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**PMB Manuscript Series of Microfilms**

**AU PMB MS 9**
Title: Tapu: a tale of adventure in the South Seas (a novel)
Date(s): After 1894 (Creation) Harry J. Moors
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Harry J. Moors (1854-1926) was born in Detroit and died in Apia, Western Samoa. As an agent for the Hawaiian Board of Immigration, he made several voyages to the Gilbert Islands and Marshall Islands around 1880 to recruit labourers for Hawaii's sugar plantations. In 1883, he settled in Apia, Western Samoa, and became a successful trader and planter. Moors wrote two novels, of which Tapu: A Tale of Adventure in the South Seas is one. Neither of the novels was published. This novel is based on Moors' experiences in the Gilbert and Marshall Islands. The title page states that it is from the diary of John T. Bradley. Preface by Arthur Mahaffy.

**AU PMB MS 16**
Title: Official records
Date(s): 1887 - 1916 (Creation) Nauru - German Administration
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The records begin with a report from a German official in Jaluit to the Duke of Bismarck, dated May 6, 1887, stating that local German firms had suggested that the German Protectorate of the Marshall Islands should be extended to cover Nauru. A report written in Jaluit on October 31, 1888, by Herr Sonnenschein, the German Imperial Commissioner in the Marshall Islands, describes the raising of the German flag on Nauru on October 2, 1888. The remainder of the documents deal with the German administration of Nauru.

**AU PMB MS 21**
Title: Private journal
Date(s): 6 January 1875 - 31 December 1877 (Creation) James Lyle Young
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: James Lyle Young (1849-1929) was born in Londonderry, Ireland, and went to Australia with his parents in the mid-1850s. After working in Australia as a station hand, Young, in 1870, went to Fiji where he was associated for five years with a cotton-planting venture at Taveuni. In April, 1875, he left Fiji on a trading voyage to Samoa via Futuna and Wallis Island. From May 1876 to October 1881, he worked as a trader in the Marshall, Mariana and Caroline Islands. In 1882, Young went to Tahiti to become manager of the Papeete trading store of Andrew Crawford & Co., of San Francisco. In 1888, he went into business in Tahiti on his own account. He was closely associated with the Pacific Islands for the rest of his life, as
managing director of S.R. Maxwell & Co., of Tahiti, and owner of Henderson and Macfarlane Ltd., of Auckland. He became recognised as an authority on the life and culture of the region. The journal gives a vivid account of Young’s life during three of his most adventurous years. During this time Young sailed for the Marshall Islands in May 1876 to open a trading station for Thomas Farrell at Ebon Atoll. He remained in Farrell’s employ until November 1877 when he went to Majuro.

AU PMB MS 22
Title: Private journal
Date(s): 1 January 1880 - 9 July 1881 (Creation) James Lyle Young
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 21. About the end of 1879, Young became business manager for a German firm, A. Capelle & Co., of Jaluit. The journal describes Young’s life as a trader for Capelle. His headquarters were at Guam, then the capital of Spain’s settlements in the Mariana Islands. Young made frequent visits to other islands in the Marianas and also to islands in the Carolines and Marshalls.

AU PMB MS 23
Title: Miscellaneous papers - letters, notebooks, articles
Date(s): 1878 - 1929 (Creation) James Lyle Young
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 21. This contains letters, notebooks, memoranda, articles, etc. dealing with Young’s career and interests from 1878 to the year of his death.

AU PMB MS 25
Title: Memorandum on the Mariana and Caroline Islands (in Spanish)
Date(s): c.1914 - 1923 (Creation) Monsignor Salvador Pedro C.M.C. Wallesa
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Monsignor Wallesa was Vicar Apostolic of the Marianas and Carolines from 1912 to 1922. This is an account of the Mariana and Caroline Islands, divided into seven chapters: Natural Conditions, Social Conditions of the Islanders, Stages of Life of the Islanders; Religion and Morality; the Situation of the Islanders with Respect to Christianity and the Roman Catholic Mission; and the Catholic Mission under Japanese Rule.

