

M'CARN WANTS TO FIGHT IN RANKS—NOT TO BE OFFICIOUS

New District Attorney Makes Plain His Position in Talk to Men's League

District Attorney McCarn last night declared himself a worker in the ranks for a cleaner and better community—"If Honolulu can be any cleaner and better than it is now," as he put it, "I want to see it in the hands of more than 200."

His declaration was made at the reception dinner of the Men's League of the Central Union church, held in the parish house and attended by a large number of leading business and professional men of the city. It was a gathering of men interested in the advancement of community welfare and in "social conversation" and Mr. McCarn's theme was very largely along the same lines. He made it plain throughout that he has not come to Honolulu with any idea of leading a spectacular crusade against any evil of which he has a preconceived idea.

Former Governor George R. Carter, new president of the league, presided and stood with District Attorney McCarn in an informal reception in the Central Union parlors that was held for half an hour before the dinner in the parish house. The dinner began about 6:30 o'clock with a large attendance as has ever gathered on a similar occasion, perhaps the largest. When the edibles furnished by the ladies of the church had been cleared away, a short business session was held. Chairman Carter spoke briefly on the work of the Men's League, laying stress on the fight against tuberculosis, the Big Brother movement and the furtherance of desirable legislation to advance social welfare movements. William C. Furer, the new secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting, and W. R. Humphries, who is associated with James A. Rath at Pali, spoke briefly but effectively on the Big Brother movement, making a plea for more men to come forward and enlist themselves in the cause. He announced that Chairman Carter has become a Big Brother, and later in the evening Mr. McCarn asked that he be given a "small brother" to look after. Mr. Rath, in response to a question by the chairman, informed the league that the social evil committee, which has been making some investigations in Honolulu, will be ready with a printed report. It is hoped, about the middle of January. Business cleared away, Chairman Carter introduced Mr. McCarn, the guest of honor, with a telling speech in which he sketched briefly some of the history of Tennessee as McCarn has been connected with it, praising the sterling work that McCarn did to enforce the law against crime and corruption.

In his introduction, the chairman said that Hawaii doesn't like to have people give officious and gratuitous advice as to blemishes and faults here, and the district attorney turned this neatly to account in his opening sentence, raising a laugh and at once establishing himself in the good will of his hearers.

"It was well, I suppose, for your chairman to warn me against pointing out the defects of this community because it was the first intimation I had that you had any," he said, and then went on with a talk on the necessity for safeguarding any community against evil influences.

He kept the members of the league in excellent humor with stories sprinkled thickly through his speech, making it apparent that he wishes to cooperate in every way with people here and comes with the idea of learning conditions at first-hand.

Mr. McCarn spoke for an hour and a quarter and his audience was a great deal more interested at the end than at the beginning. It was not a set speech by any means; his talk rambled and it diverged, but it hit the mark at the end of each divergence. His main theme was law enforcement and the necessity for the good of the community, but he delved a little into the history of Tennessee's politics as interwoven with the liquor traffic and the dives, pointing his stories with epigrammatic force.

"I am not in this community to lead, not here to drive or to tell you where you should go," he said. "I am here to be one of you and to fight with you for law and order and decency. I don't know what evils you have in this beautiful city—I

should think that you couldn't have evils, but if you have, you want them driven out for the sake of yourselves, your boys, your girls, and that's what I want to help in."

He referred to Tennessee's experience with professional gambling and spoke at some length on the danger of gambling to the community. He made a particularly strong point on the benefits of decency to a city, declaring that the theory that a "closed town" is bad for business is a theory that will not stand and has not stood the test.

"You men in this room can be a mighty power for good," he said, "and it is the help of such men as you, it is the help of all of you, that I ask. I ask you to hold up my hands and work with me."

He declared that he wished to be plainly understood from the start as to what he will stand for as a private citizen and what he believes in. "I have been sent here by the president and I shall do my duty as I see it," he said, "but I have not come for a fight. I am not a fighter. In fact, I don't like to fight. (There were some laughs at this.) But in my official position and because of my own personal beliefs I shall have to fight evil if evil exists here. I shall make enemies. But I want the strong, Christian gentlemen of Hawaii to be my friends and to assist me."

"Tell Me First."

"If there are things here that need correction, let me know about them. Gentlemen, I am sensitive to criticism. I don't like to be held up to ridicule. If you see things that I should do, if you see me erring, I ask you to come to me first and tell me, and I promise you that if I am convinced that I am wrong, I will own it and will work along the lines you want me to work."

The meeting closed with three cheers for the new district attorney, proposed and led by Chairman Carter. After the meeting ended, it was quite apparent that McCarn had made a distinct hit with a rather conservative body of men. Many remained for a word or two with the new official, while those who went away did so with remarks warmly appreciative of his winning and forceful personality as well as with his quite evident determination to stand for decency and the observance of law during his tenure of office.

The serving for the dinner was very capably performed by 20 boys from Mills school, carrying out a custom of the league to call on various schools for help at the annual dinner. A quintet club played and sang during the evening.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LYMAN IS ATTENDED BY COUNTY OFFICIALS AND BAND

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireless)
HILO, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Grace Lyman, wife of Supervisor Henry Lyman, died yesterday afternoon at the Hilo hospital, where she had been confined for six weeks, following a severe attack of typhoid fever. Mrs. Lyman had reached the convalescent stage and recovery was expected, when a sudden attack of heart disease caused her death.

Mrs. Lyman was a Miss Newman of California, who came to Hilo as a trained nurse, being married to the supervisor 11 years ago.

The funeral is being held this afternoon from the Episcopal church and out of respect to the memory of deceased, all the county offices were closed at noon, the officials, together with the county band, attending the funeral.

