

"Discipline" Problems Are Everyone's Concern

Since the "discipline" problems at Hilo High School have been receiving such wide publicity lately, Mr. Herbert Horiuchi, vice principal, with the approval of Principal Alfred G. Serrao, has prepared the following article for publication to inform our readers what is being done here to help solve the problems.

A recent article in our local paper expressed concern over the discipline problem at Hilo High School and steps that are being taken by the Deputy District Superintendent and school administration in meeting this problem.

Teachers, especially those housed in the Auditorium building, had expressed growing concern over the misconduct of students in the hallways and the negative effects of such actions on the classes in attendance at that time. Many teachers had

also expressed much concern over the increasing incidents of students' displaying insubordination towards anyone in authority.

Examples cited were students not cooperating in following rules and regulations set forth in the students' handbook, cases of student's setting fire to rubbish containers; pulling false fire alarms; throwing books into puddles of water; and in one case of a book being thrown at a teacher on campus duty during the noon recess. Students found breaking regulations, or found in the area of an infraction, have displayed a lack of respect and complete disregard for authority by refusing to answer questions, or even to give their own names by hiding behind the knowledge that the particular teacher doing the questioning did not know the identity of the culprit and that no other student would tell on him.

Several meetings have been held with the Deputy District Superintendent, school administration, school counselors, and teachers to study the problem from all aspects. A plan of action has been developed whereby all staff members, students, parents and related agencies will work together to help the "undisciplined" students reassess themselves and make the necessary adjustments to school.

The types of disciplinary actions normally taken by the school administration to punish students for their infractions are also being re-examined and some suggested changes are being contemplated. These include an after-school work gang and a special school for students on suspension. Under the latter plan, students who have been placed on suspension will not remain at home to do as they please, but will be placed in a special school either on or off

campus under special supervision during the period of the suspension.

In the studies made thus far, it has been pointed out that the disciplinary problems at Hilo High this year have increased in certain acts as well as in certain areas of the campus. Other infractions have decreased in their frequency or have remained about the same as in past years. Incidents of insubordination and of general vandalism have increased, and much of the misbehavior seems to be centered around the Auditorium building and the Makai building boys' lavatory.

Statistics through the end of March show that there have been suspensions covering 75 students and causing a total loss of 360 school days. A total of 58 students have also been dropped or expelled for various reasons. The number of suspensions and expulsions this year

has increased substantially over the past years.

Plans being developed include immediate as well as long range steps to be taken. With proper agreement, students found swearing at, threatening or acting in an insubordinate manner to staff members will be immediately expelled. Also, students found molesting others will be given the same punishment. Disciplinary practices will be written and circulated to all the teachers. Follow-up methods for class cuts, excessive tardiness, and truancies are being looked into and steps will be taken to improve communication for all concerned.

A joint student, faculty, administration and parents committee will be organized to look into existing policies regarding students' dress and conduct. In all of the studies made, there is agreement that this problem of

deviant behavior on the part of some of our students is the result, not only of the school environment, but of the home and community as well. Therefore, plans are being made to involve local governmental agencies in developing a master plan of action.

It is also generally agreed that the greatest effect on students' behavior or misbehavior, comes from their own peer group — their fellow students. Therefore, the students of Hilo High will be involved in all the plans discussed in this article.

Further communication on actions to be taken, or in the reiterating of rules and regulations, will be printed and circulated to the homerooms. The administration feels that, with the cooperation and assistance of all concerned, those students causing the "discipline" problems at Hilo High can be helped.



Saturday is their night! Reigning over the 1968 Junior-Senior Prom are (center) King Tim De Silva and Queen Pauline Abong, and (clockwise) Donald Haraguchi and Judy Higaki, Maile Tanaka and Aaron Ahu, Claire Okuyama and Sheldon Spencer, and Bobby Ahu and Louella Medeiros.—Photo by OH.

Junior-Senior Prom

Saturday Is The "Big Night"

Pink rose, hearts, butterflies and silver trees will adorn the YMCA hall to create an enchanting atmosphere for the 1968 Junior-Senior Prom, "Somewhere, My Love", to be held this Saturday from 8:00 p.m. to 12 midnight.

Reigning over the Prom will be King Tim De Silva and Queen Pauline Abong, flanked by their senior attendants, Bobby Ahu and Louella Medeiros, and Don Haraguchi and Judy Higaki, and junior attendants, Aran Ahu and Maile Tanaka, and Sheldon Spencer and Claire Okuyama.

According to Sharon Matsubara, chairman of the decoration committee, a revolving three-layer centerpiece of flowers will be placed in the middle of the hall around which the Prom-goers will dance.

Bob McRae's Combo will provide music for the evening.

Seniors will be admitted with their Student Body I.D. cards; juniors with their Junior Class I.D., and sophomores by invitation and Student Body I.D.

23 Definitely Leaving Faculty

To date, there are 23 members of the faculty leaving Hilo High School at the end of the school year, according to Vice-Principal Kiyoshi Hamakawa. Six of these are retirees; four will be on sabbatical leaves, and the remaining 13 will be on special leaves or will be transferring to other schools. There may be more changes before the school year ends on June 14.

Those retiring are Principal Alfred G. Serrao, Mrs. Marion (Continued on Page 2)



Happily anticipating the May Day festivities is Queen Alberta Ahuna (right front) . . . but where or where is King Bobby Ahu? Others representing the ethnic groups are: first row (left to right): Clayton Nakasone, Nora Kishimoto, Susan Park, Patty Yamanoha, Laurel Yap and Wayne Rabang. Second row (left to right): Gary Nham, Tim De Silva, Wendell Foster and Linda Gambsky. Photo by OH.

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May Day Pageant

Hilo High School's annual May Day pageant will be presented on Wednesday, May 1, during the sixth period, in the pool area.

