

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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Those that are quick to decide are unsafe.—Greek.

## SPENDING FOR THE EXPOSITION

Between now and next March or April, the people of Hawaii must settle the question of how much money they are willing to spend in advertising this territory through the medium of the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Eight or ten months ago there was a disposition on the part of some ultra-economical people to hold the Hawaii exposition commission down to \$100,000. If there is any such idea now, it should speedily be abandoned. Businessmen of this city who have had occasion to visit San Francisco and see the site picked out for the territory's exhibit, and to know what is expected of Hawaii, realize that it will be worse than useless to make a cheap, tawdry and insignificant display.

Few of the members of either house of the next legislature will have the opportunity to make a personal inspection of the fair site or to talk with the San Francisco managers. They must rely for most of their information on what people can tell who have returned from the coast with an idea of the magnitude of the interests involved.

It might as well be recognized now that economy is not going to be cheap.—It is going to be about as costly to Hawaiian entrepreneurs. Hawaii can get back half a million dollars in the tourist traffic from a display costing \$200,000 or \$250,000.

## RATS!

Re-proofing of Honolulu's waterfront is a measure advocated by Dr. J. S. B. Pratt, president of the board of health, to safeguard this territory against infection when the tide of commerce sweeps through the opened Japanese canal. All of the experts in fact, who attended the recent congress in Washington, D. C. recognized the importance of sanitary and health work in the Pacific ports to make ready for the opening of the great waterway from ocean to ocean.

The re-proofing of wharves and slips is by no means a light task. In fact, one of the strongest arguments in its favor is that it has worked successfully many times in the past.

As L. H. Dyer, now high in the U. S. public health service, and well known in Honolulu, waged an elaborate campaign against rats six years ago in the city of Seattle. It was a case of a plague scare on the coast, and Dr. Dyer's Blue was beginning the magnificent work in San Francisco which was to bring him fame and the surgeon-generalship. In Seattle there was a quarantine on the waterfront not dissimilar in that in Honolulu at present, except that the Northwest metropolis had a vastly superior harbor-line and twice the number of wharves.

In conjunction with the municipal health authorities, Dr. Coffey launched a relentless campaign on the fish-cries and wharves, and in fact active agents in spreading the plague. A major effort was done in re-proofing the city front. It was much more difficult than shelling work would be in Honolulu, because in Seattle there are two blocks of business-houses built out over the old shore-line, the piers and wharves run beyond the business-houses, and it was then possible for a small boat to be rowed a furlong up under the water-front streets, and for men to walk and crawl a hundred yards still further inshore. The streets and business-blocks had been built on piles driven into the old beach, and the cavernous depths extending back from the outer line of the piers offered safe retreats for the uncounted thousands of rodents.

In spite of the almost insuperable difficulties, the waterfront was made rat-proof by building heavy timber and cement walls back on the old beach lines, shutting off the land side from the water. Then a systematic rat-catching campaign was carried on under the streets. Traps and poison did their deadly work.

To prevent the rodents from gaining access to the shore from ships, or vice-versa, the tin rats guards on ropes and chains were maintained. For ashtray vessels were made to move a few feet from the wharves at night, so that the rats could not leap ashore or come down the gang-planks.

The extraordinary precautions proved successful from the start, and Dr. Coffey's work received much commendation.

Honolulu presents much less difficult a problem.

It is not too early for work to begin along the lines that practical experience have proved effective.

## HENRY CLEWS OPTIMISTIC

The overwhelming victory of Mr. Wilson, due largely to division of his opponents, emphasizes the coming of a new era and the entry into business affairs of important new political forces, the solution of which, if wisely handled, will largely solve present discontent. That any radical departures are impending seems highly improbable. Mr. Wilson is an evolutionist, not a revolutionist. Mr. Wilson, though a low-tariff advocate, is opposed to radical change.

Thus Henry Clews sums up the financial situation and its relation to the recent election. It's a common-sense view to take, and ought to allay a good deal of unrest.

The Star-Bulletin will begin publication tomorrow of a gripping story of the romance of a southern family in New York city. The story, "The Foot of Evil", is from the brilliant pen of the Rev. Thomas Dixon, the clergyman-author whose works have been read by literally millions of people in America and Europe. "The Leopard's Spots" and "The Clansman" were perhaps the most-discussed books of their year, and the story that begins in this paper tomorrow will be intensely interesting throughout. Weekly installments will be published.

Increase of normal degree in the world's consumption will get away with at least a large proportion of the estimated increase of the world's production of sugar—2,500,000 tons—this year. Those estimates are liable to be exaggerated anyway, or to be upset by unforeseen conditions. There is no justification of anything like a panic this year on the score of production and a moderate reduction in the tariff is the worst in that regard that should be expected from President-elect Wilson's utterances.

Detailed election figures from the states show clearly that Roosevelt and Taft fought each other to a standstill in the normal Republican states, making it easy for Wilson to win with a popular vote smaller than that received by Bryan in 1896 and less than a hundred thousand larger than Bryan was given four years ago. A Republican vote as large as Taft secured in 1908 would have beaten Wilson easily. So much for a "Democratic year."

