

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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## CHINA'S FLIGHT.

Great Britain forced Japan to modify the demands on China, declares a naval attache of the Japanese embassy in Washington who passed through Honolulu last week on his way to Tokio.

It has been conjectured for several months that Britain made some sort of representations to Japan which caused Minister Hioki to ameliorate the demands he voiced at Peking. Furthermore, it is reliably reported that during the last few days of the China-Japanese tensity, Great Britain through its minister, Sir John Jordan, told the Chinese government that it should bow to the Japanese ultimatum, in the hope that after the European war is over the Powers will step in and force Japan to remove some of her tentacles. Of course Great Britain didn't put it in this brusque, coarse way. Great Britain merely intimated that under certain vague and indefinable circumstances there might be a chance that the Chino-Japanese situation would be taken under the notice of the great Powers with a view to ascertaining if treaty relations with these Powers were thereby affected—or something equally as circumlocutory. Nevertheless, it gave Chinese officialdom the excuse they were looking for to yield to Japan. They had to yield anyway, for Japan was ready to fight and would have whipped the unwieldy, unprepared republic in a few days.

Japan had previously modified by a very little the text of her demands on China. This, as Captain Sakurai stated last Saturday, was due to the British attitude in part; in part also to the fact that Japan was sure of almost everything she wanted.

Samuel G. Bythe, the Saturday Evening Post staff writer who is studying affairs of the Orient, recently wrote from Peking that China has given up her sovereignty. It is the opinion of many others, well informed in Oriental matters that Japan has succeeded in getting Manchuria and other provinces so well within her grasp that China's independence is doomed—unless after the war the Powers pry Japan loose, which will be a large-sized job. And the United States should not forget that Japan has seized the Caroline, Marshall and Solomon island groups and is apparently developing a big naval base in the Pacific.

## THE BRYAN-DUMBA INCIDENT.

Hawaii has had hardly a hint of a new storm of criticism which has burst over the now-growing bald head of William Jennings Bryan. In fact, it is only within the last few weeks that the mainland press seems to have learned the news of a remarkable statement attributed to Bryan in the course of a conference with the Austrian ambassador, Dr. Dumba.

It appears that during the time when relations between the United States and Germany were most strained, before Bryan's resignation, the secretary of state gave to the Austrian ambassador the very definite impression that the president's demands on Germany were not to be taken too seriously.

This interview if true is one of the most amazing things in all Bryan's public life; an inexcusable diplomatic blunder, and a piece of treachery so nauseating that not even Bryan's closest friends could relish it. The authenticity of the interview has not been definitely established, but Bryan's own account of the conference gives rise to a suspicion that he really did tell the Austrian ambassador the United States would not insist on the full letter and spirit of its note.

Washington observers familiar with Bryan's self-important unbomings think that this is about what happened:

After the first American note was sent to Germany, Ambassador Dumba called on the secretary of state to discuss the situation. Thereupon Bryan delivered himself of a peace oration, in which he declared himself against war, questioned the right of the United States to enforce its demands concerning the submarine warfare—as he has since publicly done—and gave the impression that as secretary of state he would not sanction hostile action under the terms of the note. The Austrian ambassador, unable to conceive that Bryan's views should not be the administration's views, sent to Europe the impression that he had received from Bryan. No wonder that Germany's answer declined to meet squarely the issues raised in the American note!

No American editor seems to have been able to get from Bryan a clear-cut statement on this matter. The Chautauqua star meanwhile

has jumped from one end of the country to the other with his peace-at-any-price speeches, which certainly confirm the belief that as secretary of state he undermined President Wilson's firm and courageous policy.

## PROMPTLY DENIED.

Perhaps it's the hot weather and the silly season together that are responsible for the rumor regarding a change in the governorship. Last week the rumor grew so definite as to name not only a governor to succeed Mr. Pinkham but a secretary of the territory and several other cabinet officers. Evidently the wish was father to the thought. The Star-Bulletin's Washington correspondent cables that there is no intention whatever on the part of the administration to make a change in the gubernatorial chair. It would surprise and grieve the burrowing enemies of the governor if they knew with what favor Mr. Pinkham's work here has met in Washington. Now that the story has been promptly and emphatically denied at the national capital, the rumorologists might as well hunt up some other subject on which to spread their perfervid imaginations.

A Honolulu attorney returns from San Francisco with outspoken condemnation of the Hawaii building. He refers to its exhibit as a "collection of dead fish." Though there have been some people who agree with Mr. Andrews that the Hawaii display is "rotten," the majority opinion differs. Unquestionably the greater portion of the comment that reaches here is favorable—and he said that most of the knocks reach here.

Any morning the police court proceedings will show that a very large percentage of crime in Honolulu is due directly to booze. Murder, suicide, lust, arson, theft, embezzlement, forgery, assault—a long list of crimes and misdemeanors may be made up from Honolulu's experience of the last few years, with booze the real criminal. That is why booze is beginning to be outlawed.

