

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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EDITOR

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## Cross-Currents In Presidential Politics.

The New York World, staunch supporter of President Wilson and chronically violent opponent of Col. Roosevelt, appears to think that the Colonel may back Gen. Leonard Wood for the Republican candidacy if his own cause shows signs of probable failure at Chicago.

"Col. Roosevelt and some of his followers are by no means as sanguine as they were three weeks ago," says the World, "but believe that they can beat Mr. Root, and, at a pinch, nominate a man of the Colonel's choosing, possibly Major-General Leonard Wood."

This bit of political comment is based, obviously, upon the belief that Root might be an opponent of the Colonel's for the nomination. Such a belief is not the general impression. Most of the supposedly "inside" observers say that Root knows it would be folly to oppose the Colonel with a candidacy of his own, has no intention of doing so, and is far more likely to work with Roosevelt than against him.

The New York political factions are said to be lined up as follows:

The Whitman faction, generally conceded to be dominating state politics, is for Hughes, but with many of the delegates only lukewarm in their enthusiasm for the jurist.

The Barnes-Wadsworth faction insists that Col. Roosevelt is already beaten, and is now trying to sidetrack Hughes, with the hope of nominating Senator Root, Governor McCall of Massachusetts or Senator Burton. An interesting feature is that a report was given some credence in state political circles that some of the Whitman leaders believe Gen. Wood is the strongest candidate in the Empire State and may switch their support to him.

All of these rumors and forecasts, like those current in Ohio, Illinois, Massachusetts and others of the great states show how chaotic the situation has become, how the Republican party needs a leader of force and inspiration, and how the situation is developing for the stampede of the convention.

### MUSICAL PROMOTION WORK.

Music not only hath charms to soothe the savage breast, but also to attract the base inhabitants of that busy, noisy and brusque district of Chicago known as The Loop. And Hawaiian music particularly seems to appeal to the dwellers of the Windy City.

The Chicago Sunday Tribune publishes a list of the "three best sellers in music" at local shops. Among the Columbia Record sales "On the Beach at Waikiki" (they call it "On the Shore at Le Lei Wi") and "Hawaiian Medley" are high among the best sellers. "Hello, Hawaii, How Are You?" ranks among the best three of the Victor Records, while "My Rose of Honolulu" is found tremendously popular in player-piano rolls.

It occurs to us that the Promotion Committee might stop sending out literature on climate and scenery and start its staff writing Hawaiian songs of the try-this-on-your-piano sort.

### WHAT OF EGYPT.

The rumored German "drive" on Egypt has not yet materialized and military experts say that there is little chance of it materializing this summer. Serious Turkish attacks on the Suez Canal and Egypt, with the coming of the hot weather and the drying up of many of the desert waer-holes, are now said to be only a remote possibility, though sharp raids may, it is thought by the allied military authorities, be attempted by the Ottoman commanders.

Turkish troops are still on the Sinai peninsula, an arid tract of Egyptian territory lying between the Suez Canal and the nominal boundary of Turkey in Asia, stretching across from Raifa on the Mediterranean to Akaba on the gulf of the same name forming an arm of the Red Sea. They are, however, the object of repeated observation on the part of allied armies, and reconnoitering parties have kept in touch with them and made themselves fully acquainted with their dispositions. Only recently the occupation by allied troops of Jifjaffa, about sixty miles to the east of the Suez Canal, placed an obstacle in what would have to be the main line of a Turkish advance towards the canal. This runs from El Audja to Ismailia.

### LITTLE INTERVIEWS

**BROTHER FLMER:** The Junior League has proved to be a big success in every way, and I am pleased to see the St. Louis team doing so well against two of the strongest teams.

**STANLEY KENNEDY:** Many tourists are flocking about the lava flows on the Big Island. With the new outbreak it is expected that there will be a great exodus to Hilo this week.

**KILLEY HENSHAW:** Many of the golf players have taken advantage of the course at Moanalua, and much credit is due the Damons for keeping the course in such excellent condition. At the present time there are more than 75 golfers taking advantage of the course.

**S. W. ROBLEY:** The boys from the Nippon Jiji: Japanese people here the industrial school will show the Honolulu people something when they perform their pyramid stunts at the Y. M. C. A. on Friday evening. It will be the best performance of its kind ever held in Honolulu.

