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The Pacific fleet cruisers which leave here today have made a splendid record here in more ways than one,—and both officers and men have entertained Honolulu in most elaborate style. Wouldn't it be a good idea for Honolulu to prepare something for them on the occasion of their return here next February? We had nothing prepared for them this time. It would be well for Honolulu to name a committee now, and arrange a programme,—something the "boys" will like,—to entertain them on their way back to the Pacific Coast. Let the fleet men feel that they are our guests on the way back.

To say that the local Republican party doesn't need reorganizing is about the same as saying it doesn't need votes.

PLENTY OF SETTLERS ON LANDS.—IF ALLOWED TRANSPORTATION.

Solution of our transportation problems, or some of them, should precede any big land openings. It has been urged over and over again that, with these problems in the way, the "small farm" movement is a farce. This is the difference between The Star's view and that of its morning contemporary since the small farm propaganda began. Of what use opening land to homesteaders adjoining land whose owners cannot now make use of their lands' productive value because there is no way to reach the market? We venture the assertion that there are private—not public—lands lying idle on these islands now—notably on Hawaii,—which can produce what Honolulu sends more than a million a year to the Coast for. These fine lands, close at hand, cannot under present conditions compete with less fertile lands more than two thousand miles away.

Attempts to settle homesteaders on lands not within reasonable reach of a market are foredoomed to failure. The splendid Parker ranch, with its almost boundless possibilities in dairy products, cannot compete in the Honolulu market with Mainland producers.

The land opening programme that will pay here is a well planned bid for American farmers. Let transportation matters be so settled that we can show to the American farmer that he can get productive land here, and let the lands be advertised on the Mainland, as thoroughly as Uncle Sam's land openings are advertised,—and we shall need the federal lottery system to handle the applications.

NO MORE PUBLIC LANDS!

Taking as his text a statement of the national Public Land Commissioner that "The public lands which now remain are chiefly arid in character," a writer in the current issue of Scribner's magazine, draws a conclusion that this final exhaustion of the once vast public domain of the United States marks an epoch in world history comparable to that which began with the discovery of the New World by Columbus. For three centuries, says this writer, the opportunity for a home has been held forth by America to all the world, and the ending of conditions making possible this great offer, which has caused the westward flow of population, "terminates the greatest epoch in American history." Continuing in this strain:

"It marks the end of the westward drift of civilization, a drift which, with occasional interruptions, has been going on since the beginning of history. Ever since the seventeenth century the Old World has had a vent in America. During these centuries Europe has been relieved of its discontent by the broad, hospitable prairies of the West. America has been a hospital for all of the world. The opportunity which it offered has relieved the explosive elements of other lands and brought them back into harmony with them.

An undertow is now setting back upon the East. Population is crowding in upon our cities. The energetic wage-earner, who formerly followed the westward trail, is now entering the trades union. Here he will find expression for energy which formerly found an outlet in the West. It is this that explains the present industrial unrest. It is this that accounts for the political ferment. No longer can the discontented hope to improve his fortunes in another longitude.

He must remain at home, become a tenant, or a wage earner. It is this, too, that explains the coming of poverty and distress. The alternative of a homestead in the West, which for three centuries has relieved the dispossessed of the world, is now closed forever. It is this that explains the change which has come over the spirit of America during the past ten years. And as time goes on this spirit of unrest must of necessity increase. In this sense, as has been said, America is the mirror of all history. An understanding of the evolution of our own land offers a key to an understanding of the evolution of the western world, from the beginnings of the migration of the Greek colonists out of the Peloponnese into the western seas."

Reclamation plans now under way will probably add large areas to the public lands available for settlement. But it is something startling to many to wake up to the fact that the public land area of our great continent is about all occupied. And the conclusions drawn by the writer quoted are certainly food for thought.

The recall of Minister Crane will start the diplomatic gossips again. Of course there is no escaping the proposition that it means that Secretary of State Knox has something to discuss with the new Minister to China, before the latter leaves for his post, which he does not care to trust to the wires. There is an international political pot boiling in the Orient which is of vast importance.

