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Compact Review End Seen

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The FSM Congress is tentatively scheduled to go into a special session on March 17 for its consideration and review of the Compact of Free Association as amended while a meeting of national and state legislatures representatives are expected to convene in Pohnpei on March 2 to reach a consensus on the final language of the Compact approval resolutions which are to be submitted to the FSM legislatures for their final action, according to Speaker Bethwel Henry.

Henry also said that the national legislature is expected to meet only after the majority of the FSM state legislatures have completed their official review of the Compact.

Meanwhile, resolutions to ratify the Compact as amended by the U.S. Congress were introduced in both Kosrae and Yap State legislatures and are expected to be incorporated along with recommendations of the March 2 meeting prior to final action in March.

The leaders in Pohnpei, which include the state senators and

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TRUK CITIZENS ON POHNPEI CAST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR TRUK MARCH 11 ELECTIONS - Community College* of Micronesia (COM) student Karios Kelep, right, is casting his absentee vote during March 4 Absentee Voting on Pohnpei for the Truk March 11 general elections for Governor, Lt. Governor and the legislature. More than a hundred Truk citizens cast their absentee vote at the FSM Congress Chamber, which was designated a special polling place. Supervising the voting from left clockwise are: FSM Foreign Service Officer Alik Alik and Micronesia Relations Deputy Chief Gabriel Ayin (partly hidden), with FSM Division of Safety and Investigation (DSI) Sargent Sabnat Rediliphy looking on.

101 Candidates run for Offices in Truk

MOEN, Truk - A total of 101 candidates are running for public offices in Truk State in the March 11 general election for Governor, Lt. Governor, and the Legislature, according to Truk State Information Specialist Dechuo Jain.

Jain said Gov. Erhart Aten is completing his second four-year term as governor and is stepping down while the present Truk State Legislature Speaker Simion Innocente is running unopposed in election precinct no. 12 (Tamatam, Pulap, Puluwat, Pulusuk).

The Truk voters are also given

instructions on the ballot to vote on their acceptability or non-acceptability of the Truk State Draft Constitution during the March 11 elections, Jain said.

There are 92 candidates running for the 28-member Truk Legislature and five vying for governor, and four for Lt. governor.

In the five-way governor's race, candidates include: former FSM senator Sasao Goulund, former Truk Legislature speaker Tadashi Wainit, former FSM Supreme Court Administration Director Gideon Doone, Special Assistant to the

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Jack appointed FSM Finance A.O.

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Rensper Jack of Pohnpei, former Personnel Specialist for the Personnel Division at the Pohnpei State Department of Administration, has been appointed Administrative Officer for the FSM Finance Department, according to Finance Secretary Aloysius Tuuth.

Jack replaces Patrick Mangar who resigned to go back to Yap early last year.

Jack previously worked as a junior clerk for the then Pohnpei District department of Finance in 1961, classroom teacher at Ohndine and Kolonia Elementary schools and Pona-pe Intermediate School and school Counsellor at PICS high school.

He attended PICS at both campuses in Truk and Pohnpei and Community College of Micronesia (1973-1974), and Rarongo Theological College in Papua New Guinea from 1967-1970 where he earned

his Licentiate in Theology (LIT), and received Bachelors of Sciences degree in Education specializing in teacher training by Union Experimenting Colleges and Universities Program.

Jack, whose appointment took effect Feb. 16, will be responsible for analyzing the organization and functions of the FSM Finance Department including preparation of reorganization proposals to improve effectiveness and efficiency of the operations for the department and also responsible for preparation of the department's budget requests and to assist the Finance Secretary in justification of the budget before the FSM Congressional committees.

His other duties include assisting the division chiefs in assessing workloads, staffing requirements and management, and assisting the Secretary in drafting financial policies and matters.

Jack is married and has two sons and one daughter.



Jack

13 completed tax audit workshop

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Thirteen FSM state and national government revenue and tax employees completed a four-day auditing training course here Oct. 14-18, according to FSM Finance Revenue Division Deputy Administrator Benedict Rikin.

Rikin said the training course dealt with techniques and indirect methods in tax auditing and was conducted by Revenue Agent Joseph Baza and Instructor Frank Leon Guerrero of Government of Guam Revenue and Taxation Department.

