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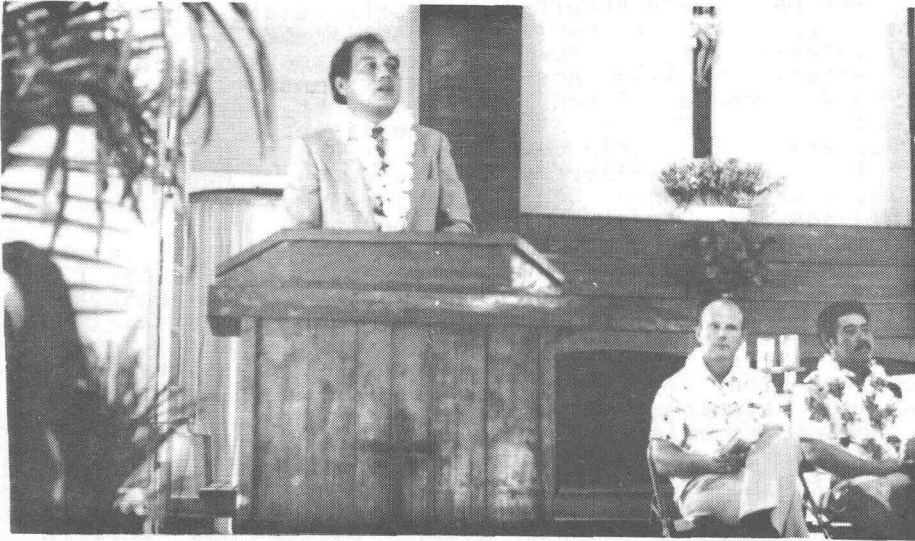
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**GOVERNOR ADDRESSES CCM GRADUATES** - Ponape Gov. Resio Moses, standing, is addressing June 18 the Community College of Micronesia 1985 graduating class during commencement exercises in the Catholic Mission, Kolonia. Seated are College of Micronesia Executive Director Loren Peterson, center, and FSM Resources and Development Secretary Bernard Helgenberger, a COM regent.

### CCM urged to expand services to FSM

KOLONIA, Ponape - Ponape Gov. Resio Moses urged the Community College of Micronesia to expand its role in serving the FSM in his June 18 address to the 14th CCM graduating class during commencement exercises in the Catholic Mission here.

Moses, a former CCM president, cited the need to upgrade teacher certification and said that "our need for training exists in other areas as well."

"Recently, the state budget has had to absorb heavy burdens for training abroad simply because the College of Micronesia has been unable to establish programs reflecting our needs," he said.

Noting that "we all dream of a four-year college, offering professional degrees," Moses said, "I believe very strongly that with sufficient planning and coordination, most of our training needs can be accommodated locally."

The governor said that the state is planning to establish a second high school in fiscal 1985, or 1986, at the latest, which means that "the state will be looking for additional college opportunities for our graduates."

He said that FSM state and national government officials joined him in

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## COMMISSION TO REVIEW COMPACT DRIVE

KOLONIA, Ponape - The FSM Commission on Future Political Status and Transition will meet here July 10-13 to organize and to review progress made on the information program before the U.S. Congress on the Compact of Free Association, according to CFPST Chairman Andon Amaraich.

Amaraich was reappointed to a two-year term, effective June 8, on the commission by the Truk State Legislature.

The Ponape State Legislature named State Senator Kasiano Joseph to replace Itor Harris on the commission, the Kosrae State Legislature reappointed Lt. Gov. Moses Mackwelung and Speaker Bethwel Henry reappointed Senators Isaac Figir of Yap, Jack Fritz of Truk and Peter Christian of Ponape to represent the FSM Congress.

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# CCM urged to expand services to FSM

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urging the U.S. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee during a May 24 hearing in Washington, D.-C., to continue federal programs, including COM funding, under the Compact of Free Association.

CCM President Catalino Cantero predicted that its enrollment would climb to "300, or so students next school year, depending on the availability of dormitory and classroom space."

Dr. Cantero said that during the 1984 Spring Quarter, CCM had 22 full-time and five part-time instructors, 118 freshmen, 54 sophomores, 24 third-year students and 64 part-time students.

"The new dormitory is about 90 per cent completed, but due to lack of funds, the dormitory may not be ready for the Fall, 1984," Cantero said.

