



# EMPLOYEE UPDATE

Polynesian Cultural Center    □    December 19, 1980

## Commissioner Speaks at PCC Fireside

Community members and PCC personnel gathered in the Main Theater last Sunday evening to hear Dr. Hal Eyring speak. The occasion was the final BYU-HC Silver Jubilee event marking the university's establishment 25 years ago.

Tongan, Samoan, and Maori groups furnished hymns for the evening, providing a fitting accompaniment for the commissioner's remarks which touched on the future of Laie's university community in our multi-cultural setting. "The church will go to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Great diversity in the kingdom is ahead." Explaining that spiritually "we will not be more diverse, but more unified," Dr. Eyring used the reference from Daniel of the stone cut out of a mountain which rolls forward continually growing until it covers all the earth.

The Law of Diminishing Returns was turned about to become a Law of Increasing Returns when applied to spiritual things, and the mathematics of the church's expected membership seemed staggering as he outlined the process of compound growth. The youth of leaders currently being called to fill Stake Presidencies and Bishoprics in areas such as Mexico is impressive today, and the commissioner prophesied that "young people will go into great responsibilities as the gospel rolls forward." He expressed his feeling that BYU-Hawaii will produce graduates who will accomplish this.

In preparing ourselves for the next 25 year era, Dr. Eyring used several examples which underscored the need for preparation. Responding to the question "How do you get revelation?" President Harold B. Lee once told him "If you want revelation, do your work!" This was likened to faith and the fact that we receive no witness until after the trial of our faith.

Using an appropriate example of preparing a paper for presentation to church leaders, he revealed that he had written fourteen drafts before he felt the paper ready. If we apply the Law of Diminishing Returns to such an exercise, we might be inclined to accept the second or third draft, and certainly be concerned about overworking it. However, testifying of the sheer hard work necessary in spiritual matters, the commissioner described how the windows of heaven open to pour out blessings of the spirit. "At that point, miracles happen, but they only happen after the work is done."

### MAKAALA SNACK-BAR SPECIAL:

December 22 & 23

**\$2 PLATE**

Roast Beef Sandwich

Macaroni Salad

Apple Pie

Fruit Punch

DECEMBER 24

French Bread

Fruit Bread



Dr. Hal B. Eyring

### Christmas Note:

"Mr. Kreuger's Christmas", starring James Stewart, will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on KGMB TV, channels 9 and 3, Saturday, December 20.

This heart-warming story features Stewart as an old man who learns the true meaning of Christmas as a little girl befriends him. Of interest to church members is the fact that the actor directs the Mormon Tabernacle Choir in the movie. Presented by the Church nation-wide this Christmas season, the movie should be a welcome addition to T.V. holiday fare.

# Marathon a Great Success

It was a dedicated few who gathered in the pre-dawn darkness last Saturday to support the runners in this year's PCC Marathon Relay. As 5:30 a.m. drew near, runners checked the course map by the light of a flashlight, pinned their race numbers on their chests, and did various stretch and warm-up exercises.

The mood was one of willingness to participate in an event that would bring little reward except the satisfaction of doing your best at something you enjoy. Runners chatted together, swapped jokes, and posed for photographs in the dark. BYU-H student teams were the first to arrive, including a courageous team of women.

The only Master's team to enter (age 35 yrs. and over) had difficulty finding five runners at that early hour. Consequently, Lance Chase of the BYU-H faculty started with the pack while team-mate Glen Willardson telephoned around waking several people in an effort to find other runners. By the time he himself had taken the field, PCC's Carl Fonoimoana and BYU-H's J.D. Willardson arrived. The problem of a fifth runner was solved when Morris Graham of the BYU-H faculty and his wife Winnie came jogging down Iosepa Street on a leisurely morning jaunt. Morris was promptly entered by the Master's team as their fifth man!

The race was a fast one with runners achieving some very good times. The fastest three miles was run by John Peterson of BYU-H in 16 mins. 31 secs. The fastest woman was Corinne Charles, also of BYU-H, with 23 mins. 52 secs. Lance Chase proved to be the fastest Master with a time of 19 mins. 30 secs.

Team listings and individual times appear below. Notice is hereby given by the Recreation Department that the next race will be in six months' time. So -- after Christmas and New Year's Day, start on that diet and get in shape. According to all involved, it's a great way to start the day!

## Team #1 - (Winner - Mens Division)

Chris Hughes	17.0 min.
Kerry Dugan	22.51 min.
John Peterson	16.31 min.
David Rhett	18.39 min.
Kerry Dugan	17.07 min.

TOTAL TIME 1hr., 32 min., 8 sec.

## Team #2

Dave Taylor	18.0 min.
Jerry Johnson	22.45 min.
Jeff Rouse	18.03 min.
Ian Mearns	20.15 min.
Tak Ming Ko	17.29 min.

TOTAL TIME 1 hr., 37 min., 32 sec.

## Team #3

Abe Montelbo	23.10 min.
Eric Billings	18.30 min.
Andrus Ventura	19.19 min.
Jr. Kahailii	22.22 min.
Kent Rose	17.05 min.

TOTAL TIME 1 hr., 40 min., 26 sec.

## Team #4

Owen Tipa	19.49 min.
Tuiala Leiataua	22.32 min.
Matini Kaio	19.29 min.
Tulou Nauer	22.37 min.
Siaki Atuaia	20.09 min.

TOTAL TIME 1 hr., 44 min., 26 sec.

## Team #5 - (Winner - Ladies Division)

Kathy Jarvis	24.50 min.
Corinne Charles	23.52 min.
Laurel Simmons	24.54 min.
Sidnie Oakes	26.38 min.
Kristine Carter	29.33 min.

