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Daily Wireless To Quit First Of Year

Never Successful As Business Enterprise, Backers Have Grown Tired Of Supporting It Now That War Is Over—Will Probably Be Missed

The Daily Wireless, which has been published by the Maui Publishing Company for the past six or eight years, will suspend publication on December 31, according to a decision by the board of directors of the company made last Friday afternoon.

The reason for the action is that the daily publication has always been a losing proposition from a commercial standpoint, and it was felt that the business firms which have heretofore contributed to make up the deficit should no longer be asked to do so.

During the war the demand for "red hot" news of the battle front was such that, in spite of highly increased cost, the business interests of Maui were glad to make the service available to the community; and the publishing company was also glad to contribute its service to this end also. But with less sensational news of today, the delay of a day or two is not felt to be a serious matter.

At the meeting of the chamber of commerce, last week, the matter of discontinuing the Wireless sheet was discussed, and the chamber voted, by a close margin, in its opinion that this should not be done. The Maui Publishing Company directors, found, however, that this vote did not fairly represent the views of the contributors to the subsidy, and so took the action above noted.

May Be Missed

Because of the condensed form in which the Associated Press dispatches were presented, the Wireless is easily and quickly read, and has come to be considered in light of a hand bill or poster. It is read by practically everybody, but paid for by the few. It is also unquestionably the best advertising medium on Maui, but owing perhaps, to lack of real competition among Maui merchants, it has not been made use of to any adequate extent.

Lt. Peacock, Wounded In France, Arrives Here

Lt. Jack Peacock, who served throughout the war with the Australian forces in France, arrived from Australia by the Sonoma this week and is now the guest of his brother F. W. Peacock of Puunene. He reached Maui on Christmas eve, and met also his brother Lt. Arch Peacock, now a Maui resident, who was in the Canadian Princess Pat's regiment. The reunion was the occasion a very joyous Christmas celebration for the Peacock family.

Lt. Jack has just about recovered from a very serious wound received towards the close of the war in which the bones of his thigh were shattered by a shot. This occurred during a reconnaissance. He was captured by the Germans and his wound neglected to such extent that very serious complications ensued from which he has but now about recovered.

Lt. Peacock will probably make his home in the Islands.

HAWAII SCIENTIST IN SOUTH AMERICA

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 26—Prof. William Allison Bryan, who is seeking to establish a theory of a lost continent in the Pacific, arrived here today by way of Mexico and the west coast of South America where he has been making a study of the volcanoes of those sections. He will leave soon for Valparaiso en route to the Juan Fernandez islands to make a study of the mollusks and other marine life. If these are sufficiently similar to those of Hawaii he expects to prove that land connection once existed between the two lands.

WILSON HOLDING UP APPROVAL OF McNARY BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26—The White House reports that President Wilson is withholding action on the McNary sugar control bill pending the filing of a memorandum on the subject by the sugar control board. It is stated that this delay is at the instance of the board.

Maui Man Visits Hilo After Long Absence

Charles F. N. Rose, of the Wailuku Sugar Co. staff, returned last Monday from a week's visit to Hilo and other parts of the Big Island. This was the first time he had been on Hawaii for 17 years, and he thoroughly enjoyed his vacation.

Rose says that there have been big changes along the Hamakua coast since he saw it last, some sections being almost unrecognizable to him. But the condition of the cane fields on most of the north coast, he reports, is about as bad as possible owing to the several successive years of drought.

Rose also visited the Volcano, which he says is presenting a wonderful spectacle at present.

DEATH OF BRIGHT CHILD

Dorothy McNicoll, the little 12-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McNicoll, of Kahului, died last Monday morning after an illness of some months, from tuberculosis. The funeral took place from the family home on Monday afternoon, and was attended by many of the child friends of the deceased, and friends of the family.

The little girl was a bright child and her death is the cause of general sadness in the community in which she lived.

Says Sheriff Beats Him Buying Fish

McMahon Hasn't Been Able To Find 10 Cent Aku On Maui For A Blue Moon—Court Stenographer Try To Get Huber To Fix Prices.

In an effort to get a more reasonable rate for fresh fish on Maui, P. Maurice McMahon, stenographer of the second circuit court, recently wrote to district Attorney C. S. Huber in Honolulu asking him to take steps to regulate the prices here as he did so successfully in Honolulu and later in Hilo.

