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PROPOSAL TO BUILD HOTEL ON SLOPE OF HALEAKALA

**"Promotion Wood" Writes To Maui Chamber of Commerce
Would Have Association Underwrite \$50,000---
Committee Will Look Into Matter.**

At the meeting of the Maui Chamber of Commerce that was held last Wednesday, an important letter, bearing on the scheme to establish a Hotel on the side of Haleakala, was read. The communication was from H. P. Wood, of the Hawaiian Promotion Committee, and J. N. S. Williams presented it to the meeting. Mr. Wood's scheme is to have the Maui Chamber of Commerce underwrite a sum of \$50,000 which would be devoted to erecting a fine hotel at about the four thousand feet elevation on the mountain. The hotel would be a large, roomy house, and wide lanais would surround the structure.

Then, on the summit of Haleakala, a large rest house would be erected and comfortable beds would make the tourists forget the cold snap in the air.

Mr. Wood provided figures to show what the cost and probable receipts from the hotel would be. Allowing \$15,000 for expenses during the first year, Wood figures that the income would be sufficient to pay the interest on the sum invested and leave some thousands of dollars to set aside as a sinking fund.

Following the reading of the letter,

there was a general discussion of the proposal, and the sense of the meeting appeared to be that a committee should be appointed to go into the matter. This was done and Chairman F. F. Baldwin named Hugh Howell, W. H. Field, J. N. S. Williams and W. O. Aiken. Mr. Baldwin will also be on the committee. The matter of a hotel at Kahului also came up, and the letter of Mr. Wood touched on the subject. Wood claimed that a hotel for the accommodation of tourists is badly needed, and that something should be done regarding the housing of visitors to Kahului.

The same committee that will take up the Haleakala affair will look into the possibilities as regards Kahului. It was thought that a branch of one of the Wailuku hotels might pay, if established at Kahului.

The matter will be looked into and, although it is thought by some people that the time is not ripe for any such scheme as the Haleakala proposition, it will come about, sometime, and that any investigations made at the present time would all be valuable in the future.

Build Yacht For Big Race

Hana Man Suggests Tempting Proposition—Everybody To Have Chance.

HANA, Dec. 12.—We learn of another Yacht Race in the near future. We also learn that our genial friend, and good sport, Sam Parker, would be willing to put up \$25,000 to make the deal a go.

We would suggest that the proper way to go about the building of the new yacht would be as follows:

Issue stock for the amount it would take to carry this next race to a finish. If, say, we would require \$50,000 make it 10,000 shares at \$5 per share. If \$100,000 is required, make it \$20,000 shares, all shares to be put on sale amongst the leaders of local sportdomes; school teachers and their pupils also to take stock in the concern at \$5 per share. After the race has been run and won, the yacht will go to the one that holds the lucky number. In this way everybody would have a look in—and no one would regret losing, because he could, at least, say that his donation went to help boost Hawaii and, for his donation of five dollars, he got a chance at least.

Clubs of all kinds would spring into existence and fifty tots could put in 10 cents each and, perhaps have the pleasure of owning a yacht! What would they do with it? Why sell it, of course, to the man who would need a good boat. Perhaps it would fall into the hands of a poor Hawaiian Fishing Hui which, in turn, could make good use of the boat. On the other hand it might fall into the hands of one of the local churches which could put this boat into service as a Missionary Packet, like the "Morning Star," and could use her on a cruise throughout the south seas.

If we are to build a boat we must build with the intention of winning the race. Perhaps this may sound a little too much like a game of chance—well, to be public spirited, the "chance" part of it could be mentioned in a whisper. The main thing is to get together and put up the dough and make a go of it. The Honorable and genial Sam will perhaps, have the same chance with his \$25,000 as Sam Hop with his five and, when it comes to a show down they will both be good losers because it is for the sport of the thing that they throw in their money to boost Hawaii.

We country folks would all come in and take shares in a proposition of this kind. Some folks may say it is a gamble and would throw up their hands in holy horror of such a proposition, but at the same time they do not object to dabbling in sugar stocks and taking a chance.

Bevins Now In Wailuku

Mr. E. R. Bevins, attorney at law, has opened his office in Wailuku, and he will in future practise his profession in this town. Mr. Bevins has been located on Maui for some time, and has been practising law at Kahului.

The office formerly occupied by the late J. M. Vivas has been altered and renovated for Mr. Bevins. There should be a good opening for a lawyer of Mr. Bevins' standing, and he will no doubt get plenty of cases to attend to.