By its presentation of a piano to the Liliuokalani school, together with other equipment desired by the teachers, and its gift of a beautiful decoration in the form of a Lincoln tablet for the building, the improvement club of Kaimuki sets a good example of community spirit to all other sections of the city.

Perhaps the board of supervisors is not under any obligation to leave a surplus over of the revenue accruing to it in its own term, but it would seem that it ought to leave approximately the same amount to the next board as its predecessor left to it to start its housekeeping. That was a matter of \$50,000.

One of these fine days, mainland investors will swarm in and scoop up the sugar stocks now being dropped like the proverbial hot potato by local people. This means so much more of the profits of the Hawaiian sugar industry going out of the islands.

Honolulu's sympathy has been with the Balkans during this recent struggle, for it was feared that should the Turks win there might be a raise in the price of attar of roses.

Apparently Russia feels able not only to protect her interests in Europe during the Balkan war, but to steal a province or two from China.

There seems to be a law to reach all wrongdoers except the I-told-you-so miscreant who is having his inning now.

It is noticeable that the big holders of sugar stock are not worrying half so much as the little ones.

The local Democrats are going to get the patronage here if they have to take it by force.

A merry heart need not worry over the sugar

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

R. W. BREKONS—Convalescent, thank you.  
HENRY HAPAI—Strange I haven't heard of any Democrats demanding my job.

ALEXANDER YOUNG—Hoot, now, donna ye notice the Scotch mist this morning?  
H. C. CARTER—There is bound to be a reaction for the better in stocks some time.

ARTHUR H. RICE—Impossible to buy an inch of land on Kaula, is it? Well, half the island is government land.

ROBERT E. LANGE—Go to any seaport in Europe, even the smallest ones, and you will find electric cranes for handling freight.

PAUL SUREN—The Inter-Church Federation is going to take up the matter of church advertising. There will be some interesting developments along this line.

CHAS. F. JOHNS—The boys department of the Y. is planning to give a musical show some time near the close of the year. "That Ladies Night is coming soon again."

A. A. FRERSOLE—The splendid response to the invitation of the Men's League of Central Union Church shows that the community is becoming thoroughly awakened in the matter of a new charter for the city.

GEORGE T. KLURGEL—Methods of roadmaking are certainly improving in Honolulu. The county is getting rid of worn-out mules and ramshackle wagons, and replacing them with something like modern equipment.

ALEXANDER LINDSAY, Jr.—The Associated Oil Company would like a monopoly on that big oil pipe line, but the board of harbor commissioners can't legally give it to them. The company must comply with the regulations already established by the board.

LESLIE P. SCOTT—Why wouldn't it be a good idea to have a committee of the old-time citizens pick out a crack crew from all the best clubs west of the line, train them and send them up to the Coast at Admission Day to bring back that cup the Alameda boys carried away last September?

## PERSONALITIES

DR. ST. D. G. WALTERS is one of the passengers on board the S. S. Ventura which left San Francisco on November 19th. In a letter received this morning he said that he felt greatly improved in health and looks forward to the pleasure of being once more amongst his friends in Hawaii.

## NEW GUN FOR PEARL HARBOR SUCCESS

The new 14-inch gun, which is to form part of Pearl Harbor's defenses, has done all that was expected of it and more in the proof firing, according to reports.  
The Army and Navy Journal of November 19 says:  
"Of great interest to the Army and Navy was the successful rapid fire test of the 14-inch gun and disappearing carriage at Sandy Hook on Nov. 4, described on page 779. One of the remarkable features of the test was the uniformity of range of three lots of powder that were used. The first lot showed a range of 12,700 yards, the second lot 12,510 yards and 12,350 yards, and the third lot 12,610 yards, 12,540 yards and 12,450 yards. This is a remarkable small variation in the range with the use of different lots of powder. Those who observed the test are confident that regular gun crews in the Coast Artillery will make even a better record in handling the new carriage. This gun carriage will be sent to Honolulu and a number of others of the same character will go to the Philippines and the Panama Canal. The Secretary of War, not being present on account of illness, was represented by Hon. Gen. William Crozier, Chief of Ordnance. The test was conducted under the direction of Col. Rogers Brant, Acting Chief of Ordnance, and Lieut. Col. Edwin B. Bobbit of the Sandy Hook Proving Ground."

## FOR STRANGERS.

The names of streetcar lines are usually a source of perplexity to new arrivals in a city, and the confusion is often increased rather than mitigated by the signs on the cars. A consular report from Amsterdam tells us that in that city the convenient plan has been adopted of giving each car line a number. This number is suspended between the arms of the trolley pole on each car and is visible several hundred yards away. The number is always referred to in directing inquirers. Most German cities have a similar system, which works very successfully. —Scientific American.

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## MEDICOS NABBED FOR SPEEDING

Doctors were the only offenders caught by the auto-speed ploughs in a watch kept on Waiialea road for several days. There were seven of the Esculapians nabbed, but as their speed mania was superinduced by a generous passion to aid suffering humanity, they were not brought into the police court. G. W. R. King, chairman of the police committee of Waiialea, Kaimuki and Palolo Improvement Club, reported the matter to the club at its meeting last night. It was further reported that three fire boxes, and perhaps a police box or two, would be installed in the district before long.

