

# KILAUEA CRATER LAKE IS RISING

### LAVA NOW WITHIN TWENTY FEET OF PINNACLE—MANY LARGE OVERFLOWS.

During the past ten days Kilauea has been outdoing itself in fiery demonstration and overflow of lava. Aside from the spasmodic ebullitions, roaring cones and craters and tidal movements of the lava of a spectacular nature, the whole mass rose to within twenty feet of the top of the pinnacle which was sixty feet above the surface two months ago. The following correspondence from the technology station gives the activities of the big cauldron chronologically and in detail during the recent demonstrations:

Editor Advertiser:—The lava in the crater of Kilauea is still rising, reaching its greatest height of 227 feet below the rim April 20. The average height for the week is 239 feet down. The following are the daily levels: April 13, 10 a. m., 241 feet; April 14, 8:30 a. m., 244 feet; April 15, 11 a. m., 242 feet; April 16, 9:45 a. m., 247 feet; April 18, 5:30 p. m., 239 feet; April 19, 5 p. m., 234 feet; April 20, 10:40 a. m., 227 feet.

There were a number of very large overflows the night of April 12. These extended beyond and higher than anything previous and bring the floor of the pit to within 20 feet of the top of the pinnacle, which two months ago stood sixty or more feet above the lake.

The lake was very active the next day, with an easterly surface current. There was a peculiar looking cone on the north side, open on top and giving a continual roar. There was no change on April 14.

The lake was very active along the walls of south cove, with the rest quite, April 15. The lava fell back a few feet the following day. There were five or six overflows the night before. April 19 saw the lake about eight feet higher and more active than any time through the week, and on the 19th it came up five feet more. April 20 there was a strong easterly flow, rising in the extreme west end and sinking in the east.

The lake was very active and four overflows occurred at the same time. Very respectfully, F. B. DODGE.

# PALMYRA, PART OF HONOLULU CITY

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Palmyra Island is a part of the City and County of Honolulu, according to a petition filed yesterday in the land court by Circuit Judge Henry E. Cooper. Though it may be a long way off, and not visited by the local police, Palmyra is under the jurisdiction of Mayor Fera and the Hanawaki board of supervisors. Cooper's petition is directed to showing, however, that it is also under the jurisdiction of the Territory of Hawaii, and is a part of the Territory, and by way of settling, once for all, as far as the courts here can settle it, his ownership of the island, he has begun proceedings to get title from the land court.

Palmyra is not overcrowded, but the blank forms of the petition for a Territory title require a petitioner to state the "names and full address" of the occupants of the land. Cooper supplies this information with the brief phrase "Territory of Hawaii." The court will have to consider the Territory as the "names and addresses" of the occupants of the land.

### Application Unique.

The application is unique in the history of the land court, for no one has ever before applied for a title to an island so far away from the court. Cooper certifies that so far as known there are no mortgages on the island and he leaves entirely blank that clause of the form for application for titles which requires him to state the names of owners of "lands adjoining."

No one expected that there would be a mortgage on Palmyra, and Cooper could find no way to fill out the clause relating to "lands adjoining."

The petition, of possible international significance, should the status of Palmyra become an issue, is in the main as follows: "Territory of Hawaii. To the Hon. W. L. Whitney, Judge of the Court of Land Registration: 'I, the undersigned, hereby apply to have the land hereinafter described brought under the operation and provisions of Chapter 154 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii as amended, and to have the title therein registered and confirmed. And I declare that I am the owner, in fee-simple of a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in the City and County of Honolulu and the Territory of Hawaii, and particularly described as follows: Palmyra Island, Pacific Ocean, in longitude 161° 53' west and latitude 60° 4' north or thereabout.

That said land at the last assessment for taxation was assessed at \$5000.

That I do not know of any mortgage or encumbrance affecting said land, or that any other person has any estate or interest therein, legal or equitable, in possession, remainder, reversion or expectancy.

That I obtained title by deed from Elsie M. Wundersberg dated June 21, 1911.

That the names in full and addresses so far as known to me of the occupants or all lands adjoining said land are as follows: Territory of Hawaii."

# "FANNING ISLAND, LIMITED," FORMED IN GREAT BRITAIN

"Fanning Island, Limited," with a capital of two hundred thousand pounds, or approximately a million dollars, is being advertised extensively in the newspapers of London. The corporation has already been formed, and its directorate includes members of the nobility, as the advertisement sets forth with due prominence.

