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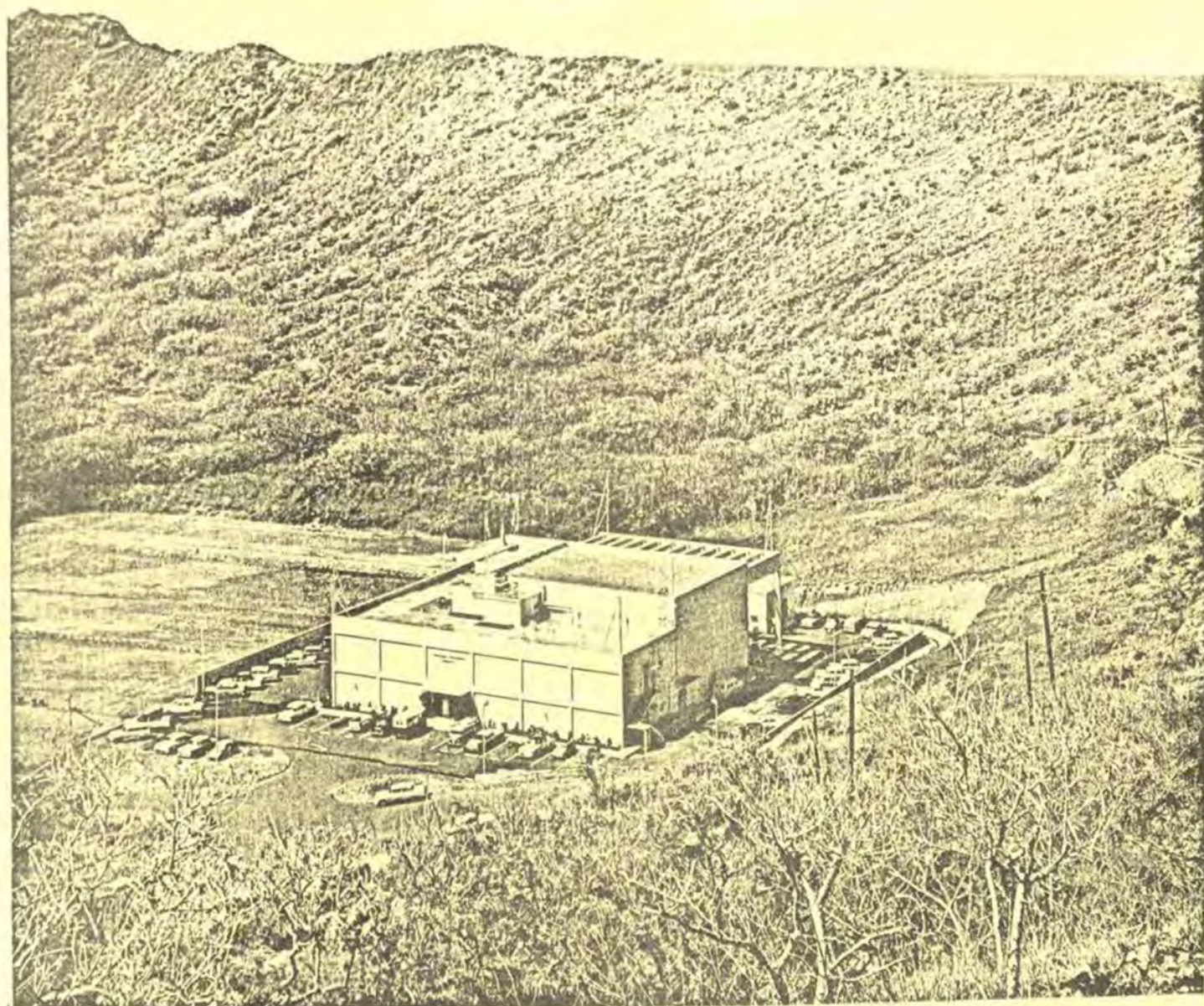
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ON THE COVER

The new International Flight Service Station and Air Route Traffic Control Center building located inside the Diamond Head Crater, Honolulu, Hawaii.

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FAA EMPLOYEES AT CANTON, GUAM, AND WAKE MAY BE GRANTED HOME LEAVE UNDER PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC LAW 86/707 AND REVISED ANNUAL AND SICK LEAVE REGULATIONS

Home leave is earned by service on and after September 6, 1960, as an employee of the Federal Government at a post of duty outside the United States. If an employee is entitled to accumulate 45 days of annual leave, he is entitled to home leave. FAA employees at Canton, Guam, and Wake accrue home leave of 15 days for each 12 months of service. There is no limit to the amount of leave accruable. Home leave accrues at the following rate:

<u>Months of Service</u>	<u>Days Earned</u>
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	5
5	6
6	7
7	8
8	10
9	11
10	12
11	13
12	15

Home leave may not be granted until the completion of 24 months of continuous creditable service outside the United States which begins on or after September 6, 1960. If there is a break in service of one or more work days, or if an employee is assigned (other than a detail) to a position not subject to home leave, creditable service is terminated and may not be recredited.

