

MAILS NEXT WEEK  
(To Arrive and Leave Honolulu)

From Coast: Lurline, 6.  
For Coast: U. S. T. Thomas, 6;  
Matsonia, 7.  
For Orient: Persia Maru, 12.  
From Australia: Sonoma, 13.

# Maui News

	Cents	Dollars
per lb. per ton		
Today's quotation	5.265	105.30
Last previous price	5.14	102.89

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## Plebiscite May Be Held On Booze Bill

Prohibition Chief Feature In Senate—Road Bill To Be Opposed—Maui Members Introduce Some Bills

HONOLULU, Feb. 28.—With the distractions of the Carnival out of the way, the Ninth Legislature is getting settled down to real business. This is the sixth day of the sixty-day session, and already a heavy grist of bills, resolutions, etc., has been thrown into the hopper. From now on they will probably come more slowly. To date the House has accounted for 108 of these proposed laws, and the Senate, 34.

The only excitement thus far worked up in either branch that amounts to anything, is the prohibition measure in the Senate. This fight was somewhat unexpected for two reasons. First because of the pending bill in the United States congress; and second because both republican and democratic party platforms specifically pledge their members in the legislature not to monkey with the present liquor law, further than to provide for its strict enforcement.

Senator Chillingworth, a hold-over member, claiming by his status to be exempt from party pledges, forced his anti-saloon bill which was designed to limit the selling of intoxicants to druggists, but did not touch the importing of liquor, or its consumption by individuals.

Prohibitionists were suspicious of this bill for various reasons, and the Senate held aloof because of platform pledges. Hence the Chillingworth bill was killed and a substitute measure, framed by the prohibition forces of Hawaii, substituted. This measure will prohibit absolutely the manufacture, importation, or use of intoxicants; and the solons deem their party pledge is upheld by an amendment providing that the measure shall be submitted to a plebiscite of the voters of the territory. It is believed that

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## Governor Praises Our Farm Progress

In Letter To Fair Committee He Says We Have Demonstrated Possibility Of Food Independence

Writing to Chairman Wadsworth, of the First Maui County Fair, Governor Pinkham recently expressed himself in a manner that should be particularly pleasing to agriculturists of Maui in particular and of the territory in general. Inasmuch as the Governor is reported not to be in sympathy with homesteading and small farming, the general tone of this letter rather belies such notion. The letter follows:

"R. A. Wadsworth, Esq.,  
Chairman, Maui County Fair Committee,  
Wailuku, Maui.

Dear Mr. Wadsworth:

"I desire to record in writing my appreciation of the courtesies of your committee and yourself.

"After many years of observation and experiment it would seem these Islands might reasonably hope and expect to be much more self-sustaining than heretofore.

"The exhibits at your County Fair gave evidence of a great variety of products covering a range sufficient for an adequate and agreeable subsistence in variety for our population and a possibility of a sufficient quantity. At least we have a basic possibility of a far greater independence than now exists.

"We have to thank Maui for this demonstration, so that it is now up to the people, the government assisting, to still further prosecute the effort for food independence.

"I feel sure Maui's ambition has been so stirred the next County Fair will have still greater demonstrations.

"This is a cement age, and Maui leads.

Thanking you for the good done for the Territory and the courtesies shown me,

"I am, most sincerely,

"LUCIOUS E. PINKHAM,  
"Governor of Hawaii."

## California Doves Arrive For Stocking Maui County

Out of a shipment of thirteen pairs of California doves recently ordered by the board of supervisors, eleven pairs were liberated by Supervisor Fleming this week on the Honolulu ranch. In spite of the long trip the birds stood the trip well, only four being lost enroute. It is believed that the doves, which nest in trees, will be better able to withstand the depredations of the mongoose than most of the game birds which have been brought to the Islands.

## Maui Contractor Is On Financial Rocks

J. C. Foss Jr., In Bad Tangle, And Affairs Being Investigated—Bank Takes Over Big Contract

A sensational financial smash took place this week when the business affairs of J. C. Foss, Jr., the well-known Maui engineer and contractor, were taken over by his creditors. Just how seriously Foss is involved is not known, but it is reported that his affairs are in a desperate tangle.

The Baldwin National Bank has taken upon itself the completion of Foss' Olinda reservoir contract, and placed E. C. Mellor in charge of the work. Other interests have been taken hold of by D. T. Fleming, who is trying to straighten things out. Fleming is understood to hold a mortgage on a considerable part of Foss' property.

Foss' business end came last Saturday with his failure to put through an ambitious scheme of consolidating his Maui Stables business with the Iao Stables Company. He had been working on this for the past month, and had taken an option for \$1,000 on the controlling stock of the Iao company, held by Joaquin and John Garcia. The option expired last Friday, the 23rd, without his being able to exercise it.