The objects of the corporation are to develop the "cocoanut and phosphate islands in the Pacific Ocean known as Fanning Island and Washington Island."

That the board of directors of the corporation formed in London to make Fanning Island, Limited, produce big dividends, is a high class board is shown by the following list: Directors—Sir Robert Gresley, Bart, (chairman) Alberta Land Company, Limited; Adolph Brewster Brewster, late governor's commissioner, Colony of Fiji; Sir Thomas H. C. Troubridge, Bart, (director) East Indian Coal Company, Limited; Charles Newhouse Armstrong (vice-president) Central Railway; Frederic Percy Armstrong, joint managing directors.

Bankers—Parr's Bank, Limited, 4, Bartholomew Lane, London, E.C., and Branches.

The following are some of the statements in the prospectus:

"Fanning Island has an area of 8000 acres, of which 5000 acres are excellent for cocoanuts, and of the balance the portion consisting of salt marsh can be reclaimed at a moderate expenditure. The soil is mostly coral sand. About 500 acres have been planted with cocoanuts (50 trees per acre), of which 300 acres are bearing. On 2500 acres cocoanut palms are growing freely, the trees numbering as many as 500 to the acre in some places. Washington Island has an area of 2500 acres, of which 200 acres are occupied by planted cocoanut trees in bearing, and 1700 acres are covered with dense cocoanut bush. The soil is richer in vegetable matter than that of Fanning Island. There is a clear fresh-water lake, 500 acres in area, and 200 acres of peat bog five feet in depth. Phosphate deposits exist on both islands, covering a total area of about 1000 acres.

Title. "The islands are freehold, and are held under titles from the British Crown. There are no taxes, duties or charges of any description. Both islands are under the jurisdiction of the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific region at Suva, Fiji.

### Fanning's Importance.

"Being situated at the cross roads of the Pacific Ocean, Fanning Island is destined to become a port of great commercial and strategic importance, more particularly when the Panama Canal is opened to traffic in 1913. It supplies the closing link in the chain of an All-British route from Great Britain to New Zealand and Australia, via Canada. In English harbor the company will possess a most valuable asset, as this is the only British harbor within a radius of about 1900 miles suitable for the supply of coal, oil, and water, and the carrying out of repairs. The harbor is a natural one, and in its existing state can be utilized in all weathers by vessels up to 25 feet draught. There is also a safe anchorage in smooth water for larger ships. At a moderate expenditure, the harbor itself can be extended so as to accommodate and provide additional facilities for a fleet of the largest vessels afloat. Should it be found desirable to undertake this extension, further capital will be issued for the purpose.

### Promotion Staff.

"An ample supply of cheap native labor for the company's requirements is procurable. Including wages, food, and cost of recruiting, the outlay should be about £25 per head per annum.

"The Crown have reserved a plot of 36 acres on the northwest side of Fanning Island, on which has been erected a transmitting station of the Pacific Cable Board's line from Canada to New Zealand and Australia. The Cable Board maintain on the island a permanent staff of over twenty Europeans.

"Fanning Island is in immediate touch with the telegraphic systems of the world. Through chartered ships there are direct means of communication by water with all ocean ports at the usual freight rates, which could be considerably reduced by arranging return cargoes. There is at present no regular mail service, the contract having recently expired, but it is the intention of the directors to acquire and operate a small cargo and passenger vessel for the purpose of establishing regular communications between the islands and Honolulu, where mail steamers from San Francisco call twice weekly. A suitable boat now in Honolulu has been offered to the company at a low price.

"Since 1900 the quantity of copra produced and sold from the estates has averaged 318 tons per annum. This copra is sun-dried and is of the finest quality, realizing top prices in the San Francisco market. At current prices 318 tons realizes \$7980, the net profit exceeding \$18 per ton.

"The directors are advised that at present a sufficient number of nuts ripen yearly to yield 600 tons of copra, and by complete cultivation of the Islands, an annual output of 3000 tons can be reached in the ninth year by progressive stages.

