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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA FORESTRY SCHOOL AWARDED

Truk

Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Feb. 8 . . . James Remarii and Isamu Towaii of Palau have been awarded special scholarships to the Papua and New Guinea Forestry School at Bulolo. The students left Guam February 6, 1967 via Manila and Sydney to begin their studies in forest technology. Both of the students are graduates of the Trust Territory Farm Institute at Ponape.

Ponape

Remarii and Towaii are the first Micronesians to study forestry. The Papua and New Guinea Forestry School offers a three year course and upon satisfactory completion students are awarded a diploma. The school's curriculum in forestry education covers four major fields: forest biology; forest management; forest economics, policy and administration; and wood technology and utilization. The Bulolo campus has easy access to vast natural forests--from lowland rain forests to the cool temperate forests at altitudes of over 7,000 feet.

Marshall

Yap

This forestry training for the two students was made possible through the cooperation of the South Pacific Commission and the Territory of Papua and New Guinea. Additional students will be selected for training in this program over the next 3 or 4 years.

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TRUST TERRITORY AGRICULTURISTS PARTICIPATE IN EAST-WEST CENTER PLANT QUARANTINE TRAINING

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Saipan, Mariana Islands, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Feb. 8 . . . Five Micronesians of the Agriculture Division were selected to attend the third three-month training course in Plant Quarantine Procedures and Techniques. The course will begin Feb. 1 and is sponsored by the Institute of Technical Interchange of the E-W Center in Hawaii, in cooperation with the University of Hawaii.

Ponape

According to Director of Agriculture M. N. Sproat, those selected were Bernard V. Hofschneider of Tinian, training group leader; Francisco G. Villagomez, Saipan, Matakichy N. Ngirmidol, Yap; Critin L. Philip, Kusaie; Niro Tucherur, Palau.

Marshalls

Dr. Y. Baron Goto, Vice Chancellor of the East-West Center's Institute for Technical Interchange, announced that other participating territories include Tonga, Western Samoa, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Tahiti, American Samoa, and British Solomon Islands.

Yap

Resource teacher-trainers will be provided from the staff of the Division of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, State of Hawaii and from the Plant Quarantine Division, Agricultural Research Service, USDA. As in the past two courses, Dr. Horace F. Clay, Program Director, ITI, E-W Center, will be director-supervisor.

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