Until Foss' accounts can be checked up it is declared impossible to say what his liabilities or his assets amount to, but it is stated on good authority, that a good many creditors stand to lose. The Olinda reservoir job, on which the Territory is spending over \$50,000, it is said may prove a loss to the bondsmen, as the work is much behind time.

## Being Witness Poor Business Says Wade

Maui Teacher Rendered Valuable Service In Bomb Cases But Is Out Of Pocket \$500

Herbert Wade, principal of Pauwela school, who returned home last week from San Francisco where he was called as a witness in the famous bomb plot trials, is playing in hard luck. With the exception of a few weeks in December he has been away on the Coast constantly since early last September, and with that exception he is out every bit of salary for the present school year. He figures that he is out of pocket about \$500.

Wade happened to be in San Francisco on his vacation on the day of the preparedness parade, and saw several of the men afterwards arrested for the bomb outrage. He was very near the scene of the explosion, and his testimony was important in convicting two of the leaders, one of whom (Mooney) is now under sentence to be hanged.

Wade was called to San Francisco in September, was allowed to come the first of December, and almost immediately summoned again. His witness fees of \$2 per day, he says, were barely enough to pay his board in San Francisco, so he has nothing to show for almost the past six months. While the school department kept his place for him, it was not able to keep his salary going.

Friends of Wade are talking of taking the matter up with the San Francisco chamber of commerce, to see if that body, which was largely instrumental in prosecuting the dynamiters, might not feel it a duty to make good the loss which the Maui school teacher, can ill afford.

## County Sues Former Engineer On His Bond

Suit was instituted this week by the County of Maui against Hugh Howell, former county engineer, and his bondsmen, the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, to recover the sum of \$1758.65 which the county was obliged to pay as damages to Charles Reinhardt, for personal injuries.

Reinhardt walked into a deep hole which had been washed in the road at Hana by a storm, and he won his suit for damages in the supreme court. The county now contends that Howell, as county engineer, was solely to blame for the road's being left in a dangerous condition. Hence the new suit.

## ALEXANDER HOUSE BEATS KAHULUI

In a hot game of basket ball between the teams of the Kahului Community House and the Alexander House Settlement, at the gymnasium, Wailuku, last night, the Alexander House team won by a score of 20 to 11. A good sized crowd watched the course of the game with much interest.

## Chamber Advocates Territorial Roads

Also Endorses Farm Loan Bill, Asks Aid For Kula Sanitarium And Makes Other Recommendation

For the purpose of considering the report of its legislation committee, the Maui chamber of commerce held a special meeting at the Wailuku Town Hall, last Friday afternoon, and among other things, went on record as favoring the civic convention plan of a territorial road system.

The legislation committee consisted of F. F. Baldwin, W. A. Baldwin, and E. R. Bevins. Its report consisted of eight recommendations, all of which were approved with some modifications after each had been considered separately. A number of additional recommendations were also made, and all were ordered transmitted to Maui's delegation in the legislature, as an expression of the chamber's views as to what matters deserve especial consideration.

**Want Territorial Roads**  
The committee recommended that the legislature appropriate funds to build the Kailua-Nahiku road through the Koolau ("ditch trail") district, and also for constructing a road to the top of Haleakala.

A ships wharf is urged for Lahaina, and also a new wharf at Hana, where the present structure was all but carried away by the storm a year ago.

The chamber wants the legislature to rebuild the road up Iao valley from loan fund money, same to be charged against the county and the same course is asked in order that the county may obtain a county building.

In discussing the matter of having belt roads built by territorial funds, W. F. Pogue, who presided at the meeting in the absence of President Wadsworth, pointed out that Maui has every right to ask such aid, inasmuch as, prior to the establishment of county government such roads were built

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## When Shall We Have Next County Fair?

Matter Will Be Settled By Meeting Called For Next Thursday—Everybody Should Come—Final Report

As far as the last year's Maui Fair committee is concerned there will be no Maui fair held this year, but it advocates the immediate organization of a \$10,000 company or association to begin work at once in preparation for the 1918 event. This was determined at a meeting held last Monday after the matter had been very thoroughly discussed.

Whether or not the people of Maui generally will take this same view of the matter, will be known after the general meeting which has been called for next Thursday, March 8. The meeting is to be held at two o'clock at the Wailuku Town Hall, and a strong effort is being made to get a large attendance in order that there may be no mistake as to public opinion on the matter.

The old fair committee, which will probably make its final report and ask to be discharged at the meeting next week, believes that Maui should back up the territorial fair proposed for Honolulu next fall.