AU PMB MS 81
Title: Logbooks
Date(s): 1868 - 1874 (Creation) Captain Robert G. Rae
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The logbooks cover voyages in the ships Laughing Water (1868), Corypheus (1870-71), Day Spring (1872), Alsager (1872-73) and Ceara (1874). The voyages in the Corypheus were between Melbourne and China. On her last voyage the Corypheus ran aground on a reef in the Marshall Islands and the crew sailed 3,000 miles in the ship’s boats to Rockhampton.

AU PMB MS 121
Title: Ethnographic Notes on South Pacific Islands
Date(s): 1899 - 1900 (Creation) Charles H. Townsend and H.F. Moore
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Townsend and Moore were members of the US Fisheries Commission aboard the U.S. Fisheries Commission Steamer Albatross which made a cruise to the South Pacific in 1899 - 1900 under Commander Jefferson F. Moser, USN. This contains ethnographic notes on the Marquesas, Tuamotus, Society Islands, Cook Islands, Niue, Tonga, Fiji, Ellice Islands, Gilbert Islands, Marshall Islands and Caroline Islands.

AU PMB MS 124
Title: Catalogue of ethnographical collections
Date(s): 1838 - 1842 (Creation) United States Exploring Expedition
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: A catalogue of the ethnographic items collected by the United States Exploring Expedition to the Pacific (1838-42) led by Commodore Charles Wilkes. The Expedition visited the Tuamotus, Tahiti, Samoa, Tonga, Fiji, Lord Howe Island, Australia, New Zealand, Gilbert Islands, Marshall Islands and Hawaii. The catalogue was prepared in 1846 by Titian Ramsay Peale, an artist-naturalist with the Expedition. A typescript version, prepared by the PMB, follows the original document on the microfilm.

**AU PMB MS 416**
Title: Journal of the United States Exploring Expedition
Date(s): 11 August 1840 - 19 February 1842 (Creation) Captain William Leverreth Hudson
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Captain Hudson (1794-1862) was commander of the US ship PEACOCK, one of the vessels of the United States Exploring Expedition to the Pacific, 1838-42, commanded by Commodore Charles Wilkes. He later transferred his flag to the PORPOISE. The journal begins when the expedition was en route from Fiji to Honolulu, and gives an account of the PEACOCK's visits to the Hawaiian Islands, Oregon, Southern California, the Line, Phoenix and Tokelau Islands, Samoa, the Ellice and Gilbert Islands, and the wreck of the PEACOCK at the mouth of the Columbia River on the west coast of North America. After Hudson had transferred his flag to the USS PORPOISE, he crossed the Pacific to the Philippines, Sooloo Islands and Singapore. (The journal is a continuation of that filmed as PMB 146, which covers the Expedition's activities from 20 August 1838 to 8 August 1840).

**AU PMB MS 512**
Title: Journals of voyages in the ships Ophelia and Packet
Date(s): 1815 - 1822 (Creation) Samuel Hill
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: At the beginning of 1815, Samuel Hill, a sea captain, calculated that he had lost $7,000 since the beginning of the war of 1812. To repair his fortunes, he undertook the command of the Ophelia on a speculative voyage from Boston to Chile, China and return. On his return, after an absence of 20 months, he embarked almost immediately on a second and similar voyage in the Packet. On this voyage three trips were made from Chile to China. The Packet returned to Boston after a voyage of four years, eleven months and 24 days. This contains informative accounts of proceedings and places visited on the voyages outlined above, including Ebon Atoll (Marshall Islands) and Agrigan (Mariana Islands).

**AU PMB MS 513**
Title: Newspaper clippings re Pacific Islands
Date(s): 1873 - 1880 (Creation) Jan Kubary
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Kubary, a Pole, was employed as an ethnologist and naturalist by J.C. Godeffroy & Son to do scientific work in the Pacific Islands. Contains clippings of articles by Kubary from Polish newspapers and journals (in Polish) concerning the Caroline Islands, Samoa, Rarotonga, the Tokelau, Ellice and Marshall Islands.

**AU PMB MS 670**
Title: Archives
Date(s): 1901 - 1929 (Creation) Societe des Missionnaires Du Sacre-Coeur: Vicariate Apostolic of the Marshall Islands
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Societe des Missionnaires du Sacre-Coeur was founded at Issoudun, France, on 8 December 1854, by Fr Jules Chevalier. Headquarters of the mission have been in Rome since 1905. The documents are inventoried on pp.380-82 (X/A/6) of the Journal de la Societe des Oceanistes, vol.25, December 1969. The inventory, with annotations, is reproduced on the film. The documents comprise letters, financial statements, statistics, reports and records of the S.C. Propaganda.

