

# MAUI CHRISTMAS MAKES LITTLE ONES HAPPY

[Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence]

WAILUKU, Maui, Dec. 24.—The Christmas tree of the Wailuku Union church Sunday school was held on Saturday afternoon. The boys and girls of the good-sized Sunday school were nearly all present and the General Samuel C. Armstrong Sunday school room was filled with happy little people. The parents and teachers were there also. A picture was taken in front of the church just before the exercises. Capt. O. J. Whitehead was Santa Claus and he made a fine one. All the children were well remembered. Mr. Wm. Walsh of Kahului railroad generously furnished the tree for the affair. Mrs. O. J. Whitehead, superintendent of the Sunday school, with Mrs. Caroline K. Scholtz decorated the tree and prepared the presents for all the children. The school sang very sweetly several appropriate Christmas songs.

The special Christmas service at the church was held last night. The decorations were red and green, poinsettia furnishing the larger portion of the flowers. These were massed in bunches and were unusually artistic. Mrs. O. J. Whitehead was chairman of the committee of decorations. Mrs. W. A. MacKay and Miss Caroline K. Scholtz assisted in the work of preparing the church for the Christmas services. The music by the choir was beautifully rendered. The first anthem was Edmund Turner's "Behold I bring you good tidings." After the scripture lesson the anthem was "Christmas," by Harry Rose Shelly. Mrs. Louise Chisholm Jones sang very effectively "Glory to God," by Rotal. Rev. Rowland B. Dodge, pastor of the church, preached upon the subject, "The Meaning of the Advent of Jesus to the World." A large audience was present.

At the Kindergarten. Christmas exercises at the kindergarten of Maui were most enjoyable affairs for the little people. The Wailuku, Kahului and Hakaqapoko kindergartens held their exercises on Friday. There was an unusually large attendance of children, and the trees were a great success in each of the places. Generous friends helped out on presents.

Christmas Exercises at the Makawao Union Church. The exercises of the Makawao Union Sunday school were held on Friday afternoon. The children and their parents and friends were all present. The gathering was unusually large, and everybody was happy. The services on Sunday were most enjoyable and a large audience was present. Rev. A. Craig Bowdish preached an impressive and helpful sermon that was listened to most at-

tentively. The choir of the church was assisted by Mrs. Louise Chisholm Jones of Wailuku, who sang a solo.

## CHRISTMAS DAY

BY PRIVATE MILTON J. SATOW, Co. I, Engineers, Fort De Russy

It is the most beautiful day in our year—sad as it is for many human beings. Conditions in this world have grown steadily better through the nineteen centuries that separate us from the spirit whose birthday the world celebrates tomorrow. And before that great and holy birthday the world and the men upon it had been steadily growing better through the long ages—the tens of thousand years of time following the appearance of men on this planet.

In all the sorrow of the world, the cold and the hunger, the disappointed children, the anxious mothers and discouraged old men; that is the one consoling thought—the world is growing better.

Today should be of brightness and happiness for young and old and a day of earnest thought for men who feel their share of responsibility. We celebrate on Christmas the birthday of One who was willing to be shamefully disgraced in the eyes of brutal government; humiliated, beaten and nailed to a cross by those that hated Him.

He knew the end that awaited Him and felt horror at the knowledge. But since it was necessary that He should endure the pain and hang between thieves, on that naked hill, suffering until the thrust of the spear ended the pain, He was willing to bear the burden.

We celebrate today the birthday of One who really took seriously to heart the sufferings of children and the outrageous brutality of men toward women.

This will be a civilized and happy world when the example set so long ago shall be taken seriously to heart, when one shall feel the wrongs that are done to other weaker men. The man who is too old to enjoy the lights of the Christmas tree and the excitement of gifts should find in contemplation of the beautiful character whose birthday is celebrated, a happiness and excitement greater than could be found in any personal gratification or pleasure.

What a wonderful and beautiful thing it is that the example of the teachings and final sacrifice of one great spirit should have worked such wonders in the world.

Battles for righteousness have been fought and won in His name! Slaves have been set free, children have been protected, kindness has grown in place of selfishness, based upon the teachings of Christ and His disciples.

Christmas is one day upon which every man in proportion to his ability to make others happy; first, those nearest to him, that depend upon him; and second, the poor child or woman or old man with whom he comes in contact.

Few of us are so poor that we cannot afford to give happiness to some human being outside of our own families and if every one would feel

the obligation to do this that alone would make the day a happy one.