Schools Are Talked About

Members of Chamber of Commerce Are Interested—Pogue Explains Matters.

Besides the Haleakala hotel matter there were several other interesting affairs spoken of at the regular meeting of the Maui Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday. One of these was the question of school buildings. The matter was brought up by Mr. Pogue, who pointed out that a sum of at least \$100,000 will be needed to erect new schools, teachers' cottages, and to furnish same. Pogue said that something should be done to inform the legislators from Maui as to what is expected from them. "There is no use in letting the senators and representatives go down to Honolulu not knowing what we on Maui need. There should be a committee to draft the bills we want, and to send copies of same to our representatives in both houses," declared Pogue.

The Chamber saw the force of the idea, and at once the chairman appointed a committee of three—Messrs Pogue, Bevins and Case, to attend to the matter. These three gentlemen will keep in touch with the Maui representatives, and will inform them as to what measures the people of this island wish to have introduced.

As soon as the discussion about the legislators was concluded, Supervising Principal Copeland, of Wailuku, got up and said that he wished to make a few remarks about school buildings.

"I think," he asserted, "that the men who have to use the schools and who are in close touch with the whole proposition should be allowed to make suggestions as to the plans for the new schools. The Wailuku School is unfitted for the purpose it is intended for, and additional room has to be provided at once. There is not a single room in the building that is suitable for the purpose intended. I saw the architect, Mr. Newcombe, after the structure was completed, and he declared that he did not even know to what use the building was to be put."

This statement caused some surprise and the chairman asked Mr. Copeland as to what suggestions he had to make. Mr. Copeland said that many costly mistakes could be avoided if the school inspectors could see the plans for new schools, and discuss the whole proposition with the architect.

The chairman said that the architect might not care to have any orders from people who did not employ him. The architect worked for the Education Department and was responsible to that body.

Mr. Pogue then arose and explained that now, and for all time to come, the question of school buildings would be in the hands of the Loan Fund Commissioners. The commissioners see all plans and make any suggestions that they think fit. It would be an easy matter for the school inspectors to consult with the commissioners and that was exactly what the commissioners wanted. "After the plans are finally decided upon they are forwarded to the Superintendent of Public Works," concluded Pogue.

This statement made things clear to the members and the matter was dropped.

Work is being rushed on the Haiku extension and the railroad will soon be ready for work.

WHY NOT CHRISTMAS TREE OR STOCKING FOR MAUI?

**Honolulu Man Suggests That "Good Fellows" of This
Island Help Out In Matter---Ex-Bank Clerk
Chong Not As Good As Thought.**

[Special Correspondence.]

HONOLULU, Dec. 12.—I take it that Maui, not having been at any time blessed by visits from some wealthy mining men from the Western part of the United States, knows not the joys and sorrows of a malihini Christmas tree understanding, of course, that it was a man from Nevada who first planted here. And if your people would deprive themselves of the part of the pleasure which sometimes leaves regrets, they will not begin on a tree of this sort of their own making. The first tree here was a novelty and consequently a surprise and after that it became, and is, as great an opportunity for the impecunious as it is a source of pleasure to the really poor. It is not difficult to find on Christmas morning families of Chinese who get a hand out from the malihini and then go to the regular church affairs and double up on the offerings. What is true of Chinese is as true of people of other nationalities and aside from the pleasure the tree may bring to the really poor and deserving there is little to it. When I look upon the people who hang at the foot of the tree for two or three hours, believ-

ing they are objects of charity, I cannot but think of the blessings which annexation brought the islands. Twenty years ago the only beggars you would meet were the indigent aliens who hung around the consulates and they were few indeed. Now one has only to go into Kakaako, or Palama or nearly any other part of the city where the improvident live to find misery and squalor.

"GOOD FELLOWS."

But I have gotten off the path I started in to beat. I saw in a news paper published back in Chicago U. S. A. a little reminder to the "good fellows" who a year or two before had sent their names to the newspaper office, it was the Tribune, I think, with an intimation that they were willing to take something to a poor family so that the kiddies, who would otherwise not be in the running, would find something in their stocking Christmas morning. The newspaper was to furnish the addresses. From the seed planted at the first Christmas has grown a search party almost beyond numbers so there are few of the children

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Fine Porkers On Molokai

**Berkshire Pigs Doing Well And
Turning Corn Into Bacon—
Growing Industry.**

Howard Bowen, of the firm of Vincent Bowen, Pukoo, Molokai, was a visitor to Wailuku during the week. He came via Honolulu, and the visit was partly for pleasure and for business. Mr. Bowen is well known on Maui, and he met many friends while in Wailuku.

