UNITED COMMITTEE IS BORN OF OVERSEAS CONVENTION

All major Korean political organizations in Hawaii, mainland, Mexican and Philippine as well as more than 10,000 descendants of the Fuyu race have rallied under a united banner to form the United Korean Committee as the result of the first convention of overseas Korean delegates held in Los Angeles last December 21-22.

The success of this convention marks a new era in the life of the overseas Koreans toward political activity as an integral chapter in the history of the nation.

Fifteen delegates from seven major societies, including three gentlemen from California, representing the National Association of North America, set around a conference table at the Los Angeles hotel for two and a half days. It was a combined process of compromises and agreements reached upon all major issues confronting the Chinese as well as the Japanese.

The main organization was represented by Song Young Hoi, Kim Ho and Hahm Sidai; the local Korean Memorial Hall by Toh Chich Chin, Lee Won Soon and Ahn Hyun Kyung; the local National Association by Kwon Kim, Kim Won Yong and Ahn Won Kim; the Ladies Relief Society by Mrs. Lin Tso and Mrs. Shin Young Chinho; the Sin-Korean league by Park Sungho; the Chahwah Dong-nip-dang by Park Young Il; the Sin-Korean league by Park Young Il; the Christopher Dangdang by Kang Sangho and the Korean Volunteer organization by Kim Duk Koo.

W. K. Ahn served as chairman of the convention; S. D. Hahn as vice chairman; Park Sung Il as secretary. After completing their tasks, the three California delegates sailed back to Los Angeles, May 2.

The following important provisions have been adopted by the convention group and will be approved by the Korean Provisional government which they were put into effect from May 15:

1. A new central organization known as the United Korean Committee has been formed with the administrative branch located in Los Angeles and the board of directors located in Honolulu.

2. All money heretofore contributed by overseas organizations under various names through various societies shall henceforth combine into one "Dongnip-kim" and pour into one and same chest.

3. A sum of $20,000 shall be raised for Korean affairs, movement one-third to the government, one-third to the Korean National Party and one-third to the government of the United States in Washington. Of this sum, Hawaii's share shall be $15,000 and the mainland quota shall be $5,000. Roughly pre-rated according to population, each adult shall be levied $15 per year.

4. Dr. Syngman Rhee shall be appointed to a "two-year tour of duty" in Washington and Keisoo Han shall be appointed head of national defense, both being paid and subject to orders from the United Committee.

The United Committee shall operate under the jurisdiction of and in cooperation with the Korean Provisional government at Chinking.

Time For Every Korean To Think, Act And Stick Together!

Success of the recent overseas convention in Honolulu means nothing unless the Korean people in the United States think, act and stick together to carry out the program formulated by the convention.

Raising of $20,000 annually from a limited resource is not going to be an easy task. A "dime" of $15 upon every working adult seems easier said than done. Nevertheless, the lotto cause for which it is to be used. Moreover, the arbitrary nature of the assessment makes collection doubly difficult. By "arbitrary nature," we mean the charge of voluntary.

In the face of these facts, the need of a closer unity, teamwork and a realization of the great issue of state, is more urgent today than ever before. If every red-blooded loyal Korean truly and honestly loves his country, yearns for independence, it is the time to express that spirit in a concrete form. Any amount of talk will get us nowhere.

As much as we locate war and hate to see this country plunged into the bloody conflict, the trend of political events points unmistakably toward a war in the Pacific. When that comes-and many believe it will come this year-we Koreans must do our part to help Uncle Sam. When the victory is in sight under the watchful eye of Uncle Sam, Korean will come to the fore.

What then? Upon what, if any way we will justly demand freedom for the twenty-three million? The history of Korea's struggle for political freedom since annexation in 1910 will not suffice. We should have a tangible record of achievement marking consideration of our organization. That record should embody our service in the army and navy, our material assistance to the government and our encouragement to the Japanese"independence" movement. Furthermore, the fact that the Korean people are 100% united in spirit and action.