## Many Interesting Matters Are Handled by Kaimuki Improvement Club

In spite of disagreeable weather there was a good attendance at the meeting, President H. G. Davis in the chair. Besides the law and order report just mentioned, there were reports from committees on various other matters. Mayor Fern had promptly granted the request to have the band play at Liliuokalani school one night each month. Motor garbage wagons, of which the district is to have the benefit, will be in use in two weeks. Plans for the fire station, where an auto combination chemical engine and hose wagon is to be placed, are being prepared. So far \$1518 has been expended in repairs to Sixth avenue, exhausting the appropriation, but it was hoped that the supervisors would see the job completed. It was voted that the secretary send a letter of thanks to the board for this work.

The Lincoln tablet to place at the front entrance of the school had arrived, and after adjournment it was inspected by the members. It is of bronze, bearing a portrait of Lincoln and his Gettysburg address, with an inscription at the bottom saying it was presented by the club, all in bas relief. The tablet was imported through Alexander & Baldwin, Ltd., and cost about \$175, the amount being raised by subscription of the residents and a few patriotic downtown who begged to enter in on the scheme.

Miss Harriet Needham, principal of the school, sent a letter of thanks to the club for the piano it has placed in the assembly hall.  
There was a renewal from previous meetings of the discussion on sidewalks, particularly with regard to Waiialea road, where the opening of the school has made the matter one of emergency. With so much automobile traffic the school children incur great danger from having to walk on the roadway. The appropriate committee will pursue the matter.

Another time-worn subject taken up was that of the gate at the junction of Honolulu and King street extension, which the government promised years ago to have filled in. The land appears to have been sold to the Honolulu Construction & Draying Company, but the title is in dispute and the transaction uncompleted, owing to the fact that the land was deeded to the government by the Bishop Estate for a park. It was decided to follow up the matter, the spot being a nuisance as it stands.

Another grievance aired was the neglected condition of the Halley's comet observatory, erected for the College of Hawaii, through the promotion of the club, the college authorities undertaking to keep the premises in good order. It was ordered that a letter be sent to the president of the college on the subject.

On the recommendation of the directors, Fred Terrill was unanimously elected an honorary member of the club for valuable services, specifically for his able officiation as commander of Geo. W. De Long Post, U. S. A., at the Liliuokalani school flag raising.  
Harry T. Mills resigned the office of secretary on account of pressure of work, the club passing a rising vote of thanks to him for his faithful and arduous services.

Nominations for officers for next year, to be elected at the December meeting, were made as follows:  
For president, J. H. Fiddes and T. M. Church.  
For vice-president, C. S. Crane.  
For secretary, J. F. Child.  
For treasurer, W. K. Macpherson, the present incumbent.  
For five directors, Father Valentine, Ed. Towse, C. H. Nieper, E. R. Bath, E. A. Berndt, C. P. Merrill, W. H. Dromley, H. G. Davis.

Artesian Plunge, Tennis Court and Garage free for guests of "Pleasanton Hotel."—advertisement.

The assets of the International Harvester Trust are \$235,734,653. The sales for the year were \$108,800,000. These are figures given by the auditor of the harvester company.

## For Sale

MAHOA—Residence Lot 22,500 sq. ft. . . . . \$2250  
NUUANU—40,000 sq. feet in the upper, cool part of the valley . . . . . \$1750  
OCEAN VIEW—Modern Home with all conveniences . . . . . \$8500  
ANAPUNI ST.—Modern 1 1/2 story house . . . . . \$4900  
New Bungalow . . . . . \$4850  
YOUNG ST.—Residence lot, 12961 sq. ft . . . . . \$2,000  
PAWAA—Modern 1 1/2 story house . . . . . \$4500  
AULD LANE—3-Bedroom House and lot . . . . . \$1750  
PACIFIC HEIGHTS—Choice Home . . . . . \$8000  
COLLEGE STREET—3-Bedroom House and 2-Bedroom Cottage . . . . . \$6,000  
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## Houses For Rent

### Furnished

Tarleton	..... \$250
Kaimuki	..... \$250
Kahala Beach	..... \$500
Nuuanu Avenue	..... \$250
Pacific Heights	..... \$250
College Hills	..... \$250
Waiialea	..... \$250
Kaimuki Road	..... \$250

### Unfurnished

Pua Lane	..... \$150
Waipio	..... \$150
Wilder Avenue	..... \$250
Kaimuki	..... \$250
Ala Moana and Ewa Road	..... \$250
College Hills	..... \$250
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Alaea Heights	..... \$250
Pawaia Lane	..... \$250
King Street	..... \$250

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Lot No. 134 Palolo Hill . . . . . \$ 425  
Lot No. 117 Palolo Hill . . . . . 450  
3 Lots Ocean View, Reservoir Ave. . . . . \$1,650  
3 Lots Ocean View 18th and Kaimuki . . . . . 1450  
\$500 acre Tract, Palolo Valley.  
House and Lot, Park Ave. . . . . 2800  
House and 2 Lots, Palolo Hill . . . . . 3500