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Evil is wrought by want of thought, as well as by want of heart.—Hood.

GIVE THE LICENSE BOARD SOME NEEDED POWER

The Oahu board of liquor license commissioners does work that deserves praise and support from the community.

The annual sessions to consider applications for new licenses and renewals of licenses recorded this year a steady advance in restrictive and temperance measures. It recorded a gratifying awakening and growth of public sentiment against the liquor traffic.

Booze has received some hard blows in these past few days.

The fishmarket saloons have been knocked out. The three retail establishments in the vicinity of the fishmarket must get into new locations by January 1, 1915, or go out of business, and if the fight is carried on vigorously and intelligently, one or two or possibly all three will go out of business.

The Lelaehua beer-garden will be better conducted or else go out of business, too.

Waikiki Inn narrowly escaped a revocation of its license and failed to get an extension of its present partial privileges.

The Koolau saloon manager has been told to give his personal attention to the saloon and give stricter attention to the observance to the rules of the board. He escaped penalty this time on a plea of ignorance that arouses some doubt as to the wisdom of the Koolau license.

In one case particularly, that of the Waikiki Inn, the board members quite evidently have considerable ground for believing that violation of the law has been tolerated by the management. But the evidence in the case was not clear enough, corroborated enough, or forceful enough to convince them they should deprive the resort of its license.

And just here it is that this able and energetic commission is handicapped in its work. The commission has no power to subpoena witnesses. It may administer an oath but has no power to proceed against a witness for perjury.

In the case of the Waikiki Inn, it is stated that two material witnesses who would have testified to law violation departed to the other side of the island under circumstances that look suspicious, to say the least.

If this is so, the commission should have heard their testimony. But Inspector Fennell could not secure them. He could not serve them with subpoenas.

Remedial legislation to give the commission the subpoena power and the power to proceed against witnesses for perjury should be passed. Nothing will so strengthen the commission's hand in forcing out the truth. Nothing will so weak spot in the liquor law. Not an argument surely insure obedience to the law.

The next legislature should reinforce this against such legislation can be brought forward.

The commission cannot proceed on moral certainty that a resort is violating the law. It must have the facts. If the facts had been fully at hand for the sessions of yesterday afternoon and last night, at least one more stronghold of King Booze might have been leveled to the ground.

But there is reason for encouragement in the progress made. The truth goes marching on. Here, as in the states, the liquor traffic is on the defensive. It is in a losing fight.

CHURCH UNITY IN SCOTLAND

Subordination of creed and dogma to the great cause of Christian unity has lately made striking progress in a quarter of the world and in a church long distinguished for rigid adherence to forms and tenets. An Associated Press dispatch from Edinburgh says that the recent general assemblies of the two great factions of the Presbyterian churches in Scotland—the established Church of Scotland and the independent United Free Church—will be followed during the year by negotiations which are said to be promising for a union of these rival bodies, ending an historical quarrel.

Various sects broke away from the communion of the state church as far back as the seventeenth century, the secession being in protest against the alleged low moral state of the clergy and the political system of the established church. The established church sought to mend matters in 1834 by adopting the rule that no secession could be thrust upon a congregation against the will of the people, but this was annulled in 1843. Negotiations for a union were suspended in 1907, but progress was slow until the year an account of the opposition of a powerful minority on each side. Even the former of the obstructionists, however, are now urging union.

A constitution was drawn up by the recent assembly of the established church which concedes the spiritual independence of the free church but at the same time aims to preserve the traditions of the state church. It is this draft that will be the basis of further negotiations during the coming year, and the willingness with which leaders of both factions have taken up the subject leads the pacifists to hope for success.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE SCOUT MOVEMENT

When James A. Wilder first began talking of a Boy Scout organization in Honolulu, a good many people said:

"Jimmy Wilder has a new one—Boy Scouts or something or other. Guess it won't last long. Those things never do in Honolulu."

This "thing," however, has lasted—it has grown and endured and in its few years of existence the Boy Scout organization here has given the youngsters a lot of fun, a lot of practical instruction, a lot of sound knowledge of the kind that goes into the building of character.

On the other islands the Boy Scouts are beginning to develop. If there were a dozen or so men in Hawaii with Commissioner Wilder's enthusiasm and ability to impart that enthusiasm to his Scout patrols, the territory would have one of the most wonderful Scout organizations in the world.

