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57. Any person who, without reasonable cause, makes default in compliance with the requirements of any of the preceding clauses numbered 50 to 56 (inclusive) shall be liable to a fine not exceeding $\pounds 2$ for such default.

BREACHES OF THE LAW BY VILLAGE COMMUNITIES.

58. (1.) If upon the information of any officer of the Administration authorized in writing by the Administrator to lay the same, charging that there has been a general breach of the law in the part of any village community, it is proved to the satisfaction of the Court that there has been such general breach, and that there is no reasonable excuse for such breach, and that the law so broken was or reasonably might have been generally known among such community, the Court may inflict a fine not exceeding £25 in respect of such breach.

(2.) Any fine so inflicted or any unpaid balance thereof shall be deemed to be payable by such of the matais resident in such village and in such proportion as the Court shall from time to time direct or, in the absence of any such direction, by all such matais in equal proportions.

(3.) The Court shall direct service of any information under this clause upon such person and in such manner as it shall think necessary in order to bring such information to the notice generally of the inhabitants of such village, and any such service shall be deemed to be sufficient service.

(4.) No proceedings under this clause shall be taken or heard save before the Chief Judge of the Court.

RESERVATION OF NATIVE LAND FOR CHURCH PURPOSES.

59. In the following clauses of these regulations "Church purposes" means and includes the provision of a site for a place of worship, or for a pastor's house, or for a school conducted by a religious denomination, or for houses for pupils or teachers of such a school, or for a plantation for the support of pupils or teachers of such a school, or any one or more or such purposes.

60. If and whenever the Administrator shall be satisfied that any Native land has been at any time sold, gifted, or set aside by the Samoan owners thereof exclusively for Church purposes for the benefit of the adherents of some Christian denomination, and that the said owners are willing that such land shall be exclusively so used in perpetuity, and that no lawful alienation or disposition of the said land by way of conveyance, lease, or otherwise has been made in pursuance of the aforesaid sale, gift, or setting-aside, the Administrator, on application in writing made on behalf of the said adherents, may, by Proclamation under his hand, declare that land to be reserved for Church purposes, and to be held for the adherents of the said denomination.

61. Every Proclamation made under the preceding clause shall be published in the *Western Samoa Gazette* and in some official publication circulating among Samoans.

62. Native land which has been declared by a Proclamation under clause 60 to be reserved for Church purposes shall from the date of such Proclamation be held by the Crown for the use exclusively of the adherents of the denomination named in such Proclamation for Church purposes for so long as in the opinion of the Administrator there shall be any of such adherents reasonably requiring its use for Church purposes, and in the event of there ceasing to be any such adherents so reasonably requiring, then such land shall be held by the Crown for such other use for the benefit of the Samoans in general, or of the particular community to whom the land originally belonged, as the Administrator shall from time to time determine.