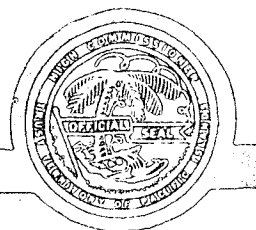


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Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Dec. 9 . . . Official election results from Ponape District in the recent election to the Congress of Micronesia confirm Dr. Hiroshi Ismael's election to the Senate. He unseated incumbent Dr. Eliuel Pretrick.

Elected to the House of Representatives were:

11th Rep. District (Kusaie, Pingelap)

Joab Sigras

12th Rep. Dist. (Sokehs, Mokil, Ngatik, Nukuoro, Kapingamarangi)

Bethwel Henry

13th Rep. Dist. (Uh, Net, Kolonia)

Ambilos Ieshi

14th Rep. Dist. (Metalanim, Kiti)

Daro Weital

Ponape

Marshalls

Biographical sketches of new congressmen follow:

Senator-elect Dr. Hiroshi Ismael, present Assistant Medical Officer

at Truk Hospital, was born on Kusaie, Ponape, in 1936. He received his education at OHWA Protestant Mission Pre-pastoral School in Ponape and the Trust Territory School of Nursing in Palau from 1956-1958. He graduated from the Fiji School of Medicine with honors in 1964.

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Joab Sigras was born in 1932 in Tafunsak, Kusaie, in Ponape District. He received his education at PICS, Lahainaluna High School in Hawaii, and the University of Hawaii. He is a member of the Ponape District Legislature serving as Parliamentarian and floor leader. In 1963,

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he served as a Delegate to the Council of Micronesia.

Ambilos Ieshi, Ponape Political Affairs Advisor, was born in 1935 in Pingelap, Ponape District. He holds an A.A. degree from the College of Guam and a B.A. degree in political science from the University of Hawaii. He served as an interpreter in the first session of the Congress of Micronesia.

Daro Weital, Supervisor at the Micronesian Teacher Education Center in Ponape was born in 1932 in Net, Ponape District. He holds a B.S. in Elementary Education from the Philippine Normal College. Mr. Weital is an active member of various social, educational, and advisory committees.

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