RITTE, WALTER L., JR.
OHA Trustee (Molokai) is not included in this directory at his request.
Ariyoshi Camp Returns

By Gregg K. Kakesako
Star-Bulletin Writer

Gov. George Ariyoshi's campaign committee today voluntarily returned $22,850 to 15 contributors who inadvertently violated the state's campaign spending law by giving more than $2,000 for the 1982 primary and general elections.

The largest contributor in the governor's report was Castle & Cooke Inc., which reported donating $7,000 after the Legislature three years ago placed a $2,000 ceiling on individual campaign contributions. Cooke, an architectural firm, contributed another $2,000 this year. This raised the company's aggregate total to $9,000 for the 1982 primary elections.

In addition, architect Franklin Gray personally gave Ariyoshi's committee a total of $3,500—$2,000 this year and another $1,500 in 1980.

In the case of Benjamin Lee, a management supervisor, Ariyoshi's campaign records show that Lee donated $1,500 in 1980 and again gave another $2,000 this year.

JUNE GARRISON, Ariyoshi's campaign treasurer, told the Star-Bulletin yesterday that a revised financial disclosure statement was to be filed with the state Campaign Spending Commission today showing the return of "all excess contributions."

A 1979 amendment to the Hawaii's campaign spending law limits individual and corporate contributions to $2,000 for each election.

According to Jack M.K. Gonzales, the commission's executive director, this breaks down to $2,000 for the 1982 primary elections, which will be held Sept. 18, 1982, and another $2,000 for the general elections scheduled for Nov. 2, 1982.

Although a contributor can legally donate a total of $4,000, Gonzales said the second $2,000 only can be given during the 45 days between the September primary and the November general elections.

Ariyoshi's latest campaign expenditure statement—covering expenses and contributions for the first six months of this year—showed 15 instances where contributors apparently exceeded the $2,000 limit.

Garrison yesterday said the discrepancies were caught only after all the contributions were tabulated by a computer and a 53-page printout made for the commission's records.

"Any amount over the $2,000 limit will be returned," Garrison said. "In fact, the checks are in the process of being written...."

GONZALES said the commission was aware of the apparent discrepancies and was going to review all of Ariyoshi's contributions before Garrison said the excess amounts would be returned to the contributors.

"We always welcome voluntary compliance," Gonzales said. "State law only requires that any amount over $2,000 be returned to the donor. There are no penalties."

"The $2,000 ceiling apparently was established by lawmakers," Gonzales said, "to limit the effect of heavy contributions from one group and indirectly limit how much a candidate can spend. The less money a candidate takes in means the less he has to spend."

Although Hawaii does have a ceiling on the amount of money a candi-
Walter Ritte Jr., 35, of Kaunakakai, Molokai, is married with four children and describes himself as a "community organizer." He is a graduate of Kamehameha Schools and the San Francisco College of Mortuary Science and attended the University of Hawaii and Windward Community College.

"With the creation of OHA," Ritte said, "Hawaiians have the opportunity for unity and oneness socially to solve our own problems and create our own opportunities, and oneness politically when 50,000 voting Hawaiians will mean something in the political arena."

He said, "Hawaiians are on the move and a Hawaiian governor is not far away."

Ritte said OHA can be used to reverse a negative trend among Hawaiians by developing educational and economic opportunities, establishing a solid land base and developing leadership.
MEMORANDUM

Pacific Isle Tour

A grant to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs from the Hawaii Cultural Research Foundation is enabling OHA representatives to take part in cultural, political and educational activity with other Pacific islanders.

OHA trustee Walter Ritte and two OHA advisory committee members, Kawehi Ryder and Frank Hewitt, left Friday on a three-week tour in which they will mingle with islanders from New Zealand, Samoa and the Cooke Islands.

Arts, crafts and agricultural methods will be studied on the tour.
3 OHA members on Pacific tour

The Hawaii Cultural Research Foundation, a private non-profit group, is sponsoring a delegation of state Office of Hawaiian Affairs representatives on a three-week cultural exchange with Pacific islanders.

OHA trustee Walter Ritte and two members of the OHA Advisory Committee on Culture, Kawehi Ryder and Frank Hewitt, left Friday for a tour of New Zealand, Samoa and the Cook Islands.

"This is the first step toward a better and more fruitful relationship with our Pacific cousins and will help us to expand our knowledge and to look toward new relationships with Pacific Basin islanders," Ritte said.

The delegation is expected to meet with representatives of the Department of Maori Affairs and the University of Waikato while in New Zealand. They are scheduled to conduct lectures and workshops on arts and crafts, and farming methods.
United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

Reminder for Ritte
Re Walter L. Ritte Jr.'s letter (5/12).