Participants who are receiving certificates of completion include: Silvester Hadley, John Moses, Palikkun George, Francis Giltongin, and Richard Susaia, FSM Revenue Division Office; Theodore Joab and Edwin Santos, Revenue Officers, Pohnpei; Wilson Waguk, Revenue Officer, Kosrae; Angkel Xymoon, Revenue Officer, Truk; Robert Beengin, Revenue Officer, Yap; Apdin Peter and Robert Silbanuz of Finance and Budget Offices, Pohnpei; and Yap Tax Collector James Siyow.

Rawlings Acting Auditor

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - President Tosiwo Nakayama announced Feb. 7 the appointment of John Rawlings as Acting Public Auditor replacing senior staff auditor Antonio Vera Cruz who served as Acting Public Auditor for sixty days commencing Dec. 7.

Rawlings assumes full authority and responsibility of the Office of the Public Auditor for a period of sixty days, according to a Feb. 7 memorandum from the President's Office.

Rawlings, 58, whose appointment to the interim position is limited by law to 60 days, joined the FSM Public Auditor's staff on Nov. 13, 1985, to serve as a senior auditor.



NEK PRESIDENT VISITS FSM CAPITAL - FSM Vice President Bailey Olter, right, welcomes Nanyo Boeki Kaisha (NEK) President Tokugoro Kuribayashi, far left, to the FSM during a Feb. 27 courtesy visit in the President's Office while NEK General Manager Shigeyuki Iwatani looks on. Kuribayashi visited the FSM Capital during his Feb. 26-March 2 orientation trip to the FSM.



AUSTRALIAN CONSUL VISITS THE FSM - Australian Consul General William Fisher, right, is paying a courtesy call on FSM Vice President Bailey Olter during his Feb. 19-22 familiarization visit of the FSM where he also met with FSM Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry, FSM External Affairs Secretary Andon Amaraich and Pohnpei State Legislature Speaker Ambros Senda and visited Kosrae. Fisher also held discussions with FSM officials regarding several Australian scholarships being held by FSM citizens.

Bank of FSM Elects Board of Directors

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The Bank of the Federated State of Micronesia held its first annual shareholders meeting here Feb. 12 and elected its Board of Directors, according to a RFSM news release.

Appointed to the new board were leading citizens and businessmen of the nation: Raymond Setik of Truk, Chairman; Anthony Ganningyan of Yap, Vice Chairman; and members: Ieo A. Falcam, Peter Christian and Ambros Senda of Pohnpei; Donald Jonah of Kosrae; Taka Mori, Shigeto Hashiguchi, and Sasao Goulard of Truk; Isaac Figir of Yap; Attorney Fredrick L. Ramp of Pohnpei and D.W. Campbell of Dallas, Texas.

The Board met following the shareholders meeting and appointed Falcam as Bank President, Christian as Vice President, Senda as Secretary and Jonah as Treasurer; Ronald H. Jenkins, former Bank of Hawaii branch manager in Saipan and Pohnpei, was appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer while Robert M. Kemball was appointed Vice President and Cashier.

There were about 1,000 eligible

voters among the Bank's current 1,200 roster of shareholders, the release said, adding that the President of the Bank is appointed from among the Board of Directors.

Court opinions on sale

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The FSM Supreme Court is now selling its court opinions for an annual subscription of \$25 or \$150 for a full set of opinions from 1981 up to 1987 inclusive, according to Chief Clerk Emeliana J. Musrasrik.

The opinions, also known as the "FSM Interim Reporter" can be obtained by subscribers by writing to the Chief Clerk of Court, FSM Supreme Court, P.O. Box J, Pohnpei FSM 96941, Musrasrik said, adding that subscription requests should include full name and address of the subscribers and an indication of any change of address thereafter.

Musrasrik said all subscribers whose annual subscriptions have expired should send in their renewal payments as early as possible so that the opinions can be mailed without delay.

Environment Treaty soon to be signed

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Significant progress in the negotiation of a Convention or Treaty on Protection of the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific Region was achieved in the Fourth Meeting of technical and legal experts held Nov. 18-28, Noumea, New Caledonia, organized by the South Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP) of the South Pacific Commission.

This may enable the draft to be put to a plenipotentiary meeting of the South Pacific nations to be held this coming November, according to FSM South Pacific Affairs Deputy Chief Ira Akapito.

