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HON. STEWART L. UDALL, Secretary of the Interior, is greeted by a welcoming line of Saipan Legislators upon his arrival at the Saipan Airport.

MR. UDALL KEEPS HEAVY SCHEDULE

In concluding his message via telegram on July 4th. 1962, the day of the establishment of the Provisional Headquarters of the Trust Territory on Saipan, the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Departmen, of the Interior, vowed, "I regret that it is not possible for me to be present on this occasion, but I am hopeful that I may very soon have the oportunity to visit the islands and meet with the people of the Trust Territory."

On July 21, 1962, a little less than a month after the announcement of the anticipated visit, Mr. Udall's arrival to the Trust Territory became an actuality. En route from American Samoa, the southern most corner of that vast Polynesian Triangle where he opened the Fifth South Pacific Commission Conference, Secretary Udall arrived in Kwajalein, the eastern most corner of the 3,000,000 square mile Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

THE SECRETARY, accompanied by the High Commissioner, shakes hands with anxious greeters standing along the road.



Here at Kwajalein, the Secretary made an inspection tour to Majuro where he met with the local officials and citizens.

On the same day, July 21, 1962, the Secretary and a party of three which included Richard F. Taitano, Director, Office of Territories; Woodruff Wallner, Deputy Assistant, Secretary of State; and James N. Faber, Information Officer, Interior Department, arrived in Guam where they participated in the Liberation Day ceremonies and conferred with Governor Bill Daniel and other local officials.

The following day, July 22, 1962, the Secretary and his party arrived in Saipan, the seat of the Provisional Headquarters of the Trust Territory. He was met at the airport by High Commissioner



AT STAFF CONFERENCE—From left: High Commissioner Goding, Secretary Udall, Director of Territories Taitano and Deputy Assist. Secretary of State Wallner.

M. Wilfred Goding, Deputy High Commissioner Jose A. Benitez, Mayor Ignacio Benavente of Saipan, members of Saipan Legislature, District Administrators and local citizens who came to greet their most welcome visitor and his party.

After a brief welcoming ceremony at the airport, the Secretary and his visiting party were escorted to a fleet of Government cars awaiting to take them to the Headquarters area.

As the caravan proceeded, it passed through a number of villages at whose entrances were built welcome gates resembling tori, handsomely decorated with palm leaves and flowers. The most impressive sights, however, were the villagers themselves, neatly dressed in their Sunday best who thronged each entrance to greet Secretary Udail.

The caravan slowed down and stopped from time to time where the crowd was heaviest so that the anxious greeters standing on tip-toes could get a better glimpse of Mr. Udall. At times, the Secretary got out of his car to greet the line of Saipanese who though shy somehow were able to overcome their shyness in order to shake the Secretary's hand. Cheers of approval soon broke out and everybody seemed to be at ease, happy that they had seen the top man in the Interior Department about whom they heard a lot.

At 9:00 a.m. Mr. Udall finally reached the site of the new Headquarters where he made a short tour of the area. The party then went to the main office building where a conference was held with

DEPUTY HIGH C OM MISSIONER Jose A. Benitez, left, presents certificate to Mr. Udall, making him the first "FIVE STAR ADMIRAL" of TT fleet.



the High Commissioner, the Deputy High Commissioner, department heads, and the five District Administrators who were in Saipan for the Annual District Administrators' Conference.

Summary of Conference:

The conference got underway with High Commissioner Goding welcoming the Secretary by saying that the Headquarters was honored to have the chance for a brief word with the Secretary at 1 to listen to what he might have to say. Then he read the President's message on the lifting of the appropriations' ceiling for the Trust Territory, adding that it meant a great deal to have this strong and decisive statement of support from the President.

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LUNCHEON AT CLUB TOPPA TAPPA given by High Commissioner and Mrs. Goding in honor of Secretary Udall and his party. From left: Mrs. Goding, Secretary Udall, High Commissioner Goding, Mrs. Benitez and Director of Office of Territories Taitano.

The Secretary responded by saying he was in Saipan "to listen more than to dispense panaceas." In the past, a double standard for the Territory was found. Now it was felt standards should be the same. The Secretary cited the "ceiling" bill just passed as an indication of the change of attitude in Washington and Congress itself. The type of support the Trust Territory gets in the future will depend not only on what is done in Washington, but what the High Commissioner does here.

