

(NONVOTING DELEGATES SELECTED)

SAIPAN, JULY 3 (MNS) ~~74~~ FIVE OF MICRONESIA'S SIX DISTRICTS HAVE SELECTED TWO OF THEIR TRADITIONAL LEADERS AS NONVOTING DELEGATES TO THE MICRONESIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, STRIK YOMA, TT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, ANNOUNCED WEDNESDAY. ONLY MARSHALLS DISTRICT HAS YET TO SELECT ITS TRADITIONAL LEADER DELEGATED.

UNDER PUBLIC LAW 5-60 (CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION LAW), "THE RECOGNIZED PARAMOUNT AND TRADITIONAL CHIEFS OF EACH ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT SHALL MEET AND SELECT FROM AMONG THEIR MEMBERS TWO NONVOTING DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION.,

THE LAW ALSO STATES THAT "ANY DISTRICT WHICH DOES NOT HAVE TRADITIONAL CHIEFS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO SELECT TWO NONVOTING DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION" WITH THE DISTRICT LEGISLATURE TO SELECT ONE AND ANOTHER TO BE APPOINTED BY THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR.

THE FOLLOWING TRADITIONAL LEADERS HAVE BEEN SLECTED: CHIEF IBEDUL GIBBONS AND CHIED REKLAI LOMISANF OF PALAU; CHIEF JOSEPH KINTOKI AND MAYOR FUCHITA BOSSY FROM TRUK; CHIEFS FRANCISCO LUKTUN AND BELARMINO HATHEY OF YAP; NANMWARKI MAX IRIARTE AND NANIKEN HEINRICH STEPHEN FROM PONAPE DISTRICT; FRANCISCO T. PALACIOS, REPRESENTING THE CAROLINIAN COMMUNITY ON SAIPAN, WAS APPOINTED BY THE MARIANAS DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR, WHILE FIDEL MANGLONA OF ROTA WAS SELECTED BY THE HOLD-OVER COMMITTEE OF THE MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE.

LEGISLATURE PRESIDENT VICENTE N. SANTOS STATED THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF MANGLONA, WHO IS FROM ROTA, TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WAS AN ATTEMPT TO CREATE EQUAL REPRESENTATION IN THE MARIANAS FROM EACH OF THE MAJOR ISLANDS OF SAIPAN, TINIAN AND ROTA.

(PEACE CORPS TRAINEES)

SAIPAN, JULY 3 (MNS)---ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT NEW PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS ARE CURRENTLY UNDERGOING A TEN-WEEK TRAINING PROGRAM TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE CUSTOMS AND CULTURES OF MICRONESIANS, ACCORDING TO STAN DRUBEN, TT DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PEACE CORPS.

THE TRAINING PROGRAM BEGAN THIS WEEK AT SEVEN DIFFERNT SITES, ONE IN EACH DISTRICT IN ADDITION TO ULITHI ATOLLI IN YAP DISTRICT. ACCORDING TO DRUBEN, EACH PROGRAM IS HEADED BY A PROJECT DIRECTOR AND STAFFS OF DIFFERENT SIZES DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF TRAINEES.

THE PROGRAMS IS DIVIDED INTO THREE PARTS, HE SAYS. THEY ARE TECHNICAL TRAINING --WHICH WILL PREPARE TEACHER IN CERTAIN TECHNIQUES OF TEACHING HER IN MICRONESIA; LANGUAGE; AND CROSS-CULTURE TRAINING, AN EFFORT TO TEACH THE NEW PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS THE CULTURES IN MICRONESIA AND TO GET THE VOLUNTEERS TO SEE THE DIFFERENT STYLES OF LIFE IN MICRONESIA COMPARED TO THE UNITED STATES.

MOST OF THE NEW VOLUNTEERS WILL BE IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION. THE NUMBER OF TRAINEES ASSIGNED TO EACH DISTRICT ARE AS FOLLOWS: IN THE MARIANAS, EIGHT TRAINEES WILL BE COMMISSIONER ASSISTANTS AND TWO WILL WORK IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION; IN PALAU, ONE ARCHITECT, 25 ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TEACHERS AND 12 SECONDARY EDUCATION TEACHERS; IN TRUK, 38 IN SECONDARY EDUCATION; IN PONAPE, 23 WILL TEACH AT THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL, 9 WILL WORK AS FIELD DISPENSARY ADVISORS AND SEVEN AS MAGISTRATES ASSISTANTS; AND IN THE MARSHALLS, 13 WILL TEACH AT THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL.

