nett, Lands; and Senator Gerson Lekka of Nukuoro, Labor and Manpower.

The legislature, which was convening in its fourth regular session, also elected Senator Joanes Edmund of Nett as Vice Speaker replacing Senator Job Micah of Pingelap but retained Senator Salter Etse of Madolenihmw as its Floor Leader. Election of the officers were conducted on single nominations with 22 senators present except Senator Iohp Lohete of Kapingamarangi who was off island.

Chairmanship remain the same in almost all the nine committees except a few: Committee chairmen

Nakayama accepts medical supplies donation

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - FSM Ambassador Masao Nakayama, on behalf of the Federated States of Micronesia government, accepted December 16 an assortment of medical equipment and supplies donated by the All Japan Hospital Association (AJHA) to the FSM, a press release by FSM embassy in Tokyo reported.

During the brief presentation ceremony, which took place at the AJHA's headquarters and attended by AJHA's Board of Directors, AJHA's President Dr. Takamasa Tamaki expressed his association's sincere desire to continue assisting the people of FSM and further expressed

hopes that the donations are put to good use in the FSM.

The December-16 donations, some of which are thermometers, portable ECG, stethoscope, disposable syringes, portable x-ray unit, glucose solution, ringer lactate solution, and other medical tools, constitute the second time the association has provided much needed medical equipment and supplies to the FSM, the press release said.

Dr. Masaki Yamada and Dr. Yasuhiro Fujiwara, officials of the association, also informed Ambassador Nakayama that cash donations amounting to ¥850,000 from other members of the association will be used to

purchase more medical equipment and supplies.

Nakayama thanked Dr. Tamaki and the association for its generous assistance and continued support to the FSM and assured the association that their donations will be very much well received and appreciated by the FSM Government as shortage and lack of medical equipment supplies are rampant and critical in all the FSM state hospitals.

Necessary arrangements for shipping of these gifts by FSM Embassy in Tokyo to the National Government for distribution to the states will be made as soon as the funding is available to defray the freight cost, the press release concluded.

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - The former U.S. Government Foreign Claims Settlement Commission Supervisory Attorney and Chief Counsel Robert L. Maddex of Reston, Virginia, came out of retirement last July 28 to join the FSM Congress as a staff attorney for the Committee on External Affairs.

Maddex has performed progressively responsible administrative and legal duties, also previously served as an administrative officer and assistant chief counsel with the Micronesian Claims Commission (MCC) in Saipan, and was in Pohnpei for a month in October 1972 training the war claims field representatives.

He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science in 1965 from George Washington University and Juris Doctor degree with honors at the National Law Center from the same university in 1970 and was admitted to practice law in West Virginia also in 1970.

For 25 years, Maddex served the United States Federal Government under the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission (FCSC) in various capacities as Supervisory Attorney, Deputy Director, senior staff attorney, acting chairman of claims commission, agency's security officer, internal controls Officer, Ethics officer, editor of FCSC annual report to U.S. Congress and FCSC General Counsel and received cash awards in 1987 and 1988 for "superior and outstanding performance" before retiring in 1988 as Chief Counsel for the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission in Washington, D.C.

Maddex said he likes to be out here and added that now is an interesting time for Micronesia because of the Compact and what might happen in the year 2001, the last year of the Compact.

With regard to the War Claims Commission, Maddex said he thinks that the commission had done a pretty good job.

Maddex, 47, is married with one daughter, age 23

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - Marlene Lakeman of Bangor, Maine, the United States, was recently appointed by Speaker Jack Fritz as Journal Clerk for the FSM Congress replacing Sue Ann Schadeck of Executive Secretarial Services, a firm previously located in

Maddex, Lakeman, Riley, Robinson join Com



Maddex

Kolonia, Pohnpei.

Lakeman graduated from Husson College in 1989 with an A.S. degree in Business Administration with emphasis on Court/Conference Reporting. She also attended Mattanawcook Academy, at Lincoln, Maine; and McIntosh Business College, Dover, New Hampshire (NH).

Lakeman is capable of doing 200 words per minute with the shorthand machine and types 106 words per minute.

Lakeman previously worked as a part-time student at Don Thompson & Associates and G. Kent Tableman, D.D.S., at Bangor, Maine, and also served with Forensic Services at the Bangor Mental Health Institute.

Her other interests include playing piano; singing in Bangor Community Chorus; reading true crime books and other books about the television and movie stars; and enjoys her grown children and their children.