LAST RATHVON LECTURE.
The last opportunity to hear an authorized lecture on Christian Science by the people of Honolulu for several months will be given by William R. Rathvon, C. S. B., member of the board of lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., next Sunday evening, December 21, at 8 o'clock at the Hawaiian opera house, at which time he will deliver a second lecture on this subject.

NOTICE

Check No. 553 on First National Bank for \$50 drawn by Lethhead & Woodward in favor of L. Kwai Yow, has been lost. Payment has been stopped.—advertisement.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING PLAN GIVEN APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONERS

As a fitting close to a successful session, the commissioners of public instruction yesterday afternoon placed their stamp of approval on a system of vocational guidance and training for public schools of the territory by appointing instructors to have charge of the work on the different islands.

The first appointment to be made was that of Clyde H. Alsbaugh, now connected with the Waialeale Boys' Industrial School on Oahu, who will have charge of the work on Kauai. The central training school there will be located at Lihue, while training will be given at Waimea, Hanalei and Kapa. The headquarters for the work on the Big Island will be at Hilo, and will be in charge of E. G. Allen of the Hilo school. Courses in the training will also be given at Papakou, Honouliuli, Hookea and Pahala schools. Simes T. Hoyt was appointed to take charge of the work on Oahu, to make his headquarters at the normal school. Courses in the training will be given at Waipahu,

Aiea and Ewa. The work on Maui will be under the supervision of R. C. Bowman of the Lahainaluna school, with headquarters at Wailuku. The schools at Lahaina, Punene, Paia and Hamakua will be visited by the instructor and courses installed. As agreed by the school commissioners, the vocational training work will start with the opening of the spring term, January 5, 1914.

Although no definite action was taken upon the proposal to make a change in the present school hours, T. H. Gibson, superintendent of public instruction was authorized to make such changes at any time when he might deem it necessary. Upon a request from Rev. J. W. Wadman, the commission invited him to lecture on questions of morality, not sex problems, during the several trips which he makes to the different islands each year. These lectures are to be arranged with the principals of those schools before whose pupils he wishes to speak. The commission adjourned until February 24, 1914.

SHRINERS WILL TEST NOVICES NEXT SATURDAY

Hot will be the sands around the Moana hotel next Saturday afternoon, and many will be the novitiates who will tread them in keeping with the annual ceremonial session to be held by the members of Aloha Temple, A. O. N. M. S. And quake not with fear, all ye who would become Shriner, though the sands be burning to the touch and the path wrought with dangers, for fear may deprive one of the right to wear the red fez.

Arrangements for the ceremonial session are complete, it was announced this morning. All candidates are notified to gather at the Masonic temple in time to be prepared for the grand parade which is scheduled to commence at 1:30 o'clock sharp. And furthermore, all who are desirous of the shelter of Aloha temple should be slow to protest against the sundry garb in which they will be decked by their brethren. Garmented in fantastic attire, the candidates will march from the temple to the palace grounds, where a program of stunts will be given, including a drill by the Arab patrol. From the palace grounds the novitiates will be taken to the Moana hotel by automobile, where horrors and dangers too numerous to mention will await their coming.

The hydroaeroplane which has been secured for the occasion, was tried out at Moanalua this morning by Tom Gunn and pronounced to be in perfect working order. Each candidate will be required to take a flight with Tom, the starting point to be on a barge anchored off the Moana pier. As now mapped out, the flight will be to a point straight out to sea, from there a flight to and circle of Diamond Head and then back to the starting point. Tom will probably take but one candidate at a time, but he intimated this morning that if the wind is fair, he might squeeze in another, who could sit on one of the planes. There

N. H. SLAUGHTER TO TELL ABOUT WIRELESS WORK

"Wireless Stations" will be the subject of an address which N. H. Slaughter, resident engineer of the Marconi Wireless Company, will deliver in Cooke Hall, Young Men's Christian Association building, tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Slaughter, who is in charge of the construction of the mammoth wireless plants at Koko Head and Kahuku, will tell of the wireless stations of the Marconi Company in Ireland, Nova Scotia and the states. The Koko Head station has attracted much interest in Honolulu and this will be an excellent opportunity to learn of the plans which the company has for its workings and the interesting details of its construction. The refusal of the Japanese government to allow this company to establish a station of their globe-circling system on the island of Nippon is causing much discussion as to how the company will solve that problem. The lecture is free to the members of the association and their men friends.

will probably be several boats on hand to follow the course of the hydroaeroplane, to be of assistance in case anything goes wrong with the mechanism and the occupants are thrown into the water. Life belts will be provided for the candidates.

Following the close of the ceremonies, old and new brothers will gather in the Moana dining room at 8:30 o'clock, where a banquet will be served and a program carried out.

SALE OF HIGH-BRED CATS
Pedigreed Persian cats will be on display and for sale on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at the Honolulu drug store.—advertisement.

Colonel Roosevelt has left Buenos Ayres for Paraguay.

TOM GUNN MAKES FLIGHT AND TAKES UP A PASSENGER

Tom Gunn, the Chinese aviator who has been a local visitor for several weeks and who has arranged a program of aerial and aquatic sports to be given down the Peninsula next Sunday afternoon, made a trial flight



Tom Gunn in Hydro-aerial Garb.

this morning, carrying as a passenger his brother, Tom Wing.

After remaining in the air for 17 minutes Tom stated that conditions were ideal and that he intended to make a further test of his machine this afternoon. He is getting his machine in shape for the exhibitions he will give as part of Sunday's program and says he is of the opinion that this will be one of the finest exhibitions he has given in the islands.

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