**AU PMB MS 738 - 767**
Title: Papers
Date(s): 1852 - 1929 (Creation) American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: The papers comprise reports, correspondence, statistics, minutes, estimates, cables, financial statements, abstracts, newspaper clippings and biographical sketches of missions, and missionaries in the field, in Micronesia, predominantly the Gilbert, Marshall and Caroline Islands. Also included are the logs of various missionary vessels, including the Morning Star, Hiram Bingham, Robert Logan and the Carrie and Annie. The letters, reports, etc. are contained in 19 volumes, the logs and other documents being contained in other volumes. Each volume contains an index to the contents. A detailed entry is given for each of the 30 reels of film in the series PMB MS 738 to 767.

AU PMB MS 767B
Title: Whaling logbooks, and other documents, copied in New England (USA) repositories
Date(s): 1829 - 1856 (Creation) New England Microfilming Project
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Please refer to the full entry in PMB MS 200. For indexes see American Whalers and Traders in the Pacific, Robert Langdon, ed., Canberra, 1978 and Where the Whalers Went, Robert Langdon, ed., Canberra, 1984. Of special interest on this reel is the journal of Captain Winthrop Sears aboard the Ocean Pearl (1854-56). It provides an excellent account of shipboard life, of relations between passengers; good descriptions of ports visited and life in Hawaii; and a smoking volcano in the Marianas Islands.

AU PMB MS 1023
Title: Selected Papers on the Pacific
Date(s): 1857 - 1941 (Creation) Extracts from the Bingham Family Papers
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: There are 20 items on this reel, most of which are Gilbertese linguistic materials by both Clarissa and Hiram Bingham II. This also contains a journal of Minerva Clarissa Bingham of her voyage from Boston to Micronesia, 1857-1858.

AU PMB MS 1168
Title: Papers on Pacific Islands land matters
Date(s): 1945 - 1997 (Creation) Alan Ward
Extent and medium: 10 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Alan Ward is Emeritus Professor of History at the University of Newcastle, NSW and contract historian for the Waitangi Tribunal, New Zealand. Almost half of this record group is concerned with PNG. A small portion of these papers relate to politics and land matters in Australia, New Zealand, Solomon Islands, Africa, Marshall Islands, Kiribati, Vanuatu, Banaba, French Polynesia and Guadeloupe.

AU PMB MS 1172
Title: Marshall Islands resource materials
Date(s): 1946 - 1993 (Creation) Gifford Johnson
Extent and medium: 17 reels; 35mm microfilm
AU PMB MS 1173
Title: Yap State Constitutional Convention papers
Date(s): 1982 (Creation) Yap State Constitutional Convention
Extent and medium: 6 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: In 1978 the peoples of Truk (now Chuuk), Ponape (Pohnpei), Kusaie (Kosrae) and Yap voted to form the Federated States of Micronesia. In the early 1980s these states drafted and implemented their own constitutions, ready for the FSM’s 1986 ratification of the Compact of Free Association with the USA. On 16 March 1982 the first Yap State Convention met to draft a constitution that was ratified by plebiscite in November of that year. The constitution enshrined a four branch system of government comprising the executive, legislative, judicial and traditional. Yap became the only state in the FSM where traditional leaders were fully incorporated into a constitution; through the Council of Pilung and the Council of Tamol, representing traditional leaders from Yap’s main island and the state’s outer islands respectively. These councils were granted authority over matters concerning tradition and custom. The constitution is also unique in Micronesia in mandating a balanced state budget. These papers cover the debates, discussions and meetings that resulted in this constitution. It contains resolutions and reports of Convention Committees; agenda, journals and verbatim transcripts (in Yapese, Ulithian and English) of the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole and Plenary Sessions; Proposals; Resolutions; drafts of the Constitution; correspondence and related administrative documents.