"During the last 14 years, 688 students have completed their associate degrees at CCM," Cantero said, adding, "of these 68 are from Palau, 81 from Yap, 163 from Truk, 177 from Ponape, 101 from Kosrae, 26 from the Northern Marianas and 81 from the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

"The above figures do not include those graduates completing their programs at the off-campus centers," he said.

The valedictory address was given by Shamgar William of Kosrae. Regina Poll of Ponape spoke on behalf of the pre-nursing students who completed their first year of training here and will transfer to the CCM Nursing School in Saipan.

The presentation of diplomas and certificates was made by FSM Resources and Development Secretary Bernard Helgenberger, a member of the COM Board of Regents.

Thirty-two students received associate degrees and 21 were recognized for completing third-year training in elementary and special education, including:

Associate of Arts, Lib-

eral Arts--Rivelee Alokoa, Kosrae; George Barnabas, Ponape; Felisa Brel, Palau; James Edilyong, Yap; Randy Edmond, Kosrae; Gideon Gideon, Marshalls; Magdalena Hallers, Ponape; Tony Hatiwelig, Yap; Cathlina Kilo, Kosrae; Carmen Ietachibesug, Yap; Mikel Loyola, Ponape; Lucios Chester, Ponape; Louisa Maida, Marshalls, Francisco Melaitau, Palau; Jonah Paul, Ponape; Reiel Retting, Ponape; Bruce Robert, Truk; Bridget Soumwei, Truk; Tulensru Waguk, Kosrae; Shmagar William, Kosrae, and Ramona Zebedy, Marshalls

Associate in Science, General Business--Jerrey Arnold, Truk; Johnson Benjamin, Kosrae; Henry Henry, Ponape; Carmihner Lorrin, Ponape; Lorna Sigrab, Kosrae; Change William, Kosrae, and Delphia Wilson, Ponape.

Third Year Elementary Education--Aichy Aisek, Marshalls; Arwelson Arpona, Ponape; Emerida Edwin, Ponape; Angelina Gootnag, Yap; Nelsin Iriarte, Ponape (honor roll); Caleb Ludwig, Ponape (honor roll); Kikiko Nelson, Kosrae; Major Paul, Truk; Santiago Palemai, Yap; Thomas Sefairal, Yap; Walter Hugolino, Ponape, and DelaRosa Yalap, Palau.

Third Year Special Education--Antreas Anton, Ponape; Leidy, Aron, Truk; Etsinter Elias, Ponape; Tridell Elidok, Ponape; Sonster Hedgar, Ponape; Jobidrik Ittu, Marshalls; Rosendo Paulis, Truk; Tom Silk, Marshalls, and Gladwell Willy, Truk.

## Spanish Wall cleaned up

KOLONIA, Ponape - A Ponape women's group has been cleaning up and planting flowers on the grounds adjacent to the Kolonia's historic Spanish Wall in conjunction with a proposal to create a state park there, according to Ponape First Lady Sue Moses.

The women's group had worked for four weekends with the aid of Community College of Micronesia students on the proposed park, after initial clearing by state prisoners, she said.

## 2nd high school Seen in '85 or '86

KOLONIA, Ponape - The second Ponape high school planned for Pohnlangas, Madolenihmw, will be built in 1985, if the U.S. Congress approves the funds, or in 1985 with Compact funds, Gov. Resio Moses told the 1985 PICS graduating class on June 20..

"My aim is to make quality high school education available to all children who want to and may need it," Moses said, noting that the state has not been able to live up to its commitment to provide secondary education to all who want it, due to lack of facilities.

The second high school will serve Madolenihmw, Kitti and Uh municipalities, he said.

The commencement exercise was attended by FSM President Tosiwo Nakayama whose daughter, Rita, was valedictorian and Joseph Rodriguez, salutatorian for the class of 168 graduating seniors.

## HONOR GRADUATES NAMED

LELU, Kosrae - Valedictorian Semeon J. Phillip and Salutatorian Lelean S. Ittu of Malem were among the 27 Kosrae High School seniors graduating with honors on May 31, according to a June 19 Kosrae State Release.

Other honor graduates were Castro Nedlic, Nora Abraham, Elsey Alokoa, Florence Freddy, Linda Likiak, Merisin Palik, Marylinda Sigrab, Primo Aliksa, Golaid Johannes and Rhine William of Lelu.

Also, Cathrine Charley, Jane O'Daol, Mary-Ann Freddy, Palokoa Tara, Thompson Shrew, Tilson Kephas and Carolyn Dison of Malem; Aliksa Mondeya, Arthurson Albert, Nena Tolenoa, Walter Asher and Yoshiro Sanney of Tafunsak, and Norson Nena of Utwa.

