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If I might control the literature of the household, I would guarantee the well-being of church and state. —Bacon.

RIGHT USE OF THE PRIMARY

"Efficiency" is a useless catchword, in politics or anywhere else, unless backed up by something more than talk.

What does it matter if candidates for office promise an efficient administration unless the voters elect them?

What does it matter if all the powers of a few good citizens are turned toward encouraging worthy candidates to enter the campaign unless the rest of the good citizens come out on election day and see that the candidates are successful?

Next Saturday is one of the critical times in Hawaiian government. A new law is on its first trial. The success of this law rests upon general participation in the nominating election by all the voters. Unless there is a representative expression of opinion, the nominees will not be representative. Unless there is active interest in the primary, the choices at that primary will not necessarily be the choice of all the people or even of a majority of the people.

When the voters generally go to the polls on primary day and express their views by the casting of a ballot, the direct primary is a splendidly-representative method of putting in nomination candidates for office. When most of the voters stay at home the direct primary is an expression of nothing except apathy and the will of the professional politicians and the few men who are always active enough to exercise their right of franchise.

For years Hawaii has asked for the direct primary law. Now that it is here, give it a fair trial, give it a chance to show its worth!

Turn out early on election day, before the polls become crowded, cast your ballot, cast it for those candidates whose record and character are guarantees of efficiency and progress!

The primary law, rightly used, will be a success. If its opportunities are neglected, it will be a failure.

THE WAR LOSSES

Reliable statistics upon the loss of life in the great battles of the European war to date have been impossible to secure, so an exact comparison with fatalities in the important engagements of history cannot be made. It may be said, at any rate, that the European war in sustained killing effect, day after day, is probably surpassing any campaign of which we have an accurate record.

The immense numbers of men on each side, the unprecedented effectiveness of the weapons employed, from rifles to heavy siege guns, the ferocious nature of the combats, many of which are hand-to-hand, all combine to add to the mortality in the field. Furthermore, an entirely new factor enters into this war—the attack from the air, made possible by the development of the aeroplane and the dirigible balloon. All observers seem to agree that the direct effect of an attack from the air is proving less deadly than had been anticipated, but on the other hand, the aeroplane and the dirigible are showing great value for scouting and directing purposes. The rival bodies of troops, led by almost unerring signals from the air-scouts, are hurled against each other with no loss of time and with a precision that makes for large fatalities. In this way the use of aircraft is increasing the mortality statistics.

On the east side three great battles have been fought—the opening engagement at Liege, in which the Germans were reported to have lost 25,000 killed, the first battle between the Germans and the Allies, fought partly in Belgium and partly in France, and the second German battle, which lasted five days, according to best information obtainable. This battle drew to its bloody close yesterday. It is reported that 750,000 men were fighting last Wednesday and probably at least that many were on the battle-line during most of the five days.

From the two general battles have come no rumors which are in evidence to the effect that because of the present hostilities between the two countries, local subjects of Japan intend to boycott all German residents of Hawaii, are emphatically denied by S. Wacha, editor of the Hawaii Shimpo, a Japanese daily newspaper. The rumors have it that the local Japanese have refused to patronize German business houses, or to remain in the employ of German families. Mr. Wacha says that such rumors may rightly be considered dicted. Further, he says that the local Japanese press is urging the Hawaiian government not to make a personal mat-

dependable statements as to the number killed, wounded or made prisoners, but the figures will inevitably be staggering.

Even the three-day engagement at Liege ranks as among the bloodiest encounters in modern history. The New York World's military critic notes that to rout the French at Worth cost the Prussian army in 1870 only 10,642 men; to storm the pitiless height of Spicheren less than 5000. At Gravelotte the French loss was 14,000, the attacking Germans' 21,000. The crowning victory of Sedan was accomplished with a Prussian loss just under 9000. Worth and Sedan together were less fatal to German troops in 1870 than Liege in 1914, if this report is well founded. The entire Franco-Prussian war cost on the invaders' side only 28,000 killed and 101,000 wounded.

A field of famous fights is Belgium. There was Fontenoy, in which neither side lost 8000, and Blenheim, with a loss of 12,000 for the allies and a somewhat larger one for the French, besides prisoners; and Ligny, with a butcher's bill of 20,000 on both sides combined. Even in the great day at Waterloo, June 18, Prussians and English together lost but 22,000 men. Austerlitz, the summit of Napoleon's military career, cost the beaten allies, besides prisoners, less than 13,000. At Gettysburg, the "high tide of the Confederacy," Meade's army lost only 23,000 in killed and wounded.

