HAWAII NEWS

Hilo's Board of Health At Work.

Col. Little "Busted" in Washington--Young People's Society--Transport Leelanaw--Other Items.

The following news from the Hilo Tribune was crowded out of the summary published Tuesday:

On February 21st a meeting of the Board of Health was held at the office of Dr. W. L. Moore. Members present: C. C. Kennedy, R. A. Lyman, L. A. Andrews, Geo. Williams, Drs. Grace and Moore.

The Chair stated that Dr. Grace had returned from Honolulu with instructions from the Central Board of Health. Dr. Grace read the following letter from the president, Dr. C. B. Wood: "Pending further development of plague in Hilo, it is best not to allow any merchandise to be sent from Hilo to other districts on Hawaii. Merchandise from foreign ports, and permitted freight from Honolulu for districts near Hilo, can be landed at Waiakea or Wainaku. A census should be taken, at least of all Asiatics, and as far as possible, moving from Hilo to any other place should be prevented. If another case of plague should occur, then Hilo must be instantly and effectually quarantined, and any possible exodus prevented. In order to discover the case early enough to accomplish this, a daily house-to-house inspection should be instituted. An immediate and determined campaign against rats would be a wise precaution."

Signed, C. B. Wood, President Board of Health.

Dr. Grace also stated that the president had advised that quarantine buildings be built as soon as possible. In connection with this there was considerable discussion as to the best location for a camp of detention, but nothing was determined.

Dr. Moore moved that a committee of three, C. C. Kennedy, Dr. Grace and L. A. Andrews, be appointed to prepare and submit plans for the quarantine buildings to be on Cocoanut Island, as soon as possible. Carried unanimously.

In the matter of quarantining the town, it was decided best not to do so, unless there should be further outbreaks; so long a time having passed since the suspicious case. Also that a strict watch be kept throughout the town for fevers and cases of sickness, and for the present a house-to-house visitation was not wise.

It was the sense of the meeting that the quarantine of the town could soon be raised if the present state of things continued.

Mr. Kennedy was asked to confer with Mr. Scott, chairman of the Road Board, to see what better provision could be made in the removing of refuse from the town.

Mr. Kennedy advised that steps be taken to rid the town of the rats, and thought the people should be notified to keep domestic animals from danger of poisoning at such times as should be decided on. Dr. Grace thought the matter was imperative.

Mr. Andrews moved that we set Sunday afternoon for distributing the poison, and that volunteers for assisting in this matter be invited to come to the court house for instructions and poison, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and that notice should be given in all the papers. Carried unanimously.

Dr. Moore moved that they be warned against handling dead rats, and that these be burned where found. Carried.

Dr. Grace moved that after Monday next the reward offered for dead rats be abolished. Carried.

Meeting adjourned subject to call of Chair. W. E. MOORE, Secretary.

Hilo's Plague Case.

There is no absolutely definite report concerning Mrs. Serrao's case, and never will be. It seems that the microbes, of whatever genus or species they were, pined away, died and became more or less dissolute while they awaited the leisurely process of sending a steamer to Honolulu. Upon their arrival there, their own mother wouldn't have known them, and Dr. Hoffmann and the other experts were in a still worse fix.

Dr. Grace, who returned to Hilo by the Kaiulani, when asked respecting the matter, gave practically this report. He said too long a time had elapsed after the removal of the matter containing the microbes from the body, and that no absolute report could be given. He added, however, that under the mciroscope bacilli were discovered which even in their passee state very closely resembled the plague microbe, and on the whole the signs of plague were much stronger than in several cases he had seen in Honolulu, which were classed as plague there. So it would seem on the whole as if the authorities had not made very much of a mistake when they burned the Serrao buildings. By the way, the statements of medical men to the effect that plague is comparatively seldom transmitted by personal contact would seem to be borne out by the fact that none of the Serrao family, nor of those who attended Mrs. Serrao, have been infected. It's rats!—that's what it is. Rats are no good, anyhow.

Sanitary Work in Hilo.

