

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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## CHEAP BARRACKS CONSTRUCTION NO ECONOMY.

The damage done by the high winds at Schofield and Castner during the last few days furnishes an unanswerable argument in favor of strong construction for the new barracks shortly to be built.

It is reported on good authority that the federal government plans to put up no permanent structures for the 6000 additional soldiers soon to come to Hawaii. Necessity for economy is the supposed reason.

The argument of economy has been torn into tatters in the last 60 hours—while the wind was tearing into tatters roofs and walls at Schofield. It is no economy to build even temporary structures which are likely to be demolished by the first lively breeze that comes frisking over the plains of Leilehua. Furthermore, the posts nearer town are not immune from the high winds. Not long ago a set of quarters at Shafter was almost demolished.

To residents of those portions of the mainland where are storms of real violence, the winds which have visited Honolulu in the last three days will not seem great. It is only the lightest of structures which suffer. Little costly damage is done. There is no need for the federal government to spend a great deal of money erecting heavy construction to house its troops. On the other hand, temporary buildings are not adequate. That was known before this storm, and the storm has only confirmed the strong belief of capable and experienced men who have studied the situation.

## THE PASSING OF JEFF M'CARN.

The passing of Jeff McCarn from Hawaii is a good thing for Hawaii and a good thing for McCarn.

Few men have come here under such favorable auspices, have been more cordially received, have been given such general community backing at the beginning of an administration in public office. None has been more deeply disappointing. From the first cases the new district attorney tried in the federal court, his attitude as an officer of the law was revealed. He made a quarrel out of every difference of opinion and an insult out of every comment. As an attorney, he could not endure the professional tactics of opposing counsel, while frequently and with ill success attempting tactics just as irritating and often far more impregnated with slurs and insinuations. It seemed that from the start he made a practise of suspecting the motives of everyone in Hawaii who would not instantly agree with every vagary of his opinion and action. His lack of self-control made him easy game for just the sort of retaliation which comes to a public officer with a chip always on his shoulder; when he was one of the principals in a courthouse brawl he had forfeited the sympathy and support that otherwise might have been his.

After his trials and final acquittal—the circumstances of which need not be again reviewed—there was quite evident on the part of the community a disposition to help him "come back." McCarn himself made such cooperation impossible and the old, irritating incidents and influences soon brought the situation to quite as unfortunate a pass as before. He criticised and caviled at grand jurors, trial jurors, judges, court officials, other attorneys, fellow Democrats and Hawaii in general. What knowledge of the law and ability to handle cases he possessed was obscured—easily obscured—by the turmoil and atmosphere of hostility which surrounded his office. Federal court officials for months have been saying sotto voce that the business of the district attorney's office was woefully ill-done. At one time, prior to the arrival of Mr. Vaughan, cases accumulated for months that should have been disposed of, said the attaches of the court. Meanwhile McCarn was visiting the mainland and giving out interviews about the gangs which were trying to "do him up" in Hawaii, the press, the planters, etc., etc.

He came with the avowed intention of "cleaning up the bad spots in Honolulu." His achievements in this direction are ridiculously small. The hung juries and acquittals in the federal court where he was prosecuting became notorious long, long ago. Both the character of the cases—largely sex-cases—which he inaugurated and his manner of trying them made the district attorney's office a tragic joke and lowered the standing of the federal court. If his tenure of office has operated to diminish crime, it is not apparent to the naked eye. What it has operated to do is to weaken the

reputation of the district attorney's office as a public office working to enforce the law in an impartial, unbiased, level-headed, effective manner.

The passing of Jeff McCarn from Hawaii will allow the reorganization of the district attorney's work, and his successor will not inherit the failure of McCarn, for Hawaii holds that failure to be purely personal.

There are many men here who have recognized McCarn's willingness to fight against heavy odds, while entirely disagreeing with his methods. He had qualities which might have made his work here wonderfully effective, were they not submerged by other characteristics. In some other office, where the acid test will not be applied to his legal ability, and where noise and vituperation can pass for logic and sound conclusion, he may be successful.