The withdrawal of Andrew Cox from the supervisory race on account of illness will be generally regretted. On his record and his popularity with all classes of voters he would have been reelected, as he deserved to be. Quiet, unassuming, seldom making a speech on the board, he was nevertheless a valuable and a dependable member and a credit to the Republican party and Hawaii. He could be relied upon to cast his vote on the board for what he believed was right.

Hawaii will not get a big tourist trade next year without working for it. Those who think that Opportunity, after knocking at the door, will shove it open and put a determined foot in the crack, are badly mistaken. Opportunity has to be met with a hearty handshake and an invitation to sit down and stay awhile.

The rumor of today is the fact of tomorrow and vice versa. It will be remembered that in some official circles here there was denial that France and Germany were at war for two days after the fact had been duly chronicled in the newspapers.

Those who think that every industry in the United States will profit by the European war will get a rude awakening when the emergency war tax begins operation.

Russia is now fighting hard to take the Austrian fortress of Przemysl. Evidently, in spite of phonetic appearances, that's not a place to be sneezed at.

The baseball fans seem to think the war between the New York and Boston Nationals is about as important as any of the doings in Europe.

China has decided that she is going to need all her warships at home next year. Indicating some little uneasiness as to Japan's intentions.

Albania having been quietly assimilated by Turkey, it is up to George Fred Williams, late ambassador, to issue another manifesto.

Count Witte, former Russian premier, said that the European war wouldn't last three months. He'd better hurry it along.

A road-gang is sweeping Kalakaua avenue—the "sugar boulevard"—today. Primary day next Saturday.

You would think those North Sea fishermen would take the tip after awhile and stay at home.

Universal peace is long on general statements but just now mighty short on statistics.

The latest method of the severing of international relations is to cut the cable.

LETTERS FROM CONGRESSMEN TO THE DELEGATE

Kuhio Receives Missives Which Are Being Used in His Campaign

In his campaign for reelection, Delegate Kuhio and his associates are showing to the voters the following letters from Republican members of the House of Representatives. The first letter is from J. R. Mann of Illinois, the second from Frank P. Woods of Iowa, the latter being the one read at the Bijou theater last week:

"James R. Mann, Member of Congress, United States House of Representatives, Office of Republican Leader, Capital Building, Washington, D. C.

"Hon. J. Kuhio Kalaniana'ole, Honolulu, Hawaii.

"My dear Sir:— I am informed that a determined effort is being made in Hawaii to defeat you for reelection as delegate, and to supplant you with a Democrat. I earnestly hope, not only on your account, but on account of the people of Hawaii, that the effort will not succeed. During the twelve years you have represented Hawaii in Congress under Republican administrations you have obtained or have been instrumental in obtaining much beneficial legislation for the territory.

"During the ten Republican years of your incumbency as delegate, direct appropriations for the benefit of Hawaii have aggregated: Public buildings (Honolulu) \$1,325,000.00 (Hilo) 200,000.00 Army fortifications, 2,500,000.00 Pearl Harbor (naval dry-dock) 3,486,500.00 Harbors (Honolulu) 1,425,000.00 (Hilo) 1,176,000.00 (Kahului) 400,000.00 \$10,512,500.00

"In addition, during Republican administrations an adequate protective duty was maintained on importations of sugar into the United States, thus giving the Hawaiian sugar industry the impetus which made it a leading and prosperous industry.

"While delegate under the Republican administrations, I recall that laws were enacted amending the territorial land laws to make them conform to the needs of your people; the salaries of your federal officials in Hawaii were increased; your territorial legislature was strengthened and the salaries of its members increased.

"During the two years of Democratic management practically no appropriations have been made for Hawaii, and no beneficial laws passed, while the protection tariff on sugar has been wiped off. This has been through no fault of yours, but can be charged up to Democratic disregard being further shown by the wholesale appointment to federal positions in the territory of Democratic politicians from southern States.

"While you have not attempted oratory as a delegate in Congress, you have obtained what is more important—the regard and respect of a great majority of the house membership. Your honesty and your loyalty to your people is recognized and in my opinion this has enabled you to do more for them than if you had spent your time on the floor of the house as a debator upon general subjects.

"It is my belief that our next house will contain a Republican majority, and whether it shall or not, I am certain, should you be returned, your experience, your large circle of friends, and the fact that you are a representative of the Hawaiian people would enable you to do more for Hawaii than could any newcomer.

