CONFAB OF OVERSEA KOREAN DANCHEJ IS CALLED THIS MONTH

For the first time in the history of oversea Koreans, a major political conference, participated in by leading Korean organizations in Hawaii, United States and China, will be convoked in Honolulu April 21 for a two-week duration. It was officially announced.

The conference, to be held probably at the Wilcox Hall, will take up certain vital issues bearing on Korean independence movement, America's national defense program, Korean provincial government at Chunchung and the general welfare of the people outside of Korea.

Coming from Los Angeles as official delegates from the National Association of North America are Hahn Si-dai, president of the association's executive council; Kim Ho-young, director of the KCC; Mr. Cho of Redwood, Calif. and Sung Chong-ik, influential leader in L.A.

The KCC is still awaiting definite word as to who and when the Chunchung delegate will come to Hawaii. With transportation expenses guaranteed by the local committee, at least one strong man from the ranks of Korean patriots in Chunchung is expected to make the trip.

The local delegates to the conference will comprise 3 from the two major organizations and at least one from other leading societies. Representing the Hawaii National Assn. will be Ahn Wun-kim, Won-Young Kim and Kim Hyun-sik; representing Dongji Hoil will be Lee Won-sun, Ahn Hyun-Kyong and Tae Chimin.

Since the program of this conference will be represented by Char Shin-ho and the Ladies Relief society, by Mrs. Shin Young-sim.

Other organizations certain to be represented are Dong-nip-song of Wahiawa and Dong-sulko of Palama. Definite announcements will be made within a week.

Toward the travelling expenses of the California delegates, the conference committee has set aside $700, which sum was raised equally by the National assn. and Dongji Hoil of Hawaii, although the three gentlemen coming are themselves strong financiers. Mr. Hahn is the owner of a big vineyard in Delano, Calif.; Mr. Kim, manager of Kim Bros. firm in Redwood, Calif., while Mr. Soon is a fruit wholesaler in L.A.

KOREAN CULTURAL CLUB IS ORGANIZED

Formation of a local chapter of the Korean-American Cultural association was announced recently by Dr. Changsoon Kim, instigator of the movement.

The association has for its object the introduction of the Oriental civilization to America by means of the Korean philosophy, literature, art, religion, science; to advocate the Christian principles and to distribute scholarships to students in Korea and America.

Originating in Los Angeles 3 years ago, the association now has about 50 members with headquarters in Whittier, Calif. Dr. Changsoon Kim is the president; Miss Charlotte Park is secretary; S. Y. Chang, treasurer; Dr. Y. C. Yang, chairman of executive board.

The local sponsoring committee consists of Donald Kang and Dr. Y. P. Kang, chairman and vice-chairman respectively of the advisory board.

The local sponsoring committee takes the initiative in collecting old and new books pertaining to Korean culture written in English for distribution among American libraries.

Those interested in donating such books are asked to get in touch with either Dr. Yang or Donald Kang.

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K. U. C. FORMULATES SCHOLARSHIP PLAN

The Korean University club's third annual meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kang on March 8 evening with president John Y. Kang presiding. High lights of the meeting included approval of several timely amendments to the constitution and endorsement of the scholarship committee's recommendations and granting a sum of $45 to buy a monograph. Details of the correspondence secretary.

Amendments approved provide for election of a hierarchy committee with the vice president as chairman; raising of the membership dues from $5.50 to $6.00 per year; giving associate members freedom of voice and service on sub-committees; drawing out money from the treasury; removing one year active membership before one is eligible to election.

The accepted recommendation of the scholarship committee provides for membership in the University of Hawaii's scholarship endorsement plan which requires an investment of $2500 before becoming self-perpetuating. Using the present available fund as nucleus, the club will raise additional money every year over a period of time until the goal is reached.

Dr. John Y. Kim announced, this was the first of a series of benefit projects undertaken in connection with the Fraternity's 14th year clubhouse building plan. Hsuy Cho is chairman of the air-restaurant committee in charge of the plans. Others on the committee are William Cho, Peter H. Kim, Kjouk Kim, Peter Y. Cho, and Kjouk Kim.

UNIFIED OBSERVANCE OF MARCH 1 MAKES NEW HISTORY HERE

"Our immediate task today is launching a war of independence against a nation which has deprived us of life, liberty and prosperity because of happiness since annexation in 1920," declared Rev. S. Y. Whang, principal speaker at the March First program held in Central Intermediate school auditorium before a crowd of 2000 young and old. W. K. Ahn presided.

The outdoor marching was highlighted by joint address of all major Korean organizations in Honolulu. As a united gathering for March 1 celebration, this was the first attempt in the history of Hawaii.

Other speakers of evening included: Dr. Y. C. Yang who spoke in English H. K. Ahn who narrated the history of the independence movement of Korea; and W. Y. Cho who stressed the need of material aid to our National Army in Chunchung. W. S. Lee and Peter Kang read the imperial proclamation in both languages and Rev. Soon Hyun offered the invocation.

A special feature of the program was by the ladies relief society, selections by the two city church choirs and the Hawaii Young Life Scouts under Hank Sung Kim followed in order.