AU PMB MS 1214
Title: High Commission, Fiji, pamphlets
Date(s): 1874 - 1881 (Creation) Sir Arthur Gordon
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Arthur Charles Hamilton-Gordon, first Baron Stanmore (1829-1912) was born in London and served from 1854 to 1857 as a member of the House of Commons. Gordon served as Governor of Trinidad (1866-1870), Mauritius (1871-1874), Fiji (1875-1880), New Zealand (1880-1882) and Ceylon (1883-1890). From 1877 to 1882 he also served as High Commissioner and Consul-General for the Western Pacific. This is a collection of 33 pamphlets, bound in one volume, formed by Sir Arthur Gordon when Governor of Fiji and Western Pacific High Commissioner, consisting of parliamentary papers and printed correspondence relating to Western Pacific islands other than Fiji. The pamphlets also include Capt. W.H. Marshall’s report on his observations of the Ellice, Gilbert, Marshall and Caroline Islands in the HMS “Emerald”, 1881.

AU PMB MS 1220
Title: Micronesian collection
Date(s): 1852 - 1923 (Creation) Hawaiian Mission Children’s Society
Extent and medium: 14 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Funded by the Hawaiian Evangelical Society, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions and by the Hawaiian Mission Children’s Society, the mission commenced when B.G. Snow, A.A. Sturges and Luther H. Gulick and their wives sailed out of Boston in November 1851. The Micronesian Collection consists of 7.5 linear feet of manuscript material. The main series is correspondence of missionaries and Hawaiian pastors from Micronesian islands, as follows: Truk, Ponape, Kenan, Kosrae and Yap in the Caroline Islands; Apaia, Tabian, Tarawa, Tabiteuea, Marakei, Maiana, Butaritari in the Kiribati group; Mille (Mulgrave), Ebon, Majuro, Jaluit, Arno, Namrik in the Marshalls; and Nauru and the Mortlock Islands. The papers also include: church statistics; reports of general and committee meetings; mission station reports; records of voyages of the mission ships, including the Morning Star; printing, publishing and postal records; education and training reports; and records of the Woman’s Board of Missions.

AU PMB MS 1221
Title: Micronesian collection
Date(s): 1852 - 1923 (Creation) Hawaiian Mission Children’s Society
Extent and medium: 3 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: See PMB MS 1220. These English language translations of Hawaiian language documents in the Micronesian Collection consist of: correspondence of missionaries including Mary Kaialii Kahelemauna, A reminiscence of her life as a missionary at Mille Island, 1877; a descriptive report of Kusaie (Kosrae) or
Strong’s Island, 1867; reports and minutes of Church general meetings, 1867-1895, and committee meetings, 1870-1881; reports of missionaries, 1880-1890; reports from the Marshall islands, 1864-1875.

AU PMB MS 1222
Title: Papers on the Catholic Diocese of the Caroline Islands
Date(s): 1670 - 1999 (Creation) Francis X. Hezel, SJ
Extent and medium: 7 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Fr Francis Hezel came to Micronesia as a Jesuit scholastic in 1963, taught at Xavier High School for three years, and then returned to the US for three years of theological studies. When this was finished, Fr Hezel returned to Micronesia in 1969 to resume teaching at Xavier High School. In 1973 Fr Hezel was appointed principal of the School. He continued as the top administrator there until 1982, when he moved to the mission center to work as full-time director of the Micronesian Seminar which was based in Chuuk for ten years and subsequently on Pohnpei. Between 1992 and 1998 Fr Hezel also served as Jesuit regional superior in Micronesia. Two series of the files have been microfilmed, as follows:
- Series I, cont. Spanish Capuchins in the Carolines, 1885-1905.
- Series I, cont. Gilberts, Marshalls and Nauru.
- Series II. Documentation of Catholic Missions in Micronesia in the 20th Century.

Most of the early documents in these two series are photocopies from Jesuit and Capuchin archives in Europe and elsewhere, together with English translations of some of the Spanish and Latin originals. There are a number of original mission documents among the more recent material, such as church statistics, mission station reports, the Mission Bulletin, house diaries, records of the Mercedarian Sisters, and accounts of WWII experiences, including the execution of Spanish SJs in Palau. There are also unpublished manuscripts on the history of the mission by Fr Thomas McGrath, Fr. Higinio Berganza, Fr Callistus Lopinot, Fr Faustino Hernández, Fr. John Curran and Fr Hezel.

