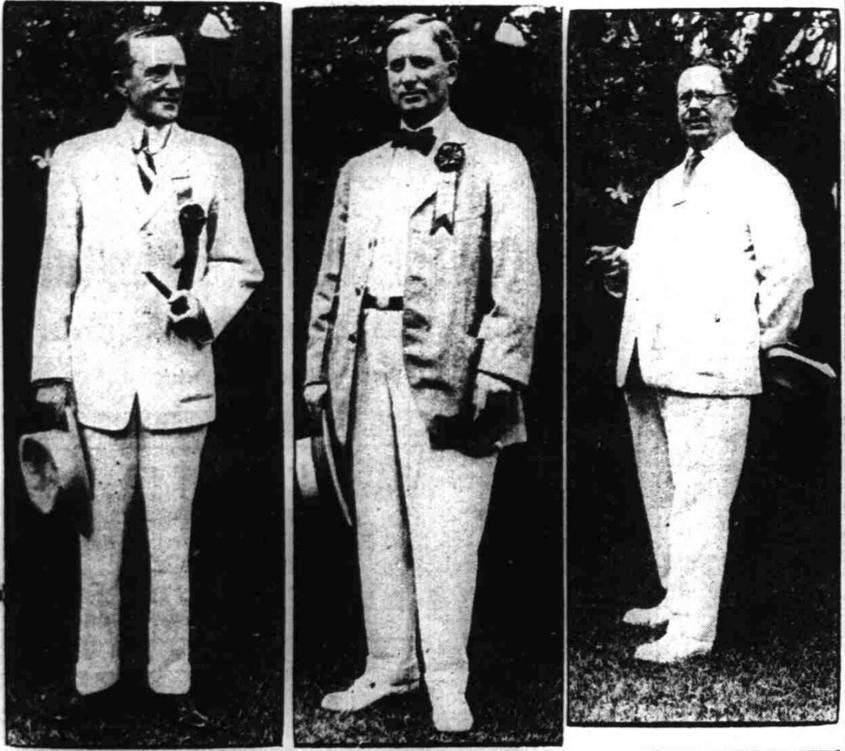


Prominent Islanders In Honolulu To Attend Sessions Of Civic Convention

At the left is Dr. H. Elliott, who, as head of the Hilo Board of Trade six years ago, fathered the action that has made the civic convention an annual institution; center, Judge Delbert Metzger of Hilo, who delivered the response to the address of welcome this morning, and William Field of Maui, member of the credentials committee.



GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR CROSS-CITY ROAD TO FT. SHAFTER

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protect the army of the United States of America and the national guard of Hawaii in the location and as necessary for their maintenance, training and efficiency.

"Through the port of Honolulu passes the main travel and traffic of the Pacific and the impressions here made on world travellers give us our world rating. Our governmental establishments are the first factor, if we so will it. Nature's setting and private refinements add to the general conception of our place among capitals.

Preparing for the Future

"It will be profitable for this convention to know what has been accomplished, what is actively in progress of accomplishment, and the additional acquisitions necessary to complete fundamental projects for a perfect civic equipment, appealing to the highest artistic conceptions and perfect utility."

Here the governor reviewed the history of the civic center project and what has been accomplished, and declared that Collector of the Port M. A. Franklin will today reach Washington to confer as to the details of the new federal building. Collector Franklin, he said, is supplied with maps, not only of the details of the civic center, but of the whole broad scheme of improvement—Waikiki reclamation, Ala Moana waterfront boulevard, the suggested relief of the dangerous and increasingly dangerous congestion on King street, by use of a widened Punchbowl street, Vineyard street, one block of Fort street and thence, by school street, to Fort Shafter and beyond if desired.

"Assistant Secretary Newton," said the governor, "already takes an interest in our civic center and will endeavor to so harmonize federal building projects that the center may be a most notable one.

"The entire judiciary building square will soon become the property of the territorial government.

"We hope that really architectural gem the Judiciary building, will become Honolulu's city hall.

"We hope to balance the federal building with a combined territorial department and circuit and supreme courts building, that in size, architectural character and material, may relatively harmonize with the federal building, and to erect it on the Puncbowl side of the judiciary lot.

"The Hawaiian department needs an administration building of magnitude. We are in conference with the United States depot quartermaster as to a site therefor and other essentials.

"We hope to induce him to so locate that we can secure a balancing lot on which our citizens may erect a much needed opera house or a municipal auditorium, fulfilling the same purpose and similar to San Francisco and Oakland's example.

Suggestions for New Thoroughfare

"It is obvious King street is increasingly congested by high-speed traffic and when the street railway is double-tracked it will be increasingly so. Some relief is needed for the present and future in the length of this street, from Kalakaua avenue to and beyond the Kamehameha schools. Neither Beretania nor Hotel streets carry the most pronounced congestion nor can they.