The Board of Health is inaugurating a thorough system of sanitation for the town that will be likely to result in the general elevation of the standard of health in the community for some time to come. Several property owners have received peremptory directions to make sanitary improvements in their premises, and no favoritism in this respect may be expected.

In view of the fact that no suspected cases of plague have occurred since the first one, the local Board hardly feel it advisable to make the house-to-house inspection practiced in Honolulu and recommended by Dr. Wood. It would merely result in keeping the people generally astir up and in producing a crop of suspects, who after all have nothing the matter with them, except perhaps a sore throat or a touch of fever.

Hilo's New Water Pipe.

There is quite a lot of water pipe lying around down in Jack Wilson's pasture. It is water pipe theoretically destined to supply Hilo with liquid refreshment and baths. The appropriation for its purchase was passed by the Legislature two years ago; estimates of the amount required were sent down to the Interior Department one year ago last December. These estimates became pigeon-holed in Rowell's whiskers and naturally were "never heard of again." The next April Mr. Vannatta was in Honolulu and enquired about the pipe; he then heard of the loss of the estimates. He went through the Rowell meadow with a bull-rake and followed this up with a curry-comb, but failed to find his original estimates. He came back to Hilo and made some more estimates and forwarded to the pigeon-holing department. These managed to survive and in the course of six months the pipe was ordered just as it touched the top market price, about 30 per cent above what it could have been purchased for when originally ordered from Hilo. Hence it took all the appropriation to buy the pipe and there is nothing left to lay it with. Accordingly it will not be laid, but it will continue to lie where it has been landed, for anywhere from two to ten years, according to circumstances. Such is the financiering of Rowell. Is it any wonder that the people of Hilo are driven to strong drink and become mobs, when they can't get water?

Athletic Exhibition.

Jackson Hearde, the energetic comedian, is to give the Hilo people one more show, next week, before his departure for Honolulu. It seems there is a young man on the Conemaugh who thinks he is something with the gloves and a match has been arranged between him and Johnnie Simpson. The affair will take place at Long wharf next Tuesday evening; ten rounds. There will be some preliminary bouts between local amateurs, for which see advertisement and posters. The admission will be $2 straight; no reserved seats. C. M. Smith of the U. S. Army, who is prepared to run up against the local man, has something of a record. He has to his credit a six-round contest with Tom Johnston of Indiana and a five-round bout with Jack Ryfle of Ohio; also a draw in a bout with "St. Joe Kid" in New York.

Young People's Society.

The Y. P. S. C. E. gave a social in the church parlors on Tuesday evening last, which was well attended and a very pleasant affair. Various devices were adopted for producing a circulation of the victims, who naturally on such occasions persist in lining up on the four sides of the room and posing as statues of Rameses, signs of life being carefully suppressed.

A general interchange of autographs was effected by means of cards furnished for that purpose, upon which everyone got everyone else to write his name. This took about an hour, and was followed by a guessing contest upon various freaky nookling articles, each one of which was supposed to symbolize some work of art. For example a match floating in a cup of water was "the swimming match," or three copper pennies were "common sense" (which by the way is hardly a work of art). "Lot's wife" was represented by a bag of salt, etc. Some people guessed some of them. Most people didn't. There is very little of the imaginative in the Hilo make up. "A primrose on the river's brim," etc. The usual indigestion provoking refreshments followed vocal and instrumental music by local artists, and the affair broke up at a perfectly proper and Christian hour. On the whole the Y. P. S. C. E. are more successful at this sort of thing than their elders.

U. S. Transport Arrives.

The steamer Leelanaw, Captain A. J. Storrs, master, United States Transport for Manila, arrived in port on Friday morning, ten days from San Francisco, with 237 horses and mules on board. She reports a good voyage, with the small loss of two horses. Lieutenant G. H. Estes, 20th Infantry, is in command, and Dr. Allan J. Black is surgeon. The Tribune is indebted to the officers and Chief Engineer Evers for files of late papers.

Thanks From Honolulu.