In reply Attorney Huber wrote: "I have your favor of the 18th instant regarding the price of fish on Maui, and in reply thereto beg to say that what has been done in the fish situation there was to re-establish the prices that prevailed under the Food Administration during the closing months that it operated, which would be during the last months of 1918 and January 1919. As soon as these prices were re-established here I sent a list of them to Sheriff Crowell; and under date of December 6th he sent me a list of prices then charged on Maui, which differed somewhat from our prices here, but taken on the whole were lower.

"I would suggest, that you see Sheriff Crowell about this list of prices. Give me any information that you may have and I will be glad to receive and consider any suggestions that may be made that may possibly help your situation."

The list which the District Attorney says is lower than in Honolulu is printed below. McMahon says that they may be the prices at which Sheriff Crowell can buy fish, but he hasn't yet been able to anywhere approach (Continued on page 8, column 6)

TELEPHONE COMPANY PERMITTED TO RAISE RATES

HONOLULU, Dec. 24—The Mutual Telephone Company has been granted authority by the public utilities commission to make practically all of the increase in rates recently asked for. These new rates will become effective January 1 and are conditional upon the proposed wage increase schedule of the company's becoming effective at the same time.

MATSONIA REACHES SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26—The Matson liner Matsonia reached here last night from the Atlantic where it was engaged as a transport during the war. The vessel was reconducted in Newport News and brought a full list of tourists from the east coast. She will again enter the San-Francisco-Honolulu trade.

Good Progress Being Made On Cannery

Materials To All Be Here In Few Weeks—New Assistant Superintendent Arrives—Was In Army Service In France.

Work on the new cannery being built at Kulaha by the Pauwela Pineapple Co., is progressing well, according to Charles Mel, manager of the enterprise. The grading for the factory is practically completed and 1000 barrels of cement for the building are already on hand and the rest (about 2500 barrels) is due to arrive within the next two weeks. Mr. Mel states that he has advised from the mainland to the effect that all the machinery and supplies ordered from the coast will be on the way by the middle of January.

Besides the main factory building, the company has already quite a little town built up of warehouses, offices and workmen's quarters. Also a large frame building has been constructed a short distance on the makai side of the cannery site which will be subdivided into a number of store rooms, restaurants, etc., to be leased to small dealers anxious to cater to the needs of the workers in the community. Assistant Superintendent Here

By the last Maono arrived from the mainland W. B. Mel, brother to Manager Mel, who comes here to take the position of assistant superintendent under Superintendent Archie Lister. Mr. Mel, who is a graduate of the University of California, of the class of '08 in engineering, recently returned from France where he saw some exciting times with the U. S. artillery corps. He comes to the Islands from a position with the Pacific Gas & Electric Co., in San Francisco.

Archie Lister, formerly superintendent of the Pearl City Fruit Co., but who has been on the mainland for his health for some time, is expected to return to the Islands in a few weeks to take the superintendency of the new cannery.

Lahaina's Community Christmas Huge Success

Lahaina has again demonstrated its ability to get together in its community Christmas celebration held last Tuesday evening in Campbell park. It was attended by children from all sections of west Maui, many of whom were brought to town by the generous use of motor trucks of the plantations.

The committee in charge of the event had arranged for a fine program, in which practically all of the schools of the district had a distinctive part. There was a magnificent Christmas tree, and a real and truly chimney down which old Santa Claus came in most conventional style to the huge delight of the youngsters. Candy and gifts were distributed to all the children present.

The success which has attended the community celebration both last year and this, is such that there is no doubt that it will hereafter be a regular feature of Lahaina.

CHRISTMAS AT WAIKAPU

The children of Waikapu enjoyed a Christmas treat on Wednesday evening arranged by Mrs. Frank Hoogs. A very pretty tree, with gifts of candy and toys was the chief feature of the entertainment.

GERMAN SHIPS TO BE TURNED OVER TO BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26—The shipping board announces that at the direction of the President the ex-German ships of the Imperator type held in the United States are to be delivered to Great Britain.

FINE MUSIC IS FEATURE OF WAILUKU CHURCH SERVICE

The Wailuku Union church was beautifully decorated last Sunday evening for the Christmas service, which was largely of a musical character, delightful selections being rendered by the large choir.

A brief but strong sermon on the "Christmas Spirit" was delivered by the Rev. E. E. Pleasant, who occupied the pulpit for the evening with the Pastor, Rev. W. C. Crider.

New Year's Races Looming Up Big

Keenest Of Interest Among Horsemen And Others Indicates A Record Day At The Kahului Track—Ball Game Looked Forward To.

Horsemen are enthusiastic over the outlook for the big New Year's race meet to be held at the Kahului track. Everything points to this being the biggest and most interesting racing event ever held on Maui. And this means something when it is remembered that Maui's racing history runs back for between 30 and 40 years.