The need for such a Convention was first recognized by the governments in the South Pacific Commission (SPC) when they established SPREP and identified its priority environmental protection activities during the Conference on Human Environment in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, in 1982, Akapito said.

Convention and its protocols on regional co-operation in combating pollution emergencies and prevention of pollution caused by ocean dumping were discussed during the November meeting although "the negotiation has been a very delicate and difficult task due to the sensitivity of some of the issues," Akapito said.

He also said that while considerable progress has been made on the issues of radioactive waste and convention area, it was felt that the issue of nuclear testing in the region would be best ad-

dressed at the political level, and that the outstanding issues be resolved "through further dialogue" before the November meeting of the plenipotentiaries.

Lt. Gov. Mori challenged in March Elections

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FSM. President for Administration Kasio Mida, and Truk Director of Rural Environmental And Sanitation Program Nachsa Siren are all seeking the highest seat in the Truk State government.

In the Lt. Governor's race, incumbent Bob Mori is being challenged by Kirion Hengio, Sapuro Rayphand and Valentine Harper.

All incumbents in the Legislature are seeking reelection except Kristof Killion in election precinct no. one.

In the first election precinct (Moen, Fono and Piis-Moen), 28 candidates are running for the five seats. Incumbents Nahoy Selifis, Kisande Sos, Oben Walter, and Rommy Robert are being challenged by Aarum Rawepi, Abbu Abram, Abram Ichin, Apin Akimichy, Baltazar Bossy, Daniel Suda, Deo Wengu, Frank Nifon, Furao Skempy, Iosi Ludwig, Itamichy Jack, Kachusy Sisam, Kasper Atin, Kirasy Ifenuk, Macky Mailo, Minangata Berry, Nelson Killion, Singeru Mori, Peter Namio, Roosevelt Kansou, Rosendo Rudolf, Tatasy Wainis, Tiriten Rain and Winter Ekiek.

Election precinct no. two, two seats for Dublon and Etten held by Endy Dois and Hayashi Naka are being challenged by Echen Erwin, Kiki Esirom and Skeichy Albert.

Election precinct three, three seats for the islands of Fefan, Tsis and Parem. Candidates are: Fritz Hartman, Sondan Salle, Simiram Sipenuk, Joseph Muritok, Kiniuo Kiris, and Sisinio Willy.

Election precinct four, two seats for the island of Uman. Candidates are: Detor Santos, Hiroko Mori, Fasy Nethon, Hiroshy Muludy and Kaspar Aiken.

Election precinct five, two seats for Udot, Eot, Fanapanges, and Romanum. Candidates are Aki-ki Irons, Joakim Kaminaga, Jack Aflague, Kachutosy O. Paulus, and Kichy Kanemoto.

Election precinct six, three seats for Tol. Candidates include: Katongki Karen, Tomio John, Esetong Kimiuo, Ikadaro Mazawa, Kaleb Kaselel, Keran Clemente, Komber Kumo, Machine O'Sonis, Tomokichy Aisek, Willie Williander and Yosiuo Nakayama.

Election precinct seven, two seats for Wonei, Patta and Polle. Candidates are: Pandinus Suzuki, Resty Shotaro, Candido Michael, John Engichy, Otoshy Baelo, and Rimiyo Runte.

Election precinct eight, two seats for Nama, Losap and Piis-Losap. Incumbents Helbert Dereas and Kenchy James are being challenged by Namie Alexander and Soulik Sellet.

Candidates for the two seats in election precinct nine (Namoluk, Moch, Kuttu, and Ettal) are: Incumbents Tatasy Curely and Tatasy

Terry; Fertun Saladier, Isiro Choram, Misael Setile, Sataichy Roby, and Soichy Dereas.

Election precinct 10, two seats for the islands of Ta, Satawan, Oneop and Lukunor. Incumbents John Sound and Singkoro Harper are being challenged by Oneop Chief Magistrate Anter Phillip and Truk State Broadcast and Information Chief Peter Maipi.

Election precinct 11, one seat for the islands of Nomwin, Fananu, Ruo and Murilo. Candidates include: Incumbent Chotaro Lika and Benjamin Otto and Masachiro Christlib.

Speaker Innocente is running unopposed in precinct 12.

Incumbent Pisek Robert is being challenged by Tony Rosokow in election precinct 13 (one seat) representing the islands of Ulul, Magur, Ono, Onary, and Pisarach.

