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October 25, 1963 -- The reassignment of Mr. Leo A. Falcam of Ponape as Special Assistant to the Ponape District Administrator, Mr. Robert Halvorsen, was announced today by the Office of the High Commissioner. Mr. Falcam is the second Micronesian to be appointed to such a high post in the field of Public Administration--Takeo Yano of Palau, who was appointed last March as Palau Assistant District Administrator, being the first appointee to a senior administrative position.

Mr. Falcam comes from Awah Village in Uh Municipality, Ponape District. Following completion of high school education in the Philippines, he attended the University of Hawaii, first under a Trust Territory scholarship and then later had the distinction of being the first Micronesian student to be awarded an East-West scholarship. He graduated in June of 1962 from that institution with a B.A. degree in Political Science. Following his graduation, Mr. Falcam joined the Trust Territory Headquarters Political Affairs Section where he worked as assistant political affairs officer until his recent reassignment to Ponape District.