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Write me as one who loves his fellow-men.
—Leigh Hunt.

ON TO "NEW BUSINESS"!

Republican party leaders are to be heartily commended on their early preparations for the next session of the legislature. The defeat of many sterling candidates for legislative office on this island has been disheartening, but it will not be disastrous if the party sets out determinedly along the lines of progress marked in the territorial platform.

Those good candidates who were defeated will not find their usefulness ended with election day. Their presence in party councils is needed more than ever; their work is needed; and their best course will be to help the party out through the promised legislation.

The Republican party has definitely committed itself to the passage of a direct primary law, and good faith demands the passage of the measure at the next session of the legislature. It is time too early now to begin the drafting of a direct primary bill. The defeat of the direct primary bill two years ago, as well as certain plans referred to as "administration measures," was not because the legislature was incapable. The Star-Bulletin has no sympathy with sneers at the capability of the last legislature; certainly the House next year will be no improvement on the House of 1911, and in some respects will be a school that body in intelligence, energy and ability of the leaders to handle technical matters of legislation. The direct primary bill passed the House and was beaten in the senate only by powerful influences "downtown." It is far from an ideal bill; it was drawn largely on theory rather than actual experience and practice, and those behind it were in no position to make a determined fight in its defense when the senate began its series of assaults.

The Republican party has sustained a defeat in 1911, and the best program for the next two years is to win the confidence of voters of all ages of belief by strict adherence to progressive measures. The formation of a steering committee, organized to see to the drafting of a reliable legislation and to lead the party program for the next six months, is the right step to take. Furthermore, the party leaders announce that their program is to be framed in conjunction with Governor Frear, and that is a mistake. There is no necessity of dwelling on the fact that the governor and many of the party leaders are not close together. It is true. Dismissed the administration and the party at large are both likely to fall in carrying through desirable legislation. Hard work, united work, glory will give the party a record in the next legislature on which it can go before the voters of this territory two years from now for support.

Governor Frear has suggested a number of very important measures that he will recommend to his message to the legislature. It is doubtful if this writing, if his suggestion of a commission form of government for Honolulu will meet with full approval among the leaders of the party. Opposition is bound to arise, sincere opposition, too. But the differences of opinion should be straightened out before the legislature convenes. The Republican party must go into the next legislature with a program on which all can unite, and for which all can fight.

The steering committee must be, and this paper believes, will be progressive and not reactionary. It must lead into the thickest of the battle for such progressive measures as the direct primary and public utilities commission bills. And the men who did not succeed in their candidacy this year will be valuable in lending support to those in the House and Senate.

Secretary Fishers' oft-quoted story is apt just now. The Republican party need not waste time in reading over the minutes of the meeting that ended gloomily on the night of November 5. It will go on to "new business" and the business in hand just now is that of getting ready to put progressive Republican measures through the next legislature.

COUNTRY CHURCH ADAPTABILITY

Side by side with the development of the school as a community center in many spots on the mainland is going the development of the church and its intention to grapple with the living problems of country life. Brought face to face with the problem of holding back the rush to the cities, the rural church has shown amazing capacity for making an appeal to communities on

other than distinctively religious grounds.

A recent number of *The Playground*, a publication devoted to recreation work, contains surprising facts concerning this "church extension" work, if it may be so called. The awakening of the rural church to grapple with the living problems of farm life is full of inspiration to those who dwell in cities as well as to those who live in the country. Many have thought of the playground and recreation problem as a city problem. Playgrounds and recreation centers in the open country are now an established fact. More than that, the rural minister is having a large part in the rural recreation movement.

Some of the stories of the evolution of semi-conscious rural churches into potent social centers read like romances. A rural church organizing baseball teams! The rural minister an athletic coach! The summer business meeting of one church held between dances at a barn dance! Camp parties ending in hymn-singing and even in prayer meetings!

In many instances the rural minister renders his largest service by co-operating with others in making the rural school the recreation center where all without regard to creed unite, sharing in the common community comradeship.

WAR AVIATORS PROVE WORTH

The practical value of aviation in war-time has been given its first try-out under conditions of actual battle in the field, and to judge by the enthusiastic comments of critics, the military aeroplane has proved a triumph.