This is a day that is celebrated and held in honor by all men and women of Christian or of different faith. For the religion of Christ, where it has not been perverted by those He would have driven from the temple is a religion of kindness and brotherly love to which every human being will subscribe.

Fathers and mothers ought to tell their children the meaning of today's festival.

Nothing should be said, of course, to burden the child with a sense of sorrow or of responsibility.

The day should be entirely one of happiness. But it is a good day to impress some earnest thought upon the child's mind, and this might be said to children.

More than nineteen hundred years ago, in a little village, a baby was born. This little boy grew to be a great and wonderful power in the world. He never thought of Himself—only of poor people, poor children and poor women especially.

He lived all His life trying to help others and He died to prove His love even for those that hated Him.

Christmas is a day of happiness—intended to show how much we all owe to the wonderful day on which Christ was born.

Everything that you get on Christmas day you owe to Him. The only way that you can thank Him is by doing good to some one; giving something to a child poorer than yourself, doing kind things for those that are old and feeble.

If children could be made to understand in their infancy that the duty of man is to think, not of his own salvation, of his own selfish welfare, but of other human beings, the reign of peace and good will on earth would not be long delayed.

## MAUD POWELL WISHES MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

"Give to the people of Honolulu and the Hawaiian Islands through the Star-Bulletin my wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Glad New Year," said Maud Powell this morning as she stood looking into a holiday be-decked window on Fort street. "Tell them this is one of the happiest Christmas times of my life and that I am doubly happy because I can spend ten of the Holidays here in their tropical home."

Madame Powell will appear in two concerts at the Hawaiian Opera House Friday, December 27, and Monday, December 30. The second date has been changed from January 2, because the violinist will leave here for the coast on January 1.

## TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. C. H. ATHERTON

Today is the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Atherton. Twenty-five years ago on Christmas Eve Mr. Atherton and Miss Minnie Merriam of Ohio were married.

## OLD TIMERS RETURN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Miller of San Francisco were arrivals by the Wilhelmina this morning. Mr. Miller is connected with the Hawaiian Fertilizer company and comes on a visit of business and pleasure. "It is eight years since I was last in Honolulu," said Mr. Miller this morning, "what impresses me most is the appearance of a sound and solid condition of affairs. The new buildings add very much to the appearance and general atmosphere of the city. I always liked Honolulu and it is better looking than ever."

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Those who went expecting the ordinary student's performance were agreeably surprised to hear the unusually good quality of tone and the artistic interpretation in each number. Mrs. Ingalls is indeed to be congratulated on the success of the recital.

The opening number, a violin quartet in sonata form by Bohm, played by Mrs. Ingalls, Miss Sargeon, and Messrs. John Gifford and Paul Tallett, was perhaps the best rendered of the four quartets appearing on the program, although the Lachmund Lullaby was exquisite on muted strings.

Julia Hollinger, the youngest of the four pupils, with her broad tone and musical phrasing showed great promise, especially in the Schumann Nachtstuck.

Miss Elnora Sturgeon played a Berceuse and a rustic dance by the Russian composer Cui, which were difficult to interpret, but were given a fine reading by this very popular young lady.

Both John Gifford and Paul Tallett gave evidence of more than ordinary talent, their solos calling forth very enthusiastic applause. The technical difficulties of both compositions were surmounted with ease and an interpretation given that will lead their friends to watch their progress with interest.

Mr. T. F. Sedgwick, baritone, pupil of Mrs. Bruce Mackall, assisted with two splendidly rendered solos, well suited to his voice, adding greatly to the interest of the program. Following is the program in full:

- Quartette in Sonata Form.....Bohm
- Mrs. Ingalls, Elnora Sturgeon, John Gifford, Paul Tallett
- a) Nachtstuck.....Schuman
- b) Third Air Varie.....Dancila
- Julia Hollinger
- Song, "Honor and Arms," from Samson.....Handel
- Mr. Sedgwick
- a) Berceuse.....Lachmund
- b) Danse Rustique.....Caesar Cui
- Elnora Sturgeon
- a) Cradle Song.....Lachmund
- b) Spinnlied.....Fitzenhagen
- Quartette
- Andante and Scherzo.....David John Gifford
- Song, "Evening Star," from Tannhauser.....Wagner
- Mr. Sedgwick
- Reverie.....Vieuxtemps
- Paul Tallett
- Quartette, from Lohengrin.....Wagner

Charles Opunui, a Hawaiian laborer, this morning was adjudged a bankrupt.

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