**JOHN L. FLEMING:** I'm not superstitious, but I'm not in favor of two sessions of the exchange. Every time it has been tried it has been followed by immediate falling off in dealings. They are only needed in exceptional times, anyway, so what's the use.

**JOSEPH DU FRENES:** Hawaii has unlimited possibilities for the camera man. With swimming, shark hunting and the thousand and one scenic beauties, one could be busy a life time and not get a complete edition of all the "talking points" for Hawaii.

**K. KAWAMURA,** city editor of

Two other practicable routes lead from the Turkish positions across the desert sands towards Egypt proper. The first runs almost parallel with the Mediterranean coast line from Raifa through El Arish and Katia to El Kantara, but some time ago the Katia district with its water supply came into the Allies' possession and rendered difficult any attempt by the Turks to force their way along the Canal banks and Port Said.

The second remaining line of possible approach is further to the south from Akaba by way of the oasis of El Hassana towards Suez. It was this oasis occupied by Turks and Arab horsemen which was bombed by allied armien in March.

### THE COST OF WAR.

There was a time when the argument was made that insurance on lives would be an invitation to murder, giving encouragement to evil persons who might desire to reap a profit from the death of the person whose life had been insured, says an exchange editorially. The absurdity of this argument soon became apparent, and now it is generally recognized that inasmuch as life insurance brings peace of mind, it may be said to add to the length of life. The same argument made against life insurance has been made also with reference to national insurance, which is merely another term for adequate national defense. A foreign nation would be less likely to encroach upon the honor of the United States if this country were known to be fully prepared for war. There would be fewer aggressions and less desire to test strength. History does not show a single case where the unpreparedness of a nation saved it from war. History does show, however, many cases where the strength of a nation discouraged enemies from provoking a final break.

In the expenditures for national defense were to have no other effect than to prevent war, one year, it would mean a saving of at least \$5,000,000,000 to the United States. Estimates based on recent official reports show that the expenditures of the four great powers at war are now running almost \$25,000,000,000 a year. The annual cost to Great Britain is \$5,000,000,000, to Germany and Russia each \$6,000,000,000 and to France \$4,400,000,000.

No matter how much the United States would spend now to provide adequate defense, the saving would be tremendous, even if the moral lesson of preparedness should last but one year, and in case war should come the saving in human lives, the prevention of the slaughter that must always come to a country unprepared, would be beyond calculation in dollars.

Rumors are afloat that the frontage-tax will be taken into the next city campaign as a political issue. It was a political issue in the last campaign, and a boomerang for the short-sighted Democrats who opposed this assessment plan for local improvements. At the last campaign the law had been on the statute-books many months but the Democrats, then in control of the city administration, made little headway in enforcing it, and when election time drew near, they went out on the stump to excuse their failure by attacks on the law itself. They made it one of their prime issues and were soundly beaten. This local-improvement plan is working successfully in Honolulu now, the city is getting accustomed to it, various sections are waking to its many benefits—and the party or faction which espouses a fight against it ought to be repudiated at the primaries and drubbed at the polls.

Now that the police have closed down che-fa gambling, as they willingly admit has been done by their vigorous campaigning, they might start at the crap games on the early morning O. R. & L. train to Puna-ua.

Economic situation in Mexico is reported "rapidly nearing a crisis." No details are given but it is supposed Carranzista money is declining from three cents to nothing on the dollar.

Peary's "Crocker Land" has turned out to be nothing but Arctic mirage. This ought to be good for Dr. Cook's disposition.

After four months of battle at Verdun, the French and German official statements are as wide apart as ever.

Mauna Loa is kindly obliging with the real thing in lava flows.

## Letters or TIMELY TOPICS

### OBJECTIONS VOICED TO BRITISH RED CROSS DAY.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin: Sir: With no little wonderment have I watched the growth of "British Red Cross Tag Day." It is but another tribute to the power of the press to mold public opinion.

On May 16, the British Red Cross Society asked the local Chamber of Commerce to endorse a tag day movement for the British Red Cross Society. The chamber decided that a letter be addressed to the committee expressing our sympathy with Red Cross work, but on account of our absolute neutrality it was felt that any action in endorsing that request would place the chamber in rather a questionable position.

