

Return of Expulsion Orders issued under the Authority of the Samoan Offenders Ordinance, 1922.

Period 1st June, 1926, to 3rd June, 1927.

Name.	Date.	From	To	Distance.	Period.	Remarks.
Lui ..	20/8/26	Vaiusu ..	Leauvaa ..	Miles. 5	His Excellency's pleasure	Disturbing the peace of district. Case brought at the request of District Council, of which several recent petitioners to New Zealand were members. Council constituted Board of Inquiry.
Mulu ..	20/9/26	Faga, Savai'i	Matautu, Savai'i	23	Ditto ..	Disturbing the peace of village. Case brought at the request of Alii and Faipule of village, also Mulu's wife. Order made on recommendation of Board of Inquiry. (Also theft.)
Savusa ..	31/12/26	Faleapuna..	Tuanai ..	20		Endeavoured to usurp authority of the Government and Faipule. Order made on recommendation of Board of Inquiry.
Tialavea F.	29/12/26	Faleapuna..	Falefa ..	0½		Same remarks as above case.
Ta'atiti ..	23/12/26	Nciafu ..	Sataua ..	5		Disturbing the peace. Case at request of Alii and Faipule of village. Order made on recommendation of Board of Inquiry.
Lelafu ..	18/2/27	Falefa ..	Faleasiu ..	26		This is a second order—disturbing the peace of district of Aleipata. First order—disturbing peace of village and family. Case brought by his village, some of whom signed recent petition to New Zealand. Order made on recommendation of Board of Inquiry.
Lesa ..	17/5/27	Papa ..	Lelepa ..	20		Disturbing the peace of village and district. Case brought by District Council. Council constituted the Board of Inquiry.

Total number of Expulsion Orders, seven.

The following Samoans were ordered to remain in their home villages for a period of three months: AINU'u, Pitu, Tuilitufuga L., Matau K. (all of Apia), Faumuina (Lepea) Alipia (Leulumoega), Tuisila (Mutiatele), Anae (Iva). Total, 8.

The following Samoan was deprived of his title for endeavouring to usurp the authority of the Government and Faipule: Tialavea Vevesi, of Faleapuna, on 29th December, 1926.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF INSPECTOR A. L. BRAISBY.

Public Meeting at Market Hall, Apia, 15th October, 1926.

Following the attached advertisement that appeared in *Samoa Times* of 8th October, 1926, a public meeting was held at the Market Hall on 15th October. The meeting commenced at 8 p.m. and concluded at 12.30 a.m. About 140 Europeans and half-castes were present and about 150 Samoan Natives. Chairman, Mr. O. F. Nelson, supported by Mr. Williams and Mr. G. E. L. Westbrook; acting-secretary and recorder, Mr. Pleasants.

Mr. O. F. Nelson addressed the meeting first, and explained that the meeting had been called in the first place to form a committee of citizens to consider representations to be made to Hon. Nosworthy, Minister of External Affairs, who was expected to visit Samoa in the near future. He had, however, been informed by central office that the visit had been definitely postponed, but the provisional committee had decided that the meeting should be held and a committee of Europeans and Samoans be formed to radio the Minister asking him to arrange to come to Samoa if possible, and if he was unable to visit, then the numerous subjects they wished to discuss with him could be outlined by the committee and mailed to the Minister.

It was obvious that the meeting had been well advertised among the Natives, as the number present was unusual for a meeting of this kind. Lago Lago appeared to be the leading spirit among the Samoans. The fact that a number of typewritten statements were produced during the evening indicates that the subject had been carefully arranged and the procedure understood. The Samoan gathering were principally from in and about Apia, with the exception of Tuisila, who is from Aleipata. A number of convicted criminals were among the party.

The first subject discussed by Mr. Nelson was—

Legislative Council: He claimed that there should be more elected members, and one of the elected members should be a Native elected by the people. Under the present conditions the elected members had no say in important matters, owing to the majority of the nominated members. Nothing should be passed or rejected unless the elected members totally agreed, and if the elected members did not agree, then the subject should be referred to the Minister; and especially should they have a say in expenditure.

Fono of Faipule: Faipule should be elected by Samoan people and not nominated. (Mr. Williams read from a statement.) Some of the Faipule were very old men who could barely sign their own names, and yet they were taken everywhere and asked to give opinions on such things as schools and hospitals, of which they have no knowledge. They use their influence and advice *re* banishment orders and loss of titles. The people have no confidence in them, but would have if they were elected. (Perrin asked how this was managed in Fiji. Mr. O. F. Nelson stated that, as far as he was able to gather, in Fiji, three persons were elected from each side of the group, and from the six, two were nominated by the Government.)