Continuing, the Secretary said that one of the main problems in the Trust Territory relates to the security regulation. He explained that this means the Trust Territory is out of the main economic stream. As a result of his current trip, the Secretary said that he has come to the conclusion that this should be changed. This change by itself would open up new opportunities in term of economic development

Mr. Taitano then said the White House had established a Task Force and directed four U. S. Government Departments to reevaluate the responsibilities of the United States in the Trust Territory. He further asserted that the President specifically pointed out the need to move into education and do away with dual standard; there is a great deal of concern that the standards in the Trust Territory are not equal to those in the United States.

Mr. Wallner commented that with the adoption of the President's new policy, the Administration

is laying the basis for proceeding in a way which is in accord with the International Code, ideas and practices and as well as with national interest of the United States and the inhabitants of the Territory.

At the close of the conference, Mr. Benitez, Deputy High Commissioner, noted that in this gigantic area of mostly water, there is a fleet of ships with districts as the main ships. Then he presented the Secretary a certificate making him a FIVE STAR ADMIRAL of the fleet of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

After an inspection tour of the Marpi Area, High Commissioner and Mrs. Goding gave a luncheon Reception in honor of the Secretary. The guests at this memorable reception included members of the Saipan Legislature, leading Saipanese citizens, members of the Marianas District Staff, and members of the Headquarters Staff and their wives.

In a short farewell speech the Secretary said that while there is still a great deal to be done in the development of the Trust Territory, he was impressed by the way the Trust Territory is progressing. Regretting the time did not allow him to stay longer and visit the other beautiful islands of the Trust Territory, he said farewell by saying, "General MacArthur is not the only one who can say, 'I shall return'."

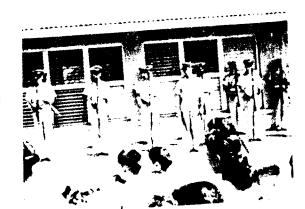
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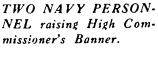


BELOW. — The Marine Honor Guard, who accompanied the Admiral, is shown here at attention.



The Navy Band adds much to the atmosphere as the military and High Commissioner's flag exchange.







HIGH COMMISSIONER'S BANNER WAVES OVER NORTHERN MARIANAS

A new era was established for the Northern Mariana Islands on July 1st, 1962, at the almost two-hour long "turnover ceremony" held in front of the H-shaped Hopwood Intermediate School in Saipan. (The school was named in honor of Admiral Herbert G. Hopwood, former Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet—now retired.)

The ceremony, which commenced at about ten o'clock in the morning after a brief but heavy shower that temporarily threatened to delay the official transfer of administrative authority from the Navy to the Department of the Interior, marked the end of a nearly decade-old military regime and the beginning of civilian government in Saipan, thus administratively reintegrating the Northern Marianas with the rest of the Trust Territory under the jurisdiction of High Commissioner M. Wilfred Goding. For the Rotanese, too, it was a significant

occasion because it reunited Rota with her sisterislands to the north after many years of separation.

Following the lively music provided by the Navy Band and the invocation given by Reverend Father Arnold, the first speaker, Commander Paul W. Bridwell—the last Naval Civil Administrator of Saipan, reviewed the past conditions in Saipan and the developments that have taken place since 1944, when the United States forces took possession of the island from the Japanese. He noted that although Saipan was one of the worst battlegrounds in man's history, the Saipanese "determined to march onward and be a part of democratic society." The Commander went on to express his gratitude to the people of Saipan for their "discipline and honorable manner" with which they participated in many difficult tasks.

Rear Admiral John S. Coye, Jr., Commander Naval Forces Marianas, who, accompanied by Navy and Marine honor guards, arrived in Saipan on the USS BRISTER on the evening of June 30th to take part in the "turnover ceremony," read Executive Order No. 11021 issued by President John F. Kennedy, effecting the transfer of Saipan District from the Secretary of the Navy to the Secretary of the Interior. The Executive Order was signed by the President on May 7, 1962, to be effective on July 1st.

After Admiral Coye had retired to his seat, High Commissioner M. W. Goding took his stand at the rostrum and formally accepted the administrative authority of the Marianas on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior. Silence fell upon the crowd of local officials, men, women and children, as their new leader, the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory, appeared before them for the first time and on their behalf saluted the Navy Administration for its many accomplishments in Saipan District as well as for its unfailing cooperation that has been enjoyed by the Trust Territory Government.

