

# DAILY BULLETIN

OFFICE OF SAMOAN INFORMATION

## PAGO PAGO

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### CHICAGO NEWSPAPER ARTICLE SAYS SAMOA SUFFERS TOURISM GROWING PAINS

The Chicago Tribune has published an article by travel writer Thomas Lesure saying that tourism in American Samoa -- though currently going through "growing pains" -- is headed for new and better things.

Lesure, who came here last July aboard one of the Matson cruise ships, says many of the growing pains center around American Samoa's new hotel, the Pago Pago Intercontinental. Lesure says some complaints are related to high prices and the general inexperience of the all-Samoan (except for management) staff at the hotel.

But Lesure points out that while the hotel prices are high by Samoan standards they are "on a par with those charged in Tahiti and other islands in French Polynesia for comparable accommodations."

One of Lesure's main points is that "tourists and localites feel there is a great need for good, medium-price accommodations that would be economically more attractive to families and to other South Pacific nationals who'd like to vacation in Samoa but currently are scared away by the prices."

Despite these and other problems related to a "shake-down period" of getting operations to run smoothly, Lesure says the current "tempest in a teapot" about tourism in American Samoa "is a healthy one that portends a better and more realistic -- and perhaps somewhat cheaper -- vacation situation for mainlanders seeking a still relatively unspoiled bit of the South Seas that's a part of America."

### PAN AMERICAN FACES POSSIBLE STRIKE

The Transport Workers Union of America has set noon Friday (6 a.m. Samoan time) as the deadline for a strike by 12,000 operational personnel of Pan American World Airways.

Since Pan Am is the only airline linking American Samoa with Hawaii and the mainland U.S., such a strike could tie up all passenger and air freight traffic between Samoa and the U.S. Donald Pegues, district traffic sales manager for Pan Am in Pago Pago, says he has heard nothing from Pan Am headquarters as to the possibility of a strike.

Pan Am spokesmen in Hawaii and New York, in the meantime, have expressed optimism that a settlement will be reached without a stoppage. United Press International reported last night that tomorrow is the deadline for a cooling-off period between the company and the transport workers.

The union includes the mechanics and ground crews that service Pan American planes.

### RUN-OFF ELECTION RESULTS

The top two House of Representatives candidates in seven counties who did not receive a majority of the votes cast in their county November 19 competed in run-off elections Saturday. Here are the results of that election, as released yesterday afternoon by Election Commissioner Fofō I.F. Sunia. (I) indicates incumbent.

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Sua County:

Vaimaona Foloi 261  
 Vaiala'au Siliga (I) 246

Vaifanua County:

Soli Aumoeualogo (I) 270  
 Laloulu Tagoilelagi 196

Sa'ole County:

Leagai Fonoti 181  
 Vaiula Tuato'o 162

Ma'oputasi County No. 2

Mageo Felise 148  
 Polo Manuma 109

Itu'au County

Tele'a Faleali'i 281  
 Mafua Atuatasi 191

Ta'u County

Fa'afetai Lefiti 109  
 Mailo Niumata (I) 87

Ofu County

Saleapaga Tilofa'i 103  
 Tili Vasega (I) 85

LAST-MINUTE CHRISTMAS MAIL DEADLINES NEAR

Last-minute deadlines for Christmas surface mail are near, according to Postmistress Jane Uhrle. Gift parcels and holiday greetings will go aboard the Matson freighter Sierra when it docks here this Saturday.

Saturday noon, the closing time for the post office, is the deadline for this mail shipment. Mrs. Uhrle said that packages sent north aboard the Sierra are reasonably certain to be delivered in time for Christmas to west coast destinations, and, if they make good connections, may reach points in the eastern United States as well.

The next scheduled shipment of surface mail will be aboard the Matson passenger liner Monterey, which will be in port Sunday, Dec. 11. Deadline for posting of mail for that shipment will be Saturday noon, Dec. 10.

Mrs. Uhrle added that other northbound ships may also be engaged to carry surface mail between now and the holidays, and that deadlines for these will be made public.

Good news for local holders of A.P.O. and F.P.O. numbers, such as Coast Guard and Air Force personnel, is that their mail will be airlifted on a space available basis. This will apply as long as the A.P.O. and F.P.O. numbers are used in the return address, and even though the packages or letters carry only postage sufficient for surface mail.

Mrs. Uhrle reminded everyone to use ZIP code numbers for speedier sorting and delivery of mail. She cautioned that parcels should be packed well to reduce chances of breakage, wrapped with strong paper, tied with stout twine and addressed clearly.

SONOMA AGAIN DELAYED; NOW DUE ON THURSDAY

The Matson freighter Sonoma has been delayed a second time, according to Port Director Fred Uhrle, and is now scheduled to dock in Pago Pago at 10:30 a.m. this Thursday, Dec. 1. The ship will bring mail and freight from the United States.

Yesterday the Norwegian freighter Thor I arrived in port on its regular south-bound run.

TELEVISION FOR TONIGHT

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| 7:00 | Friendly Giant                         | 8:27 | Tala 'Ese 'Ese (Today's News)           |
| 7:14 | What's New                             | 8:57 | You Are There: "Chicago Fire"           |
| 7:43 | Olaga Manuia: "Fisheries Introduction" | 9:22 | British Calendar                        |
| 7:57 | Funny Company                          | 9:37 | Americans At Work: "Musicians"          |
| 8:02 | Soifua Fa'a Samoa (Samoan Customs)     | 9:50 | N.E.T. - Journal: "Vanishing Newspaper" |