I believe Walter ought to be reminded that:
• People of Hawaiian blood do comprise only a minute portion of today's ethnicity of the Aloha State.
• Today, he is where he would not have been were it not for the hundreds of thousands of our residents with no Hawaiian blood in their veins.
• To follow Jerry Falwell's footsteps is to lead one's flock too dangerously close to extinction.
• He could score a longer-lasting victory should he decide to use love in place of hatred as a motto for his Aina Hawaii.

KOSTA STOJANOVICH

05/18/61
Set aside land areas for traditional living, OHA's Ritte suggests

KAUNAKAKAI — Walter Ritte Jr., Molokai member of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs board of trustees, last night urged a Molokai citizens committee to consider establishing "traditional land use areas" on the island.

In a statement which Ritte said was approved by the trustees, he suggested the advisory panel should set aside areas to be "identified as traditional land use areas to allow for . . . subsistence living."

His other suggestions:

• Protect "makai views," meaning halt development along the shorelines.
• Require agricultural subdivisions to have 80 per cent of the land in actual use for agriculture.
• Ease building codes to allow for "rural and traditional housing."
• Manage natural resources through programs such as the ancient "kapu" system.

The presentation was made during a meeting of the Molokai Community Plan Citizens Advisory Committee in Kaunakakai. In a cover letter to the statement, Ritte said the proposals came out of his Culture Committee of the OHA board.

"Enough emphasis is being given to areas of cluster housing, resort development, industrial areas, shopping areas, civic centers, etc," he said. "Our recommendations therefore have been to address 'traditional' land use areas and the proper planning to insure the 'gathering rights' of Hawaiians through proper resource management."

The "traditional land use areas" were described as areas along river beds, springs, "kalo" (taro) terraces or in valleys which are conducive to a subsistence lifestyle based on agriculture.

Ritte also said the traditional lifestyle is based on Hawaiian gathering rights, meaning the right to go into mauka lands to gather wood, plants and other materials for food, homes or medicine. "A serious effort to identify and plan out these areas is necessary in order to offer this unique alternative for traditional land use," he said.
1980: The Year in Retrospect

By June Watanabe
Star-Bulletin Writer

FOR Hawaii, 1980 was a year in which crime and the economy dominated the concerns of a community that turned to new political leaders for solutions to the problems of its rapidly growing population.

Jan. 5, Jan. 8, April 1, April 17, June 5, July 28, Sept. 20, Dec. 8. Although the dates themselves might not stir the memorable events, these were eight days in 1980 that stand out for a variety of reasons in the history of Hawaii.

On Jan. 5, a storm that was described as the kind that hits once in a hundred years socked the Islands, leaving seven people dead and millions of dollars in damage in its wake.

On Jan. 8, Roger Clapham and his family saw their camping trip to Hawaii turn into a nightmare when they were attacked brutally and without provocation by an unknown gang of men in Kauai's Lydgate Park. The Claphams returned home to Canada and their story of violence was picked up with a vengeance by the Canadian news media and spread across the world.

Hawaii, throughout the year, found itself confronted by a crime and public relations problem that had been a year earlier, and the story of violence was picked up with a vengeance by the Canadian news media and spread across the world.

A community already angered and frustrated by the growing number of assaults against people and property seized upon the Kiyota case as an example of everything wrong with the criminal justice system and brought scrutiny of the policy of plea bargaining.

On June 5, long-time criminal figure Francis Scott Key was beaten fatally while he slept in his dormitory at the Hawaii State Prison, now known as the Oahu Community Correctional Center. His death sparked the retaliatory killing of inmate Milton Nihipali and brought dozens of Honolulu police officers out in riot gear the next night to quell a potential inmate revolt.

AS THE TENSE hours passed, the situation diffused and the police were able to pack up after standing by outside the prison's walls. But officials acknowledged that the prison was a "pressure cooker," and the uprising served to focus attention on the problems of overcrowding and understaffing throughout the state's correctional system.

Later in the summer, the Haleiwa High Security Facility briefly was taken over by angry inmates. A calm has settled over the prison system, but tensions among inmates continue to threaten the peace.

On July 28, a group of Honolulu residents dissatisfied with the performance of several City Council members met to begin planning an ambitious campaign called "Citizens for Recall." The movement, led by Marie Stires, ultimately fizzled out when members, admittedly faced with
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problems of time and numbers, were unable to muster enough support to force a recall vote on any of the six-targeted councilmen. But the movement reflected growing community dissatisfaction with the quality of local government.