## CORRECTION

MOEN, Truk - The title, Internal and External Affairs chairman, was dropped mistakenly from the appointment of State Senator Tatasy Curley by Truk State Legislature Speaker Simion Innocenti in the June 15 NATIONAL UNION.



# Congress budget Figures up

KOLONIA, Ponape (Congress Release) - The Third FSM Congress approved a \$10.5 million fiscal 1985 budget for the national government, instead of \$9.9 million reported in the June 15 NATIONAL UNION.

The total included \$3,747,466 from the general fund, instead of \$3,117,466, and the total was \$3,350,874, instead of \$3,980,874, less than the President's \$14,233,000 request.

The Congress cut the President's request for the FSM Postal Service by \$132,417 to \$165,383, instead of increasing it by \$9,433.

The Congress reapportioned fiscal 1984 funds for the Attorney General's Office and supplemented Finance Department funds to pay Plebiscite Commission bills, instead of reapportioning and supplementing AG funds as reported.



**SPECIAL ED GRAD** - Gov. Resio Moses, right, is presenting a diploma to Menorihna Costica, one of 11 persons graduated June 15 from the Ponape Special Education program during a ceremony at the Ponape Nahs, with Severely Handicapped Supervisor Henry Phillip assisting.

# COMMISSION TO REVIEW CAMPAIGN

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Appointments were pending for the Kosrae Congress and the Yap state representatives. The incumbents are former FSM Senator Hiroshi Ismael of Kosrae and Gov. John Mangefel of Yap.

Vice President Bailey Olter represents the national government and is the Status Committee chairman. Fritz is the Transition Committee chairman.

Washington attorney James T. Stovall III is scheduled to attend the meeting to report on the lobbying effort by the Compact Planning Committee there, Amaraich said.

Amaraich, who returned June 22 to Ponape after seven weeks in Washington and New York City, said, "The program is going as well as expected."

"There is a definite difference when Micronesian leaders make their case face-to-face (with U.S. Congress officials)," he said.

"I see a need to continue making contacts," Amaraich said, adding, "The need is going to continue until final action is taken by both houses (of the U.S. Congress) and beyond that to deal with the (trusteeship) termination issue in the U.N."

Amaraich said that the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, which held hearings May 24 attended by President Towiso Nakayama, was working to finish its report on the Compact by June 29 when the U.S. Congress was scheduled to recess for the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco.

The House Interior Subcommittee on Public Lands and National Parks held six hearings through June 21, and scheduled three additional hearings: June 28 on Compact impact on social development in the FSM and Marshall Islands, July 26 on U.S. foreign policy implications and Aug. 7 and 9 on U.S. national security implications, primarily for U.S. government witnesses.

The House subcommittee is expected to schedule

hearings for FSM and Marshall Islands witnesses in September.

The June 12 House hearing was on Compact legal provisions, such as immigration, trade and tax benefits and dispute resolutions, according to a Status Commission official.

A major part of the hearing was spent on FSM law enforcement capability with Deputy Assistant Interior Secretary Kittie Baier and Ambassador Fred Zeder, President Reagan's personal representative for Micronesian status negotiations, praising law enforcement development here.

The June 28 hearing on Compact impact on social development was scheduled to include testimony with Micronesian Legal Services Corp. board chairman Robert Ruecho of Yap and Executive Director Tom Mattson of Saipan attending the hearing.

College of Micronesia Executive Director Loren Peterson of Ponape and Regent Claude Phillip of Kosrae were scheduled to testify on the impact of the loss of student grants and land grant status on COM and cited it capital requirements, including the proposed new campuses at Palikir, Ponape, and Majuro, Marshall Islands.

The third FSM state and national government delegation, which departed May 24-26, said in a June 10 report to the President, speakers and governors that "it would be a mistake for the people and officials in the FSM to believe that approval (of the Compact) is assured," as "the battle is far from won."

The fourth delegation, which left June 7-14 and was scheduled to return at the end of June, includes FSM Senators Figir, Otto and Christian; Lt. Gov. Mackwelung; Kolonia Town Mayor Victor Edwin; Nanmwarki of Kitti Benito Peter and his interpreter, Edgar Edwards.

# PRESIDENT NAKAYAMA, CA

**KOLONIA, Ponape** – Below are brief biographies of the top officials in the second FSM administration which began May 12, 1983. The Secretary of Social Services and National Planner positions are vacant.