FSM withdraws two stamp issues

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The 1984 Christmas and the Australian International Stamps Exhibition (AUSIPEX) commemorative stamp issues have been withdrawn from worldwide sales on Dec. 31, 1985, according to FSM Post Master General Leo A. Falcam.

Falcam said he wanted to advise both the FSM citizens collecting historic first stamp issues and the philatelic trade that the two 1984 commemorative issues are being withdrawn in keeping with the "philatelic policy that all commemorative stamp issues are taken off sale one year after the dates of issue...to preserve the integrity and value of the stamps within the standards of the trade."

He indicated that the destruction is done only to commemorative stamps while the definitive stamps, including 1 cent through \$5 and the newer \$10 stamp, will be withdrawn after 10 years.

Falcam also said he is scheduled to attend the New York Stamp Exhibition which will be

held March 13-17 at the Madison Square Garden and will be attended by hundreds of stamp dealers, buyers, wholesalers and stamp companies from all over the world with more than 150 nations and postal administrations participating.

Falcam, who will be accompanied by the newly hired Philatelic Bureau Manager Ignacio Stephen of Truk to the exhibition, said he plans to officially file FSM's membership with the Universal Postal Union Organization during the trip, adding that UPU is a governing body of all the postal service administrations throughout the world.

He noted that the FSM's membership is being sponsored by the U.S. government.

He said that following the New York show, he plans to meet with the U.S. Post Master General in Washington, D.C., to start preparations regarding a U.S.-FSM-Marshalls-Palau joint stamp issue to commemorate the termination of the Trusteeship.

Stephen, Miller join Postal Services

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - FSM Post Master General Leo A. Falcam announced Feb. 24 the appointments of Truk State Resources and Development Department Administrative Officer Ignacio R. Stephen as Philatelic Bureau Manager for the FSM Postal Services and a retired U.S. Postal Services Inspector Jim Miller as an FSM Postal Service Management and Training Officer.

Stephen, whose appointment becomes effective on April 2, is currently attending a special training in the State of Oregon and is scheduled to be introduced to the "world of stamps and the business of selling stamps" by Falcam at the International Stamp Exhibition Show at the Madison Square Garden in New York City in March.

Miller, whose appointment was necessitated by the vacancies created when several former post masters and postal clerks decided to remain with the U.S. Postal Services or being subject to new pay levels in the FSM service during the transfer of personnel and facilities to the FSM Postal Services in 1984, has been hired for a six-month period to conduct on-the-job staff development training and management to the new employees, Falcam said, adding that new employees account for 98 percent of the system.

"Stephen's appointment means the business operation of Postal Services is now established," Falcam said, adding that Stephen will run the actual business of the FSM Postal Services in researching the market, promoting and marketing the postal products to collectors throughout the world.

Stephen attended Truk High School, Truk State, and Triangle Lake High School in Blachly, Oregon, and earned Associates of Arts degree with a specialization in business administration from Lane Community College in Eugene,

Oregon, from 1972-1974.

A native of Uman, Truk, Stephen previously served as a student services officer and coordinator of the Trust Territory Micronesian Special Project at Eastern Oregon State College in La Grande, Oregon, from 1976-1980, fiscal control officer for Truk State Transportation Division, and was a delegate to the Truk State Constitutional Convention in 1982.

Stephen is married and has four children.

Miller fulfills the need of a training officer and has started staff development trainings for postal services employees in the states of Kosrae, Truk and Yap, with trainings for employees on Pohnpei to be conducted soon, Falcam added.

A native of San Francisco, California, Miller who was formerly stationed in Honolulu and worked in Micronesia, is a veteran of over 20 years of service in the U.S. Postal Service System, Falcam said.



GOVERNOR RESIO MOSES ACCEPTS HARD HAT FROM NANPIL HYDRO PROJECT MANAGER - Gov. Moses, left, is receiving a hard hat from Nampil Hydro-electric Project Manager Randolph Marshall of Army Corps of Engineers during a Jan. 30 courtesy visit in the Gov.'s Office. Black Micro Corporation, the lowest bidder for the project, breaks ground March 7 to begin initial work on the \$8 million project which is expected to provide additional 4 million kilowatts to Pohnpei power consumers when completed in 1988.