As a world-movement, it now commands international respect. For instance, in Turkey it seems destined to play a prominent part in empire-building. From Constantinople comes the report that the Boy Scout movement has been initiated with the swearing in of the troop leaders before Enver Pasha, who, it is understood, is to be made the Bashogh, or chief scout of Turkey.

The movement is part of a farseeing plan to rejuvenate Turkey. On the patriotic side, the members, with the support of the young Turks, will try to purge the language of foreign words which have corrupted the Turkish of the border into more or less of a jargon. On the military and civic side, the government hopes not only to popularize army service among the educated classes but to develop initiative and flexibility among the people so as to compete more favorably with western peoples.

It is significant that in the oath taken by the boys the Arabic word for God, "Allah," has yielded to the Turkish "Tengri." All names used in the organization, such as Izdjis for "scouts," and Oimak Begs for "leaders," are pure Turkish. The word for leader in official use has heretofore been "hey."

George H. Fairchild's comment on the situation in the Philippines is as interesting as anything Honolulu has heard since Governor-general Harrison took office. Without condemning the Wilson policies or the Harrison administration, he points out that unless capital is given substantial encouragement to enter the Philippines, the archipelago will be badly off industrially. From the consensus of opinion in the comments of many men who have visited Hawaii, it appears that politically the archipelago is already in a regrettable state of chaos and ominous restiveness.

"Huerta Forces Are Ready for Election," says a headline. Which means that the dictator's soldiers are lined up with ball cartridges in their guns to patrol the polls when the free and untrammelled Mexican electorate comes up to cast its vote.

Sir Lionel Carden has advised all British subjects to leave Mexico. American subjects were told the same thing six months ago but a lot of them wouldn't take the tip.

Mr. McCarn's attorneys declare that the federal grand jury was not properly drawn. Perhaps they would be satisfied if it were drawn and quartered.

Higher education met speed, brawn and sharp eyes at Athletic Park yesterday afternoon—and the Twenty-Fifth Infantry won the game.

According to the Associated Charities, poverty in Honolulu is on the decrease. Of course it is merely a psychological condition, anyway.

Mexico has a stern old war general by the name of Angel. No wonder the dove of peace can't be coaxed across the border.

Free sugar will not down. In other words, the country can't swallow it.

Letters OF THE WEEK

(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 for anonymous communications.)

CITIZEN GETTING IDEAS.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin: Sir—Word comes from Mr. and Mrs. L. Howard, than whom there is no more wideawake citizen of Hawaii, or one that is a greater lover and well wisher of this country. Mr. Howard has been in the states about six months getting ideas on things which would be useful and beneficial to this city and territory, and he has sent down at various times many suggestions that would be useful here if carried out. One of his ideas is to do away with fences and hedges along the streets and which would be a good idea.

Mr. Howard's latest idea is to build what he calls "a Hill hotel" somewhere back of Honolulu, either in Manoa valley, Wilhelmina Rise, or either on Pacific Heights of the Aiea Heights. He thinks the Young hotel people are the logical ones to annex in some such place, and if they do not care to go into it a company could be formed to do so. There is no doubt but such a place would be a drawing card and an inducement for many people to come here, for it does not matter whether we think it hot here in summer or not, most of the coast people do, and in consequence but few of them come here at that time. But if they knew there was a mountain resort close to the city with all the comforts and attractions of a city, hotel and having beautiful gardens and cool walks and weather, it is certain that a great many more tourists would come here in the summer time. There is one thing certain and that is that we will have to make a more strenuous effort to attract tourists than we have in the past, and with a climate that is unsurpassed and so many other attractions it should be easy to do it. What we need to do more than anything is to show the tourist that Hawaii is an all the year resort and not a winter resort, and with such a hotel it would actually be one.

It is certain that these islands are not as well known from a climatic point of view as they should be or we should have far more people here than we have at the present time. I find that most tourists are amazed to find so good a climate and but few of them had any idea of the delightful weather that we have here almost all the year round. And it is safe to say that a great many old people would prolong their lives five to ten years if they were to reside here permanently. There are men here that have traveled the world over in search of a good climate and they say that this surpasses anything that they have experienced anywhere and many regret that for business or other reasons many of them cannot reside here all the time.

