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A Fair Deal Or Nothing

We are inclined to agree with the sentiments expressed by H. D. Wisard, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, before the Chamber of Commerce Thursday afternoon, when, speaking of shifting the steamer Kinau from the Waimea run to the route formerly taken by the W. G. Hall, he said that if Waimea was to be deprived of the Kinau and given a smaller boat, then he would say that Lihue does not want the Kinau.

That's exactly right. Lihue should not, and we believe does not, want advantages when it is at the expense of the Waimea side of the island. If Waimea is to be given a steamer as large and as good as the Kinau, well and good; Lihue is quite willing to accept the Kinau on this side. But if, on the other hand, the women and children of the Waimea side are forced to travel up or down our rough coast to or from the west side in a steamer smaller and less steady and comfortable than the Kinau, we say most emphatically that we don't want it.

Here is a case calling for a little experiment by the I. I. S. N. Company, and if the company will take our pointer we believe it will win. The Kilauea is lying up in Honolulu harbor, a constant expense and rotting herself peacefully away. Get her out, dust her off, let the papers know about it and put her on the Waimea run for a six months trial, the bid being for heavy passenger traffic and increased freight.

The experiment can't lose. The business is here. All it wants is facilities. A fair, square trial of six months, such as we have suggested will prove all we say; and if the I. I. S. N. Company gives it that trial it will never go back to any other system.

There is ample business for the Kilauea on the route between Lihue and Waimea, while on her present run to Nawiliwili and Ahukini the Kinau should prove as great a money-maker as was the W. G. Hall.

Visit Of The Promoters

Kauai has been inspected by and has inspected the Hawaii Promotion Committee.

We have heard at first hands what the committee is trying and hoping to accomplish, what the other islands have been and are doing for the committee and what the committee expects of Kauai.

We like the committee over here. They are about as well rounded-out specimens of jolly optimism as have struck the beach in moons, and their visit, taken together with unprecedentedly high sugar, has left us in fine humor.

Just how much good the committee accomplished on its tour we are unable to say at present; but the visit has certainly resulted in a better understanding at both ends of the line—and that is a great deal. Kauai is not, nor has it ever been, opposed to the campaign for tourists, although some members of the committee seemed positive that such was the case. There has been and is, however, pronounced apathy on the question—and that may have been mistaken for opposition. And there is a reason for that apathy, i. e.: Not one person in a thousand on Kauai, perhaps, is either directly or indirectly seriously affected, or likely to be, by tourist traffic. When we have more men interested in hotels, garages, resorts and the like we will have more boosters for tourists.

However, conditions here are changing rapidly and what may be true now may not obtain a year hence.

The Lihue Armory

It has been found that the armory which Lihue wants and should have will cost at least \$14,000 in place of \$8,500. This increase is partially due to an advance in the cost of material, but principally to additions made necessary if the building is to be all that had been expected of it.

The total amount originally raised for the Lihue armory was \$8,500, but when bids were called for on the plans drawn they ran all the way from \$14,000 to more than \$18,000, and some of these tenders were not for everything specified in the full plans.

A new effort has been made and up to now \$11,000 have been subscribed, with a little more in sight to be used in a pinch. This will not be quite enough, although it would justify placing lumber contracts and going ahead with the work by day labor, perhaps.

The subject is mentioned today for the reason that two or three thousand dollars more can be used handily, and anyone wishing to come forward with a part or all of that amount will confer a favor by notifying Colonel Broadbent at once.

While the Lihue armory will be used principally by the three Lihue companies, it must always be remembered that it belongs to the Fourth Infantry and not to any company or battalion, and will be the center for regimental gatherings and maneuvers.

Hilo is turning heaven and earth to make of the forthcoming Civic Convention the biggest and most successful affair of its kind ever attempted in the Islands. As we understand the announcements sent out, the effort is being made to have a record attendance, and if that be so we cordially wish Hilo every success. It is a long swing from Kauai over to the second city, but with the enthusiasm of the last convention to back up the movement we are inclined to feel that quite a delegation may be booked from our local Chamber of Commerce for the trip.

THE CHAMBERLAIN military bill, which was rushed through the Senate last week, will give to the United States approximately 261,000 men in the regular army, 280,000 in the National Guard and 750,000 in the reserve army, or a total of 1,290,000 ready for immediate service. This will give to America the largest force of fighters in time of peace in the history of the country, and should be sufficient to withstand attack from any source and hold the fort until other armies are organized.

THE UNANIMOUS support given the Kukunolono park road by the Chamber of Commerce Thursday afternoon clears the way for the supervisors to begin work again and complete the improvement without delay. As we have remarked before, this small diversion of funds (if such it may be called) need not delay work on the belt road at all—in fact there should be a harder, longer, stronger pull together than ever before for a completed highway from Wainiha to the Barking Sands neighborhood.

Governor Pinkham is now at work upon this matter of water rights, which is a whole volume of tangles in itself. The territory's proposal is just taking shape. With the governor's stand that he is attempting to save to the territory valuable rights which might pass under plantation control without adequate value in return, there can be no quarrel. The detail of the governor's endeavor to get this adequate return will be watched with interest.

Star Bulletin.

THE SUGGESTION that the Mid-Pacific Carnival be shifted from Washington's Birthday week to June 11 comes as a surprise to us. The bare fact that the floral parade, so-called, is pulled off in mid-winter has been and will continue to be its greatest advertising card, and if it be shifted to June 11 it will appear as an event that any one-horse town on the mainland might pull off just as well at the same time.

THE COMMITTEE leaving for Honolulu this afternoon to take up the matter of a better steamer for the Waimea side should bear constantly in mind that they are to bring back the Kilauea. Public opinion over here is united on this proposition, and we hope the Inter-Island S. N. Company will be reasonable about it.

MAY NOT the very great advance in the price of sugar at the weekend have been a desperate, final drive of the Trust to scare the American people away from a return to the sugar tariff policy? Looked very much like it, didn't it?

WHILE WAITING for appropriations for expenses of the National Guard, the companies on Kauai are proceeding to supply themselves with ample pocket money in their own way. Kauai enthusiasm cannot be headed off when once started.

THE HILLO TRIBUNE is to be congratulated on securing the services of Mr. Mackave as its editor. Mr. Mackave is a lifelong journalist and has had several years of experience on papers in the Territory.

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Mr. Wong Hock Shi was formerly army tailor at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, at which place he gave great satisfaction.

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