Back of the overseas Yangho Hoi, thus successfully formed, workers, according to a convention decision, lies a desire to achieve this end. To achieve that end, they have formulated a tangible and we hope a workable program that calls for $20,000 annually from the overseas Koreans.

Critical times require extraordinary sacrifices. President Roosevelt has called upon the American people to make sacrifices and the American people have cheerfully responded to the call. If people of this great nation, having experienced a political sovereignty and economic prosperity, are willing to make sacrifices in the name of liberty, why should not American people who have no country, no government and no liberty?

The American-Korean respectively urges every young Korean in Hawaii who is in position to do so, cheerfully and promptly contribute the extra to shore up the $20,000 budget, three-fourths of which is Hawaii's quota.

Dongnip-Kim Drive Hits $13,500 Mark

In a swiping drive for the $20,000 toward the Hawaii's United Liberty Fund, approximately $13,500 was already pledged by 52 Koreans. Song Soon Lee, chairman of the United Korean Committee, has announced June 22.

While Hawaii's share was originally set at $15,000, the committee figures on raising at least $17,000 in order to meet office expenses. At the present rate of response, the goal can easily be reached, they said.

Although the levy for each adult Korean was set at $15, many have pledged considerably above the beyond that limit, treasurers P. Y. Cho and 6. W. Son have mentioned. One individual, Mr. Phil Shin of Honolulu, has pledged a sum of $2,000. Scores of others made donations ranging from one to two dollars.

DOLLARS ROLLING IN

Following have submitted their subscriptions to this paper since the last issue:


Seven Koreans Get Degree From U.H.

A total of 360 young people of Korean ancestry emerged from classes in junior and senior high schools of the territory when the current academic term terminated June 6.

The 4th year degrees were conferred upon 7 Koreans at the University of Hawaii-an unusually small number. Last year's total was 19 and the previous year's, 21.

The U.H. graduates and their fields of major are as follows:

Miss Mary Hahn Education Mrs. Alice Lee
Miss Mary Lee
Miss Katherine Shon
Miss Surn Ok Lee Literature & Art
David Nahm
pregrad
Henry Lee Economics

To the 170 senior high graduates, McIntyre conferred 82, Roosevelt 32, Farrington 25, Lelleube 30, Island 1, Mid-Pacific 5, St. Louis 9, Kuhio 7, Kapiolani 6, Kalakaua 5, Hill 15, Maui 5, Baldwin 2, Kauai 1, Kauai high 4, Waiman 5.

In addition, one girl-Miss Rose Kim—graduated from Queen's hospital nurse training school. The in-termediate school graduates totaled 10.

KOREAN COMMITTEE TO TREAT SERVICE MEN WITH PROGRAM

In the first of three similar events planned by the United Korean committee to show the Korean community's appreciation to Uncle Sam's fighting men stationed in Hawaii, 100 soldiers and 100 sailors have been invited to a colorful program of Korean specialties at the Honolulu Academy of art on Wednesday, July 9 at 8 p.m. It was announced.

Later on, the United Committee will sponsor a banquet for the "Big Shots" connected with the army and navy as well as the governor and the mayor. The third event contemplated will be a tea for these distinguished people stationed now stationed in Schofield Bks, as National Guard and draftsmen.

The July 9 program features upon Mrs. W. K. Ahn, will feature Korean wedding ceremony, folk dances and Korean orchestra. All attendee forced choice costumes. Even the ushers will be so dressed. There will also be vocal solos by Miss Mary Lee and Miss Barbara Pang; a clarinet solo by Nelson Kwon and an address by war correspondent K. Kim and Donald Kang, program.

The committee encourages all to attend this, as well as the two that follow, is not open to public. Only those with official invitation will be admitted.

Fifty One Koreans On Teaching Staff

Fifty one Koreans, including four dentists, five pharmacists and one dental hygienist, have been appointed to teach in public schools of the territory during the ensuing year, it was announced.