**PRESIDENT**

Tosiwo Nakayama, 52, the first FSM President, began a second four-year term on May 12, 1983.

Born Nov. 23, 1931, in Truk, he attended the University of Hawaii as a East-West Center grantee and served as Truk Assistant District Administrator for Public Affairs and in the Truk District Legislature, Council of Micronesia and in the Congress of Micronesia where he was Senate President in the First-Third and Fifth-Sixth congresses.



Nakayama

Nakayama served as President of the 1975 FSM Constitutional Convention, Micro-

nesian advisor to the U.S. delegation to the U.N. Trusteeship Council.

**VICE PRESIDENT**

Bailey Olter, 52, is the second FSM Vice President, replacing Petrus Tun of Yap on May 12, 1983, after serving four years as the Ponape at-large member of the Congress.



Olter

Born March 27, 1932, in Ponape, Olter was graduated from the University of Hawaii.

Olter served as Assistant Ponape District Administrator for Public Affairs, President of the Ponape District Legislature

and Senate Vice President in the First Congress of Micronesia. He represented Ponape on Advisory Board to High Commissioner and the Council of Micronesia and was Micronesian advisor to U.S. delegation to U.N. Trusteeship Council in 1965. A prominent Ponape businessman, he was chairman of the Ponape Transportation Authority and is vice chairman of the FSM Commission on Future Political Status and Transition and chairman of its Status Committee.

**SECRETARY, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

Andon Amaraiich, 51, was nominated by the President to serve in the second FSM administration, after serving as Secretary of External Affairs during the four years of the first administration.

Born Aug. 24, 1932, in Truk, he attended the College of Guam and began his professional career as an elementary

teacher in Truk where he served as assistant clerk of courts, Chief Public Defender and Assistant District Administrator for Public Affairs. He served in the Truk District Congress, Council of Micronesia, Congress of Micronesia Senate. 1965-74, and as special consultant to the Micronesian Delegation to the U.N. Law of the Sea Conference. While in Congress, he twice served as advisor to the U.S. Delegation to the Trusteeship Council.



Amaraiich

Amaraiich is the chairman of the FSM Commission on Future Political Status and Transition. He is married and has 11 children.

**SECRETARY, FINANCE**

Aloysius Tuuth, 45, served as Secretary of Finance in the first FSM administration and was nominated by the President to continue in the new administration.



Tuuth

Born April 18, 1938, in Yap, Tuuth attended the College of Guam, University of the Philippines, University of Hawaii, Goldengate University and Garden State University, San Francisco, California.

Tuuth served in the Trust Territory Personnel, Education and Budget offices.

**SECRETARY, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT**

Bernard Helgenberger, 45, joined the first administration in 1981, replacing the late Ambilos Iehsi and was nominated by the President to serve in the second administration.



Helgenberger

Born March 12, 1938, in Ponape, Helgenberger was graduated from Xavier High School, Truk, and he attended business training programs at the University of California, Berkeley, and in Fiji.

Helgenberger is a prominent Ponape businessman who served for 10 years in the Ponape District and State Legislature before joining the FSM government.

**BUDGET OFFICER**

Idelphones (Del) Pangelinan, 46, served as Budget Officer in the first FSM administration and was sworn in Nov. 19,

1983, to continue in the second.

Born June 3, 1937, in Ponape, Pangelinan was graduated from Xavier High School, Truk, and attended the University of Guam.



Pangelinan

Pangelinan served in the Trust Territory Finance and Budget departments in Saipan, the Saipan Utilities Agency, as Ponape District Administrative Officer and as Micronesian Washington Office administrative assistant,

before joining the FSM.

**PERSONNEL OFFICER**

Kohne Ramon, 33, was sworn in Dec. 7, 1983, as the second FSM Personnel Officer, replacing Kasio Mida who resigned to become a Special Assistant to the President.



Ramon

Born Feb. 11, 1950, in Ponape state, Ramon was graduated from high school in Elma, New York, and from the University of Guam.

Ramon served in the Trust Territory Personnel Office, as the College of Micronesia Personnel Director and as special services coordinator in the FSM Representative Office, Washington, D.C.

**ATTORNEY GENERAL**

David R. Nevitt, 38, was sworn in Nov. 7, 1983, as the second FSM Attorney General, replacing Fred Ramp who resigned in September, 1983.



