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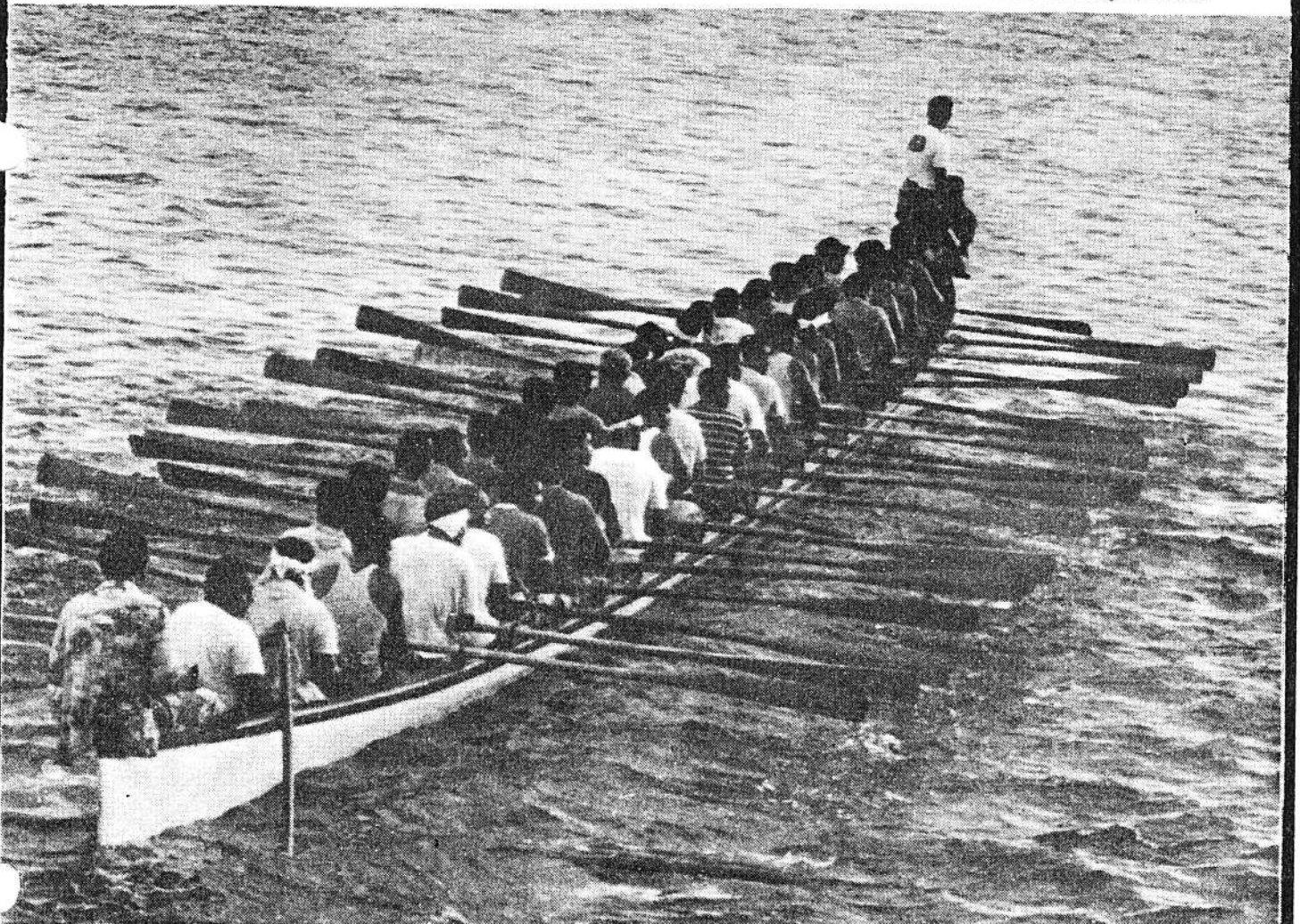
Center Crew Films Unique Celebrations

The Center video crew recently returned from Western Samoa where they filmed the annual Independence Day celebrations. Included in the footage are clips from the various

athletic contests and dances that were held as well as interviews with many community leaders.

The Center crew was comprised

of Albert Peters, Sone Scott, and Ed Kamaouha. They found the celebrations a great resource for cultural activities, and included footage of Western Samoa's beauty as well.



One of the long boats used in the Long Boat Race as part of Western Samoa's Independence Day celebrations. While many islands in the Pacific compete in canoe racing, it is believed that the Long Boat Race is unique to Samoa.

NEWS

Halau Performs on Kanehameha Day

Kanehameha Day in the Center presented a program of grace and style that would have pleased the King were he able to attend.

Favorite group of the day was the Center's own Halau, who performed the ancient hulas with dignity and grace.

Shown here are a few candid shots of the participants. Thanks go to the Hawaiian Village personnel and Village Operations staff for a day that was enjoyed by Center guests and employees alike.



Cultural Research Corner

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

In Hawaii the four corners of the body were considered to be the two shoulders and two hips of the torso?

One never spoke of the amount of food a person ate. Instead, it would be remarked that he had a wonderful appetite. In the olden days a person with wit, humor, and wisdom found his way to the court of the chief.

