

Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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THEY MUST BE CONVINCED.

Taxpayers of Honolulu are in a distinctly "show me" frame of mind on the proposed \$750,000 bond issue.

They realize the pressing need for road improvements and admit that present revenues are insufficient for the big work Honolulu must do.

They are not objecting to present rates of taxation and many of them would be willing to pay more taxes if necessary.

They understand that the city must pay a large proportion of the total amount of frontage-taxes contributed to virtually all paving projects, and that as these local improvement plans progress, the municipality has to dig down deeper and deeper into its inadequate treasury.

But—Taxpayers of Honolulu are unwilling to vote for a bond issue of this size or any size without knowing exactly where and how the money is to be spent.

They are unwilling to bond the city for \$500,000 for roads and \$250,000 for a city hall without knowing that the money will be spent efficiently.

There's not the slightest question but that the present frame of mind of the city's businessmen is one of doubt that the money would be well spent.

"I wouldn't trust this board of supervisors to handle the money—too much would be wasted in peanut politics," remarked a businessman Wednesday afternoon. He had attended the Ad Club session at noon and heard the mayor, the city engineer and others talk upon the bond issue.

He has also lived in Honolulu for many years, voted regularly for mayors and boards of supervisors and, as he remarked, almost always been disappointed in the kind of government they have given the city.

His distrust is not directed particularly at the present board or the present mayor. It is the distrust that has accumulated through years when city affairs and particularly the road department's affairs have been impregnated with patronage politics—the politics of job-getting and job-holding through delivering votes instead of through delivering the goods.

And this man's distrust is typical. It is a distrust so general that if the bond issue were put to a vote now, it would be voted down three to one. The distrust of the city government's business ability is so common among all classes of voters that it is almost general; and whether the mayor and the board like it or not, they must reckon with it.

The Star-Bulletin believes the bond issue idea has merit. This paper sees no other way to get good roads in a reasonable length of time than by raising a large sum of money and going at the work on a really big scale. But we see no hope that the bond issue plan can carry, or should carry, until the city administration gets it before the people in a complete, comprehensive, absolutely convincing fashion.

Honolulu wants to know and is entitled to know the plan from top to bottom. The voters should know exactly what roads are to be improved and what the cost of each item will be; what the cost of floating the bond issue will be; exactly how the money is to be handled; exactly how the labor is to be handled; exactly how the contractors are to be handled; exactly how the politicians are to be handled—and the latter should be handled once and for all—out of the way.

Will thousands of dollars be wasted in needless overhead charges? Will chair-warmers and precinct runners be given sinecure jobs? Will rival contractors be allowed to do their battling and wire-pulling for city contracts and hold up the improvement? Will the board unite on a progressive plan or split into helpless factions in the face of a big problem?

It is questions like these that businessmen bring up when you mention to them the subject of the bond issue. They also mention that they are willing to spend almost any amount to get good roads and that

Honolulu should get the good roads first and the city hall afterward.

It is doubtful if a bond issue election would carry now unless a feature of it is to put the spending of the money in hands other than those of the present city officials. That is the plain truth of the sentiment heard again and again among businessmen, and it is a truth the city administration must face.

Suggestions are made that a plan similar to that of the island loan fund commission be worked out. It is suggested that a commission of engineers determine where the money shall be spent, the type of paving and the specifications. Whether such a commission could reach agreement among its own members remains to be seen.

The sum of the present situation is that the bond issue plan needs further elaboration and reduction to concrete facts and figures before it should be presented to the people. The bonds will carry if the people are convinced the money will be well spent.

HAWAII REPUBLICANS RECOGNIZED.

Hawaii will get two votes in the Republican national convention, it is now virtually certain. The news despatch from Chicago late yesterday, printed in the second edition of this paper, indicates that the national committee has listened with conviction to Hawaii's claim, which was probably presented through Robert W. Breckons and Delegate Kuhio. Hawaii stands well with such Republican powers as William B. McKinley, "Uncle Joe" Cannon and James R. Mann, and there is little doubt that the Hawaii delegation will be put on the temporary roll-call and then on the permanent roll-call.

This means more than merely getting a chance at nominating the president and vice-president. In a close contest even two votes count for something and the Hawaii delegation will have a trading strength to be exchanged for whatever this territory wants. One thing the Hawaii delegation will probably ask will be the restoration of the old voting strength of six, but the chance for this is rather slim, as ever since 1912 the tendency has been to limit the size of delegations from territories and from states where the Republican vote is small.