"In surveying the situation, School street affords the only practical solution and avenue.

"To the west it is now very wide and can be easily extended to Fort Shafter and beyond, and moreover it avoids the tar patches and will not cut through the premises of the Kamehameha schools. Toward the east it can be easily widened where necessary. The connection by one block on Fort street would bring the thoroughfare to Vineyard street, through which a widened Puncbowl street would be reached, leading thereon to Second street, which should be opened to Ala Moana. It is the duty of the board of harbor commissioners to de-

velop and refine the Ala Moana road and waterfront.

"Thus the broad improvement of Honolulu is connected up in a practical and comprehensive scheme until its component parts make one great and inseparable unit.

Territorial Parks

"The Round Top forest reserve park, although not yet embellished, now shows its possibilities and I quite wonder if citizens generally realize with what ease, over an excellent road, they may enjoy quite a wonderful landscape, as well as a much cooler temperature. There was a little opposition to this scheme, but your executive determined to save this park for the public. I wish to have you realize how unusual it is to have such public reservations right within a city, as are the forest reserve park and Puncbowl military reservation.

"Although bond sales are a little slow, the cash is on hand to pay for Kaimuki park and will in a few days be available for both Atkinson and Pauoa parks.

"Mr. A. Lewis, Jr., on a turn of the Nuuanu road has shown what can be done privately to make our highways attractive. We hope for additional spots of beauty by private aid.

"When Waimanalo returns to the possession of the territory, the greatest opportunity will be at hand to serve the community at large, but it will require firmness and wisdom to deal with grasping persons already disclosing their dispositions.

Utilitarian Opportunities

"In discussing with the United States engineers the proposed Kahi basin, the proposition was made that if the territorial government would secure the mauka side by purchase of the then Dowsett, Standard Oil, and Oahu Railway frontage, the federal government would give the territory the mauka frontage and the land created by disposing of the nearby dredging.

"The prospective imperative factor was the bulkheads to retain the fill. I will not bore you with the details of our efforts to find the money for this purpose. We still seek it. We also seek a public determination that this opportunity be not lost to the public, and it is the duty of you citizens to see that it is not. It cannot be done by resolution or sentiment, but by individual determination and work.

"The experimental road at the College of Hawaii in its various features has proven that the one reliable construction is reinforced concrete. A drive over the road with its variety of types will convince you of this fact. I believe, however, the laying of concrete road surfaces needs more care and that with attention and good engineering the surface can be made perfect.

The County of Kauai

"In its county officials and in its county spirit, Kauai seems particularly fortunate. Its progress in its county improvements has reached a point where normal attention will soon complete the projects.

"Above all things Kauai needs a port wherein passengers and freight can be disembarked or embarked at a wharf in still water. It has an ambitious scheme for a harbor at Na'awili, dependent on the good will of the congress of the United States. Pending their action and accomplishment this territorial administration has for nearly three years hoped the capitalists of East Kauai could unite for a common carrier railway which might, for the present, make use of Hanalei harbor and its sheltered waters.

"This administration has granted such rights of way for ditches, tunnels, etc., as have been found necessary to bring out and utilize private waters.

"The administration believes the waters belonging to the territory on the east side of Kauai should be developed, conserved and distributed by one organization wholly disconnected

from any plantation interests save as they may, with other customers, purchase the waters. As the government has not the funds to carry out a water proposition of this magnitude, it believes the people of East Kauai could, if they chose, drop the trictions of the past, organize a company to carry out the needed water proposition, refund to themselves the cost and interest from water income, and eventually turn over the plant to the government.

"The main physical obstacle to the common carrier railway is the need of a suitable bridge over the Waialua river in which the county should have at least a half interest.

"For some time, particularly through the land department and bureau of hydrography and its own observation, the administration has realized the wonderful possibilities for health, recreation, and rest to be had in the 'Napali Kona' forest reserve, in the district of Waimea, Kauai. The matter of setting aside this tract was in progress when a resolution from the Kauai Chamber of Commerce indicated this to be the wish of the people. The necessary data is being secured and when placed before the governor he will issue a proclamation setting aside the 'Napali forest reserve' as 'A forest reserve park,' under control and management of the division of forestry.

The County of Maui

"I know of no opportunity from public lands, to establish parks on Maui, save as the federal government has indicated its intentions in the Haleakala division of the Hawaii national park. The uplands of Maui present an opportunity for food production and conservation that will establish farming on a sound basis. Food production must become a successful business proposition in order to exist and become a reliance.

"I feel much confidence when such gentlemen as Mr. Harold Rice, Dr. W. D. Baldwin, Dr. J. H. Raymond and others are determined to solve the problem as a business proposition.