Home leave may be granted during a period of service outside the United States when it is contemplated that he will return to service abroad immediately, or upon completion of service in the United States. If an employee fails to return to service abroad he will be indebted for the home leave he has used unless he was unable to return for humanitarian reasons or for reasons beyond his control.

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HONOLULU IFSS CUTOVER TO DIAMOND HEAD

December 21, 1960, was a day just like any day except SOB--CHOKE--YOU ARE THERE! The following personnel called their doctors bright and early in the morning and reported symptoms of everything known to medical science, but after finding out the doctor had fallen asleep in the middle of their tales of woe, decided to report to the Diamond Head station for the cutover: J. MORIN, MIKE BRADY, TED PRICE, DOUGLAS CHING, CHARLES KAKIGI, RAYMOND YANO, LEONE GAMACHE, JOE KOPP JAY, TOMAS DEBOMA, and SUN CHOY LAM. Special hot-line telephone circuits and teletype circuits were set up between Diamond Head and Ye Olde KVM to pass traffic and information back and forth. FREDDIE TARTON and a full crew reported in at the old KVM for their last watch assignment at the Honolulu Airport. Numerous observers from Alaskan and mainland stations and regional offices were present to observe the cutover and the operation of the Western Union Plan 59-A Automatic Switching System.

The cutover began 1914Z with the cutover of the landline circuits. At 220044 the radioteletype receive circuits were cut over and at 0220 the transmit side of the circuits were cut over.

Fifteen (15) TTO's and 5 supervisors had, prior to the cutover, attended two weeks of classroom work and familiarization with the equipment. The classes were conducted by BERNICE BARON of the Western Union Company. Terms such as SNI, MWI, COMP CLEAR OUT, OMIT COMP, PARITY, and CODE FAIL became commonplace; however, our real education began after the cutover while working with live traffic. We are still learning, and many of the system's limitations are slowly but surely being overcome.

The equipment itself is made up of five specialized types of send/receive cabinets plus the director which reads the address line, and the allotter which makes your cross-office connections for you. The five types of cabinets are the LINE SEND/RECEIVE

cabinet which handles all of our radioteletype circuits plus the crossroom Circuits 601, 602 and 603. The equipment has means of either automatically or manually routing traffic. The SUPERVISOR CABINET is the Jack of all trades of the switching system. Tapes containing errors in the alignment functions from the multipoint cabinets are automatically switched here for processing. The supervisor cabinet can be used for a spillover position during circuit outages, MX routing, etc. The MX cabinet is fully automatic and all messages entering the switching system, requiring relay to three or more different destinations, are automatically switched to this cabinet for processing. Messages containing errors in the alignment functions of the address line may be manually pushbuttoned to the supervisor cabinet for manual relay. The multipoint cabinet is used for our landline correspondents. It is capable of handling up to 18 tributary stations and is the most complex of all the cabinets. An INTERCEPT/SPILOVER cabinet is provided to operate with the multipoint cabinet and provides a means of storing messages for stations on the multipoint circuits that close down for extended periods, or close down for maintenance. Each message entering the system is checked for number continuity, correct ICAO format, and correct address and end of message. Any variation in message format will cause an alarm and must be pushbuttoned to its destination.

All airlines having equipment which terminates in our multipoint cabinets have been given a 3-hour course in the operation of the equipment, with 2 hours of classroom work on what makes the equipment operate and how it operates.

Our next issue of Tradewinds will carry an exciting description of our cutover back to Ye Olde KVM.

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NEW CHIEF OF AIRPORTS BRANCHMERLE W. HEMPHILL

A relaxed, smiling, genial Southerner, with no trace of the famous southern drawl, is Merle W. (Hemp) Hemphill our new Chief of Airports Branch. Hemp came to us in December from the position of Deputy Chief, Construction Division of Dulles International Airport.

There, in addition to his duties on the \$85 million Dulles project, he had direct responsibility and control of the 70 MPH, 4-lane, limited access freeway to the airport. This \$15 million job set a record for the State of Virginia for the speed with which it was handled. Only 15 months after the route had been set, land condemnation proceedings had finished and construction was started. By November 1960, only 9 months later, 13 of the 15 miles had been constructed. Hemp's eyes gleam when he talks about the job, as it takes him back to his early career with the State of Arkansas Highway Department, where he acquired his professional engineer's license in 1940.

Hemp is no stranger to this region, having inspected all our airports in 1955 when he was Deputy Director, Office of Airports in Washington. Prior to that he was Chief, Airports Division, Region 3, at Chicago. His basic experience in the actual construction of airports was obtained in 1942-1946 as

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Hemp and his wife, Louise, live at 927 Mokapu Boulevard, Kailua, where their happiest moments are spent watching home movies of their 17-month old grandson.

