

Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1915. THE DOCTRINE OF NON-RESISTANCE.

WAR AND THE CHILDREN.

Strikingly contradictory opinions were expressed at a recent meeting of the Royal Sanitary Institute in London concerning whether the threatened decrease of babies, as a result of the war, should be regarded as a calamity or a blessing, says Associated Press correspondent.

The subject discussed was labelled, "The National and Social Aspects of the Lowered Birth Rate." Some of the speakers demanded that the government should take the matter in hand and do everything possible to encourage and popularize maternity. Others—though it should be stated they were in a minority—held that the fewer babies born, for some time to come at least, the better it would be for the country. Two speakers may be cited as representative of these divergent views.

Sir John Cockburn urged the need of greater inducements to raise the birth rate. Maternity, he said, now involved too heavy a tax on the poorer classes. He would have the government provide bonuses on a liberal scale for maternity and make a substantial reduction in the income tax for each child born. "We need," he declared, "to revive the mediæval view which regarded sterility as a curse."

Dr. Dunlop boldly took the Malthusian view. He looked forward, he declared, with cheerfulness, to a further reduction of the birthrate. The encouragement of "parental prudence" among the poor was urgently needed at the present moment. He foretold a serious rise in the death rate and great poverty in the next year or two, and if the thoughtful scientific people were so blind that they did not speak out, it would be far better for many children that they had never been born. The only hope of avoiding great hardship in the first few years after the war was by very a sharp fall in the birth-rate now.

A businessman who has been looking into the statistics of road-building in Honolulu says that for every eleven or twelve road-laborers there are three or four "lunas" or sub-bosses. He says also that the accounts in the road department are several months behind-hand, and that clerks who should be working on accounts are holding down jobs as lunas. This is a matter that the supervisors, in the midst of their budget-making for next year, might well take into consideration. Reduction of overhead charges for running the city would go far to satisfy the tax-payers.

Lloyd George says that at the beginning of the war the Teutons had a "mechanical preponderance." The Allies have yet to show that such is not the case at present.

For the littlest fellow in this war it's simply a case of Montenegrin and bear it.

It appears that the Greek "neutral zone" was easily punctured.

OPPOSITION, BUT PUNAHOU TO TRY MILITARY DRILL

Beginning as a discussion by parents and those interested in Oahu College as to the advisability of introducing primary military training into the school the debate last night swerved several times, and touched on the European war and Japanese relations.

While Capt. Edward K. Massee, acting judge advocate, Hawaiian Department, who has offered to train the students should the military feature be adopted, stated that the training would consist of setting up exercises, marching, platoon and squad work and camp sanitation, without the use of guns, those opposed to militarism looked on the movement as distinctly warlike, and strongly protested.

Capt. Massee said the drill instruction was proposed for the four highest preparatory grades and all the academy, but would not be compulsory for students. He expressed the opinion that obedience, politeness, manliness and physical strength would be fostered by the proposed course. The uniform, he said, would consist of white duck trousers, white shirt and cap, and a black belt. He was introduced by President A. F. Griffiths, who presided at the meeting.

Ebersole in Opposition. Other speakers on both sides of the question followed Capt. Massee. The strongest address opposing military training was delivered by Rev. A. A. Ebersole, who said he was an advocate of the policy of non-resistance even when wronged, and that he thought the founders of Punahou

would be grieved, were they here, to see military training introduced in the school. He said he would have to take his boy from school if the plan was adopted. David Carey Peters, pastor of the Christian church made the same statement. Others who spoke opposing drills in Punahou were Rev. Frank S. Scudder, Henry Culman and James A. Rath.

Mr. Rath, referring to Capt. Massee's remarks about good manners being taught through military instruction, said that unless a boy was trained in politeness before he was seven years old, instruction would do him no good. He expressed his conviction that military instruction for small boys in school is a mistake. Adopted Plan in 1862.

Answering those opposed to the plan, Judge Dole called attention to the fact that Punahou adopted military training from 1862 to 1865 and that none of those instrumental in founding the college made any objection.

"Military instruction did us good then, physically and in other ways, nor did it as far as I know make any of the students bloodthirsty or warlike. We do not regard this step as having anything to do with war, but since the question of preparedness has been brought up, it is fair to say that preparedness is not for aggression but for self defense. Non-resistance is not practicable.

"Here we need defense. Three years ago this was so apparent that the government sent in immense quantities of rations and ammunition, and I presume they had reason at the time for doing so. While we may never have war with another nation, if we treat all nations justly, as Mr. Ebersole says, still the time may come, as it has before, when some other nation will think we are not treating them justly, even though we are doing as fairly as we can in the light that is given us, and if it does, it will be well to have our young men trained in the rudiments of drill and tactics." Wants Boy Scout System. James A. Wilder entered a plea for

The doctrine of non-resistance, held by some of the speakers at the hearing last night on military drill for Punahou academy, is distinctly not in consonance with the principles on which the Republic of the United States was founded and on which it has endured through decades of storm and stress.

