The Honorable M. YOUNG VIVIAN, Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission, and Mr. WILLIAM T. BROWN, Director of Programs, South Pacific Commission, will be on campus August 20 to 23. Mr. Vivian was appointed by the Eighteenth South Pacific Conference to succeed Dr. E. MACU SALATO as Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission, and he took up duty at the beginning of July.

Mr. Vivian comes from Niue. He is married, with seven children. He holds a Teachers' Certificate and a Diploma in the Teaching of English as a Second Language, and worked for some ten years as a teacher, first in New Zealand and then in Niue. Since 1969 he has been an Elected Member of the Niue Assembly. Before taking up his appointment with SPC, Mr. Vivian was Minister of Education, Agriculture, Economic Development, Cultural Activities and Women's, Youth and Sporting Activities, and Chairman of the Niue Development Board. He has also held the portfolios of Tourism, Forestry and Fisheries.

From 1970 to 1973 Mr. Vivian was a member of Niue's constitutional negotiation team. In 1973 and 1974 he attended sessions of the United Nations Fourth Committee as a member of the New Zealand mission to the United Nations to discuss Niue's constitutional status.

Mr. Vivian has travelled widely on behalf of the Niue Government, both within and beyond the SPC region. He has been leader or member of the Niue delegation at a number of international meetings, including six South Pacific Conferences.

He brings to the South Pacific Commission a wealth of first-hand knowledge of the region's development problems, and a sympathetic understanding of the needs of small Island countries and territories.

The agenda for Secretary-General Vivian's visit to Hawaii has been arranged by the Pacific Islands Studies Program and the President's Office East-West Center.
A seminar with the Secretary-General is scheduled for:

**Time:** 2:30 p.m.
Monday, August 20

**Place:** Social Science Research Institute
Conference Room, Porteus 704F

**HISA LUNCHEON WITH SECRETARY-GENERAL VIVIAN & MR. BROWN**
August 23

In addition to the above described seminar, the Pacific Islands Studies Program, the East-West Center, and the Hawaii International Services Agency (HISA) are sponsoring a luncheon meeting with Secretary-General VIVIAN and Mr. BROWN. A flier and reservations form for the luncheon appears as page 9 of this Newsletter.

**Time:** 12 Noon - 1:45 p.m.
Thursday, August 23

**Place:** Hawaiian Regent Hotel
Kamani Room

**PIP SEMINAR: SRI LANKA AND TOURISM**
August 24

Mr. JOHN AMARATUNG, Member of Parliament, Sri Lanka (District of Wattala) will speak at a PIP seminar on August 24. His subject will be on Sri Lanka's plans for the development of a tourist industry, and he will invite comments and observations about the development of tourism in other island nations.

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.
Friday, August 24

**Place:** Social Science Research Institute
Conference Room, Porteus 704F

**PIP SEMINAR: CONTEMPORARY PONAPEAN POLITICS**
August 28

The Department of Anthropology and the Pacific Islands Studies Program will cosponsor a seminar with Dr. GLENN PETERSEN, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Baruch College, The City University of New York. Dr. Petersen is an anthropologist who has been conducting research on contemporary Ponapean politics. He is returning from a summer’s fieldwork on Ponape and will discuss his recent research.

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 28

**Place:** Social Science Research Institute
Conference Room, Porteus 704F
The Honorable HARVEY FELDMAN was recently confirmed by the United States Senate as the new Ambassador to Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. He replaces Ambassador MARY OLMSTED. Ambassador Feldman will be en route to PNG in mid-September, and he will speak at a PIP seminar.

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Place:** Social Science Research Institute  
--- Conference Room, Porteus 704F

The following item, "Diplomatic Slip Borne in Silence," appeared in the *Washington Post*, July 26, 1979:

A senior U.S. senator today told an ambassador being appointed to Papua, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands: "Don't let the people like you so much they eat you up."

Sen. Claiborne Pell (D-R.I.), a former diplomat, made the remark lightheartedly during a Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing on the nomination of Harvey Feldman as ambassador to the two countries.

Pell's comment was met with a diplomatic silence. In the same hearing the senator asked Feldman: "The Solomon Islands. You hear a lot about them. Where exactly are they?"

