

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1915. **SECOND-RATERS NOT WANTED.**

### BOOSTERS—BUT NOT BLIND.

Mayor Lane told the Ad Club yesterday that the city administration desires the cooperation of the Ad Club and in particular wants less "knocking" and more boosting.

The Ad Club is by nature and applied art a boosting organization. There isn't any doubt that it will back up the city administration in worthy and progressive measures.

But—

It cannot be expected to back up the creation of a political machine designed to run the city on partisan lines.

It cannot be expected to cooperate in putting in office and keeping in office men whose qualifications are based on the votes they deliver, not the work they deliver.

It cannot be expected to cooperate in playing politics with public improvements.

And—

The mayor and the rest of the city officials can count on the Ad Club to boost whenever the city administration gives it something to boost about.

The way to end knocking is to furnish the subjects for boosting.

### AT THE THROAT OF THE NEUTRALS.

King Constantine's complaint that Greece is being deprived of her sovereignty by the demands of the Allies is not far wrong. The commercial blockade which Great Britain has twice applied is nothing less than determined pressure to force Greece into the war as an ally of the Entente Powers.

It is becoming quite apparent that the lesser kingdoms of Europe are to be forced into the war whether or not they desire to fight—and with little reference to the rights of the situation.

A few days ago a casual announcement from London spoke of the British navy holding Greek merchantmen to their ports. Soon after a despatch said that the Entente Allies were planning an economic and commercial blockade of Greek ports "as a sign of the resentment felt at the failure of Greece to fulfill its treaty obligations with Serbia."

A day or two after that it was "officially denied" in London that any commercial blockade had been applied. Yet, less than a week later, a despatch from London spoke of the blockade having been put in operation "again."

The probability is that these reports and denials marked the varying progress of negotiations between Greece and the Allied diplomats. When Greece seemed on the point of accepting, the blockade was relieved. When Greece drew back, the screws were put on.

If the veil of censorship could be torn aside it would probably be found that the Entente Powers are driving Greece into war on their side by the exercise of their colossal sea-power on Grecian commerce. Whatever the excuse, it does not appeal to the neutral as aught but an exhibition of brutality directed by callous state-craft—the same sort of brutality as was in evidence a few months ago when Germany demanded passage across Rumania for munitions for Turkey. "Military necessity" is the justification in both cases.

The American may or may not agree with the reasons which have caused King Constantine to strive to hold his country neutral. He may or may not agree that the Allies must have Greek aid to win the new Balkan campaign. In any event he can hardly be unmoved at the idea of the Entente Powers gripping Greece by the throat and demanding aid upon penalty of starvation.

The German submarine warfare upon merchant vessels, with its decorative embellishments of the Lusitania and Arabic sinkings; the British commercial blockade of neutral ports with which the United States were trading—both of these have somewhat prepared America for violation of international law and neutral rights. Greece, whose commerce is necessary to her existence, is now feeling the iron hand of "military necessity." The doctrine is repugnant to the New World. But until the neutrals combine and stand together, the Old World dynasties will continue to argue for the divine right of kings and to hold that "the state" must stand though mercy and justice and conscience, individual rights and truth and honor, be trampled underfoot.

"No partisan fight over preparedness," say Washington despatches, but if William Jennings Bryan has his way there'll be a factional fight.

Reports of a change in administration at the Boys' Industrial School are well-founded, judging by the candidates appearing for Superintendent Tucker's position.

A glance at the list of candidates as given by the morning paper suggests that some of them do not appreciate the magnitude of the task of handling this important juvenile institution.

Is the Waialeale school to be made the football of politics?

Is the superintendency to be passed out to some "deserving" politician?

Is the reform school to be given to hands untried either in dealing with juveniles or in administering a business institution of considerable importance?

Any such solution of the pressing problem out at Waialeale will be an injury to the community, a moral wrong visited upon the boys.

What this school needs is a man of big heart, firm hand, understanding of youngsters and experience in working with them. No second-raters should be entrusted with responsibility for the whole future of nearly 150 youngsters. The administration of this school can, or should, determine whether these boys are to emerge criminals or useful citizens of the territory.

It may be that the solution of the problem lies in finding as superintendent a man fitted by nature and training to give the boys the lift up the rocky road they must travel, and supplying him with an assistant to take charge of the industrial work of the school and handle its bookkeeping.

There is no question that Superintendent Tucker has been hampered by insufficient assistance and by lack of several associates of big enough caliber to handle the different situations that arose. And if there is any change to be made in the school's administration, it should be in the direction of liberality.

The Star-Bulletin has been asked if it has any "candidate for Tucker's job." Certainly not. But this paper, as an organ of public sentiment, is deeply interested in seeing that the school be subjected neither to political debt-paying nor to administration by hands incapable of dealing with, and brains incapable of appreciating, the large problem and larger opportunity at Waialeale.

More sugar is produced in Germany each year than it can consume. Last year's crop of sugar beets was unusually large, and the present crop is said to promise well, but the price of sugar has nevertheless increased more than 25 per cent. In connection with this state of affairs, a letter to the Lokal Anzeiger declares that the country's largest sugar refinery has this year declared a dividend of 20 per cent, against ten last year.