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - Lionel M. Riley of Alaska was appointed staff Attorney for FSM Congress Committee on Resources and Development, after staff attorney Brian Lamb went back to the United States, according to a CFSM news release.

Riley, born March 31, 1957, in Juneau, Alaska, received his LL.M. degree from London School of Economics November 1988 and received his Juris Doctor degree with (cum laude) from Gonzaga University School of Law, Spokane, Washington State.



Lakeman



Riley

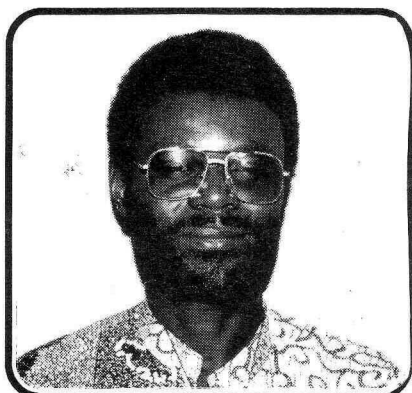
He was an active member of the Alaska Bar, and because of the professional qualifications he possessed, he was admitted without examination to the District of Columbia Bar under D.C. Court of Appeals Rule.

Honors and activities accomplished by Riley while in law school were: Associate Editor, Gonzaga Law Review; Technical Editor, Lindon Cup Competition; Secretary-General, International Law Society; Tuition Scholarship award, Gonzaga Law School. College of William and Mary Law School: where he studied their summer program at the University of Exeter (England); and highest grade in legal writing/legal research and writing.

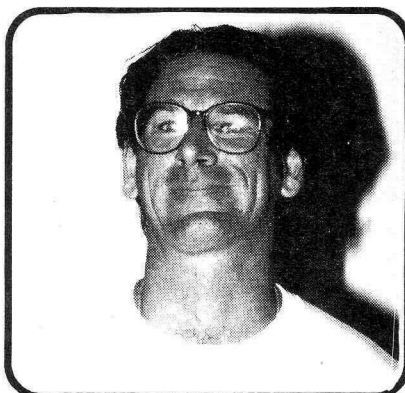
Riley previously served as an Assistant Public Defender, Alaska Public Defender's Office, Anchorage, Alaska. During his last year in that position, he was responsible for representing clients in various Alaskan Bush Villages; Law Clerk to the Honorable

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Milton M. Souter, Alaska Superior Court Judge, Third Judicial District; and student intern to the Honorable Robert J. McNichols, Senior United States District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, and served as a fourth grade teacher at Juneau School District.

PALIKIR, Pohnpei - Former Trade and Customs Cooperation in African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Secretariat Senior Economist Akibo Robinson was recently appointed by Speaker Jack Fritz as the FSM Congress Economist.

Robinson, a graduate in Economics from Fourah Bay College, Freetown, Sierra Leone, in 1968, was the ACP Secretariat senior economist in Brussels negotiating with the

European Community (EC) for a successor Lome Convention before he accepted an appointment by the United Nations as economic Adviser to the FSM Congress.

Robinson previously served as an Economic Planner in the Sierra Leone Government's Ministry of Development and Economic Planning prior to his promotion to the position of Principal Development and Planning Officer in 1978 in the same Ministry. After leaving the service of the Sierra Leone Government in 1981, Robinson joined the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation (CFTC) for British Commonwealth countries as a field staff and was posted to the Kingdom of Tonga in 1981 as a Macro-Economist for three years; and later was reassigned by CFTC and served as a Planning Adviser for the Republic of Kiribati, in the Central Planning Department, Ministry of Finance.

In 1986, Robinson was transferred to Tanzania where he worked as a Macro-Economist/Planner in the Planning Commission of the Government stationed in Zanzibar for two years before he became the ACP Senior Economist under a consultancy assignment in 1988.

Robinson is married to former Jannette Abayomi-Cole also of Freetown, Sierra Leone, and they have two children: Julia and Jonathan who are attending school in the United Kingdom. Akibo and Jannette, who also graduated from Fourah Bay College with a Bachelor of Science degree with honors in analytical chemistry and received Master of Science degree in Chemistry from

University College of Wales, United Kingdom, live in Kolonia.

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Examination Branch former Revenue Agent Antonio Ovalle of Houston, Texas, came out of retirement last July to join the FSM Department of Finance as Tax Adviser to Secretary Al Tuuth.

Ovalle was a veteran of 32 years of responsible duty with Examination Branch of the IRS, the last 10 years of which were spent in the International Taxation section before he retired in 1985.