### Phosphate Beds.

"The phosphatic beds on Fanning and Washington Islands are attributable to chemical action of guano on the soil and underlying coral. The latter species, or rock phosphates, form over two-thirds of the total deposits. Phosphates are widely used for fertilizing purposes, and find a ready sale, particularly in countries where intensive cultivation is necessary. Markets which are easily accessible such as the Hawaiian Islands, New Zealand, Australia and Japan, absorb great quantities of phosphatic fertilizers."

# DEATH SUMMONS DR. RODGERS END COMES WHILE HE SLEPT

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Death summoned Dr. O. T. Rodgers early yesterday morning while he slept. The end came peacefully. His death was not unexpected as he had been in poor health for several years and for the last twelve months had been quite feeble. During this latter period he had been residing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Montano of Manoa Valley, his oldest friends in the Islands. When the aged doctor failed to appear at the breakfast table his room was visited and he was found dead. Doctor Baldwin was summoned and he pronounced him as having been dead several hours.

In the death of Doctor Rodgers, Honolulu loses a citizen who has been more or less prominent in its affairs since 1876, when he arrived here from New York. He was engaged in the practice of medicine, for many years residing at the Hawaiian Hotel where he also had his office. He came to the islands accompanied by his wife, a very beautiful and accomplished woman, who was not only prominent in social life, but was also conspicuous for her interest in church affairs. She died many years ago.

### New Yorker Born.

Doctor Rodgers was born in New York and was prominent in the politics of that city, particularly during the years before the Civil War. That he was identified with politics in a large way is evidenced by the fact that he was a member of the committee which met Abraham Lincoln at a hotel to welcome him to the city, and to arrange for his address at Cooper Union. He was always a great admirer of Lincoln, and it is understood that he met the murdered president on many occasions.

Doctor Rodgers was acting editor of the Advertiser during the absence of Henry Castle in Europe, in 1889. He was one of the founders of the public library with Professor M. M. Scott and Alexander Cartwright, Sr., and remained a trustee up to the time of his death.

During the days before the overthrow of the monarchy, and subsequently, Doctor Rodgers was the secretary of the annexation committee, and recorded all the minutes of those stirring meetings and his minutes were models of exactness. He was also secretary of the executive and advisory councils under the provisional government.

Later he became interested in the educational work of the Territory and was appointed secretary of the territorial board of education, serving for many years. He retired about 1902. He wrote many articles on educational matters and was an authority on educational work. He was acting superintendent of the census of 1890 in Hawaii, his compilation being the first complete report in pamphlet form of any census here.

### Ranking Odd Fellow.

The doctor was also prominent in fraternal societies and is probably the highest ranking Odd Fellow in the Hawaiian Islands being the past district deputy grand sire. He was a member of Harmony Lodge, Polynesia Encampment and Pacific Rebekahs. The Odd Fellows have assumed charge of



DOCTOR RODGERS.

the funeral, to be held this afternoon at three o'clock, in Odd Fellows' hall. The members of all the lodges of which the doctor was a member have been requested to attend. The flag over the Odd Fellows building was half-masted yesterday.

As far as known his only relative is a half-brother, who is said to be connected with the United States marine hospital service at New York.

Prof. W. D. Alexander, the historian, who has known Doctor Rodgers ever since the latter arrived in Honolulu, was the first friend to visit the Montano home yesterday morning to look at the deceased. Professor Alexander had just completed a list of septuagenarians in Honolulu, Doctor Rodgers being included in the list, which is as follows:

- Mrs. S. E. Bishop, born January 12, 1826.
- Rev. O. H. Gulick, born October 7, 1830.
- Rev. J. T. Gulick, born March 13, 1832.
- Mrs. O. H. Gulick, born August 8, 1833.
- Prof. W. D. Alexander, born April 2, 1833.
- Mrs. Abbie C. Alexander, born November 7, 1833.
- Dr. J. M. Whitney, born October 1, 1835.
- Mrs. J. M. Whitney, born 1838.
- C. J. Lyons, born June 27, 1833.
- Mrs. Lydia B. Coan, born December 25, 1834.
- Rev. H. H. Parker, born March 2, 1834.
- Miss Mary S. Parker, born October 16, 1835.
- Mrs. Harriet F. Green, born August 23, 1837.
- Robert W. Andrews, born June 8, 1837.
- Prof. C. H. Hitchcock, born August 28, 1836.
- Dr. N. B. Emerson, born July 1, 1839.
- P. C. Jones, born December 10, 1837.
- Dr. W. T. Brigham, born May 24, 1841.
- Dr. C. T. Rodgers, born about 1836.
- B. S. Denison, born July 9, 1838.

