

MILITARY BILL TO BE DEBATED FROM ALL SIDES

Opposition to Speaker Holstein's compulsory military education measure, house bill 148, is expected to reach a climax at the public meeting in the senate chamber tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock.

BILL TO SECURE POLICY HOLDERS PASSES HOUSE

Policy holders of all foreign insurance companies operating in Hawaii will be secured by the Watkins bill, which passed the house of representatives today.

Good Bourbon Was Aboard Mule--But Mule Didn't Know!

Territorial Secretary W. W. Thayer narrowly escaped death from the heels of a terrified mule yesterday at Waianae.

OFFICERS OF ASAMA SAY LITTLE HOPE OF SAVING BIG CRUISER

(Special to Hawaii Shipno) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 12.—The Japanese cruiser Asama, which went aground recently off the coast of Northern Mexico, now is transferring its guns to another Japanese cruiser which has been standing by and assisting to get the vessel off the rocks.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Antonio Berbel Martin, Ewa, 31. Carmen Riviera Casudo, Ewa, 19. Yoke Hin Lee, Honolulu, 16. Chun Mew Oi, Honolulu, 130.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES

Representative Tavares presented a resolution to dredge the sand in front of the Kahului wharf, Maui, at a cost of \$20,000.

Chairman Huddy of the house public lands committee has called a public meeting on House Bill 296, relating to the opening and improvement of highways, for 7:30 p. m. tonight in the representatives' chambers.

Lyman introduced a concurrent resolution in the house to petition congress to amend the Organic Act so that homesteaders can secure government land not fit for agricultural purposes up to 3000 acres each.

The following house bills passed third reading in the lower branch today: H. B. 298, relating to the taking of bass, Isenberg; H. B. 293, making a benefit appropriation for J. K. Pitman, Nawahine; H. B. 281, to require all foreign insurance companies to secure policy holders, Watkins; H. B. 261, to reimburse E. R. Stackable, Velea; H. B. 262, providing for chiropractors' licenses, Makekau.

The senate thinks political candidates should not be assessed \$25 nomination fee at the general election, after they have paid \$10 at the primary and received a nomination, and that the fee for the final election should be only \$15.

Speaker Holstein presented up-to-date figures on the expenses of this session compared with the same period of the 1913 session. This session 218 bills, 1913 had 283; 1915 session, 82 tabbed; 1913, 104; 1915, 81 bills to the senate; 1913, 62 to the senate; 1915, 56 house bills and nine senate bills signed by governor; 1913, 44 house and 30 senate bills; 1915 cost to date of federal fund, \$7295.69; 1913, \$10,846.04; 1915 cost to date, territorial fund, \$13,523.25; 1913, \$16,298.31.

The "third house," or clerks and attaches of the senate sprung an agreeable and much-appreciated surprise on the solons last week by filing every member's volume of the new revised laws and having printed thereon in gold lettering the name of the owner.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

JAY URICE: I don't mind doing promotion work, but I object to getting sunburned teaching surf-riding to tourists.

W. W. THAYER: As a type of Democratic, burden-bearing animal the donkey is all right, but individually the less I see of him hereafter the better I will like him.

W. F. CROCKETT (representative from Maui): No, I wasn't afraid to land at Kalaupapa in those strait boats, but I was sleepy and missed that last one, that's all.

DUKE KAHANAMOKU: There certainly are some pretty Maori maids over in Australia; and lots of them have money to burn, but I didn't pick one out because I was afraid she'd make me stay in that country. Australia is a fine land and its people are mighty nice, but I'll never make my home anywhere but here.

A. P. TAYLOR: People fail to understand why the Hawaiian exhibit really is very good. Most of them expect to see exhibits when as a matter of fact what the exposition wants is for state and territory buildings to be social gathering places.

ARMY NOTES

Before Secretary Daniels appoints a chief of naval operations, an office created by the last congress, he will work out a general plan for the reorganization of the navy department by which the various aids will be placed under the jurisdiction of the new chief. They may be termed assistants to the chief of operations, and the present council of aids will be replaced by the chief of staff and his assistants.

It may be several weeks before Secretary Daniels will be able to announce the final plans for the proposed reorganization. He is consulting officers in command of fleets as well as those on duty at the navy department.

The battleships Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin, the naval academy squadron in reserve at Philadelphia, were ordered placed in commission on April 1, to go to Annapolis and later take the midshipmen on their summer cruise.