French Socialists, opposed to war, stand by their country, just as German Socialists, opposed to war, stood by their country. The result is that the Socialists are fighting just as furiously as anybody else, indicating that their conception of patriotic duty lies considerably deeper than their veneer of political belief.

"Prostrate Poland" is again the scene of terrible desolation. One would hope that some day the Poles would be allowed to erect an independent autonomous state, were it not for what has happened to Belgium. The lot of the small nation in Europe now is not a happy one.

Terrible, is it not, that so many of us must presently go down to the beaches in order to see how perfectly shocking are some people's bathing costumes?—Chicago Daily News.

Europe is now on the second year of war. And the belligerents—at least their monarchs—still justify the war by claiming divine indorsement of their bloody campaigns.

It is a pretty poor branch of human activity that cannot find a perfectly good reason for holding a convention in San Francisco this excellent summer.—Chicago Daily News.

"Reduced to Eating Dogs and Cats in Mexico City." Under those circumstances we may justifiably hope it rains cats and dogs down there.

Most Honolulu taxpayers don't care whether the supervisors call it "maintenance" or "repair" just so the streets are fixed.

To make battleships thoroughly safe from torpedo attacks they should be equipped with drydocks.—Chicago Daily News.

If the Robert Dollar ships change to British registry will the line be known as the Robert Pound?

Another blow struck by war at the booze traffic. The Allies have rallied around Limonade.

And meanwhile nobody has rented The Hague Peace Palace for the summer months.

Still, think how much worse it would be with the jitney submarine!

## CABLE ANOTHER THREE THOUSAND TO AID CHINESE

### Woman's Fund Now Totals \$370 and Will Probably Be Brought Up to \$420

Six thousand dollars in Hongkong currency, or more than \$3000 in American coin, is to be cabled today to the Chinese flood sufferers by the Honolulu Chinese Christian Union. With the \$2000 sent in the same cause a few days ago, this makes a splendid showing from this locality, and the committees having charge of collections are highly pleased. Another \$3000 was also sent by Chinese merchants last week.

"The women yesterday did not turn their money in," says C. K. Al, chairman of the relief committees, "but they announced to us that they had collected so far \$370. It is their wish to collect a sum equivalent to \$1000 in Chinese currency, and it will take but \$420 American money to do this. They are holding off until this is secured."

No reports except the one received from Hilo last week have come in from the other islands regarding collections for the fund. This one stated that \$140 had been collected at that time, and a considerable sum is expected from there.

Mr. Al, who was in the Canton province two years ago during the June floods, has seen a small amount of the suffering attendant upon such destruction of property, though the floods at that time were little more than what occur annually. The destruction this year has mounted up much higher than any for many years past.

"The Canton rivers are normally slow flowing and not of great width," says Mr. Al, "but in flood time both the rate of flow and the width of the streams are greatly augmented. The rapidity with which the floods come on is also another reason for loss of property, as the farmers along the banks have little opportunity to guard against the water."

## SHERIDAN FINDS PEOPLE EAGER TO MAKE WORK EASY

The work of investigating the cost of sugar production in the Hawaiian Islands has been begun by Frank J. Sheridan and other special agents of the department of commerce, who arrived in Honolulu in the China Friday and, according to Mr. Sheridan, the work is progressing to their entire satisfaction.

"We are having splendid success," he said today. "We are meeting with a very fine reception everywhere and there seems to be a desire on the part of the planters to have a complete investigation made. Every aid will be given and nothing will be withheld from us."

Mr. Sheridan said that his own work and that of the other agents will be confined to Oahu indefinitely. After the work has been completed on this island, investigations will be made on the other islands.

Dr. Royal Meeker and Victor S. Clark, who arrived in the China to investigate and report on labor conditions in Hawaii for the U. S. department of labor, expect to leave for Hawaii in the Mauna Kea Wednesday to begin active work there.

## ALMOST ONE DIVORCE FOR EACH DAY DURING MONTH JUST PASSED

Twenty-nine suits for divorce, a large number of which were granted, were filed in the circuit court during July. The present month hasn't started off very well in the matter of divorces, says Clerk Dominis, as until noon today no suits had been brought.

The only thing that hinted at divorce today was a demurrer filed by C. W. Cavins to a suit brought against him by Madeline Cavins. The demurrer alleges that the libel does not state facts sufficient to constitute any cause for divorce. The divorce cases of Kentaro Kanekami against Chiyu Kanekami and Catherine M. Doyle against J. W. Doyle have been continued for trial until September 22 and August 9, respectively.

—CAPT. W. H. JOHNSON, 2nd Inf.: I will leave Hawaii with considerable regret, after four interesting years spent here.

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## Personal Mention

WILLIAM G. HALL, manager for several years of Cotton, Neill & Company, has been elected president of the company to succeed Robert Cotton, resigned. Mr. Cotton and family are planning on making their home in Scotland.

FRANK MOIR ANDERSON, formerly of Onomea, Hawaii, who has been trying for some time to secure passports for himself and wife from the United States to Scotland, has written friends in Hilo to the effect that he has at last been granted government permission to make the trip. The Andersons are at present in Northfield, Vermont.

