

Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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A Sound Ticket

For Mayor—John C. Lane, Republican.
 For Supervisor (seven to be elected)—E. A. Mott-Smith, Republican; Charles N. Arnold, Republican; W. H. McClellan, Democrat; Ben Hollinger, Republican; Lester Petrie, Democrat; J. Ashman Beaven, Republican, and one of the following: C. H. Bellins, W. C. Achi, Daniel Logan, William Ahia or Edgar Henriques, Republicans.
 For City Attorney—Arthur M. Brown, Republican.
 For Sheriff—Edward Hopkins, Republican.
 For Clerk—David Kalanokalani, Republican.
 For Treasurer—David L. Conkling, Republican.
 For Auditor—James Bicknell, Republican.

OLD-LINE ARGUMENTS LOSING THEIR FORCE

The closing rallies of the primary campaign last night had considerable of the old-time, vote-for-straight-ticket talk and considerable of the vote-for-me-because-I-belong-to-such-and-such-a-party talk. Neither line got much applause, either at the Republican or Democratic rally.

Candidates who appealed for support on the ground that they themselves had the qualities and the determination to give sound, progressive service were the ones who got the cordial applause of the crowds.

One man said he had voted the straight Republican ticket for seventeen years. The silence that followed this remark was absolute. Not a hand-clap. (Not a cheer.)

Abuse of the newspapers—a favorite method of campaigning when the speakers haven't any real issues to talk about—likewise failed to arouse any enthusiasm. Evidently the audiences weren't interested in hearing the press called names, but in finding out what the candidates intended to do if elected to office.

Unmistakably the time-honored argument of party regularity is losing its grip in Honolulu. The local campaigns are beginning to center more and more on local issues. The spellbinder with his eloquence on the tariff and similar topics of hoary antiquity is getting more and more out of place in city campaigns. People don't go to city rallies to hear about Wilson, Taft, Roosevelt, or states rights. They go to hear about good roads, more electric lights, a better police force, public markets and other neighborhood and community topics.

SOLDIERS OF THE SOIL

(From the Daily Financial America.)
 A remarkable response has been made by the nation to the appeal to "plant something." Men and women the country over, appreciating the food crisis that threatens the world, have prepared to do what they can, to aid. City folks with a bit of a back yard are spading up patches of ground not much bigger than a bed quilt. Men with country homes are plowing up lawns and meadows. The seed men are doing a business they never did before. There is a demand on the implement men for rakes, hoes and such things that is record breaking. Literature on agriculture has a charm it never had in previous years.

This is excellent but it is inevitable that many persons who have entered this work with enthusiasm will have disappointment if not discouragement. Amateurs cannot hope for a high measure of success at their first effort. Many a man and woman will find that after paying for seed, for tools, for fertilizer and other things the crop they raise probably will cost more than the beans, the potatoes, the lettuce, the tomatoes and such if they had bought them from the grocer.

Then we shall hear that there is nothing in this business of having a truck garden; that it is cheaper to buy than to plant, etc.

Don't be influenced by such talk. There is a phase to this "plant something" movement that is of tremendous importance. It matters not if your truck garden crop costs far more than an equal amount of produce would cost if purchased from the regular suppliers. It matters not if you grow only one-half, or one-fourth of what you hope for.

If you add anything to the food supply you have done a fine work.

There is more dependent upon the amount of food raised in America this year than upon any crops grown in all the history of the world.

The fate of the democratic institutions of the world may be decided by the amount of beef, of wheat, of corn America is able to send to Europe. Every peck of grain or vegetables grown in a city lot or on suburban land will make it possible to supply that much more for Europe.

France and Great Britain are fighting for America while they are fighting for themselves. They need food as urgently as they need shells and powder.

They cannot get food from the Argentine, from India or from Australia because the shortage of ships is such that every vessel must be used in the comparatively quick trip between Europe and America as against the long trip to South America, to India or the Antipodes. The grain crops of America have had a bad start, a very bad start. The crop situation the world over is serious. In France and England they are turning land never used before to planting wheat. They are plowing by night

with acetylene lights to guide them in the work. Europe is doing its best. America must do likewise. Disregard the item of expense. Do not be halted by discouragement or by making a mistake. Plant something. Grow something if it be only radishes. Plant something on every foot of earth you can spare. Hunger hangs like a pall over Europe. It is a work of patriotism and national safety for America to furnish food to our Allies beyond the seas.

Let the men plant something. Let the women—and they have a great love for the soil—plant something. And let the children help. Everyone can be a soldier in this great, patriotic work.

A WASTE THAT CAN BE ELIMINATED

"At least five hundred cakes of ice were wasted this morning," said an observant citizen passing along Merchant street about 9 o'clock. He pointed to the melting ice lying around on the sidewalks at half a dozen spots within eye-view.

"Here is something the food commission might have taken up, because it happens every holiday and has happened ever since we have been getting ice in Honolulu. On holidays the ice is delivered to the shops and offices just the same, and half of the cakes are not put into the coolers. They just lie around and melt, usually on the sidewalk. If on holidays the ice were given to poor people who really need it this hot weather, it would be of some use to the city."