The K-Dong-bok-kin collection for the evening amounted to $1200 of which $500 was in cash. Subsequently, most money drifted in from various parts of the Islands, making an aggregate sum, to date, of $100. Of the total, $1200 was sent to the Korean provisional government at Chunchung, the rest is still in the bank.

The following afternoon, more than 1000 people congregated at Kapolei park for an outdoor program. Sports events, songs and picture-taking of the group were featured. Picnic luncheon was sold by the Ladies Relief society.

T'ai Guk Club Elects Officers for 1941

Jason Wee was elected new president of the Wahiawa T'ai Guk club, succeeding Soon Nam Kang, at the club's annual election held in February. Laurence Kang was named vice president; Mrs. Laura Lim, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary Moon, corresponding secretary, Harold Kim,

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The Tide Of The War
As these lines are being written, the German armies are reported retaking their way into Yugoslavia and Greece in another Hitler's Dresden blitzkrieg. Upon the outcome of this Balkan campaign hangs the fate of the Democratic nations of the United States.

If the Germans succeed in conquering the two countries which, although small, are so strong, Turkey will have to give up all her rights and, according to her own ultimatum, defeat and ultimate victory would diminish, by a substantial margin.

On the other hand, if the Germans fail to deliver the goods, as many believe impossible, Hitler will have to go back to the.combine, while discouraging Italy and Fascists to the point of repudiating their membership in the Tripartite Alliance.

Thus the fate of the war will continue to be fought one way or the other in consequence of the present Balkan campaign. Time will tell.

Meanwhile, the prayer of every Korean is with the side that fights for justice, liberty and human freedom.

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What the convention will bring forth, in the way of the making of the convention, is the future of the Overseas-Korean people in support of our revolutionary activities, but there is a foregone conclusion that something new, something tangible toward a better life will issue from the gathering.

Meanwhile, the 60,000 Koreans of the United States, as a result of their political freedom, in that beloved native land, should try to aid all Korean workers of the world in a great drive to complete our 100% moral and material support. The California delegations are coming to What have they heard, a land of factional squabbles and want among people. They will seek to bring about the conditions vastly different from those of yesterday. Our political organizations are now determining the process of making and the bitter memories of past policies gone with the wind.

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HALL OF FAME

DR. ESTRIDGE WONSIK YO

Professionally well grounded, intellec-
tually brilliant and socially popular, Dr. Estridge Wonsik Yoo, one
of the youngest doctors in Honolulu, the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Yoo
of this city, is another young man of whom the Korean community
is justly proud.

Dr. Yoo was born at Walsanp July 2, 1908. He finished his grammar
school at Kelaland, attended McKin-
ley for 3 years and graduated from
Punahou in 1926. After studying one
year at the local University, he went
to Los Angeles in 1927 to put in a
year at USC studying dentistry which
time he abandoned in favor of medi-
cine the following year as he took
up pre-medical at UCLA.

The young doctor entered Cough-
ton, Neb., medical college from
which he emerged with his M.D. in 1933. He
served two years of internships, first
at St. John’s hospital, N. Dakota and
then at the Long Island hospita-
lar, Boston. In 1936 he entered the
physician, still under 30, obtained Kan-
sas State board license.

Returning to Hawaii that year, Dr. Yoo obtained the Hawaiian board li-
cence and spent a year at Palama Se
tern UH before opening in office
on Emma St. for private practice.

This was in 1937.

Miss Annie Addie Lee, daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Woon Kang Lee of San Bernardino, Calif. In 1931, the young couple stood by each other
until success crowned Woon’s color-
ful educational career. Popular ac-
elamation of Dr. Yoo’s loyalty to
his aged mother was further accen-
tuated when he sent her to the coast
for a trip last year. Addie, thanks
to her husband’s generosity, is also
slated for a coast tour next month.

Dr. Yoo is a member of the Ko-
orean University club and treasurer
of Delta Fraternity. He is strong in
support of both organizations. The
desirable quality about this man
is his constant and public and
bouquet throwing, although
he
richly deserves recognition for his
achievements.

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mote goal is the ultimate success. If we ever take a lesson from the
experiences of these great his-
toric figures who achieved fame, we
must forever relegate to scrup
heap the idea of becoming great or rich through the help of others.

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one in a thousand gets inherit-
ce. Life is made of a stern struggle for success. It is the key to
every one’s dream of success.

The fact that our newly organized Kwbn-bok-kun in China is no opera
fancy may be gleaned from this picture: general stuff of the Korean National
army in Chungking with Gen. Lee Chung Tom in the center.

Rev. Park’s Funeral Is Held On March 1

Rev. Tong Won Park’s funeral
was held March 1 at 1 p. m. with
the entire Korean community turn-
ing out to pay him their last honort
in recognition of his connection
with the Korean independence pro-
dclamation of which he was one of
the signers.

Following a brief service under
Rev. D. W. Lim at the Miller St.
church, the funeral procession moved
northward to Nuanu cemetery where
the remains were cremated. The sails
were sent to Rev. Park’s family in
Seoul.