"The Baldwin interests are also endeavoring to furnish other prime necessities for themselves and the islands. The manufacture of cement has been accomplished, and a motor fuel from molasses is within a near possibility. With this aggressive enterprise and capital I believe we may expect other successful innovations.

County of Hawaii

"I believe the best interests of this county have had the attention of the governor. The tropical forest has, wherever pointed out, been added to the forest reserves. Active efforts have been made to establish, as a fact, the Hawaii national park as relates to the island of Hawaii. Local parks have been set aside by proclamation. Careful consideration of Hilo's waterfront should be had in view of future opportunity for parking and I trust the delegates from Hawaii will bear the matter in mind.

"My greatest anxiety is for Hilo harbor and wharfage. It is but remembered that the character of transportation has changed with high class roads and motor vehicles. Each man or concern has a right to furnish his own land transportation and it cannot be denied.

"It is my intention, shortly, personally to study the problem for the reason Capt. William Matson has declared to me personally that he will not risk a two million dollar steamship alongside the present Kuhio wharf and the American-Hawaiian Steamship Co. have made the same assertion.

Food Commission

"I believe in letting the food commission work out its own problems. Impractical sentiment and unprofitable experiments will wear themselves out.

"The demand of the federal government for war loans has obstructed the market for our local issue of bonds. The situation could not be foreseen. For great profits this war has strikingly favored the capitalists of Hawaii. The territory must have money or needed improvements must cease. There are not the times to insist on the exacting scales of interest re-

ROAD PROBLEMS CONSIDERED FROM VARIOUS ANGLES

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may discuss every phase of this subject as long as they are inclined to do so. The results of their efforts will be nil, however, unless the design, construction and maintenance of streets and highways are under the control of an efficient organization.

"This matter of organization is, to my mind, the weakest point in the solution of the problem on Oahu. We now have our franchise tax laws which require benefits to property to stand a share of the burden of good roads; we have an amended tax law which provides increased revenues for new construction and maintenance after January 1, 1918, but we have absolutely nothing to guarantee the existence of any body of men who are capable of doing the work efficiently.

"There are many reasons why such an organization does not exist today and I do not exist in our public school changes made in our present form of local government. The regular biennial disturbances over appointments which follows every county election does not promote efficiency nor does it insure any form of continuing policy for road construction. The continual change in personnel retards progress in dealing with local problems and costs the public a large amount of unnecessary expense. Interference by politicians and laymen, and a host of other factors combined tend to destroy rather than promote efficiency.

"In the first place I feel that the engineering and road departments of the city and county should be placed under civil service.

"Secondly, the public should be educated. Children in our public schools should be taught something about the features of municipal government, so that they may grow up to a full realization of their responsibility as citizens of this community. The course in highway engineering at the College of Hawaii should be enlarged and developed so that the engineering department of the city may draw upon a supply of men trained in this particular branch of engineering. An opportunity should be afforded for the engineer of the city and county to visit work on the mainland where millions of dollars are being spent on modern highway improvements so that he may learn new methods and talk over the successes and failures of various types of construction with the engineers in charge."

OUTSIDE ISLANDS MAY BUY TERRITORY BONDS

According to a report reaching the Star-Bulletin today, a delegation from Hilo will take up definitely with the governor the proposition of buying territorial bonds for local improvements.

Hilo is said to be strongly back of the movement to purchase territorial bonds, as indicated by statements favoring such action at a meeting of the board of trade several weeks ago.

It is also believed that Kauai people are willing to take up some of the bonds.

Turns. Let the balance favor the territory at this time.

Preparation for Defense

"I assert no political division of the United States of America has in so early and foresighted manner earnestly endeavored to be prepared for the defense of the country whenever called upon as has the Territory of Hawaii.

"It was prepared for active service and so indicated in the war department in Washington during the Mexican troubles a couple of years ago. It was again ready to respond to the nation's call and but for secret civilian interference, might have been called with the first drafted units. The remedy will come.

"On every hand the Territory of Hawaii is girding herself for action. She is nobly doing her work for allies in the field and preparing for the day her own countrymen will need the aid their labors prepare. No other capitol houses the Red Cross workers and over no other capitol flies the flag of the Red Cross.

"Armed with the physical power and resources to become the arbiter of this conflict, the United States of America has entered this war deliberately, and, counting the cost, has determined to place the world on the basis of a democracy that will command adoption and adherence by the various nations of the earth.

"The universal practice of Christian ethics has to be suspended while nations contend on the basis of 'an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.'

"To save what may be saved, to perpetuate what may be fixed in perpetuity of Christian ethics is the duty and object of the United States of America.