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PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY SAYS---
"Career Service A Full Partner"

I welcome the opportunity offered by the Civil Service Journal to direct a message to you.



During the early years of our Nation the President could meet with you personally and discuss program and policy in the easy informality of private conversation. One of the penalties of growth and size is the restriction upon those practices which is compelled. The increasing complexity and size of the processes of government make it all the more important that we have a dedicated and talented public service.

Today we move along the knife-edged path which requires a Government service more highly skilled than ever before. It can only respond to the challenges of the future if there is a working relationship between agency and department heads and the career service that allows each full scope for imaginative and creative effort. This will be the inevitable by-product of mutual respect, recognition of the need for teamwork of the highest order, and the free flow of ideas and information.

Government service must be attractive enough to lure our most talented people. It must be challenging enough to call forth our greatest efforts. It must be interesting enough to retain their services. It must be satisfying enough to inspire single-minded loyalty and dedication. It must be important enough to each individual to call forth reserves of energy and enthusiasm.

During my 14 years in Congress I have had an opportunity to observe and to admire the high quality of our Career Civil Service. In meeting the grave problems confronting us at home and abroad it is my intention that the Career Civil Service be a full partner. Together we can lead our Nation to new peaks of achievement.

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WAKE ISLAND NEWS

The Wake Island School presented a "Christmas Fantasy" to the community at the outdoor theater the night before school closed. In charge of the program was Miss SARAH PANUI who was ably assisted by the faculty and principal, Mr. LEON GREENE. The program was a veritable extravaganza with the elaborate costuming, lighting effects, and the excitingly different decorations ranging from lollipops, candy canes, and ice cream-filled cones to a lemon-drop moon. A glee club of the 7th and 8th grade boys opened the evening's program. This was followed by a gay group of dances patterned generally on the Nutcracker Suite. Participating in this program were the youngsters from the kindergarten through the 4th grade. Tin soldiers, jesters, elves, candy cones, and poinsettias were pirouetting about, and the "Waltz of the Flowers" had its Hawaiian touch with each girl wearing a fresh vanda lei. Then came the Story of Christmas with its holy scenes, and a choir of upper elementary students.

The Civil Aero Club entry in the Wake Island softball league has done itself proud during the first round of league play. The team, made up primarily of Station, Center Tower, and Domestic Service personnel, completed the first round of play involving 8 games with but 1 defeat. Two of the oldest players on the team, WENDEL BAYNE and GENE STRETCH, have proved to be the best hitters thus far, with .750 and .700 batting averages, respectively. TOM SOUZA, VIC VITOR, and BEN MARCELO have shared the pitching chores and have been very effective as can be seen from the won-less record. AL SOUZA and MIKE CRBA have shared the first base detail; CHARLEY GUSHIKEN and MAX NUESCA at second; CHARLEY AHLO and RONNY ARINATA at short-stop, WENDEL "LEGS" BAYNE at third, and GENE STRETCH and BOB BAILEY alternating left and center field with AL TARA and TANDY KUALII in right field. RAY KOMINE has, sore back and all, established himself as the best thrower in the

ATM'S NEW CHIEF OF OPERATIONS
EVALUATION BRANCH

DONALD E. MUNCY

DONALD E. MUNCY is no newcomer to Hawaii for he served from 1945-1946 as Flight Control Chief with Squadron VR-12 at John Rodgers NAS, now Honolulu International Airport.

He began his aviation career with the U.S. Navy as a PBY flight engineer in 1940 and in 1942 attended the CAA Air Traffic Control School at Kansas City, Missouri, to subsequently serve as Chief Controller of Jacksonville NAS and Banana River Towers in Florida. Shortly after his Honolulu tour, he transferred to Tokyo, Japan, to serve in the Naval Air Transport Services Flight Control Center.

Don joined the CAA in 1946 as Assistant Controller at Port Columbus, Ohio Control Tower, and progressed through the ranks at Dayton, Ohio; Lansing, Michigan, and Cleveland, Ohio Towers. During the Korean conflict, he was recalled to active military service and served as Chief Controller of NAS Adak Tower in the Aleutian Islands for 15 months. In May 1958, he transferred to the Formal Area Evaluation Branch of the Washington office and served there until December 21, 1960.

Don is a native of Springfield, Ohio, and now resides at 1535 Ulueo Street, Kailua, with his wife, Virginia, and two children, Diana and Ronald.

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HILLO HOKUM

Well, another Christmas has come and gone and we are already well into the New Year! Your Hilo reporter did not hear any New Year's resolutions voiced by the Hilo gang. He himself, however, made a few--silently, that is. There did seem to be general agreement that it was a relief to see 1960 dead and buried.

Hilo was honored this past month by visits from Messrs. O'HARA, ECKERT, and GRADY. We enjoyed discussing mutual concerns.

