

# Julie Judd Swanzy

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Few women of the past half century were more active in the field of aid to youth than Mrs. Julie Judd Swanzy, whose death occurred Tuesday night.

Most newcomers to the territory know little about Mrs. Swanzy, for she has been out of public activity for a number of years, due to ill health. But for 40 years from 1890 on she was tireless in her civic and philanthropic activities.

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Among the best known were the Free Kindergarten and Children's Aid association, which she helped establish and direct; and the Women's Auxiliary of the Outrigger Canoe club, of which for many years she was president.

Also she served as chairman of the city-county recreation commission; and at various times was the chairman or a member of various boards, committees or commissions engaged in public or semi-public work.

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Alexander Hume Ford, who was himself a tireless civic worker in the field of unofficial and semi-official organizations and societies, used to remark with a grin that "Julie Swanzy is the only person I know who can belong to as many committees as I can—and she gets more work done."

At that time he was deep in his really extraordinary formation and development of the Pan-Pacific Union, and to Mrs. Swanzy he turned regularly for assistance in handling women delegates, women's sections, social affairs and the like. He found her always ready to help with time, effort and financial support. At one time she was honorary chairman of the women's conference of the Pan-Pacific Union.

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She was deeply interested in the preservation of historic relics in Hawaii, and served as regent of the Daughters of Hawaii.

This was only one phase of her many-faceted interests.

Her passing at 80 years of age removes a woman of unusual executive ability, and one identified with an extremely interesting era in Hawaii's development from a monarchy to an independent republic to a territory of the United States.

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