AU PMB MS 1238
Title: Campaigns protesting against nuclear testing in the Pacific: press cuttings and scrapbooks
Date(s): 1973 – 1975, 1985 (Creation) Greenpeace New Zealand
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Barry Mitcalfe, who died in 1986, envisaged a new group, the Peace Media Organisation, having two distinct thrusts. One was to engage in peace research and the other was to demonstrate to the world the strength of New Zealand’s opposition to French testing in the Pacific and peoples’ longing for a peaceful world. This collection includes a scrapbook compiled by the crew of the Rainbow Warrior I between March and June 1985 while transferring 260 Marshallese forced to leave their homeland of Rongelap Atoll to resettle on Majuro Atoll, 160km away.

AU PMB MS 1275
Title: Papers on constitutional development in the Pacific Islands
Date(s): 1901 - 1985 (Creation) C. J. (Joe) Lynch
Extent and medium: 8 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: C.J. (Joe) Lynch was born on 6 June 1924 in Albury, New South Wales. He married Jean Marian Lane and had one daughter, Elizabeth. Joe Lynch died in May 1985. Joe Lynch was admitted as Barrister, Supreme Court of New South Wales in 1949. He worked as a legal officer at the Department of Territories from 1949-1952. He worked as a legal officer at the Department of Law in Papua New Guinea from 1952 and was the Deputy Crown Law Officer and Assistant Secretary from 1955. From 1961 he worked as a legislative draftsman and drafted the constitutions of Papua New Guinea and Tuvalu (finalised after his death). He also completed post constitutional drafting for Kiribati and pre-constitutional drafting for the Marshall Islands. Joe Lynch was the Constitutional Draftsman and Special Legislative Counsel in Papua New Guinea from 1972 until Independence. He continued to undertake work on legislation for Papua New Guinea until around 1978. He was also the Acting Secretary for Law on several occasions. This archive includes notes, drafts and published papers by Joe Lynch, and other authors, relating to the political and constitutional development of
Pacific Island countries. Many of the papers are dated from the 1960s-1980s, during a time when many of these countries achieved independence. The documents are arranged by country; firstly with papers written by C.J. Lynch, arranged chronologically; followed by papers by other authors, arranged chronologically.

**AU PMB MS 1318**

Title: Cuttings from the Hawaiian Press on the Pacific Islands  
Date(s): c.1942 - 1974 (Creation) Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association  
Extent and medium: 5 reels; 35mm microfilm  
Description: This microfilm consists of press cuttings files from the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association archive. The cuttings are mainly from the Honolulu Advertiser, Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Hilo Tribune-Herald. Other sources include: Pacific Science Association Information Bulletin, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times. Most of the files include a list of “cross references” to published articles and books.

**AU PMB MS 1319**

Title: Expeditionen der Hamburger Brigg Vesta: Die Berichte von Kapitän Alfred Tetens, 1865-1868. Transcript in modern German script by Jakob Anderhandt of Captain Tetens’ reports of his expeditions to the Caroline Islands and Palau, with annotations.  
Date(s): Aug 1865 - Sep 1866 (Creation) Alfred Tetens  
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm  
Description: Captain Tetens’ expedition journals report on his explorations of and trading activities in the Caroline Islands, particularly Palau and Yap, on behalf of J.C. Godefroy & Son and the Godefroy Museum. Tetens’ early trading was carried out in association with Captain Andrew Cheyne. Later Tetens established a successful trading station on Yap. Captain Tetens’ seafaring career is summarised in F.M. Speeher’s introduction to her English translation of his reports, Among the Savages of the South Seas: Memoirs in Micronesia 1862-1868, by Captain Alfred Tetens (1958).

**AU PMB MS 1342**

Title: Reminiscences of voyages in the Pacific Ocean  
Date(s): 1860s (Creation) Alfred William Martin  
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm  
Description: Alfred William Martin (1844-1928) was born in Clarence Plains, Tasmania, first son of William Martin (1805/6-1878), a convict transported to Tasmania, and Hannah Braim (1825/6-1860). Alfred William Martin was educated at Kettering Grammar School in Northamptonshire while his parents were revisiting England. Returning to Tasmania, Martin became a seaman, despite his good education. His numerous voyages included smoking bêche-de-mer at Ponape and trading in the Marshall Islands. This untitled incomplete manuscript was written possibly in the 1890s relating his Pacific voyages and adventures in the 1860s.