General Lyman Field has a newly formed archery club known as the Broken Arrows. SHARKEY OGATA and DAVE PANIKU from Hilo CS/T are very active. The club is affiliated with the Hawaii Island Archery Club. Last week their annual dinner was held. Three hundred pounds of barbecued sheep were prepared for the dinner. All of the sheep were hunted and killed on the slopes of Mauna Kea by the club members using bow and arrow!

LOUIE PARESA, our bachelor member of Hilo CS/T (the lucky dog), has all the available young women in Hilo learning to water ski on weekends. When they get tired of skiing, they go opihi picking????

STU MERIWETHER is the hiking member of our group. He hikes all over this opihi-picking island looking for lost Hawaiian villages. Anyone know of any lost villages in King's County?

JAMES WENE is planning a trip to Guam to see his wife, Pat. She has a good job there as a management analyst for the Navy.

SAMMY SAMSON is back on the job after his honeymoon and appears none the worse for wear. JOE BUGADO, however, is about to complete a semester at the U of H, Hilo Branch, and appears pretty worn.

HUGH CHAPMAN bought a new Valiant wagon to accommodate his 90-pound German shepherd. Gad, what a monster!

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HONOLULU FSS

By the time this rag gets distributed, all that will remain of the merry Yuletide will be bills, bills, bills!--and all the New Year's resolutions will be old memories gathering dust on the shelf of good intentions. Hangovers, bleary eyes, and long weekends will have given way to the same old grind. But the date will be new! So here's hoping 1961 brings everyone in the FAA, Sixth Region-wise, a fresh outlook, new interests, and much good fortune. For most of the field personnel in the Operations Branch in Honolulu, the new quarters and dedication ceremonies at Diamond Head should set the pace. Here at Honolulu Radio we are already missing the gang at KVM and at the present time are wandering in to work through the ghost town of deserted teletypes and dead circuitry left behind when the Diamond Head cutover was made. Wouldn't say this was the smoothest period in my FAA experience, but--next expectation of anything like it will bring an immediate request for a transfer to Cold Bay, Alaska! I understand that only TED PRICE remained the imperturbable man.

I nominate for the funniest story of Trade-winds' 1960 editions, the report smuggled out of Guam by MRS. JUD MUNSEY. Wonder how Munsey made out on his welfare basket this year?

Our T & A bulged this month with ARLIE SCHENBECK's transfer from KVM to the FSS, and the detail of two teletypists, KUUALOHA HANOANO and JERRIENE P. DURNI, until permanent selections are made. These two gals recently transferred from ARINC to the FAA and just as promptly were detailed to the FSS before they could really get into the swing of things at KVM. Their help is certainly appreciated at this crucial time in our operations. Arlie is with us to stay and he must enjoy the work, for he's the hardest working guy in the joint. Aside from DAVE RYAN, of course. (There's a rumor current that Ryan is a human pep pill.)

DAVE SUGIMOTO had a serious bout with one of those virus bugs that kept him at home in bed with a hot toddy for a couple of weeks.

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MAINTENANCE BRANCH

A belated Hauoli Makahiki Hou and early New Year's greetings for Fiscal Year 1962, come July 1, 1961, to all Field, Shop, and Branch personnel, from the Regional Office!

The sound and fury of carpenters, painters, and electricians over the past three weeks have momentarily ceased on the third floor, and the Maintenance Branch headquarters staff is now relocated and reshuffled in "Acting" capacities under the grand reorganization. We fell heir to space vacated by the Program Staff Section, while Personnel and Training has acquired additional adjoining space formerly occupied by our good neighbors in the old Materiel Units--currently designated "Technical Services Groups" in the Establishment Branch. Along with moving into new areas and resettling ourselves after the holidays, we have been engaging "gamesmanship" in that indoor sport of reorganization: writing up organizational functions for all segments, job descriptions, and hopefully anticipating personnel classification actions in the near future. So, conditions should be relatively stabilized as this goes to press and some of us may soon be able to visit your stations again and renew auld acquaintances.

Despite sundry interruptions and varied harassments, we have continued forward progress with scheduled activities and periodic crash programs that arise to add that bit of spice for variety. A major milestone achieved in mid-December was the long-awaited commissioning of the Western Union Plan 59-A Automatic Switching System at Diamond Head. Flashing lights in all hues and colors of the spectrum, writhing coils of teletype tape strewn over floor aisles, and "TILT" or "NO-TILT" symptoms of the automation era have gradually subsided in Leahi Crater as the beloved "BEAST" demonstrates its sophisticated attitude toward lowly human beings who serve and obey.

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MATERIEL BRANCH

Help! Who is keeping the store? Our Branch Chief, CHARLEY HERSEY, has been traveling for most of the past eight weeks--Management School, 737 leave, and military leave. BILL JERVEY's replacement is not yet in sight. GIL KAYLOR has transferred to Administrative Services Division and stolen JANE SETODA in the process. BOB REED has been called to Washington to help write job descriptions and since we've moved, we can't find those bodies that are supposed to be left.

