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An Ill-Advised Move

We understand that a petition, emanating from German-American sources, is being circulated at Honolulu and perhaps on some of the other islands, the purport of which is to urge upon the American government a policy of peace toward Germany. The idea is to get as many signatures as possible, of different nationalities, to this petition and to submit the same to Washington as representing the sentiments of Hawaii.

The plan is ill-advised.

Just at this stage the American people are practically a unit in the belief that the policy of the American government toward Germany is a policy of peace; and they are unitedly and earnestly behind the President in his efforts to obtain just protection for American lives and property, and to preserve peace. It would come as one of the most remarkable incidents of the times should a petition arrive at Washington from Hawaii, expressing it as the opinion of this little territory that Uncle Sam should behave and be "peaceful!"

The American people today feel that the United States, in striving to preserve its own neutrality and to deal fairly and squarely with the warring countries of Europe, has been grievously sinned against. They are full of a desire for peace, and always have been; but what they want and demand is to be treated fairly and decently.

It occurs to us that any petition bearing upon the subject of peacefulness, emanating from the Hawaiian Islands, should be addressed to European countries, and not to the United States. It would be a fine thing, for instance, if our German-American citizens would get up a memorial to Emperor Wilhelm, assuring him that they know positively that America is striving in every honorable way for peace with Germany, and that a just and considerate policy on the part of Germany would meet with a ready and hearty response on this side of the Atlantic. A petition of that sort would not prove a boomerang and might, indeed, be of great value in bringing about the end which Americans really desire.

Bryan And Universal Peace

As careful analysis as is possible at this time of American newspaper opinion indicates a general lack of confidence in either the policies or abilities of the late Secretary of State, W. J. Bryan. Bryan is probably dead, politically; unless, indeed, he is endowed with a species of "come back" hitherto thought unattainable in this world, or inaugurates some policy of such supreme importance and popularity as to cause a right-about in the present judgment of the nation.

And he holds a good card in the latter eventuality, ladies and gentlemen, if he knows how to play it, or, rather, when to play it. We refer to his universal peace program. Bryan's talk of peace, disarmament, etc., at this time is about as much out of place as a street lecture to a mob of drunken, fighting sailors on joining the Sunday School. But it will not always be so. There will come a time when fighting will be no longer tolerable, and the man with a peace plan will be in demand. Of course any universal peace plan to be successful must be participated in by all large nations. It has been found impossible in the past to induce even a small number of them to agree to disarmament, which is the first step to general peace. It may always be impossible. But there is one thing certain: If it is not possible after this great, almost universal war to secure unanimous action on disarmament and universal peace, it will never be possible. Most of the nations are having their lesson in the curse of war. They will realize, as has never been so generally realized in the history of the world, that war is the supreme evil of mankind. The horror, the grief and the destructiveness of it will have been brought directly home to them. And when it is over there will exist the most widespread and powerful opinion antagonistic to war and its horrors that has ever been known.

If the nations of the earth can ever be induced to cooperate in a universal peace pact, it will be possible then. If disarmament is ever possible on this planet, it will be possible then. The majority of people of the earth will then know from sad experience what war is, and will undoubtedly be in a frame to abolish it for all time, if such a spirit is ever to be possible in humanity. It will be a new condition—a condition born of experience; and out of it may we not hope that the great dream may come true?

There is a wonderful opportunity in all this for somebody. When the Napoleon of war has been banished, the nations will require a Moses of Peace. It will be preeminently fitting at that time that the peace leader arise from the Land of Peace—the United States; and we can think of no more promising candidate for the great responsibility than our late secretary of State—Mr. Bryan.