Ovalle, who received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from Texas A & I University (formerly Texas College of Arts & Industries), Kingsville, Texas, was a tax representative for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in Houston for three years after his retirement.

He and his wife, June, live in Dolonier, Nett, Pohnpei

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - Serving as the FSM Public Defender Staff Attorney at the Public Defender's Office in Chuuk since September 1988, Dan Maloney formerly of Klamath Falls, Oregon, became acting FSM chief Public Defender at the Capital for a week in December in the absence of Chief Public Defender Michael Powell.

Maloney was replaced by Public Defender Office Administrator Gene Babauta on Dec. 30 as Acting Chief Public Defender until the return of Mr. Powell.

Maloney, the second son in a family of three boys and three girls, graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Philosophy from University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, in 1976, and received his Juris Doctor from the law school at Lewis and Clark in Portland in 1979 where he became a member of the Oregon State Bar that same year. He was a fellow student of Cyprian Manmaw the State Attorney General for Yap at that school.

Maloney worked in various fields in law in Portland after graduation for seven years at Multnomah Defender, Inc., from 1981 to 1987.

Maloney and his wife of eight years, Jeane Marie, live in State of Chuuk.

New stamp issues released by FSMPS

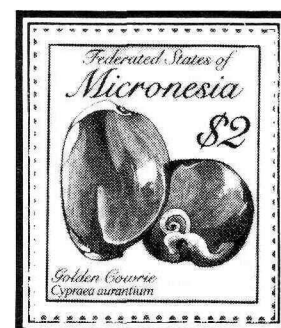
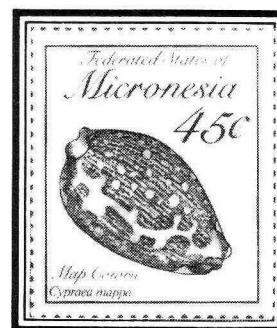
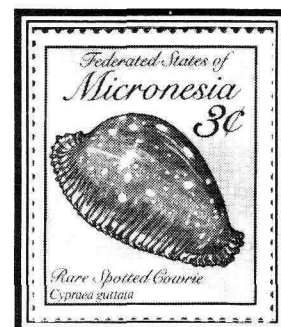
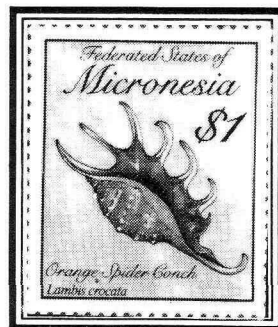
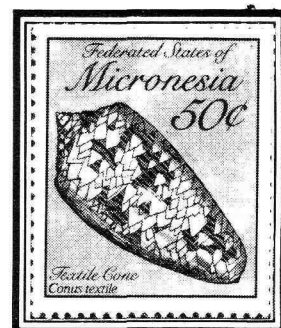
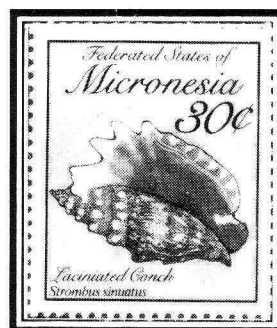
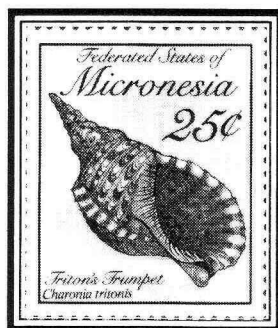
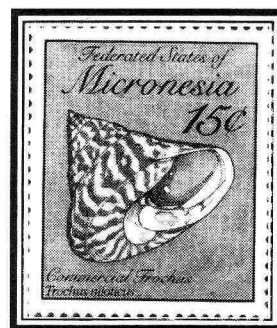
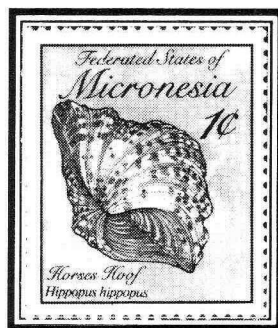
PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - The FSM Postal Service released the new shell definitives series issue on September 26, at all FSM Post Offices throughout the nation and at the FSM Philatelic Bureau in Kolonia, Pohnpei, according to a press release by the FSM Postal Service.

These new stamps feature twelve of the most beautiful shells commonly encountered on the sandy beaches and shorelines of remote Micronesia. They will be replacing our sixteen-value Micronesia scenes/explorers definitive series that have been in use since FSM's postal independence from the U.S. Postal Services on July 12, 1984.