In spite of jeers and jibes, the city detective squad under Captain McDuffie has gone steadily ahead in its pursuit of the Korean gunman, Yee Yo Keuk, and had now captured him. That caution was as necessary a part of the police program as courage was shown by the desperate fight the outlaw put up. Any one of the bullets he fired might have ended a life worth much more than his own.

King Albert of Belgium is credited with saying that his country has lost everything save honor. Possibly this remark may occur to the king of Serbia, now fighting with his soldiers in the trenches to save what little of his unhappy country remains out of hostile hands.

Our old friend Chun Duck Soon can't keep out of the news. He used to figure by getting out of jail with all the nonchalant ease of a Jack McGrath. Now he is just as busy getting his former pal into jail.

Bryan is going to join the peace party after it has worked awhile in Europe. Sort of ninth-inning pinch-hitter, eh!

Honolulu's road policy might well be, "Thousands for taxation but not one cent for politics."

The Navy is woefully inefficient—and Congressman Gardner will prove it by the records of the football season!

Bagdad, Gorizia and Riga are a long time falling.

U. S. Protests indicate a suspicion that the British have put the steamer Hocking in soak.

## Letters OF THE DAY TIMELY TOPICS

IS THIS A WORTHY RESPONSE?

Editor Star-Bulletin.

Sir: The Chamber of Commerce, made up of the leading financial and commercial representatives of Honolulu, is struggling over a deficit of \$800 in the coffers of that ancient and sometimes sleepy institution. Its directors rise up in solid phalanx to protect the integrity of a voluntary tax known as the wharfage tax. This money cannot and shall not be used.

In other words this representative organization of wealth is poor, hampered because it is poor.

This is the response to a condition of prosperity and guarantee of financial and industrial strength such as Honolulu and Hawaii have never known.

This is the response to the settlement of the sugar situation that makes the expensive lobby in Washington absolutely useless.

This is the response to a condition that makes the punting up of \$20,000 campaign funds useless.

What are the so-called leaders of this territory going to do with their prosperity, continue to cry poverty and just sit and soak in it? It seems to me this is a mistake.

JOHN BARLEYCORN.

### COMPANY G IS HOST TO LIEUT. R. G. McDONNELL

#### Smoker Given at Fort Shafter in Honor of Officer Who Has Just Won Commission

A smoker was given by Company G, 2nd Infantry, Wednesday evening, in honor of Lieut. Richard T. McDonnell, formerly a sergeant of Company G, who accepted his commission as lieutenant, December 4.

Lieut. McDonnell has been with the company since October 14, 1915, having transferred from Company L, 21st Infantry. Regardless of the fact that he was transferred into a company where all the men were strangers to him he soon proved himself to be worthy of much esteem and was well liked by all the members of the company. Best wishes of the company for his future success and welfare shall accompany him throughout his career.

Captain R. H. Peck, 2nd Infantry, Co. G, gave an opening address at 8 o'clock, which was much appreciated by all present. He endeavored to point out to the men the necessity of an honorable and ambitious life, to always strive for the things that are higher, and to endeavor to reach a goal which all men should be proud to obtain.

Following his address a talk was given by Lieut. Richard T. McDonnell, which was very interesting. He touched upon the good reputation of the company and 1st Sgt. Walter Christensen, which is known throughout the United States army.

Put On Boxing Gloves.

At 9 the boxing gloves were donned by Privts. Cloninger and Houillon of Company G, who for the sake of the fans of the ring illustrated a few snappy points of the science.

Bout two was between May and Reed of Company G. Good points were exhibited.

Bout three, Manna of Co. G vs. Zackras of Co. K. This was a quick bout all the way through and both proved to be experienced in the game.

Bout four, Scott of Co. K vs. "Babe" Martin of M. G. Co. Both men showed their cleverness of the game. Martin is well known by all the fans of the ring to be a clever and clean boxer.

Bout five, Janca vs. Hallmann, both of Co. G. This bout proved to be very interesting and caused repeated laughs throughout the ordeal. The gloves were strangers to both men, however, it was much appreciated.

Bout six, Stack vs. Woods, both of Co. G. Owing to the men not being in training, this bout was called in the second round.

Bout seven, Schumann of Co. H vs. Zackras of Co. K. This was a fast and scientific bout all the way through. Schumann has been seen in the ring quite a few times on the island and holds a good record.

Bout eight, Scott of Co. K vs. Marksbury of M. G. Co. This bout was called in the first round.

Bout nine, Manna of Co. G vs. Adler of Co. E. This bout proved to be very interesting. Good points were shown.

Espey Was Referee.

All the above bouts were refereed by Pvt. Espey, Co. G, who gave a square deal to all, and exhibited an excellent knowledge of the science.

Pvt. Baker, Co. K, a member of the K Company quartet, sang a song which was appreciated by all.

Pvt. Drelich, Co. G, sang a Hebrew melody, which was entertaining. He proved to be a good singer.

Pvt. Marshall, a contortionist of Co. F, gave an exhibition which was well worth seeing, barring the fact that he was suffering with a broken hand.