It is about as certain as anything that McCarn will direct a vitriolic attack on Hawaii when he reaches the mainland. He has done it before. For that reason it is proper now, as he is leaving the territory, to point out the main causes of his utter failure as a public official. Those causes spring from within the Tennessean himself.

## FOREDOOMED TO FAILURE.

A reader of the mainland papers as well as of the island press writes the Star-Bulletin that criticism and ridicule of Henry Ford's "peace expedition" is out of place, and Ford's attempts to bring about peace are to his credit.

No doubt Mr. Ford has many sincere believers in the usefulness of what he undertook, and few Americans but will confess to at least some admiration for this venture, quixotic as it is. The widespread suspicion that Mr. Ford is not ignoring the advertising possibilities of his scheme will not eradicate this admiration for a man who is willing to spend half a million dollars or so without a quiver.

Yet Mr. Ford's mission may be a positive harm, not only to the United States but to the cause of peace. His party was and is representative neither of American brains nor American ideals. It was denied official recognition by this country, which insured a similar denial by European countries. The bickering of propagandists destroyed the unity of the party and made their individual deportment as ridiculous as their combined assumptions of success.

The government of the United States has been holding itself in readiness to take up the slightest authoritative intimation that one or another of the belligerents was ready for peace proposals. This nation, as the most powerful and influential of the neutrals, is the one to which the warring countries will turn as an intermediary. An abortive and premature peace move such as that made by the Ford party is likely to impair to some degree the standing of the United States as a potential peace-maker. These propagandists have brought upon the United States the ridicule of such Europeans as do not know how thoroughly the "peace expedition" has been discredited in this country. Their misplaced enthusiasms have entirely blinded their judgment. The failure of the Ford party has been foreseen and forecast from the day of its announcement. And this failure was a certainty when the peace delegates began fighting among themselves. Then the essential nobility of their professed aim was hopelessly marred.

Statistical experts compute that by this time between 987,634 and 15,345,678 American wives have been assured, "That was just exactly what I wanted, dearie."

This is the day when the man with the non-inflammable cigars and the man with the knitted carpet-slippers meet and exchange condolences.

There are one hundred well-known ways of reaching success, one of which is being lucky and the other ninety-nine being energetic.

Despatches say that the "holy war" is even more bloody than the unholy variety.

Greece has either a group of remarkable diplomats or a bunch of slick liars.

Everything came Hawaii's way for Christmas, including the rain.

Still, one can always send some of these presents to the Belgians.

And Santa Claus has been interned for another year.

## NATIONAL PARK AT KILAUEA NOW UP TO CONGRESS

### Hawaii's Delegate Introduces Bill Which is Referred to Committee

Kilauea National Park is again before Congress. On December 5, Delegate J. K. Kulanianole introduced a bill in the house of representatives known as H. R. 68, providing for the establishment of such a park in the territory of Hawaii.

Approximately 56,315 acres of land are provided for in the bill, besides a strip of land of sufficient width to form a road to the park.

The park shall be under the control of the secretary of interior, and he shall make and publish such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary or proper for the care and management of it.

These regulations shall provide for the preservation from injury of all timber, birds, mineral deposits, and natural curiosities or wonders within the park and their retention in natural condition as nearly as possible.

Provision is made by which the secretary may grant leases at such annual rental as he may see fit, but such leases are not to exceed terms of 20 years each, and not more than 20 acres may be leased by the same person or firm. Furthermore the lease must not include any of the objects of curiosity or interest in the park, or exclude the public from visiting them.

Permission may be granted by the secretary for the erection of scientific buildings in the park, or for railroad rights of way into and across it. Possession of the land may be secured for the federal government by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, but the cost of gaining possession shall not exceed \$50,000.

Following its introduction in the house, the bill was referred to the committee on agriculture, and ordered to be printed.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

**SHERIFF JARRETT:** The best time I had Christmas was watching the boys in Oahu prison enjoy their Christmas tree.

**PETER HOSE:** Since the Star-Bulletin published that story about me everybody I know is calling me "Smiling Pete." But I should worry; I've got a new haircut.