In addition to their beauty and ornamental value, each shell has a special significance in the culture of Micronesia. The Triton's Trumpet (25 cents), for instance, served as a means of communication in calling the attention of the public by the island chief, long before bells and telephones were introduced. The rarity of the Capria group (3 cents, 45 cents, and \$2.00), makes them a special possession that they have been known to be commercially valued in the hundreds. Traditionally, they have served as fruit peelers. The Trochus Niloticus (15 cents) is exported and is made into buttons. Then there are the horse's hoof (one cent) and spider conch (\$1.00) whose meat are a local delicacy.

These new stamps are available for sale and use at all FSM Post Offices and at the FSM Philatelic in Kolonia, Pohnpei in mint, plate blocks, match block and first day covers. Other variations can also be accommodated. At twelve per mint set, the total value is \$10.25; plate block at \$41.00; match block at \$164.00 and FDC (First Day Cover) of \$11.05.

Also a flag issue was released Jan 19, 1989. The stamp issue is featuring the flags of each of the states of the FSM which include block of four 45 cents stamps and an official first day cover of \$2.20 per set.



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has decided that even though this formal step has to be taken in the Security Council, it should do all it can to recognize the Federated States of Micronesia's independence and nationhood. You have carried out your act of self-determination—New Zealand wants its relations with your country, Mr. President, maintained at all ambassadorial level.

"Much has happened to the development of these relations since I last visited Pohnpei. Both courtesies were represented at the South Pacific Forum in Tarawa and you met the then New Zealand Prime Minister, the Right Honorable David Lange," said Lineham.

He noted that President had a most successful state visit to New Zealand which was hosted by the Governor-General Sir Paul Reeves and was able to sit in on the meeting with Prime Minister the Right Honorable Geoffrey Palmer. Ambassador Lineham also stated that officials from the FSM visited New Zealand and made a significant contribution to the conference on drift net fishing held in Wellington at the end of last year.

He said that he was privileged to be able to represent Palmer at the opening of the Capital Complex.

"I am not sure that the same rate of growth in our relations can be maintained Mr. President, but it is clear that they have already reached a point of significance, strengthen and importance," he said, concluding, "I bring the best wishes of the Government and people of New Zealand and formally hand to you my letter of credence as Ambassador of New Zealand to the Federated States of Micronesia"

President John R. Haglclgam after welcoming the Ambassador and his wife Claire Robinson to the Capital also welcomed those present at the ceremony to "another significant event in the political development of our nation." He said, "It is a great pleasure for me and the people of our nation to start this new decade with upgrading of our diplomatic representation and strengthening of our friendship with the government and people of New Zealand. This occasion reaffirms the deep and enduring friendship of our two countries.

"My state visit to New Zealand in September of last year, represented a milestone in the relations between our two countries. It creates a growing awareness in both of our countries of the mutual value of upgrading our diplomatic representation and for a broader level of cooperation. Today's occasion is a testimony of this growing awareness, and I am most grateful to his excellency Geoffrey Palmer. When I met with the Prime Minister in Wellington, we focused special attention on resolving the issue of diplomatic representation of New Zealand to the FSM. This is a step which has long been sought by the FSM as a recognition of its independence, of its sovereignty, and of its modest role in the scheme of things in the Pacific region. The importance that New Zealand Government attaches to its relations with the FSM is attested to by its decision to elevate its diplomatic representation to ambassador level. The FSM appreciates this gesture and look forward to the establishment of New Zealand mission here," said Haglclgam.

He added that, "It is a welcome duty for me to accept Your Excellency, Brett Lineham, as the first New Zealand accredited Ambassador to the FSM. I appreciate this opportunity to be able to formalize our relationship, and resume discussions on the work that Ambassador Lineham has already started in such areas as technical assistance, trade development, and political consultation. We will continue to work together on issues that concern both our countries as members of the Pacific Region and the world community.

"It is inspiring to witness the growing recognition of the FSM by its neighbors. It is in our interest to work together to dismantle barriers to trade and economic cooperation, and enhance regional economic development. While it is a long way for the FSM to turn its economy into a self-sustaining one, we will make every effort to achieve this goal. We look to our friends for assistance and economic cooperation in realizing this goal.

"Finally, I would like to express once again our gratitude to New Zealand for its various assistance, and to the people of New Zealand for their warm hospitality to

me and the members of my delegation during our visit to that beautiful country. I congratulate you Ambassador Lineham on your appointment as Ambassador to our country. I wish you well and success during the new decade and look forward to working with you," President Haglclgam concluded.