Highlights of the High Commissioner's Address:

"This is indeed an auspicious and historical occasion. I accept on behalf of the Department of the Interior the responsibility for the administration



High Commissioner is greeted by Saipan dignitaries. From left: Judge Juan M. Ada, Juan B. Blanco, Dr. Francisco T. Palacios, and Juan T. Untalan. Extreme right, Alan MacQuarrie.

of the Saipan District that you have transferred on behalf of the Navy. It is an important responsibility—one that will command our best efforts in the days ahead. In accepting this responsibility, on this historic occasion, I would be remiss, indeed, if I did not take this opportunity to salute the Navy for the very great and progressive accomplishments of the Saipan District during the years of your responsibility. You have carried out your duties in the best traditions of your service and of our government.

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HIGH COMMISSIONER M. W. GODING, standing at the rostrum, formally accepts the administration of Northern Marianas as he addresses the Navy officials and other dignitaries, on July 1st, 1962. At right is Pastor Henry Cruz.

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"It is most appropriate that we are met here on the grounds of the Admiral Hopwood Intermediate School, a beautiful and functional new public educational plant, which will help provide improved educational opportunities for the Saipan community for many years. This school is an outstanding example of how the people of Saipan and the Naval Administration have worked together. It is a school that has been built by the Saipanese themselves. It is an accomplishment of which the people and their former Administration can be justly proud.

"As your High Commissioner, I shall look forward to working with you in the days to come. We have a tremendous job ahead of us. I am confident that by working together we can solve our problems and make Micronesia an outstanding example for the rest of the world.

"Today we have with us five presidents of district congresses to witness this ceremony. The fact that the people of the other districts sent their outstanding leaders to represent them indicates the importance the people of other districts place on the reintegration of Saipan. On behalf of the people of the other districts, I extend a warm welcome to the people of Saipan.

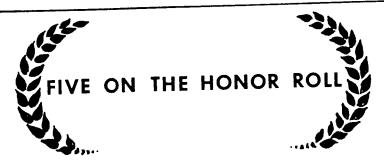
"In the year that I have been High Commissioner, I have enjoyed only the best of relations with your Navy Administration. Although for ad-

ministration purposes, our two areas may have been under different Departments, in practice and in policy we have worked side by side following common aims. I wish to take this opportunity to express to the Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet, the Commander-in-Chief, Marianas, and the Naval Commander of Saipan, my deep appreciation for the fine cooperation that we have always received. It has been a pleasure to work with them. They have never let us down. My staff joins me in expressing our heartfelt appreciation. To those members of the Naval Administration who are leaving this beautiful island for new posts, I wish them Godspeed and every success in their new assignments."

The culmination of the occasion came when Admiral Coye's two-star blue flag was lowered and the High Commissioner's banner was raised aloft—a process which signified the actual change of command.

Upon Admiral Coye's command to lower the military colors, the throng looked up at the flag, and engaged in a nostalgic and pensive mood while keeping their eyes on its slow descent and witnessing the termination of Navy's Administration in Saipan. Then a moment later when the High Commissioner's banner was waving distinctly against the azure sky, the assemblage, which only a moment before was thoughtfully sad and uncertain, was revived by a new hope and enthusiastically anticipated a better future.

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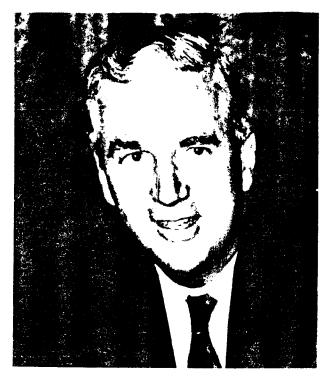


Buried with numerous assignments yet always ready for pop-up quizzes and other examinations, five of our students, who were proud of their accomplishment at the end of a seemingly long two-month summer session, were among the honor rolls at the College of Guam. They were Arthur Ngiraklsong, Henaro Sabino, Pedro Tarkong, all of Palau District; Tatasy Wainit of Truk and Gilnifrad Lukubyad of Yap.

Messrs. Lukubyad and Tarkong were among the some 50 Trust Territory employees and teachers

who attended the College of Guam during the 1962 summer under the District Congresses and Trust Territory Government sponsorship. First year student Ngiraklsong and second year student Sabino are regular attendants of the College on their own. They are living with stateside families under the sponsorship syst m. Mr. Wainit is a Truk Congress scholar.