The proposed public park on Tantalus will be a tremendous asset to Honolulu and no time should be lost in setting it aside and making it available for the general public. So many of the beautiful spots around Honolulu, particularly along the beach, have passed into private ownership that every open space which can now be reserved for the public will be of inestimable value later on. Superintendent Forbes, who has been working for the Tantalus park project for many months, and the Ad Club, which is seconding his efforts, deserve the appreciation of the residents and tourists alike and the governor's announced willingness to set the park lands aside shows that he, too, is alive to the value of this community idea.

City Attorney Brown in an informal opinion given yesterday in response to questions by the Star-Bulletin, holds that there is no violation of the law against horse-race betting when two men each put up \$100 and race their horses for the stakes. What in the name of common-sense is betting on a horse-race if this isn't? Does there have to be a betting-ring, or a pari-mutuel machine, or a "bookie" taking the wager? Of course not. There are plenty of supreme court decisions in the states to show that men who wager on their horses by means of putting up stakes are "betting" on the races.

Washington regards the latest Carranza note as "insulting" but that won't worry Carranza any.

The political pot is getting ready to call the kettle black.

REPORT SHOWS THOUSANDS ARE HELPED BY WORK

Palama Settlement Gives Out Statement of Its Activities; Much Good is Done

Over 60,000 medical treatments have been given by Palama Settlement since the first of the year. This is shown, and many other interesting figures and statements, in a report to June 1, by James A. Rath, head worker of the Settlement, to the board of trustees.

Mr. Rath figured today that since January 1, 1915, 12,574 Honolulu residents have received some kind of treatment from the medical department of the Settlement. This is nearly 20 per cent of the total population of Honolulu.

"Although many of these treatments were very insignificant they show that nothing is too small for the attention of the Settlement," says Mr. Rath. The report in full follows:

For the four months from January 1 to April 30, the medical work of the Settlement shows the following results in figures:

- New patients 2,338
- Total cases 4,989
- Treatment 52,798
- Nursing calls 3,366
- Dist. ct calls 31,172
- Sent to hospitals 116
- Sent to doctors 441
- Treated in dispensary 1,772
- Medicines, etc., dispensed 1,707
- Tuberculosis cases reported 21
- Free dental clinic 392

A new fence has been built around the day camp property, and the buildings and grounds improved with a view to making them attractive.

Three hundred and sixty-one girls are taking work under the direction of Miss Cunningham. Another series of basket-ball games is being planned with the Walluku girls.

Boys and men are enrolled in the various clubs and classes of the Settlement, numbering 459. The newly organized swimming and music clubs are both popular and well patronized. The fresh air camp grounds are much improved; a fine lawn now takes the place of sand and the trees are growing fast. The installation of the new water system will prove a big help.

Miss Cunningham having resigned as girls' work director, Miss Florence Lowe has been engaged to take her place.

Baby Week was held at the Settlement under the auspices of the Child Welfare Committee, and proved very successful. About 400 babies were examined in addition to an exhibit in the Settlement gymnasium.

LOCAL COMPANY INVITED TO BID WITH MAINLAND

Honolulu has been asked to enter into competition with the mainland for an important order for mine equipment. The offer came to the Honolulu Iron Works Company from the Mineral Products Company, and while a bid was put in it was not with any great expectation of securing the contract, for the bid was so made as not to interfere with the filling of orders for local concerns, especially for the plantations.

When the Honolulu Iron Works Company was asked to bid on Mineral Products equipment it first investigated to ascertain what material it had on hand. It was found that while there was a considerable amount it might affect the filling of local orders, especially if these should be urgent and important. In bidding, therefore, the company took into consideration the time which it would require to bring material here as well as cost of transportation. A later date was set for delivery than might easily have been named had not the interests of those customers who had made possible the building up of the local iron industry been considered.

Advices were received today that a mainland concern could complete the contract more expeditiously than the local house had undertaken to do.

In observance of the 49th anniversary of the founding of St. Andrew's priory, the students of the institution held a picnic at the home of Mrs. Henry F. Bertelmann, Waikiki, yesterday afternoon. Swimming and games were indulged in and a bounteous feast was spread under the trees. The girls were chaperoned by Sisters Albertina and Beatrice.

BOYS WILL HAVE EXPERIENCE IN REAL BUSINESS

Vocational Classes of Y. M. C. A. Offer Opportunities That Are Unusual

Spending half-time at work in business houses and half-time in classes at the Y. M. C. A., the group of 24 boys who are admitted to the "Business Boys' School" to be opened this summer at the Y. M. C. A., will have an unusual opportunity to obtain an elementary business education. Organized as a feature of the "Co-operative Trade Schools" and along the same lines as the classes for printer's apprentices, this school will prepare boys who are entering business houses for advancement with them.