"Yours very sincerely, (Signed) JAMES R. MANN."

"Headquarters, Riggs Building, Opposite Treasury Building.

"Treasurer, Geo. G. White, President National Metropolitan Bank, Washington, D. C. NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE, Washington, D. C.

"Frank P. Woods, M. C. Iowa, Chairman; Frank B. Brandegee, U. S. S. Court, Vice Chairman; Charles E. Patton, M. C. Pa., Vice Chairman; Julius Kahn, M. C. Cal., Vice Chairman; John C. Eversman, Ill., Secretary; Thomas B. Shipp, Ind. Director of Publicity.

"August 21, 1914. Hon. J. Kuhio Kalaniana'ole, Delegate from Hawaii, My dear Prince:—

"My attention has been called to an editorial in a recent issue of the Hawaii Herald, urging the people of Hawaii to elect a Democrat to repre-

WELCOME WAITS M'CANDLESS IF HE IS ELECTED

Member of National Committee Says Fellow Democrats Will Be Gladdened

In a letter to L. L. McCandless, Democratic candidate for delegate to Congress, John F. Costello of the Democratic national committee says that if McCandless is elected he will be "welcomed with open arms" by the Democrats in Congress. Costello is a member of the committee from Washington, D. C.

The letter says: "Washington, D. C., July 23, 1912. Hon. L. L. McCandless, Honolulu, Hawaii.

"My dear Mr. McCandless: I notice by press dispatches that Democrats of your territory are going to send you to Congress as delegate from the Hawaiian islands. I take this opportunity of saying that in my opinion and the opinion of the Democrats of the District of Columbia, the nation's capitol, that it is the very best move they could make in the interests of good government for the islands.

"I know from personal acquaintance with the leading Democratic members of Congress that you would be welcomed with open arms and that you would be able to do a great many things for your people.

"Trusting that I may have the pleasure, in the next Congress, of welcoming you to the capitol and with best wishes for the party's success in coming elections, and with kindest regards from myself and Mrs. Costello to you and Mrs. McCandless, I beg to remain, Very truly yours,

"JOHN F. COSTELLO."

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—LESLIE P. SCOTT: It is true that Eben Low's fishing party which went to Kahoolawe caught only three fish (reports to the contrary notwithstanding), but goats were plentiful and we laid in a good supply of them.

—CAPTAIN WILLIAM POSTER: I am about to place Captain Tyndell's bay burning automobile into commission. It will be of much assistance in getting about the waterfront.

—CAPTAIN CURRIER: With Manager R. M. Fitz representing the British syndicate at Fanning, it should worry over the trifling matter of the cutting of the "All Red" cable from Vancouver to Sydney, N. S. W.

—CAPTAIN HENRY WEEDEN: The phantom war fleet gave us the go-by on the trip from San Francisco. If the British squadron was riding off the north coast of Molokai as reported it must have been concealed behind some of the heavy swells that we found there.

—H. P. WOOD: Hawaii certainly should lose no time in setting forth every inducement for tourists to visit these islands this winter and next spring. In San Francisco every indication is that, because of the European war, travel to the Pacific Coast is going to be immensely increased.

—GEORGE R. CLARK: Our hunt-

sent the territory in congress.

"Such a course as is suggested by the Hilo paper would certainly be against Hawaii's best interests.

"Hawaii was brought into the union by a Republican congress and a Republican president, and it has ever been the policy of the Republicans to further the interests of our island territory. Much beneficial legislation as well as millions of dollars in appropriations, have been made for Hawaii by each succeeding Republican congress since 1898, while on the other hand not one beneficial act has been passed by the present Democratic congress. In the matter of appropriations only such items as were included in the military and naval programs were made.

"I also firmly believe that Hawaii's interests would best be served by you as delegate, as I recognize in you a true representative of your race. Your faithful and conscientious work during the twelve years you have been in congress has gained for you the respect and esteem of your colleagues, and this will surely enable you to accomplish more for Hawaii than any possible man the Democratic party could send on to Washington.

"Trusting that the people of our island territory will select you to be their spokesman in the national capitol, I remain,

"Very sincerely yours, (Signed) FRANK P. WOODS, Chairman."

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ing party went to Molokai instead of Kahoolawe and Elmer Davis got a deer. Weather was terribly rough going over Saturday afternoon but the sea was calm as a mill pond on the return trip and we made the home-ward run in a little more than eight hours.

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