And this suggestion could be easily carried out if the ice-men, making deliveries the day before holidays, would determine what customers downtown didn't want their ice next day.

Some gray-headed men who grew up in New England remember the custom that prevailed in many families of making a boy or girl "clear the plate" or eat what was left at another meal before getting anything else. That was not irrational or cruel. The child was permitted to help himself or herself. If too much was taken the discipline of having to eat it sooner or later was wholesomely educative. We may get back to it. Waste is never justified in prosperous families or other families. It is a big element in giving children an utterly false idea of what makes prosperity, at least in blinding youngsters to the vitalism of thrift on which all accumulation is based.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Star-Bulletin wishes to acknowledge donations of books for the Schofield library from Mrs. George P. Castle, Mrs. James A. Kennedy, Mr. W. D. Westervelt, Mr. J. J. Beiser, Mr. George Isenberg and Murray Johnson. It is hoped that a large number of books will be sent to this office within the next few days, to be forwarded to the big army post, where the demand for all kinds of reading-matter is large. Fiction, literature, scientific works, textbooks and history and biography are welcome.

Evidently the provision men of California are having a hard time to make good their talk of rising costs. A Los Angeles grand jury has indicted sixteen bakers for violation of the state anti-trust law in increasing the price of bread. Before this food shortage is over a good many middlemen are going to find their former conception of "legitimate profits" suddenly revised downward.

The price of coal is raised because of the increase in wages paid to the miners, the price of eggs because of the higher cost of feeding hens. On that principle, why should Philadelphia fans protest if, because of the higher salary paid to Grover Cleveland Alexander, the price of admission to the baseball park is also raised?—New York World.

Boy Scouts tonight are assisting the city papers in collecting election returns. It is a training in practical citizenship for them and demonstrates again the many lines of usefulness which the Scouts have developed.

If you make a French flag, remember that the blue stripe, next to the staff, is 30 per cent of the length of the flag, the white 33 and the red 37.—Boston Herald.

If you haven't voted yet, be sure to get in your ballot for Mayor Lane for reelection, Edward Hopkins for sheriff and James Bicknell for auditor.

Today's primary election covers only half of the city campaign. The biggest fight remains—to get elected the best of those nominated.

Within a few hours a good many candidates will be wondering why they ever thought they had a chance.

Now that Honduras has broken with Germany, the defeat of the Central Powers is virtually complete.

The main thing keeping Col. Roosevelt from taking an army to France is shrewd Democratic politics.

Join the election night crowd in front of the Star-Bulletin's headquarters, Waiy Building, on King street west of Fort.

Incomes over a million a year are to be heavily taxed, but that doesn't mean we awake nights

LETTERS

SPEAK A DESERVING WORD

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.
 Sir: How much better it would be if people would give a word of praise, and appreciation, to a person (either in public life or private) while they are living, instead of waiting until they have passed away, and then give all the honors that are due them. We often read in the daily papers "kicks" about the police force and the detective force. They are said to be brutal to one, and will do nothing for another, and so it goes. Very seldom do we read a word of praise from citizens. And we all know they are certainly deserving, at times at least. How can a person holding a public position enter into his duties with his whole soul when he finds himself continually criticized by the public.

The words of appreciation in this letter are directed to Chief of Detectives McDuffie and his efficient force. They act quickly and accomplish results. For instance, five minutes, exactly, after he was notified to send men to the notorious disorderly houses at 1822a-1822b North King street (Kalihi) there were there in force. And the result was the patrol wagon was filled to capacity, so great was the haul. The second raid which was made on the same places, just two nights later, had the desired result, and was accomplished in the same quick manner. Now, what more can people want? Let your complaints be known, and Chief McDuffie criticized by the public?

Suffice us to say the Hon. Judge and Prosecuting Attorney do the rest, by their gallant words, and severe sentences prove they do all possible to do away with this vice.

NEIGHBORS

(Fourteen neighbors have signed their names to this letter and sent it to the Star-Bulletin.)

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—THE CANDIDATES, in chorus: With these few words I thank you.

—HARRY T. LAKE: I wish I was as sure of getting to heaven as A. M. Brown is of being elected.

—EDGAR HENRIQUES, candidate for supervisor: Campaigning is not what it is cracked up to be.

—EDWARD HOPKINS, candidate for sheriff: The police department needs reform and if elected I shall certainly see that it gets it.

—J. FRANCIS CHILD, proprietor Blaisdell Hotel: We, as well as others, have a board of strategy that meets quite often in the lobby of the Blaisdell.

—JAMES BICKNELL, auditor: This election will show whether the people want a man in office who has shown he knows his business or one who merely claims he does.

—A. L. CASTLE, attorney: I. C. Cohen claims it elected he will have cantonniers on every mile of road on the island. This would mean a yearly expenditure of over \$300,000.

—DEPUTY MARSHAL OTTO F. HEINE: Publicity pays, all right. The marshal's office was overworked yesterday taking care of the rush of German aliens to secure permits to reside in the restricted areas.

—PROF. W. A. BRYAN: I am certainly pleased with the manner in which the Democratic candidates have conducted themselves during the primary campaign, and I believe they are going to make an excellent showing at the polls today.

