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Labor in this country is independent and proud. It has not to ask the patronage of capital, but capital solicits the aid of labor.—Daniel Webster (1821).

CHOOSING A SITE FOR THE KING'S DAUGHTERS HOME

Honolulu is showing characteristic interest in the construction of the King's Daughters' home for aged people, and the friendly debate over the site for the home has served to emphasize the really beautiful spirit of kindness and charity with which the people of this city regard the institution. The fact that there is such widespread and friendly interest, and that to a large extent the home is supported by public subscription, makes the location of the new building a legitimate subject of general discussion.

It seems quite plain that the arguments for the Thomas square site outweigh those for the Kaimuki site. Dr. Doremus Scudder this morning makes out a good case for the former location and his points are sound and are agreed with by a large number of those who have given the matter thought.

If the home is to exercise the largest possible measure of kindly beneficence, it must be a home where the old people are not cut off from their friends and relatives, and where the impending loneliness of declining years will not be emphasized. The Thomas square location will give the necessary peace and quiet without unnecessary seclusion.

It will be possible for friends of the inmates to make frequent visits to them. It will be possible for some of those whose latter years are spent here sometimes to visit their friends nearby. The site has the advantages of easy, quick access to a number of churches, one of which is a very short distance away.

Kaimuki is comparatively remote from the rest of the city, too remote for a home for the aged. If this home is to mean anything, it is to mean a home cheered by friends, warmed by light and life. Those who have spent their younger days in activity, who have been part of the busy world of men and events, need the touch of this busy world to keep from them the great loneliness of latter years when their toil-worn hands must be idle. And when, in Stevenson's admirable phrase, they are "sitting in the bow-window of life," they will still wish to see the puerant of living pass near enough so that they can feel its stimulus.

GOOD ADVICE ON THE CHARTER

In the course of a very interesting meeting of the Civic Federation last night for the discussion of a short-ballot city charter, Judge A. S. Mahaulu of Waiialua pointed out with vigor and earnestness the necessity of putting before the electorate of this city and county an explanation of the principles of the proposed charter.

Judge Mahaulu's advice was practical and to the point, and he followed it with the suggestion of a practical method for carrying it out. He urges that men who are familiar with the short-ballot or commission form of government explain to the voters of every precinct in the city and county just what short-ballot government is and what improvements in municipal administration it ought to accomplish. Judge Mahaulu favors carrying the question home to the Hawaiian voters by speeches to them in every precinct. And when he says that unless the matter is taken up in this broad and thorough way, the success of the entire plan will be endangered, he does not exaggerate.

Judge Mahaulu speaks as a Hawaiian and it is fair to assume that his point of view is shared by a large percentage of the electorate. Personally, he heartily favors the short-ballot form of government, but he says without mincing words that many of the Hawaiians will resent any attempt to establish over them a kind of government of which they have little adequate understanding.

Judge Mahaulu's suggestion of a systematic campaign of education in every precinct is a good one. The Star-Bulletin would like to see the committee of thirty-three now in charge of the proposed charter evolve some plan for presenting the principles of the short-ballot government throughout Oahu. It is not necessary to wait until the draft of the legislative bill is completed. As to the main features of the plan there is much unanimity.

The delay will come in settling details. The main features of short-ballot government may

be presented to the voters here and now, and there is no reason at all why some of the earnest advocates of the short-ballot plan should not go into the precincts and talk to the voters man-to-man.

RECOGNIZING CHINA

Recognition of the new Chinese republic by the United States is not entirely a diplomatic question. It is enough of a commercial question to make action by the local commercial bodies entirely proper.

In the opinion of this paper, the United States should have given official recognition to the republic under Yuan Shih-Kai long ere now. Indeed, the somewhat mysterious delay in extending this right hand of fellowship between nations has given the Chinese just cause to regard Uncle Sam with some suspicion. The intimation that the United States is a willing party to the international agreement of certain groups of bankers to force China's yielding to their strict terms for the loan of three hundred millions of dollars, is not an intimation to be idly dismissed.

The two great factors in China's hitherto unsuccessful fight for general recognition of the republic have been the diplomatic and the financial factors. From the emphasis that the "Six-Power" group of bankers has placed on the necessity for China's agreement to the terms of the proposed loan, it almost appears as if the financial factor should be mentioned first.