The program will be as follows:

Greetings by Michelle Yamanoha, mistress of ceremonies
Announcement of the Hawaiian apparel contest winners

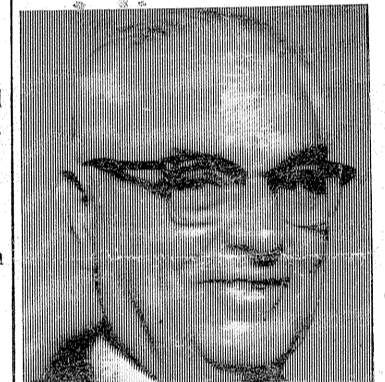
Royal Procession and seating of King Bobby Ahu and Queen Alberta Ahuna

Presentation of the Racial Court

Caucasian—Joel Hodson, Kim Brown
Chinese—Charles Chai, Laurel Yap
Cosmopolitan—Tim De Silva, Patricia Yamanoha
Filipino—Wayne Rabang, Joyal Torres
Japanese—Clayton Nakasone, Nora Kishimoto
Korean—Gary Nham, Susan Park
Puerto Rican—Allen Filoteo, Linda Gambsky
Portuguese—Wendell Foster, Louella Medeiros

Presentation of the "Legend of the Naupaka" (Hawaiian Flower) by the Hawaiian Culture Committee.

Co-chairmen of the May Day festivities are Alice Reis and Carl Okuyama, with Mrs. Hawea Waiiau and Mr. Charles Okino as advisors. Eunice Ashida is chairman of the program; Joette Feigley is in charge of the decorations; and Carl Okuyama is spearheading the apparel contest.



Principal Serrao Retiring In June

It is said that "all good things must someday come to an end" and that applies to a person's career too, however impressive it may have been.

This statement seems especially timely now, when Hilo High School is about to lose its head administrator, Principal Alfred G. Serrao, who has announced his intentions to retire in June.

A graduate of Hilo High School, Class of 1926, and a graduate of the University of Hawaii, Mr. Serrao started his teaching career at Hilo Intermediate School in 1930. In 1937, he was transferred to Hilo High School and remained here for 10 years as a teacher, counselor, CPO advisor and disciplinarian. The fall of 1947 found Mr. Serrao as principal of Haaheo School where he remained till 1950. The next 16 years he spent as principal of Hilo Intermediate School. Then, in 1966, he "crossed over" from Hilo Intermediate to become Hilo High's principal.

To the question of what has been the biggest change in education over the years, Mr. Serrao replied:

"The recognition of individual differences and providing for meeting these differences with (Continued on Page 3)

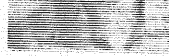
New Honors For HHS

By Joan Nishida
Editor, "The Viking"

Hilo High School deserves an "A" in the field of achievement, for in just a month's time, a number of Vikings have brought new honors to our school.

Starting off our honor winning "binge" were two scientists, Juniors Ruth Hisanaga and Craig Shikuma, who made it to the "big time" in Honolulu and were awarded monetary prizes at the 11th Annual Hawaiian Science Fair. Their advisor was Mrs. Ruth Wong.

Also, Junior Marilyn Paik brought fame to HHS by being elected president of the Island Association of the National Honor Society. Mr. Bruce Bowen is the NHS advisor here.



Joan

Achievement in stage talent was another to our school credit, as the Senior Class presented a VARIETY SHOW the likes of which had never

been seen before in the history of Hilo High! Skits of great imagination, intertwined with musical and comedy acts, contributed to the success of this gala program.

A great deal of credit goes to all the performers and the overall participants and their hard-working advisors, Mrs. Jane Arimoto and Mr. Michael Gibbons. Congratulations, seniors, on two sell-out performances!

With Easter came more awards . . . first of all, in the State Forensic Championship, debaters Sharon Yamada (Junior) and Gary Nham (Senior) placed third in their division, and Nora Kishimoto (Senior) placed fourth in the storytelling division. This was the first time that Hilo High had ever placed in the State Forensic Championships. Their advisers were Mrs. Marion Kittelson, Mrs. Jean Shintani and Mrs. Alma Cooper.

Then, Junior Valli Kanuha became the first woman governor ever to be elected at the annual YMCA Model Legislature. Other "officials" from HHS were: Brian Hamakawa, Speaker of the House; Jon Horita, sergeant-at-arms; David Nada (Senate chaplain); and Norman Oshiro, Senate attorney.

At the Plymouth Trouble-shooting Contest held at Farrington High School, Hilo High seniors placed third as a team out of a field of 13 entrants. These boys were Clinton Ozeki and Francisco Julian. In addition, Francisco received a \$25 cash award for placing first in a written exam on trouble-shooting. Congratulations to the boys and their instructor, Mr. Jack Tullis!

Two juniors made the news at the State Conference of the Future Homemakers of America by being chosen two of the four state delegates to the National FHA Convention, to be held in July at the Americana Hotel in Bal Harbour/Miami Beach, Fla. May Kan and Stephanie Nishimoto will be accompanied by their adviser, Mrs. Kikuye Kohashi.

Hilo High also made it in the sports scene by winning honors in the Surf Festival and State golf tournament. (See our sports page for further details.)

Currently attending the National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C., is Senior Charlotte Kanda, who is a delegate from the State 4-H organization. On her tour, Charlotte will have the thrilling experience of meeting the Vice-President of the United States as well as Hawaii's Congressmen.

So you see, the "Home of the Vikings" is the GREATEST . . . that's for sure!

Two Girls Going Latin Banquet Set To Mexico City May 4 At YWCA

Sophomore Debra Tobin and Junior Sydney Detor have been selected as Hilo High's foreign exchange students for next year. They will be going to Mexico City.

Both Debra, a first year Spanish student, and Sydney, a fourth year Spanish student, want to go to the same country. They will probably leave during the first semester to spend six months, from September to January, with Mexican families and go to school in Mexico City.

Although \$650 has been set aside for their trip, more money will have to be raised. However, the two girls will be paying for almost half of the trip themselves.