Another thing we could do is to take more interest in the tourist and newcomers that do come. We could do as they do in some other cities—we could form "A Newcomers' Club," and make an effort to get them to join it. In some cities they have men to meet all the newcomers and to take them to a office and make them acquainted with people of the city. And they are given a badge called the "newcomer's badge" and they are glad to wear them, as they are given the glad hand and kindly greeted by the people of the town. The ladies also have what is called the "Newcomers' Day" and on which they call upon all the newcomers of the city and welcome them and tell them of the advantages of the climate and of many other useful things.

Something of this kind ought to be done, as there are many people that come here and are never called upon by anyone, and in consequence, many of them get homesick and go away.

Personal Mention

ALLAN HERBERT, who has spent some weeks visiting along the coast, returned to the city last evening in the Oceanic liner Sierra.

DEXTER WRIGHT and Mrs. Wright come to Honolulu as instructors of fancy dancing. They were arrivals in the Sierra last evening.

M. R. MONSARRAT has completed a business and pleasure tour of the coast, returning to Honolulu in the Sierra.

GOVERNOR L. E. PINKHAM, and his aide-de-camp, Captain James D. Dougherty, returned to Honolulu this morning in the Inter-Island steamer Mauna Lca.

ROBERT HOOGS, who has been attending school on the mainland, was numbered with the passengers to reach the city this morning in the Matson steamer Larline.

MRS. A. RYAN, wife of the chief engineer in the Matson steamer Larline, is an arrival in the city to make a brief visit to the island, returning to the coast in that vessel on next Tuesday evening.

MRS. M. FERGUSON and Miss E. Ferguson, who have been summoned as witnesses in a federal action taken against Joseph Doyle, were arrivals in the city last evening as passengers in the Oceanic liner Sierra.

The McCarn Case

Why such a tremendous and ridiculous fuss should be made over the McCarn case, simply because the offender against the law happens to be a United States district attorney is rather difficult to understand. It is gratifying to see that Judge Robinson overruled all the more or less silly technical objections to McCarn being held to plead to the indictment for assault with a deadly weapon on Attorney McBride of Hilo. The first point raised in objection to the indictment was that the mere recital that the revolver held by the defendant was "loaded with gunpowder and leaden bullets" was not sufficient to indicate that the weapon was obviously and imminently dangerous to life. Attorney Ashford, who argued the de-

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—LIEUT. C. H. LYMAN: The lions will be fed at 4 o'clock today.

—D. L. CONKLING: I expect to be back in about two months with the new territorial bonds well sold.

—GOVERNOR PINKHAM: I had a splendid trip to Hawaii, but Honolulu looked good to me this morning when I got in.

—HIGH SHERIFF WILLIAM P. JARRETT: I found everything all right on the big island. I made a complete tour of Hawaii.

—LIEUT. LAURENCE MATHEWS: Honolulu is certainly a good ball town. Sunday's crowd would have done credit to a big league town like Cincinnati.

—GEORGE R. CARTER: After my tour of Hawaii, I find that I have no complaints to offer as to the reception given me and my party by the big islanders.

—CAPTAIN H. C. HOUELETTE: The dropping of a propeller is the first real mishap that has befallen the Sierra since going into commission more than 10 years ago.

—JOHN A. HUGHES: I am seriously considering the matter of running for mayor of Honolulu. However, if I give that up, I'm going to make a hard try for senator from Oahu.

murrer for defendant, declared that the indictment should have gone on to say that the revolver was "mechanically capable of being discharged" as a broken pistol though loaded with powder and bullets was not obviously and imminently dangerous to life. This is a fair sample of the brilliant points raised in objection to the indictment. It is said that McCarn broke down completely and cried like a child before the federal grand jury as he recited the story of his fight with McBride. Can this be the same man, who only a few weeks back made the redominate declaration that there were not enough devils in Hilo and Honolulu to drive him from Hawaii, but that he would fight them all to a finish? How McCarn fights we now all know. Whether in rage or fear, it matters not, the fact remains that he resorted to the use of firearms in a scrap with an unarmed man.

Whatever the outcome of McCarn's trial may be, he has proved himself unfit to remain in the high office he holds as United States district attorney in Hawaii.—Weekly Times.

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