

ance in a libel case had determined by the court in the first place," said Shapiro, "and that in determining whether or not there was actual malice, the court itself could disbelieve any witnesses he wanted to and could make any inferences he wanted to."

The court, (Duenas) stated that there was not sufficient evidence to go to the jury on the basis of the standard which he applied.

The Appeals Court disagreed finding, "Judgement was entered for Ysrael, Plaintiffs appeal and we reverse."

Ysrael was appointed a member of the Guam Territorial School Board by the Governor of Guam in 1970. The GFT strenuously objected to the appointment and the matter developed into a public row. In the course of it Ysrael caused various statements about the union and its officers to be published in the Pacific Daily News.

The Appeals court has

whether what he said was true. "He repeatedly admitted that he did nothing, or almost nothing to verify his charges. As to most statements, he repeatedly admitted that he knew of no facts to support them, he either relied upon unspecified rumor or upon nothing at all," according to the Appeals Court.

The court said that Ysrael's counsel did not really dispute the foregoing general propositions. He argued that they do not apply to this type of case. And the court also found that Duenas erred in granting the motion for directed judgement.

Circuit Judge Wallace, concurring and dissenting said: "I concur that the trial judge applied the wrong standard when he granted the motion for a directed verdict. I believe the majority opinion describes the proper standard to be applied."

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ous ruling by our peers. We are willing to put the facts in

Sanction

After a special executive board of officers of the Guam Federation of Teachers' membership at its February 1 meeting.

GFT Executive Secretary Teg Governor Camacho should sign. Legislature passed last Thursday provisions in Bill 378 which membership's motion to invoke

Primary reasons given for the is still the only law affecting Legislature provided nothing contract teacher in the form of Legislature's new bill Bill No. taking away benefits from near teachers without adequate compensation.

Other reasons for the executive still necessary for the school's Education and the School Circumventions of the negotiated

The teachers' union is calling meeting for this coming Friday Washington Junior High School discussing the sanctions and relations of the union to obtain proper, teachers.

Governor Asks Interior For \$55 Million For Public Works

Gannett News Service

WASHINGTON — Guam's Gov. Carlos Camacho has asked the Interior Department and the Office of Management and Budget to help his island territory get \$55 million as the federal share to start a six-year public works program.

The Interior Department's Office of Territories received a copy of the Governor's request this week. The money would be used as part of a projected \$733 million effort from fiscal 1975 through fiscal 1979 to provide Guam with improved water, sewer and power facilities, among other public projects.

The massive effort is seen as an attempt to extend the benefits of Guam's Rehabilitation Loan Program, a 10-year effort at assisting the island in recovery from typhoon Karen, that expired last year. Money for that rebuilding program is still in the pipeline, however, and the interior budget for fiscal 1975 proposes to disburse \$4.1 million for loans and \$2.3 million in grants from that source. Besides that, Interior has also asked for \$1 million in economic development loan. Of that \$7.4 million package,

only the \$1 million loan is considered "new money" requiring congressional approval.

An important member of Congress in territorial affairs, Rep. Julia Butler Hansen, D-Washington, announced this week that she was retiring from Congress after this year. Mrs. Hansen, chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on the Interior since 1967, presides over the budget for the Interior Department, including its territorial responsibilities in Guam and the Micronesian Trust Territory.

Next in line of succession on the subcommittee is Rep. Sidney Yates, D-Illinois, a liberal from Chicago who has also been regarded as a friend of the territories.

Stanley Carpenter, director of the Office of Territories, said in a statement from Honolulu that he was sorry to hear of Mrs. Hansen's plan to retire. Carpenter praised her "relentless pursuit of improved fiscal management" and said "her tireless efforts to ferret out waste while supporting our requests for greatly increased appropriations over the years

have prodded us all to do our jobs more effectively."

Carpenter said he and other territorial officials "look forward to our round of budget hearings before her as chairman of the subcommittee this spring." Mrs. Hansen, known for her sharp tongue and rough wit, opens Interior hearings Feb. 25 with Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton as the first witness to defend the department's budget.