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TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS, SAIPAN, MARIANA ISLANDS.

October 28, 1963 -- The Office of the High Commissioner announced today that the Trust Territory Government, represented by Yap District Administrator Maynard Neas as Contracting Officer, and the Yap Trading Company have executed a contract for the manufacture of concrete building blocks in such quantities as the Government may require by written order. Mr. Linus Ruuamau of the Yap Trading Company signed the contract for the contractor. The contract includes labor and certain services by the contractor with the Trust Territory Government providing the materials.

With the execution of this contract, it is expected that Yap District Administrator will order blocks required for five of the new schools on Yap Islands proper. Blocks are immediately needed for following elementary school constructions: Maap, 3 classrooms; Tomil, 4 classrooms; Gagil, 3 classrooms; and Rumung and North Fanif, one classroom each.

The new schools are being constructed under the joint efforts of the District Administration and the municipal governments concerned. The majority of labor provided by the municipal government is donated by the residents of the municipality in an effort to support the accelerated universal education program. The Yapese communities have similarly supported past school constructions under grant-in-aids by matching funds provided by the Trust Territory Administration and donating labor for construction.