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N. NEIMAN CRALEY APPOINTED ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands,
Jan. 5 . . . N. Neiman Craley, Jr., former member of the U. S.
House of Representatives from Pennsylvania, has been appointed
Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs, replacing John E. de Young
who has transferred to the Department of the Interior as Deputy
Assistant Director of the Office of Territories. Mr. Craley is
expected to assume his new duties in Saipan some time in the latter
part of January.

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In announcing Mr. Craley's appointment, High Commissioner W. R.
Norwood stated: "I am very pleased that we have been able to recruit
Mr. Craley to succeed Mr. de Young whose wide administrative experience
and broad knowledge of the Trust Territory have made selection of a
replacement a difficult problem.

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"Mr. Craley's experience as a member of the U.S. Congress and as
a member of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs should,
however, provide a very helpful background for his new assignment.

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"We are entering a period of increasing political activity in
Micronesia pointing toward the time in the not too distant future when
the political trusteeship status of the Trust Territory may take some
new form.

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"For that reason, among others, I believe it is appropriate and fortunate to have a person with Mr. Craley's background as the new Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs."

Mr. Craley is familiar with the Trust Territory. During his term in the 89th Congress, he was a member of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. During that time, he attended, as an observer, a session of the Trusteeship Council in June of 1965, and in July was an official representative of the Committee and the U.S. Congress at the first session of the Congress of Micronesia. Later, in the fall of 1965, he was a member of a Congressional group which made an inspection tour of the Trust Territory.

N. Neiman Craley, Jr., was born in Red Lion, Pennsylvania, November 17, 1927. He attended Gettysburg College, Pennsylvania, majoring in economics and minoring in political science, graduating in 1950 with a B.A. degree and a commission in the U.S. Air Force Reserve.

After graduation he began work for the Red Lion Furniture Company in the Sales Department and became Sales Manager of that concern in August 1950, a position which he held until September 1953 when he became Acting President. He assumed the position of President and Managing Director in January 1954 and occupied that position until he sold the company in October 1965.

During that period of time, Mr. Craley was active in many civic affairs within the greater York County area. He was appointed a

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charter member of the York County Planning Commission and served as a Director and as first Treasurer of that organization. He was also appointed a member of the Charter Study Committee for York City--the committee responsible for drawing up the administrative code for York City's new "strong mayor" form of government. In addition, he served as an officer and director in many industrial, retail, and banking institutions and is a member and teacher of St. Paul's Lutheran Sunday School.

During the same period he was an Instructor at York Junior College, teaching economics and history.

In February 1962, Mr. Craley was appointed Chairman of the York County Democratic Committee and occupied the post of Chairman until March of 1964 when he resigned to become a candidate for the United States Congress.

Mr. Craley is married and has four children.

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