In Memoriam

PALIKIR, Pohnpei - Former FSM National Government Information Specialist Halverson Johnny of Madolenihmw died January 26 of internal hemorrhaging after a brief illness. He was 41.

Mr. Johnny joined FSM Public Information Office on Dec. 10, 1984, after having served eight years as Station Manager for the Pohnpei State Radio Station WSZD, assistant editor of the Commonwealth Examiner, a Saipan weekly newspaper, a classroom teacher, Pohnpei State Legislature Information Officer, and Pohnpei State Information Officer.

Johnny, who graduated from PICS High School here also attended broadcast training programs at the East-West Center, Honolulu; University of Syracuse, New York; and Apia, in Western Samoa. He was credited as one of the most trained broadcast persons in the whole of the FSM.

Recently, Mr. Johnny, who had a traditional title of "Pasang Madolenihmw," also served as a staff for the Meninkeder Lapalap (Chief Magistrate) of Madolenihmw and was an ordained lay minister of the Protestant Church of Temwen.

Mr. Johnny is survived by his widow, Anna. He is survived by four children and eight additional step-children.

Vector Control workshop held

PALIKIR, Pohnpei (FSM INFORMATION SERVICE) - A one-week Vector Control Workshop for the FSM State Environmental Health and Port Control Officers was jointly conducted in Pohnpei State, November 6-10 last year by the World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Advisor on Disease Vector Control Dr. Lee Self along with the Department of Human Resources' Environmental Health Coordinator Donna Scheuring, according to the Department of Human Resources.

The workshop included formal discussions on the International Health Regulations, quarantine programs in various countries, the spread of disease vectors by ships and planes, and demonstrations on the use of various vector control devices and chemicals.

Slides, video tapes, and movies of various aspects of vector control were shown and a site visit was made to the Pohnpei State airport terminal and sea port, Ms. Scheuring said.

The workshop proved to be very timely, due to the existing Dengue Fever outbreak in the Marshall Islands. This disease is spread from person to person by mosquitoes, and the workshop participants determined that the most efficient way to prevent infected mosquitoes from entering the FSM by plane is to spray the passenger and cargo areas of the planes on arrival on the first FSM airport.

In addition, a 400 meter perimeter

around the airport area needs to be kept free of mosquito breeding sites to prevent any infected mosquitoes escaping planes from establishing themselves in our islands. Mosquito breeding sites around homes, businesses, and government offices also need to be cleaned up. The specific type of mosquito that can transmit Dengue Fever prefers to lay its eggs in containers such as empty cans, water drums, tires, flower vases, etc., said Scheuring, and adding that such containers should be emptied, covered, or the water changed in them every 3-5 days to prevent the eggs from hatching.

An additional topic of discussion was the prevention of plague carrying rats from entering the FSM from ships. The Environmental Health Staff in each FSM State board every ship entering their ports to check for the presence of rats. If such rats are present, the ship can be ordered not to unload its cargo and immediately leave the state, in order to prevent the rats from entering the island. In inspecting such ships, and arriving airplanes, the staff follow the International Health Regulations which are designed to avoid undue hindrance of international traffic while providing adequate measures to prevent the spread of disease between countries.

Dr. Self discussed the use of chemically treated mosquito nets to prevent people from being bitten by possibly disease-carrying mosqui-

toes. These nets have been in use throughout the Pacific and Asia for the last 5-10 years, mostly in malaria areas, and have proven to be very safe and effective, Dr. Self said. The treated nets not only prevent mosquitoes from biting people, but also repel and kill mosquitoes and other insects such as cockroaches and lice.

Dr. Self also demonstrated the use of a trainer for preventing mosquitoes from entering rainwater catchment tanks. A mold was given to the FSM to construct such strainers, which also prevent leaves and other debris from accumulating on the tank openings.

Scheuring said that the participants were enthusiastic about the workshop and felt that as a result of the training they had a better understanding of the job and the need to coordinate their activities with other involved agencies to prevent vector borne diseases from spreading throughout their islands.

The participants include from Pohnpei State: Acting Chief Sanitarian Elden Hellan, Environmental Health Specialists Etiny Hadley, Johanes Johnny, and Harmut Johnny, and Port Control Officer Poll James; Kosrae: Acting Chief Sanitarian Katsuo William and Port Control Officer Semion Sighrah; Truk: Chief Sanitarian Sanphy William, Environmental Health Specialists Lorenzo Boone, and Kavarata Job, and Truk Port Control Officer Lucas Mori. Yap did not send any participant.

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