Hospitality was Hawaiian magic, with people always glad to share and give the best to the guest.

It showed a lack of good manners to stand talking to a person with hands on hips (it conveyed a sense of superiority). It was also rude to stand with hands crossed behind the back. (This was a sign of wishing to have misfortune descend upon another). It was also bad manners for a visitor to stand or sit in the doorway because this was an obstruction to the Aumakua (ancestors and gods) who might want to go in and out freely.

It was forbidden to hit a child on the head because the head was regarded as sacred.



NEWS

"Alligators" in Laie?

Have you ever seen a real live alligator? Well, if you happen to be at the 50th State Fair tomorrow, you will have the opportunity to see four of them - and all but one are employees of PCCI.

Daren Kingi from the Alii Canoe, Mark Strother from the Maori Canoe, and Fred Watson from the Hawaiian Village have the distinction of having the only gilldummer in the local Rock band scene. Molly Maxwell, from Laie, is the fourth member of the group, and the band was good enough to compete with 53 other groups to become one of 12 finalists who will participate in 98 Rock radio's "Battle of the Bands" this weekend at the fair.

Competition throughout the auditions was tough, as groups from all over the state gathered for the chance to win promotion by the radio station and other prizes.

"The Alligators" rehearse two hours nightly. Daren plays lead guitar, Mark base guitar, Fred synthesizer, and Molly drums, and all three men sing the original songs they write themselves.

This talented group met here in Laie, and will have their chance at the prize at 4:00pm tomorrow. So, if you attend the fair tomorrow, make sure you're there at 4:00 pm to give your support to Laie's own "alligators!"

Introducing:



Bishop J. Richard Clarke

Bishop J. Richard Clarke was called October 1, 1976 as second counselor in the Presiding Bishopric of the Church. His major areas of responsibility are Welfare Services and Materials Management.

Prior to his assignment with the Church, Bishop Clarke was General Manager for Mutual of New York and head of Boise Intermountain Agency, which covers Idaho and surrounding areas of Washington, Oregon, and western Montana.

He has received many honors from MONTY for his outstanding work and in 1963 he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Ricks College. He was also awarded the Distinguished Businessman Award in 1975 and has been named Boss of the Year by the Boise Junior Chamber of Commerce.

His previous Church assignments have included bishop, stake mission president, and stake president. He served as a Regional Representative for two years prior to his call to the Presiding Bishopric. As a young man he served a mission to South Africa.

Bishop Clarke was born on April 4, 1927 in Rexburg, Idaho. He graduated from BYU in Provo in 1952 with a B.S. degree in marketing. In 1950 he married Barbara Jean Reed. They have eight children.

Front Page Feature



This photo of teacher and student weaving baskets in the Maori Meeting house is printed in the Update by special request of Marge Christy and Hana Smith. (Readers please do not reveal that this photo is on the back page -- Update promised front page coverage, but there was not room for a long boat crew and ladies too.)



NOTICE

Memo: From Cultural Education Services

Every summer we teach the songs and dances of the Pacific to the children of employees. The program is FREE.

To enroll your elementary and high school girls and boys just call ext 3118. The schedule of classes for this summer is as follows:

Wednesday June 23, 1982:

8:00 am to 9:00 am Hawaiian.
12:30 pm to 1:30 pm Tahitian
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Tongan
Thursday June 24 1982:
8:00 am to 9:00 am Samoan
12:30 pm to 1:30 pm Maori
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Fijian

Friday June 25 1982:

8:00 am to 9:00 am Hawaiian
12:30 pm to 1:30 pm Tahitian
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Tongan
Saturday June 25 1982:
8:00 am to 10:00 am Filipino

Note: Entrance is through Gate 4. All classes are held in the old theater, and depending on the attendance during this first week, will continue through the summer.

Congrats Grads!

Many PCC employees are among the graduates in the BYU-Hawaii 26th annual Commencement exercises tomorrow.

Congratulations are extended to Steve Keung of the Maori Village and Randy Price of Technical Services, both of whom will graduate summa cum laude.

153 seniors will comprise this year's graduating class. The ceremonies will be held in Cannon Center and the public should be seated by 9:00am.

Elder Richard Scott of the First Quorum of Seventy of the Church will deliver the commencement address.

Also present will be Dr. Harold Western, Associate Commissioner of the Church Educational System, and Dr. Carolyn Rasmus, Assistant to the President of BYU Provo.

Distinguished Service Awards will be presented to Mrs Alina Fong, mother of Hawaii's Senator Hiram Fong, and Dr. Nephi Georgi, a member of the original faculty of Church College of Hawaii.

Happy Birthday!

Kalilimoku Hunt	June 18
Wai Ming Yau	19
Ropeti Ale	19
Kalae Puhi	19
Jose Uemura	19
Pele Tautu	20
Olevia Alisa	20
Esta Kershaw	20
Telefoni Aumua	20
Anapogi Sua	21
Michael Foley	21
Ingrid Cummings	22
Masaru Wada	22
Jody Thompson	22
See Ill Choi	23
George Kahawaii	24
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George Scanlan	24
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