

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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## "Jokers" In Germany's Peace Terms

Russia would display consummate stupidity by agreeing to an armistice with Germany now, or by even considering the so-called "peace terms" emanating from Berlin.

The end of the weary war is in sight if Russia now reorganizes her army, shows a stiff front on the east, and continues her effective fighting in Mesopotamia. With that end crowned with victory for the Allies, Russia can gain incomparably more than by any possible agreement now for separate peace.

While the despatches of Saturday, Sunday and Monday show that Germany is using every diplomatic artifice to begot the situation, there seems less fear now of a separate peace than two weeks ago. At that time it appeared that the great peasant class and the powerful businessmen might favor a cessation of hostilities. Since then there have been definite announcements by congresses in Petrograd that Russia not only must turn a deaf ear to the wheedling of the Germans and pro-Germans, but must speedily attempt an offensive of her own on that west front where Brusilov last summer struck some heavy blows.

Germany's peace terms as extended to Russia pledge restitution of Russia's conquered provinces—with the exception of that territory taken by the Austrians. Berlin knows better than to promise the return of Austria's fruits of battle, for that would at once alienate the Emperor Charles, who has already displayed disquieting signs of an independence of Germany.

But while promising to restore these provinces, Germany proposes that there be established a "friendly understanding" with regard to Poland, Lithuania and Courland—equivalent to giving Germany a strong hand in their management. The "joker" in this portion of the offer is perceptible.

Serbia has nothing to gain by the proposed peace, for Germany dare not propose a restoration to the Serbs of the provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as these are to be held by Austria. Berlin has suggested a union of Serbia and Montenegro—a proposition which the leaders of both countries, shattered though they are, immediately repudiate.

Germany has no idea of giving Russia the rights of the Dardanelles, for that would alienate Turkey—and always be it remembered that Turkey is to be preserved from Allied conquest so that it can be used in the ambitious Germanic scheme of "Mitteleuropa"—of a mighty Germanic empire stretching from the Baltic Sea to the Persian Gulf.

A few weeks ago, when Maxim Gorky, the Russian author, exposed the attempts made by Berlin to buy off Russia, it came out that Germany had suggested the internationalization of inter-oceanic canals. Presumably this is one method of assuring Russia her long-desired access to an open winter port—through the Dardanelles. But it likewise awakens Americans to the danger that Germany will insist also on internationalizing the Panama Canal. Germany also makes no secret of her intention to emerge from the war—if her plots succeed—with "such a degree of German naval power as shall guarantee its immediate superiority over possible enemies on the seas at the beginning of the hostilities." These are the words of Germany's leading military writer repeating the dominating class—Count zu Reventlow.

Gorky's revelations early this month were illuminating. He told how D. Rizov, the Bulgarian minister at Berlin, had sent him, by two separate German agents, proposals for a separate peace. Rizov admitted that he had previously received two replies, one from the Russian ministers at Stockholm and Christiania and one from Dr. Paul Mikov, then minister of foreign affairs in the provisional government at Petrograd. Rizov made to Gorky the following concrete proposal:

"Russia to conclude an immediate armistice with her foes, both belligerents retaining their present fronts, and to summon immediately a Russia constituent assembly with the aim of deciding on peace or war."

Gorky, while an advocate of peace to an extent which is almost fanatical, at once denounced this proposal.

Today's despatches indicate that Germany is renewing the suggestion of an armistice. Of course Germany has nothing to lose and everything to gain by such a course. Germany needs every man on the western front. Already the German high command has detached some hundreds of thousands, perhaps more than half a million, from the east to throw into the weakening line on the west. If Russia can be cajoled into definite cessation of hostilities, the

Germans can take practically all their troops from the east and use them in France and Belgium. Then, with pro-German agents swarming in the Russian cities, Berlin's political and military course is simple. If the situation looks favorable for Russia to conclude peace through the constituent assembly, Germany will merely keep her troops on the west. If the assembly's temper precludes peace, Germany will know it in plenty of time to throw a few hundred thousand men across Germany and upon the eastern front and strike a terrific blow at the Russian army before it is reorganized after its period of uncertainty and demoralization. If it is peace, Germany will profit; if it is war, Germany will perhaps so crush the Russians again as to put them hors d'combat for another year.

The fighting in Macedonia is interesting but not regarded as important from the standpoint of a possible Allied victory. Military critics think that the Allies merely aim to show such activity as will hold the Germans and Austrians on this front in considerable numbers, preventing them from detaching Macedonian troops to reinforce the western lines or the Austrian-Italian front. The Macedonian activity also is a source of much worry to Bulgaria, already weary of the conflict, and might conceivably lead to Bulgaria's retirement from the war.