On Sept. 20, a relative political newcomer with the backing of Gov. Ariyoshi and an experienced campaign team wrested away Honolulu Mayor Frank Fasi's long and powerful hold on City Hall in the Democratic primary election. That key victory propelled former state Budget Director Eileen Anderson to an easy win in the general election. In two days, Anderson will become Honolulu's first woman mayor.

Meanwhile, a man who has sparked continuous debate and controversy during his three terms as head of the City and County of Honolulu has no intention of fading quietly into life as a private citizen. He already has announced plans to lead a non-profit, public-interest lobbying group. While there may be those who have written Frank Fasi's political obituary, the man himself says he probably will be in the 1982 race for governor. He has failed twice before in his quest for that job.

On Dec. 8, A chubby, bespectacled man crouched before ex-Beatle John Lennon and methodically fired several shots into the body of the famed musician and songwriter. The murder of Lennon occurred in New York City, but Hawaii was thrust into the midst of the news story because Mark David Chapman, the alleged killer, had lived in Honolulu for the past three years and bought the apparent murder weapon from a gun shop here on Young Street. Once more, Hawaii attracted the attention of the national and international news media for reasons that clashed with its Aloha State image.

While these eight dates help to define what the year 1980 was for the people of Hawaii, they tell only part of the story.

A day-by-day review of the past year reveals a people and state in turmoil and an uncertainty of what the future holds as we move into the Decade of the Eighties.

Politics

For a good portion of the year, political candidates and electioneering provided most of the news. Hawaii proved to be one of the minority of states which went for President Carter, while the most of the country went heavily for Ronald Reagan. A majority of Oahu voters preferred Reagan, but the Neighbor Island vote tipped the state into the Democratic column.

Many local political veterans — including Mayor Fasi — found themselves on the losing end. Or, as in the case of veteran Oahu Rep. James Wakatsuki, decided to leave the political arena voluntarily. Wakatsuki, the former House speaker, is now a Circuit Court judge. On Kauai, however, Mayor Eduardo Malapit waged and won a bitter and classic battle against former Kauai County Council member JoAnn Yukimura.

In the state Legislature, the 5th and 6th senatorial races were particularly interesting because labor leader David Trask and his powerful Hawaii Government Employees Association union became openly involved in the campaigning. Trask made clear his dissatisfaction with the leadership of Senate President Richard Wong and tried to bring about the defeat of Wong and the senators who have made up his fragile coalition.

In the 5th Senatorial District, Wong won his own race, but his close friend and ally, Sen. T.C. Wong, was replaced by freshman Rep. Milton Holt, an HGEA-backed candidate. The Senate now, finds itself in the midst of another reorganizational struggle. The House, meanwhile, has organized itself under the leadership of new Speaker Henry Peters.

Politics this year also was notable for the election of the first nine trustees for the newly created Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The OHA election was seen as a significant step toward giving native Hawaiians a voice in determining their affairs.

Among those elected were Frenchy DeSoto and Walter Ritte, who have been in the forefront of recent Hawaiian activism. The office also is seen as a way of molding native Hawaiians into a political force to contend with in the state. Other actions this year which directly affect the Hawaiian community were President Carter's approval of a bill establishing the Native Hawaiian Claims Commission and agreement between the Protect Kaho'olawe Ohana and the U.S. Navy over use of the Island of Kaho'olawe.
HGEA would support union pulls all stops to topple Wong

By Charles Turner
Advertiser Labor Writer

Hawaii's largest government workers union says it would support the idea of a bipartisan coalition ruling the state Senate in 1981 if that's what it takes to oust Sen. Richard Wong from the Senate presidency.

But Wong said yesterday the Hawaii Government Employees' Association is opposing him only because "they want control of the Senate."

The HGEA opposition to Wong surfaced this week at a press conference held by Russell Okata, top assistant to David Trask, executive director of the 26,000-member Hawaii Government Employees Association.

"We're hoping that the Senate will have a program that is supported by a great majority of the membership," said Okata.

"Why are they doing it unless they want control of the Senate?" asked Wong yesterday.

He said overall, he and his Senate supporters have backed the union's legislative proposals and that the voting records of the incumbent senators would show this.

Wong noted that the union may not have gotten all that it wanted, but the final result of such proposals as increased pension payments for retirees and an increase in state contributions toward government workers' health care costs were the result of legislative compromising.

A decision to hold down pension costs last year, for example, was not necessarily bad, said Wong.

Okata said the HGEA has been unhappy with the past two legislatures.

He said failure of the Legislature to make larger contributions to health-welfare benefits for employees was one of the complaints from HGEA members.