TOTAL TIME 2 hr., 9 min., 47 sec.

## Team #6 - (Winner - Masters Division)

Lance Chase	19.30 min.
Glenn Willardson	30.16 min.
Carl Fonoimoana	28.03 min.
J.D. Willardson	23.16 min.
Morris Graham	26.15 min.

TOTAL TIME 2 hr., 7 min., 20 sec.



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Team



Team 222



Women set to go.



The "over-the-hill gang."



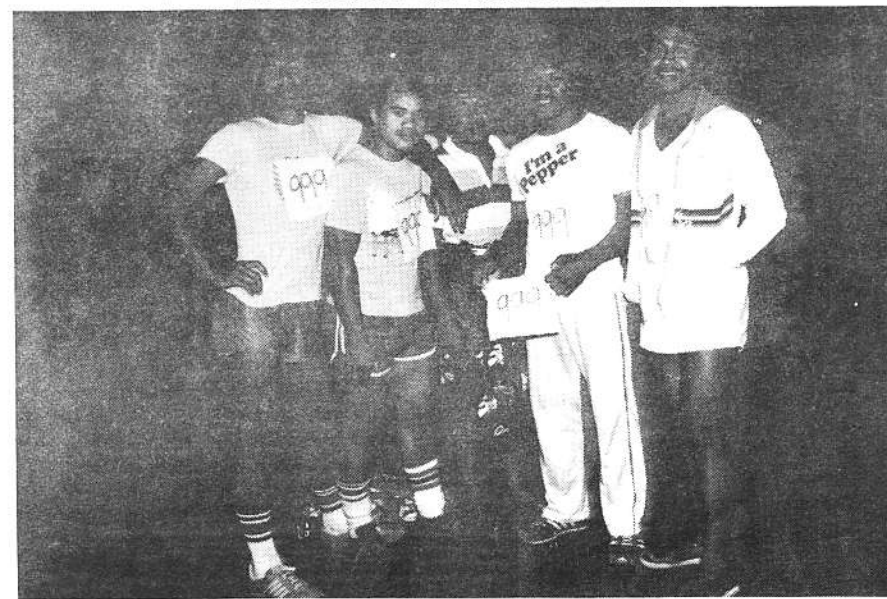
3 Early Birds.



The 111's minus one - Marathon winners.



2nd place winners.



Triple nine's.



# SPRECHEN SIE DEUTSCH?

Santha Kumara Tillekeratane does! Better known to Center employees and guests as "Tille", the German-speaking guide hails from Sri Lanka, Ceylon. In addition to German, he speaks English, Sinhalese, Tamil, and a little Italian and Dutch.

Tille left his Sri Lanka homeland when, after campaigning for the United National Party, the opposing Sri Lanka Freedom Party came into power. Because he had worked for the opposition, his family's tea plantation was confiscated by the government. Tille attended a German Government Hotel School in Ceylon, so when he was forced to flee the country, he travelled to Europe where he worked in all areas of Hotel Management. In Austria he was employed by the Hilton International as well as working as Assistant Manager for the Austrian Government Travel Agency. In Germany he worked for the Steigenberger Hotel chain and the Dusseldorf Hilton. He travelled and worked for nine years in Frankfurt, Dusseldorf, Brad Breisig, and also in Vienna.

Tille came into contact with the church in Austria and was baptised there in 1978. BYU has a "Study Abroad" program there, and he learned about BYU-Hawaii, applied, and was accepted. He arrived in Hawaii eight months ago.

Majoring in Marketing with a minor in Public Relations, Tille finds BYU-Hawaii less strict than he expected. German visitors are jovial but business-minded, so they like to be educated in the culture and foods of Polynesia rather than simply entertained." Swiss visitors also speak German, so Tille and two other German-speaking guides are kept busy here. He has praise for his manager Haunani Kaanaana, deeming her an excellent boss.

Tille's only living relative is a married sister in Ceylon, and he finds

"Tille" Tille Keratane



he is most homesick for snow. An avid skier, he left his ski equipment in Austria when he came to Hawaii. His favorite hobby is Opera, and he recalls how he used to pay 75¢ for standing-room only at the City Opera in Vienna. He has seen Carmen six times -- twice in Venice, three times in Vienna, and once in Budapest, Hungary.

What does Tille do in Hawaii instead of attending operas? Study! Hawaii is much like his homeland and he is quite used to eating bread-fruit, mangoes, bananas, taro, and tapioca (called manioc in Ceylon). However, he is disappointed that the bright orange-colored "king coconuts" he is used to don't grow here because they are sweeter than the variety Hawaii grows.

Tille serves as the Elders' Quorum Temple Coordinator in BYU 2nd Ward. We extend a warm aloha to him and are glad to have him share his personality and talents with our guests. If you can't manage the question at the beginning of this article, perhaps you can practise with a shorter good-bye:

"Auf wiedersehen, Tille!"

## Polynesian Cultural Center Properties, Inc.

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### BYU-H Calendar

#### Saturday, December 20

Movie - Auditorium  
"The Swarm"

6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, December 23

Basketball - Gym  
Azusa Pac. College  
7:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, December 24

Movies - Auditorium  
2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, December 27

Movie - Auditorium  
"The Great Escape"  
6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Basketball - Gym  
Mesa State  
7:30 p.m.

### RESULTS OF THE PCC VOLLEYBALL DOUBLES

**Women's Division**  
MAILE KAMALU & VENICE KAHALEIWA

**Men's Division**  
FRANCIS ARP & DAVIS BURGESS