The firm of Vincent Bowen is in the big raising business, and their ranch at Pukoo is gradually assuming the look of a big mainland concern of the same kind. Only pigs with a pedigree are allowed space at the ranch, and some of the best Berkshire sows and boars are to be seen roaming the paddocks.

The ranch is subdivided and the greatest care is taken in the segregating of the different classes of pigs. Some of the yearling sows have caused a sensation when shipped to Honolulu, and top prices have been paid for the porkers.

The ranchers raise their own feed and their cultivation paddocks are being added to every month. Corn is one of the standby feeds, and ground algaroba bean is also given in a well balanced ration. The result when shown in pork is gratifying to the ranchers.

Alfalfa is raised also on the ranch, and a more contented lot of pigs than those belonging to Vincent Bowen Co. would be hard to find. The business is growing larger every day, and the firm expects to have many thousands of pigs in the near future.

The rain during the week did a lot of good and the cool breezes freshened up everybody.

Meyer Gets Fine Address

Manager Meyer, of the Maui Wine & Liquor Company, was a very surprised man the other day when a beautifully illuminated address was presented him.

The address was from the stockholders of the company, and was a token of the esteem in which Manager Meyer is held. Mr. Meyer was almost overcome when the unexpected honor was conferred on him. He replied as well as he could to the good wishes of the donors, and thanked them from the bottom of his heart for the beautiful address. The illumination was done by W. F. Kaee, who is an acknowledged artist at that kind of work.

Bank Teller Is Leaving

There is to be another change in the First National Bank of Wailuku. Mr. Harold S. Sussman has resigned his position as teller in the bank and is going to, probably, settle in Honolulu.

Mr. Sussman has been in Wailuku some months, and he has made many friends, who all wish him success in what, ever walk of life he goes in for.

It is not known who will succeed Mr. Sussman at the bank, but it is expected that Manager Lufkin, who is now on the Coast, will secure a man in San Francisco.

Mail orders for Kodaks and photo supplies promptly filled by Honolulu Photo Supply Co.

Maui Man In Very Bad Fix

There is a funny story going the rounds about a Maui man. The yarn started in Honolulu and it goes like this:

A well known Maui man visited Honolulu this week. He put up at the Young Hotel. His room was situated about half way between the office and the King street end of the building.

Returning at midnight, the Maui man, finding the heat severe, removed all his clothing and lay outside all the bed clothing. The light from the transom over his bedroom door annoyed the visitor, and at about one o'clock he decided to shut down the top and keep the light out.

Carefully opening his door, the visitor peered up and down the long corridor and seeing nobody about, slipped into the hall way and, reaching up, shut the transom. At that instant his door banged to!

Then there was a scared man from Maui. Garbed as Adam, and locked out of his room! A wild dash along the corridor to a bath room then ensued. There happened to be no towels in that place, and the situation became awful.

However, an attempt was made to use the bath tub for a bed, but it was not too comfortable. Toward dawn the Maui man, feeling desperate, dashed into the hall and sprinted to a room he happened to remember a friend occupied.

The friend was awakened by the hammering on the door and then the Maui man was rescued. Pyjamas next time!

The Maui Theatre is doing good business every night and the "S. R. O." sign has to be shown on Saturday evenings.

Bad Drought Now Ended

Although the ranchers of Maui have gone through one of the worst droughts of years, the loss of cattle has not been very great. Careful herding, and changing from one paddock to another, has minimized the loss, and now that the rain has come at last, the prospects are bright for a good new year.

It is said that Haleakala Ranch lost less than three hundred head of cattle. That is a good record, considering the number of cattle carried, and the bad drought that worried everybody on the side of the mountain.

The Kula district had a bad doing and the end has not yet come. The pipe line helped out a lot, but only for domestic purposes. Rain is badly needed, and many people have become very discouraged as regards the raising of crops. Much trust is being shown in the new variety of corn introduced by Marketing Superintendent Starrett, and the hopes of the small farmers are now centered in the corn that is said to mature in ninety days.

Students To Perform Here

On Saturday, December 28, Maui people will be given a chance to see the students of the College of Hawaii in their very successful play "The Revolving Wedge." Arrangements have been made to have the play produced at the Paia Orpheum.

The Honolulu press accounts of the production are very favorable, and the theatre goers of Maui are evidently in for a treat.

Further announcements will be made next week in this paper.