Nevitt

Born Feb. 9, 1945, in Seattle, Washington, Nevitt was graduated from the University of Washington and the University of California, Berkeley, Law School.

Nevitt practiced law in Seattle, before coming to Ponape on Aug. 29, 1982, to serve as Chief Litigator in the FSM Attorney General's Office.

**INFORMATION OFFICER**

Ketson Johnson, 35, joined the FSM Information Office staff in September, 1982, after serving as Assistant Congress Information Officer. He was appointed June 1, 1983, Information Officer, replacing Tom Bryan who became Information Advisor.

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# CABINET MEMBERS FEATURED

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Born July 18, 1947, in Ponape state, Johnson was graduated from Xavier High School, Truk, and the University of Guam and attended Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines.

Johnson was a teacher and counsellor at Xavier and PICS High School, Ponape, and editor of the defunct Ponape Sun, before joining the Congress staff in 1981.



Johnson

## PUBLIC DEFENDER

John Brackett, 41, was the FSM Public Defender in the first administration and was reappointed by the President to continue in the second administration.



Brackett

Born Oct. 5, 1942, in New York, Brackett was graduated from Glen Rock High School, New Jersey; Hobart College, New York, New York Law School.

Brackett practiced law in Newark, New Jersey, where he served as a deputy public defender, and served as a research attorney at the National Judicial College, Reno, Nevada, before coming to the FSM.

## SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

Jeske K. Iehsi, 29, was appointed by the President in July, 1982, to serve as his special assistant for legislative affairs and was renamed to the position in the second administration.



Iehsi

Born Jan. 4, 1955, in Ponape state, Iehsi was graduated from Platteville, Wisconsin, High School and the University of Hawaii-Manoa.

Iehsi served as assistant clerk of the Senate in the Congress of Micronesia and the FSM Interim Congress, FSM Liaison Officer in Saipan and FSM Attorney General's Office office manager.

## SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

Kasio Mida, 39, served as FSM Personnel Officer during the first administration and was sworn in Nov. 10, 1983, as Special Assistant to the President.



Mida

Born April 5, 1944, in Truk, Mida was graduated from Xavier High School, Truk, and Rockhurst College, Kansas City, Missouri, and took correspondence course in management from the University of Oklahoma, Norman.

Mida served as a Truk District Political Affairs Advisor, Truk District Legislature aide and executive secretary, Truk Community Action Agency deputy director, Trust Territory personnel management specialist, Truk District Personnel Officer and Congress of Micronesia administrative Officer.

## DEPUTY SECRETARY, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Asterio Takesy, 39, became Deputy Secretary of External Affairs on Dec. 31, 1981, after serving as the FSM Liaison Officer in Washington.



Takesy

He was reconfirmed by the Congress to serve in the second administration.

Born May 25, 1944, in Truk, Takesy was graduated with honors from Xavier High School there, before attending the University of Guam and the University of New Mexico.

He began his career as an administrative assistant in the Truk District Education Department, and served as chief clerk of the Congress of Micronesia House of Representatives, assistant secretary for the 1975 FSM Constitutional Convention and executive director of the Commission on Future Political Status and Transition before his posting at the Micronesia Washington Liaison office.

## FSM WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE

Epel K. Ilon, 32, was appointed and confirmed as the FSM Liaison Officer in Washington in 1982, and was reconfirmed to serve in the second administration in 1983, before the position was upgraded to FSM Washington Representative.



Ilon

Born April 8, 1952, in Truk, Ilon attended Truk High School and was graduated from Saratoga Springs High School, New York, and Chaminade College, Hawaii, before receiving an MA degree in counselling

and personnel from the State University of New York in Albany.

He interned in the U.S. Interior Department Office of Territories, taught at Xavier High School and the Community College of Micronesia Extension Service in Truk and serve as a Truk High School counsellor, before becoming the FSM Assistant Liaison Officer in Washington in 1979.

## PC trainees arrive

KOLONIA, Ponape - Thirty-six Peace Corps trainees for volunteer assignments in the FSM national government, Kosrae and Ponape state governments and the Marshall Islands arrived here June 27, according to Country Director Jerry Penno.

Following two weeks of orientation in Kolonia, the new volunteers will move to sites in Ponape, Kosrae and the Marshalls for eight weeks of intensive language, culture and work training, Penno said.