Ezra appointed to FSM Foreign Invest. Board

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - FSM Congress Speaker Bethwel Henry appointed Jan. 29 Sintaro K. Ezra to the FSM Foreign Investment Board to replace FSM Senator Elias H. Thomas who resigned.

Ezra, former FSM Congress Chief Clerk, is currently serving as Assistant Budget Officer for the FSM Congress.

Thomas, whose resignation took effect on Dec. 2, was the chairman of the Board since its organization in 1984.

He said in his Dec. 2 resignation letter to Speaker Henry, that he "cherished his duties on the Board as its chairman and has always considered his service

there a high calling," adding that his departure from the Board was sad but he felt it was right thing to do and he did it with "firm resolve."

Ezra said in his Jan. 30 acceptance letter that "I will faithfully execute my duties and responsibilities to the best of my ability."

In a related activity, the Board met Feb. 13-14 in a reorganization meeting on Truk to approve some permits and to conduct a public hearing regarding the application of Seaward Holdings-

Micronesia and elected Yap State Resources and Development Director Sam Falanruw as its new permanent Chairman, Kosrae State Senator Kasuo Isisaki, Vice Chairman; and FSM Congress Admin-

istration Director Suda Rayel as its Secretary.

Ezra said the Truk meeting was his first with the Foreign Investment Board.

Pohnpei invites privatization bids

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - The State of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia, is inviting bids from interested parties for privatization of Pohnpei Island public utilities in the areas of production and distribution of electricity and fresh water, and maintenance of sewer facilities, according to State Public Works Department Director Bermin Weilbacher.

Weilbacher said bid proposals may be submitted separately to cover: (1) the privatization of production and distribution of electricity, and (2) for privatization of production and distribution of fresh water and maintenance of sewer facilities, or both.

The bid envelopes mailed in the U.S. and its territories must be received by April 15, 1986, at 4:30 p.m., Pohnpei time, by the Office of the Governor, Pohnpei State Government, Kolonia, Pohnpei, FSM 96941. Bids from other countries must be received by April 30, 1986, at 4:30 p.m., Pohnpei time, by the governor's office. All bids must be postmarked no later than April 1 and should bear the following words on the upper left corner: "Application for tender for the privatization of Power, Water and Sewer facilities."

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municipal government officials, have gone into a series of meetings since mid-February to review the recommendations of the Feb. 12-14 FSM Conference of Legislators and are expected to include items to be submitted by the March 2 Meeting in their draft resolution for final action in March.

A special session is tentatively scheduled for March 17 for the Pohnpei State Legislature to take final action on the draft resolution, Speaker Ambros Senda said.

Bids postmarked after the time and date specified will not be considered, with Pohnpei State Government reserving the right to reject any and all the bids, Weilbacher said.

The tender will bind himself to take over all expenses regarding operation and maintenance of facilities as well as billing and bill collections. The bids, submitted in English, should include: (1) Declaration of interest to tender indicating the name and address of the firm or company; (2) Presentation of all necessary evidence that the applicant is capable of carrying out all the work in question, particularly as regards to staff and experience in operations of similar nature; (3) Presentation of all necessary evidence that the applicant is financially capable of carrying out the work, and presenting reports of activities for the last five years with a certificate of non-bankruptcy; (4) Presentation of the personnel the company or firm plans to assign to this contract, and (5) Presentation of the company references.

Part Two of the bids should include: Contract agreement between Pohnpei State and the company for the production and distribution of electricity and fresh water, and for the maintenance of sewer facilities; Rules and regulations governing power service to consumers; Rules and regulations governing water service to consumers; Rates structures and rates, and Price review formulas, with the tender specifying his policy and training regarding the present Public Works personnel, their specific salaries and advantages.

Weilbacher said while telephone inquiries are not acceptable, the Office of the Governor can be reached by letter at the above address and telex by RCA 7296808 GOVPNI.

Business Fair to honor FSMDB 5th anniversary

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - A "business fair" to be held in each state featuring competitive exhibitions and presentations in agriculture products, fisheries, animal husbandry, handicrafts and cottage crafts, small industries and cultural features in commemoration of the fifth anniversary of the FSM Development Bank is scheduled to be held on March 1 in Yap State simultaneously with the Yap Day celebrations, according to FSMDB President Manny Mori.