**ROBERT E. BOOTH,** treasurer, Fred. L. Waldron, Ltd.: I was surprised to see so large a turnout of people last night at Pier 6 when the Great Northern sailed. There was a good-sized crowd, in spite of the stormy weather and the late hour.

**WILLIAM C. PETERSON,** assistant postmaster: That Christmas rush certainly was strenuous. We are loafing today, comparatively speaking. The 508 sacks coming in tomorrow on the Manoa will be "pie" to handle, compared with what we had to do last week.

**JOHN K. CLARKE,** manager Hind, Rolph & Company: The Ivanhoe's iron hull was one reason why she gave so many years of service. Iron hulls outlast steel hulls many times over. They rust over on the surface, but don't corrode like steel, when there is no paint covering them.

## LETTERS

### DEFENSE FOR HENRY FORD.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin. Sir: I, for one, am sorry that Mr. Ford has been compelled to turn back from his peace mission. To my way of thinking ridicule for Mr. Ford and his good intentions is out of place.

He is certainly a splendid type of the American citizen with no hyphen, and as such is the easy equal of any European gentleman, even though he has no title except "American Citizen," which was neither acquired nor hereditary.

So far as his attempt to bring about peace are concerned, they are to his credit, and not half as impudent or preposterous as the steady stream of criticism and near-abuse that flow incessantly from superior (?) Europe of nearly everything American.

### FORDITE.

Positions of 369 triangulation stations in West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri are given by the United States coast and geodetic survey, in special publication No. 30, which has just been issued. The work forms part of a transcontinental triangulation from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

## 'BEST CHRISTMAS EVER' REPORT AT FT. KAMEHAMEHA

### 143rd Company Mess Hall is Joyous Scene for Yuletide Feasting

It is said out Kamehameha way that Capt. Charles D. Winn and his company of coast artillerymen are about the most roval entertainers that the army has seen in a long while. The "old timers" are saying that, and any visitor on Christmas Day for dinner would have said the same.

Responding to invitations sent out earlier in the day, many officers and ladies of the fort came to view the beautifully decorated mess hall and the generous repast.

At 12:30 o'clock, led by Captain and Mrs. Winn, the officers and their ladies, Lieut. and Mrs. Mather, Capt. and Mrs. French, Mrs. Fauntleroy, Master Coe, the post non-commissioned staff and their families, and the men of the company and guests amid many "Ahs!" and "Ohs!" of admiration were ushered into the 143rd Company mess hall which was a veritable forest bower of ferns, palms and flowers from the ceiling to the floor, which was strewn with them. The curtains were drawn, and hundreds of candles peeped out from among the ferns provided light. Beneath a beautiful Christmas tree sat the Kamehameha glee club and quartet of Honolulu, playing the beautiful melodies of Hawaii. The tree had all the customary accessories, being a real treat for the little tots present, who fairly crowed with delight. Even the older folk were caught stealing glances at it—faster than one would expect—sometimes just a bit wistfully, too.

The feast was truly a feast. Everyone showed appreciation in a very fitting manner, for while there was plenty and more of everything good to eat provided, yet very little remained, a tribute indeed to the cooks. Thanks are due to Mess Sergeant John P. Grozan for the bountiful provision, while neither last nor least, Cooks Trepanner and Guintoli come in for their share for the delicious manner in which it was prepared and served. Place cards containing the menu, company roster and a full page photograph of the company were retained as souvenirs of the event.

