

BULLETIN

FOR THE PEOPLE OF AMERICAN SAMOA, PAGO PAGO.

Eleventh War Victim Buried

Funeral services were held yesterday on Aunu'u for Fiapa'i Fanua Jr., the eleventh serviceman to be killed on the Viet Nam War.

Fiapa'i, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fiapa'i Fanua, Sr., was killed in action while on a patrol in Quant Tri Province in Viet Nam.

He was a graduate of vocational school of Samoana High School and was active in village affairs on Aunu'u.

His body arrived by air Saturday night, escorted by Marine Staff Sergeant Fred Daumalder. It was taken to Aunu'u on the Manusina yesterday morning.

Legislature Continues Session

The Legislature continued its special session today with consideration of a request for an appropriation for the Samoan pay raise.

The session began Wednesday with members of the House and Senate sitting as a committee-of-the whole.

Friday the committee approved the appropriation of \$25,000 for a study of medical care in the territory. The measure still must be debated and acted upon in each house before it is finally approved.

The lawmakers met Saturday morning with a delegation of West Coast educators which is making a survey of the American Samoa school system.

COCONUT OIL IS SPOILING CHRISTMAS PACKAGES

Persons who are mailing coconut oil today were urged by Postmaster Jane Uhrle to pack it properly and to inform postal clerks that it is in the package.

She said some people have been sending it in glass jars which break and damage other packages in the mail bag.

Mrs. Uhrle urged persons who must mail it to put in an unbreakable plastic container with a tight lid and then to pack it in shredded paper or other soft material which will absorb it if it leaks.

OFFICIAL LICENSES TO BE ISSUED

Police Chief Larry Tu'ufuli today announced that 1969 official driver's licenses will be renewed beginning today.

He said the licenses will be issued only to persons who are authorized by their department head to use government vehicles. They must have a valid private license.

JAYCEES SOLICIT CONTEST PRIZES


The Finance Committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce today began soliciting contributions for prizes in the Christmas in Samoa contests. The Jaycees are sponsoring a Festival of Lights contest and a beautifi-

cation contest.

Deadline for entries is December 21 and officials said that a large number have entered.

The new Jaycee chapter held its first general meeting Friday in Sadie's Corner in the Pago Pago Inter-Continental Hotel. The speaker was Western District A. S. Fuimaono who said the group will offer an opportunity to young people to participate in the development of American Samoa. He urged the Jaycees to continue their efforts to beautify the island. The group voted to make Fuimaono an honorary Jaycee.

BOXING TONIGHT

 The American Samoa Amateur Boxing Association is sponsoring a special eight-bout card at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Lee Auditorium.

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APOLLO ASTRONAUTS TAKE FINAL PHYSICAL EXAMS

CAPE KENNEDY (UPI) - The three men who are slated to fly to the moon were undergoing physical examinations today. Astronauts Frank Borman, James Lovell and William Anders were getting their final medical checkouts before boarding Apollo 8 Saturday for a 280,000 mile Christmas time voyage.

All three crewmen were said to be in perfect physical condition. They've been immunized against Hong Kong flu. But they were staying close to their moonport quarters anyway to minimize the chance of catching cold. An infection would scrub the mission.

The final countdown for the lunar orbital flight began last night.

KENNEDY PRAISES
NATION'S YOUTH

SANTA CLARA, California (UPI) - Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy says the efforts of American youth brought about a bombing halt in Viet Nam and other major peace moves.

Receiving an honorary degree at the University of Santa Clara in California, last night, Kennedy told his audience that the lessons of Viet Nam are, "helping to ease racial tensions in this country." Kennedy said, "Last summer was the coolest summer in years.

And if Martin Luther King had not been killed, it would have been even cooler."

CRIME SHOWS
MAJOR INCREASE

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The nation's crime rate is sharply up again. The FBI today released its latest statistics. They said crime in the cities is up from last year by 21 percent, and in the suburbs has risen by 19 percent.

The violent crime category is even higher than the general figures, with a 22 percent rise. FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said the gun is getting more popular than ever. Its use in the commission of crimes has increased by about 25 percent over 1967.

But many authorities say the picture isn't as bad as it looks. Part of the rising crime figures are explained by much better reporting of statistics in recent years by local police agencies on whose figures the FBI totals are based.

HOOVER WILL REMAIN IN TOP FBI POST

WASHINGTON (UPI) - FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, who will be 74 years old on January 1, will be at his desk on inauguration day.

A spokesman for President-Elect Nixon said Hoover has agreed to stay on for another tour of duty.

Like President Johnson four years ago, Mr. Nixon must sign a waiver of the compulsory retirement age of 65 to allow Hoover to continue on the job.

COURT REFUSES TO RULE
ON RESERVE CALL-UP

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The Supreme Court today refused to step into the case of Army reservists fighting against duty in the Viet Nam war. The court refused to look into the government's right to call up reservists in such "undeclared wars." The government says the law allows the President to call up any reserve unit for a period up to 24 months of duty.

In other actions:

The court upheld a 1968 amendment to the Selective Service law. The provision requires that a man wishing to challenge his classification either submit to induction before filing suit or refuse induction and use his claims as a defense when prosecuted. The high court's ruling reversed a San Francisco court which had ruled the amendment unconstitutional.

The court ordered a stay in the merger of five railroads which want to join to create the nation's longest rail system, running from Chicago to Seattle and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. The court halted the merger until it decides whether or not to hear the Justice Department's case against the consolidation.

The justices refused to hear arguments on a Los Angeles court order which clamps a public muzzle on persons connected with the Robert Kennedy assassination case. Prosecuting Attorney Evelle Younger claimed the court-ordered gag would muffle free speech and give rise to irresponsible speculation about the assassination. Arab Immigrant Sirhan Sirhan stands trial for the murder in superior court January 6.

JORDAN CHARGES
ISRAEL WITH ATTACK

CAIRO (UPI) - Jordan reported an Israeli attack today on a settlement south of the Dead Sea. A Jordanian woman reportedly was killed during the shelling and five other persons were injured. Israeli spokesmen admit the attack, but say no casualties resulted.

In Cairo, the semi-official newspaper Al Ahram accused Israel's defense minister of "Blackmailing" the U. S. Today's report said Moshe Dayan is in the U. S. to pressure President-Elect Nixon into unlimited support of his country.