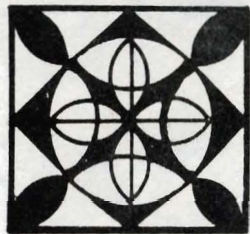


# NEWS

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# BULLETIN

FOR THE PEOPLE OF AMERICAN SAMOA, PAGO PAGO.

## LEGISLATURE OF AMERICAN SAMOA MOVES INTO SECOND DAY OF BUDGET HEARINGS

The legislature of American Samoa moved into the second day of hearings on preliminary budget recommendations for fiscal year 1969. In what Governor Owen S. Aspinall called at yesterday's opening session, one of the territory's most important "firsts," the legislators are expected to interrogate government officials at length.

For the first time in its history, the American Samoa legislature now has the right to make its own budget recommendations, with or without the consent of the governor.

In explaining the highly-complicated business of a budget, Governor Aspinall yesterday took the legislators on a guided tour of the long journey a budget must take from its beginning here until it finally reaches the Congress of the United States.

Even after a budget is hammered out here, he said, it must pass review of such groups in Washington, D. C., as the Bureau of Budgets, a committee in the Department of Interior, and appropriation committees of both the House and Senate -- not to mention subcommittees of the House and Senate.

Moreover, Governor Aspinall said, all budgets will come under unusual scrutiny this year because of mounting expenses of the war in Viet Nam.

President Johnson has already set down a guideline that the proposed 1969 budgets must not exceed those of 1968 by more than 10 per cent.

The proposed budget for 1969 exceeds slightly the 10 per cent increase figure.

Meanwhile, Governor Aspinall said that officials have already ordered a 15 per cent slash in the present budget. He said he was negotiating with Washington to work out a satisfactory solution.

Governor Aspinall told the legislators, "This group has the right to recommend construction projects and projects other than those now listed." However, he said, he was "going after roads, water, communications and those projects we already have under way."

The governor requested that one item be inserted in the budget that had been omitted, that of a tugboat for harbor use.

## TV FOR TONIGHT

CHANNEL 4: (5:00) Music (7:00) News (English) (7:15) Funny Company (7:20) Friendly Giant (7:34) McHale's Navy: "The Day The War Stood Still" (8:00) What's New (8:32) Perry Mason: "Tandem Target". CHANNEL 5: (5:00) Music (7:00) Friendly Giant (7:14) News (Samoan) (7:34) McHale's Navy: "The Day The War Stood Still" (8:00) Olaga Manuia (8:32) Perry Mason: "Tandem Target" (9:22) You Are There: "Alexander The Great" (9:48) News (English).

Legislature Of American Samoa Moves Into Second Day Of Budget Hearings (cont'd)

Here are some figures gleaned from the voluminous preliminary budget for fiscal year 1969:

- Operating costs of government: \$9,298,821 -- up \$820,592.
- Construction: \$2,837,000 -- up \$1,035,880.
- Sub-total, grants: \$12,135,821 -- up \$1,856,472.
- Local revenues: \$3,628,860 -- up \$302,773.
- Net grants required: \$8,506,961 -- up \$1,553,699.
- Total direct appropriations and grants: \$8,928,998 -- up \$1,604,207.

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President of the Senate A.P. Lauvao-Lolo, on behalf of the legislature, expressed appreciation for "a comprehensive explanation of budget proceedings which will go a long way toward making our job easier."

Lolo said the legislature must procede with caution in this new area of authority it now has.

The afternoon session of the budget hearing was given over to lengthy interrogation of Comptroller Ronald Peterson. Most of the questions involved interpretation of budget figures, particularly involving those of revenue sources.

19-YEAR-OLD AIFILI LAUVAO OF AUNU'U WINS NAME-THE-BOAT CONTEST

A 19-year-old youth from Aunu'u has won the \$25 prize put up by the Department of Agriculture for his entry in the department's "name-the-boat" contest.

Aifili Lauvao came up with the winning name of "Tautai ā'e" for the new, 33-foot experimental fishing boat, presumably enroute now by freighter from the mainland.

The Samoan word "Tautai ā'e" means a salutation or expression of good luck to the fisherman returning from the sea, according to Fisheries Supervisor Dick Holloway.

Holloway said it was difficult to pick a winner from the 116 entries, many of them submitted from Western Samoa. However, Holloway said, the judges felt "Tautai ā'e" best expressed the purpose for which the boat will be used and the spirit of the Samoan people.

The "Tautai ā'e" will be used as a pilot boat in developing an in-shore fishing industry for American Samoa.

Lauvao will be presented at the formal commissioning of the boat at ceremonies scheduled for Sept. 9.

AMERICAN SAMOA WILL OBSERVE LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 4, AS A HOLIDAY

Governor Owen S. Aspinall today decreed that American Samoa shall observe Labor Day, Monday, September 4.

"All offices will be closed and all unnecessary activities will be suspended for that day," the governor said in a memorandum.

Employees of the government who are not required to perform essential services shall be excused from duty. Those who are required to work will be eligible to receive compensatory time off at the administrative convenience of the department directors.

U-H ADMINISTRATION TOLD TO EXPLAIN ACTIONS IN DENYING TENURE TO DR. LEE

HONOLULU, (UPI) - The executive committee of the University of Hawaii faculty senate has told the administration that it should reverse its decision to deny tenure to Dr. Oliver Lee, or release the reasons why tenure was refused. The committee said it is not clear if the administration was right in sending the controversial professor a letter of intent and then revoking it. So they have asked that the matter be brought out into the open and investigated.