# FIRST GUN OF A VOTES FOR WOMEN CAMPAIGN SOUNDS

The first suffragist meeting ever held in Hawaii, the embryo of what its promoters hope to make a genuine suffragist campaign, was held yesterday afternoon in the tea garden of the Hirano hotel on Kukui street. There were about fifty women present and it was all-Hawaiian, all-Democratic and evidently all-McCandless. Mrs. Julia Kanihala presided as temporary chairman and Mrs. Hugo Kane was appointed temporary secretary. From beginning to end the meeting smacked little of the traditional woman's suffrage session. It was far too orderly and decorous.

G. K. Keawehaku opened the meeting with prayer and the chairman called upon the handful of men present to give the initial meeting its fraternal impetus. Rev. J. M. Poeppo, Mayor Fern, G. K. Keawehaku and eventually Sophox Barrow, the only male present, were called upon to address the women and then Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Poeppo and others exhorted their sister suffragists.

Barrow was there with his most chivalric manner and after acknowledging the presence of the chairman and secretary in the parliamentary fashion, greeted the gathering with an all-embracing "youse" and launched into a Fourth of July oration which Keawehaku paraphrased in less pretentious but more intelligible Hawaiian.

The speakers dwelt upon the increasing number of oriental voters in Hawaii and the gradual decline of the Hawaiians and told the assembly that the women's votes were required to give the natives of the Islands a larger representation. The whole story of the advance of woman's suffrage on the mainland was retold and a good McCandless boost interpolated wherever it was possible. The campaign scheme is to work up as much interest in the suffrage idea as possible, enlist a large membership and then draw up a petition with the signatures of the Hawaiian women of the Islands affixed for an amendment to the Organic Act.

At the meeting yesterday no resolutions were passed and no officers elected, but another meeting was arranged and will be held next Thursday afternoon in the Hirano garden for the purpose of electing officers.

It was distinctly a holoaku gathering and the majority of the women present were past middle age. The wives of the leaders of the McCandless faction were all present, among whom the leaders seemed to be Mrs. Keawehaku, Mrs. Poeppo, Mrs. John H. Wilson, Mrs. Sharp, Mrs. Joel Kiakahi, Mrs. Charles E. Frasher and Mrs. John C. Keoloha. A few of the older women who had children in the public schools forty years ago voted at that time for the third member of the district school boards, which was then their prerogative but has long since been abolished.

# AUSTRALIAN BOOSTER TO BOOST HONOLULU

### PERCY HUNTER OF SYDNEY ARRIVES ON MARAMA, EN ROUTE TO LONDON.

Percy Hunter Australian booster arrived on the Marama yesterday for a rest. Today he will address the Ad Club at noon and later in the week he will meet the directors of Hands-Around-the-Pacific Club and the Public Service Association. He said:

"I was ordered to London post-haste," said Hunter yesterday, and was to catch the train for Adelaide and the fast mail by way of Suez, then came the account of the Pacific Day Banquet in Honolulu, and Governor Frear's letters to the Premiers asking that definite financial action be taken in the matter of the Pan-Pacific building and Tourist Bureau in New York.

"My plans changed in a day and I was sent via Honolulu, and while here we will see just where we stand. Already we have established our San Francisco bureau, with Neil Nielsen in charge. He refused the northern territory premiership to promote the good work of our movement on the Pacific Coast. I will go to London, where we have our big federal building and study its workings there before returning to New York, Honolulu and Sydney to make my final report.

"I believe that the estimates made at the banquet on Pacific day are practically correct, and the pro rata of expenses asked from each of the Pacific governments by the Hands-Around, fair and equitable. This trip I believe we will get down to details.

"In Sydney both the Hands-Around-the-Pacific Club and the Million Club, and Club, are booming. I am to study the workings of the Public Service Associations here with a view of consolidating some of our own promotion clubs into such a holding scheme. Honolulu has so much to teach me that I always look forward to a stopover at the crossroads. Premier McGowan, of New South Wales, is only less enthusiastic than I am about Honolulu. He wishes to come back with his wife for an extended stay. I am going to see something of Oahu this trip. Of course I am paid to boost for Australia, but then Hawaii belongs to the whole Pacific, it is to become our holiday ground, and I am glad that I had the Hands-Around movement as an excuse to give me another fortnight in Paradise."