Interest centers especially on the big free-for-all for the \$1000 purse. It is probable that there will be at least 5 entries in this event. Robt. Shingle has several horses here from Honolulu, and a number of local horses have been in training steadily for this particular feature.

Because of the size of the purses and the consequent keen competition, as well as on account of the character of the program, it seems certain that the attendance will be very large.

The baseball contest between the All-Maui team and the Waikikis of Honolulu will also be a feature that will help to swell the crowd as great interest centers around this game.

WAILUKU SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS FINE CHRISTMAS TREE

The Christmas celebration of the Wailuku Union church Sunday school, held last Tuesday evening, was an unusually pretty and pleasant affair this year. Besides the large gathering of children, many of the parents were also present and greatly enjoyed the exercises. Major O. J. Whitehead played Santa Claus in most approved fashion and distributed the candy and gifts from the fine tree. Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Crider had general charge of the celebration.

SURVIVOR OF CRUISER CARL SCHURZ RETURNS

George Hoapili, seaman, United States Navy, bearing one of the names distinguished during the wars of Kamehameha I a century and a quarter ago, who was cast adrift in the Atlantic in an open boat when the U. S. cruiser Carl Schurz sank after a collision, returned home yesterday in the Sheridan.

Hoapili enlisted early in the war and was assigned to the Schurz, formerly the German cruiser Geier, which was seized by the naval authorities on February 4, 1917, at Pier 8, and later towed to Pearl Harbor, where she was remodelled, new guns put aboard, and commissioned as the Schurz. He now rates as a coxswain.

Pymaster R. A. Lambert, U. S. N. R. F., formerly in the navy and for a time at Bishop Museum, who returned to service after the war began, also returned home. He was aboard the Schurz when it met its death blow. He saved only his clothes and lost many of his personal belongings.—Advertiser.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles H. Britten, 21, Kahului, and Balbino Perreira, 19, Makawao, Dec. 19, 1919. Ceremony by Rev. Father James.

Yawaichi Nakamura, 20 and Misao Tanaka, 20, both of Puunene, Dec. 20, 1919. Ceremony by Rev. S. Kurada.

Katsuyoshi Sato, 31 and Tai Shishido, 20, both of Keahua, Dec. 22, 1919. Ceremony by Rev. J. Nishiura.

William D'Emmond, 46, Honolulu, and Mary M. Bal, 20, Wailuku, Dec. 24, '19. Ceremony (to be performed Dec. 27) by Rev. E. E. Pleasant.

Antone Yue, 27, and Theresa Martin, 28, both of Kahului, Dec. 24, 1919. Ceremony by Rev. Father Justin.

Tomoyoshi Murakami, 22 and Sheynaga Murakami, 19, both of Puunene, Dec. 25, 1919. Ceremony by Rev. J. Nishiura.

WAILUKU ORPHEUM IN USE AGAIN

Although condemned as unsafe, the Wailuku Orpheum has been in use for a Japanese show for the past two evenings. It is understood that some temporary repairs were made and that the side seats are prohibited from being used. The performance has been put on by a quartet of Japanese actors who recently arrived from Japan.

Makawao Wine Makers Plead Guilty—Fined

The "Three Musketeers" as the revenue agents in Honolulu facetiously dubbed the three Makawao wine makers, arrested recently for selling liquor, were each fined \$100 and costs, amounting to \$39.80 in the United States district court in Honolulu. The 3 men, Joaquin de Cova, Joe Santos Bars and Manuel Mendes, each pleaded guilty, paid their fines, and returned the following day to their homes.

The 31 barrels of wine seized by the officers is now in Honolulu, and although replevin suits were instituted to recover it by the makers, on claim that it was merely "grape juice," it seems doubtful if they will succeed in getting it back since analyses are reported to have showed that it contained from 5 to 12 percent or more of alcohol. The maximum alcoholic content permitted in beverages is one half of one percent. The recovery suits were filed in the local circuit court and will presumably come up for trial at the new court term next month.

WILL VISIT AUSTRALIA

L. von Tempisky, the well-known ranchman of Makawao, has applied for a passport from the federal authorities in Honolulu for permission to visit Australia. Mr. von Tempisky expects to leave as soon as the necessary permit is secured for a several month's business trip to the southern continent.

Grand Hotel May Be Sold To Maui Hotel

Those Interested Not Ready To Talk But Is Known Negotiations Are In Progress—Price Consideration Said To Be \$50,000.