—KIRK PORTER: I'm glad the detective force nabbed the fellow who has been phoning in orders to the different stores for rice and charging it to the board of health. One of the merchants told me that the thief had cheerfully announced himself as "Kirk" over the phone and had imitated my voice to prove it.

—GEORGE J. BROWN, asst. manager Royal Hawaiian Hotel: It might be surprising to some to know that for the 10 years that I have been at this hotel I have been out of it just two nights. Before that time I didn't stay in any one place more than six months and saw nearly all of the world before I settled down.

—JAY URICE: My good friend, Thomas, who left recently for the mainland, made a hurried departure. He had intended to take a later boat, but learned of a sudden that he could not get booking on it. Had he waited longer he could not have reached the mainland in time for his own wedding. This fact was argument for haste.

—DOROTHY DIX: Articles Begin Next Monday. Exclusively in the Star-Bulletin.

A CALL FROM THE U. S. A.

Do you hear our country calling? Do you hear you to volunteer. Do not wait until conscription. Show her you have no fear.

When you know your country needs you.

Why do you hesitate? Enlist to help our allies. Do it now and do not wait.

Only cowards shrink from duty. Are you to do the same? Then why not show your colors. And get into the game?

Our allies are hard working. To get all the common foe. Should we, a valiant nation, Shun our duty so?

There are many brave among us. Anxious for the fray, But are we all true soldiers, Willing to fight today?

Home ties are ever binding, To that we all agree, But shouldn't we be brave men, And help our own country?

And now, dear comrades, listen, And I will tell you true, If I were not a woman, I'd be with the colors, too.

But, we woman are not slackers, For we have our share to do, By being economical, And help our country, too.

Our National Guard is needing men, Why not join the Signal Corps? You will find Captain Noggle Waiting at the door.

Then sign up for the Signal Corps, You'll never regret the deed, And get yourself in training For the country's greatest need. —M. E. H.

CAPTAIN CLARK IS WITNESS IN ROENITZ CASE

If it is an offense to have in possession photographs of Diamond Head, or the guns at Fort De Russy or of the shore line of Oahu showing, among other things, the location of Forts Kamehameha and Armstrong, then there are a lot of persons in Hawaii who are "in pretty bad."

Thus remarked Attorney F. C. Peters, counsel for the defense, at a further hearing yesterday afternoon of the case of George Roenitz, former clerk to Capt. George R. Clark, commandant of the Pearl Harbor naval station, who is charged with espionage.

Denies Evil Intent
 Speaking generally with regard to the articles taken from Roenitz's personal effects, including alleged copies of code messages from the secretary of war, data regarding Pearl Harbor station and four photographs of scenes at the big naval station, Attorney Peters intimated that the important question involved was whether Roenitz had these articles in his possession with a felonious intent; that is, with an intent to use them against the national defense.

"I am convinced," declared Attorney Peters in the course of the hearing, "that no attempt or attempts were made by this defendant to communicate with a foreign power or to be loyal to the nation of his naturalization."

Called to the witness stand on cross-examination, Capt. Clark's attention was called to an exhibit purporting to embody the titles to 19 photographs presumably of portions of the Pearl Harbor station and vicinity. Capt. Clark said he was unable, from the text of the titles, to determine whether any of the alleged photographs were official; that is, whether they had been taken by an official photographer at the instance of the government.

Capt. Clark testified that Roenitz was discharged as clerk the latter part of February of this year, after he had returned from leave. This discharge, he added, was canceled and Roenitz was put on suspension. The captain would not say whether he had recommended the discharge of Roenitz, as such an action on his part would be official and a matter not intended to be made public.

Regarding the code message received from the secretary of the navy containing instructions to the local commandant as to how to proceed in the event of certain happenings, a copy of the translation purporting to have been found in Roenitz's possession, Capt. Clark testified that it is the custom to make only one copy of a translation of such a message, as the information contained is for the use of the commandant only, and is not intended for general distribution.

He further testified that, at the present time, very few official messages are sent in ordinary English. Further

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THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

There's an Essence of joy that just floats through the world, It thrills in each flower and tree, It sings in each bird and it shines in each star, And I have quite a little in me.



BARELY ESCAPES SPEEDING MOTOR

A 25th Infantryman narrowly escaped injury, and possible death, shortly after 8 o'clock last night when he jumped back onto the curb from in front of automobile 2189 that whizzed by a Rapid Transit car that had stopped at Maunakea and King streets.

When the car stopped the soldier, who had been standing on the curb, started across the narrow space of street to board the car. He noticed the approach of the automobile barely in time and jumped back, the machine

shooting by at a rapid rate. The machine was driven by a woman, who had another woman in the front seat with her.

VITAL STATISTICS

DIED.
 KEOHO—In Honolulu, May 17, 1917, Elizabeth, infant daughter of G. Keoho of Ala Moana Road.
 FAIRMAN—In Honolulu, May 16, 1917, Joseph Walter Fairman of 1559 Fort street, married, painter; native of Pennsylvania, 45 years old.

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