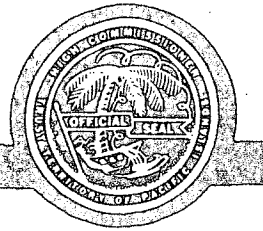


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Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Dec. 28 . . . Truk District Administrator Alan M. MacQuarrie has requested the aid of the Commander of the Naval Forces/Marianas to institute a sea air rescue search for three unidentified residents of Magur Island in Namonuito Atoll, who were last seen northeast of that island on December 22. As radio contacts with other islands in the area failed, to locate the men, the Truk District Administration suspects the canoe might have capsized as there has been rough water in that area since the canoe was last sighted. There were no identifying marks on the canoe.

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