### LIQUOR LAWLESSNESS.

Prohibition for the island of Oahu—and it should be for all the territory—is made necessary by the failure of the new federal law to accomplish the end intended, that of preventing the sale of intoxicants to men of the service.

Scores upon scores of cases of law violation are being discovered by the police and the liquor license inspector. "Blind pigs" are flourishing; the "boot-logger" is doing a tremendous business; all sorts of holes and dives are suddenly beginning an illicit business to cater to the men in uniform who cannot buy openly at the saloons.

As usual, the booze interests are helping to bring about their own disaster. It is impossible that civilians can buy liquor in such quantities as they are buying it without the saloonmen knowing that it is to be sold illegally—and that means, usually, sold to soldiers and sailors.

For the evasions of the law; for the blind-pigging and bootlegging, the civilians are as much to blame if not more than the soldiers. The civilians are ready and willing, for a few dirty dollars, to help the soldier break the law, to profit by his succumbing to temptation.

Hawaii should have prohibition and have it quickly. It should be enforced for all the territory because it is wrong, it is unfair, it is un-American that our soldiers and sailors should be the victims of class legislation. Oahu should have prohibition because the present situation is a defiance of a federal law passed in a time of grave emergency; because until there is general prohibition the law will continue to be defied.

More and more vigorous becomes the criticism leveled against the board of liquor license commissioners which hastily restored the late-closing hour, after the law against selling intoxicants to soldiers, became effective here.

The board's action gives just so many hours more for unprincipled civilians—the "wine-bum" class—to carry on their blind-pigging and bootlegging, to load up on liquors, carry them from the dealer's, and sell the booze to soldiers.

A flag which was raised over the Jamestown (Pa.) worsted mills was made of wool from American sheep, sorted by an American, carded by an Italian, spun by a Swede, warped by a German, dressed by an Englishman, drawn by a Scotchman, woven by a Belgian, supervised by a Frenchman, inspected by an American, scoured by an Albanian, dyed by a Turk, examined by an Irishman and pressed by a Pole.—World's Outlook.

A billion dollars oversubscription to the Liberty Loan indicates that America doesn't grow many of that kind of slackers.

Give the illicit booze-sellers the limit in jail terms and there will be less of them in the disreputable trade!

Col. Roosevelt hasn't yet volunteered to take an army to the Russian front.

Constantine merely guessed wrong—but it cost him his crown.

Perhaps Russia is "only beginning to fight."

## LOCATION OF ANTHRAX CASES ON MAUI STRENGTHENS PLOT THEORY

The following news from Maui (18), of the anthrax situation before the discovery on Saturday of two more cases, which have strengthened the theory held by the investigators that the anthrax is being deliberately "planted," perhaps as a war plot against Hawaii's meat supply.

Special Star-Bulletin Correspondent WAHUKU, Maui, June 17.—Up to noon Friday there were no new anthrax cases since Tuesday morning. Suspicious cases of Kihai, Makaa, and Haku all proved not to be anthrax. The six cases of the disease on Maui have all been in the Haleakala Ranch pasture, where it originally developed.

Dr. Fitzgerald announced Friday that the quarantine has been modified to permit the shipment to Honolulu of beef cattle for immediate slaughter, only upon permit signed by himself.

The suspicion that the outbreaks of anthrax among the cattle of Kihai and Oahu was the result of a malicious design was almost made a certainty by the outbreak of the disease on Maui last Friday. The outbreak occurred in a pasture of the Haleakala Ranch, some distance below Makawao, and just mauka of the Keahua polo grounds. There is absolutely no likelihood that the plague could have reached the paddock through natural channels from Oahu or Kauai. Dr. Nozgaard, territorial veterinarian, and Dr. Fitzgerald, government veterinarian for Maui, are positive that the Maui plot is distinct from either of these other.

**Pasture Well Guarded**  
The pasture is well guarded, police officers being stationed on the road to prevent any livestock from passing. Automobiles alone are allowed the use of the road. Inside the pasture a dozen cowboys are encamped and are watching for further spread of the disease and with shotguns are killing all dogs, birds and other animals venturing into the field.

**Food Not the Medium**  
The fact that the Haleakala cattle have not been fed any imported feeds, bone-meal, or other product precludes the theory that the disease had reached the pasture through this medium. In fact the cattle in this particular paddock have had nothing except the pasture grasses.

**Strategic Planting**  
The site for starting the disease was well chosen. It is on what is known as the Apuna pasture, and is bounded on different sides by the ranches of Harold Rice, Enos, Maale, and the Grove Ranch, comprising with the exception of the Raymond Ranch, the Henuka Ranch and the Punape Ranch, practically all the cattle shipping ranches of Maui.

### LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—COM. THOMAS ESTELLE: We wish to stay in Honolulu and with the Salvation army people here as long as possible.

—CAPT. A. L. SOULE, U. S. Marine: I can't say anything about the Maui and the Matsuno. It all happened since I left the mainland.

—PAUL J. CHRISTIAN: My home in New Orleans was directly across the street from the home of Mrs. George Gilmer (Dorothy Dix) and I am a great admirer of her work as the greatest newspaper woman in the United States, and proud that we hail from the same town.

—GLENN JACKSON: Tantalus is an ideal place to spend a vacation. My summer vacation will be up on June 22, but after I return to the Y. M. C. A., I intend to spend at least two weeks more in my bungalow, which is situated on the heights. The air is cool, and the hike to and from work ought to be worth while.

### PERSONALITIES

JAMES KIMI is spending his vacation in the Yosemite Valley and registered at Camp Curry recently.

MR. AND MRS. HOWARD C. MOHR of 1125 Third avenue, Kaimuki, will leave on July 3 for San Francisco and expect to make their home in Los Angeles for some time.

JOHN HILLS, clerk of Circuit Judge Thompson's court in Kaliua, Kano, Hawaii, arrived Friday from the Big Island in the Kilauea, having been called to Honolulu as a witness in a case now in the circuit court.

A. H. CASE, son of Attorney D. H. Case of Maui, has been named by the food commission as its agent for that island. J. F. O'Brien, a farmer of several years experience in the Islands, has been named as assistant to the agent on Kauai.

CAPT. THOMAS J. HEENEY, U. S. inspector of boilers, was visited last week by his old friend, George Flood, the San Francisco shipping man, with whom he used to go to school a good many years ago. Both are Native Sons of San Francisco and their friendship has continued all through the years since their boyhood days. Captain Heeneeny said goodbye to Flood when the steamer which took him to San Francisco left this morning.

### LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS TO TALK TO AD MEN

At the regular meeting tomorrow of the Ad club the newly elected officers will take their seats. The program at the luncheon will consist of a talk by H. W. Burton of Salt Lake City, Utah, landscape architect, on "The Beautiful and How to Get It." The musical program will consist of a violin solo by John Gifford, accompanied by Miss Alice Hanson of Punahou college. A. P. Taylor of the promotion committee is billed for a few remarks.

was born at Kohala on the Big Island. She was 53 years old and is survived by a brother, James Wight, and six sisters, Mrs. Arthur Mason, Mrs. H. R. Bryant, Mrs. George Bucholtz, Mrs. J. H. Mackenzie, Mrs. H. P. Wood and Mrs. W. H. Patton.

### URICE WILL RECRUIT MEN FOR Y. M. CAMPS

Jay Urice, who leaves Honolulu July 3 for the mainland, is enthusiastic about his new work in the army and navy department of the Y. M. C. A. Urice will report direct to the Bureau of Personnel in New York City.

His work as outlined for the present will consist of recruiting men for the camps, and assisting the educational work. Urice has been secretary of the educational department of the local association, and is especially fitted for the work which will be assigned him.

More than 1200 secretaries will be employed in the work this year. Beginning on August 1, the 1200 workers will be given a course of training in the schools located throughout the country. Schools will be located in Springfield, Mass.; Lake George, N. Y.; Lake Geneva, Wis.; Blue Ridge, N. C.; Estes Park, Colo.; Seabeck, Wash.; and San Francisco, Cal. Altogether \$3,000,000 has been appropriated to carry on the Y. M. C. A. work for the first year. The association has planned to have one hut and five secretaries for every brigade.

## STAR-BULLETIN'S SIZE SURPRISES RUSSIAN EDITOR

V. Kzymoff, the Russian newspaper man visiting at the Moana Hotel from Petrograd, expressed considerable surprise at the size of the Star-Bulletin.

"I don't see how you can get out such a big paper during war times," he said. "My publication in Petrograd has been cut down to four pages due to the scarcity of paper, and sometimes it is a question whether we will print even four."

Kzymoff explains that most of the paper now available in Russia comes from Finland, where labor and factory conditions have been disrupted by the war.

### LODGES PAY TRIBUTE TO DEPARTED MEMBERS

Memorial services for members of the local Odd Fellows and Rebekahs who have died during the last year were held yesterday. Excelsior Lodge No. 1, Harmony Lodge No. 3, Polynesian Encampment No. 1, Olive Branch Encampment No. 2, and Pacific Rebekah Lodge No. 17 participating.

### MISS CATHERINE WIGHT SUMMONED BY DEATH

The funeral of Miss Catherine S. Wight, who died Sunday morning at the Queen's hospital, will be held from St. Clement's church Tuesday afternoon. Burial will be at Kohala. The deceased was a daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. James Wight and

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