The Foreign Student Exchange Program committee is also planning to open the exchange to Japan. Thus, the two students who will be coming to Hilo High in place of Debra and Sydney could be Japanese students, and not necessarily Mexicans, reported Mrs. Maria Rawe, foreign exchange advisor.

The Junior Classical League will hold a Latin banquet, "Mirus Mundus Romanorum" (The Wonderful World of the Roman), on May 4 at the YWCA. Members and guests attending will be dressed in Roman attire.

The coronation of King Leonard Mukai and Queen Jean Hayashi will highlight the evening's program.

General chairman for the banquet is Lynne Suefuji.

Books, Fines Due

As a special request, Mrs. Marion Hall, head librarian, has announced that students return all overdue books and pay their fines before the end of the school year. If students have lost their books, they are expected to pay for them.

All obligations to the library should be taken care of soon so as to avoid a last-minute rush.

May 17 Deadline For Senior Awards

Deadline for Senior Honor Pins and Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Awards has been set for May 17 at 2:30 p.m. Leila Nakamura is the Scholastic Awards committee chairman, with Mrs. Ruth Wong as advisor.

Nomination blanks for these awards may be obtained at the office and turned in to either Mr. Herbert Horiuchi or Mrs. Wong.

The Board of Review is composed of: non-voting members—Mr. Alfred Serrao, chairman; Mr. Kiyoshi Hamakawa, Mrs. Mildred Martin, Mr. Marvin Senter; voting members appointed by Mr. Serrao—Miss Pauline Nishihara, Mrs. Irene Okada, Miss Ruth Kanno; selected by the Student Council—Mr. Stuart Postle, Mrs. Kathryn Vierra, Mrs. Pauline Fong.

No more than seven per cent of the Senior Class will receive the Honor Pin awards.

12 Vik Staffers Qualify For Pins

This year, 10 seniors and two juniors from "The Viking" staff have qualified for the Quill and Scroll awards for outstanding work on the school paper.

Seniors who will be receiving gold pins (in alphabetical order) are: Althea Fujimoto, Kathryn Hayashi, Sharon Kakesako, Charlotte Kanda, Nora Kishimoto, Lloyd Matsunami, Kayleen Murota, Joan Nishida, editor, and Lillian Nishiura. Norma Nada will receive a silver pin.

Juniors who have qualified are Sharon Yamada, who will receive a gold pin, and Cynthia Agan, silver pin.

The awards will be presented at the Senior Awards Assembly on May 28 and at the Junior Awards Assembly on May 27.

The Quill and Scroll is an international society for high school journalists.

Teacher To Attend NDEA Institute

Mrs. Chizu K. Kanemori, junior history and Japanese language teacher, has been selected as a participant in the NDEA Institute in Japanese at George-University, Washington, D.C., from June 24 to August 2.

When asked how she felt about being selected, she said that it is indeed an honor and that she is looking forward to her first trip to the Mainland. After her six weeks' program is over, she plans to visit in Ohio, Michigan, New Orleans, Texas, Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Oregon where her daughter is a teacher. Later, she will go to Seattle and then on to Canada. From Canada she will come back to Hilo just in time for the beginning of school.

The purpose of the Institute is for the teachers to expand their knowledge in Japanese and to teach each other new and interesting skills.

Vice Principal Kiyoshi Hamakawa said: "We are very happy about Mrs. Kanemori's selection because it not only will benefit Mrs. Kanemori but her students as well."

23 Leaving Faculty

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Hall, Mrs. Eleanor Schoen, Mr. Richard Kishimoto, Mr. Edward Nakamura and Mr. Richard Oka.

Teachers who will be on sabbatical leave are Mrs. Alma Cooper, Miss Ruth Kanno, Miss Pauline Nishihara and Mr. Stanley Kawano.

Miss Naomi Okimoto and Mr. Gary Yoshina will be on professional improvement leaves, while Mrs. Mildred Martin, counselor, and Mrs. Irene Okada will be on special leaves.

Others who have either resigned or who will be transferring to other schools are Miss Nora Higuchi; Mr. Ronald Boyd, who has been on leave from HHS, but instead of returning here, will go to Waianae High School; Mr. Kenneth Cheeseman, Mr. Michael Gibbons, and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Rawe.

Mrs. Marion Kittelson will go on an exchange to Wisconsin, and Mr. Victor Dalla Betta will be leaving as Mr. Toshiaki Kawasaki will be returning to Hilo High to take over his special education class.

After directing the Hilo High chorus during the current school year, Mr. Kenneth Cheeseman will be transferring to Bishop, Calif., to teach band at Bishop Union High School next fall.

Before coming to Hilo, he made a "grand tour" of Panama and American Samoa and also of California.

His only comment was: "It is very beautiful here and I hate to leave the Islands."

Another Hilo High teacher going on a professional leave is Mr. Gary Yoshina, who teaches woodshop here. He will attend the Honolulu Academy of Arts for probably one year and work towards an art degree. Upon finishing his studies, he hopes to return to Hilo High School to continue teaching.

Born and raised in Hilo, Mr. Yoshina was a first class carpenter for 10 years before he decided to enter the teaching field. So he attended Maunaloa College for two years and Kansas State Teachers' College for three years to prepare himself for his new profession.

His first year of teaching at Hilo High was in 1963. Previously, he had taught English, history, reading and math in other island schools.

Mrs. Marion Kittelson, speech and English teacher, will accompany her husband to Wisconsin where he will study for a year at the University of Wisconsin. The family will reside in Madison, Wis.

Mrs. Kittelson hopes to teach speech and English in a Madison school, and if she can manage it, take a course or two at the University of Wisconsin.

Miss Nora Higuchi, business education teacher, is leaving this June for Honolulu to be married. She plans to teach there but, as yet, does not know to which school she will be assigned.

Miss Naomi Okimoto, junior English teacher, will be on professional improvement leave for one year, and also will teach in California during this time. She

will return to teach at Hilo High the following year.