Mori, who left Pohnpei Feb. 26 to participate in the Yap part of the fair, said participants who attained satisfactory standards will be given certificates of appreciation with cash prizes to winners in the first, second and third place categories.

The FSM-wide business fair to be held this year in each state throughout the Federation is jointly sponsored by the FSM Development Bank and the Resources and Development Departments in each of the FSM four states as part of their effort to bring to forte the production-oriented activities being realized for the past five years through the efforts of FSMDB and the Resources and Development departments in the FSM states.

Preparations for Pohnpei fair which is proposed for May are being made with the organization and selection Jan. 31 of the state executive committee with officers: EDA Acting Executive Director Alex Iuzana, Chairman; FSMDB Pohnpei Branch Loan Officer Oltrick Santos, Vice Chairman, and Community Action Agency Executive Director SeNellie Singeo, Secretary/Treasurer, according to a Pohnpei State Information release.

Preliminary preparations regarding dates for their part of the fair are being made in the states of Kosrae and Truk, Mori added.

Kosrae med team drains brain into abdomen

LELU, Kosrae - A Kosrae medical team succeeded Feb. 13 in establishing a permanent catheter drainage of the cerebro-spinal fluid from the ventricles of the brain to the abdomen on a five-month old baby boy in a two-and-half hour surgery, according to Kosrae State Information Officer Alex Phillip.

The surgery was performed on the infant whose head was growing bigger due to a blockage in the flow of the cerebrospinal fluid

inside the brain.

The brain surgery, called the Ventriculo-Peritoneal Shunt, was performed by a medical team headed by Kosrae Hospital Chief Surgeon Dr. Jose P. Zantua, former professor of surgery in the Philippines, who had performed similar operations in Lautoka City, Fiji, in 1976, and the first Intracranial Orbital Decompression (removal of a bullet lodged in the brain of a girl) in Yap in 1978.

Zantua noted the "ventriculo-peritoneal shunt" was utilized to "save the life of the infant" in by-passing the site of the obstruction to the flow of the cerebrospinal fluid by diverting the fluid from the brain to the abdomen - thus a ventricular cath-

eter is inserted into the brain through a hole in the skull with the tip of the peritoneal catheter placed inside the abdomen to create a siphon of the cerebrospinal fluid from the brain to the abdomen, Phillip said.

Kosrae Hospital officials said the shunt unit will remain in the infant's body until he has outgrown the length of the catheters, which is expected in three year period at which time Zantua, who is a 30 years veteran of surgical experience, noted that his next procedure is to connect the brain to the heart in a procedure called "Ventriculo-Atrial Shunt."

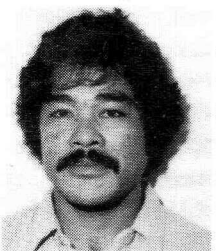
The infant's condition is reportedly "progressing," Phillip said.

Jackson joins Congress

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Robert A. Jackson of Lelu, Kosrae State, has been appointed FSM Congress Assistant Public Information Officer by Speaker Bethwel Henry, according to Administration Director Suda Rayel.

Jackson replaces Willy Gorongfel of Yap who was promoted to position of FSM Congress Public Information Officer in November, 1985.

Jackson, 29, was graduated from Kosrae High School in 1975, received Associates of Science degree in Elementary Education from Community College of Micronesia in 1977, Bachelors



of Arts degree from University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1981, and studied media

development at the Australian International Training Institute in Sidney for four months in 1985.

He previously served with the Kosrae State Department of Educa-

tion for three years and Kosrae State Public Information Service as an Information Specialist from 1983-1985.

Jackson is married and has three children.

Mixed gardening workshop held in Yap

COLONIA, Yap - Twenty-one participants completed a five-day "Nutrition-Oriented Mixed Gardening Workshop" held Feb. 10-14 at Colonia Community Center sponsored by U.N. Children's Fund and the College of Tropical Agriculture and Science, according to CTAS Associate Director Ruben Dayrit, a College of Micronesia news release said.

The workshop was the third mixed gardening workshop held jointly by UNICEF and CTAS, following similar programs in Pohnpei and Kosrae last year. A fourth mixed gardening workshop is scheduled for March 3-7 in Truk, the release said.

