

NLRB Refuses To Hold Union Vote Here

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The National Labor Relations Board today declined jurisdiction in a proposed union representation election in American Samoa on the ground that the island are not an organized territory of the United States, as are Guam and the Virgin Islands.

Local 368 of the Laborers' International Union of North America (AFL-CIO) had petitioned to represent employees of Standard Oil Company of California, Van Camp Sea Food Division of Ralston Purina Company, and Star-Kist, Inc., but the Board pointed out that American Samoa has no federal district court, its people are American nationals but not citizens, and ruled that the National Labor Relations Act did not extend to the territory.

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FOR THE PEOPLE OF AMERICAN SAMOA, PAGO PAGO.

MATSUNAGA WANTS PLANK ON CITIZENSHIP

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Congressman Spark Matsunaga said today he thinks the Democrats should include a plank in their platform which would ask for American citizenship for all residents of American Samoa. He said American Samoans have been under U.S. jurisdiction for 68 years and are concerned about their political future.

He says he plans to introduce legislation which would grant citizenship to the American Samoans.

FAGASA PAVING BEGINS

Work was well under way this morning on the paving of the final stretch of the Fagasa Road which will remain closed between 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. until further notice.

One lane of pavement has been laid from the existing pavement to below the Kava Cup and the other lane may be completed by tomorrow.

CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR SOUGHT

The Public Works Department today still was seeking a construction inspector qualified for a position with a starting salary of \$3,080 per year. The Personnel Office said the applicant must have had some experience in construction work in the U.S. or Hawaii, be able to read plans and blueprints and to understand building codes.

LAITITI BOXING DRAWS 300

Sid Hill, supervisor of Parks and Recreation, said today about 300 youngsters have entered the Laititi Boxing Tournament which opens at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Lee Auditorium. There will be about 20 bouts each Tuesday, with the admission price of 25 cents. Boxers will be admitted free only on the nights they are participating.

MINIMUM WAGE REMINDER ISSUED

The U.S. Department of Labor today issued a reminder on the following minimum hourly wages which now are in effect in American Samoa under the Fair Labor Standards Act:

Fish canning and processing and can manufacturing industry, \$1.10; shipping and transportation industry, classification A (seafaring) 55¢ and classification B (other activities) \$1.15; petroleum marketing industry, \$1.20; construction industry, 80 cents; hospital and educational industry, 70 cents; hotel industry, 70 cents; retail trade industry, 85 cents; miscellaneous industry, previous coverage classification, 95 cents, and 1966 coverage classification, 85 cents.

AIR FORCE UNIT GETS NEW HEAD

Major Ralph Dorsett has assumed command of the Air Force Detachment 433.

He is replacing Captain Bernard Petroski who will transfer to Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi.

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STRAY MISSILE HITS SHIP

POINT MUGU, Calif. (UPI) - Three crewmen of the oil survey ship Pacific Seal, injured when an "unknown object" flashed from the sky and hit the ship, are in good condition at Point Mugu Naval Station.

The men were taken to the air station hospital by helicopter last night after their vessel was hit by what a Navy spokesman says could have been a Sidewinder missile.

An aircraft squadron from Point Mugu had been firing Sidewinder air-to-air missiles at a nearby test range shortly before the Pacific Seal was hit. A Navy spokesman said the ship apparently was proceeding to port under its own power.

HUMPHREY HOLDS EDGE IN OHIO

CLEVELAND, Ohio (UPI) - The Ohio delegation to the Democratic national convention caucused into the early morning hours today and went on record as giving 58 of its 115 votes to Hubert Humphrey, three to Eugene McCarthy and one to favorite-son Senator Stephen Young.

Twenty-seven Ohio votes are still uncommitted and delegates representing 25-and-a-half votes were absent: Even before the caucus, the UPI delegate count indicated the Vice President already has more than enough committed-or-leaning delegate votes for the nomination.

Humphrey's chief rival for the nomination campaigned in St. Louis today. Senator McCarthy yesterday won the endorsement of Negro State Representative Raymond Howard, who recently won the Democratic nomination for state senator from a downtown St. Louis district. In Los Angeles yesterday, McCarthy urged his supporters not to stage mass demonstrations at the Chicago convention.

Republican Vice Presidential Nominee Spiro Agnew told a San Francisco audience last night that it's time for a return to what he called "the principle of unashamed patriotism." The Maryland governor defended his criticism of the poor people's campaign and its goal of a share in the national wealth. Agnew then posed the question: "What will become of initiative, desire and hard work?"

POLLS UNDER GUARD IN LITTLE ROCK

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas (UPI) - Gunfire broke a curfew-imposed quiet in Little Rock last night and fire bombs were hurled into six businesses in the Arkansas capital in a fourth night of disturbances. But Police said none of the bombs ignited and no one was injured by the gunfire.

Police guarded all polling places in the Little Rock area today as Arkansas Democrats voted in a primary runoff to choose their gubernatorial candidate.

The two candidates seeking to oppose Republican incumbent Winthrop Rockefeller Mrs. Virginia Johnson, supporter of Alabama's George Wallace, and a veteran legislator Marion Crank, who is backed by the party's statewide organization.

FIRE BOMBS SPARK WATTS BLAZES

LOS ANGELES (UPI) - The troubled Watts district was comparatively quiet early today under heavy police patrols.

But firemen fought a score of fires in the area, including five started by gasoline firebombs. Broken bottles and wicks were found at those places.

One woman was critically burned in an apartment house blaze.

There were no reports of shooting or looting last night and early today in the district where three Negroes were shot to death and 42 persons wounded Sunday night. Five of the wounded were policemen.

MCCARTHY BACKER SAYS CONVENTION BEING FIXED

CHICAGO (UPI) - The head of the Wisconsin McCarthy for President Team made some accusations today against the Democratic National Committee.

Donald Peterson says the National Committee is not informing delegates of what's going on. He also said the National Committee is "hoarding" visitors passes. The committee denied the charges.

BUT HE STILL WANTS THE JOB!

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Hubert Humphrey's economic advisors said today the Vice President will have a budget problem on his hands if he reaches the White House.

He won't have enough money. A White House task force advising Humphrey said only two to four billion dollars in uncommitted Treasury funds will be available for new programs.

And even this much won't be forthcoming, they say, unless there is a cease-fire and a reduction in U.S. Forces in Viet Nam by early next year.