We do wish to publicly welcome aboard and introduce some of the new people now with us.

FLOYD M. KEYES is our newest purchasing agent. Mike, as he is called, has been in the Pacific area with the Weather Bureau and the Navy. In the course of his Weather Bureau tours, he spent some time at FAA stations on Wake, Canton, and Guam. If you want things electronic, see Mike.

MILDRED Y. OZAKI is temporarily helping out in Procurement. Millie was a housewife just prior to joining FAA, but worked four years at the Aeronautical Chart & Information Center, USAF, in St. Louis, while her husband attended school there.

MARY K. SERRAO is a transferee from Hickam AFB, where she spent the last five years or so. Her husband, Al, works out at the Regional Warehouse.

JOYCE WECKERLY was born, raised, and worked in D. C. She went West, though, for a brief period in 56-57 and worked for CAA in Phoenix, Arizona. If you've noticed her pretty green, pink, lavender, etc., shoes--she has connections. Her husband manages the Thom McAnn Shoe Store in the Ala Moana Center. Others in her immediate family include a six-year old daughter and a black, standard size French poodle by the name of Phoenixia Prince Phydeaux.

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WAKE CENTER/TOWER

Mr. JOHN CARRERE has just returned from an ATC Instructors Course in Honolulu, and Mr. KEITH CARTER has departed for an Atlantic City Chiefs' conference. Now if we could get some schools for the controller in the trench out here, everybody would be happy.

Those fellows on Guam sure have it easy with golf courses and the accouterments of civilization at hand. We saw a man at the beach here with a golf bag and on close inspection found it had nothing in it but cold San Magoo. Any controller can do the first fishing hole in six bottles easy. Speaking of containers, JOHN PIPER (a Container) has a new wine bag JIM HAINES bought him in Spain and we are awaiting the proper curing of the bag--the wine bag, not Piper.

The Wake Island School Board bought equipment for a basketball court and, of course, some of the tower people "volenteered" to put it in. On our first day of work, we laid out the court, painted the lines and dug the holes for the posts. At that time, we tried to lift the posts into place and found they weighed about 300 lbs. apiece, then we retired for a cool one. Three weeks later, we took another hard look at this project and decided to hire a contractor to finish the business. Yes, Sir! If you want prompt action, just call on us anytime.

BOB O'HARA was a welcomed guest this last week--and speaking of really good luck, HAL HENDERSON was here and stayed only 3 days.

LARRY (I am taking the last available off) JONES is taking Mr. CARTER's place quite ably while KEITH is in the "Old Country." It sure is quiet and peaceful out here. Nothing ever happens. If you don't believe me, just ask Mr. HENDERSON.

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There's no sense in advertising
your troubles. There's no market for
them.

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ESTABLISHMENT BRANCH

Touring the Capitol city and discussing the Molokai receivers with FAA officials is LARRY TROMBLY. In the next issue of Trade-winds, he'll have news galore about the Inaugural excitement.

On Friday, the 13th of January, BOB KONG resigned as Electronics Drafting Chief to go into business for himself. TSIN HOY LEE has been designated as Acting Chief. Our best wishes for a successful venture to you, Bob!

It was a gratifying sight to see GEORGE MIYAKE back at his desk again after his recent accident.

Also returning to work after a successful recovery from an illness is ARCHIE BRENESSEL.

A much welcomed addition to the Point-to-Point Unit is JOJI IWAMOTO, an Electronics Technician from Diamond Head ARTC Center. The various projects have already felt the sting of his "talking stick" (Draftsmen's slang for pencil).

After much persuading from friends, HARRY LANE has finally turned "Pro." All must pay to hear him sing now--he goes by the "monicker" of "SILKY LANE," the man who cheers "sulky" people. He is managed by "Dwayne Doberman" Sevigny.

We extend a big welcome to three new employees--REX TANAKA, DON LIPSCOMB, and MIKE HARA. Rex, our newest draftsman, transferred from the Coast Guard. Tall, blond Don (who is also a bachelor) came all the way from Texas and is assigned to the Civil Works Unit as an engineer. Mike, who transferred from the Air Force, is our new Chief Draftsman.

Passing around cigars and candles was ED MIYATA, who is the proud father of a second son. Congratulations, Ed!

A familiar face seen in the Section is TOMI OKAMOTO. She has been on maternity leave and busy taking care of her first born, Craig.

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AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT DIVISION

We hear from New York that MARK HAMMOND, ex-Chief of the Procedures Branch, has shifted from Chief, Air Space Utilization Branch to Chief, Operations Branch, Region One. In his latest letter, "Unk" says New York was enjoying a mild heat wave--the temperature had risen to 12 degrees. Also, that while their latest snow hadn't been particularly heavy, it was all concentrated in front of his garage. In case you read this, "Unk,"--"ALOHA." Our view of Diamond Head is particularly beautiful today.