Nothing can be added to that short businessmen's statement of the situation. They declined, as all Americans should decline, to join in the aid, comfort or succor of any belligerent power, although they commended the general Red Cross work.

The rebuff of the representative body to which it had appealed did not cool the partisan ardor of the British Red Cross Society, and so it enlisted the aid of the Advertiser, whose pro-British editor's sentiment is in keeping with the home of his nativity—Canada—but should be kept out of general circulation through the medium of an American newspaper.

On May 17, the day following the turn-down from the Chamber of Commerce, we find in the Advertiser that a "World Wide Plan to Aid Red Cross Reaches Honolulu," and by a strange but happy coincidence, the "Birthday of Late Queen Victoria" was the date decided on to permit "the people of Honolulu of all nationalities to have an opportunity to assist the work being done on all the battlefields of Europe by the British Red Cross."

We find that the call was "immediately taken up here, at the instance of the British consul, E. S. Gordon," and the committee headed by James A. Rath, Robert Anderson, James Macgill and Andrew I. Henderson, got right down to hard work. A follow-up article on the 18th instant accentuated the need of assistance; and by the 19th all semblance of anything but a partisan British appeal is laid aside and editorially the Advertiser, in speaking of assistance being rendered to the sufferers from war, says:

"These are the legitimate words of the British Red Cross and it is for them that the Red Cross is asking the people of Honolulu to contribute."

I realize that it's hard on the fin-

gers to monkey with the buzzsaw of public work—that cold facts and sound arguments are drowned by the cries of misery and the groans of pain; but doesn't it occur to you, Mr. Editor, that it's going a trifle far to ask loyal citizens of a neutral country to contribute cash to the support of one side of warring nations? England's greatest living statesman said when this war first began that "it is not the first, but the last hundred million dollars that will win this conflict. The general consensus of opinion today is that not men but money will win."

It would be just as consistent for the American people to contribute millions of war to the British army or coal to the British navy as cash to the British Red Cross Society. The Red Cross Society is a branch of each nation's fighting equipment, just as much as is its artillery, its aero equipment, its trenches, its sappers or its cooking department, and it's just as much a branch of our neutrality to finance the Red Cross end as it would be to equip the artillery end.

The tag day movement is selfish. It is purely national. If you have any doubt about that read over the names of the fine bunch of neutrals who are heading it. Mr. Gordon (British consul), Mr. Rath (ex-British army officer), Robert Anderson, James Macgill and Andrew I. Henderson (all British born and I believe, British subjects), not to forget the pro-British, British subject editor of the British Red Cross Society's advertising medium—the Advertiser.

It's hard to ask the American people, intelligent, sympathetic and generous, who give first and think afterwards, to refrain from supporting any well planned campaign, but if we are to be neutrally just to all we can be sympathetically generous to none. Thus far our polyglot island home has been happily free from a patent evidence of national antagonism. British and German, Frenchman and Austrian have fraternized in our clubs and intermingled in our homes, and it doesn't look like a square deal to me to turn over a day when Honolulu will be decorated with "British Red Cross tags," purchased with neutral money for the support of a branch of the war equipment of the Allies.

Think it over. Already our national neutrality is being questioned by all nations, but to flaunt the British Red Cross tag in the face of those whose sympathies lie the other way goes deeper than our national neutrality—it touches the individual neutrality without which no national neutrality can exist.

AN AMERICAN.

### VITAL STATISTICS

#### BORN.

CHANG—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Chang Yu Sang of Pauoa Valley, a son.

WONG—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Wong Ah Chin of Kamanuwa lane, a son.

LEONG—In Honolulu, May 21, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Leong Chew of 58 South Kukui street a daughter.

KAWAMOTO—In Honolulu, May 18, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Matsujiro Kawamoto of Vineyard and Nuuanu streets, a daughter—Shizue.

AKAIHANA—In Honolulu, May 18, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. C. Aki Akaihana (Ah Kai Hana) of 538 North School street, a son.

MURAKAMI—In Honolulu, May 13, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Yoshitaro Murakami of Woodlawn road, Manoa, a son—Yoshio.

