

Makes Statement On Corporal Punishment

Superintendent Gives Out Laws On Matter Which Has Been Agitating The Islands

In an effort to define his position on the subject of corporal punishment of children by teachers, Vaughan MacCaughy, superintendent of public instruction has issued the following statement, setting forth the school laws and quoting from the Cyclopaedia of Education. The Maui News prints this statement at the request of the department of public education at Honolulu.

"The School Laws of the Territory of Hawaii provide that

"Any teacher shall have power to administer necessary and reasonable punishment upon any pupils while in attendance at schools, and shall not in any way be held responsible therefor."

"It will be noted that this law does not specify corporal or bodily punishment. The superintendent is satisfied with this law and has made no recommendations whatsoever to the Commissioners or Legislature that any change be made in this law.

"It will be seen from the accompanying except from the Cyclopaedia of Education edited by Paul Monroe 1913, that many mainland cities and states absolutely forbid corporal punishment. In fact, corporal punishment is now practically obsolete in all progressive American communities. An important distinction is also to be made between those schools in which corporal punishment is of rare character and those schools or class-rooms in which there is a great deal of chronic corporal punishment. Speaking in general terms, the school or room in which there is a maximum amount of corporal punishment is the school or room in which there is a maximum of inefficient teaching. Personally, I am opposed to corporal punishment, but, officially, would make no change whatsoever in the present rule.

"In modern education, we are coming to recognize that there are other modes of punishment far more efficacious than corporal punishment. Certainly misdemeanors should be punished but there are methods far more satisfactory than bodily punishment. "It will be noted that the Territorial Legislature, in enacting a law upon punishment, wisely recognized this fact and made no mention whatsoever of corporal punishment."

Defines Corporal Punishment

"Present Legislative Aspect, United States. The tendency to moderate or abandon corporal punishment has already been referred to. In 1906, the regulative principles in cities of 100,000 or over stood as follows, making the classifications somewhat broad: (1) Corporal punishment was entirely forbidden in nine cities (New York, Chicago, Jersey City, Baltimore, Louisville, Kentucky, Newark, Patterson, New Jersey, Syracuse.) In two others, it was retained only to repel violence (St. Paul, Minnesota), or in unclassified schools (Cleveland). (2) As a last resort (must be avoided, if possible, in extreme cases) corporal punishment was retained in nineteen cities. (3) No rule, but abandoned by common consent (Philadelphia), and an implicit regulation against corporal punishment is found (Omaha).

"Where corporal punishment is retained as a last resort or otherwise, certain restrictions are found to the effect that teachers must keep a record, notify the principal, report to the superintendent, inflict the correction in the presence of others, teachers, principal or superintendent; in some cases the principal or vice-principal alone has the right of administering corporal punishment; in other cases, parent must be notified of the intended punishment, and in one case (Kansas City, Mo.) the parents may inflict the punishment instead of the teacher. In St. Louis, Mo., the practice is left to the discretion of the principals without any encouragement by the board of education. Generally, the punishment must not be inflicted in the presence of the other pupils or during the school session. In many instances, corporal punishment is limited to male pupils, or pupils below high school (Atlanta, Georgia, New Orleans, Louisiana, San Francisco, California) or below grammar grades (Providence, R. I.) where specified means are confined.

"Department and Weather. Human behavior is affected by all kinds of changes in the physical environment. It has been shown by statistical examination that crime and misdemeanors of every order vary with the conditions of the weather. Thus, where there is extreme heat, to which human beings adjust themselves with great difficulty, there are likely to be

Haleakala Climber Suffers For Water

There was a bold brave traveler who last Saturday set out to conquer the ascent to Haleakala with a motor cycle. He took with him grub and two bottles of soda pop. The ascent was made in fairly good time, that is until nightfall, at which time the traveler had not yet reached the top. In attempting to take a short cut he got lost and when night fell decided to make the best of the situation and made camp for the night. One of the bottles of pop went to wash down the food. About 11 o'clock the cold woke the conqueror of Haleakala and he built a fire and took a swig at the other bottle of soda water. Several swigs more during the night and by morning there was but little left.

Nothing daunted he went on toward the top, hoping to find the rest house, but unfortunately he went about three miles north of the spot where the rest house stands. He took some pictures and hunted around for the house, but could not find it, and finally thirst drove him back down the mountain. The motorcycle gave no trouble going up or coming down the steep ascent, but when it got on the smooth road near Wailuku, with the perversity of inanimate things, it stopped and refused to budge or even give a cough. The doughty traveler perforce had to ride into town with the cycle trailing disconsolately behind, as his 24 hours without water had considerably weakened him and made the continuation of the journey afoot impossible.