The new arrivals are: Andrea Novak, Jeffrey Strauss, Jeffrey Girdner, James Hamilton, Royal Hasrick, Joel McCravy, Jeffrey Northen, Christopher O'Connor, James Toledano, Mark Want, Thomas Becker, Britt Dveris, David Zontendeyk, Charles Sayon, Carlos Cianchini and Teresa Herring.

Also, Dennis Linebarger, Theron Moore, David Rogers, Janean Robinson, Arthur Demers, Timothy Allen, Lorna Amdal, Pamela Bridges, Fredrick Clark, Teresa Descher, Jean Downie, David Nettleton, Cynthia Hall, Allen Ickler, Carol Lillie, Dennis McCarthy, Douglas Smith, Karen Stetson, Martha Murphy and Barbara Hellier.

"All of these trainees either have college degrees in marine resources, business administration and other fields, or have extensive work experience to qualify them to work in Micronesia," Penno said.

"The goal in two years of volunteer service is to train at least one Micronesian in the skill specialty of their assignment," she said.

## MARAR CONFIRMED TRUK JUSTICE

MOEN, Truk - The Second Truk State Legislature confirmed the nomination of Keske Marar of Moch, Mortlock Islands, as the third associate justice in the State Court, according to State Information Officer Dechuo Jain.

The court, which was certified April 20 by the Trust Territory High Court, began functioning May 7, the day the third regular session of the legislature was convened.

Marar, who has been working in the Public Defender's Office here for 25 years and who received legal training 1977-78 at the University of Papua-New Guinea, joins Chief Justice Soukichi Fritz and Associate Justices Olaf Welle and Sabastian Frank in the Truk State Court.

Fritz joined Acting Gov. Iskia Sony and Moen Mayor Fuchita Bossy in addressing the opening ceremony for the legislative session.

Bossy urged the legislature to act favorably on a bill to provide \$1.4 million as the initial payment for future land use requirements for the

state government, as the previous Indefinite Land Use Agreement under the TT government expired on May 10 under terms of the FSM Constitution.

The state government and landowners have executed an initial four-month agreement to provide \$25,000-a-month interest on the principal payment of the new indefinite land use settlement, according to Jain.

Sony cited the calamities cholera, drought and the state government deficit, stating that the cholera outbreak which began in 1982 hurt Truk tourism, handicrafts and other export industries and ruined Truk's image world wide.

Taro plants are not fully recovered from the 1983 drought for human consumption, coconut trees are not bearing good quality nuts and the breadfruit season is unusually delayed, Sony reported.

The government deficit, he said, has been haunting Truk for the past decade, as government spending keeps soaring higher and higher.

## Demonstrators protest TSL increases

MOEN, Truk - The Truk State Legislature approved on second reading June 13 increases in its members' salaries and office allowances, while more than 100 people demonstrated against the bill outside the chamber.

The demonstration began June 12 with about 30 people participating, after the bill was approved Monday on first reading.

The bill introduced June 7 by State Senator Hiroko Mori of Uman would increase members' salaries from \$12,000 to \$14,000 a year, while the Speaker's salary would remain at \$15,000, and would increase office allowances from \$10,000 to \$15,000 a year.

The Truk State Charter does not allow legislature members to increase their salaries during a term of office, so the increase would not go into effect until after the next elec-

tions, according to a legislative source.

Because no appropriation is attached to the bill, the allowance increases are expected to go into effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year, Oct. 1, if signed by Gov. Erhart Aten, officials said.

A floor amendment introduced Wednesday by State Senator Detor Santos, also of Uman, to reduce the office allowance to \$8,000 was defeated, before the increases were approved.

Demonstrators denounced the salary and allowance increases, while the effective date of a Truk State Living Standard Allowance law, signed into law July 6, 1983, has been delayed. The law which would give all state employees, except the legislators, a \$35-per-pay-period cost-of-living salary increase was scheduled to go into effect during fiscal 1984.

## Briefs....

KOLONIA, Ponape - Sgt. O'Neil Weilbacher of Ponape is in the U.S. Marine Corps because his "commanders put up a fight," according to the June 9 Pacific Daily News.

Weilbacher, who is stationed in Guam, reported that he joined the Marines in 1979, but faced immigration problems when officials found out he was from Ponape.

"My commanders put up a fight for me," he told the PDN, adding that U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service officials agreed that he could stay in U.S. territory, as long as he remained a Marine.

