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THE CENSUS ORDINANCE, 1921.

Western Samoa.

No. 6, 1921.



An Ordinance

made by the Administrator of the Territory of Western Samoa with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of that Territory, and in pursuance of the Samoa Constitution Order, 1920.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Census Ordinance, 1921."
2. In this Ordinance the term "European" means and includes any person other than a Samoan or a Chinese indentured labourer and includes a free Chinese.
3. A Census shall be taken in the Territory of Western Samoa on Sunday, the 17th day of April, 1921, of the number and condition of persons in the Territory at midnight on the said date, together with such other particulars regarding the different classes of persons hereinafter mentioned as may be required by the respective forms of returns appropriate to such classes.
4. Every occupier or person in charge of a dwelling occupied by any European shall in respect of any European in such building fill up and supply in the form appropriate to the Census of Europeans to the best of his knowledge and belief the matters and particulars required by the said form, and any instructions accompanying the same and shall sign the said form with his name and forthwith after the said date deliver or cause to be delivered the said form so filled up and signed to the officer or person appointed to collect such forms.
5. Every employer of indentured Chinese labour shall in respect of every such labourer in his employment on Sunday, the 17th day of April, 1921, after personal and individual enquiry from every such labourer made on the said date or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter, fill in the matters and particulars required by the form appropriate to the Census of Chinese indentured labourers and by any instructions accompanying the same and shall sign the said form with his name and forthwith deliver the same or cause it to be delivered to the officer or person appointed to collect such forms.

6. Every Pulenuu shall as to the village or district in which he is instructed by the Secretary for Native Affairs to make a return, fill in and supply in the form appropriate to the Census of Samoans to the best of his knowledge and belief, after such enquiry as he may be instructed to make by the Secretary for Native Affairs, the matters and particulars required by the said form, and shall sign such form and forthwith deliver the same or cause it to be delivered to the Secretary for Native Affairs or to the person appointed by him to collect such forms.

7. Any occupier or person in charge of any dwellinghouse occupied by a European, or any employer of indentured Chinese labour, or any Pulenuu who refuses or wilfully neglects to fill in to the best of his knowledge and belief and to sign and deliver or cause to be delivered any form which he is by this Ordinance required to fill in sign and deliver or cause to be delivered or who wilfully makes, signs or delivers or causes to be made, signed or delivered any false or incomplete return and any person who obstructs or hinders or misleads any other person in the performance by such other person of any duty under this Ordinance shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty Pounds.

Assented to this 11th day of
April, 1921.

[L.S.] R. W. TATE,
Administrator.