Assistant Chief GORDON C. PEARSON will be attending School in Charlottesville, Virginia, during February.

RUTH MEACHAM can perhaps claim to be the most travelled daily commuter to King Center Building, traveling 80 miles a day. Can anyone in ATM, besides BRUCE SHOULDERS commuting from Sunset Beach, beat this?

ELAINE CHO accompanied her husband to a convention in Florida and had a wonderful time seeing Chicago and New York en route, and the Everglades as well as other tourist attractions in the Miami Area.

TOM OSTERTAG has moved to a wonderful four-bedroom Capehart home at Iroquois Point in the Ewa area.

CLARENCE FUNKHOUSER, back from his mainland vacation, says: "I had a terrific vacation and there was unusually clear weather in the Los Angeles area."

FRANK CUNNINGHAM is spending his spare time fixing up his Niu Valley three-bedroom home prior to selling it. Frank hopes to move into a new house in the Niu Estates.

Chief DON LONG took Operations Evaluations Chief DON MUNCY with him for a familiarization trip to Hilo and Maui. Other recent travel includes ROY CLEMENS' trip to Guam IFSS, JACK HOYT's trip to Wake and Guam, and JIM MC BRIDE's trip to Lihue, Maui, and Hilo.

WAKE ISLAND NEWS, Continued

league from behind the plate and has made "believers" out of many would-be base stealers. Play will continue in the league following a delay of about 2 weeks for scheduling, team reorganization, and play-off of postponed games. The 9-team league has gathered much support and interest from island residents and provides healthy diversion for both fans and players.

The Wake Island Catholic Association recently held an election and the following persons were selected to these offices:

HENRY AKI, JR.President
MAX NUESCA.....	1st Vice-President
CECY BROWNE.....	2nd Vice-President
JAMES W. HAINES.....	3rd Vice-President
CHRIS CRUZ.....	Treasurer
GENE STRETCH.....	Recording Secretary
MISS MURPHY.....	Corresponding Secretary

The association is corresponding with Bishop Baumgartner of Guam to have a priest permanently assigned to Wake Island.

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ESTABLISHMENT BRANCH, Continued

JOHN TRUHAN, Chief, Plant Engineering Section, spent two weeks of military leave with the U. S. Navy.

It was a sad day when GEORGE KURIO and KAZU OMIYA left the Plant Engineering Section to go into their own business. We all miss them, but we wish them success in their new venture. A farewell luncheon was held at Elliott's with Mr. Slate making the presentation of gifts.

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MAINTENANCE BRANCH, Continued

Recent strenuous efforts to obtain additional accommodations for dependents of Guam employees have been stymied and no further relief is in sight during the interval before permanent quarters materialize. A special regional task force is in the process of investigating alternative measures to adjust present conditions, so have faith, ye present and future Guamanians, all hope for improvement of the situation is not completely lost.

The Wake Island Crash and Fire Department will shortly be staffed to approximately 85% of its authorized complement due to a current influx of crash firefighters in trainee grades and higher. As a result of concerted efforts on the part of Branch and P&T operatives, 14 additional people have been recruited for this activity.

We regret WALT BERKLUND's illness, experienced just prior to Christmas, but are pleased to report that he is now convalescing at home and making good progress toward recovery. ART MEDEIROS is currently in dry dock for what we hope will be a brief spell. Both fellows are sorely missed and we extend them the Branch's wishes for their speediest possible recoveries.

Recent personnel acquisitions welcomed to the Branch Office include MRS. JO ANN TOME, formerly of the 6486th Civil Engineering Squadron, Hickam AFB, who is very graciously holding down the other seat in the Program & Planning Staff Section, while MRS. ELIZABETH WOOD, who formerly worked for Flight Standards, is currently assigned to the Engineering Section. Aloha to each of these fine people in anticipation of pleasant associations with us for a long time to come.

HILO HOKUM, Continued

Hilo is becoming quite a Training Center. We have all personnel as busy as cranberry merchants with the new Flight Service Training Program. And at present we have four employees in various stages of our on-the-job-training program: DICK NAGATA, STU MERIWETHER, LOUIS PARESA, and JAMES WENE. We expect two more employees for OJT in the very near future: SUN CHOY LAM from Honolulu IFSS and LOUIS MACK from Guam IFSS.

Hilo sports a new roller rink and a new bowling alley. Real classy. And a new hotel is about to be constructed. According to plans it will be quite a layout. From these beginnings it would appear that Hilo is finally on the road to progress. Weather, too, seems to have taken a turn for the better. I suppose since I mentioned it though, it will probably rain like ---- tomorrow. Anyway, enough of the Chamber of Commerce it!

