

Rains Bring Temporary Relief

Heavy rains during the Labor Day week and dumped about six inches of waters on Tutuila but the relief is temporary and more is needed before full recovery is made from the 4½ month drought.

Jim Lee, manager of the Maintenance and Operations Division said measurements in the Bay area showed a downpour of 2.5 inches Sunday and 2.3 inches Monday. A reading on last night's fall was not available.

Water rationing in the Bay area, which had been imposed for the second period during the lengthy drought about two weeks ago, was suspended during the week end.

"Right now we have plenty of water but it is a temporary situation," said Lee. "We are going to need several more rains like these before we are out of danger."

Lee said more rains will be needed to restore underground sources. One of them is the spring at the upper end of the Fagasa Reservoir which normally pours about 350,000 gallons of water daily into the reservoir. It will not be fully productive until more

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rains fall, Lee said.

He said the island's wells are producing at capacity but that when pumps, already on order, are installed on the well at Lyndon B. Johnson Tropical Medical Center between 300,000 and 400,000 gallons can be secured daily from there. He said it will be three or four months before the pumps can be installed.

"Our underground sources are the answer and we are still in trouble until they are built up," Lee said.

SHIPPING TRAFFIC FOR SEPTEMBER LISTED

Here is a schedule of ships due in Pago Pago Harbor during September: The Sonoma, September 3; the Fiji Maru, September 5; the Banshu Maru and Tenan Maru 8, September 8; The Tofua, September 12; The Gfasiella Zeta, September 12; The Tekai Maru, September 12; The Monterey, September 16; the Sierra, September 22; the Thor I, September 27.

CLUB NEEDS MANAGER

The Goat Island Club has an opening for a fulltime manager. Applications should be submitted in writing to the board of governors, P.O. Box 381. The salary is open. The deadline for applications is September 11.

GAS OFFERS OFFICE SPACE FOR BID

The Government today announced that it is placing up for bid Room 6, Building 9, which has 423 square feet of floor space. It is on the second floor of the building which houses the Office of Tourism.

The room can be used only for office space and not for the operation of a store or business. Bids must be in terms of dollars per month and must be in the Treasurer's Office not later than 2 p.m., September 13, when all bids will be opened. The bidder must be an American Samoan or American Samoa Organization. Bid forms may be obtained at the Treasurer's Office.

VIOLATIONS CLERK'S OFFICE OPENS

The new office of Violations Clerk Julius Lauvao opened today on the ground of the Police Station and, possibly because of the weather, business was slow.

The violations clerk can accept waivers, pleas of guilty and fines in minor traffic cases on which the violator formerly had to go to court. He may now appear before the violations clerk anytime within three days after he receives his citation and avoid a court appearance.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - Senator Eugene McCarthy today asked his supporters in Iowa to withdraw his name as a fourth party Presidential candidate in the state. McCarthy also repeated his statement he would not take part in any fourth party movement this year.

PRAGUE (UPI) - Political sources said here the Czechoslovakian Cabinet has met to consider a new nine-year economic pact with the Soviet Union. There were also reports that Czech Deputy Premier Ota Sik, a leader of the liberisation program, has been relieved of his post. Sik is now in Yugoslavia.

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NEW EARTHQUAKES ROCK TURKEY

ISTANBUL (UPI) - A severe earthquake ripped through Northwestern Turkey this morning, wrecking villages and spreading panic among residents in a 300-mile stretch of country.

The shock was also felt in Istanbul, but no damage was reported. Officials there said they fear a high death toll. Initial reports listed only 10 confirmed fatalities in and around a village near the Black Sea coast. Some 200 persons were reported injured in that area.

The Soviet press reported a strong tremor shook parts of the Soviet Republic of Armenia near the border with quake-stricken Iran today. No casualties were reported.

The gigantic rescue and clean-up operation continued in northeast Iran, where more than 20,000 persons died in weekend earthquakes.

EAST GERMAN TROOPS FIRST TO LEAVE CZECHOSLOVAKIA

PRAGUE (UPI) - Western military sources in Prague said the two East German divisions which took part in the Soviet-led invasion of Czechoslovakia have left the country. They're believed to be the first Warsaw Pact troops to be withdrawn from Czechoslovakia.

The Western sources said token East German units remain to demonstrate Communist solidarity among the invaders.

The remaining occupation troops are less visible in Prague and other Czech cities as ordinary civil life resumes. Tanks and troop carriers are parked in the suburbs or in side streets, and Soviet patrols now ride in jeeps instead of armored cars.

Late yesterday, the Czech cabinet met to discuss implementation of the new press censorship. The director of the censorship program said today all but two Prague newspapers and all radio stations are still under Soviet occupation.

The Czech official, Josef Bonhout, said publication and broadcasting will resume only when the occupying troops are withdrawn.

TERRORISTS BOMB AID OFFICE

SAIGON (UPI) - A pair of terrorists riding a motorbike lobbed a grenade into a Saigon building housing offices of the U.S. Agency for International Development today. Six Vietnamese were wounded.

One of the injured, a guard, said he fired into the air to stop the raiders, but they escaped despite an effort by South Vietnamese police and soldiers to cordon off a six-block area.

Military intelligence sources in the capital say the Communists apparently have postponed their all-out assault on the city, choosing instead to stage small-scale terrorist raids. Ground fighting in Viet Nam was light and scattered.

MULTIPLE TRANSPLANT PERFORMED IN BRAZIL

SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL (UPI)- Brazilian surgeons here performed the second quadruple-transplant operation in four days this morning. The heart, both kidneys and pancreas of a civil servant who died by suicide were distributed among four recipients. The heart transplant recipient is unofficially reported in "satisfactory" condition, the pancreas recipient is unidentified and one of the kidney recipients reportedly died. The first quadruple transplant surgery was performed in Houston on Saturday.

PANDAS CARRY ON COLD WAR

LONDON (UPI) - There's a definite freeze on East-West relations at the London Zoo. Chi-Chi, the British Panda, walked up to the Iron Curtain separating her from Russian Panda, An-An. She flicked her paw at the wire fence separating them, and left, with all the dignity a Panda can muster. Zoologists are afraid the snub means there'll be no co-operation between the two. They're the only two such animals that exist outside Communist China, and officials had hoped for more.

WANTS BAN ON AGGRESSION

GENEVA (UPI) - West Germany is still balking at signing The Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, but today West German Foreign Minister Willy Brandt proposed an even more ambitious pact. Addressing a meeting here of 86 non-nuclear countries, Brandt suggested a worldwide convention that would ban all types of "aggression," nuclear, conventional, biological and chemical. The West German official said only such a general ban on use of force can really promote international peace.