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1962 President of the Trusteeship Council JONATHAN B. BINGHAM



U. S. Ambassador to United Nations • ADLAI E. STEVENSON.

As United States Representative on the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, and as President of the Council for 1962, I am happy to send greetings to all assembled on the historic occasion of the establishment of the first provisional capital of Micronesia.

The establishment of this capital marks another step in the development among the people of Micronesia of a strong sense of their common interest. The first provisional capital will be, I am sure, the seat of a great deal of constructive activity, both on the part of the Trust Territory Administration and on the part of the elected leaders of the people of Micronesia, leading toward an ever more prosperous and happy future for the people of Micronesia, in an atmosphere of political unity and of freedom.

My heartiest congratulations to all concerned on this auspicious day. My only regret is that I am able to be with you only in spirit. On the momentous occasion of the establishment of the first provisional capital of Micronesia on the island of Saipan, it is a great honor for me to extend to the people of Micronesia my most sincere congratulations and warmest greetings.

The transfer of your capital to a place within the Trust Territory is but one of your many accomplishments during the past year. I think that you should know that your achievements and your progress are being followed with great interest in the United Nations. I have recently had the honor of having attached temporarily to my Mission Commissioner Goding, Mr. John de Young, and Mr. Andon Amaraich. The ability, dignity, and sincerity with which these officials represented you before the Trusteeship Council won the admiration, respect, and affection of all.

If the present occasion is one for rejoicing in past accomplishments, it is only a step in the progres, which I know will be yours in the coming year. I am confident in your ability to achieve the advancement and prosperity to which you aspire and which you so richly deserve.

Jonathan B. Bingham

Adlai E. Stevenson



HIGH COMMISSIONER M. W. GODING, extreme right, is addressing the Council. From left are: W. F. Cottrell, Council Secretary, and Charles P. Noyes of United States. Back row: from right, Program Officer John deYoung and Andon Amaraich; far left, unidentified.

Trusteeship Council Commends Administering Authority

Every year the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands serves as a Special Representative on the U. S. Delegation to the United Nations Trusteeship Council to make an annual report of the conditions and activities in our Territory. Serving for the second time in this capacity, High Commissioner M. W. Goding departed Guam, the seat of his former Headquarters, the latter part of May for New York, where he appeared before the Council and reported the developments in the Trust Territory since his last appearance. Accompanying the Special Representative as Special Advisers were Program Officer John E. de Young and Mr. Andon Amaraich, Public Defender of Truk.

In his opening statement to the Council members, High Commissioner Goding outlined the signicant developments that have been accomplished, or are being contemplated, within the year under review. Some of the major accomplishments noted by the High Commissioner were the conversion of the former Advisory Committee into the Council of Micronesia, turnover of Saipan District from the Navy to the Department of the Interior, transfer of Headquarters offices to Saipan and subsequent establishment of the first provisional capital of Micronesia; promotion of Micronesians to various top executive and professional positions at the Headquarters, and other major policy changes instituted by the Administration in political, economic and social fields as well as in education and health. Following his opening stateme..t, the High Commissioner, as usual, was critically questioned with respect to various conditions and activities in the Territory. A special interest to the Council members was the political future of Micronesia. Some of the members felt that perhaps the target date of 1965, which the Administering Authority had set for possible granting of more self-government to the people of the Trust Territory, is too distant in space and could be advanced; other members urged a proper pace of political development in order to insure a sound political sophistication and a strong institution. All members, with one exception, were gratified with the increasing self-government now being enjoyed by the indigenous people.

The official record of the Council also indicated that the members favorably commended the Administering Authority and the High Commissioner for the recent developments in all the fields of endeavor. The members of the last UN Visiting Mission, headed by Mr. Carlos Salamanca of Bolivia, were especially pleased that the Administering Authority has implemented most of the major recommendations proposed by the Visiting Mission during the last Council sessions.

Mr. Andon Amaraich also appeared before the Council. His report, which reaffirmed the High Commissioner's opening statement on the Territory's progress, was received by the Council members with great interest. In concluding his address, Mr. Amaraich on behalf of the Trust Territory people expressed deep appreciation to the Trusteeship Council and the Administering Authority for their continuous interest and efforts in promoting the conditions in our sometimes called "unique Trust Territory." After the sessions, Mr. Amaraich made a month's tour in the United States accompanied by Mr. Caleb Udui of Palau, a law student at the Washington University, as the State Department official guide.

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