'SUNDAY MOVIES' BILL TO BE UP IN SENATE TODAY

Unless other business intervenes or length of argument causes postponement the final word of the legislature on the Sunday moving-picture measure probably will be said this afternoon. Representative Fernandez' house bill 129, proposing to legalize the display of motion pictures of a Biblical or educational character Sunday afternoons and evenings was to be taken up today in committee of the whole in the upper house.

The military committee having failed to make a definite recommendation on the subject the merit of the bill was to be threshed out by the entire senate. The bill has not passed second reading, but the fate of the bill unquestionably will be determined by the committee of the whole.

It was impossible to prognosticate before the senate took hold of it in committee of the whole. Just what would happen to it. There is a wide variance of opinion among the members. It was generally agreed that it likely would undergo material alteration if it did pass. This would necessitate the approval of the house of representatives, which passed the measure in its present form.

Some warm discussion, possibly equal in fire and intensity to the flames of oratory which burst forth at the public meeting held on the bill two weeks ago by the military committee, were expected this afternoon.

NAVAL MILITIA BILL DEFERRED; NEARLY BEATEN

now in marine service on merchant ships, enabling them to qualify for higher positions in the merchant marine. Rice came to Coke's support, stating that J. E. Sheedy and other representatives of the local shipping companies had explained it would help them in their employ to educate themselves for better jobs.

Metzger then joined Wirtz in opposing the bill. He did not think that was the intent of the naval militia at all. He did not think the men in the naval militia would receive any different training than they would get in the United States navy, which certainly did not prepare its young men for the merchant marine.

Wirtz declared he had "to be shown." He did not think it was within the duties of the territory to spend \$20,000, the amount asked as an original appropriation to start the new militia, to institute a school for the benefit of the American-Hawaiian, inter-island and other steamship companies. Action on the bill was deferred at Coke's suggestion until tomorrow.

Rice's Senate Bill No. 130, to transfer the power of appointing district magistrates from the chief justice to the governor, also was deferred at the author's suggestion until tomorrow for final reading. Four senate bills passed third reading early in today's session. They are S. B. 43, 83, 94 and 95.

There is doubt in the minds of the solons whether today is the 45th or 46th day of the session—in other words whether last Saturday counted against them. Both branches adjourned Friday until today, as their members desired to make the trip to Molokai Saturday. Senator Rice was appointed by President Chillingworth to investigate and report on this question.

KUPIHEA GUILTY OF NEGLIGENCE ONLY, SAYS CRAWFORD IN REPORT

Representative W. H. Crawford, fourth member of the house committee which investigated the charges concerning the delinquency of Representative D. M. Kupihe's young daughter and niece, submitted his report to the house of representatives late today. In the report Crawford holds that Kupihe is guilty of negligence only and that the representative from Kalii merely neglected to watch his daughter and niece carefully. Eugene K. Au, the fifth member, has not reported yet.

Leaving Honolulu on March 22 the schooner Resolute is reported to have arrived at Grays Harbor Saturday.

It was officially announced in Berlin that all German warships lost during the war have been replaced by new vessels.

An order for 478 all-steel cars was placed with the Pullman Company by the Interborough Rapid Transit Co.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Punahou mothers will meet in Bishop hall of the academy at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon.

Honolulu lodge No. 409, F and A. M., will hold a stated meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The harbor board will meet at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning in the basement of the capitol.

On the ground of non-support Maria Correa today was granted a divorce from Robert Correa.

The last box for the Red Cross Society from St. Clement's Guild, is being packed and closed.

Oliver Branch Relekehak lodge No. 2, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will begin a whist tournament next Thursday night.

Gifts of tobacco from Honolulu to British soldiers at the front were gratefully received, according to letters received from the recipients.

All the public and private schools will open this morning for the last term of the school year. Most of the school children have had over a week's vacation.

A writ for divorce has been filed in the circuit court by Mrs. Alice Horn against Herman Horn. This is the 11th divorce action instituted here since April 1.

The Kaahumani Society will hold a special meeting tomorrow at 10 a. m. at Kawaiahaeo gymnasium. All members are requested to attend. Important business.

Special memorial services were held at Kamehameha schools yesterday for the late Rev. William B. Oleson, first principal of the schools and who died in Arizona recently.

A general denial of the charges made in his wife's complaint has been filed in the circuit court by Robert Correa, who is being sued for divorce by Mrs. Maria Correa.

Former Representative S. K. Mahoe of Waialua, this island, has filed in the circuit court his oath on the renewal of his license to practise in the district courts of the territory.