(UCLA DEAN TO VISIT)

SAIPAN, JULY 3 (MNS)---THE DEAN OF UCLA'S LAW SCHOOL

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WILL ARRIVE ON SAIPAN MONDAY (JULY 8) TO MEET WITH TRUST TERRITORY OFFICIALS.

ACCORDING TO DAVID BROWN, A UCLA LAW INTERN, DEAN MURRAY SCHWARTZ WILL MEET WITH HIGH COMMISSIONER EDWARD JOHNSTON, NEIMAN CRALEY, SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, THE JUDICIARY, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE, AND THE MICRONESIAN LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION. SCHWARTZ, BROWN SAID, WILL LEAVE SAIPAN ON JULY 11.

SCHWARTZ IS TOURING ASIA AND IS USING THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE THE UCLA - MICRONESIA LAW INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS. "THIS IS THE FIRST TIME," BROWN SAID, "A UCLA OFFICIAL OF SUCH IMPORTANCE WILL VISIT THE TRUST TERRITORY." ASSISTANT DEAN MICHAEL RAPPAPORT, A FORMER PEACE CORPS ATTORNEY IN MICRONESIA, HAS VISITED IN THE PAST.

THE UCLA INTERNSHIP PROGRAM BEGAN IN 1970. IT ALLOWS SECOND OR THIRD YEAR LAW STUDENTS TO SPEND A QUARTER TERM EARNING ACADEMIC CREDIT WHILE WORKING IN THE TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT.

THE UCLA INTERNS NOW SERVING IN THE TT ARE: DAVID BROWN, MARK HUEBSCH, AND BLAIR FARR IN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE; GARY SOWARDS, JUDICIARY; AND, DAVID WEISBROT WHO IS INTERNING WITH THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA. LINDA KAY, A LAW STUDENT AT GOLDEN GATE COLLEGE, IS ALSO INTERNING IN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

(TRUKESSES LEARNS OF FATHER'S FATE-AN MNS FEATURE)

SAIPAN, JULY 3 (MNS)---YEARS OF LONELY SEARCHING HAVE FINALLY ENDED FOR SEIKO KIRACHIKU.

NOW 31, KIRACHIKU HAS SPENT THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS TRYING TO LOCATE HIS FATHER WHOM HE NEVER MET. LAST MONTH, HOWEVER, WITH THE HELP OF THE TRUST TERRITORY'S OKINAWA LIAISON OFFICER JESSE QUIGLEY AND SHIGETO MATSUMORA, AN OKINAWAN BUSINESSMAN, HE HAS FINALLY LEARNED OF HIS FATHER'S FATE.

KENKICHI HESHIKI WAS AN OKINAWAN SAILOR STATIONED ON TOL ISLANDS IN TRUK DURING THE EARLY 1940'S SEIKO WAS BORN IN 1943 AND SOON AFTER THAT HIS FATHER WAS SENT BACK TO OKINAWA BY THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES. SEIKO AND HIS TRUKESSE MOTHER REMAINED ON TOL.

WHEN JESS QUIGLEY WAS THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR IN TRUK, FROM 1968, SEIKO WAS HIS GRADENER. SEIKO OFTEN TOLD MRS. QUIGLEY THAT HE WANTED TO BECOME A SAILOR. HIS OPPORTUNITY CAME WHEN HE WAS HIRED AS STEWARDS HELPER ON THE M.V. JAMES COOK. "THAT WAS THE DIRTIEST, LONGEST, AND MOST THANKLESS JOB ON THE SHIP," SAID QUIGLEY, "BUT SEIKO SAYS TODAY THAT HE DID WELL BECAUSE MRS. QUIGLEY TOLD HIM HE COULD DO ALMOST ANYTHING IF HE WOEKED VERY HARD. DID ALL ASSIGNED TO HIM AND THEN DID SOMETHING EXTRA."

