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## SUMMON THE FEDERAL POWER.

When the cholera epidemic paused—for it did not end—the Territorial Board of Health and the County health people resumed their policies. Nothing much was done to clean Honolulu: the Kewalo ponds were not filled up; for a few days the khaki-clad inspectors sauntered about with notebooks in hand and then they vanished to their hammocks. On the city side every effort was made to protect the poi shops, which are regarded as one of the many sources of infection; finally a poi shop ordinance was passed but not enforced. Then change in control of the city garbage and excavator bureau was resisted to protect the Republican politicians who worked there. Finally the poi bill was killed in the Senate; but even if it had passed there is no telling but that the law would merely have strengthened the hands of another group of politicians to retain the abuses of their "control." As the Star views the matter, the difference between any two sets of these health-juggling party workers is neither apparent nor real. There is small choice in spoiled fruit. And whether Romulus or Remus wins the fight makes small difference to those who know that they both sucked their principles from the same wolf.

Amidst all the wrangling, all the pulling and hauling, all the neglect of duty on both sides, came the cholera again. It appeared within a stone's throw of the office of the Territorial Board of Health, in a building which every member of the Board may have seen daily. It is charged that the victim got his poi at a dirty shop near by which the city health doctor or one of the supervisors had permitted to open, but it is not proved that the poi was infected. Possibly poi had nothing to do with the cholera recrudescence; perhaps general conditions of filth were to blame, but apart from all that, the cholera is here, and the question is, what is to be done about it?

"Give us full control," says the Board of Health under which we have had four previous epidemics, all due to its neglect. "Leave us alone," says the city health authorities, products of our wretched city and county system of political job-chasing. "A plague on both your houses," say the people. "Give us Federal control of sanitation, which neither politics can govern nor local pull affect. Give us the kind of safeguards that protect the Panama zone. Give us the help that has made New Orleans, Manila, Havana, Santiago and the Porto Rican cities clean ports. Give us the aid that San Francisco secured in its anti-rat campaign. It is ready at hand; it costs nothing; it only awaits the summons of the commercial bodies or the legislature. Call for it at once!"

The Star knows that it represents the intelligent, non-political public opinion of Honolulu when it calls for Federal control of local sanitation. On every side it gets full assurance of that. Only the politicians and those who truckle to the politicians cavil. People who sell supplies to the Board of Health object. People who want future nominations turn an eager ear and a bending back to the dictates of the machine and forget the dire need of the town for safety from epidemics. Owners of swamp land fear the worst. But the mass of the intelligent, public-spirited, non-partisan population have no confidence in and no use for either the political Board of Health which misrepresents the Territory, or the "health" organization which misrepresents the City and County of Honolulu. It would like to see them both abolished and the places which knew them disinfected, and the power they failed to exercise turned over to the government, which makes a business of preventing epidemics as well as of curing them.

The time to act is now. Let the Legislature lead. If it won't, let the commercial bodies summon Federal aid. We need it now; and if we are wise enough to get it now the approach of even yellow fever need not disturb us, for it will find the marshes drained, the swamps abolished, the mosquitoes gone and the town clean.

Not a single case of cholera, since the epidemic began, has been traced to poi. It has been shown by the doctors that cholera germs, put into poi, would thrive there, but so they will in cream, or mush and milk, or in fish or mashed potato or in drinking water. It was well enough to look after poi sharply, but the poi crusade has seemed to take the place from the start of an effectual cleaning of the city, which is far more important.

The "champagne" riots in France are caused by wine-makers outside the official champagne-producing area who want to sell inferior wine under the superior label. They are in revolt against the French pure food law.

If county government is going to be known by its fruits, people ought to be careful, in sending any of them away, not to put on a Hawaiian label.

Say? Do you want to have uninterrupted tourist seasons? If you do, get in strong for a Federal safeguard about our public health.

No labor steamer can afford to take steerage people away from here now and then go into quarantine with them for thirty days.

A good deal more has been said about poi than about sanitation since the epidemic stopped for its second wind.

What has the Territorial Board of Health done to prevent epidemics when it had full control? Eh? What?

It is to be hoped that Captain Sam will live to get it, whatever it is going to be.

Every man in favor of Federal control of sanitation should let a legislator know it.

## Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

When I was young I used to go down the long potato row, and whack the weeds out with a hoe. Or, early in the summer morn, with one old mule, morose, forlorn, I'd go to cultivate the corn. All through the summer day I toiled, my raiment reeking wet and soiled, and I was friend and baked and boiled. And when at night I sought my bed my feet were like two tons of lead, and till next morning I was dead. When to the country I repair, and see the wondrous changes there, I always go up in the air. For now the farmer surely feels like Cleopatra as he reels along on plows with painted wheels. He drives a large and handsome team; his implements are like a dream; spring seats are spiked to every beam. He blithely tills his fertile lands, and never soils his lily hands, nor in the mud and gumbo stands. His pants are creased and show no dirt; his feet are by the thorns unhurt; he often wears a paroled shirt. And when he goes to town he makes the journey in a brace of shakes; his auto runs to beat the snakes. He has a gas plant of his own, a bathroom and a telephone, and often he has seeds to loan. Thus are the old world's changes rung! It seems to me that I was stung, long, long ago, when I was young!

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Ramon Corral probably feels that no man is justified in fighting to keep a vice-presidency.

It's a pity there wasn't a motion picture made of the Hilo school row.

The undertakers ought to be solid for local control of sanitation.

