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## "CIVIC CENTER" PETITIONS OUT

### Committee to Secure 5000 Signatures This Week.

## FEDERAL BUILDING

### Washington to Be Asked to Build on the Irwin Site.

This morning work will be started toward securing five thousand signatures of voters to a petition addressed to the treasury department at Washington, asking that the condemnation proceedings against Fort street property for the extension of the present federal building site be dropped and that an exchange be effected whereby the federal building may be erected on the "civic center."

The petitions are to be circulated in English, Hawaiian and Portuguese, and it is expected that the five thousand signatures, representing five out of every seven voters on Oahu, will be secured by the end of the week.

It is expected that the petition will be further backed by resolutions from the chamber of commerce and the merchants' association, by the recommendation of the Delegate and by the recommendation of the majority of the territorial officials.

Yesterday, at a meeting called by A. L. C. Atkinson, a committee to take hold of the matter and push it through was organized. The committee consists of Arthur Wall, R. H. Trent, James McInerney, F. B. McStocker, Supervisor Frank Kruger, Representative Marcellino and A. L. C. Atkinson. In securing the committee care was taken to have no one named on it who is directly connected with or interested in any of the property involved in the condemnation proceedings.

### Change of Sentiment.

"I find that there is a reversal of sentiment in regard to the federal building site," said Atkinson yesterday. "I find now that people are viewing the matter in a new light, thanks to the campaign of education carried on by The Advertiser. People are considering the civic center idea as it is being considered on the mainland. They are commencing to appreciate what it means and how much it is worth to the city to group the public buildings where they will combine to increase the beauty of the city and form a nucleus for the City Beautiful."

"We are going to work on this matter in earnest, and I think we have only to make ourselves heard now at Washington to secure the change asked for. If things go on as they are, it may be ten years before we have work started on our federal building. These condemnation suits are certain to be long drawn out, and in the end we may lose everything."

So far, the voters of Oahu have not had a chance to express themselves on this building site question. Now the opportunity is before them.

There is, naturally, some support for the present site, but it is not found in one in ten of those who in the beginning favored the Mahuka site against the Irwin site.

There would be no danger of the government having two sites on its hands if it secured the Irwin site. There are plenty who stand ready to take over the Mahuka site for business building sites. One man in Honolulu is prepared to buy the whole site, if it can be secured. From what could be obtained for it and with what the federal government has available to pay for the contemplated extension, the entire Irwin block could be bought, leaving money over.

## CHINESE REVOLUTION IS SPREADING FAST

### HONGKONG, May 1.—The insurrection in Canton against the reign of the Manchus is spreading. Today it is reported that the rebels have captured three towns. The entire province is becoming infected with the revolutionary spirit and pillaging is going on throughout the district.

In an effort to preserve order, gunboats have been firing upon the rebels, and two hundred are reported killed. The loyalty of the army is doubted and the Manchus' leaders fear that the revolution will become general.

## ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS A CURE

### LEPROSY ANTITOXIN BEING USED — WONDERFUL EXPERIMENTS.

One more important step has been taken in the search for a cure for leprosy along scientific lines—to abate the horror of the living death. A horse has been made immune to the disease, and from the animal a serum has been obtained. This serum is being used as an antitoxin on human patients, who have submitted themselves for the experiment with the hope that they, too, can be cured and made immune.

It is too soon as yet to predict that the final cure has been discovered, but never before in the history of the world has such a bright prospect dawned upon the men who have searched for the true method of combating the disease that has baffled man from earliest history.

Dr. Donald Currie, the quarantine surgeon in charge of all leprosy experiments, and Moses T. Clegg, the bacteriologist, who astonished the world a year ago by propagating the bacillus of leprosy, are the men who are now conducting the experiments at the Kalihi experiment station in this city and at the Molokai settlement, and who are hopeful of final success.

What they have done so far is wonderful and more than has ever been accomplished before. What they are doing is centering the interest of the world upon the results. What these results are the physicians refuse to predict, but they do not deny that there is hope of ultimate success.

### Patients Show Progress.

Doctor Currie stated yesterday that there is some progress noticeable in the patients who have been under treatment at the experiment stations under different conditions.

This is a word that will go around the world.

But the process of securing the antitoxin which is being used in these experiments is the result of long and careful study, and the two young Americans who have achieved such wonderful results so far have every reason for encouragement and to persevere to the end, with success almost in sight.

But this is not all. Further success has followed their efforts to propagate the disease, so that its course may be studied and its method of contagion made known.

