

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS COLONY.

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Canton Island,
Phoenix Islands District,
24th September, 1944.

No. F.57.

Estate late Mr. G.B. Gallagher:

Sir,

Matters concerning the above subject have been referred to me by the Native Magistrate, Gardner Island, and as I understand that the Western Pacific High Commission is handling the estate. I shall be glad of a directive please.

2. I enclose a copy of instructions given to Tem Bauro by Dr. D.C.M. MacPerson.

3. Constable Esela makes a claim for the Gilbertese canoe on the grounds that five months before his death Mr. Gallagher said to him these words, "When I leave the Colony you shall have this canoe" of course this is no legal claim, but meanwhile the canoe referred to is in the boat shed Gardner Island awaiting disposal.

4. The Ellice type canoe was given to Aram in trust for his son BENATI who was a kind of God-son of the deceased. See Lt.-Comd. MacPerson's instructions to Bauro.

5. Aram and Esela claim that they were mentioned in the late Mr. Gallagher's will, Aram to receive £50 and Esela £20.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) F.W. Huggins. Lt.-Col.
District Officer,
Phoenix Islands District.

The Secretary,
Western Pacific High Commission,
Suva, Fiji.

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Paragraph III

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