The first opportunity for war aviators to show their skill and their usefulness has come in the Balkan impasse, and the airmen of Bulgaria have been the daring scouts that largely made possible the victory of Bulgar over Turk. During the days when the Bulgarian army was driving the main Turkish army back to the line of fortifications around Adrianople, and finally into that supposedly impregnable stronghold, the air-scouts of the advancing army were circling high above the enemy's lines day and night. The result was that scarcely a movement of the Turkish troops escaped instant notice and hardly had an order for a sudden maneuver been given to the Turkish regiments than it was known to the Bulgarian staff and soon checked.

The Turks' endeavors to put the aeroplanes out of commission proved mostly fruitless, although one aviator who swooped too low over the Turkish camps was killed. In the main, however, the aviators were in little danger from gun-fire.

Bulgaria is far behind France, Germany, Austria, Italy or England in military aviation. If the Bulgarian birdmen are successful in scouting, there is no reason why the aeroplane has not conclusively demonstrated its value in war-time. Perhaps the showing made in this European war will stimulate Congress to support the United States army aviation corps a little more actively.

The San Francisco Examiner advertised that on election night it would announce whether Roosevelt or Wilson carried California by sending up a bomb of one color for Teddy or another for Wilson. They were still counting in California this morning and Roosevelt was 24 votes ahead, with several precincts missing. The Examiner is still waiting to send up that bomb.

Pearl Harbor is rapidly approaching the point where it is the city's biggest plant. With a payroll of \$40,000 a month, with a permanent population of employes, the big naval undertaking has already become a great factor in a big Honolulu.

Charles A. Stanton is one of the liveliest boosters Honolulu can boast. He may be relied upon to say a good word for this city and territory wherever he goes, and when he comes back he is sure to be found in the center of some kind of activity.

Even with a commission form of government for Honolulu, as Governor Frear proposes, it is going to take some time to get those six Democratic supervisors out of office.

Some of the local Republicans feel almost as badly as if they had bet money against the Democrats. But of course it couldn't be that.

Greece has almost wiped out the sting of 1897, when the Grecian army collapsed before the Turkish onslaught.

LETTERS ON TIMELY TOPICS

THE MEASURE OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.
Sir:—Having been requested to put some of my impressions in print, and knowing of no more expeditious method of reaching the intelligent public than through your columns, I respectfully crave a little space.

The position of superintendent of public works of Honolulu can only be honestly filled by a man who has the following qualifications, fully:

Practical experience in carrying out municipal direction in the manner necessary to produce results commensurate with the money of the people expended through this channel.

Familiarity with ideas of others who know the country, and really make it what it is; which such a man can only do by having resided here many years, and have learned the many differences between this and other parts of the United States.

Thorough knowledge of the various costs of material and labor required to make improvements and keep in repair and condition within limits of expense all that his advice is called upon to guide and direct. And the moral fiber to resist political influence; financial gain (directly or otherwise); and the rare power of a master who can put his ability in front of himself, hiding egotism.

No one is more naturally schooled in discipline that will qualify a man with the ability necessary to fill the job than an architect who has had experience with workmen and construction.

As far as I have observed, no one has stuck to the upholding of Honolulu since it has been American more tenaciously and with more telling showing than Mr. H. L. Kerr, whom it seems to be conceded is the leading man in that line here.

It is possible that he has been approached on the subject, and cares more for the glory and profit following his private successes, than for "saving for the dear public."

Please, Mr. Editor, let those who are interested in the subject know more about it.

KAMAHAIA.

Honolulu, Nov. 12, 1912.

WILSON AND THE PHILIPPINES

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir:—One of the opposition charges against Wilson in the late campaign on the mainland was that the Filipino would be given complete autonomy or be left to themselves, in the event that he was elected and both houses be democratic. I find his views pretty clearly stated on this question in his book, "Constitutional Government in the United States," 1908. The following is a part of the chapter:

"Self-government is not a mere form of institution, to be had when desired, if only proper pains be taken. It is a form of character. It follows upon the long discipline which gives a people self-possession, self-mastery, the habit of order and peace and common counsel, and a sense of duty which will not fall when they themselves become the masters of law. The steadiness and self-control of political maturity. And these things cannot be had without long discipline.