Mrs. Irene Okada, sophomore English teacher, will be on a one-year leave next year. She plans to return to Hilo High the following year to rejoin the faculty.

Bound for Albany, New York, are Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Rawe, who will leave Hawaii sometime in June and start their summer vacation by traveling cross-country in their "faithful" Datsun convertible. They're planning to travel quite extensively through the United States and might even go to Mexico.

In the fall, Mr. Rawe, senior English teacher, will be teaching at the State University of New York at Albany, a four-year university, where he will instruct classes in literature and composition. He will also serve on the administrative staff as assistant to the head of the English department.

Mrs. Rawe, Spanish teacher, hopes to teach at Union College, a four-year, all-male college, in Schenectady, New York. Presently, Mrs. Rawe's credentials are being reviewed by the college.

The Rawes expressed hopes of returning to "this beautiful state of Hawaii" someday. They stated that they met a lot of nice students here and really enjoyed their classes.

Also, Mr. Rawe remarked that he has something to look forward to this winter, and that is his favorite pastime—skiing.

Leaving for Honolulu will be Mr. Victor Dalla Betta, who plans to get a job there and also do some surfing. If a job is not available, he will try California and then head home to Pittsburgh, Penn. At home he will work and wait for the draft to call him up.

When he gets out of the service, he plans to finish his Master's, and after teaching a while, hopes "to see the world."

"I will miss working with the students at Hilo High School," commented Mr. Michael Gibbons, senior English teacher, who will be leaving Hilo High at the end of this school year.

Active in school and community affairs, Mr. "G", as he is known by his students, will be going "back to school" to obtain his doctorate in education. However, he is still undecided about which graduate school he will attend, although to date he has received acceptance papers from the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Columbia Graduate school. He will study for the next two and a half years with possible internship overseas.

In his three years of teaching at Hilo High School, Mr. Gibbons has become involved in numerous class activities, especially with the Senior Class. He is also the director of the Hilo High Student Playhouse and advisor of the Key Club.

"I'm sad about leaving . . . but happy to be able to graduate with the Class of '68", were Mr. Gibbons' parting words.

"Viking" Slated May 15 And 29

The last regular issue of "The Viking" will come out around May 15. Teachers, students and campus organizations wishing to have publicity in the school paper are requested to hand in their news by May 10.

The special issue on May 29 will be a Senior Commencement Edition only about seniors and their class activities. Featured in this "Viking Special" will be the Commencement program, the Top Ten seniors and others on the honor awards list, winners of the Senior Hall of Fame, senior class roundup, sports roundup, and farewell messages from Principal Alfred G. Serrao and John Moore, president of the senior class.

Also to be included is the complete list of the graduating members of the class of '68.

Senior staff members of "The Viking", headed by editor Joan Nishida, will take charge of the "Senior Special."

Diploma Ball Set For May 18

"Days of My Youth," the Senior Diploma Ball, will be held at the YMCA hall on May 18, from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., with Patricia Yamanoha and Wayne Shigeoka as co-chairmen under the advisorship of Mr. Gary Yoshina.

The color scheme for the dance will be green, gold and white.

The sub-committee chairmen are: decoration—Margo Machida; publicity—Michael Chang and Gale Okamoto; refreshments—Nora Kishimoto and Leighton Matsuyama; program—Harlan Ohara and Linda Aburamen; host and hostess—Yvonne Yoshimi and Gail Haya-shikawa; police and janitor—Jay Akoi; tables and chairs—Burton Shimoda and Lance Samura; clean-up—Stanley Kubo.

Juniors To Elect For Next Year

The Class of 1969 election rally will be held on Monday, May 6, during the activity period. Voting will take place in the homerooms on May 7.

The election is being spearheaded by Susan Goto, assisted by Gail Torigoe and Suzanne Hara, nominations; Gail Okamoto, rally; Noreen Goto and Brian Ikawa, tallying; Mark Sato and William Tsuji, clean-up.

Notices have been sent out to the junior history classes to nominate candidates for each office. After all the nominations are in, other students who wish to run by petition may do so.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club will hold its election of officers for next year at 2:45 p.m. today in the MPR.

The club is also planning a Spanish Fiesta on May 18 at the YWCA building. Spanish food such as Spanish rice and chili will be served for dinner. The entertainment part of the program will consist of dancing, singing, and also a Spanish fashion show.

The new club officers will be installed at this event.

Odds 'n Ends

Easter vacation was a blast for many Vikings who were fortunate to visit the outer islands. Some of the Hi-Y members—Cheryl Hashimoto, Gale Uratani, Joan Yanagihara, Grayson Inouye and Norman Oshiro—had a terrific time in Honolulu at the Model Legislature . . . Congrats to "Governor" Valli Kanuha! . . . Others like Mike Okumoto, Neil Nagai and Johnson Keliipio participated in the State AAU Championships. How did you do, guys? . . . "Happenings" in Honolulu were also enjoyed by Lance Samura, Naomi Shiraishi, Mike Chang and Wayne Nakamura. "Body Beautifuls" Gayla Gota, Lena Akamine, Glenn Tadaki and Derrick Mukai got a beautiful tan from the Waikiki sun. Hope you didn't get scorched! . . . Members of the Les Gentilles Karen Kishimoto, Avis Hirokawa, Leona Hirata and Beverly Fukumoto will forever remember all the fun they had in Honolulu. Hope you girls didn't buy out the town!