Judge Sanford B. Dole, who, with Mrs. Dole, has been at the Volcano for the past three weeks, will return to Honolulu in the Wilhelmina Saturday.

Musicians of the National Guard are meeting in the armory each Wednesday evening for instruction in music and signaling. It is the desire of the instructor that all musicians attend.

There will be a public hearing by the public lands committee of the house in the representatives' chambers at 7:30 tonight on House Bill 306, relating to the opening and improvement of highways.

According to information which has reached the Liberty News, the Chinese newspaper, President Yuan Shih-Kai is subsidizing the press of China and censoring all cable despatched to mainland newspapers.

The regular board meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association will be held at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning in the Homestead, King street. Important business will be considered at this meeting.

For failure to pay \$5 a week alimony for a period of 16 weeks Circuit Judge Whitney today sentenced Alexander Ah Ling to serve 30 days in the county jail. Ah Ling may get mitigation if he pays the entire amount of alimony in arrears, however. The wife who won the money and has caused Ah Ling's present discomfort is Wong Buck Ah Ling.

ITINERARY COMMITTEE MANES FEW CHANGES IN ENTERTAINMENT PLANS

At a meeting of the itinerary committee of the congressional entertainment committee in Secretary Thayer's office today two minor changes were agreed upon for the proposed inter-island trip of the congressional visitors, due here early in May.

The itinerary committee will recommend that two days instead of one be spent on Kauai, also that only part of the entire party make the overland trip from Napoopoo, Kona, to the Volcano House. Those who will be unable to travel from the west coast of the Big Island to the crater by automobile will be taken on the Mauna Kea around to Hilo, going thence to the volcano.

These recommendations will be made at the meeting of the general committee tomorrow morning at the governor's chamber. Those attending today's meeting were Delegate Kuhio, chairman of the general committee; Secretary Thayer, chairman of the itinerary committee; Speaker H. L. Holstein, Representative J. H. Conroy and Senators J. L. Coke and Harry Baldwin.

DAILY REMINDERS

Round the island in auto, \$4.00. Lewis Stables, Phone 2141.—Adv. Fashionable gowns to order. Mrs. W. E. Bell, Love Bldg., Fort St.—Adv. New arrivals in spring and summer millinery are now being shown at Milton & Parsons, Fort above Hotel St.

The Wilhelmina tomorrow will bring to Henry May & Co. fresh California fruits and vegetables and Puritan creamery butter. Also the usual good assortment of cheeses, sausages and meats for the delicatessen counter. Phone 1271.—adv.

REPORT FEDERAL SITE PICKED AND 'WILL SURPRISE'

Activity of the Government in Closing Negotiations Evident—Mr. McCarn Reticent

A rumor last week that United States District Attorney McCarn has been informed that the treasury department has virtually chosen the federal building site received further confirmation today of a circumstantial nature.

Last Friday it was rumored in federal circles that Mr. McCarn had received an official letter from the department of justice, with an enclosure in which the site chosen was mentioned. Inquiries by the Star-Bulletin today in an endeavor to solve the much-discussed question as to where the proposed building is to be erected, resulted in a comment from the district attorney that he has nothing to say.

Mr. McCarn said he has received no communications from the treasury department or department of justice upon which he has authority to make a statement for publication.

"Do you know which site has been chosen for the federal building?" he was asked. "I have no statement to make," smiled the district attorney.

As a transactor of legal business pertaining to the several branches of the United States government in Hawaii, Mr. McCarn is said to be the only person locally who has a good idea where the building is to be erected and what steps have been taken toward perfecting the plans. It further was stated that the public will be treated with a surprise when the announcement comes of the selection of the site.

Plans for Building Under Way.

That the plans for Honolulu's proposed federal building are either under way or will be started within a short time, is evidenced in a communication from the department of justice which has been received by Marshal J. J. Smiddy, local U. S. disbursing officer. The letter asks that Mr. Smiddy inform the treasury department of the amount of space needed by the federal court and its officers in the proposed federal building.

The letter states that the department wishes to know the number of rooms which the court will require in the proposed building and the size of each. Should they desire, the various court officers may offer suggestions to the department relative to the arrangement of the rooms, the height of ceilings, etc.

In case the department follows the suggestions which the marshal may make, there will be but little change in the present size of the offices and rooms now occupied by the federal court officials in the Model block in Fort street. Mr. Smiddy, after consultation, sees the need of a larger library and more room in the clerk's office. The offices of the district attorney and his assistant would be made smaller. Mr. Smiddy has in mind a separate office for the United States commissioner, arranged in the form of a small court room, with the commissioner's desk on a raised platform.