### Disease Propagated.

For the first time in the history of medical science the disease of leprosy has been passed into the system of a full-grown monkey, under the direction of surgeons of the United States marine hospital service. This is one of (Continued on Page Eight.)

## ANOTHER BRITISH DREADNOUGHT AFLOAT

### LONDON, May 1.—The great battleship Conqueror, of the dreadnought type, was launched successfully today.

The Conqueror is one of the "conditional" dreadnoughts allowed in the British naval estimates of 1909-10, being one of four of the Orion class, representing the highest type of British fighting vessel. She is of 23,500 tons, carries ten 12-inch guns, so arranged that the whole may be fired in a broadside. These are supplemented by twenty 4-inch guns. The Conqueror is fitted with turbine engines capable of developing 27,000 horsepower, sufficient to drive her through the water at a rate of twenty-four knots.

She was laid down at Elswick in April, a year ago, and will be commissioned by November of next year.

## HONOLULU THANKED FOR LIBERALITY TO STARVING CHINESE

"I cannot tell you how much our hearts are encouraged by the liberal response from the people of Honolulu," writes P. S. Brockman of Shanghai, in whose care the money collected by The Advertiser and Messrs. Castle and Damon for the Chinese famine fund was forwarded to the starving ones.

Mr. Brockman acknowledges the receipt of the money forwarded by George P. Castle, in all \$431.81 Mex., which he states he has handed over to the Hwai Yuen famine fund.

"The most serious news is constantly being received from the famine region," adds Mr. Brockman.

## SETTLED PLANS FOR ROAD WORK

### BUT CONTRACTOR HOLDS UP NUANAU STREET, THANKS TO CITY ATTORNEY.

Members of the road committee of the board of supervisors started yesterday to work along a settled plan to make bad roads better, although most of this work is practically temporary. Chairman Sam Dwight of this committee stated yesterday that work was progressing along well defined lines and that this plan would be followed hereafter.

"No decision has been reached for more comprehensive plans," said Supervisor Dwight yesterday, "but we will soon have a meeting to consider this end of the work and then something will be done."

But Chairman Dwight seems sore over the action of the city attorney's office in regard to the contract for the curbing on the widening of Nuanau street. This contract was for 9000 feet of curbing. The contract was advertised and Pleasant and Alameda were the lowest bidders by \$45 among five. But they had fallen down on another contract and had caused trouble before.

### Bond Was Good.

Semi-protests were made by members of the road committee and by Board Supervisor Wilder, who were anxious that the next lowest bidder be awarded the contract as more competent to do the work. But it is stated that City Attorney Cathcart held that the awarding of this contract was all right as the bond was good.

It was not a question of the bond, according to the men who are doing the work for the city, but of having the work done. The contract was explicit, calling for the delivery of 150 feet a day as a minimum, beginning April 1. But to date less than 450 feet has been delivered, of which, it is stated, about 100 feet only is up to specifications.

The bondsmen have been called upon to make good, but the work on Nuanau street has been held up. Meanwhile the work by the road department on Nuanau street has progressed. (Continued on Page Eight.)

## ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLERS HAD DIFFICULT TIME

Investigation into the cases of the two white members of the crew of the Manchuria arrested by Chief McDuffie and the United States District Attorney for selling opium have about ended, resulting in the accumulation of all the evidence needed by the officials but not pointing to any further developments.

Witnesses have been secured who state that the two men tried to sell the opium to them, and it seems from this that they peddled it all over the city before finally disposing of it, as is claimed, in a manner that indicated that they were amateurs at the opium smuggling game. Fully four or five Chinese and one white man were given the opportunity of purchasing the stuff, but declined. All are said to be willing to testify. The two men have not made any statement regarding their little venture.

## IGICLES FORM ON GOOD RESOLUTIONS TO MAKE THE "PATRONAGE" DEAL PUBLIC

"Patronage" formed an underground current in the capital yesterday and appeared at intervals on the surface with a regularity and persistency that indicated that it was considered something more than a mere effort on the part of the territorial central committee to obtain further pastures for their political creditors.

The "mysterious" correspondence which resulted in the siding of the heads of departments and the raising of that of the superintendent of public works is now fairly well understood, but the moving power that was in back of it is still in hiding. Somebody was pulling strings and somebody was the monkey on the stick. That is a verdict almost unanimous on the part of those who got out of the nearness without burning their fingers.