We are looking for an increase in air traffic at Hilo in 1961. Common fares or something approaching it appears to be on the horizon. In any case, the surveyors are at work here in preparation for our runway extension. At the same time, the ILS we have been needing so badly will become a reality.

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"It used to be that a fool and his money were soon parted, but now it happens to everyone."

HONOLULU FSS, Continued

GEORGE BUCKMEIER has been up at St. Francis Hospital loafing and lazing away the balmy Hawaiian days, while the rest of the peons were whirling around like hula hoops during the cutover. FRANKIE YAMAMOTO took a year end vacation to clip his 1960 coupons and get his capital gains in order for the new year. Seems like only ROY KOBAYASHI and the old coffee fund embezzler, me, were on steady call the past month. I've got to get that coffee fund straightened out before Yamamoto returns for his annual audit, and I think JOE ROBERTS may turn informer for the income tax people since he demanded a receipt for his coffee fees last week.

The FSS inherited about 3 king-sized headaches from KVM. First, they left us Circuit 940; second, they left us one of those Western Union monsters to relay traffic on, and third--oh, happy day!--they left us the time hack for the local overseas flyboys. I think GIL KAWAMAE was behind the last!

If we survive to see this in print, it's possible we will make the upcoming year. So Happy New Year everybody!

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AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT DIVISION, Continued

CAROL TURNER will leave shortly for indoctrination training at Oklahoma City and MARGARET SAKATA and CHRISTIAN DEMING will go in succeeding months.

ELAINE TANAKA is replacing FLORENCE SATO as clerk-stenographer in the Flight Service Section. Elaine grew upon on Oahu and attended Mid-Pacific Institute High School and the Honolulu Business College. She then worked temporarily as a legal secretary in Honolulu and in Personnel, Intelligence, and Engineering at Hickam AFB for six years. Elaine's interests center around her home and two children, a boy 4 years old and a girl 2 years old.

Her ambitions are to go to the Orient, mainland, and to own a home of her own.

VIVIAN WONG, formerly secretary to JACK BLACK, Chief of the Procurement Section, is now secretary in the Operations Evaluation Branch. Vivian attended Roosevelt High School and then went to the Honolulu Adult Educational School at McKinley for stenographic courses and a business administration course at the University of Hawaii. Vivian has worked eighteen years with the government which included jobs at Pearl Harbor where she was secretary to one of the District Public Works Officers, and all over the southeast part of the mainland while her husband was in the Army.

Vivian is married to Burt Wong, an engineering draftsman at Pearl Harbor. The Wongs have two children, Gregory, who is 8 years old, and Gloria, 2. Vivian plays the organ and is interested in all the creative arts. Her favorite sport is swimming and she has her own swimming pool at their Makiki Heights home. Burt and Vivian's ambition is to go around the world with their children (at least as far as their money will take them, starting toward the East) on their 25th wedding anniversary.

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MATERIEL BRANCH, Continued

Then there is LILLIAN CHING, Mr. PROVENCHER's "straight man." She is an alumnus of the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, having spent nine years in the Supply Department.

Have you seen the new Procurement offices? They have gone modern with unitized furniture consisting of flat-top desks with auxiliary tables forming an L-unit enclosed with high portable partitions made of steel and plastic green corrugated panels. You are welcome to stop by and admire.

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THE SOCIAL EVENT OF THE YEAR

The Hui O'Pupule club under the expert leadership of Joe "Seaweed" Kealoha plans gala dinner-dance extravaganza!!! The social event will take place at the Fort Delicatessen Hall, 744 Lunaililo Street on Saturday, May 13th. A cordial invitation is extended to all FAA employees and their guests to take part in the day's festivities.

Tickets may be procured from any Hui O'Pupule member. The tickets are on sale at \$2.50 per person or \$5.00 per couple. Included in this price of admission will be a delicious ham and turkey dinner complete with all the trimmings, party favors, entertainment, pre-dinner "pupus" and a chance to take home a door prize.

Party Chairman Harry Lane promises a gay time for all. The Hui O'Pupule's cocktail waitresses (we've got some lulus too) will be on hand to see that none shall suffer from lack of liquid refreshment. The best looking bartender in Honolulu, none other than our own Pupule, Jim McBride, will be in charge of dishing out the liquid concoctions. A continuous program, as listed below, of music and entertainment will commence at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon and will continue until 10:30 that evening.

4:00 - 6:00 (1) Cocktails; (2) Community Sing - Pete Slate conducting and featuring "Irish Eyes are Smiling" by Jim McBride; (3) The Hui O'Pupule Show of Stars - The Golden Voices - Francis Laimana and Joe Kealoha, the Hui O'Pupule Hula Dancers, Specialty Act - Duane Doberman Sevigny, Songs by Angel Ishihara, Slick-Fingered Sol Waikiki Willie, the Mad Russian and Silky Lane; (4) Special Guest Artist Appearances and initiation of new members.