Boil the water and roast the health authorities.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

**CHARLEY HUSTACE**—It's a case of too much politics again—on both sides of the dispute.

**S. NAIWAA**—If poi is to blame for cholera, why is it that none of the white poi eaters catch it?

**DR. MITCHELL**—You want to make a quick dodge these days when a Board of Health auto comes along.

**JOHN A. PALMER**—The man responsible for the present outrageous health conditions ought to be in jail.

**CHARLES FRAZIER**—I never put liquor, patent medicine or any questionable ads on my billboards. At least give me credit for that.

**F. B. DODGE**—I would have been glad of a chance to join in the rugby movement but I am going to Hawaii in a few days.

**SUPERVISOR KRUGER**—The statement that I, as chairman of the health committee of the supervisors, ever went over the authority of the city and county physician, is absolutely untrue.

**DR. CARL RAMUS**—I shall not be in such a hurry to declare quarantine off this time as I was last. Of course, the time of lifting it is indefinite, and really it rests with Washington as to when it should be removed.

**T. F. LANSING**—If Federal control of sanitation has to come, let it come immediately. Mosquitos are thicker here now than ever before. We can't afford to wait for the yellow fever, but that's what we are doing.

**A. Q. MARCALLINO**—I am not going to manage the Chinese-American Stars after they are organized, though I thought of doing it. I will remain manager of the Oahu Baseball League.

**CHARLEY WILSON**—The sooner the Federal Government takes control of local health matters the better, if it will centralize the authority and result in cleaning up the city, filling swamps and exterminating the mosquitoes.

**AL. CASTLE**—I am very much in favor of the establishment of an amateur body governing all sports in Honolulu, but eliminating some of the objectionable features of the A. A. U. rules. Such an organization would put amateur sport in Hawaii on just as good a footing as it is in other parts of the world.

**C. G. BOCKUS**—I think the Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu should pass a resolution to the effect that, if Pacific Coast cities raid our labor they can hardly expect to get our trade in return. The matter should be taken up with all the Pacific Coast cities so as to secure sympathetic action from them. They would probably see the point.

**E. A. MOTT-SMITH**—From my own personal standpoint, because I and my family wish to live in this community free from the dangers of epidemics, I say that if the Board of Health is not given the powers abso-

lutely essential to the safety of the city, let the United States take charge and let Hawaii admit that she cannot even keep her house clean.

**FRED ASSELIN**—I have to cut all the fat from the meat the lions eat. I don't know whether the big beasts eat fat in their native wilds, but in captivity it makes them sick. Beef hearts are much to their liking and chunks of round, raw and bloody. No, I haven't tried them on liver. (Boy wanted! Hurry up.) No, nor sweetbreads. They aren't getting the lions ready for a kirme.

**EDITOR NORRIE**—My paper will be called the Weekly Record. It will appear Saturday. No one is responsible for it but my esteemed self, and all claims for damages should be made to me personally. Office open between eleven and twelve p. m. Sunday to hear such cases. The Record will be a complete paper except that its society columns will be held up until after Holy week, when everybody gives little dinners but refuses to let the press know about them.

**MAJOR TIMBERLAKE**, in Advertiser—The military authorities have no intention of stepping in at the present time, but if anything serious occurs and it is seen that the present authorities could not cope with the difficulty, then we shall have to step in. If we do we will make a thorough job of it. The men are stationed here permanently and the only way they will leave is when they are driven out by a superior force, and we intend to protect ourselves. I was in Cuba when we took charge of affairs there. We made a house-to-house inspection, irrespective of persons, and by the time we had finished we had corraled every mosquito in the place and had driven out the yellow plague.

**JUDGE HARTWELL**—As showing the interest Washington has always felt in the sanitation of Honolulu, I want the Star to quote this letter, which I had from John Hay, when he was Secretary of State, under date of January 23, 1900:

"Sir: I have to acknowledge your letter of the 22d instant in relation to the urgency of the expenditure of certain sums for needed sanitary improvements in Honolulu, and expressing the hope that the President may feel warranted in telegraphing his approval of all proper expenditures for such purposes authorized by the Council of Hawaii under the American Constitution.

"In reply I have the pleasure to inform you that a telegram, in the sense suggested, has been sent to the United States dispatch agent at San Francisco, to be forwarded to Honolulu by the steamer China, sailing tomorrow.

"I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

"JOHN HAY."

**FINED BY JUDGE LYMER.** Nakamura was fined \$50, Kotaburo \$20 and Miyamoto \$20. One other defendant was fined \$15, three were fined \$10 each and the remaining five were let off with \$5 and costs.

**JUAN RODRIGUES**, who less than a fortnight ago was given a chance

by Chief Detective McDuffie to get out of town, was caught on the premises of a Hawaiian a couple of nights ago. Other charges were pending against him, but as Judge Lymer sent him to jail for a year on this one charge the rest were stricken from the calendar.

The seventeen Japanese arrested under Act 48, of 1911, were let off by Judge Lymer this morning. Sentence was suspended in the cases of thirteen arrested for netting fish in Honolulu harbor.

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cate an observing or meteorological station at Tuiula, in the Samoan islands, but afterward abandoned the work.

## PLAINTIFF NOT TO PAY COSTS

In an opinion written by Justice Perry, the Supreme Court decides that costs can not be taxed against the plaintiff in the discontinued suit of Marston Campbell, Superintendent of Public Works, against James Steiner and others for the condemnation of land for the proposed extension of Bishop street to Beretania avenue. According to the syllabus:

"In proceedings instituted by one as Superintendent of Public Works, on behalf of the Territory costs are not taxable against the plaintiff upon the sustaining of a demurrer on the ground that the Territory, and not the Superintendent, should be the party plaintiff."

E. W. Sutton, Deputy Attorney General, for plaintiff; Thompson, Clemons & Wilder and C. C. Biting for defendant.

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