The menu provided was as follows:

- Oyster Soup
- Crackers Celery Olives
- Sweet Pickles
- Shrimp Salad
- Barbecued Pig With Apple Sauce
- Asparagus Tips With Mayonnaise
- Barbecued Loin of Beef
- Cream Gravy
- Roast Turkey with Oyster Dressing
- Creamed Washed Potatoes
- Candied Sweet Potatoes
- Creamed Peas
- Creamed Corn
- Cauliflower with Dressed Butter
- Apple Pie Coconut Pie Pear Pie
- Mince Pie
- Strawberry Sherbet
- Fruit Cake Jelly Rolls Marble Cake
- Candies Mixed Nuts Apples Oranges
- Bananas Raisins Coffee
- Swiss Cheese and Waters
- Cigars Beer Cigarettes

After dinner the ladies departed and a stag party and smoker was inaugurated in full force. Post Provost Sergeant Smith was the orator of the day, delivering a real straight-from-the-heart address upon "Christmas and Christmas Cheer." Sergeant Starbird of the company as master of ceremonies deserves much credit for the splendid entertainment arranged. The Kamehameha glee club played through the dinner hour, then remained to enjoy the smoker, and gave many pretty selections which called forth much applause. Visiting marines from the naval station, Privates McFazan and Hanganan entertained with story and song. Chef Trepanner rendered one of Harry Lauder's favorites with characteristic likeness. Corporal Charles Jorgensen, in charge of the liquid refreshments, displayed remarkable aptitude for the position. He was very popular. Sergeant Grozan, Privates Herzog, Dutra, Banks and Musicians Mathews and Luttrell all aided with their talent in making the entertainment the success it was.

Late in the afternoon cheers and compliments were exchanged, a unanimous compliment being accorded to 1st Sergeant Felix M. Alexander for his untiring energy and effort toward providing for such a Christmas Day. Then "Aloha" was sung, and departures were taken.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

- Max Alfred Zaulig, German.....32
- Alvina Xavier, Part Hawaiian.....20
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- Mary Ann J. Schlemmer, American.28
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## LOS ANGELES AT WORK TO ASSURE GREAT NORTHERN

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tent sales manager in charge of things there he hopes to secure a good portion of the drug business hitherto going to San Francisco for only one reason—the lack of steamer communication. He stated:

**Hawaiian Wants Are Many.** "In the old days of '49 Hawaii furnished California her wheat. Today we send it to them. The islands want our fruit, citrus or deciduous, dried or fresh. They want candies, chocolates, crackers, biscuits, wearing apparel for the Chinese, Japanese and Portuguese laborers. They can use our boots and shoes, our mechanical supplies of every variety and our machinery."

"There are practically no factories there, the climate militating against their successful operation thus far. Indeed, so equable is their climate that it is almost essential to get away once a year. Why should not southern California entertain them? If the Great Northern is successful in its experiment they will surely come here for their vacations."

"Mr. Brunswig was banqueted at Hilo by the Board of Trade, following a welcome by the Chamber of Commerce. At Honolulu the party was delightfully entertained, a banquet at which Mr. Brunswig again spoke being the grand finale. Following the transaction of his business, the return trip to San Francisco was made in 3 days 19 hours—record time."

## Personal Mention

W. H. HUTTON of the detective bureau has changed his residence to Pahoa avenue, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, Kaimuki.

JEFF MCCARN, former U. S. district attorney for Hawaii, left for the mainland in the steamer Great Northern last night. He will go to his former home in Nashville, Tenn.

LOUIS VAUGHAN, son of District Attorney Horace W. Vaughan, has been promoted to chief engineer of the U. S. S. Missouri, according to information received by the federal official. Young Vaughan was graduated from Annapolis last year.

FREDERICK S. MORTON, who has been connected with the firm of Theo. H. Davies & Company, Ltd., for the last three years, will leave Wednesday on the Makura for Auckland, New Zealand, having been called home by the serious illness of his brother, J. B. Morton, a merchant of Auckland. Mr. Morton will take charge of his brother's business there until the latter recovers. He does not know when he will be able to return to Honolulu. Mr. Morton has many friends here and is a member of the choir of St. Andrew's cathedral.

Special interest attaches to the electric smelter at Belleville, in the Kingston consular district, because of the production there of steel of all grades, including tool steel, direct from the ore. An unusual feature of the process is the use of a preheater that utilizes the heat from the waste gases produced during the smelting of the ore.

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