6:00 - 7:00 - Dinner and distribution of special awards to Hui O'Pupule members.

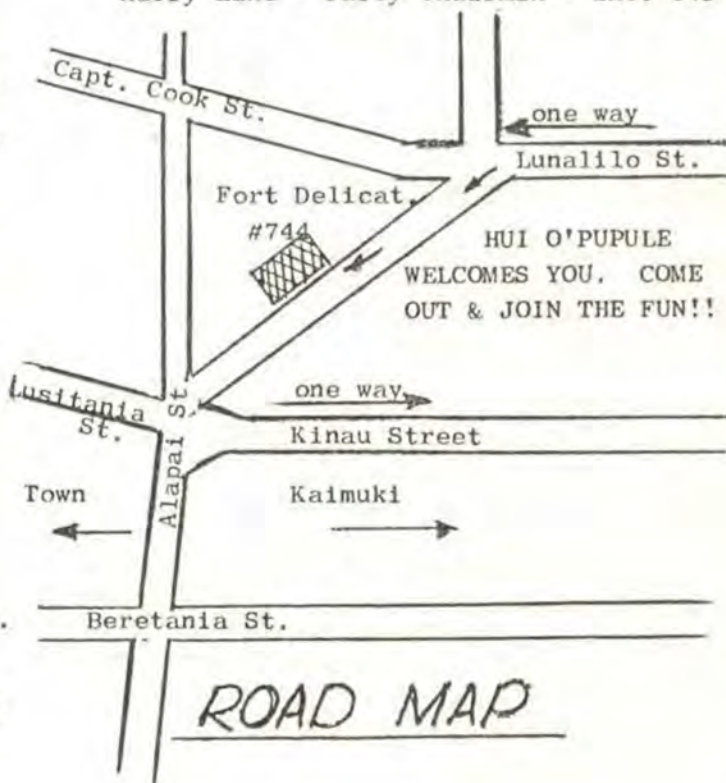
7:00 - 10:30 - Dancing to the music of the "Casual Hawaiians" (Five Hawaiians and one casual). Door prize drawing for the lucky attendance number.

Many Hui O'Pupule get-togethers in the past have included luaus, teahouse parties, steak fries and you name it. In the past, these parties were on such a scale that the number in attendance had to be controlled. As a result, only a limited number of non-members were able to participate. It is the present aim of the club to put on at least one or two get-togethers a year including a proposed FAA-wide luau during the summer months. These special affairs will be opened to all FAA employees and their guests.

The dinner-dance on May 13th will be the first of these occasions. Admission charges are at the bare minimum required to cover operating expenses. The interest of the Hui O'Pupule club is solely that of ample attendance and of a good time being made available to all. Reservations must be made no later than May 3rd.

Any person desiring additional information should contact any Hui O'Pupule member or phone anyone of the following:

Joe Kealoha - President - Ext 678
Art Sevigny - Sec. Treas. - Ext 683
Harry Lane - Party Chairman - Ext. 645



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SATURDAY - MAY 13, 1961

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HAM AND TURKEY DINNER
WITH TRIMMINGS - ENTERTAINMENT
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\$ 2.50 - PERSON



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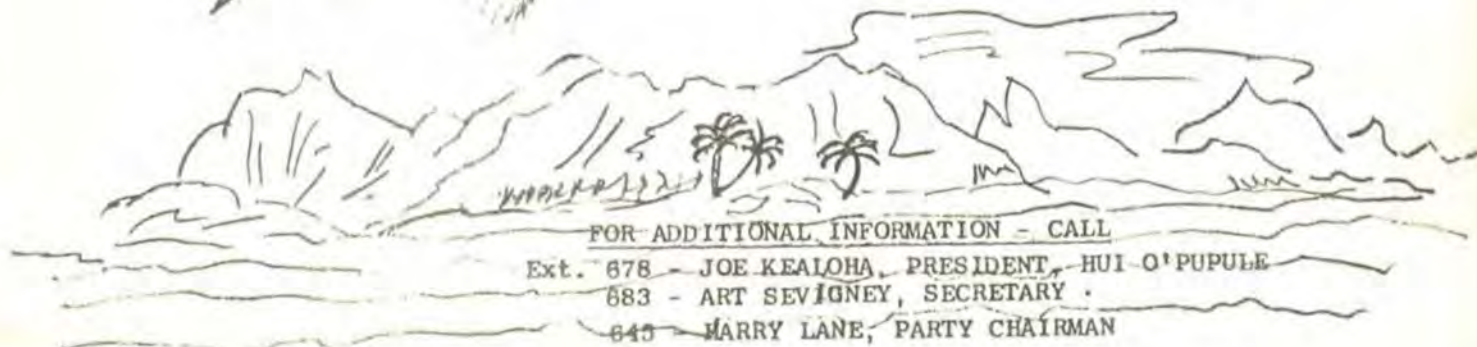
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