Tobacco Scavengers Will Miss Americans

PARIS, April 30—(Associated Press)—By no one will the departure of the American soldiers from Paris be more keenly felt than by the humble "negotiers"—the pickers-up of cigar stubs and cigarette ends. This has been a golden time for them, an "Papa Cinquante," who is the recognized boss of the trade and employs some thirty pickers, replies disdainfully when folks grumble to him about the scarcity of tobacco.

"There's always tobacco where Americans are," he says. "My men follow them up. Fine fellows! They smoke good stuff, and, what's better, they just chew their cigars and throw away half of them. That's where we gather in our little harvest. The quality of 'my tobacco' has gone up several degrees," and he grinned. "Just now business is fine," he went on. "People are beginning to sit outside the cafes again, and my men pick up all the fag ends on the sidewalk. Another squad cleans up the music hall lounges early in the morning. People smoke more than ever."

Out in the Latin quarter, Papa Cinquante has a drying and sorting shed, where the cigar stubs are cut up and made into pipe mixture, and the cigarette ends are sifted and turned into new smokes. He pays from 85 cents to \$1.25 a pound for the raw material, "according to quality," he says.

TRAFFIC INNOVATION FOR PARIS

PARIS, April 28—(Associated Press)—Taxicabs are to have a new competitor in the streets of Paris, thanks mostly to the American army. Five hundred side-cars are to be licensed to ply for hire at about twenty cents a mile.

The American army has made great use of side-cars in Paris and their handiness has appealed to everybody. Of course there is the draw back that a side-car can only carry one passenger but official statistics show that between 50 and 60 percent of taxicabs have only one passenger.

German naval officers maintain that their fleet was never defeated. Neither was the Chinese Fleet.—Indianapolis News.

many forms of depression and behavior corresponding to this mental abnormality. When the atmospheric conditions are such as to stimulate the nervous system, certain forms of excitement appear. Thus, it has been shown that a high wind is likely to affect unfavorably the behavior of school children. Some inquiries into school deportment seem to indicate the very general relation between such deportment and changes in the weather. Certainly weather conditions which produce exhaustion of fatigue or lassitude affect the general school work and indirectly the discipline of the school.

Reference: Dexter—Conduct and Weather; Psychological Monograph of Psychological Review, No. 10."

Zeno K. Myers Dies Suddenly

Wellknown Kamaaina Of Honolulu Passes Away At Hospital—Many Maui Friends Mourn His Going—Had Held Many Prominent Offices

Many friends on Maui mourn the sudden taking away of Zeno K. Myers of Honolulu, who died Saturday night at the Queen's hospital. Among those will be Alfred Wadsworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wadsworth, who has been in the employ of Mr. Myers for a number of months, as well as many kamaainas of the Valley Isle.

Mr. Myers was a kamaaina of long standing, having come to Honolulu more than 35 years ago. Although never a politician himself, he was always a member of that important little coterie that formed the power behind the candidate whenever a question of civic righteousness was at stake. During the 35 years of his stay in Honolulu he has been prominently associated with many of the most important business ventures, and especially at this time of post bellum reconstruction his constructive business mind will be sadly missed by his business associates.

Mr. Myers was born in Comptonville, Cal., July 1, 1859, and at the time of his death was a few days short of 60 years of age. After graduating from the University of Oregon, he came to Honolulu in the early 80's, and here married Mary Lowden in March, 1886. Under the monarchy he was superintendent of the money order department of the Hawaiian post office, was later secretary and associate manager of the Hawaiian Trust company, cashier and associate manager of the North British and Mercantile Insurance company, and thereafter organized and managed the First Trust company of Hilo. Upon his return to Honolulu he organized the Home Insurance company, which he has managed since 1909.

Several years ago he was chairman of the Hawaii Promotion committee, and in that capacity did much constructive work in advertising Hawaii. He was also a strong believer in the attractions of the land of his adoption and through his mainland insurance connections was able to obtain much publicity for the islands.

Mr. Myers was one of the mainstays of the local Knights of Pythias, and socially both Mr. and Mrs. Myers were among the most popular of the members of the kamaaina set. He is survived by his widow.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Central Union Church. The pall bearers were: Sherwood Lowrey, Willard Brown, M. V. Ferreira, Stanton Wyatt, Ormond Wall, Stanley Kennedy, W. W. Thayer and John Clark. Rev. W. D. Westervelt officiated in terment in Nuuanu cemetery being private.