From the diplomatic standpoint, the United States, say students of international relations, hardly has a valid excuse for not recognizing the Oriental republic. For instance, the Outlook recently pointed out editorially that the United States benefited immeasurably from the recognition of France during our struggle for freedom in 1778. Uncle Sam himself has again and again recognized Latin-American republics which have sprung from overnight revolutions. So far as precedent goes, China has well established a claim for our recognition.

Of considerable significance is a dispatch printed this morning from Peking stating that Russia has presented two notes to China, one demanding payment on the arrears of the Boxer indemnity, and the other protesting against alleged losses of Russian merchants in a province having a paper currency financial basis. In Peking this is naturally taken as an attempt to force China to accept the terms of the six-Power loan, Russia, of course, being one of the participating and benefiting Powers.

Summarizing the whole situation, and after consideration of the international intrigues of the kings of finance, the history of the United States' own struggles for freedom and recognition, the precedent we have followed in other cases, it seems that China has some reason to believe that Uncle Sam is lending silent but official encouragement to the demands of the group of bankers. And the moment this suspicion is allowed to arise, the commercial interests of our country are risked. That is the time when the commercial factor becomes important, and that is precisely the time when commercial bodies of Hawaii or any other part of the United States have a right to express their opinions on the subject.

The San Francisco chamber of commerce has already expressed its opinion, the Coast chamber favoring official recognition. Secretary of State Knox, with characteristic caution, says that he will wait until the coming elections before recommending one course or the other. But as a matter of fact, the Manchus have been driven probably forever from power in China and the principles of the republic are there to stay. There will be internal troubles, but as yet there are no signs of revolution against the present government, which has attained a degree of stability that certainly commands the respect of the American people, whether or not it will command the official indorsement of our government.

If the new board of supervisors really settles this Rapid Transit paving controversy, we can overlook the fact that some Republicans have been separated from the pay-roll.

Now that some more troops have arrived, it is about time to resurrect the story of Japanese drilling secretly at night in the craters around here.

"Another Surprise in the Mahuka Site Case."—Headline.

Now if they should actually finish the case, it would be a surprise worth mentioning.

LETTERS ON TIMELY TOPICS

[The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space to anonymous communications.]

IN DEFENSE OF THE MAIL-CARRIER.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Sir:—The letter in your issue of the 14th attacking mail-delivery men in general and Americans in particular annoyed me by its unfairness. An attack of this sort should be made in the open, giving day and date, route, etc., so that the offending mail-man could be removed. It is not honorable to make such a sweeping attack from ambush. If you will permit space, I would like to quote my experience, which has been entirely different.

I have been in business at 258 Beretania street sixteen months. During that period I have been the recipient of many kindnesses and courtesies by our carrier. I have never during this time offered the mail-man any tip, present or bribe, and I am just as positively and courteously treated today, as ever.

I fear that there is a growing tendency to look down upon and despise men because their occupations are humble and to attribute to them evil that is never in their minds, forgetting that "Honor and shame from no condition rise;

Act well your part; there all the honor lies."—Pope.

It is very evident that none of the accusers realize the seriousness of

the charge thus publicly made. None but very desperate characters take any chances in interfering with the United States mail.

What the world today needs more than anything else is a little more kindness, or, as Lincoln put it, "with malice toward none and charity toward all."

Very respectfully,

GEORGE M. DUNCAN,
258 Beretania avenue, Honolulu,
January 15th, 1913.

MORE CITY LIGHTS NEEDED.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Sir:—May I ask why Emma Square, Thomas Square and Aala park are left in almost total darkness, or with just enough light to make the darkness visible?

May I ask why the band concerts here, which might be made one of the most brilliant and most interesting resorts in Honolulu, should be left in such darkness and gloom as to make it impossible to see anything or anybody?

If this is done to save money, it is false economy and a short-sighted policy, because it spoils the effect of one of the best assets that we have.

It is also a shame, because it makes this city a laughing-stock for tourists who are used to up-to-date methods and brilliantly lighted places of public resort.

One would think if the Young and the Moana Hotels can afford to light up their places so brilliantly this city could do something along the same lines if only during the time the band is playing.

It is not only these places but there are many more badly in need of more light. Yours very truly,

RESIDENT.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

JUDGE ALEX. LINDSAY—It is good to get downtown again, into the center of affairs. I feel like a boy that had been kept after school hours for punishment and then suddenly released.

C. A. COTTRILL—Letters from my friends in Ohio frequently press the question, "When are you coming home?" Is it any wonder that Hawaii is home to me, when I compare our present climate to the weather prevailing on the mainland these days?