**PMB Document Series of Microfilms**

**AU PMB DOC 330**

Title: Annales de Notre Dame du Sacre-Coeur  
Date(s): 1866 - 1975 (Creation) Annales de Notre Dame Du Sacre-Coeur  
Extent and medium: 35 reels; 35mm microfilm  
Description: The Societe des Missionnaires du Sacre-Coeur was founded at Issoudun, France, on 8 December 1854, by Fr Jules Chevalier. Headquarters of the mission have been in Rome since1905. The order sent missionaries to New Guinea in 1881 and established missions in the Marshall Islands in 1891 and in the Gilbert Islands in 1897. It is still active in Papua New Guinea and Kiribati, but withdrew from the Marshalls after World War I. The journal contains only occasional items of Pacific interest before the beginning of the second series in December 1886. For indexes to items of Pacific interest see Langdon, R. (ed) The PMB book of Pacific indexes (Canberra: PMB, 1988).
AU PMB DOC 396
Title: Essais sur la construction des peuples extra-europeens ou collection des navires et pirogues construits par les habitants ... du Grand Ocean et de l'Amerique ... 1843. Paris: A. Bertrand, 1841+
Date(s): 1843 (Creation) Francois Edmond Paris
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: A copy of this work was offered in 1985 for sale ($USA7500) by E.J. Lefkowiz (Massachusetts) with the following description: ... Paris, an expert on shipbuilding, was on three of the most important 19th-century French voyages to the Pacific: with Dumont d'Urville on the Astrolabe (1826-29); with LaPlace on the Favorite (1829-32 and on the Artemise (1837-40)... . The work was originally issued in parts. Includes accounts of visit to Tahiti, Caroline and Mariana Islands and plates showing canoes and small vessels constructed there.

AU PMB DOC 397
Title: Medizinal-berichte Uber Die Deutschen Schutzgebiete (Medical reports on the German Protectorates (Colonies)) Berlin: German Colonial Office
Date(s): 1903 - 1912 (Creation) Medizinal-berichte Uber Die Deutschen Schutzgebiete (Medical reports on the German Protectorates (Colonies))
Extent and medium: 3 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: These reports were published by the German Colonial Office for the years 1903/04 to 1911/12 and cover the German Colonies in Africa and Oceania. They were compiled by Government medical officers in charge of health services in the Colonies. The contents comprise statistics on morbidity and mortality of European and local population (if treated by European doctors) with commentaries and case studies: reports on public health: details on the setting up of hospitals etc.: maps of the distribution of 'tropical' diseases (Africa only): lists of articles published by German medical researchers: veterinary reports from the African colonies.

AU PMB DOC 401
Title: German Colonial Administration - German New Guinea Jahresbericht Uber Die Entwicklung Der Schutzgebiete in Afrika Und Der Sudsee (Annual Reports of the German Colonies in Afrika and the South Seas) (This series for Pacific Colonies Only)
Date(s): 1898 - 1908 (Creation) German Colonial Administration - German New Guinea
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Each report covers the period April of one year to March of the following year. The reports, photocopies of the originals, are bound into 5 volumes. Volume 1: 1898 - 1900/1901. Volume 2: 1901/1902 - 1902/1902. Volume 3: 1903/04 - 1904/05. Volume 4: 1905/06. Volume 5: 1906/07 - 1907/08. They contain reports and statistics on administrative and commercial activities, climate, geology, botany and progress reports on education and the work of various missions. The Pacific Colonies represented in these reports are: German New Guinea: Caroline Islands: Solomon Islands: Mariana Islands and Palau.

AU PMB DOC 404

AU PMB DOC 437
Title: Australian Delegation Brief, South Pacific Forum. Forum Economic Ministers' Meeting, Cairns, 11 July 1997
Date(s): 1997 (Creation) Unknown
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: This document is the briefing paper for the Australian ministerial delegation to the South Pacific Forum Economic Ministers Meeting (FEMM) held at Cairns in July 1997. It was discovered by the media amidst a pile of other misplaced miscellaneous papers at the meeting. The pessimistic assessment of economic and political trends in the Pacific Island States and the often disparaging portraits of the leaders of these countries caused scandal, embarrassment and controversy in Australia and throughout the Pacific region when these details became public. The report covers economic dilemmas in the Pacific, fiscal responsibility, resource management, public sector reform, health services and governance issues for each particular country and for the region as a whole. The backgrounds, beliefs and personal habits of Pacific leaders and finance ministers are also presented in a series of controversial character assessments. These were considered offensive and insensitive by many political and official commentators, along with some of the leaders themselves. Includes references to Micronesia (Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Palau) on p.53.