All the boys in the school will be actually employed in business houses which are cooperating with the Y. M. C. A. in the plan. These firms start the boys in beginning positions and will give them an opportunity of learning various phases of their business. Half of each day the boys work in the stores or offices and the other half-day he studies related business subjects in the association day classes. Two boys will be in each particular position so that when one is in school the other is at work. Saturday morning, there being no school session, both boys report at their business house.

The Hawaiian Electric Co., Lewers & Cooke, von Hamm-Young Co., Barrett Wireless Co., Trent Trust Co., Davies & Co. (Hardware Dept.), W. W. Diamond & Co., E. O. Hall & Son and the O. R. & L. Co., are among the firms who are cooperating in the school plan, and a total of 24 boys will be offered the opportunity of the school. The positions in these firms will be open to boys who are willing to begin at the bottom and study for advancement.

Business English, business arithmetic, spelling, penmanship, typewriting, and daily gymnasium work will be in the school program. School being actually in session four hours each day for 52 weeks in the year, the boys will have an opportunity for as many hours of study as if attending full time day school. All studies are to be given a practical relation to the daily work of the boys, which will make them interesting and of immediate value.

VITAL STATISTICS

BORN.

THOMAS—In Honolulu, May 31, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas of Monsarrat avenue, Kapahulu, a son—Neil.

ALOHIKKA—In Honolulu, May 30, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. James Alohi-kea of Huastee street, Kewalo, a son.

JUNG—In Honolulu, May 30, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Jung Kum You of Dowsett lane, Palama, a daughter.

LOVELL—In Honolulu, May 28, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. William Lovell of Dowsett lane, Palama, a daughter—Mary Kanakole.

TANAKA—In Honolulu, May 27, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Shimachi Tanaka of the Moana hotel, Waikiki, a son—Koichi.

YAMADA—In Honolulu, May 25, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenbei Yamada of Sheridan, near Elm street, a son—Toshio.

KANAGUSUKU—In Honolulu, May 25, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Kamado Kanagusuku of Asia lane, near Beretania street, a son—Sukelohi.

YANAGI—In Honolulu, May 19, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Shigeru Yanagi of Alewa Heights, a son—Takashi.

MURAKAMI—In Honolulu, May 18, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Murakami of Dowsett lane, Palama, a son—Toyotoshi.

MARRIED.

WAIHOIKALA-McGUIRE—In Honolulu, May 31, 1916, George K. Waihoikala and Miss Abbie McGuire, Elder Ernest L. Miner of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating; witnesses—Samuel Kaeo and Hana Kanofo.

DIED.

THOMAS—In Honolulu, May 31, 1916, Manuel, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas of Monsarrat avenue, Kapahulu, a native of this city.

NAEOLE—In Honolulu, May 31, 1916, William, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Naole of Auld lane, Palama, three years, six months and 11 days old.

NAKANO—In Honolulu, May 30, 1916, Ayako, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nitaro Nakano of Kapahulu road, one year and 25 days old.

Police are investigating the origin of the fire that gutted the after hold of the steamer San Giovanni while being loaded at her Brooklyn pier.

Letters OF THE MONTH

WHY NOT MAKE STREET CARS DISPLAY NUMBERS?

Honolulu, June 2, 1916. Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir: While waiting for a street car last evening on Kalakaua avenue, opposite the entrance to the Seaside hotel, within the rays of electric light, I beckoned and hailed an approaching street car, but it shot by with the rapidity of a projectile out of a modern siege-gun.

I looked for the number on the rear of the car, but it was as much in evidence as the much-talked-of division of a certain part of the company's profits with the taxpayers. I would suggest that the ordinance compelling automobiles to make their numbers visible at night time be amended to include the street car.

Yours truly,
F. W. MACFARLANE.

A WORD FOR CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Honolulu, T. H., June 1, 1916. Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin:

Dear Sir: Knowing that your paper is one that is given to fair play and reading therein recently excerpts from a lecture against Christian

Science, I ask space in your paper to correct some misstatements which the lecturer made. Christian Scientists themselves do not attack persons or religions, but when Christian Science is misrepresented they feel it right to have a word to say for it.

To say that Christian Science is neither "religious nor scientific" is neither original nor new, but is one of the oldest and most thoughtless criticisms yet made on Christian Science.

In speaking of the Christian Science interpretation of the doctrine of atonement the lecturer has the temerity to quote five lines from a chapter of 37 pages on this subject and to condemn the whole. Christian Science does not teach that Jesus did not die to the mortal sense, but in the same sense as quoted of the maid in Matt. 9:24: "He said unto them, give place for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn." The scorn was because they did not understand and really Christian Science will bear more than a few weeks' study before it should be criticized, either privately or publicly.