THE SUGGESTION of Mr. Fred T. Jane, the famous English naval expert, that the British steamer Princess Irene was blown up at her dock by wireless, is startling at first thought, but why impossible? According to reports reaching us here, the Bulwark and the Princess Irene were blown up in the same harbor and in the same mysterious way—internal explosion; and within a period of only a few weeks. The combination of circumstances must be taken as most extraordinary. Germany has employed many new devices in this war. Inventions of hitherto doubtful merit have been brought into service with most damaging effect upon the enemies of Germany. The Ulivi method of exploding charges of powder by wireless at great distance was discredited, but by no means disproved. May it not be that German scientists have taken up this idea and developed it to success?

THE NOMINATION by the Chamber of Commerce of Hon. Paul D. R. Isenberg to represent this island in the Hawaii Promotion Committee (which means his appointment) is highly satisfactory. Mr. Isenberg is just the man Kauai has been looking for. He is a native son of Kauai, his interests are here, and he happens to be in a position to attend meetings of the Promotion Committee. When he sits in the committee, we may be sure of getting all that is coming to us; and if he ever sits on the committee, heaven save the committee!

BIDS ARE ABOVE THE ESTIMATES

Two bids opened at Honolulu last week for the construction of the proposed embankment at Waimea river were both rejected on the ground that they were above the estimates. The tenders were as follows: Piccano & Co., Honolulu, \$14,399; John M. Silva, Waimea, \$14,555. It is true that the appropriation is \$15,000, but the department of public works figures that it can itself do the work for much less than either of the bids. New tenders have been invited.

New Timekeeper

Thomas F. Hustace, for some time purser of the W. G. Hall, is the new timekeeper at Grove Farm, Lihue. Mr. Hustace is a native of Honolulu, his father and grandfather having been identified with the city's activities in years past.

Ou Club Officers

At the annual meeting of the Ou Club, Lihue, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year: F. Morrow, president; Miss Lottie Jordan, vice president; Miss Katherine McIntyre, secretary; E. Mahu, treasurer.

WHOLESALE MURDER.

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er and his wounded brothers out of the house.

Leaving them out of immediate harm's way, he swam across the Kalihiwai stream to a neighbor's, a Japanese, about a third of a mile away, who hurried down to a telephone at Kalihiwai and communicated the facts to Dr. Yanagihara, at Kalihiwai. Upon receipt of the startling news, the doctor at once notified Deputy Sheriff Wm. Werner, at Hanalei, and the latter, with some of his men rushed to the scene.

Mr. Werner telephoned to Sheriff Rice about 4 a. m. and the latter left Lihue by auto at once for Kalihiwai valley.

When the deputy sheriff arrived at the scene of the murder he found that the house and its contents had been completely destroyed by fire, the ashes still smoking. The dead and injured were in the same place the boy had left them when he ran away for assistance.

Mr. Werner sent for an express wagon and took the entire party to the hospital at Kilauea, where the wounds of the woman and the boys were dressed and a coroner's jury was summoned to inquire into the death of the man, Wada.

The sheriff, deputy sheriff and police officers set to work to find the murderers.

One of the Filipinos had a facial peculiarity, which was described by one of the injured boys, and enabled the police to make the first arrest. Evidence in the way of wet clothes and some other items were found in the man's room. At the hospital this man was identified by one of the boys as being one of the raiders.

He proved to be Feliciano Hilona.

A number of minor circumstances, which the police do not care to divulge at this time, led to the arrest of Juan and later of Colaste, both of whom confessed later, and also implicated the fourth man, Alcio.

The prisoners were brought to Lihue and locked in separate cells.

Sheriff Rice warned them that anything they might say might be used in court against them, but at least two of them have seemed quite willing to "tell it all," although, of course, trying to throw the blame on others of their companions.

The prompt and very effective work of the police was remarked by everyone acquainted with the developments. A moment's hesitation or a single break, early in the proceedings, might have frustrated all efforts to capture the raiders, at least for a long time.

Manager Myers, of Kilauea, was much interested in the case and offered the police every assistance in his power.