"Gentlemen of this Civic Convention, what are you doing? What is the blood of your kin doing in this maelstrom of world convulsion? Have you taken oath in your chamber to assist first, when your country calls, with your life if need be—second, with the lives of those dear to you; then with your means and finally with personal sacrifice?

"You are at liberty to ask 'Governor, what have you done?' and I will answer you.

"My family have, from and before the foundation of this republic, taken part in every war, foreign or domestic, in which the United States of America has been engaged, notably in the civil war in which every eligible youth of the family saw maximum service, three of them shedding blood, and in the Spanish-American war one met death. Without persuasion or compulsion six are in this war because of the pressure of keen conscientious patriotic duty.

"This governor has worked to the limit to establish a sound military organization for Hawaii and is determined so long as his authority lasts, he will strenuously labor to reestablish an efficient, self-respecting, devoted body of soldiers at the service of the Territory of Hawaii and the United States of America."

MORE HELP FOR FARMERS ASKED OF MERCHANTS

Better Crops Will Be Raised Only When Market Assured, Asserts Maui Grower

Mild criticism of the action of the territorial marketing division in assisting the small farmers in the territory was voiced at a meeting this morning by the territorial food commission with Honolulu merchants and other island produce growers and commission agents.

"The territorial market is not serving the small man enough," declared Harold Rice of Maui. "The small farmer ties his money up in his crops and when the time comes for him to sell his produce, he is in the hole if he has to wait two or three months for a return after the goods are delivered."

The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing ways and means whereby the local retail merchants may assist the small farmer by purchasing more home grown produce, which would, to some extent, lower imports.

"In order to get the best results," Mr. Rice continued, "the growers and the merchants must pull together. You have got to come forward and help us out."

"I do not believe we can afford to stand the 5 per cent commission paid to the marketing division. I believe that the farmers should have a man in Honolulu to handle their trade. We want a man who would get out and hustle. It seems to me that the marketing division is bucking all the merchants in Honolulu and the other fellow's trade.

"What's the use of raising better produce if we can't sell it? I have a couple of hundred tons of corn that I will probably have to sell on the coast because I can't sell it in Honolulu."

Just what grades of corn may be grown here, and what grades are in demand, was the subject of discussion the first hour of the meeting.

"In my opinion," said Fred L. Waldron, "corn is the most important product raised in these islands for emergency. It is from 100 to 200 per cent better than it was three years ago. It has been demonstrated that it can be raised successfully here. It is one product that can be stored so that, in case of a blockade, it would be more useful and valuable than any other product. It takes the place of wheat, which cannot be raised here. The principal thing is to increase the acreage. This could be done, I presume, through the land commission, which could survey tracts of land and then induce people to raise corn on it."

As regards white corn, Representa-

PEDRO DENIES HE KNEW WHAT COMPLAINT WAS

That he did not understand what was being said to him when asked if he was guilty or not guilty of murdering Tsunetaro Hayashibara, a Japanese storekeeper, near Kaneohe on the night of August 21, was the assertion made by Pedro, one of five Filipinos charged with the crime, when he testified this morning in Circuit Judge Iken's court.

The trial of the Filipinos is rapidly drawing to a close. The prosecution has closed its case and the defense is now being put on, much of its testimony having already been taken.

In response to a question by William Carden, attorney for the defense, Pedro testified, in effect, this morning:

"I couldn't understand the indictment. It was first read in English and then read in Filipino and I didn't understand what was said."

He added that he did not even know what he was charged with. He testified that Alfredo Ocampo, police officer and Filipino interpreter, told me I was guilty because I was there at the store." He added that it was "not my intention to rob or steal."

"Alfredo told me to tell the truth," Pedro went on, "as I was young and that it would be a pity for me to be hanged. And so I told the truth."

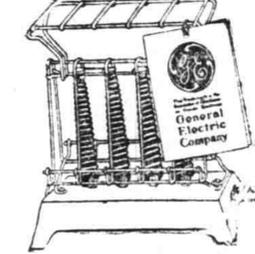
The trial will be resumed at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. It is probable that the other defendants will be called to the witness stand.

MAUI SENDS 300 BAGS OF WATERMELONS HERE

Three hundred bags of watermelons were brought to Honolulu from Maui by the Inter-island boat Mikahala which arrived early Sunday morning on her regular schedule. The shipment received yesterday will be the first of a number which will be made while the annual harvest continues for the next two months.

The Mikahala brought 17 first class passengers to Honolulu and 28 steerage passengers. Besides the watermelons, her freight consisted of 200 bags of corn, 200 bags of salt, 80 bags of charcoal, 167 bundles of beer bottles, 45 bundles of wine bottles, 50 sacks tubs, 6 crates of chickens, 3 horses, a hog, and 110 packages of sundries.

She sails again for Maui on Tuesday evening at 5 o'clock.



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