The appointments are as follows:

McIntyre high, Nathan Yang
Central Inter., Manuel Kwon, Sin Bok Kim, Cafeteria
Washington Inter., Eddie Han, Min Kwon Lee
Kawasakono Inter., Gladys Lee
Stevenson Inter., Peter Kim
Kalakaua Inter., S. N. Ahn, Ber-nice McQuerry, Annie Hay, Walter Nahm, Hope Park, Norman Lee
Lanikia—Mary Kang
Kahuku high—F. K. Lee, Evelyn Chur, Sec; Kahihi-Kai, Mary Kim.

RURAL OAHU
Walapae high—Park Park; Wain- huii high, Salome Lee
Kahuku Inter. Anita Hahn; Waialua elem, Laima Hahn.

KAUAI
Libine, Woon Young Park; Wain huii high, Salome Lee
Kahuku Inter. Anita Hahn; Waialua elem, Laima Hahn.

MAUI
Lahaina, Stella Haan; Hana Inter.
Kealohap, John Kwon; Kealohap, Ellen Wei, Lanu, Anihe Tama
Makawao, Mola, Dora Han; Mo lalal Inter., Chaim Han, cafe.

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Hilo high—Rev. K. C. Chung (Continued on Page 2)
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Excitement Gets Us Nowhere

Popular excitement approaching panic sweeps throughout the territory these days as the prospect of war in the Pacific grows by leaps and bounds. The conviction is growing in the consciousness of the mass that here it is only a matter of how the war will be fought, not if it will be fought.

In anticipation of the coming crisis, some of the people are already taking measures to stock up on food supplies and locating bombproof shelters. These on this island are naturally more secure than those on outside lies, for the bulk of military fortifications are centered on Oahu. Pearl Harbor and Schofield Barracks are considered American and Japanese military establishments, rivaling Gibraltar and Singapore.

The first news added recently by General Short, commander of the Hawaiian Department, is that the enemy that the event in a war in the Pacific, Hawaii will be the initial battlefield and that the enemy planes will seek to destroy military fortifications in Honolulu and attack warships with the view to as much damage as the army and naval forces stationed here. At an earlier date, Japanese newspapers in their editorials sounded warnings regarding shortage of food and have been doing so ever since the war scare received a new impetus for three reasons: the non-arrival of the regular shipments from China, and Japan; the Balkan campaign and the announcement of the Nazi government that the supply of American ships carrying munitions to England.

So serious is the opinion that war in the Pacific is not as practical as some would have believed, Japan or any other power is in a position to make any serious move against this powerful nation. We have all known that war is forced on war. The war ships are stationed right here in Hawaii and Japan means to punch Uncle Sam but she has neither the resources nor the spirit to make the attempt.

The excitement is all faked. I am sure we need no precautionary measures such as storing up food supplies now. Let us be calm and let the news keep on flowing away. Let us continue to have faith in the Almighty who has always made “for a time it is a Parallax in fact as in name."

MEMORIAL DAY

The 30th day of May was Memorial Day in memory of the soldier dead at the historic battle of Gettysburg, July 3, 1863, when President Lincoln delivered his famous “Gettysburg Address.” This annual memorial provides an opportunity for the people of this country to remember with pride and solemnity the men who died in that hearing might live.

From time immemorial, men have fought and died and with the same animot they are still seeking for food at the expense of death and destruction. As human civilization advanced and developed, as the Christian principles of love and brotherhood sat mired in the human breast, the incessant struggle for existence began to be a thing of the past. The millions of men who did not return from the war lost their lives in a battle against the ancient and medieval time.

To be sure, not all wars are motivated by despicable interest. Bloodshed in the name of liberty and freedom is as holy and lofty a cause as the Crusades. But history is laden with accounts of wars where the greed for land and power dominated. Millions of young men who died in the war for no cause or lose such war have died there.

But the spirit with which the Korean people came to observe the Memorial Day yearly on May 30th is a patriotic one. In subordinating all selfish desires and remembering their brave dead, we observe each year the “take an increased devotion to the cause of freedom” and “we give the last full measure of devotion”.