Hats off to May Kan who was elected State FHA President. A very happy birthday to Gail "Chickie" Okamura, May Fukuda and Lynn Ishikane. What happened to our share of the cake, girls? Having a blast smashing the "oldtimers" Kiwanis in a softball game were New York Mets prospects like Terrence Fujimoto, Jackie Yamaguchi, Leonard Mukai, Gerald Otake, Doug Walter, Gary Nham, Bruce Hirano, Judi Higaki and Mari Jaeger. What's this about Michelle Yamanoha hitting a homer? . . . Since the Class of '68 is such a "sane" class, it was no surprise to see Jean Shimooka, Lush Nishikawa, Clarence Imamura, Neal Nakashima, Marvin Abe and Guy Oishi sitting on top of the tower of Coconut Island, listening to Wayne Shigeoka relate the story of Mr. O. and Mr. H. . . . Among the great actors in Miss Nishihara's third period are Warner Borges, Randy Shimooka, Bertram Hashimoto and Reggie Morita . . . portraying characters from "Of Mice and Men".

"Somewhere My Love" is just a wink away and it seems Clive Tanimoto, Judi Leopoldino, Audrey Miyamoto, Sheldon Hayashi, Kathy Oswalt, Allan Pacheco, Dickie Fujie and Neal Nishimura are anxiously awaiting this memorable evening. "Huffa-puffa" . . . says Clayton Nakasone who just made it into the "in crowd" of 18 year olds and who was really generous with his list of "cool" gifts. . . . Having a ball flipping pancakes and serving at the Farmer John's Breakfast were Gail Torigoe, James Pullen, Kathleen Kuritani and David Nada. Luckily, no one has complained of stomach-aches, huh? . . . Fishing seems to be the fad nowadays for teens like Glenn Kunimura, Celese Nakamoto, Edwardine Reis, Leslie Miyasato and Sherwood Tanigawa. Hey, Celese, tell us about the big one that got away. . . . Seems like Lucky Higa is taking a lot of ribbing about shampooing her beautiful locks. . . . Heard any moaning lately? They are undoubtedly the sounds of sophomores Charlene Saito, Joy Otaki, Laurie Yamasaki, Muriel Martin, Naomi Mihara, Sandra Miyao, Pat Dunn, Sue Yamaguchi and Pauline Ventura, who recently started their unit in track. . . . What's this about Glenn Tomiyoshi going "on strike" in Mr. Yoshino's F Module class. Is it true that his group "monitored" for eight weeks? . . .

This item is for boys only. . . 'Tis said boys rarely lose their hair while in their teens. However, this is not the case of Francis Hamada, Curtis Fujiyama, Stephen Warsh, William Moore, Myron Okada and Reynold Ito, who are becoming "self-conscious" about their receding hairlines . . . A word of warning to the students who still possess Easter eggs. A wise man once said that eggs are white teardrops from sulphur crystal. So, for heaven's sake, Patrice Sato, throw that egg away . . . Gals like Lois Umeno, May Fukuda, Merle Miyamoto and Gayle Sekimura enjoyed themselves at the Easter party which they gave for some underprivileged children. What a good way to spend Easter . . . helping to make unfortunate children happy for at least a day!

Prom Pointers For Boys Only

- Check with your date about the time she must be home.
- Be sure that the flowers you buy for your date don't clash with the color of her dress.
- Check on your reservations for dinner so you won't have to be left waiting.
- At dinner:
 - Pull out the chair for your date.
 - Help take off her wrap if she's wearing one.
 - Order for yourself and your date.
 - After dinner, pull out her chair and get her wrap.
 - Don't forget to leave a tip (15 per cent of the total)
- At the Prom
 - Find seats for both of you.
 - During intermission don't forget to get refreshments for your date.
 - Remember that you are her escort for the night and must be attentive to her needs.

Mrs. Yamashita To UH Library

After seven years with the Hilo High School office staff, Mrs. Diana Yamashita has been transferred to the University of Hawaii Hilo Campus to work in the library office. Her appointment will become effective on May 1.

While at Hilo High, Mrs. Yamashita was a typist for registrar, Mr. Marvin Senter, and also was in charge of the school's attendance.

"I have enjoyed working here at Hilo High and I'll miss everyone that I knew here. But then, I know I'll like it at UHHC", Mrs. Yamashita remarked.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to "Viking" newswriters, Jean Dalberg for winning first place, and Eric Miyamoto for winning honorable mention, in the traffic safety contest!

Playhouse In Drama Festival

The Student Playhouse production, "To Burn a Witch", will be presented at the Church College of Hawaii during the National One-Act Play Thespian Drama Festival.

This festival, to be held May 3-4, will have in attendance representatives from 18 competing schools throughout the State. The winner will be awarded prizes and trophies.

Hilo High School is the only Big Island entry.

"To Burn a Witch" is a one-act play about two sisters accused of witchcraft, and unless they confess, they will be sentenced to death.

The sisters, Ruth and Mary, will be played by Michelle Yamanoha and Patricia Yamanoha, respectively. The parts of the condemners, Dame Stanley and Widow Jones, will be played by Gale Keomaka and Debbie Chapin. Lynne Koehnen, Joyal Torres, Cathy Relyea and James Gerald will handle the props, lighting, costumes and make-up.

The play is being directed by Mr. Michael Gibbons, advisor of the club. At the present time, there are 48 members in the club.

This Is Teaching Career Month

The month of April has been proclaimed Teaching Career Month at Hilo High School, and members of Hilo High's FTA (Future Teachers of America) have been busy planning various activities to carry out the observance of the month.

The list of events began this morning during the activity period with a speaker on teaching careers, in room BE-3. A special "Be Kind to Teachers Day" will be held tomorrow when the FTA will remember the teachers with such goodies as candy and apples. Next Monday, films emphasizing teaching will be shown to club members during the activity period.

A big year-end event is being planned next month for the senior members. The FTA's teachers' aide program is still continuing at Hilo Union School.

Officers of the Hilo High chapter are: Avis Hirokawa, president; Janice Murakami, vice-president; Evelyn Kuroyama, secretary; and Kathlyn Kozuki, treasurer.

Schools Sponsor Student Exchange

Hilo High School and St. Joseph High School conducted a student exchange during this month.