MATSUNAGA—In Honolulu, May 7, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Risaburo Matsunaga of Fifth avenue, a daughter—Yukiye.

KRUEGER—In Honolulu, May 5, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holbron Krueger of 1117 Fifteenth avenue, Kaimuki, a son—Thomas Holbron.

NAENOELUA—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. John Naenoelua of Pauoa road near Lusitana, a son—Paul.

CHING—In Honolulu, May 17, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Ching of 1071C King street, a son—Marvin.

ARTIZ—In Honolulu, May 13, 1916, at the Kapiolani home, to Mr. and Mrs. David M. Artiz of Nuuanu valley, a daughter.

WILSON—In Honolulu, May 16, 1916, at the Kapiolani home, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Andrew Wilson of Wahiawa, a son.

WOODWARD—In Honolulu, May 16, 1916, at the Kapiolani home, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Woodward of 228 Beach Walk, a son.

GORERO—In Honolulu, May 17, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Luwai Gorero of Liliha street at the Kapiolani home, a daughter.

KREUSCH—In Honolulu, May 17, 1916, at the Kapiolani home, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Kreusch of 112 Vineyard street, a daughter.

BARNETT—In Honolulu, May 20, 1916, at the Kapiolani home, to Mr.

and Mrs. John Barnett of 1743 King street, a daughter.

#### MARRIED.

MARA-LEWIS—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, August Mara and Miss Julia E. Lewis, Rev. Father Charles L. Windels of the Catholic Church of the Sacred Hearts, Punahou, officiating; witnesses—David B. Silva and Mrs. Minnie L. Silva.

YOSHINO-HASHIGAWA—In Honolulu, May 21, 1916, Naonobu Yishino and Miss Noe Hashigawa, Rev. Samuel K. Kamaipili, assistant pastor of the Kaunakapili church, Palama, officiating; witnesses—E. Iwasahita and R. Ota.

CHANG-HUNG—In Honolulu, May 20, 1916, Chang Chong of Hilo and Miss Lucia Chung Hong of Honolulu, Rev. Father Philip of the Catholic cathedral officiating; witnesses—Chong Hong and R. See.

KAULU-LEI-KOOLE—In Honolulu, May 20, 1916, Sam Kaululei, age 26, to Lili Koiole, age 25. Ceremony performed by Rev. W. S. J.

#### DIED.

CHANG—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Chang Yu Sang of Pauoa Valley, a native of this city.

AHOA—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, Mrs. Lahapa Kahiamoe Ahoa of Kohala, Hawaii, a native of Kohala, 76 years old.

MACHIDA—In Honolulu, May 21, 1916, Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Machida of Fort and Kukui streets, 6 months and 10 days old.

MATSUNAGA—In Honolulu, May 21, 1916, Yukiye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Risaburo Matsunaga of Fifth avenue, Kaimuki, 14 days old.

PUA—In Honolulu, May 20, 1916, Mary Like, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pua of 1756 Fort street, a native of this city, 7 years, one month and 26 days old.

KEPANO—In Honolulu, May 20, 1916, Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kepano of Alapai lane, Palama, 1 year and 26 days old.

MIYAMURA—In Honolulu, May 20, 1916, Ume, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kichitaro Miyamura of Nuuanu and Kukui streets, 5 days old.

CORREA—In Honolulu, May 22, 1916, at the Queen's hospital, Henry Correa, age 2 years, 11 months, 6 days. Son of Manuel Correa.

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### PERSONALITIES

MR. and MRS. E. W. QUINN returned today from a mainland visit.

MR. and MRS. G. FRED BUSH were arriving Matsonia passenger today. Mr. Bush has been on a trip of mingled business and pleasure.

MRS. CHARLES TEMPLETON CROCKER of San Francisco arrived on the Matsonia this morning for a visit of some weeks here. She is accompanied by Mrs. C. Frederick Kohl

and Mrs. Eugene Murphy, two other San Francisco society women. Their assistance is counted on in the production of "The June Fantasy" here next month.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Otto Smith, American ..... 26  
Eva C. Stable, American ..... 23  
Solomon Keauimi, Hawaiian ..... 27  
May Kennedy, Portuguese ..... 17

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