Incidentally, the Korean people observe the Memorial Day on this day remember with stirring sentiment the many Korean patriots who served and gave their lives for this great cause that it may live. To me, I am deeply touched. I talk only a few. Ahn Chang Ho, Ahn Hyeon Tae, Park Chang Gu, Hong Chun, Lee Chul Myung, Chang In Whan, Lee Dong Wye, Lee Kwang Yeo, and others. They are among the heroes of the Korean national movement 1919-1920.

It is appropriate for us to continue to be grateful for the sacrifices and the efforts of those who have fought and died.

DIPLOMA

This is the Diploma month. Throughout the length and breadth of the territory, thousands of boys and girls were awarded diplomas of graduation from 9th and 12th grades as well as from the University of Hawaii.

Thanks to the national defense construction jobs available here, many young men have kept their heads down in making money, a situation never before known. However, many of those who have graduated or are employed, are asking friends whether they should keep on working or go back to college in the fall.

We wish to give them a sound advice. The mechanized and systematic learning of the machine and the computer is the efficient and practical approach to learning. The relation of education to the industry has become a more clearly defined thing at present.

Diploma is not an end but a means to an end. Unless the make use of the diploma in terms of money-making, it is useless. And the same is true of a so-called "blank" man. The ability to put the diploma to practical use is the key to your future.

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REV. C. H. AHN

Rev. C. H. Ahn, genial pastor of Wahiawa Methodist church, has just commemorated his 15 years of service in Hawaii. Starting out with a small congregation, he has now more than 200 followers, a large Sunday school, a choir, Epworth league and language school, all going strong.

During his reign a new church was built and the parsonage remodelled. New lots have been purchased for records in Korea.

Rev. Ahn was born in Anju, Kyung Ki province on February 2, 1888. Trained in Chinese classics early in his prime, he graduated from Cheonmol elementary school at the age of 13 and finished his secondary education at Pui Choi high school 4 years later. Here he also learned English and bookkeeping.

In 1901, Rev. Ahn was baptized by Dr. Underwood at Cheonmol Methodist church of which he became a member. Two years later, he was made an excommunicated by Dr. Cable and in 1908 he became a local preacher. Three years later, he was admitted into the mission conference as a full fledged minister, having been ordained by Bishop Harris.

In 1909, Rev. Ahn was sent to Korean Church where he was received on his initial charge. In 1915, he was transferred to Chung Ahn, same province. In 1918, he was an excommunicated pastor of Chinnamno church during which period he was despatched to Peking for the Eastern Methodist conference.

In 1926, Rev. Ahn came to Hawaii to become pastor of the Wahiawa church.

Young Cho Choy Gets Harvard’s Law Degree

When D. W. Choy, proprietor of the Uniform shop, returns July 15 from his extended trip to the mainland, he will be accompanied by his two sons—Young Cho and Duke Cho. Mr. Choy left for Cambridge, Mass. on June 5 to see his elder son graduate from Harvard University’s law school.

Young Cho expects to practice law in Honolulu making him the first Korean to enter into that profession in Hawaii. Duke Cho, who graduated from the local University last year who is now studying for M.D. In Michigan University, is coming to spend the summer with his parents.

Daddy Choy, himself a brilliant student during Compoud days, is a strong exponent of practical education. Here he sacrificed to put his brother, Doe Whan and sister Martha through college is well known but his effort to push the two sons through higher education is still more praiseworthy.

We present above Mr. Eak Tai Ahn’s original music composed as a new tune for the Korean National anthem. Altho the music arrived here somewhat ago, it was not tried until the Los Angeles delegates introduced it to public recently. Since then, it took the local populace by storm.

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Among the recent arrivals from Los Angeles were Jacob Dunn, May 7; Dr. James Shinn, May 29 and Phillip Kwon, June 10. All expect to make their homes in Honolulu. At present Mrs. Dunn is connected with China Daily Press and Mr. Kwon works at the Navy Yard.

