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## 110 Teams Enter Volleyball Meet

A record 110 entries — 23 from Hawaii — have been received here for the U.S. Volleyball Association National Championships scheduled for May 6-7-8-9.

W. W. Robinson, commissioner of region 15 of the USVBA, said that a committee meeting will be held Friday to cut the entry list to 100 teams.

Robinson said there were 45 open team entries, 35

women's team entries, 15 teams in the senior's division and 15 in the YMCA division.

Also, with the record number of entries (the old record was 85) two courts at the Mid-Pacific Institute gym will be pressed into service along with the four courts at the University of Hawaii's Otto Klum Gymnasium.

Entries have been received from the University of Mexico as well as Canada and New York.

It is expected that 1,800 players, coaches and managers will be here for the tourney.

Outrigger Canoe Club, one of the highly rated teams in the tourney, will participate in the AAU championships at Long Beach, California this weekend.

A special attraction at the tourney will be an appearance by the world champion Japan women's team for exhibition matches.

The \$10 booster ticket, good for all games on all four days is still available at any YMCA and at the Outrigger Canoe Club.

Action will run from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. each day except for opening day when the night's activity will be a luau starting at 7:30 at the Elks Club.

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## Pan Am Pacific Veteran Retiring

William J. Mullahey, Pan American World Airways Director, Hawaii, Central and South Pacific, who has been identified with Pan Am's historic development of air service throughout the Pacific areas since April, 1935, Tuesday announced his retirement from the company.

Completing 35 years of service with Pan Am, Mullahey, 60, will terminate as Pacific director June 30, but will continue as advisor and consultant for at least a year.

Mullahey's impressive career with Pan Am started in the days of transpacific flying boats when he accompanied Pan Am's North Haven expedition to

establish air bases enroute to China.

In advance of Pan Am's pioneering Clipper fleet service to Pacific points, Mullahey worked with construction crews blasting coral reefs, marking seadromes and constructing seaplane facilities in Midway, Wake, Guam, Manila, Macao, Hong Kong and later through the South Pacific via Palmyra, Canton Island, Samoa, Fiji, New Caledonia and New Zealand to Australia.

Later, after his return to San Francisco, he initiated on-site surveys of South Pacific land and sea bases which became the operating framework for the company's contracts with the

Naval Air Transport Service.

Company history was made by this survey of more than a dozen island bases in the South Pacific during which NATS contract 68 islands were visited. Mullahey's information provided the basis for Pan Am's Pacific-Alaska Division's subsequent naval contract operations. When the Naval Air Transport Service (NATS) was established in Pearl Harbor, he was assigned as company liaison to Adm. Chester Nimitz's headquarters, in charge of South Pacific base developments, and was instrumental in the construction and operation of 17 such bases in the initial phases of the Pacific war. The NATS contract operations were followed by similar contracts with the U. S. Air Forces and Civil Aeronautics Administration.

When commercial air transportation was resumed at the end of the war, Mullahey assisted in reestablishing Pan Am's bases through the South and Central Pacific.

In 1946, following the war, Mullahey was one of the principals in reorganizing and programming the Hawaii Visitors Bureau which had suspended operation during the war. For many years he served as a director.

Long before its present ac-

tuality, Mullahey recognized the great travel potential to and within the Pacific. He was the organizing chairman in Hawaii of the Pacific Area Travel Association (PATA), now based in San Francisco.

In 1953 the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce requested Mullahey to organize its Tourist Industry Committee. This Committee, comprised of business and travel industry leaders in Hawaii concerned itself with coordination and master-planning all phases of the Hawaii travel industry. He served as chairman for three years. He was one of the first advocates of master-planning for Waikiki to prevent congestion and preserve Waikiki as one of Hawaii's major tourist attractions.

In 1955 the New Guinea Visitors Bureau enlisted Mullahey's assistance in developing a visitor facilities program for Papua and New Guinea. Other Pacific countries such as Tahiti, the Samoas, Fiji and New Caledonia have sought travel recommendations for their developing travel industries.

The Kingdom of Tonga, Guam and Micronesia have sought travel trade advice for their emerging visitor programs. Indonesia and Thailand have in recent years been assisted in

facilities development by Mullahey's recommendations.

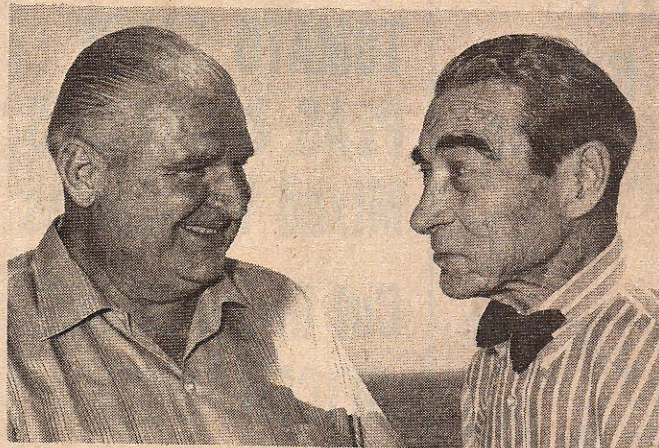
Mullahey has participated in travel facilities surveys for New Zealand and Australia as well as the recently independent nation of Western Samoa.

So comprehensive and productive is his knowledge of the Pacific that he is frequently referred to as "Mr. Pacific".

Recently Mullahey was a member of President Nixon's Commission "Our Nation and the Sea", serving on the State committee delineating "Hawaii's role in the Pacific Basin".

As chairman of the Honolulu Airlines Executive Committee, Mullahey is associated with Stanford Research Institute in proposing runway requirements for Honolulu International Airport for consideration by the task force appointed by Hawaii State Governor John A. Burns to develop a master plan for Honolulu International Airport through 1985.

Mullahey is a member of Hawaii's oldest clubs: the Outrigger Canoe Club and the Pacific Club. On July 12, 1962 he was awarded the honor of Knight in the Order of the Finnish Lion by President Urho Kekkonen of Finland.



WILLIAM J. MULLAHEY announces retirement from Pan Am to Col. Clarence M. Young, Pan Am vice president Pacific-Alaska Division, also retired.