GOVERNOR FREAR—I have been so busy with administrative affairs since my return from the Midway trip that little time has been given to legislative matters. I expect to renew my studies and work upon those subjects some time in the next week, however.

PERSONALITIES

L. A. THURSTON of the Hilo Railroad returned from the coast this morning.

S. B. KINGSBURY and Mrs. Kingsbury of Honolulu are guests at the Palace.—San Francisco Call.

MRS. B. S. WATKINS, residing at Pacific Heights, is reported to be recovering from a slight illness.

ANDREW ADAMS has resigned from the Oahu loan fund commission, but his successor has not yet been appointed.

MRS. HARTFORD BEAUMONT, wife of a Manila attorney, is a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia.

MISS R. J. WILSON left Friday for Honolulu after a pleasant visit with U. M. Pence and family.—Hollister, Cal. Advance.

DR. H. H. HAYES spent the week end at the home of Mrs. F. F. Sherwood in Stanford avenue.—San Francisco Call, Jan. 5.

E. STAFF, R. S. LEA, C. N. Walker, L. H. Parker and Miss E. Lockington are registered at the Young hotel from Canadian cities.

ENGINEER WILLARD has been given the position of breakwater inspector at Hilo, which was formerly held by Engineer Whittemore.

ALFRED MAGOON and Miss Emma Magoon have returned from a trip to the coast. They were passengers in the Siberia, to arrive this morning.

B. F. HEILBRON, division deputy internal revenue collector under Collector Charles A. Cottrill, returned yesterday from an official trip to Kona.

C. A. BALDWIN, and wife, of California are starting on what it to be their fifth tour around the world. They are passengers in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia as far as Honolulu.

MRS. H. NORRIS, assistant manager of Hilo hotel, arrived on the Mauna Kea yesterday on a business visit. She is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Smith.

WALLACE ALEXANDER, the coast representative for Alexander & Baldwin accompanied by Mrs. Alexander are passengers in the Siberia. They will remain here for some weeks.

GEORGE W. PATTY, representing the anti-saloon forces in these islands, is back from a business and pleasure trip to the mainland. He arrived this morning as a passenger in the Siberia.

MRS. A. T. MORGAN and Miss M. Morgan of Butte, Mont., expect to remain in the islands through a portion of the winter months. They were passengers in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia.

MR. AND MRS. G. L. SMITH, from central California, arrived in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia this morning to make an extended visit with their son, George L. Smith of the Star-Bulletin.

W. M. ALEXANDER and Mrs. Alexander, from San Francisco, are making a regular visit to Honolulu and the islands, arriving this morning as passengers in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia.

JOHN F. NIBLEY, son of the presiding bishop of the Mormon church, is at the St. Francis with Mrs. Nibley. They are on their way to the Hawaiian Islands on a pleasure trip.—San Francisco Call.

MAJOR E. BUTTS, U. S. A., and Mrs. Butts are staying at the St. Francis preparatory to sailing to Honolulu tomorrow morning, where Major Butts has been assigned to duty with his regiment.—San Francisco Call.

MR. AND MRS. T. W. WHITE of San Francisco arrived at Honolulu from the coast this morning. Mr. White is identified with large lumber interests of San Francisco. They will remain in the islands for several weeks.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. William Haywood and her daughter, Miss Doris Wilson Haywood of Washington are pleased to learn that Mrs. and Miss Haywood plan to come to Honolulu on the S. S. Manchuria, due to arrive here Jan. 29.

ALBERT WATERHOUSE, of the Waterhouse Company, Ltd., leaves in the Siberia today for Singapore and the Federated Malay States, on a trip of inspection to the Pahang and the Tanjong Olok rubber plantations in which the Waterhouses are largely interested.

FRED C. DERN, son of a wealthy mining man of Utah, and wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Nibley, arrived on the Lurline yesterday and will spend some three weeks in the islands taking in the sights, including a visit to the Eternal Fires on Hawaii. The party is from Salt Lake City, Utah.

W. E. BAL, only recently appointed by the governor as a member of the Maui loan fund commission, has resigned from that position and W. F. Pogue has been appointed his successor. The latter, as chairman of the Maui board of supervisors, was an ex-officio member of the commission until the new supervisory board took office this year. He has a thorough knowledge of the loan fund commission's affairs and is expected to prove a valuable addition as a regular member.

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