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THE LOCAL PROTEST.

It is worth while to note that the quick settlement of the federal building site matter, in favor of the Mahuka site, was directly due, in very large measure, to the plan of campaign against that site. Though local public sentiment was strong in favor of the Mahuka site as a matter of choice, it was not merely that strength that was manifested locally to settle the matter as it was today settled in Washington. It was the local resentment against a secret appeal and campaign being made in Washington with regard to a matter once fairly fought out here, which caused the practically unanimous protest of this community against any site but the Mahuka. Those who thought the Irwin site better, or the Bishop site better, came out strongly in favor of the Mahuka site when they found that private interests had secretly appealed from the local decision to a Washington official. The lesson should be taken to heart. Hawaii does not want her citizens, even her officials, making all sorts of dickers in Washington concerning public matters here, without consulting the people here.

It is very doubtful indeed whether a decision of the Court of Claims, allowing Judge Robinson his salary during an interim between the expiration of his term and his reappointment, settles the problem of a pending criminal trial before Judge Parsons, whose term expired yesterday. The question of the validity of the acts of a judge during such an interim, in a murder trial, might be presented as a different problem from that of paying his salary and might be more carefully gone into. There doesn't seem to be any reasonable excuse for failing to reappoint, or make new appointments, at the expiration of the terms.

Interviewed for The Star in San Francisco regarding the federal site building matter, Governor Frear stated that he was waiting to hear Honolulu expressions of public opinion. Evidently he did so. The expressions came strongly enough and he acted accordingly. It appears from the change of front in the Interior Department that Frear used his influence for the Mahuka site.

As far as the coastwise proposition is concerned, Governor Frear will probably feel at liberty to follow his own judgment. The Merchants' Association and the Promotion Committee are on one side and the Chamber of Commerce, on the other, is much divided in sentiment. Frear will probably support the coastwise change, as asked for by a majority of the Chamber of Commerce, in view of the attitude of the President and Kubio. We shall probably get the subsidy too, in which case transportation difficulties will soon disappear.

Magazine writers are making the most of the dramatic feature of the appointment of Luke Wright as Secretary of War. It is certainly a wonderful development that Wright, who was an officer in the Confederate army, should become Secretary of War of the Union.

The first boom of the target practice at Diamond Head and along the shores of Waikiki is likely to herald the ending of Waikiki, famous all over the world, as a bathing and residence place. Some of the finest homes in any land were established on this bit of coast years ago, and many a globe-trotter has pronounced the verdict that Honolulu's bathing place, the year round, beat all others. But when the big guns boom there will be breaking windows as well as nerves, in Waikiki, and when a great camp of soldiers is established between the old Ena place and the Moana Hotel, the district will begin to lose its residence aspect. The storekeeper of all sorts, caterer to the soldier population, will begin to invade the region. There will be enough soldiers to swarm the bathing facilities of any resort and the residence builders who want to be out in the country, will seek land further out. Where will they go? There are better beaches than Waikiki, on this island, and many places that can be made as beautiful as Waikiki at its best.

THE MACHINE CRY AGAIN.

When any party committee starts to coerce legislators or supervisors into obedience to the committee's mandates, it will be time to call the committee down. At present the Republican party committee is discussing legislation, with a view to aiding in the passage of law to which the party stands committed. It doesn't appear to want to spring any new legislation, but is proposing laws to which every one of its elected candidates pledged himself during the campaign. Similarly every Improvement Club that has any life in it is framing laws, which it will ask the legislature to pass. The Civic Federation has committees at work framing laws, which it will urge upon the legislature. So have many private interests, seekers of franchises, commercial interests affected by license and tax laws. So acts the Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants' Association and even the Promotion Committee. So, in fact, all citizens or bodies of citizens act, when they have any legislation to urge, either as a matter of public duty or private interest. It is a perfectly proper exercise of the right of citizens. When it meets to discuss plans of legislation which in the campaign just finished it promised the people it would work for, the Republican party committee is simply doing its duty.

Two years ago the civilized world was sending money to China to relieve an awful famine. Now the Chinese Government squanders more than four million dollars in disposing of the corpse of the Emperor, to whose uselessness in life no doubt the starving of thousands of his subjects was largely due.

Denizens of the Arizona desert should be easy to work for flying machine stock now that an astronomer at Flagstaff has discovered water vapor on Mars.

THE NEW SEASIDE HOME LOCATION

An interesting real estate transfer was completed this morning, through the recording of papers which transfer the Booth property at Kalaupapa to H. M. Whitney for a consideration of \$4500. On November 9, Charlotte D. I. Steere, the wife of the local real estate man, bought the property from C. W. Booth for \$4000. In exactly one month a transfer has been made which has netted the purchaser a profit of \$500. The land at Kalaupapa and it is going up in value steadily and it is understood that a number of people now living at Waikiki desire locations in what promises to be the new residential portion of the beach since the invasion of Waikiki by the U. S. Artillery forces.

DIVORCE PERIL GROWING.

Lecturer Says Divorces Will End Half of Marriages in 2000.

ITHACA, N. Y., Nov. 19.—In his lecture today in the Cornell department of sanitary science and public health, recently established here by the State of New York, and speaking of "Vital Statistics in Marriage and Divorce," Prof. Walter F. Wilcox made a startling statement.

"The increase of divorce," he said, "is so rapid that at the end of the present century, if it is not checked, fully one-half of the marriages will be ended by divorce instead of death."

The lecturer showed that divorces

were only about one-fourth as likely after children are born and that most divorces occur in the first few years of marriage.

Marriages decreased as divorces multiplied, he said, which was to be deplored for many reasons, not the least important of which was that the death rate among married men and women was less than among single persons.

JOHN YOUNG'S LAUNCH RECORD

Johnnie Young of the busy Young Brothers, launchmen and aquatic transportation contractors, has established a launch record between Kalaupapa and Honolulu of six hours and twenty-five minutes.

It was necessary last Thursday that four drums of gasoline and some other stuff be taken to the lighthouse site at Kalaupapa, and John Young, in the launch Brothers, was the man that did the job.

He left here at 11 p. m. on Thursday last and returned at 5 p. m. the next day, coming home in the remarkable time above recorded. It was rough going and the Brothers bumped her nose through many a monster wave.

"The big waves helped rather than hindered," says Young, "for what I lost in time in climbing a great wave was more than made up by the speed with which I slid down the other side."

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