On April 8 and 9, the following Vikings went to St. Joseph: Cindy Furukawa, Ann Ota, Charlotte Kaide, Julius Wery, Corinne Kinoshita, Veronica Newcomb, Rosaline Pasala, Glenn Matsuo, chairman of the St. Joseph-Hilo High exchange; and Theone Chock, chairman of the inter-school relations committee.

On April 18 and 19, students from St. Joseph visited the Hilo High campus. They were Jackie Johnson, Jeanne Jitchaku, Aileen Correa, Audene Kapuni, Timothy Lui Kwan, Arlene Lebele and Virginia Azevedo.

Mr. Serrao, Five Others To Retire

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carefully planned programs. . . . The day of keeping youngsters busy by added assignments of the same type is no more."

To another question, "Which do you prefer, the classroom or the administrative position?", Mr. Serrao came up with the following answer: "I've liked both, but I prefer the administrative. I enjoy working with people to improve school programs and help youngsters develop to their full potential."

Mr. Serrao added that he'd like to have a program that would accommodate students who have great difficulty in adjusting to school situations. The program, as he explained, should provide the opportunity for youngsters to fit themselves into the community as contributing citizens. It shouldn't be just a program to fit the students, but one with trained and qualified teachers to work with these students, he added.

After retirement from the educational field, Mr. Serrao will go into the real estate business with Yamanaka Realty on a part-time basis. Also, he'd like to do the little things he has always wanted to do, such as gardening.

Also, he plans to visit Alaska someday. Why Alaska? "Because it has been a boyhood ambition of mine . . . I've always wanted to go there and see the countryside," he said.

Besides Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. Serrao plan to visit their three children and eight grandchildren. They have a daughter living in Honolulu, and a son and a daughter residing on the Mainland.

Mrs. Marion Hall's retirement was announced in the March 28 issue; the four other retirees were interviewed as follows:

Mr. Richard Kishimoto, math teacher, is anticipating his retirement after teaching for nearly 40 years in Big Island schools.

As a faculty member of Honokaa High, Hilo Intermediate, and Hilo High, Mr. Kishimoto has taught an immense variety of subjects including algebra, biology, physical education, chemistry, typing and science. Besides



Mr. Kishimoto

Wedding Bells Ring For HHS Teacher

The Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints in Honolulu was the scene of a wedding on April 8 when Miss Jane Fujii, Hilo High's typing teacher, became the bride of Mr. Milton S. Arimoto of Honolulu.

Mr. Arimoto, who is serving in the Armed Forces, is presently stationed at Port Belvoir, Va., with the 21st Engineering Company.

Commenting on her wedding, Mrs. Arimoto remarked that it was a bit hectic because the flowers and bouquets were to be shipped from Hilo and she didn't know whether they would arrive in time.

teaching, he has coached baseball, football and track.

An active Lion, he recently received a Key of Nations, one of the highest awards that can be bestowed upon any Lion member. Criteria for this award are leadership and outstanding performance as a citizen.

What are his plans after retirement?

"I plan to do a little fishing, take up golfing, and visit my grandchildren on the Mainland. Also, I'm looking forward to my trip to Japan next year to represent my Lions Chapter at the International Convention," he remarked.

The laughter at Hilo High will be less come September when the man who has been instrumental more than any other teacher here in making everyone

laugh, especially at rallies and assemblies, retires.

The teacher is none other than Mr. Edward Nakamura.

He was born, raised and educated (for the most part) in Hawaii. Typical of Mr. Nakamura, he recalls his more youthful days with a bit of humor.

His first teaching job was under the principal he had had as a student at Olaa School. Said he, "I often wondered whether she remembered having spanked me in front of the entire school when I was a student."

Mr. Nakamura graduated with the Hilo High Class of 1924 and then went on to the Territorial Normal School in Honolulu and Colorado State College of Education.

Come retirement month, he will have taught 39½ years, 29½ of them at Hilo High. For 28½ years he has been a Senior Class adviser, and for the last five years has coached the Viking tennis team. Throughout his years here, he has taught senior social studies.

Upon retirement Mr. Nakamura plans to putter around the house doing yardwork and housework (cooking, washing, etc.). He also plans to do some traveling, and possibly take up another occupation, as yet not decided upon. And here's something: Mr. Nakamura has a secret desire to write a book . . . under the pen name of "Drawde Arumakan" (Edward Nakamura spelled backwards).

After teaching for 34 years, 28 of them at Hilo High School, Mr. Richard Oka, algebra teacher, will be retiring from the Department of Education in June.

Born in Mountain View, Mr. Oka graduated from Hilo High and received his fifth year and bachelor's degree at the University of Hawaii. He taught a year at Kahu-

lui, a year at Laupahoehoe, and four years at Hilo Intermediate before coming to Hilo High School. Here, he has taught a

variety of subjects including business and general math, general business, business law, typing and algebra.

As for his plans for retiring, Mr. Oka said: "I just want to be idle for at least one year . . . to take it easy and enjoy a long vacation."

His favorite hobby is golfing.

When his wife retires, they plan to travel, maybe to the Orient and Europe which, he thinks, would be nice places to visit. However, no definite plans have been made as yet.

Mr. Oka had one comment to make about his retirement, and that was: "Although there were many ups and downs in teaching as there are in other careers, I can say that I have enjoyed teaching."

Another teacher who has decided to take life "a little easier" after years of dedicated teaching is Mrs. Eleanor Schoen, senior social studies teachers.

Mrs. Schoen came to Hilo High School in 1937 and has been here ever since, except for two years when she taught at Hawaii Technical School. Incidentally, her husband, who teaches at Hawaii Technical School, is also retiring this year. They plan to take an art course together in California in the near future.

"But first of all, we'd like to visit our two daughters and a son, and our four grandchildren, on the Mainland," Mrs. Schoen told "the Viking" reporter.

Their plane tickets also read Australia and New Zealand.