On Tuesday, August 7, a PIP seminar was held with Ambassador PETER ROSENBLATT, President Carter's Personal Representative for the Micronesia Status Negotiations. Ambassador Rosenblatt had just returned from Micronesia, and he reported on the current status negotiations with the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, and Palau. The topic was of considerable interest; approximately 50 people attended.

On Monday, August 13, His Excellency PAULIAS N. MATANE, Papua New Guinea's Ambassador to the United Nations, United States, and Mexico and High Commissioner to Canada, spoke to a seminar cosponsored by the Pacific Islands Studies Program and Open Grants, East-West Center. His topic was contemporary political and economic development in Papua New Guinea.

U.S. OFFICE OF EDUCATION GRANT

The Pacific Islands Studies Program has received unofficial notice (phone conversation) that its grant from the U.S. Office of Education has been
renewed for a two year period. Funding for the coming September 1979 to
August 1980 year will be in the amount of $97,000.

PIP COURSES - FALL SEMESTER 1979

The Pacific Islands Studies Program will offer two courses during the fall
semester, 1979:

PIP 391  Change in the Pacific: Micronesia
          8:30-9:20  MWF  Keller 313  Kiste, R.C.

PIP 690  Graduate Seminar
          9:00-10:15  TTh  Moore 224  Topping, D.M.

A list of preferred courses that are being offered by other departments during
the fall semester is available from the program office.

FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE
SEMINAR "THE UNITED STATES
& THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC"

The Pacific Islands Studies Program provided bibliographical materials for
and was represented at a training seminar "The United States and the Southwest
Pacific" at the Foreign Service Institute in Washington, D.C. on July 10-12.
Program Director Dr. ROBERT KISTE, Ambassador PETER ROSENBLATT, and
RUTH VAN CLEVE, Director, Office of Territorial Affairs, U.S. Department of
Interior spoke at a session on the United States administration of Micronesia,
the status of current political negotiations, and current Micronesian politics.
Dr. BEN FINNEY, Department of Anthropology, U of H, joined Mr. HARLAN LEE,
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State in a panel on
current politics and American policies toward Polynesia. Mr. Lee is a
graduate (1977) of the Pacific Islands Studies Program. The seminar served
to familiarize foreign service officers and other federal officials with the
contemporary Pacific. Among the 40 some participants was Mr. IRA WOLF, a
Foreign Service Officer with 9 years of experience with the Department of
State. Mr. Wolf has served in Japan and Peru. He will spend the 1979-80
academic year working on the M.A. degree in Pacific Islands Studies here at
the University of Hawaii before being posted to Papua New Guinea.

NEW STUDENTS

The following nine new students have been admitted to the Pacific Islands
Studies Program for the Fall Semester 1979. In addition, Ms. Naomi C. Losch
is returning to her graduate studies.

Barbara J. Burns   B.A.  6/79  Univ. California, Santa Cruz
Terence B. Emerson B.A.  4/74  BYU - Hawaii campus

Thomas A. Linker   Ed.B.  5/78  U.H. - Manoa

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Mr. PATRICK GALLAGHER, Managing Director, George Allen & Unwin Publisher (NCR House, 8 Napier Street, North Sydney, N SW 2060, Australia) visited the program office earlier this month. Mr. Gallagher indicated that his publisher is reviving its interest in the Pacific. Allen & Unwin has just published:

GROWING UP IN POLYNESIA
by James & Jane Ritchie

RACE, CLASS, & REBELLION IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC
by Alex Mamak & Ahmed Ali

Mr. Gallagher is actively soliciting manuscripts on the Pacific region.

A conference on "The Small Island States of the Pacific & Indian Oceans: Anatomy of Development" will be sponsored by the Development Studies Centre, The Research School of Pacific Studies, The Australian National University, in Canberra on September 3-7.

One of the Centre's primary functions is the promotion of seminars and conferences designed to consider problems relating to the countries and regions of Australia's environment. The Centre has promoted a number of major international gatherings, the most recent being to consider the role of forestry in relation to development with particular reference to the countries of the Pacific and ASEAN regions. For 1979, the Centre's Executive Committee decided that this September's conference will examine the political, economic, demographic, and sociological consequences of smallness for development and viability with particular reference to the nations of the Pacific and Indian oceans. The College of Arts & Sciences has provided the funds to allow Program Director ROBERT C. KISTE to participate in the conference.