THOMAS J. FLAVIN, postoffice inspector for the district of Hawaii, will leave for the mainland in the steamer Lurline tomorrow for a vacation of six or eight weeks. While on the mainland he will visit the exposition at San Francisco, later going to Seattle and Spokane. Prior to coming to Honolulu, Mr. Flavin was postal inspector for eastern Washington, with headquarters in Spokane.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—"PROBATION" ANDERSON: Judge Ashford says he is in favor of a detention home for children. So am I! The sooner we have one the better.

—JAMES D. LEVENSON: And meanwhile don't forget that the Ad Club is to be represented in a worthwhile way at the Civic Convention on Kauai.

GLENN W. SHAW, former teacher at Mills School, and for the last three years a traveler and teacher in Japan, China and India, is a passenger for Japan on the Manchuria, due here August 6.

—JOSHUA D. TUCKER: I am constantly impressed with the ignorance of travelers who come to the Public Lands office to inquire about homesteading. Most of them seem to think that darkest heathenism exists throughout the interior of the Islands.

—MISS CORA VARNEY: The Y. W. C. A. expects to thoroughly renovate the interior of the building which it has purchased at Alakea and Hotel streets. When this is completed we will have as good an association home as anyone could expect.

—ALBERT P. TAYLOR: That "mysterious letter" certainly has made a hit with a lot of state governors. They all declare they will be pleased to eat Hawaiian pineapple on "Pineapple Day." Incidentally, Hawaii is getting a lot of good publicity.

—JOHN MARTIN: That big "Married on a Bet" advertisement that appeared in last Saturday's Star-Bulletin, was the most unique thing of its kind that I have seen in a long while. Seems to me it ought to be a lot of encouragement to the young folks of the city.

—DANIEL LOGAN: Archivist Lydecker might have answered General Carter's question promptly if he had consulted the old reliable Thrum's Annual, in the 1909 issue of which, under the head of "A Chapter of Firstlings," this memorandum appears: "1892—The first horses were brought to these islands by Captain R. J. Cleveland in the Lilia Bird from the coast and presented to Kamehameha. A mare and foal were landed at Kawaihae, and two horses at Lahaina."

## CAN'T SET-EM-UP TO FRIENDS ON MAUI ANY MORE

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
WAILUKU, July 30.—Unusual interest centered yesterday morning in the second meeting of the newly organized liquor license commissioners, which was held at the Baldwin National Bank. The full board was present to consider the application of two parties for licenses. Manager H. B. Penhallow of the Wailuku Sugar Company was present and strongly opposed granting them. When, however, the matter came up for settlement, Antonio Garcia, who had applied for a second-class license on Market street, withdrew his application, and so also did Yonekichi Kagawa



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for a first-class wholesale license at Waikapu. There will, therefore, be no new licenses granted for the present on Maui. A very important new ruling of the board was passed, which was an anti-treating regulation. The only possible place where treating of any kind will be allowed is in a hotel, where a man is a guest. He cannot treat at the hotel bar, however, nor in any open saloon—only in the dining room. Two deer joined a herd of cows at Sparta, N. J., and grazed with the herd all day. They remained until driven away at night.

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Waikiki	2 " "	40.00
Kinai & Makiki Sts.	3 " "	50.00
Waiatae Road (partly furnished)	15 " "	125.00
Bates St.	3 " "	30.00
3555 Waiatae Rd. (bet. 11th & 12th Aves.)	2 " "	35.00

### UNFURNISHED

Four new cottages, "Royal Grove" (August)		\$35.00 & \$40.00
1325 Palolo Valley Rd.	2 bedrooms	20.00
Wilner Ave. (opp. Oahu College)	4 " "	30.00
602 Wylie St.	4 " "	45.00
1704 King St.	2 " "	30.00
Cor. Kamehameha Ave. & Manoa	2 " "	40.00
Hackfeld & Prospect	2 " "	27.50
1004 W. 5th Ave., Kaimuki	4 " "	16.00
1313 Makiki St.	3 " "	30.00
1205 Wilhelmina Rise, Kaimuki	3 " "	25.00
770 Kinai St.	4 " "	32.50
1339 Wilner Ave.	4 " "	40.00
1877 Kalakaua Ave.	3 " "	20.00
1317 Makiki St.	3 " "	35.00
2144 Lanikuli Drive, Manoa	3 " "	40.00
2130 Kamehameha Ave., Manoa	3 " "	40.00
Lower Manoa Rd. and Hillside	2 " "	37.50
1913 Young St.	2 " "	25.00
Kewalo St.	3 " "	40.00
1058 14th Ave., Kaimuki	2 " "	30.00
811 Lunaflo St.	6 " "	60.00
1562 Nuuanu Ave.	5 " "	50.00
12th and Mauna Aves., Kaimuki	2 " "	15.00
40 Beach walk	3 " "	35.00
1028 Piikoi St.	3 " "	30.00