Another near-failure occurred in the recently concluded session when the Legislature waited until the final day before passing a bill to improve pension benefits. Okata said only support from the House helped save the bill.

There were few surprises in the endorsements released Monday by the HGEA for the Nov. 4 general election.

As predicted by The Advertiser Saturday, Republicans John Carroll and Ann Kobayashi won endorsement in their Manoa-Waikiki senatorial race over Democrats Chong and Clifford Uwaine.

HGEA also endorsed Republicans Richard Henderson, Mary George and Buddy Soares in their Senate campaigns.

Wong will hold a press conference this morning to further reply to the union's endorsements.

Okata told reporters that Rep. Henry H. Peters, who was among legislators endorsed by the HGEA this week, would be a good choice for the speakership in 1981. The House must select new leadership because Speaker James Wakatsuki accepted a circuit court judgeship this year.

The HGEA also became the first union to announce its endorsements for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, backing the following:


Gohu (1) — George Hoekano.

Hawaii (1) — Mulama Solomon.

Mau (1) — Walter "Kinky" Cooper, Sr.

Molokai (1) — Walter L. Ritte, Jr.

Kauai (1) — Moses "Moke" Keale.
Maui’s Kealoha Is Ahead in OHA Race Spending

By Helen Altonn, Star-Bulletin Writer

The biggest spender so far in the race for the first executive board of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs appears to be Joseph G. Kealoha, who is competing against 10 candidates for the Maui seat.

Kealoha, president of Realty Consultants of Maui, a land development corporation, has spent $7,858, according to campaign disclosure forms for the period up to Oct. 14. However, all of the forms aren’t available yet at the state Campaign Spending Office, with some still to come from the Neighbor Islands, a spokesman said.

The office has 104 statements on file and there are 136 OHA candidates.

Registered Hawaiian voters on all Islands will elect nine OHA trustees, with four representing the state at large and one each from Oahu, Maui, Kauai, Molokai and the Big Island.

Because of the need for statewide exposure to capture the Hawaiian votes, OHA candidates are spending their money largely on brochures, postage and media advertising.

Kealoha’s campaign funds totaled $8,648, with about $4,570 in contributions and the balance in loans and personal financing.

Two other candidates have invested more than $6,000 in the campaign and five spent more than $5,000, according to the initial disclosures.

Among others prominent names listed among Henrickson’s contributors, with donations ranging from $100 to $250, are: Clarence T.C. Ching, Takashi Anbe, Lowell Dillingham, Malcolm MacNaughton, James M. Greenwell, Fred Kwock, attorneys Jon Mih'o and Carl Mirikitani, Matsuo Takabuki and Charles J. Pletsch Jr.

Other leading OHA campaign spenders are at-large candidates Hayden F. Burgess of Honolulu, $5,190; Rod Burgess of Honolulu, $5,879; Samuel A. Hult of Hilo, $5,273; Melvin Hoomanawanui of Honolulu, $6,121; and Adeline Malunipau Lee of Honolulu, $5,937.

Walter L. Ritte Jr., of Kaunakakai, Molokai, has spent $5,982 in a race against three candidates for the Island’s trustee position.

Charles Kauluwehi Maxwell Jr., candidate for the Maui seat, reported a campaign fund of $8,043, with about $4,643 in donations and the rest in loans, but he has spent only $2,681.

A. Frenchy DeSoto of Wai'anae, an at-large candidate, reported a total of $7,131 in her campaign treasury, with about $6,331 in contributions and $800 of her own money.

Her donations included $1,000 from James Pflueger and $400 from Chinn Ho.
Here are the unofficial results of the non-partisan race to fill nine positions on the Office of Hawaiian Affairs board of trustees.

There was no primary election, only OHA board candidates. Four positions are filled at-large, with the remainder coming from the five major islands.

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Star Bulletin Writer

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- Frank Lautenberg (D)
- Jacob Javits (R)

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- Cecil Heftel (D) and Daniel Akaka (D)

STATE SENATE
1st Dist. (Hawaii) — Katsuwa Yamada (D) and Richard Henderson (D)
2nd Dist. (Maui) — Gerald Machida (D), special election; and Mamoru Yamada (D), four-year term.
3rd Dist. (Windward Oahu) — Mary George (R) and Jack Morse (D)
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8th Dist. (Kaimuki-Hawaiian Ranches) — Dennis O'Connor (D) and W. Dudley Soares (D)
9th Dist. (Waialae-Kahala) — Koji Fujii (R) and Kenneth M. Okai (D)
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OKATA ACKNOWLEDGED yesterday that HGEA is pushing a slate of 13 candidates, six of them incumbents who the union believes will work to oust Wong from the Senate presidency.

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