Alfred Cooper, chairman of the territorial committee, wrote a letter to the heads of department, as stated in The Advertiser Sunday, asking that all appointments to vacancies be made from endorsements by the committee. Treasurer Cankling was the only one who replied, and his failure and that of the others to concur in this delightful scheme resulted in a general attack on them by the professional politicians, who appear to be already providing for themselves out of the political pie to be cut in 1914.

## RECORD DEAL FOR KAIMUKI IS MADE

### THIRTY ACRES SOLD IN LUMP TO CHINESE HUI—BLOCK OF LOTS GOING.

Kaimuki, as an original proposition from the promoter's standpoint, is nearly at an end. One of the largest deals in acreage in this tract which has been put through since its opening took place yesterday, when thirty acres was sold to a hui of Chinese for \$10,000. It was the last piece of acreage left in the Ocean View end of the tract.

The deal was engineered for the hui end by Elmer L. Schwartzberg, with J. F. Morgan, the Kaimuki Land Company being the seller. It is understood that within an hour after the deal was made the new owners had an opportunity to dispose of their bargain for a good profit, but refused the offer. The names of the hui is a secret as yet.

The acreage is near the new school, which is building in Kaimuki, the ground for which is already broken and work on which started yesterday. It is on the Waiialae side and next to the Clark Farm company's tract.

### Fancy Vegetables.

But what will prove of interest to the residents in this favored section, especially to the housewives, is that the Chinese propose to put the tract under cultivation for fancy fruits and vegetables. An experiment will be tried with mushrooms, it is hinted, as well as watermelons and other similar fruits.

The federal agricultural experiment station has been interested in the proposed experiments and it is stated that it will cooperate on an extensive scale to see just what can be grown in that rich soil. The representative of the hui is sanguine of success, as it is stated that no expense will be spared and the fruits and vegetables will all be screened, if it is found necessary.

There is no question but that melons will grow there in prize style, because it was tried once before by a Chinaman. He had a fine patch and the melons were beauties. The patch was in the old Kaimuki crater. But the melons never got to market. Yet it is hinted that the soldier boys of Fort Ruger enjoyed watermelon feasts during the entire season. And this in spite of a wrathy Chinaman, a shotgun and a lantern.

### Another Big Deal.

At present there is only one whole block of lots in the Kaimuki tract left. This block is about two blocks makai of the new public school site and already a deal is in progress by which the entire block may go to one party. If this goes through, and there is now every prospect that it will, it will mean practically the closing out of the tract by the Kaimuki Land Company, except for a few scattered lots. They have been disposed of in record time for Honolulu and their value is continually on the increase.

Through the Hawaiian Trust Company's real estate department, Fred Harrison has sold to Mrs. Mary K. Paris two lots at Waiialae road and Eighth avenue, Kaimuki, for \$1500. The lots combined have a frontage of eighty-seven and a half feet, and a depth of two hundred and seventy-five feet, making an area of a little more than 24,000 square feet. Compared with the original price of lots in that locality, the figure obtained shows a great advance in value.

## HUI AFFAIR IS DUPLICATED HERE

### TEACHERS PROTEST AND THE PUPILS STAY AWAY FROM SCHOOLS.

Neither Mrs. Compton nor F. A. Richmond are now expected to take the positions to which they were transferred by the commissioners of public instruction, following the "investigation" into their official and domestic affairs. Protests have been filed with the superintendent of public instruction from both the Central Grammar School and the Normal School, to which they were respectively assigned, and they have been generally advised against taking those positions.

The principal of the Normal School has written to the superintendent, conveying the protests filed with him by both his teachers and the parents of pupils in that institution. He states that the teachers generally agree in effect that harmony would prevail to a greater degree if Mr. Richmond did not take his position as professor of science and also that there are signs of insubordination on the part of his pupils.

Protests of the same nature have come from the Central Grammar School and a number of pupils stayed away from there yesterday, according to reports made at the department, anticipating the arrival of Mrs. Compton as teacher. Superintendent Pope states that protests, both verbal and written, were reaching him all day yesterday and that he did not think that either would take their places.

According to other reports which complicated matters, all the teachers of the Normal and Central Grammar schools had their resignations prepared to file when either Mrs. Compton or Richmond took his or her position. The department is inclined to believe this, basing their belief on the letters already on file.

The federal grand jury is still continuing its investigation, Mrs. Compton being before it all yesterday morning. The organized movement of teachers to protest against the appointments in the most effective way, whether by boycott, strike or other means, seems to be a definite fact.