"The distinction is a vital concern to us in respect of political choices of policy which we make, and make very soon. We have dependencies to deal with and must deal with them in the true spirit of our own institutions. We seek for the Philippine constitutional government, a government which they may count upon to be just, a government based upon some clear and equitable understanding, intended for their good and not for our aggrandizement; but we must ourselves for the present supply that government. It would, it is true, be an unprecedented operation, reversing the process of Runnymede, but America has before this shown the world enlightened processes of politics that were without precedent. It would have been within the choice of John to summon his barons to Runnymede and on his own initiative enter into a constitutional understanding with them; and it is within our choice to do a similar thing, at once wise and generous, in the government of the Philippine islands. But we cannot give them self-government. Self-government is not a thing that can be given to any people, because it is a form of character and not a form of constitution. No people can be given the self-control of maturity. Only a long apprenticeship of obedience can secure them the precious possession, a thing no more to be bought than given. They cannot be presented with the character of a community, but it may confidently be hoped that they will become a community under the wholesome and salutary influences of just laws and sympathetic administrations; that they will after a while understand and master themselves, if in the meantime they are understood and served in good conscience by those set over them in authority.

"We of all people in the world should know these fundamental

things and should act upon them, if only to illustrate the mastery in politics which belongs to us of hereditary right. To ignore them would be not only to fail and fail miserably, but to fail ridiculously and belie ourselves. Having ourselves gained self-government by a definite process which can have no substitute, let us put the people dependent upon us in the right way to gain it also."

M. M. SCOTT.

BOY SCOUTS AND LIFE-SAVING.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.
Sir:—It has been proposed to install an artificial breathing machine at Waikiki to remember the late Robert Sinclair.

The Pulmotor is indispensable for Waikiki, where a steady toll in lives is regularly paid. No more fitting memorial to our dear friend could be devised. A brass tablet is a word only. A life-saving device is a good deed. One talks, the other works.

It is agreed on in the life-saving text books that the very limit when animation can be restored by artificial means is five or six minutes after submergence. The popular fallacy of half an hour is erroneous. What are you going to do when you find a person, apparently drowned? Leave him and run for help and eventually the breathing machine? Seconds are precious in such cases. Something must be done on the spot and instantly. The Schaefer method has been adopted by the English and American Boy Scouts as the best. It is simple, effective and saves time.

Twelve scouts of the Honolulu Fifth Troop of Boy Scouts practice this drill. We were told by Dr. Ramus that our work was excellent and he himself helped to make it so. These Scouts will give an exhibition of the Schaefer method at 3:30 p. m. next Saturday, Nov. 16th, rain or shine, on the lawn Eves of the Astoria hotel for the benefit of Waikiki people and their servants and others who are interested. Those wishing it can be taught a method that will save time till the doctor comes. Yours truly,

J. A. WILDER,
Scout Commissioner.

Honolulu, Nov. 13, 1912.

PERSONALITIES

CHARLES H. MERRIAM, registrar of conveyances, is spending a vacation on Molokai.

MISS ELLA H. PARIS has forwarded her resignation as school commissioner for West Hawaii to Governor Frear.

THOMAS F. COBB, with the British-American Tobacco Company, is a passenger in the Mongolia en route to the mainland on a business and pleasure tour.

OTIS A. POOLE, a New York tea buyer, is rounding out his fifty-sixth voyage across the Pacific, returning as a passenger from Japan in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia.

CHARLES CAMPBELL, an attaché at the American Embassy at Tokyo, is returning to the mainland on vacation leave. He is a passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia.

JAMES S. CHRISTIE, a Pinkerton operative, who has just about completed a tour around the Pacific in quest of a bank embezzler, is a passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia, his mission having been brought to a successful termination. The much-wanted man was caught at Shanghai.

KINNEY NOT EXPECTED FOR SOME WEEKS YET

A report was current today that Attorney W. A. Kinney would return on the Manchuria from the mainland next Friday, but according to statements from his law firm, the report is probably incorrect. Mr. Kinney is now on the coast and is said by friends who have seen him in San Francisco to have recovered from his serious illness. However, he is not expected to return to Hawaii for some weeks.

FOOTBALL ROMANCE

"The Revolving Wedge" or "A Football Romance" is the title of a playlet which will be given by the students of the College of Hawaii two weeks from tonight in Bishop Hall, Punahou, under the direction of Dr. A. N. Andrews.

The play is for the benefit of the college students, and the Punahou classmen will turn out in full force and cooperate in the sale of the tickets in order to make the gate receipts as large as possible.

Also a goodly number of people have been done in the name charity. It takes a woman to be more cruel to the man she loves than to one she hates.

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