The workshop was conducted by Vhes Robles, UNICEF Family Food Production and Nutrition Project country coordinator for the FSM, and Dr. Dayrit with the assistance of Yap State Food Services Coordinator Carmen Ngirmidol; State Veterinarian M. Thavalin-gam, a U.N. volunteer; State Aging Program Coordinator Monica Leerbay, and FSM U.N. Volunteers Coordinator Gabriel Ayin.

The training covered structure

and functions of mixed gardening, basic human nutrition, soil management and land preparation, applying mixed gardening to village situations and nutrition improvement, crop and livestock selection, maximizing limited space production, mixed garden designs, trellis construction, garden plan implementation, village level training, water management, weed and pest control and project design.

The participants included: Lucy Gumtin of Toupl'ay N Yefas in Tomil; Martin Runyol, Pius Liyagel and Anita Tretnoff of the State Agriculture Division; Leo Siyou, Dolores Buthungtuw, Rieko Ruan, Ruth Fiseq, Antonia Kadamut, Mary Miteq, Kansi Waayan, Ken Laman and Francis Girad of the Head Start pre-school program; Ignathia Ruwey, Anthony Magarfir, Dolores Tinagpitin, Thomas Ganang, George Laman and Terry Wureng of the State Aging Program; Anthony Moo'row and Daniel Gafalyer of the State Education Department, and Julia Rungrad of the State Health Services Department, the release added.



SONG FOR THE NAVIGATOR STAGED IN POHNPEI - A canoe and a sailful of chants and your imagination to ride with soundwaves in an auditorium packed with school children is a Micronesian experience close home! Song For The Navigator was staged Feb. 23 through 25 at the PICS Auditorium by the Honolulu Theatre for Youth for the school and public audiences on Pohnpei. From left are: James Pestana; Loretta Ables; James Rabauliman; Don Nahaku; Tremaine Tamayose and Ray Bumatai (partially hidden).

Eleven named to Arts Working Committee

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Eleven national government employees were appointed Feb. 11 to the FSM Festival of Arts Working Committee by President Tosiwo Nakayama.

The designation came in conjunction with Chief Executives Conference Resolution 8-6, which requests the President to use his discretion in organizing or reorganizing an existing committee to include representatives of the State and National governments to develop and promote an FSM Festival of Arts.

The designation also includes the appointment of FSM Education Division Chief Daro Weital as chairman of the Committee who is to coordinate the work of the group with the State counterparts whose appointments will be made by their respective governors.

The Committee is also instructed to coordinate its efforts with

the FSM Olympics Committee, whose task force is being chaired by the FSM Health Services Division Chief Dr. Eliuel Pretrick, in scheduling the events so they are held simultaneously during summer 1986.

Members of the FSM government Festival of Arts Working Committee include: Weital; Education Division Deputy Chief Weldis Welley; FSM Resources and Development Corporations Registrar Bumio Silbanuz; FSM Personnel Training and Employee Development Division Administrator Paul Gallen; Pohnpei Revenue Officer Theodore Joab; FSM Congress Administration Director Suda Rayel; FSM External Affairs Micronesian Relations Division Deputy Chief Gabriel Ayin and Foreign Service Officers Bernard Thoulog and Alik Alik, and Asian Affairs Deputy Chief Tadao Sigrah.

SPC nations urged to develop Youth

KOLONIA, Pohnpei - Representatives from twenty South Pacific Commission (SPC) countries who recently concluded on Feb. 14 a regional seminar on "Youth: An Agent of Development" are calling on governments of the region to give priority to the development of youth.

The seminar, which was organized under the auspices of the SPC, was held in SPC Headquarters in Noumea, New Caledonia, Akapito said, adding that the five-day regional seminar made over 20 recommendations under the four main general topics of Economic, Social, Educational, and Cultural problems of the Youth.

The seminar urged the participating governments to implement these recommendations which represent the consolidated hopes and aspirations of the young people of the region, Akapito said, adding that many of these recommendations are in line with stated Youth Development Objectives in the FSM National Development Plan.

Correction

LELU, Kosrae - Kosrae State Personnel Director Fred. P. Sigrah along with Gov. George presented the insurance checks to one Aliksru Edmond, instead of Fred P. Skilling, as reported in the Feb. 15 NATIONAL UNION.

Fred Skilling is Kosrae State Public Affairs Department Director, according to State Information Officer Alex Phillip.

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