Wada, the murdered man, had been many years in this country. He came to the Waimea district of Kauai first, and then went to Hanalei and planted coffee for K. W. Kinney and his father. He had been in Kalihiwai valley six or seven years, as a rice planter, truck gardener and market man, taking his produce to the neighboring towns to sell. It is supposed that he had quite a lot of rice in the house which was burned. He was generally supposed to have some money, and, living apart from other settlers far up the valley, made his place a tempting one for just such a gang as evidently visited it.

THE M'BRYDES WIN.

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uchi and Spalding singled, but Gabriel flew out to Kobayashi, retiring the side, Japanese up, Nagahisa fanned and Kobayashi was retired, pitcher to first, while Take followed suit. Spalding to first.

Seventh Innings: (Perreira retired and I. Akana joined the McBryde team, taking the box in place of Aka.) Lorenzo flew out. Watase to first. Akana fanned. Ako singled. Pacheco died, pitcher to first. For the Japanese, Watase walked. Sueda singled, batting toward second and throwing Watase out. Inoshita fanned. Sueda was thrown out catcher to third.

Eighth Innings: Aka singled. Costa was retired at first. Takeuchi reached first on error of Inoshita, and Aka scored. Spalding singled, but in doing so threw Takeuchi out at second. Gabriel died at first. (The McBrydes made the claim that the ball struck the home plate and bounced back toward the pitcher, not being struck at all. Anyhow, the batter was ruled out.) Of the Japanese, Ohama fanned. Takitani and Kuwamoto singled, but were thrown out soon after at third and second bases respectively in some very neat double playing.

Ninth Innings: Lorenzo and Akana singled, and on Ako's three-bagger both romped home. Pacheco was retired at first, but in the mix-up Ako tallied. Aka flew out to Kobayashi and Costa followed suit. Watase to first. Japanese to final bat. Nagahisa died, pitcher to first. Kobayashi flew out to Aka. Take was hit by pitcher. Watase struck to Spalding, throwing out Take.

The score by innings was as follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
McBrydes	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	5		10
J. A. C.	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	6

SUMMARY OF GAME		A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
McBRYDES		4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Costa lf		4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Takeuchi ss		4	1	3	3	3	1		
Spalding 2b		3	0	1	4	3	1		
Gabriel c		4	0	0	5	3	0		
Lorenzo 1b		4	1	1	12	0	0		
Perreira cf		2	0	0	0	0	0		
Akana cf-p		2	1	1	0	1	0		
Ako rf		4	1	2	1	0	0		
Pacheco 3b		3	0	0	2	1	0		
Aka p		4	1	1	0	5	1		
Total		34	5	9	27	16	3		

J. A. C.		A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Takitani lf		2	1	2	1	0	0		
Kuwamoto cf		3	1	1	1	0	0		
Nagashisa 1b		3	0	0	10	0	0		
Kobayashi rf		4	0	0	3	0	0		
Take ss		4	0	1	0	2	1		
Watase 2b		2	0	0	1	4	0		
Sueda p		4	1	1	1	3	0		
Inoshita 3b		3	0	1	1	0	1		
Ohama c		3	0	0	9	1	0		
Total		28	3	6	27	10	2		

Three base hit—Kuwamoto. Aka Home run—Sueda. Sacrifice hits—Kuwamoto, Costa, Pacheco, Nagahisa. Sacrifice fly—Spalding. Stolen bases—Takeuchi 2, Spalding 2, Lorenzo 2, Aka 1, Takitani 1, Kuwamoto 1. Double plays—Spalding to Takeuchi—Takeuchi to Lorenzo. Takeuchi to Pacheco to Spalding. Hits off Aka—5 in 6 innings—off Akana 1 in 3 innings. Base on balls—off Aka 2, off Akana 1, off Sueda 2. Struck out—by Aka 4, by Akana 1, by Sueda 8. Wild pitches—Sueda 1. Passed balls—Ohama 1. Hit by pitcher—Watase by Akana. Left on bases—McBrydes, 5; J. A. C. 3.



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