LELU, Kosrae - The Kosrae State Private Industry Council selected Nelson Palik, Lelu, to study carpentry; Palikkun Oumond, Lelu, masonry; Ricky Tulenkin, Utwa, warehousing; Seniora Kin, Tafunsak, culinary arts; Gifford Jonas, Malem, auto body repairs, and Peter Tilfas, Malem, building maintenance at the Hawaii Job Corps Center, according to a June 19 Kosrae State Release.

The council also selected six alternate candidates during its June 15 meeting, and the trainees were selected according to academic and personal background, state development needs and family income.

LELU, Kosrae - Gov. Yos-iwo George named June 14 Ketti Williams, Akira Timothy, Harry Seymour, Teddy John and Truman Wakuk to represent the government and Moses Alik, Carmina Aberaham, Yukiwo Tara, Kresma Luey and Fred S. Skilling, the private sector on the new Kosrae State Community Action Agency board, according to State Information Officer Alex Phillip.

LELU, Kosrae - The State Parks and Recreation Board asked the municipal recreation associations here to begin May 24 drawing up a schedule for a fast pitch softball tournament, according to a Kosrae State Release.



## Yap officials Take oath

COLONIA, Yap - Acting Gov. Hilary Tacheliol administered the oath of office June 6 for Health Services Director Mary Figir and Administrative Services Director James Gilmar, according to Yap State Information Officer Henry Muthan.

Mrs. Figir, wife of FSM Senator Isaac Figir, is a graduate of the University of Guam who attended the University of Hawaii Public Health School and served as a high school teacher, nurse and medex in Yap, and as Community College of Micronesia student counsellor and acting extension service director in Ponape.

Gilmar, 33, who attended Guam Trade School, now Guam Community College, and the University of Guam, served as a Continental-Air Micronesia station manager in Yap, Ponape and Truk, and as assistant station manager in Saipan, before becoming Administrative Services deputy director here in May, 1983, and acting director July 1, 1983.

Eusebio Taleng was belatedly sworn in as Public Utilities and Contracts director, as he was on a field trip to the outer islands when the initial swearing-in ceremonies were held here last year.

## Yap honors trees

COLONIA, Yap - Acting Gov. Hilary Tacheliol proclaimed June 1 "Tree Planting Day" in Yap and planted two Cook Islands pine trees near the new State Administration Building, according to State Information Officer Henry Muthan.

In his May 31 proclamation, Tacheliol said that "Trees protect and improve soil and bind promises for the future for food, shelter and other necessities and pleasures of the people of Yap state."

The Cook Islands pines grow as tall as 50 feet and have many uses, according to Pius R. Liyagel of the State Agriculture Forestry Division.

## STREAMLINED INVESTMENT ACT PROPOSED

KOLONIA, Ponape - A proposed new Foreign Investment Act to streamline application processing and share authority with the state governments was sent June 5 to the FSM Congress by President Tosiwo Nakayama.

The bill was drafted by the FSM Foreign Investment Task Force headed by Resources and Development Secretary Bernard Helgenberger to replace the existing Foreign Investment Law.

In a June 1 letter to the President, Helgenberger cited the Ponape position of regulating its own foreign investment law and other states considering similar laws, and said that "the task force grappled with this issue at great length and finally came out in favor of shared power between the states and the national government."

He said that the propos-

## 10 drifting rescued

MOEN, Truk - Ten people, including a woman and her one-year-old son, were picked up June 14 by the MS Micro Dawn, after being spotted by a U.S. Air Force plane drifting 160 miles northwest of Moen in a 36-foot fiberglass boat, according to Capt. Thomas Narruhn, Assistant State Transportation Officer.

The boat left Fono Island, Truk Lagoon, on June 8 and was scheduled to take the woman and child to Nomwin Atoll, Hall Islands, 60 miles north of Moen.

It was spotted by the Air Force weather reconnaissance aircraft at Grey Feather Bank 40 miles northwest of Punlap Island, Western Islands.

## FIVE GRADUATED

KOLONIA, Ponape - Five Micronesians, including Agnes G. Tinag and Moses M. Moglig of Yap, Albert L. Panuelo and Elaine M. Mendiola of Ponape and Rosina Y. Saipweirik of Truk, received bachelors degrees June 1 from Eastern Oregon State College, according to an EOSC press release.

al "defines national authority in terms of regulating foreign investment involving business activities which participate in major ways in foreign and interstate commerce.

