

U. S. S. ITASCA

Honolulu, T. H.,
March 10, 1936.

Mr. Henry Ahia,
Honolulu, T. H.

Dear Henry:

It is with pleasure that I am taking advantage of this opportunity to favorably comment on the performance of your duties while you were a member of the South Sea Survey Expedition. You are deserving of considerable credit for your loyalty, honesty, and the successful performance of your duties. The following expresses my honest opinion of your activities while under my supervision:

1. Living in peace and harmony for months on Jarvis Island, an isolated island near the equator.
2. Faithfulness in recording weather observations.
3. Maintaining the highest degree of health and morale - no sickness - no accidents and no unpleasant occurrences.
4. Interest and zeal in the collection of scientific specimens and material.
5. Ingenuity, resourcefulness and initiative in the construction of a livable home and camp.
6. Enthusiasm in compiling maps, digging wells, recording daily log and studying bird and marine life.

The following is your service record while a member of the South Sea Survey Expedition:

March 18, 1935, - March 10, 1936 - Member of the Expedition.
March 25, 1935, - Jan. 15, 1936 - Member of the Jarvis Island Group.
June 15, 1935, - Jan. 14, 1936 - In charge of the Jarvis Island Group.

In closing I wish to compliment you on your outstanding leadership, use of good judgment and your interest in the care of property.

To whom it may concern, I recommend you very highly.

W. T. MILLER,
Airways Superintendent,
Bureau of Air Commerce,
Department of Commerce.