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THE BOARD OF HEALTH

MEMBERS UNITE IN EULOGIZING THE LATE R. W. MEYER.

Petitions and Complaints from the Leper Settlement Acted On—Various Reports from Officers.

At yesterday's session of the Board of Health there were present Attorney-General Smith, presiding; Drs. Emerson and Wood, T. F. Lansing, C. A. Brown and D. Keliipio, members, Executive Officer Reynolds, Secretary Wilcox and Drs. Monsarrat and Alvarez.

After the reading of the minutes of last meeting the Attorney-General said:

"Before proceeding to dispose of the two weeks' business before us, I wish to make official notification of the death of R. W. Meyer and to place on record my personal appreciation of his untiring and faithful service to the Board of Health. In his death not only has the Board lost a valued servant but the country at large. It is now more than 35 years since this government first began to take hold of the leprosy question and from the very inception of the movement Mr. Meyer has been identified with it. Difficult questions have been met and solved in this long period of time and others are yet to come, but simpler and easier of solution now perhaps than in the past. I have been personally associated with Mr. Meyer in these and other matters pertaining to the Board of Health for nearly thirty years, since I was a member of the Kauai board. In all that time I can say that no one has been more faithful, honest, untiring or has given more thought to the subject than Mr. Meyer. He is gone now and we can do no more than express our great appreciation of his valuable services and our sympathy for his family. It is true there have been instances of fault-finding but no man is perfect and we know that no one could have been more correct in his work. I desire again personally to record my high appreciation of his services to this board, services which as nearly as we can ascertain have extended over a period of some 33 years. He has been identified with the Leper Settlement since 1870, but I believe he was made an agent of the board as early as 1864. There are few if any public officials in the history of the country who come up to him in point of continuous service, Marshal Parke's thirty years in office being the nearest.

Dr. Emerson—I desire to add my testimony to what has been said of the value of Mr. Meyer's long services. His death is not only a loss to the people of the settlement and to the Board but more especially to the island of Molokai. I wish to offer the following resolutions for the consideration of the Board:

Whereas—It has pleased Almighty God to remove by death Mr. R. W. Meyer, a faithful and honest officer of the Board of Health:

Resolved—That in the death of Mr. Meyer, the Board has suffered great loss, and the public a servant who has rendered it service of inestimable value. That the members of the Board hereby desire to testify their high esteem of his merit and to tender their sympathy to the widow and members of the family of the deceased in their bereavement.

That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Board, and a copy of the same sent to the family of the deceased.

Mr. Lansing—In seconding the adoption of the resolutions I can say personally that I heartily endorse what has been said by the previous speakers.

Mr. Brown—I have probably known Mr. Meyer more intimately in private life than any member of the board. Others have testi-

fied to his public worth and I feel it due to him to add a few words as to his private life. It was certainly a remarkable one—remarkable in the way he brought up and kept together such a large family. His strict sense of justice seemed to actuate his whole life. No member of his family was required to do anything without receiving the exact equivalent of his or her work. Every member of it had a trade and worked at it for the general good. It is a pity there are not more families like it.

In putting the question president Smith said it was a source of gratification to him that all the praise of Mr. Meyer had not been left until after his death. He had repeatedly been the recipient of it in life, not only from the Board but from others.

The resolutions then passed unanimously.

Dr. Monsarrat's reports from the slaughter house for two weeks were read and filed.

A joint report from Drs. Monsarrat and Shaw on dairy cows examined for tuberculosis showed 51 cattle had been tagged during the previous two weeks. Of these 39 had been tested and 18 condemned and killed. Twelve had not been tested owing to their temperature but were segregated.

Fish inspector Keliipio reported the receipt of 29,779 fish at the market for the week ending June 6, and 35,000 for the week ending June 13.

The Board of Medical Examiners reported favorably on the application of Dr. A. Sinclair for a license to practise medicine and on motion the same was granted.

Mr. Ahlo of Hanalei, Kauai, petitioned the Board for leave to set apart a Chinese cemetery on land belonging to him, and for permission to remove thereto the bodies of such Chinese as were buried at Hanalei.

The Board did not like the idea of establishing private cemeteries at will and referred the matter to Sheriff Carter for further particulars as to location and extent of proposed cemetery.

Two convicts who have been confined in the jail of the Leper Settlement since September 28, 1894, petitioned for pardon, stating that "on their sacred honor" they would never offend again.

Mr. Reynolds said the men were both hard cases and had been concerned in various robberies, cattle stealing, and burnings previous to their conviction. They were supposed also to have broken into the store on several occasions. The men had not yet served half of their sentences.

Attorney-General Smith said the meting out of justice to criminals at the Settlement was one of the matters that the government had under consideration. The present system was faulty and objectionable in that it denied prisoners the right of appeal. It was probable the government would ask the next Legislature to act on the matter. In the meantime the present petition would be taken into consideration.

