

A Church Changes its Name

During recent months our church in Lahaina has changed its name. For past years the Lahaina Church has been known as the Wainee Church. This was not its original name, for during its early history the church was known simply as the First Protestant Church of Lahaina. No one remembers very clearly where the name Wainee came from. Yet that has been the name by which the church has been known.

The word "Wainee" means moving or creeping water. Members of the congregation have felt that this name was not too appropriate for a church. Its origin apparently was from a condition which existed in the neighborhood of the church of long years ago when water coming down from the mountains moved slowly across the land to the ocean, so that the church may well have taken its name from its environment. The people have come to feel both that the naming of a church in such fashion is not completely desirable and also that the environment in which the church stands has changed through the years.

Therefore the congregation has voted to change the name of the church. They have selected the word "Waiola". This means living water and it carries with it the words of the New Testament which Jesus used in describing Himself. So that when the new church building is dedicated and the one in charge of the service asks the chairman of the church for its name, he will reply, "the Waiola Church".

Youth Conference

One hundred seventeen people, of whom ninety-six were young people made their way to Camp Erdman on August 21 for the annual Young Peoples Conference. The following five days were filled with varied activities. Various classes filled the morning, practical instruction in youth activities was given in the afternoons and there were special programs in the evenings. The devotional periods were high spots of the entire time. Miss Kay Tamaribuchi of the Island of Kauai was elected president of the confer-

Maunaolu Community College

The college is very happy to announce the appointment of Dr. K. C. Leebrick as the President. Dr. Leebrick accepted the invitation to this position when it was extended to him upon the resignation of Dr. Thomas Isbell who had served as the President since the inception of the college. Dr. Isbell came to Hawaii four years ago to start Maunaolu College. He planned and directed the rehabilitation of the buildings of the school, he planned the curricula, he selected the teachers and he led the school during its first three years. His planning has won commendation from educators here in Hawaii and on the mainland. Young people who have completed their two years at Maunaolu have gone on to mainland colleges and their work here has been accepted completely. Dr. Isbell thought that the time had come for him to go to some other position and therefore he presented his resignation which was accepted by the Board of Advisors.

Dr. Leebrick scarcely needs any introduction to Hawaii. He has had a distinguished career in the field of education and inter-national relations. He is well known both on the mainland and in the various countries surrounding the Pacific Ocean. During recent years he has served as the Vice-President of the University of Hawaii and a member of the staff of the Trust Territory here in Honolulu. Under his direction, Maunaolu Community College will continue its development in the direction which was envisaged when the institution started.

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Among other things all those who were present agreed to participate enthusiastically in the Work Day for Christ which this year is on October 25. This is the day on which the young people of our churches find jobs for themselves and contribute the money which they earn to a definite project. This will be the third year in which our young people have shared in this enterprise and if the response during the past two years is any indication, the program this year will be exceedingly

University Student Dinner

On Sunday evening, September 27 the Congregational University students sat down to dinner at the Central Union Parish House. Part of the evening was given over to getting acquainted with one another and to various fellow-of the proposed program for the University students during the coming months and the evening ended with a devotional service led by Miss Ethel Kimura, Miss Ruth Suzuki and Dr. Ralph Gustafson.

This occasion was the first event planned by the recently formed committee on University Student Work. This committee is under the chairmanship of Mr. Maurice Fox of the Church of the Crossroads. The members of the committee are:

Mr. Maurice Fox, Chairman
Mrs. R. N. Deisseroth
Dr. Ralph D. Gustafson
Rev. Seido Ogawa
Mrs. Annie Kwock
Mrs. Andrew In
Mr. Kazuo Watanabe
Mr. Koichi Arakawa
Dr. Harley Gill

Early in its deliberations the committee recognized that University students from Congregational churches had a number of affiliations on the campus. Some of them were members of the YMCA, others of the YWCA, still others of the Inter-Varsity Fellowship. Some students were exceedingly active in the local churches of Honolulu and to University Student Groups conducted by those churches. The committee then realized that it was out of the question to plan any extensive program but there did seem to be value in attempting to get all Congregational students together in a number of united activities.

The opening dinner was the first such activities. Three more are planned during the remainder of the year.

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There was also a unanimous feeling on the part of all the young people present at the Conference that a closer tie should be worked out between the young people in Hawaii and the national Congregationalists.