A committee of 8, selected by the
community, consisting of Rev. D. W.
Lim, chairman; Rev. C. S. Park and
Rev. C. H. Min treasurer; S. C. Choe,
M. C. K. Lee, Woon Soon Lee, W.
K. Ahn and Rev. C. S. Kim, took
charge of the funeral.

That Rev. Park’s funeral should
have place on March 1, the 30th an-
niversary of the declaration of Ko-
orean independence, was a signifi-
cant coincidence.

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Nearly 200 young Koreans from
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by the Bhek Yeong Fraternity and
Poh Song Woe of the University of
Hawaii in Hemmenway hall, March 22
evening, making it an outstanding social event of the year.

The preliminary program featured presentation of Kala paua poems
including Miss Bae Lee, Korean beauty; flama and tango demonstra-
tion by members of the Bolyn
dance studio and a vocal solo b Mad
Yeo Kim. The Blue Harmony or-
chestra provided music for the
dance.

The hostesses were Margaret
Young, Violet Kim, Chung Soo Kim,
Esther Hong, Clara Ahn and Alice
Chung. The ushers were Mr. and
Mrs. Nathan Yang; Mr. and Mrs.
Manuel Kwon.

Under co-chairmanship of Joseph
Woo and Miss Esther Ahn, Yoon Yil
Lee handled publicity; Song San Lim,
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PERSONAL NEWS

Si Dai Hahn, president of the Korean National Assn. of North America, a successful agriculturist of Dallas, Calif., and brother of Dr. Young Dal Hahn of Los Angeles, will arrive here shortly as one of three delegates from the States to the convention of overseas Koreans to be held in Honolulu April 21. Mr. Hahn used to live in Hawaii, having attended the old compound school and Mills high school before going to coast in 1914.

William Chei is getting to the coast sometime in July with Loa Longo Hop's barstornming boxing team and tourists, to be there for six weeks.

Mrs. Addie You, wife of Dr. F. W. You, is leaving for L. A. on vacation trip. She was gone for about four months during which she was visited by her brothers and sisters in the Angel City and also her sister in New York city.

David Lee and Miss Rachel Kim, both of Wahiawa, were married by Rev. C. S. Kim at the Lilha St. church March 24 evening.

Matthew Hong, son of Mrs. and Mr. C. P. Hong of Wahiawa, returned from the coast March 6 after taking up public health course at Michigan University. He had no sooner secured a position at the territotial health office than he was drafted into the army.

Abraham Shen, son of S. W. Shen of this city, returned from States February 20 after completing his course in aeronautics engineering.

Dr. and Mrs. John Y. Kim were visitors in Hilo for two weeks recently.

Miss Kunoo Kochi and Ki-hack Park are to be married at the Adventist church, Kaaauoau St. Saturday.

Kyoo Num Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Choong Sang Lee of Lunalai City and brother of Mrs. Rosalind Kang of this city, won second place in the junior constitutional oratorical contest held at St. Andrew Church March 31 evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Insoo Cho, the former proprietor of Cho Auto Exchange, gave an elaborate housewarming party at their new home on University Ave. February 2. More than 400 guests were present. The occasion was also a celebration for their infant son, Abraham's 100 days since birth.

Henry Lee (not the policeman nor the Wahiaawan gentleman) has been promoted to the rank of captain in the University ROTC, it was announced.

Miss Rose Lee, sister of Miss Mary Lee, singer, was picked one of the five female students at the University of Hawaii. It may be recalled that her sister had accused the same rough some years ago.

Joseph Woo, Jr., who graduated at the University of Hawaii, is one of the few Koreans who has special talent to take up art as his major course.

Miss Mary Whang, niece of Miss Hasso Whang, will return from San Francisco August 21 to take up teaching here. She graduated from the University last year, having taken additional train

Interestin Figures From 1940 Census

Here are some interesting population and other statistics which appear in the 1941 edition of the World's Almanac:

1. The total population of the United States exclusive of territories is 131,400,000. Hawaii's population is 47,500; Honolulu-129,000, Koreans in Hawaii number 6801 of whom 3100 live in Honolulu.

2. In 1940, London, as usual, but all other big cities of the world in population, the grand total being 6,600,000. New York city, as usual, comes second with 7,389,000, followed closely by Tokyo with 7,000,000. Berlin, ranks third with 4,990,000; Moscow fourth with 41,000,000; Shanghai fifth with 5,500,000; Osaka and Chicago tied sixth with 3,900,000; and Paris brings the rear with 2,800,000.

3. The five largest cities of the United States are present as New York city, Chicago, Philadelphia, 1,500,000; Detroit, 1,500,000 and Los Angeles, 1,500,000.

4. Of the 45,000,000 automobiles in the world, 31,200,000 are owned by Americans.

Wahiawa Tai Kuk Club

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treasurer; and Bernie Kim, auditor.

The incoming officers were formally installed at a banquet and dance held at Ohma farm restaurant March 29 evening.

A traffic sign in Waimea, Kauai: "Drive slow in our town; drive fast and see our jail!"

ing in music at San Francisco State college since.

Mrs. Gladys Park Lee, instructor at Kawaihake intermediate school, is planning a tour of the States this summer. Her husband is now studying in Wisconsin University.

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