Non-resistance would neither have created this republic in 1776 nor saved it in 1860.

If this were a nation of non-resistants, we should not now be giving the world its greatest example of peace; we should not now be in position to succor the helpless smaller people ground under the juggernaut of war; we should not now be in position to oppose the principles of right, justice and humanity to the bloody deeds of might, injustice, inhumanity.

If this becomes a nation of non-resistants, professionally turning the cheek for another blow, meekly submitting to tyranny and oppression, we will not endure as a nation. The United States of America will either be parceled among the ambitious Powers or placed under a protectorate and exploited for all the profit that remains in a flabby people which has yielded its birthright of freedom and crawled under a master's feet. But that time will never come.

At the University of Berlin the roll of honor of its students and professors who have fallen in the present war already covers three large blackboards, which are surrounded by laurel wreaths, in the main lobby of the central building. These tablets contain the names of eight professors and lecturers, one official, and not less than 241 students. Among the latter are 32 students of theology, 50 of law, 27 of medicine, and 123 of various branches of the philosophical department.

We expect that Mr. Wilson will experience no ill effects from eating his words today, as in this respect he has the digestion of an ostrich.—Boston Herald.

The length of time required to find a "deserving Democrat" for Judge Dole's place should not be put down as a cruel reflection on the Bourbon party in Hawaii.

Speaking of economy, you simply can't write "Democratic" in less than ten figures.—Boston Transcript.

Lord Derby's now-famous plan seems to be a painless method of putting the "con" in conscription.

The Allies may now ascribe their withdrawal from Serbia to an astute strategic plan for embroiling the Bulgarians and Greeks.

A war-correspondent refers to Rumania's calm as "uncanny." But rather isn't it canny?

For the gift-hunter it's now getting to be a proposition of shopping early and late.

DOLE BOOST BY CHAMBER HAS WEIGHT

Letter With Resolution Being Given Special Consideration By Attorney General's Office at Washington

That the message sent to Washington by the Chamber of Commerce recommending Judge Sanford B. Dole's reappointment as federal judge is being given special attention by the attorney general is the promise in a letter received this morning by the chamber secretary, Raymond C. Brown, from Assistant Attorney General Samuel J. Graham. The letter says, under date of December 7:

"My Dear Sir: Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd ultimo, transmitting a copy of a resolution by the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii attesting to the high standing of Judge Dole in the Islands, and expressing the hope that he may be reappointed as United States district judge for Hawaii.

"I am very glad to have the information which you give concerning Judge Dole, and your letter and resolution will be given special consideration.

"Respectfully, "For the Attorney General, "SAMUEL J. GRAHAM, "Assistant Attorney General."

Further acknowledgment of the resolution in Washington was received today by the chamber from the secretary to Delegate J. K. Kalaniana'ole, after a trip to the mainland.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Flock arrived today on the Wilhelmina, to stop over here until the next steamer for Australia.

Douglas Damon, a well-known "Honolulu boy," was among the returning Honoluluans on the Wilhelmina today.

Miss Helen Wilder was among the Honoluluans returning this morning on the Wilhelmina after a trip to the mainland.

Miss Ida Moore, a Kentucky society girl, arrived today on the Wilhelmina for a visit here. She is staying at the Moana.

Roy C. Blackbear, salesman for Benson, Smith & Company, Ltd., returned today from a vacation on the mainland.

F. W. Klebahn, secretary of H. Hackfeld & Company, returned from California today, much benefited by a six weeks' vacation.

Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Dodge of Maui are homecoming passengers on the Wilhelmina. They have visited the states extensively.

Mrs. C. Montague Cooke was a homecoming passenger on the Wilhelmina today. Mrs. James Roberts, her mother, is with her.

Emil C. Peters, the attorney, returned on the Wilhelmina today, accompanied by Mrs. Peters and their daughter, Miss Mapuana Peters.

Attorney Alexander D. Larnach returned on the Wilhelmina this morning from San Francisco. He was accompanied by Mrs. Larnach.

Mrs. Charles Chillingworth, wife of Deputy City Attorney Charles Chillingworth, was a returning passenger on the Wilhelmina this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Berg returned to this city today on the Wilhelmina. Mr. Berg is president and manager of the Bishop Insurance Agency, Ltd.

Mrs. C. A. Drew, wife of Charles A. Drew, claims agent here for the Matson Navigation Company, came back to Honolulu today on the Wilhelmina.