QUIGLEY WAS SENT TO OKINAWA AS THE TRUST TERRITORY LIAISON OFFICER SOON AFTER THAT. SHIGETO MATSUMORA, PRESIDENT OF NEW OKINAWA CONTRACT K.K., MET SEIKO IN YAP DURNING ONE OF HIS FREQUENT TRIPS TO MICRONESIA. QUIGLEY HAD TOLD MATSUMORA OF SEIKO'S PLIGHT.

"THE ENTIRE CREDIT FOR LOCATING SEIKO'S FAMILY," QUIGLEY SAID, "GOES TO MR. MATSUMORA. HE MADE HIS HIS PERSONAL CONCERN."

IN OKINAWA, MATSUMORA SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME AND MUCH OF HIS OWN MONEY TRYING TO LOCATE SEIKO KIRACHIKU'S FATHER. HE HAD LOCAL NEWSPAPERS IN OKINAWA PRINT SEIKO'S STORY, AND HE FOLLOWED EVERY LEAD BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION. FINALLY, MATSUMORA RECEIVED HIS FIRST SUBSTANTIAL LEAD LAST MAY.

THE OKINAWA NEWSPAPER, "RYUKU SHRIMPO," RECOUNTS THE

STORYC: AN OKINAWAN CONFECTIONER, SEISAKU HESHIKI, TOLD MATSUMORA THAT HE WAS RELATED TO SEIKO. MATSUMORA WENT IMMEDIATELY TO HESHIKI'S HOME.

"YOU LOOK JUST LIKE HIM." HE SAID. SESHIKI, 43, SAID HE WAS THE SECOND SON OF KENKICHI HESHIKI, AND REMEMBERED HIS FATHER HAS SPOKEN OF A SON IN TRUK NAMED SEIKO.

MATSUMORA'S HAPPINESS WAS TEMPERED BY THE NEW THAT SEIKO'S FATHER HAD DIED IN 1950. HESHIKI'S OKINAWAN FAMILY INCLUDED SIX CHILDREN.

SEIKO'S HALF BROTHER SAID, "OUR FATHER TOLD US OF THE CHILD HE HAD LEFT BEHIND IN THE TRUK ISLANDS. HE USED TO SAY THAT HE COULD TRY TO SEE HIM IF HE COULD GO OVER THERE AGAIN."

"AFTER ALL, MR. KIRACHIKU IS A HESHIKI," MATSUMORA SAID. "HE DOES NOT HAVE THE FORTUNE TO SEE HIS FATHER ALIVE, ALIVE, BUT SEIKO WILL CERTAINLY BE PLEASED TO KNOW THAT HIS IMMEDIATE RELATIVES HERE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING HIM."

SEIKO'S OKINAWAN RELATIVES AGREED TO PURCHASE A PLANE TICKET TO HAVE HIM VISIT THEM. "OUR DECEASED FATHER," SEISAKU HESHIKI SAID, "WOULD BE PLEASED."

MRS. MATSU HESHIKI, NOW 78, SAID THAT SHE WOULD GIVE SEIKO "A WARM RECEPTION." KENKICHI'S OKINAWAN WIFE, SHE SAID, "I BLAME NONE OF THESE THINGS THAT ATE NOW LONG PAST."

MATSUMORA, WHO HAS BEEN THROUGH MICRONESIA MANY TIMES, SAID THAT HE HAS MET MANY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE NAMES OF OKINAWAN DESCENT. "THEY ALL SPEAK TO ME IN A FRIENDLY WAY," HE SAID, "AS THEY SAY THAT THEIR FATHERS, TOO, ARE OF OKINAWAN ORIGIN. HERE I AGAIN FIND WHAT THE WAR HAS LEFT FOR US TO REMEMBER IN GRIEF."

(NOTE TO EDITORS AND NEWS DIRECTORS: THURSDAY, JULY 4, IS A HOLIDAY IN THE TRUST TERRITORY. CONSEQUENTLY GOVERNMENT OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED AND THERE WILL BE NO MNS DISPATCH FOR THAT DATE.)