Among those scheduled to arrive from the coast in July are Moen Kim, USC graduate, who will open a special office in Honolulu; James Park, Hilo boy, who finished a course in structural engineering.

Among those who left for the coast on business or pleasure trips were Say Young Kim, proprietor of Hawaii Music Co., on May 29; Gladys Park Lee, schoolteacher on June 5. Williams Choy will sail July 2 with Loui Leong Hop’s travel party, coming back after six weeks.

Nelson Kwon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doin Kwon, deserves applause for placing first in the Ohau final of the Interlochen Music scholarship contest, May 9. He performed brilliantly on his clarinet.

With S. Y. Lee drafted into the navy, the local post office has four Korean employees: Richard Noh, veteran clerk; Edward Kim, George Kihim and Hap Choo, carriers.

Week Moon left for Shanghai May 25 to be gone for 3 months.

Miss Hiseong Chung, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Chung of Puhi, Kauai, has been recently appointed Kauai field worker for the territorial bureau of conservation of sight.

Going to the Big Island June 24 for a week’s look-see were Mrs. Keho Kang, Mrs. Martha Young and Miss Helen Yuh.

Donald Kang has resigned his teaching job to enter business to make more money.

Mrs. Sung Noy Choy died of cancer at the Queen’s Hospital on May 16 and was buried the following afternoon.

Word has just reached us that Miss Isabel Kim went to visit her last year was married to John Song in New York City June 21. The couple will make their home in New Jersey.

THE WEDDING PARADE
May 10 at KCC—Ellen Lee to Don Chan Choy.
May 24 at KCC—Mary Kim to Kenneth Lee.
June 5 at St. Andrew’s—Rose Park to Richard Kim.
June 14 at KCC—Sarah Woo to Richard Lee.
June 21 at H. M. church—Mary Char to Chan Young Kim.
July 5 at Wahalua—Ebel Lee to Wallace Choy.

UNIV. CLUB MEETING
The next month’s meeting of the University Club will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Y. Kim, 1741 Names St., on Saturday, July 12 at 8 p.m. Dr. Y. P. Kang, program chairman, is expecting to bring a speaker for the evening. Presence of every member is requested.

—Yoan Tai Whang, President.

Staff Members of the United Com. Named
In accordance with the decision taken at the overseas convention, which provided for two main departments within the framework of the United Korean Committee, constituents of the board of directors, located in Honolulu, were selected as follows:
Chairman, Won Soon Lee; vice chairman, AhnWon-Ki; English secretary, Warren Kim; Korean secretary, Chinbo Toh; treasurer, P. Y. Cho and S. W. Sohn; auditor, Shinhee Chae; National defense advisor chairman, Henry Kim; S. W. Lim, S. H. Kang, Mrs. I. S. Min and Mrs. Y. S. Shin.

Members of the Executive Committee, located in Los Angeles, include Simon Ho, chairman; Take Yoon, secretary; Song Chong Da, treasurer; Hahn Sidai and P. Y. Kim.

The additional sub-committees were organized to cooperate with the Honolulu Committee, as follows: sub-committee on finances—Father Noah K. Cho, Chinbo Toh and David Yooch; sub-committee on training—Donald Kang, Walter Young and Young Kee Kim; sub-committee on relief work—Rev. C. H. Min, Tai Sung Lee, Hymn Kyung Ahn.

LETTER BOX
Dear Mr. Kang:
Your paper, The American-Korean, was read with great interest and was enjoyed by many of the young Koreans of this valley. And I, personally want to congratulate you on the wonderful work that you are now doing. It takes hard work, and lots of determination to carry out work of this nature, but with your experience and never failing courage, I know that you will be able to carry out the work.
Wishing you success in the future for a bigger and better paper, I remain,
Yours very truly,
James O. H. Kim
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Schoolfield Bks.

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She: “I won that thousand dollar prize for that article against cruel traps to catch wild animals.”
He: “And what will you do with the money?”
She: “Buy a mink coat.”
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Pa: “What do you mean under water?”
Son: “Below ‘C’ level.”

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