Pvt. McCorry, Co. G, contributed to

### NEWSPAPERMEN WILL HEAR TALK BY EVANGELIST

#### "Making Excuses" to Be Subject of Address in Central Union Church Tonight

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**TODAY'S PROGRAM**

3:30 p. m.—Students' rally in Central Union church. Address by evangelist on subject "Barab—bas vs. Christ."

6:30 p. m.—Visit to Kamehameha schools by Evangelist Brown and Soloist Curry.

7:30 p. m.—"Newspaper Night" at Central Union church. Address by Evangelist Brown on subject "Making Excuses." Music by augmented choir led by Soloist Curry.

**TOMORROW'S PROGRAM**

3:30 p. m.—Combined morning and afternoon service, to which students and other young people of Honolulu are earnestly invited. Address by Evangelist Brown on subject "What is Consecration?"

7:30 p. m.—"Student's Night" at Central Union church. Address by Evangelist Brown on subject "The Prodigal Son Down to Now."

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It will be "Newspapermen's Night" at Central Union church this evening, and a cordial invitation to attend the service is extended by Evangelist John E. Brown through the Star-Bulletin to all persons who are connected with the various departments of Honolulu's newspapers.

"Making Excuses" will be the subject of Evangelist Brown's address. "It will be a message which will appeal not only to newspapermen," he said today, "but to all others in the city. I want to see Central Union church packed to the doors tonight."

Fine Musical Program.

In addition to the address there will be a musical program by the augmented choir under the leadership of Soloist C. P. Curry. Mr. Curry will sing.

There will be no morning service in Central Union church tomorrow. This service will be combined with one to be held in the church at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time Evangelist Brown will bring to a close the series of talks which he has been giving during the week. Young people and students are especially urged to hear the address, which will be on the subject "What is Consecration?"

At this morning's service Evangelist Brown urged that everyone make an effort to get the older people of Honolulu to attend the campaign services. Messrs Brown and Curry will leave for the mainland in the steamer Matsonia next Wednesday.

A summary of last night's sermon is to be found on page 9.

the entertainment a song which was liked by all.

Pvt. Bridges of Co. G, who has served three years with the company and who will return to the states on the January transport, gave a closing talk by the wishes of the company. Bridges was cook in the company nearly two years and well liked by everybody. He has proved his excellence as a soldier throughout his service. The best wishes of the company go with him for his success in civil life.

Music was rendered by the "Tropical Glee Club, Jr.," which was excellent. Excellent sandwiches were furnished under the supervision of Cooks Leibowitz and Lawler.

Repeated cheers was given throughout the evening for Lieut. McDonnell and 1st Sgt. Christensen.

## CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL IS LATEST PLAN AT Y. M. C. A.

Following the announcement that the Y. M. C. A. will establish a day school comes the report that the association will establish a correspondence school. Educational Secretary Jay A. Urice announced this morning that the first steps in the correspondence school course would be inaugurated with a course in Spanish.

Clifford Spitzer, who has had charge of the Spanish class at the Y. M. C. A. for three years, will be the first instructor under the new plan. Mr. Spitzer will hold his Monday night class in Spanish, and will then give the students questions to answer during the week. The students will be furnished with mailing cards which will be forwarded to the teacher each evening.

This is the first step in the organization of education by mail locally, and will be followed by other classes if the Spanish correspondence class proves to be successful. Mr. Urice stated this morning that the students would be able to improve their work more than 100 per cent when the class is formed. The first work in the mail course will be given to students next Monday evening.

### PERSONALITIES

HENRY L. KAWEWELI, member of the last house of representatives, has recommended his son-in-law, Kalkano Aika, to the position of wharfinger at Keahou, Kona, Hawaii, the home of the legislator and his relative. His recommendation was read yesterday at the meeting of the board.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—A. W. HANSEN: Bad eggs are "tabu" in Honolulu, from the looks of things. Some of these days, however, I'm going to make another inspection and see if conditions are as good as they are now.

—RAY RIETOW: Only one declaration of intention to become an American citizen has been filed in federal court since the first of the month. Business along this line seems to be dropping pretty low.

—J. J. SMIDDY: Mome Isaacs, the millionaire who says there is a lot of raw material in Hawaii that could be used in making various kinds of products, probably will return to Honolulu the first of the year.

—WILLIAM F. YOUNG, postmaster: We are certainly getting plenty of mail from mainland these days—at least I mean it is coming in big bunches. We would like three ships a week to bring in 300 sacks each, better than one boat with a thousand once a week.

—MALCOLM A. FRANKLIN, collector of customs: One of the most energetic Honolulu boosters I met in Washington was Byron Newton, assistant secretary of the treasury. He told everyone who would listen that Hawaii is the most beautiful place and has the most hospitable people of any land he has ever known.

—ARTHUR E. CARTER, special harbor detective, police department: There is too much sympathy for the stowaway. People don't realize that in many cases he is a fugitive from justice. Nine out of every ten stowaways from Honolulu are deserters from the army. There have been 30 cases in the last few months. The only way to stop it is to bring them all back. When they know it is useless to try to get away, they'll stop.

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