The following note from the secretary of the Hawaiian Relief Society has been received at this office:

Mr. W. H. Smith. Dear Sir: Will you please to thank the people of Hilo, Kohala and Kawaihae for their generous donations to the Hawaiian Relief Society.

Yours truly,
MARY E. BECKLEY,
Secretary H. R. Society.

Gone Busted.

Peter McRae is in receipt of a letter from Col. G. F. Little in Washington. The Colonel says he must have more money to lubricate the wheels of justice in order to secure those squatters' rights for the denizens of Olaa. Four hundred dollars more has been forwarded. If that doesn't do the business the dam gates will be closed and the squatters will take their chances with the rest of the people on legislation.

News in Brief.

Eight destitute Filipinos from the Omaha Exposition are being transported home on the Leelanaw.

Olaa plantation displayed its patriotism by making Washington's birthday a holiday for all its employees.

J. R. Wilson is the possessor of a twelve story flagpole, which is to float the American flag on the grounds of his new Reed's Island residence.

The game of football played on Wednesday morning between the elevens of the Union and the Foreign schools resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 27 to 0.

Oahu plantation will turn out a crop of from twelve to fourteen tons to the acre this year, according to a statement made in a private letter received by a gentleman in Hilo from Honolulu.

A large column of smoke was seen on Sunday last arising from Mauna Loa, at a point between the head of the '91 flow and the cone of the '99 outbreak. This had disappeared however on Tuesday.

According to a letter received by a member of the Hilo Board of Health, the Council of State very highly recommends the prompt action taken by this board in dealing with the outbreak of plague here.

P. Peck, who went down to Honolulu on the Kaiulani, is tied up there for the quarantine period. He went ashore when it seemed the plague was past, but it broke out again before he returned to his steamer.

R. C. Abercrombie, who has been kept in Honolulu during the whole time of the plague by quarantine, is acting as one of the sanitary inspectors in the "house to house" system inaugurated by the Board of Health in that city.

The ladies of Hilo have been devoting their time this week to the manufacture of garments new for the Serrao family, who would otherwise emerge from their Cocoanut Island quarantine in the primitive state of the Garden of Eden.

A rattling good minstrel show is advertised for tonight under the management of Jackson Hearde, who has gotten together considerable local talent and some specialists off the transport now here. Hearde himself is a whole show when he gets started and the affair promises to be a first rate one.

The Father of His Country passed a very quiet birthday in Hilo. Even the usual ball given on this occasion was lacking. On the whole we are not nearly such rabid Americans as we were before annexation. Herein we resemble our brethren in Honolulu. Though in this as in most other things we follow a long way off.

On Thursday of this week, Mrs. Lillian T. Balding, of Wainaku, gave a most delightful afternoon tea in honor of Miss Willis. Pink was the color scheme in the decorations and was most daintily and gracefully carried out. Mrs. Balding was assisted by Mrs. Severance, Mrs. Scott, Miss Severance, Miss Richardson and Miss Sumner.

The Serrao residence was reduced to ashes on Saturday, together with all its contents, except the family, who were considerately removed to Cocoanut Island, where they will pass a fifteen days' quarantine. The inventory made of the total property destroyed amounts to not far from $8,000. The figure set on this matter by Mr. Serrao differs but slightly from that of the Government.

It would seem that Hilo might be now safely declared a clean port. Twenty-one days have elapsed since the appearance of our first and only case of plague, if it was plague, and all sources of infectious danger connected with that have been destroyed. There is not the smallest probability that another case will occur, connected in any way with the first one, and we have no occasion to suspect any other plague centers.

Sunday evening the fire alarm was sounded at just about the time the Hilo worshipper was sinking into his favorite pew for rest and recreation. The charms of a fire proved more seductive to some than the beauties of holiness, but when they arrived at the supposed scene of the fire, Quni's store on Bridge street, they found it was a false alarm and returned to the house of worship to find the best boxes taken. In spite of 6 per cent insurance a fire is a hard thing to start in Hilo.

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