AU PMB DOC 441
Title: Yap journals of the Legislature of the State of Yap
Date(s): 1984 - 1993 (Creation) State of Yap
Extent and medium: 7 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Yap Legislature has law making powers over matters of public health, education, schooling, resource management, land use, the civil service, and some revenue raising abilities. Debates and discussions over these issues are carried in the Yap Legislature Journal. The Journal is compiled by the Office of the Speaker of the Legislature. Issues from 1984-1997 are available here. Each volume is 500-600 pages, ring bound, double-sided photocopies. Digital copies of the Legislature Journal are held by the Office of the Speaker on diskette, including editions of the Journal since 1993. See reel list for more details.

AU PMB DOC 443
Title: Japanese Government Reports to the League of Nations on the Administration of the South Seas Islands under Japanese mandate
Date(s): 1921 - 1937 (Creation) Japanese government
Extent and medium: 3 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Reports submitted to the Council of the League of Nations in accordance with Article 22 of the Covenant and examined by the Permanent Mandates Commission. The reports are in English and cover the Marshall Islands, the Caroline Islands and Ladrone Island. The reports deal with general administration, finances, education, industry, navigation and trade. They include population statistics, laws and regulations, photographs and maps. Reports for the years 1921-1922, 1924-1937.

AU PMB DOC 447
Title: Micronesia Support Committee bulletin and related publications
Date(s): 1975 - 1982 and 1971 - 1990 (Creation) Micronesia Support Committee
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: The Micronesia Support Committee was an NGO that carried out research and made its findings available to the public, media, government and other interested individuals and organisations concerned with the political status of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (1947-1990). It was established by Giff Johnson in 1975 and based in Honolulu, Hawai‘i. It was superseded by the Pacific Concerns Resource Centre in 1983 with its headquarters in Suva, Fiji. The Committee published the Micronesia Support Committee Bulletin which promoted economic self-sufficiency, self-determination and independence. The Bulletin and related publications chronicled the political, economic, military, social, and international dimensions surrounding the dissolution of the TTPI and the emergence of the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas and the Freely Associated States of the Marshall Islands, the FSM and Palau (see also PMB MS 1172, PMB MS 1173 and PMB DOC 441). Contents include: Micronesia Support Bulletin (Honolulu), 1975-82; Panadanus Periodical (Honolulu), 1983; The Young Micronesian, (Honolulu) 1971; Friends of Micronesia Newsletter, (Berkerly & Boston) 1971-74; Micronesian Newsnotes (New York) Dec 1981; The Washington Pacific Report, 1983-90.
AU PMB DOC 475
Title: The Rai Review
Date(s): 1963 - 1968 (Creation) The Rai Review
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Published by US Trust Territory District Administration, Yap, West Caroline Islands.

AU PMB DOC 476
Title: Mogethin
Date(s): Apr 1983 - May 1985 (Creation) Mogethin
Extent and medium: 1 reel; 35mm microfilm
Description: Official newsletter of the office of the Governor of Yap State. Editor, Ban Ruan. Published weekly.

AU PMB DOC 477
Title: Yap State Bulletin
Date(s): 1989 - 1999 (Creation) Yap State Bulletin
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm
Description: Published by Yap State Government, Colonia, FSM. “The Yap State Bulletin is a vehicle for disseminating news and information about how your State government works; what type of projects, plans and decisions are being made and carried out by your government. The Bulletin is a compilation of information from the various departments, offices, agencies and branches of your State government gathered by the Department of Youth and Civic Affairs.” (Yap State Bulletin, No.1, 17 Nov 1989) The Yap State Bulletin ceased publication in July 1999 in anticipation of the production of The Yap Networker.

AU PMB DOC 478
Title: The Yap Networker
Date(s): 1999 - 2005 (Creation) The Yap Networker
Extent and medium: 2 reels; 35mm microfilm