"Foreign and interstate commerce is defined by the act as involving business activities in more than one state, business activities receiving 50 per cent or more of total revenue from exports to another state or nation, manufacturing involving the importation of at least 50 per cent of the materials involved in the manufacturing process and, finally, tourist type businesses in which 50 per cent or more of the total revenue is derived from providing services to foreign and interstate tourists," Helgenberger said.

The national government would have exclusive authority over these activities, so "state regulation of foreign investment will thus involve businesses which do not engage in foreign and interstate commerce," and a potential foreign investor would determine whether to file an application with the state or national government, he noted.

The proposal would establish a new national Foreign Investment Board, replacing the present board with one consisting of one member appointed by each governor and the secretaries of External Affairs, Finance and Resources and Development.

The board would consider applications for foreign and interstate commerce with state officials, or representatives directly, thus speeding up the process.

The proposal would establish two foreign investment license classes: An investment approval certificate for at least 10 years for investments over \$150,000 and a business permit for at least five years for smaller investments.

The proposal also sets criteria for evaluating foreign investment applications and priorities for foreign investment.

# FSM POSTAL SERVICE INAUGURATION CEREMONY PROGRAM SET

KOLONIA, "Pohnpei," - President Tosiwo Nakayama and Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry are scheduled to address the July 12 inauguration ceremony for the FSM Postal Service, according to Postmaster General Leo A. Falcam.

The ceremony is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. at the Ponape Post Office Building where the U.S. Postal Service sign will be replaced by an FSM Postal Service sign, after a signing ceremony by Falcam and U.S. Postal Inspector Robert Bidwell of Honolulu.

The ceremony, which is open to the public, will be followed by a reception in the Postmaster General's office for invited guests, including the President, Speaker, Gov. Resio Moses, state and national government officials and Pohnpei traditional leaders.

Similar inauguration ceremonies are being planned by the FSM Postal Service officials in Truk, Yap and Kosrae, according to Falcam.

Falcam left June 23 for Honolulu for a final meeting with U.S. Postal Service officials on the transfer of facilities to the FSM.

He also was scheduled to meet in Honolulu with George King, a consultant contracted by Crown Agents Philatelic Corp. of Montville, New Jersey, to assist the FSM in implementing its postal service who was scheduled to return June 29 to Pohnpei with Falcam and visit all of the states before the July 12 ceremony.

Falcam said that the FSM Postal Service is being inaugurated on scheduled, despite the failure of the FSM Congress to act on

fiscal 1984 supplemental funding request for \$6,523 to hire a financial officer to set up accounts before July 12 and to finance the July 12 reception.

Falcam and Crown Agents Philatelic Corp. also announced the preparation of 10,000 Inaugural Presentation Folders, containing the 23 stamps, four commemoratives, three airmail and 16 definitives, in the FSM's first issue to be released July 12.

The 9 by 11 1/2-inch blue vinyl folder with the Official Seal of the Federated States of Micronesia stamped in gold on the front and the official first day cover bearing the block of four commemorative stamps will sell

for \$20.

In addition, a 20-cent pre-stamped legal-size envelope bearing the FSM flag is being prepared to be issued on July 12.

Official first day cancelled envelopes with the inscription, "Federated States of Micronesia 96941;" the date, July 12, 1984, and the words, "First Day Issue," will be sold for 23 cents each.

Issuance of the inaugural folder and postal stationery completes all items to be included in the first postal release, and a complete list of the FSM Philatelic Program may be obtained by writing to FSM Stamps-CAPC, 115 Main Road, Montville, New Jersey 07045.

## Hospital autonomy needed for insurance plan

KOLONIA, Ponape - If the proposed National Health Insurance Plan is to be successful, it will be essential for the state hospitals to have the flexibility to utilize additional revenues from cost claims processed under the plan, according to FSM Budget Officer Del Pangelinan.

The National Health Insurance Committee chairman said that a key objective of the proposed plan is to improve provision of medical and health care within the FSM and reduce the need for much more costly medical referrals outside of the Federated States.

With the national health care plan, the state hospitals will have the ability to submit claims for payment of medical services rendered to patients

covered by the plan, he said.

In return, the proposed plan will remit back to the hospitals payments for qualified claims, providing the hospitals a more steady and increased cash flow with which to provide improved services.

For the state hospitals to fully benefit from the proposed plan, it will be essential that the hospitals become more organizationally and financially autonomous, he said.

Such autonomy could be each state hospital having 1) its own governing board of directors, 2) the ability to retain the claims payment revenues it receives and 3) improved internal administration and financial management capabilities, according to Pangelinan.

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