"There has been a great change in education, from the textbook question and answer type of teaching to more exploratory methods and student motivated learning. Education also attempts to place emphasis on personal growth," said Mrs. Schoen in looking back over her years of teaching.

Although she was born in Colorado and has also lived in Oregon, Mrs. Schoen calls Hawaii her home.

Sharon Yamada Is New Viking Editor

Elected editor of "The Viking" for the year 1968-69 by the advanced newswriting class was Sharon Yamada, present associate editor.

Other new staff officers are: associate editors—Eric Miyamoto, Carolyn Monden; business manager—Cynthia Agan; assistant business manager—Karen Koyanagi; sports editor and photographer—Layne Yoshida; feature editors—Ben Kanemitsu, Linell Yugawa; circulation managers—Carol Imanaka, Gail Okamura; special correspondents—Jon Horita, Malva Imaizumi.

The new officers will be installed at the annual year-end banquet to be held on May 26 at Sun Sun Lau.



The 1968 Viking track team: (from left to right) front row—Leslie Bautista, Mark Isemoto, Sidney Yanabu, Harry Takeshita, Craig Sakamoto, Harvey Kansaku, Gary Ah Sing, George Rapoza; second row—Clyde Yafuso, Dennis Tabacol Francis Hamada, Ross Ebanez, Henry Terada, Glenn Shiroma, Craig Kugisaki, Brian Ikawa, Robert Cabasug, David Kamimura; third row—Jimmy Enocencio, Theodore Hamada, Douglas Walter, Wayne Yonemori, Keith Hipol, Barry Arakaki, Roland Asakura, Ben Guerrero, Brian Tokeshi, Michael Cushnie, Robert Rapozo, Owen Pabila, Vernon Ibanez, Wayne Shigeoka, Jesse Han, Wallace Ogata, Lester Dela Santos.—Blue & Gold Photo.

Back from Colombia

Sue Tells About Her Experiences

By Carol Imanaka

A familiar face back on campus after 10 months in Cali, Colombia, is Sue Sato, Senior, who went there under the Hilo High Student Exchange program.

While in Cali, Sue missed her family and missed walking around in shorts (there, no one is allowed to wear shorts out of the house), but other than this, she didn't miss anything in particular and thoroughly enjoyed herself with her three "wonderful terrific families."

When she first arrived in Cali, she had a language barrier since the people there spoke Spanish so fluently that she really felt lost. However, after four months she could speak and understand Spanish quite well, but it wasn't until the last couple of months of her stay that she really "picked up," including slang and hand gestures. Now back in Hilo, she unconsciously thinks in Spanish and speaks Spanish . . . it just comes naturally!

Sue was pleasantly surprised by the teenagers there, who are unlike the teens here. For example, the boys are real gentlemen (and at dances, they don't crowd around in the corners as they do here.) However, the most outstanding difference is that the teens there are not so shy as teenagers here; in fact, the people in general are very hospitable, friendly and open-hearted.

The food in Colombia really agreed with Sue, and as a result, she has put on "quite a bit of weight." Their meals consisted mostly of starchy foods, like rice which was always cooked with oil; green onion stems and salt for flavoring; potatoes and platanos (which are bananas eaten at practically every lunch and supper). Lunch, the largest of their meals, always consisted of a typical soup called Soup Sanchocho which Sue describes as "yummy, yummy good".

School for Sue began at 7 a.m. and ended at 1 p.m., with the rest of day free. The normal load of subjects for a student is from 10 to 12 subjects.

In Colombia, where schooling is not compulsory, everyone fights for an education, so therefore, most of the schools are filled to capacity, according to Sue's report.

"It's quite plain that we really don't appreciate the kind of education open to us here in Hawaii, whereas students in Colombia have to fight to get into schools," Sue commented. Since she had so many new experiences, she would like to share them with the students here. As for her own personal life, she got a new look at life, met many new and wonderful people, acquired a new perspective, and "grew up" in her 10 months away from home.

"This program is so worthwhile, I hope everyone will back it up 100 per cent," Sue said.

As an afterthought, she added: "It's good to be back home . . . but I miss Colombia."

New Equipment Set For Cafeteria

Awaiting the completion of the new cafeteria are Mrs. Harriette Kawahara, cafeteria manager, and her staff. According to Mrs. Kawahara, nearly all the equipment installed will be new except for two Blodgett ovens and one Hobart mixer. The cooking will be done in steam kettles and jackets—an entirely new method for the staff. All other equipment will be transferred to other schools, disposed of, or put up for auction later.

The Administration plans to renovate the old cafeteria into six new classrooms. Already some mechanical drawing students are working on possible plans.

Vox-Tops Show Vik School Spirit

School spirit was displayed remarkably by five boys who, on the spur of the moment, offered their services to play at the recent "Surf Hop" at the school gym.

This musical group, the Vox-Tops, pitched in when the scheduled band failed to show up at the dance. The boys had to be gathered here and there at the last moment, and while they were hurrying over to the gym, one of the players, the drummer, got into an accident and had to go to the hospital for a checkup.

Members of the Vox-Tops are: Albert Pacheco — lead guitar; Dean Tanaka — rhythm guitar; Wendell Kaku—bass guitar; Jed Elezaris—drums; Robert Ota—singer; and Nathan Morita — manager.

Wonderful school spirit, boys!

News Reports From Counselors

Girls interested in a career in nursing heard Miss Beryl Sawyer, executive secretary for Hawaii League for Nursing, and Miss Nancy Savage, an instructor at the University of Hawaii, Manoa Campus, who spoke on all levels of the nursing profession.

Dean Shupe of the University of Hawaii School of Engineering will be here to speak to interested future engineers, on May 2 during the activity period.

By this time seniors should have heard from the colleges they have applied to. If further decisions need to be made on alternate plans, counselors recommend that these students see them without delay. The counselors also caution students not to make hasty judgments without proper consultation.

There will be a summary meeting sometime in May for those students who plan to go on to college. Meetings concerning vocational, technical and military careers are also being scheduled.