A SIGHT FOR THE STRATEGISTS.

It would be hard to imagine anything more dramatic or impressive than Wright's airship flying above the assembled war vessels of the nations in the Hudson river. It is easy to conceive what must have

been the thoughts of the officers and men of the assembled fleets as they watched the navigator of the air, representing a power against which they are as helpless as a lone chicken against a pouncing hawk. Then, sailing over the tomb of Grant, Wright naturally called up thoughts of military measures much farther in advance of Grant's than Grant's were ahead of Napoleon's. Yesterday's performance near New York was a striking notice to all the world that a few advanced airship inventors and experimenters may soon become greater factors in international warfare than all the splendid land and sea fighting machines between the Poles.

The Japanese cruiser having gone by, none of the American Pacific fleet were disabled enough to have to stop behind. This port is not going to be left defenseless against any possible enemy again.

Banking	Commercial News	Trade
Stocks		Shipping
Bonds		Travel

BY L. D. TIMMONS

Today was practically a repetition of yesterday in stock matters. There were a very large number of small transactions both on and off the board, and quite a few deals have been closed since today's session; but there is nothing in the whole string to indicate any change of note.

As was to be expected, perhaps there was considerable trading in Oahu, while Oahu, Ewa and Hawaiian Commercial came in for considerable attention. Indications yesterday were that Hawaiian Commercial would break over the \$35 mark, but a very determined stand was made by the bears to prevent it, and, thus far, they have prevailed. Ewa sold between boards as follows: 10 shares at \$31.50 and 200 shares at \$31—an Irish advance. On the boards this morning \$30.75 was offered and \$31.25 asked.

Oahu came in for the larger share of the transactions. Between boards 50 and 104 shares found buyers at \$5.00. On the boards 5 shares sold at \$5.025 after which 25, 75, 100, 50 and 75 shares went at \$5.50. There were other offers at the same, but \$5.75 was asked. Oahu seemed to be still firm at \$33. Between boards 200 shares sold at that figure while 100 went for the same on 'Change.

Hawaiian Commercial remained firm at \$34.50, although at the close of the session \$34.375 was offered, with none in sight. Between boards 15 shares changed hands and on the boards 10, 10 and 15 shares found buyers.

Five shares Waiailua sold at \$118, \$117.50 being bid and \$118.50 asked.

Pioneer, 5 and 5 shares, sold at \$185 holders demanding \$118.

Other sales were: \$1500 Hilo R. R. sixes at \$100; \$35 Paauhau at \$27.50.

DILLINGHAM TO HILO.
B. F. Dillingham will leave next

Tuesday or the Tuesday following for Hilo on important business in connection with the Hakalau extension. He will be gone from two to five weeks. Mrs. Dillingham will accompany him and such spare time as the railroad man has will be spent at the Volcano House.

TO REMODEL STORE.

Davies & Company's hardware department is to be extended to include the premises now occupied by it in Kauhuanu street and the corner store occupied by the dry goods department. The wall between these two departments as they now stand will be taken out and pillars put in its place of it. On the Queen street side there will be extra show windows and double doors. When the work is completed the hardware department will be the roomiest and most showy of the kind in the city.

Bids for the work were opened this morning and resulted as follows: John Ouderirk, \$4,200; Lucas Bros., \$4,418; John Walker \$5,200. This means that Mr. Ouderirk will get the contract. He has the present contract to remodel the Grinbaum store across the street, which will be occupied by the dry goods department of Davies & Company.

MR. KINNEY TO BUILD.

Attorney W. A. Kinney is having plans prepared for a handsome bungalow to grace his lot in the new suburb at Kaialawai, beyond Diamond Head. It will be a five-room affair and rustic in design, facing the sea and commanding a fine view from Koko Head around to Honolulu. The cost will be in the neighborhood of \$5000.

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