It will probably be decided at the mass meeting whether Maui should go into the fair business as a regular thing; whether she should acquire permanent grounds and buildings and where; whether or not the fair should be combined with the Maui Racing Association; and a number of other matters that may come up along these lines.

## Delightful Birthday Party For Maui Lady

In celebration of her 79th birthday, Mrs. S. H. Dowsett of Makawao, was on Thursday the honor guest at a charming luncheon given by her daughter, Mrs. Dora von Tempy and her grand-daughter Mrs. J. G. Zabriskie, at Erewhon, the von Tempy place in Kula. Mrs. Dowsett was the recipient of many congratulations from friends brought together for the occasion.

The lunch was especially dainty and pretty and was greatly enjoyed. The place favors were quaint, old-fashioned bouquets of white and purple violets and tea roses.

Those present were—Mrs. Dowsett, Mrs. D. B. Penhallow, Mrs. Aiken, of Kahului, Mrs. Worth Aiken, Mrs. Ben Williams, Mrs. James Cummings, Mrs. C. P. Durney, Mrs. F. W. Hardy, Miss Emily Wells, Mrs. von Tempy, Mrs. Zabriskie, and Mr. McKibbin.

## Kaupakalua Winery Has Quit Business

Possibility Of Prohibition And Coast Competition Cause — Growers Want Relief By Law

The prohibition specter which has been haunting the liquor interests for some years, has finally become so real to the Kaupakalua Wine & Liqueur Company that it has decided to quit the making of wine entirely. This decision was recently announced to the grape growers of Kaupakalua and has caused considerable perturbation.

As a result, an effort is to be made here a bill passed by the legislature which will permit individual grape growers to dispose of what wine they may make, at a nominal license cost. At present time five hundred gallons per year is the permitted to be sold at a cost of \$5 for selling license. The proposed measure would remove this limit, inasmuch as it is claimed that many of the individual grape growers will probably make more than this quantity of wine from their own grapes.

**Coast Competition Also**

At the meeting of the Maui chamber of commerce last Friday, J. Garcia, speaking for the winery, stated that the decision to stop making wine was also partly induced through competition of mainland wines, and consequently in disposing of the 60,000 or 70,000 gallons annually produced on Maui.

F. G. Krauss, of the Haiku experiment station, stated that the department of agriculture has had its chemists at work for some time in an effort to find some way of handling the Isabella grape juice so that it might compete with the other unfermented grape juices which it cannot do at present owing to certain undesirable characteristics. Strong hopes are held out that these efforts will ultimately prove successful.

## Big Stables Merger Plan Falls Through

Option On Iao Stables Stock Allowed To Lapse—Company Reorganizes And Makes Plans — May Start Tourist Service

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Iao Stables Company, Ltd., held last Saturday, the old officers and directors were re-elected, as follows: J. Garcia, president; W. T. Robinson, vice-president; John E. Garcia, secretary and treasurer; M. J. Moura and A. Garcia additional directors.

It was announced at the meeting, by those holding a controlling interest in the company, that the option held by J. C. Foss, Jr. for a period of sixty days, had expired on February 23rd, this leaves the Iao Stables Company, Ltd. in the same status as before. The company will continue to operate at its present location on Main street with John Garcia in charge as manager. It has under advisement certain plans for the improvement of its service and equipment, the officers being determined to make this a first class transportation and automobile firm. There is also some talk of organizing a regular tourist service commencing at Lahaina, on to Wailuku, thence to Haleakala, and also to the Ditch Country. This will be a big feature for the tourist, and is being worked out in connection with a local hotel. Full announcement of this plan will be made later should it materialize.

## First Baseball Game To Be Played Sunday

The first baseball game of the season will be played next Sunday afternoon at the Wailuku grounds between the Wailuku and the All-Star, two junior organizations which have been practicing for the past few weeks. The All-Stars consist of players from Wailuku and Wahee. It is expected that the game will be an interesting one. The batteries will probably be—Wailuku, Ro Rego and Keehu; All-Stars, Kalei and Rodrigues.

The game will begin at 2 o'clock.

## GYM DANCE WAS DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR

The Washington's Birthday dance at the Alexander House Gymnasium, last Saturday night, was one of the most enjoyable dances ever given at this popular place. Some 200 or more merry dancers were present, the cool evening lending much to the pleasure of the occasion. The proceeds of the dance are being used in completing the new tennis courts across the street from the Gym.