Viks Set New Records In Track

Amassing a total of 158 points, the Hilo High Vikings took the South Hawaii Divisional Track Meet last Saturday at the Hilo High oval.

The Vikings set two new records and tied one old record in the open division as Robert Ahu hurled the discus for 168-10 and shattered the all-time mark of 166-3½ set by Harding Gragas in 1965. George Rapoza set a new record as he ran the 440 in 52.4 and beat the old record by 0.5.

Aran Ahu tied the old meet record of 17.0 flat in the 120 high hurdles.

Totalling 104 points in the novice division, the Vikings came in on top again as Craig Sakamoto set a new record in the 180 low hurdles.

Hilo had five double-winners in the open division: Robert Ahu took the discus and shotput; George Rapoza took the 440 and mile; Aran Ahu took the 120 high and 180 low; Wayne Yonemori took the 100 and 220; and Dennis Tabacol took the long jump and triple jump.

Hilo had three double-winners in the novice division: Craig Sakamoto took the 180 low and 120 high, Robert Cabasug took the 100 and 220; and Glenn Shiroma took the 440 and pole vault.

Hilo won first place in a total of 19 events in the meet.

FBLA To Hold Banquet May 4

The FBLA will hold a banquet on May 4 at the Sumida Restaurant to honor their outgoing seniors and to install new officers.

Election of new officers is being held today. Nominees are: president—Kathy Rosehill, Douglas Delmar; secretary — Eitae Mae Moses, Mabel Cabatic; treasurer — Rose Marie Abril; parliamentarian-historian — Patty Payao.

Chairman of the nomination committee is Diane Uwono.

DECA Picnic

The DECA picnic will be held at the pavilion near Scout's Island this Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The picnic is to honor the school and faculty for their support of DECA.

Athletes' Briefs

By Layne Yoshida

With the fourth quarter of the school year already here, we find that the Viking sports season is also rapidly drawing to an end.

Two big events coming up are the State track tournament which is set for the first weekend of May, and the State baseball tournament, set for the second weekend in May.

With no losses this season, it looks like the Vikings will have a chance to take part in the State baseball tournament again this year. As they opened the BIIF season, the Vikings were able to win easily against Honokaa and Konawaena, but in the St. Joe game, things looked doubtful at first as the Bluangolds had to go 10 innings to beat the Cardinals, 3-2.

Playing against Kau at Kau on April 14, the Viks pulled an easy win out of their hat as the game ended 8-0 in the Vikings' favor.

So after facing the two toughest opponents of the BIIF baseball season, it is almost certain that the Viks will be at the State tournament and they have hopes of placing either second or third. Last year they placed second and there are 13 returnees from that team this year.

The Viking tracksters are also on their way to a BIIF crown as they have continuously come in first in team standings during BIIF meets. It is certain that Hilo has good material to send to the State track tournament to be held on Oahu around May 3 and 4.

Now is also the time when the Viking football team starts to plan and organize for the coming season. Spring training will start in May under the new coach, Ted Ura.

Aggie Class Hears Speaker From Kau

Steven Kai, a former Kau FFA member, who was Hawaii's representative to the 1967 National Agricultural Youth Institute in Lincoln, Neb., spoke to Mr. Sau Hoy Wong's fifth period vocational agriculture class last week.

Attending the recent State FFA Convention from Hilo High were Gerod Victorine and Steven Perreira, delegates; Guy Ha and Russell Pakani, alternates; and Milton Subica, George Gastilo and David Kuamoo, observers.

Milton Subica placed second in the Creed Recitation contest. The HHS Chapter won District awards in agriculture, parliamentary procedure, and creed recitation.

In all, there was a total of 171 boys at the convention, including 42 delegates. Twenty-one FFA advisors also attended the convention.

Winners Of Surf Meet Announced

Results of the recent Surf Meet, which was held in conjunction with the student body-sponsored Surf Festival, have been announced by surf meet chairman, Mark Auwae as follows:

Junior division winners: first — Chris Miyao; second — Marc Tachibana; third—Benson Yung;

Open division winners: first—fourth—Alan Wakai. Serrel Kanuha; second — Joe Whitney; third—James Mauhili; fourth—Carl Okuyama.

Trophies were presented to the winners at the Surf's Hop.

New Cheerleaders

The six new cheerleaders for the next school year are juniors — Winona Ravey, team captain; Paula Acoba and Paulette Goo; sophomores—Debra Borales, Margaret Kondo and Claudia Ah Sing. Returnee Marvin Fukuchi will be the only yell-leader.

Vik Golf Team Cops State Crown

Hilo High has pulled through with another first—this time in the field of golf against teams representing 24 schools in the State.

Playing at the Waiehu Golf Course and the Kaanapali Golf Course on Maui, Hilo averaged 346 on both days and the team total was 692.

Honokaa came in second with 697, and Radford, third, with 698.

Hilo was represented by Clifford Nakaoka, Michael Chang, Sam Keomaka and Dana Matsuba. Robert Ota went as an alternate. Individually, Sam had the best gross score of 164.

The team coach is Mr. Kazuma Hisanaga, head of the school physical education department.

Band To Honolulu For State Contest

For the first time in about 20 years, Hilo High's Viking band has been invited to participate in the annual State "Parade of Bands", May 2-5, in Honolulu, sponsored by the Hawaii Music Educator Association. All bands will be rated and judged at this event.

The Viking band will be guests of Iolani and Kailua High School bands during their Honolulu stay.

Also scheduled on the Viking band calendar is a performance at the Hula Festival tomorrow night at the Hilo Civic Auditorium.

Soph Election May 14

The Sophomore Class will elect their officers for the next year on May 14. If necessary, there will be a run-off election on May 16. The election rally is scheduled for May 13.

Chairman for the election is Cindy Furokawa, an dher advisors are Mr. Achong Young and Mrs. Mabel Crittenden.