Americans In Siberia Cause Orient Anxiety

TOKIO, April 22—(Associated Press)—Virtually all the Tokio newspapers published today an item reading as follows:

"A despatch from Verkne Udinsk, Siberia, (on the Trans-Siberian railway east of Lake Balkal) received at a certain quarter, says: 'Two battalions of American troops have recently arrived here. There are no barracks available at Chita for quartering troops and the American troops have had to live on board trains for a long time owing to a lack of lodgings. Moreover, they have come to Verkne Udinsk without negotiating with the Japanese or Russian authorities beforehand. This attitude of the American army which has hitherto complained about the insufficient railway transportation, but which is now employing many railway cars at the expense of general railway transportation is criticized in various quarters as an act of incongruity.'"

"A certain quarter," is the term usually employed to signify the Foreign Office of the War Department. Statements similar in nature concerning the American army in Siberia appear from time to time. The Japanese press appears very anxious about Americans interest in Siberia. Reports that Americans may be seeking concessions or American business men seeking business opportunities constantly give rise to inflammatory comment based apparently on the idea that Siberia is the field for Japanese development.

The Baseball Fan's Horror "What's your opinion of the League of Nations?" "I hope I never live to see America in last place in the standing."—Detroit Free Press.

First Baccalaureate Of Maui High Given

The June vesper service of the Makawao Union church was the Baccalaureate for the class of 1919 of the Maui high school. Previously the high school classes have responded to the invitation to worship in this church by this year the graduating class decided to have a real service of their own, such as is usual on the mainland.

The school song which was composed by Mlle. Cecyl Holliday was used as a processional with a large chorus of students. The school quartet sang "There is a City" by Shelley. Mr. H. W. Baldwin gave "It Is Enough" from the "Elijah." Mr. R. J. Vilim who has recently moved to Maui played a violin solo. Miss Mabel Jones was at the organ.

The theme of the evening was "The Spiritual Harvest of Life," as contrasted with the harvest of the flesh. The pastor, the Rev. A. Craig Bowdish, emphasized the widely divergent elements of life which bring more and more with the later years of the individual either the vices or the virtues of life. The flesh uncontrolled or not kept under the higher powers of life will bring forth vices and crimes and all the unlovely side of character as Paul as outlined in his letter to the Galatians, the fifth chapter. Any one who reads or observes can see how often men and women allow the flesh to run riot, on the other hand the spirit brings out all the virtues which are the basis of character, the strength of the home, the saving power of civilization and the value of immortality. An intellectual education opens up the facts of life, but the spirit interprets the facts and relations of life to the uplift and worth of the individual in the light of God's truth and love.

After the sermon Mr. Bowdish asked the class to rise and addressed them with a few words of good counsel.

Composes Song For Maui High

The Maui News prints herewith poem especially composed for the Maui High school by Mlle. Cecyl Holliday, which has been sent to us by the Department of Public Instruction at Honolulu:

We have come, dear Maui High School,
In these days of youth,
Here to find our joy and pleasure
In the search for truth.
Many studies you assign us
But we like each one;
And in this our stride for knowledge
Leave no task undone.

CHORUS
Maui High, we all do praise thee
For thy wise and kindly rule;
'Tis with loving hearts we greet thee,
Our dear Island School.
'Tis with loving hearts we greet thee,
Maui High, our Island School.

Drill and baseball, fun and frolic,
On thy greensward free,
Games and dancing, children's voices
Fill the air with glee,
Blithesome music, song and laughter,
Hours of glad content,
In the shadow of thy portals
Thus our days are spent.

CHORUS—
Billows blue roll softly, gently,
Sunshine gleams on high,
Giant mountains tower above thee,
Breezes round thee sigh;
And the lessons these would teach us
To be brave and true,
Gentle, patient, strong and faithful
Our School teaches, too.

CHORUS—
When our school days here are ended
And in all our might
We go forth to do our duty
And for truth to fight,
Let us keep in mind the watchword
We have learned each day—
'Play the game and play it fairly.'
Honor Maui nei!

CHORUS—
—CECYL HOLLIDAY.
AND MAUI HELPED

SAN FRANCISCO, June 22—(Associated Press)—Citizens of the Territory of Hawaii subscribed \$5,005,650 toward the Victory Liberty Loan, an official statement showing the subscriptions of the various cities and districts in the twelfth federal reserve district issued here yesterday showed. The total subscribed in the Hawaiian Island was 104.50 percent of its quota which was \$4,788,000.

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