## MEXICAN REBELS LOSE IN NUMBER OF SKIRMISHES

### MAZATLAN, May 2.—Revolutionists made an attack on this city in force yesterday, but after some hard fighting they were repulsed, leaving a number of dead behind. Preparations have been made and reinforcements sent for to meet another attack.

### DOUGLAS, May 2.—It is reported here that the Mexican rebels yesterday captured the town of Topolobampo, across the line.

### SAN ANTONIO, May 2.—Word has been received here that a battle took place yesterday at Ojinaga, Nueva Leon, between the Mexican regulars and rurales on one side and the rebels, in which the latter were defeated.

### SONORA, May 1.—The rebels were repulsed in an attack here.

### DENIES STATEMENT.

### PARIS, May 1.—Ramon Corral, vice-president of Mexico, in a statement today denies that he accused the Americans of fomenting the revolt.

## SANITARY FORCES HAVE ORGANIZED

Settling down to business with a determination that bodes well for the future, the newly appointed sanitary committee, appointed under authority and direction of the late legislature, met in the office of the board of health yesterday to organize. Ex-Governor George H. Carter was elected chairman of the commission and Charles H. Hamenewy, formerly attorney-general, has become the secretary.

Snappy business methods prevailed from the commencement of the meeting, which, facing the great work that it does, did not confine itself to anything except generalities, and the members spent the time getting acquainted. President Mott-Smith of the board of health addressed the meeting briefly, pointing out the numerous things which properly come under the notice of the commission, and congratulating himself on having the men he does, to advise and work with the board of health.

Inspections will begin at the end of the week, and it is probable that the method which the commission will adopt will be to carefully go over every district and make its recommendations with a view of putting each one in as perfect a condition as the law allows. As Chairman Carter remarked at the meeting yesterday, it cannot all be accomplished at once.

## TROOPS CHARGE ON PARISIAN WORKMEN

### Riotous Demonstrations Are Suppressed by Force.

## DEMANDS ARE GENERAL

### Thousands Go on Strike From Atlantic to Pacific.

### PARIS, May 2.—In nearly every department in France the usual May Day disturbances have occurred. In a number of sections there have been collisions with the troops or police, but nothing serious occurred outside of this city.

Troops were called out here yesterday to preserve order and the collisions were frequent and many paraders were injured. Mobs formed in procession and flaunted the red flag. The police were helpless.

### Ten Thousand Out.

### NEW YORK, May 2.—From all over the country come reports of labor troubles due to the usual first of May demands by unions for raising of wages or shortening of hours of labor. In this city 10,000 union men went on strike yesterday to enforce demands.

Wages are high here already in the majority of the skilled trades, but the building trade workmen on a large number of jobs went out for better conditions. One thousand bakers also quit work yesterday in demand for higher wages and shorter hours.

### Demand Closed Shop.

### CHICAGO, May 2.—Denying the recognition of the union, the closed shop and an increase in wages, 12,000 workmen in various trades went on strike here yesterday. A number of large building jobs are tied up.

### Wages and Hours.

### MILWAUKEE, May 2.—Several hundred painters and cigarmakers went on strike in this city yesterday. The painters ask for an increase in wages, while the cigarmakers demand a shortening of hours.

### Plumbers Want More.

### PHILADELPHIA, May 2.—To enforce a demand for an increase in wages, which was refused by members of the Master Plumbers' Association, 500 plumbers went on strike here yesterday and tied up the work on a number of large buildings.

### Railway Shops Tied Up.

### PITTSBURG, May 1.—Several big railroad shops are practically tied up as the result of a strike, today among the shopmen. One thousand walked out when their demands for higher wages were refused.

### More Trouble There.

### LOS ANGELES, May 1.—The carpenters' unions today struck for an advance of wages.

## NEW STEP FORWARD TO ELECT SENATORS

### WASHINGTON, May 1.—The constitutional amendment calling for election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people was today favorably reported out of committee to the senate. This is the measure for which Senator Borah of Idaho fought hard and unsuccessfully at the last session of congress.

Charles W. Cobb, a prominent attorney of San Francisco, was nominated assistant attorney-general with special duties for the department of the interior.

### BASEBALL RESULTS IN MAINLAND LEAGUES

### SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—Results today in the big leagues:

American.  
Boston—Boston 5, Washington 2.  
Detroit—Cleveland 5, Washington 5.  
National.  
Philadelphia—Philadelphia 3, Boston 1.