## DARK GERMAN PLOT AGAINST U. S. EXPOSED

Would Have Mexico And Japan Attack America--Scheme By Zimmermann Worked Through Bernstorff--Washington Astounded--Britains Makes Gains On West Front

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Associated Press was authorized last night to reveal conspiracy by Germany to bring about German-Japanese-Mexican alliance for securing combined attack upon the United States by Mexico and Japan. That Carranza has been willing to listen has been known to President and Cabinet for past month. Negotiations have been carried on through German embassy at Washington. Government is in possession of a copy of instructions covering entire matter, signed by Dr. Zimmermann, minister of foreign affairs, Berlin, dated January 19, 1917. Instructions are addressed to von Eckhardt, German minister to City of Mexico, and was transmitted through Bernstorff. Terms proposed were—"We make war together, and together we make peace." Give financial support to Mexico to enable her to recapture New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. Arrangements left to von Eckhardt, who was instructed to inform Carranza in confidence, and as soon as war was declared between United States and Germany Carranza was to communicate terms to Japan, suggesting adherence of that nation to plan suggested to president of Mexico. At same time he communicated the above to Japan he was to offer his services as mediator between Japan and Germany. Von Eckhardt was to call attention of president of Mexico to fact that—"submarine warfare we intend to put into operation, will compel England to make peace within a few months."

HONOLULU, March 2.—Mrs. Coulter wins championship. Maile Vicars. 6-3; 2-6; 7-5; 6-1. Experience won over brilliancy.

Governor reported likely to veto measure to appropriate \$40,000 to bring congressional party.

Shingle wirelesses Kuhio for more information on subject.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Secretary Daniels appeared on floor of senate yesterday and appealed for hastened action on naval appropriation bill totaling \$368,556,388. Expected bill will pass today.

LONDON, March 2.—News of Germany's plot was the sensation of the day. Morning Telegram says Teuption plan was compound of pure idiocy and knavery.

HAVANA, March 2.—Cuban cane fields being burned in eastern section. Rebels are reported to have boarded a British ship and taken all arms.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Wilson is ready to sign bone-dry law for District of Columbia, when it is presented to him.

PEKING, March 2.—It is announced that Entente allies have asked China to participate actively in war.

NEW YORK, March 2.—It is officially announced Bethlehem Steel Company will build six great Cunard liners immediately.

BALTIMORE, March 2.—Dutch steamer Riisbergen arrives bringing crew of American ship Borin Queen, picked up off Bermuda. Supplies exhausted and coal gone.

BORDEAUX, March 2.—American steamer Rochester successfully ran blockade. Hundreds of whistles blown and large crowd welcomed with cheers.

HONOLULU, March 1.—Island of Lanai has been sold to Frank and Harry Baldwin. Deal closed at noon. Price \$588,000. Ranch and pineapple interests, out. Jas. F. Morgan Company acted for buyers.

Special message of the Governor this morning proposes leasing public lands to secure revenue for military. He urges need of defense. Questions homesteading policy. Another message urges increase of school teachers' salaries by \$71,000 annually.

Local Japanese editors resent German plot. Criticize China's breaking with Germany.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Washington shocked and amazed by revelation of conspiracy. Congress swings behind President. Has forgotten partisan and sectional differences. House voted a three-hour debate on Flood bill. Official statement that White House stands behind senate bill first, last and all the time. House bill is not entirely approved because it does not provide other instrumentalities beyond arming ships. At outset debate on Flood bill aroused intense enthusiasm on both sides of the House. Cited similar authority granted to executive in 1794, 1798, 1815, 1829, and 1856. Attacks pacifists. New development may bring extra session. Likely be called March 5.

Lodge offered resolution that Wilson be requested to inform Senate whether Zimmermann note in his opinion, is authentic. If authentic that he send senate further information relative to any activity of Germany affecting international relations. Senate committee on foreign relations ordered favorable report after changing a few words.

## WIRELESS MARKET QUOTATIONS

SESSION 10:30 A. M. MARCH 2, 1917.

Sugar Price at N. Y. 96 degrees	5.265
Ewa Plantation Company	31.00
Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Co.	49.00
McBryde Sugar Company	10.3/4
Oahu Sugar Company	28.3/4
Olaa Sugar Company	14.3/4
Pioneer Mill Company	35.3/4
Waialua Agricultural Company	29.3/4
Honolulu Brewing & Malting Company	17.3/4
Mineral Products Company	.80
Honolulu Consolidated Oil Company	2.95
Engels Copper Company	7.3/4
Mountain King Mine	.35
Hawaiian Sugar Company	39.00
Onomea Sugar Company	55.00
Hawaiian Pineapple Company	41.00
Oahu Railway & Land Company	162.3/4
Mutual Telephone Company	
Hilo Railway (7 per cent Pfd.)	83/4
Hilo Railway (Common)	2.3/4
San Carlos	16
Honokaa	
Montana Bingham	.42
Madera	.27