Dr. J. F. Townsend, a retired naval surgeon, U. S. N., arrived in Honolulu this morning on the Wilhelmina, to see the islands. Mrs. Townsend is with him.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Catton were among the homeward bound Honoluluans on the Wilhelmina today. Mr. Catton is with Ripley & Davis, architects.

Charles Okell, San Francisco insurance man and capitalist, arrived on the Wilhelmina today, accompanied by Mrs. Okell, for a visit here. They are stopping at the Moana.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McGrew were among the returning Honoluluans on the Wilhelmina this morning. Mrs. McGrew is a daughter of Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Henry Bond Restarick.

Mrs. Paul Withington, daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Henry Bond Restarick, arrived today on the Wilhelmina from San Francisco. Mr. Withington has been in the war zone, as a member of the Harvard unit of 35

ARRIVALS FROM MAINLAND TODAY

Miss M. Copeland returned on the Wilhelmina today.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Hoby are home from a mainland trip.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cooke returned to this city today on the Wilhelmina.

Mrs. T. T. Farm returned to Honolulu this morning on the Wilhelmina.

Miss Alice Macfarlane returned to Honolulu this morning on the Wilhelmina.

Guy Macfarlane was a passenger on the Wilhelmina, which docked this morning.

Dr. E. A. Clay, a Honolulu dentist, returned to this city today on the Wilhelmina from San Francisco.

Miss Helen Macfarlane arrived in Honolulu again today on the Wilhelmina.

Personal, Mentioned

FRANK C. POOR, clerk of the harbor board, is confined to his home with a bad cold.

J. C. FOSS, JR., contractor on the Kuliou wharf road at Hilo, arrived this morning on the Mauna Kea.

MRS. THOMAS REWCASTLE is improving at her home on Kinau street, under the care of Dr. Straub.

ALBERT HARRIS, deputy U. S. marshal, has been confined to his home for the last week with dengue fever.

E. C. S. CRABBE, collector in the internal revenue office at Hilo, arrived this morning from Hilo with "evidence" taken in a recent raid on a Chinese opium joint on Hawaii.

R. W. BRECKONS, local attorney, may leave for the mainland in the Great Northern next Sunday on his way to Washington, D. C., where he has not visited for about 12 years.

LORRIN ANDREWS, local attorney, who went to Washington as delegate to a meeting of the Republican national committee, is expected to return to Honolulu in the steamer Matsonia on January 4.

MISS CECELIA WRIGHT, who is completing a tour of the world for the United Press Association, was a through passenger in the Tenyo Maru today on her way to the mainland. Miss Wright, who is known as the "adopted daughter of the American navy," passed through Honolulu last June on her way to Australia.

L. L. WHEELER of Sterling, Ill., father of A. C. Wheeler, acting superintendent of public works, arrived this morning on the Wilhelmina in company with his daughter, Miss Grace Wheeler. They will remain in the islands for several months. Mr. Wheeler was here about three years ago but says he was so pleasantly impressed with the islands that he could not resist the temptation to return.

NO TERRITORIAL BOY SCOUT RALLY DURING CARNIVAL

There will be a Boy Scout's rally in the Carnival program, but it will not be a territorial rally. Difficulties of transportation from the other islands have proved insuperable.

Commissioner James A. Wilder found that it would cost him in the neighborhood of \$1300 to bring as many Scouts to Honolulu for the Carnival as he could reasonably expect from the different troops organized on Hawaii, Kauai and Maui.

This was more than he could pay and more than the Carnival board of directors thought it prudent to underwrite as an obligation. The figures are based on the regular deck rate charged by the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company, and the company declined to make any reduction, though its cabin fares will be cut, as in years past.

Moreover there was conflict with the department of education. Some of the boys would have to be absent from school a week or more, and this Superintendent Kinney would not list ten to. An excursion steamer was out of the question and the project was regretfully dropped.

Accordingly there will be none but Oahu Boy Scouts in the rally. It will be the same program, but instead of a maximum of 450 boys there will be a little less than half that number.

This afternoon the Hawaiian Band is playing at the Territorial Insane Asylum. A band concert will be given this evening at the Kalihii pumping station.

Capt. James E. Hussey, reinstated to the New York police department by the court of appeals after he had served a term on Blackwell's island, reported for duty and was assigned to the office of Chief Inspector Max P. Schmittberger.

Physicians doing hospital work at the French front.

Dr. St. D. G. Walters arrived in Honolulu today on the Wilhelmina. He has been away since October 12 and visited the leading hospitals of San Francisco to observe the latest developments in medical science and practise here. He attended the closing day of the exposition, December 4, when the attendance rose close to 450,000.

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