EAST-WEST COMMUNICATION INSTITUTE WORKSHOP
"EFFECTS OF COMMUNICATION ON SOCIAL STRUCTURE IN THE PACIFIC"
August 26 - September 1

Dr. ANDREW ARNO and TONY NNAEMEKA will serve as coordinators for a workshop "Effects of Communication on Social Structure in the Pacific" to be held
August 26 - September 1 at the Communication Institute, East-West Center. The following description of the workshop has been received by the program office, and further details are available from Arno and Nnaemeka.

The workshop will play an important part in defining a new research activity of the Social Effects project concerned with the Pacific Islands. The basic premise of the activity is that social structure is, as Sapir expressed it, "...reanimated or creatively reaffirmed from day to day by particular acts of a communicative nature which obtain among individuals participating in it." It follows that communication, whether interpersonal or mass, has a fundamental role in the creation, maintenance, and change of virtually every form of social institution, and communication is therefore a connecting link among diverse elements of social structure that appear to be functionally distinct. Because the various aspects of social life are interconnected by crosscutting patterns of communication—patterns defined by a body of shared meanings that is the essence of the particular cultural tradition—a study of the social effects of communication in any community requires an understanding of its total communication system, including traditional and modern elements.

As compared with nations outside their region, the Pacific Island states share several important characteristics related to size, economics, and social organisation. While there are basic continuities, however, each state has unique social structural features. For this reason, and because of their small size, boundedness, and relative homogeneity, the island states are logically appropriate sites for comparative case studies exploring the role of communication in the change and maintenance of social institutions. Each study can be expected to be enriched by the comparative dimension provided by the others, thereby enhancing its scientific value and its potential for policy application in each country.

Participants in the workshop will deal with two interrelated research issues, methodology and topic. Any ethnography of communication must be severely limited if it is to remain manageable as a research project. Even so, because of the interconnectedness of the various aspects of social life—especially as revealed in recurrent patterns of communication—even a very narrowly focused study can be expected to illuminate a relatively wide sector of the overall system. It is appropriate, therefore, to consider the precise topics of investigation with regard to their usefulness to the people of the communities studied. The attempt will be made to identify particularly important problems as they may be related to communication behavior and consider the methodological problems and possibilities that may be encountered in their study.

SANTA CRUZ PUBLICATIONS STILL AVAILABLE

As reported in the June 16 issue of the Newsletter, the Center for South Pacific Studies at Santa Cruz was closed on June 30. Dr. BRYAN FARRELL, former Director of the Center, however, informs us that most of the monographs and data papers published by the Center remain available. Orders should be addressed to:

Pacific Research Unit
College 8
University of California
Santa Cruz, California 95064
Checks should be made payable to "Regents, University of California." The price of each publication includes postage via surface mail. At purchaser's request, orders can be sent Airmail - Bookrate, but an appropriate charge will be added to cover the extra expense. The following publications are available:

Monograph Series:

New Neighbors...Islanders in Adaptation, Bradd Shore, Cluny Macpherson and Robert W. Franco, Editors, 1978. $10.50.


Micronesian Realities - Political and Economic, Frances McReynolds Smith, Ed. Published 1972. $5.00.

Political Modernization of Micronesia, Frances McReynolds Smith, Ed. 1969. $5.00.

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MR. M.Y. VIVIAN, Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission (SPC), and MR. W.T. BROWN, Program Officer, SPC, who will discuss...

"THE SOUTH PACIFIC IN THE 80's"

DATE: THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1979
TIME: 12 Noon - 1:45 p.m.
PLACE: Hawaiian Regent Hotel - Kamani Room (Kuhio Tower - in the new wing)
COST: $9.00 per person, includes luncheon & parking

The SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION, headquartered in Noumea, New Caledonia, is a consultative and advisory body organized in 1947. The Commission's purpose is to advise participating governments on ways of improving the well-being of the Pacific Islands.

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130 Merchant Street, Honolulu, HI 96813
(Telephone: 548-8597 or 548-3048)

Please reserve _______ seats at $9 per person. Enclosed is my check for $_______.
DEADLINE IS Noon, August 22. Please make checks payable to HISA.

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