The marshal also wants a cell constructed in the marshal's office for the detention of prisoners. At times defendants are sentenced to spend an hour or so in the marshal's office, as was the case of a man convicted of smuggling about a month and a half ago. However, Mr. Smiddy will confer with all the court officials before answering the letter from the department of justice and enclosing the necessary information. The present courtroom, says the marshal, appears to be of a convenient size.

During the past month Mr. McCarn is said to have received several important letters from the department of justice, which is believed to have dealt with the proposed federal building.

With Maj. M. M. Johnson presiding the general court martial of the National Guard will sit at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening in the armory. Cases having to do with absence and refusal to attend drills will be tried. A number of new gallery rifles are on their way to Honolulu for use by the members of the National Guard. These rifles will greatly facilitate gallery practice at the armory as the present rifles are almost useless.

The new term of the third circuit court will open May 5 at Kailua, West Hawaii, Judge John A. Matthewman presiding. E. E. Muller is clerk of this court, the court stenographic reporter being Herbert L. Kinslea.

A statement of finances for the federal clerk's office was made today by Clerk A. E. Murphy. It being the first day of the April, 1915, term. The statement was approved by Judge Charles F. Clemons and ordered filed.

ALLEN STREET SITUATION IS PUT CLEARLY

Supervisor Daniel Logan, asked to explain the Allen street paving situation, said today:

"The Allen street contract was never, at any stage, dependent on reimbursement by the territory. The frontage tax could never have been applied to Allen street under the present law.

"Even if the law was amended to make territorial property liable to the frontage tax, as we are trying to have done this session of the legislature—it is doubtful if it would apply to Allen street, as the United States government occupies both sides of that street for considerable distances.

"No appropriation has been made by the board of supervisors for Luso street. A resolution was introduced to spend \$10,000 in repairing Luso street, but it was deferred at one meeting and tabled at a later one, on my representation that the legislature was likely to appropriate the balance of the Auwailoimu improvement fund, being four times the amount just mentioned, to complete the roads in that section including Luso street. The bill for that purpose passed the house and is now on the senate order of business. I have been unable to find any Oahu senator who is not strongly in favor of its passage.

"I never gave the board of supervisors assurance that the amount of the Allen street contract would be reimbursed by the territory. On the contrary I informed the board that there was opposition to that measure in the house, while there was very little doubt of the passage of the Auwailoimu measure.

"At the outset Chairman Quinn of the road committee introduced three resolutions for roads—one for Luso street, one for Allen street and one for the Waimea-Waialeale section of the belt road—and as chairman of the ways and means committee I advised the board that the total amount of all three might be obtained from the permanent improvement fund if the board decided on putting through the propositions. Later, as chairman of the legislative committee, I suggested that an effort should be made to have the territory reimburse the board for "any contract expenditure" it might make on either the Luso street or the Allen street improvement. The belt road matter is now pending under bids submitted at last meeting of the board. Action on the other projects was as already stated.

"So far as 'blame' to anyone is concerned, it is purely imaginary."

OLEOMARGARINE PLANTS RAIDED IN PROVIDENCE

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—The first of several cases growing out of federal raids on oleomargarine plants in this city was opened in the United States district court. William H. Higgins and Jeremiah H. Hall of the New England Manufacturing company were charged with conspiracy and with defrauding the government of \$400,000 in taxes on artificially colored oleomargarine. At the request of the prosecution the indictments were consolidated. A motion by the defense to quash the conspiracy indictment was denied.

Work of transporting material for the new rest house on Haleakala, Maui, is progressing satisfactorily. The material last week was within two miles of the summit. Construction work, it is believed, will begin this week.

STORY OF SHOOTING OF SENATOR BROWN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The shooting of former Senator Brown in a hotel here on December 8, 1906, by Mrs. Bradley was the sensational culmination of an affair which four years previously had involved a civil court proceeding in which Mrs. Bradley charged Brown with having been the father of her two children. Mrs. Bradley entered Brown's room in a hotel here and shot him three times, twice in the stomach and once in the hand. He died of the wounds. Brown's prominence and the sensational disclosures which furnished part of Mrs. Bradley's defense attracted wide attention to the shooting.

The French moratorium applying to rents was extended until July 15. A permanent coast guard station will be established at the Panama-Pacific exposition.

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