C. K. Ahai, recently appointed deputy sheriff at Hanalei, was appointed agent of the Board for that district.

A long petition from a leper who signed himself "assistant resident physician at Kalaupapa dispensary," asking the Board to require the resident superintendent to pay him \$18 back salary was referred to Executive Officer Reynolds.

Another leper complained of the exorbitant price charged for fish. The Board decided it had nothing to do with the sale of fish at the Settlement.

A petition from a Molokai Sunday School superintendent to visit the Settlement at will was denied for the present.

Dr. McGittigan of Hana reported four cases of chickenpox among Japanese, recent arrivals from Honolulu.

Mr. Swaddling of Hilo applied for the position of superintendent of the new Hilo hospital and his application now reposes peacefully with half a dozen others.

President Smith called attention to the case of Thomas Hennessey, a clerk in the office of the

board, whose frequent absences from the office for a week or more always occur right after pay-day, and on motion his position was declared vacant. Clerk Wilcox was authorized to appoint his successor.

A protest from the Woodlawn Dairy against the killing of their cattle for tuberculosis was received and filed.

President Smith read a letter from Charles Elliot, an English veterinary surgeon residing at Hilo, containing several suggestions on the stamping out of tuberculosis among cattle. Mr. Elliot's principal suggestion was that the district of Kona, Oahu, should be quarantined against the rest of the islands.

The Attorney-General then gave the Board an account of his visit to Hilo, saying the new hospital building was approaching completion. It was much larger than he supposed to have been possible for the contract price \$2500. As far as he could judge the building would be a substantial one. With regard to the proposed Victoria annex, he had talked with Mr. Elliot and others who had the matter in hand. They would not complete their arrangements until after the jubilee celebration.

The Board then went into executive session to consider the appointment of a successor to Mr. Meyer.

CHILDREN'S SPORTS.

Boys and Girls to Have a Good Time on Jubilee Morning.

The Sports Committee of the Jubilee Celebration has formulated the following children's races to be run on Jubilee morning, commencing at 10 o'clock:

- 1—100 yards dash for boys under 14 years.
- 2—80 yards dash for girls under 14 years.
- 3—Half-mile bicycle race (free-for-all) for boys.
- 4—Half-mile bicycle race (free-for-all) for girls.
- 5—80 yards dash for boys under 12 years.
- 6—60 yards dash for girls under 12 years.
- 7—60 yards dash for boys under 10 years.
- 8—50 yards dash for girls under 10 years.
- 9—50 yards dash for boys under 8 years.
- 10—50 yards dash for girls under 8 years.
- 11—Rope skipping contest for boys.
- 12—Rope skipping contest for girls.
- 13—Sack race for boys under 14 years.
- 14—High jump for boys under 16 years.
- 15—Broad jump for boys under 16 years.
- 16—Post Office race for girls.
- 17—Wheel race for boys.

RETROSPECT.

(For the BULLETIN.)
I have dreamed the nightmare dreams of life
And worshipped its idols of clay,
Till I long for the sun to set in its west
And give me the night and a peaceful rest,
Like a child that is tired of play.

Let me live no more in its heaven of love
And burn in its hell of hate,
For the star of hope is a beacon light
On a far away shore through an endless night.
Then why should I hope and wait?

I have tilted and sown as best I knew,
As if it was all my own,
The coming throng may gather the grain;
For them I toiled through sun and rain
To lay me down unknown.

God gave me a place in that countless host
That fights the battle of life,
And day by day my orders came
To battle or rest; it is now the same
To the soldier home from the strife.

LEAH.

The Hi Yei at Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., June 2.—The Japanese man-of-war Hi Yei, used more especially as a training-ship, arrived in port tonight from Esquimaux, having aboard twenty of the Mikado's naval cadets, in addition to its regular complement of officers. After a sojourn of perhaps a fortnight on the sound the Hi Yei will proceed south to San Francisco and thence to the Orient by way of Honolulu.

JUDICIARY JOTTINGS.

Matters in Probate and Bankruptcy—An Ancient Case.

George Andrews has petitioned for letters of administration on the estate of the late John Kennedy. This is the salesman of the California Fruit Market, who died suddenly. His estate is valued at but \$200, money in bank.

George Rodiek, administrator of the estate of Achew, has petitioned for approval of accounts and discharge.

Judge Carter is hearing argument on a bill to declare a trust, of Mary C. Aldrich and others against the heirs of the late W. Jas. Smith. The case originated before Judge Dole in 1891, Mr. Smith then alive being the defendant. Kinney & Ballou for plaintiffs; Robertson for Mrs. Ross; W. O. Smith for Mrs. Hassinger; Thurston & Stanley for Mrs. Turton.

In the guardianship matter of Stephen Samuel Moses Barrett, minor, Maluaikoo the guardian has been discharged. Henry Smith, clerk, represented the guardian.

