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### REORGANIZED BOARD OF HEALTH MEETS

Mott-Smith Presides As President For First Time

E. A. Mott-Smith, the new President of the Board of Health, presided for the first time yesterday afternoon at a meeting of that body. The meeting was largely of a routine nature, little coming before the Board for immediate action that was out of the ordinary. Statements that were made indicate that matters relating to leprosy are going to occupy the attention of the Board for some time. President Mott-Smith stated that he had been going over the new leprosy laws and had begun work on the drafting of a new set of regulations to carry the law into effect. Careful thought and attention, he said, will be required to carry the law into effect.

The Board instructed its president to obtain from S. M. Damon a renewal of the lease of the land upon which the Kalia Receiving Station is situated. Mr. Mott-Smith said he had come over, not without misgivings, to take up the arduous labors of the Board. But he was sure he would receive the hearty cooperation and support of the members, some of whom had served on the Board before.

**Supervisors Present.**  
The President said that on account of the necessity of cooperation be-

tween the County officials and the Board, he had asked the officials to be present at the meeting. The meat and milk inspection has been turned over to the County, as well as the building and plumbing inspection. Action looking to cooperation in the latter work has already been taken by the County and the Territory.

Mr. Mott-Smith added that the Legislature had left the Board of Health in very good shape financially.

Mott-Smith, as chairman of the committee to report on the new leprosy law, said the matter had not been gone into thoroughly enough yet, and asked for further time.

**Appointments Confirmed.**  
The appointment by President Mott-Smith of J. S. Allen as keeper of the Kalia Receiving Station was ratified, on motion of Fred Smith. The appointment of Miss Hester Lemon as Registrar of Births and Marriages, for the district of Kona, in conformity with the new law, was also confirmed. J. J. Michalek's appointment as Inspector of Buildings and Plumbing, so far as the Territorial Commission is concerned, was approved on motion of Attorney General Hemenway.

President Mott-Smith brought up the matter of a government physician for Molokai. He said that there was no physician and it seemed very hard to get one. But the appointment of a government physician for Molokai was strongly insisted upon by the Legislature. The Board now has money enough to appoint such a physician, he said. Dr. Hayes, dispensary physician of the Board, is willing to go to Molokai. Dr. Wayson moved Dr. Hayes be appointed physician for Molokai. Carried.

To fill the position thus vacated by Dr. Hayes, Dr. Mackall was appointed

on motion of Dr. Wayson.

**Eradicate Trachoma.**  
Mott-Smith said he had a letter from Mr. Rath of the Palama Settlement, ferine to appoint a nurse to go through the schools and attend to diseases of the eye. If the Board would pay for the supplies needed, Dr. Wayson said he thought that the only way to control diseases of the eye in the schools, and moved the request of Mr. Rath be complied with. The expense, he said, would be only about \$50. The motion carried.

**Leprosy Matters.**  
The Board took up the matter of the resolution introduced by Nawahine in the House of Representatives and adopted by the Legislature calling upon the Board to allow a re-examination of all leprosy patients.

Dr. Wayson said the station is full now, eleven persons being there for the same purpose. But the examining physicians are having much difficulty on account of the fact that some of the leprosy patients refuse to remove their clothing to allow a complete examination to be made.

On motion the Board voted to allow the suspects to be brought back to re-examination as soon as there are accommodations at the station for them.

A petition from Nellie K. Kamau Kahoa that she be allowed to return to the Kalia Receiving Station to be treated either by Dr. Atcherley or Dr. Wayson, was, on motion of Wayson denied.

A woman at Kalaupapa wrote asking for a re-examination. She said she was sent to the settlement three years ago because of a white spot on her body, but in the three years no other symptom of leprosy has developed. On motion of Dr. Wayson the petition was

### McGANNON'S DEATH REMAINS MYSTERY

Coroner's Jury Unable To Discover Cause

The cause of the death of M. J. McGannon, the man who was found away from the Queen's hospital in a drunk, when in reality his skull was fractured, is still a mystery so far as any knowledge of how he received his injuries last night brought in the following verdict:

"M. J. McGannon came to his death on the 4th day of May, 1909, from a severe fracture of the skull and hemorrhage of the brain, cause to this jury unknown."

The principal witness examined last night was Dr. Freitas of the Queen's hospital. The doctor testified that when the man was brought to him, he told him on the operating table and made a thorough examination of him. The man's face was covered with blood, and when this was washed away it was seen that his left eye was blackened and there was a slight abrasion under the right eye. McGannon's gums were black and his teeth somewhat loosened, as if he had received a severe blow in the mouth. The doctor said he carefully felt about the man's head, but he discovered nothing to indicate the cause of the fracture of the skull. The man's breath was strong on the man's breath, and the doctor concluded that he was more drunk than hurt and ordered him removed to the jail to sleep off his jug.

Jack McFadden and a sailor named Bordette testified that they were passing on the opposite side of the street the night McGannon was injured, and saw him lying in the gutter. They picked him up and placed him in a more comfortable position and went on their way.

### MR. FORSTER THANKS UNKNOWN FRIENDS

Editor, Evening Bulletin:—I crave the hospitality of your columns to convey my very sincere thanks to some gentleman unknown to me who, when riding last evening on Kalaupapa Avenue, was kind enough to pick up my little girl after she had been thrown from her pony. I introduced her to my wife and she is now safely home. I am most grateful to you for the request of my wife, in order to ascertain if the little girl was safe.

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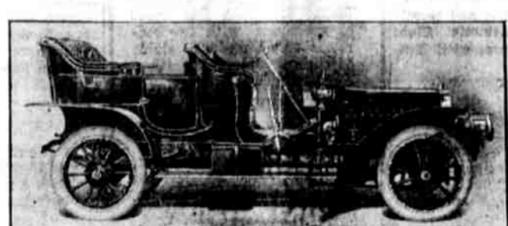
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