Negotiations, which have been on foot for some time for the purchase of the Grand Hotel by the Maui Hotel Co., are likely to be concluded shortly, according to apparently reliable reports. If the deal goes through it is understood that the purchase price will be about \$50,000.

The Grand Hotel is now owned jointly by the Bank of Maui and Henry Streubeck. It is known that the Maui Hotel interests have sought for a year or more to acquire it with view to incorporating it with the chain of hotels being established on Maui, now consisting of the Maui Hotel and the Pioneer Hotel, at Lahaina.

Manager W. H. Field, of the Maui Hotel Company, denied this week that the deal had been consummated, but admitted that the negotiations are likely to lead to that.

Appraisers Named To Fix Price On Property

HONOLULU, Dec. 24—Chief Justice Coke today appointed Ralph A. Wadsworth, G. H. Cummings and W. F. Crockett, Sr., as appraisers, upon application of the Kahului Railroad Co., for the condemnation of a right of way across certain lands in Papohaku, Wailuku.

The above dispatch refers to a piece of land occupied by Charles Achua and others across which the spur track of the railroad to the Wailuku Sugar Co.'s warehouses runs. The title to the property is held by a number of persons, including minor heirs, making it necessary to apply to the courts in order to get a clear title under which the right of way can be purchased or leased.

GOOD RAIN HELPS EAST MAUI

The heavy rain which visited central and east Maui on Monday night was of much benefit to the plantations and to agriculture generally. The rainfall was good this time in the ditch country, with result that the ditches supplying Paia and Puunene have been bringing down a larger volume of water than for many weeks past. It is hoped that the long drought has finally been broken.

Election of officers will be the chief feature of the meeting of Aloha Lodge No. 3, Knights of Pythias, this evening. There will also be work in the second rank.

Jury Commissioners Submit 1920 List

No Slip-Up Expected This Time To Ball Up Court Work—Every Precinct Considered And About Every Nationality Represented.

Although the juries of the second circuit court for the year 1919 were recently held by Judge Burr to be invalid on account of a technical error in the selection of the lists from which the juries had to be drawn, Judge Burr reappointed on the first of the month C. D. Lufkin and D. T. Carey as jury commissioners to prepare the jury list for the 1920 term of court. The commissioners last week submitted their report together with the list of 150 names for trial jurors and 50 names of men eligible as grand jurors.

It is believed that the new lists are objection-proof and air-tight, and that there will be no tie-up of judicial proceedings during the coming year on account of the inadequacy of the jury.

The commissioners not only selected their names from the voting lists in proportion to the distribution throughout the various precincts, but they have included Japanese, Chinese, and in fact representatives of practically every nationality which has any voters in the county.

The new term of court will open on the second Monday of January, when the juries for the year will be drawn from the lists submitted.

The commissioners this time tell how they went about selecting their lists. They state—

"That on the 12th day of December A. D. 1919, we proceeded to select and list from the citizens, voters and residents of the several precincts in the Circuit, as near as may be according to and in proportion with the respective number of registered voters last registered in each of such precincts, the names of one hundred (100) persons who, in our opinion, are qualified to serve as trial jurors, and the names of fifty (50) persons who are so qualified to serve as grand jurors, as required by law,—except in precincts 13, 15 and 19, where we were unable to find, so as to select and list, persons who, in our opinion, are so qualified to serve as grand jurors; that we have (Continued on Page Five.)

New System In Force For Paying Teachers

The department of public instruction has sent a circular letter to all school principals advising them that a new system of making out payrolls will go into effect the first of the year by which it is expected that every salary warrant will be sent out by the territorial auditor not later than the 10th of each month—provided the principals do their part. The letter says—

Beginning with January, 1920, the official pay day of the Department of Public Instruction will be the 10th day of each calendar month. This regulation is made upon the specific recommendation of the Auditor's office. The old method, under which the principal of each school submitted a report for the month covered by the days from the 26th of one month to the 25th of next month, has proven to be clumsy, unbusiness-like, and a source of perpetual annoyance. Teachers are paid for calendar months of service and the old method virtually required the keeping of two accounts for each teacher for each month, viz: from the 1st to the 25th and from the 26th to the last day of the month. This antiquated system would not have been tolerated in any modern business house.

The secretary states the new system which is in strict conformity to the best business practice, will effect an increase of 25% in the efficiency of handling the monthly pay rolls of over 1200 employees.

Beginning with January, 1920, each principal will make his report on form No. 2 to cover the entire month, beginning on the first day and ending with the last day of each month. The following note shall be substituted in place of the note which now appears at the foot of Report Form No. 2:

"Note: Make this report out for each month and send to the Secretary (Continued on page 8, column 2)