ATTEMPTED ARSON.

Dastardly Attempt to Set Fire to a New Church.

The followers of the Rev. J. Kekipi have recently built a small church for their own use on a lot in the rear of the premises of Paul Kanoa on King street, and the carpenters and painters are engaged in putting on the finishing touches.

On Tuesday night some miscreant attempted to set fire to the place. On opening the front door yesterday morning the workmen found that the floor for a considerable distance around the door was badly charred. The partly consumed remains of a pair of overalls worn by one of the painters were lying in the middle of the charred surface and all about were burnt shavings and pieces of wood.

The matter was reported to the Marshal and investigated by Detective Kaapa, who says the church had a narrow escape from destruction. He has no clue to the firebug at present.

REGISTRATION.

The Country List—Downtowns Once Open.

Following are the numbers of voters registered in the country districts of this island: Kaneohe 42, Hauula 21, Kahuku 7, Waianae 19, Ewa Courthouse 30, Ewa Plantation 17, Waianae 13, Hoae ae, or Oahu Plantation, 5. Total, 154. Some country voters have registered in town. Many more are expected to be registered in the country districts, who from absence and other causes failed to come before the Board on circuit. The total number registered for Oahu, including Honolulu, up to 1 p. m. was 538.

Get Even on Dunn.

Charles Dunn is a deserter from the Philadelphia. Some time ago he overstayed his shore leave and was posted as a deserter. With two others he was captured by the police and taken back to his ship. When close to it he and the others threw Lieutenant Chamberlain into the water while they clambered on board. A day or two since Dunn was again posted as missing from the ship and every man on the force has been waiting for a chance to avenge the insult to Chamberlain. Dunn was captured by Captain Parker and others this morning and has been kept in irons since and will be delivered on board in that shape. It is not customary to put stragglers from the warships in irons, but an exception was made in Dunn's case, and now the laugh is on him instead of Chamberlain.

PHILADELPHIA RECEPTION

HELD IN HONOR OF UNITED STATES MINISTER SEWALL.

Great Throng of People on the Flagship—Decorations in Flags, Lights and Flowers.

It is a big ship, the U. S. cruiser Philadelphia, with spacious decks and rooms, but it was much crowded last night. Rear Admiral Beardslee, Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Squadron, Captain Cotton and officers of the flagship, gave a reception to the people of Honolulu, for the purpose of meeting H. M. Sewall, the new Minister of the United States, and Mrs. Sewall. And the people came, several hundred of them. President and Mrs. Dole, members of the Executive and the Judiciary, Captain Kurooka and officers of the Japanese cruiser Naniwa, Captain Buck and officers of the U. S. cruiser Marion, with the diplomatic and consular corps, were conspicuous in the throng.

Admiral Beardslee, Captain Cotton, Lieutenant Stoney and Minister and Mrs. Cooper received the guests and presented them to Minister and Mrs. Sewall. The reception party dissolved, however, within three-quarters of an hour, so that people arriving a little late either presented themselves or had friends perform the office. Mrs. Sewall, it was learned with general regret, was not feeling quite well.

Dancing began early but proceeded with a little difficulty owing to the crush. Excellent music for the purpose was furnished by the flagship's band, also delightful promenade interludes between the dances.

Decorations were elaborate and of great beauty. The gangway was draped with flags and arched with colored electric lights. Upon a crescent screen, facing the quarter deck, the Hawaiian salutation, "Aloha" glowed in incandescent bulbs. There were cosy alcoves of flags along the bulwarks on the port side, and pavilions of similar material formed resting places on the quarter deck. Near the companion way was an armory, its floors strewn with ferns and flowers, the center piece of which was a rapid fire field piece, about which were disposed stands of arms, old-fashioned swords, and pistols, etc. Bunting screens and festoons depended on all hands from the upper works. Perhaps most admired of all the compositions was a rockery, containing a profuse display of calla lilies, variegated leaves, ferns, etc., a lively fountain playing in the center. The decorating committee, that did itself so proud, consisted of Lieutenant Commander Ingersoll, Dr. Hessler and Lieutenant Kearney.

Refreshments were served at tables in the Admiral's quarters and in the officers' mess rooms. They were choice in quality and sumptuous in variety. The officers were most assiduous in making all, both old and new friends, welcome to the best the ship afforded.

A check system for taking care of hats and wraps was managed by the bluejackets as perfectly well as the trained staffs of large hotels do on great occasions. When President Dole and wife left the ship, shortly before the designated limit of 11 o'clock, the band played "Hawaii Pono." At the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Sewall the salutation was the "Star Spangled Banner." Praise cannot be too high for the manner in which the transportation between shore and ship was conducted by the Philadelphia and Marion's steam launches. There was neither crowding nor confusion, yet there was no long waiting at either end of the route. Altogether this reception covered the noble white cruiser with glory.