Yours truly,
CLAIRE M. KELLEY,
Committee on Publication for Hawaii.

Personal Mention

A. I. SILVA of M. McInerney & Co., is returning Sunday from a business trip to the Garden Island.

MRS. A. FAITHFULL has returned to her home in Los Angeles after several months' visit here with her son, R. P. Faithfull.

MR. AND MRS. FRANCIS LEVY have gone to New York. They left on the Matsonia and will probably return in August.

MRS. A. I. SILVA of 806 Kinau street has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Alice Schooler, to Lester M. Fisher.

JAMES HENDERSON, manager of the Hawaii Mill Co. of Hilo, will return to his Pihonua home tomorrow, after a short visit here.

GEORGE P. COOKE of Molokai is visiting here. He is spoken of as Republican candidate for senator from Maui, Molokai and Lanai.

Members of the harbor board last night in a short session finished the

rules and regulations for meetings, a work which has been occupying their attention more or less for the last year and a half. The rules as decided on will be put in printed form.

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1266 Matlock avenue	2 "	25.00
1120 Twelfth avenue, Kaimuki	2 "	25.00
Pahoa avenue	2 "	20.00
Near 7th ave., Kaimuki	4 "	37.50
774 Kinau street	3 "	25.00
Cor. Alexander and Dole sts.	2 "	15.00
Twelfth avenue, Kaimuki	2 "	45.00
2410 Kalakaua ave. (Royal Grove)	2 "	15.00
Dayton lane	2 "	15.00

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SMALL INTEREST SHOWN IN STOCKS AND FEWER SALES

Less activity and an inclination to wait and watch a little were reported by stock brokers this morning before the opening of the exchange. This was attributed by them to the mainland waterfront situation. It was being given more attention than had been paid to the first reports that were received yesterday morning. Several brokers forecasted that until the strike situation shall have been settled there was likely to be a less lively demand than has recently existed, but they did not look for nor see any grounds whatever to expect any fall in prices. Local conditions and the condition of local companies they considered sufficient warrant for prices as they have been prevailing. Those conditions were, they said, intrinsically good.

Advices were received from the mainland by parties interested in Mountain King that it was deemed probable that quarterly dividends would be continued by that company.

Other advices from the mainland were that bid prices for copper metal were lower but holders stood firm. Such reports had no effect on Engels Copper which held strong.

It is said that recent sales total 30,000 to 40,000 shares. Total sales were less than a thou-

JUDGE DOLE SPEAKER AT FIRST METHODIST ON EARLY DAYS OF HAWAII

At the June social evening of the First Methodist church tonight Judge S. B. Dole is to review the early days in Hawaii. What the conditions were here before the whites came, how the work of the missionary fathers affected life on the islands, and many other phases of our history will be reviewed by the veteran jurist and ex-president of the Republic of Hawaii. Judge Dole's topic will be "The Development of Our Body Politic," a theme that no other can so fittingly discuss as he.

The evening is announced as "A Hawaiian Evening," and the music will be furnished by the Boys' Glee Club of the Kamehameha Schools.

Following the program some of the members of the legal fraternity will hold an informal reception in honor of Judge and Mrs. Dole, and also of Judge and Mrs. Morrow, who are visiting here from San Francisco, and of Judge Thompson, who will soon leave for Hawaii.

Once each month the church aims to give a social evening of interest to the community at large, and it hopes that all who wish to hear the music and Judge Dole's address or to meet the guests of the evening will have the evening in coming and enjoying the society.

sand shares, 290 at the session and 655 between boards. Little change of prices was to be noted among the stocks that have been recently most active. One notable sale was 35 shares of Honoumua at \$200, an advance of \$20 per share since the last recorded sale.

TO SURVEY LAND AT LAUPAHOEHOE FOR HOMESTEADS

Arrangements are being made in the territorial survey office by Surveyor-general Walter E. Wall for sending a big field party to Hawaii some time before the middle of the month, with instructions to survey land at Laupahoehoe.

A total of approximately 1500 acres is included in the proposed survey, which land is at present in cane, and which cannot be used for homesteading until the crop is removed in about a year.

Mr. Wall will make the survey at the request of the land office, which has been petitioned by citizens around Laupahoehoe to throw open land for homestead purposes. The land will be divided into 100 lots of 15 acres each, or as near thereto as is possible with the lay of the country.

The party will consist of six or eight men at least, it being the plan in the office to get the work done within three or four months so that all the preliminary work will be complete in time for the land office to begin advertising.

Orders issued from headquarters of the Oahu Coast Defense announce that vocational training will be carried on at the various posts under the fort commanders.

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