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# HEALTH BOARD PLEASED BY WORK

### DR. PRATT REPORTS RESULT OF HIS VISIT TO THE LEPER SETTLEMENT.

Reports of Dr. J. S. B. Pratt's recent trip in company with Doctor McCoy over Molokai inspecting the Kalaupapa settlement and other districts occupied most of the time of the meeting of the board of health yesterday afternoon. That and routine work kept the members busy for an hour in which the only new business was the adoption of the president's plan for the creation of a Kaunakakai (Molokai) cemetery.

Reports from Chief Sanitary Inspector Bowman of Hawaii were read and the members expressed their emphatic appreciation of the work this officer and his associates are accomplishing. The reports showed immense strides to have been taken in the antiratic campaign and in general plantation sanitation. One item in the report showed three rats infected with plague to have been found out of over two thousand examined bacteriologically. The island's available supply of mungoes is also being cut down rapidly. Over eight thousand rats were caught in the period the report covered.

President Pratt announced that Sanitary Inspector Hayden of West Hawaii had left the service and the board approved his appointment of Inspector Finch to that position. Finch was selected by Doctor McCoy from his brigade of mosquito fighters.

Mr. Reinecke, laboratory assistant of Doctor Wayson at the Kalia Receiving station, has resigned and will leave the service on May 1.

# CAMPAIGN IS BEGUN FOR GIRLS' LODGING HOUSE

Trustees of the Kaulani Home started yesterday to interest the public in a plan for building and maintaining a lodging house for working girls and women who are in need of protection. The result of their day's work was not manifest in money pledges—these will come later—but the trustees found plenty of encouragement.

Mrs. J. R. Galt, Mrs. B. M. Allen, Mrs. George R. Carter, Mrs. W. F. Macfarlane, Mrs. Carl du Roi, Mrs. Henry Waterhouse and Miss Ida Pope compose the board of trustees, which has begun interesting Honolulu people in the lodging house idea.

It is proposed to buy a lot suitably located and erect a building to accommodate fifty, containing plainly furnished rooms which may be rented at a low price. A competent matron will be in charge of the building. The approximate cost of the undertaking will be \$30,000. The lodging house will not be conducted by the Palama Settlement, but that organization will cooperate in carrying on the work.

### PRESIDENT'S PROPERTY IS VALUED AT \$51,940.

CINCINNATI, April 13.—President Taft's personal tax return, now on file at the Hamilton County Court here, shows that he is \$10,720 richer in property subject to taxation than he was last year. In that time he has accumulated \$50,000 worth of stocks, while last year he held only \$10,000 worth. His cash has decreased from \$3720 to \$840 and his debts are listed as \$6500. The total value of the President's property is given as \$51,940.

For a surgical operation performed seven years ago, in which she says a three-foot towel was sewn up in her, Mrs. Mollie Meyers is suing a New York doctor for \$25,000 damages.

# DARK DAYS

### Are Days of Suffering—They Are Becoming Brighter for Some Honolulu People.

Many "dark days" from kidney ills, Backache, headache, nervous, tired, Urinary trouble—make you gloomy. Doan's Kidney Pills bring relief; Have cured many kidney sufferers. Here's one case.

Mrs. Anna Bossard, 71 Sycamore St., St. Paul, Minn., says: "I suffered terribly from kidney trouble and although I doctored constantly, I was often laid up. I grew discouraged and at the time Doan's Backache Kidney Pills were brought to my attention, I was confined to my bed. There were pains in my back, hips and shoulders and I was so helpless that I could not turn over. I had acute twinges through my bladder and I was very thin. Dizzy spells and headache also annoyed me. The use of the first box of Doan's Backache Kidney Pills gave me relief and after I had finished the contents of the second, I noticed a great change for the better. I continued taking this remedy and before long was able to get up from my bed unassisted. The stiffness and lameness left my joints and my kidneys became normal. That happened nearly three years ago and today I am enjoying good health."

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50 cents per box, (six boxes \$2.50), or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., Honolulu, wholesale agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

# HARDSHIPS FACE WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF THE FIRST INFANTRY REGIMENT HERE

Actual field camp tentage is available at the present time for the entire First Infantry regiment which will arrive at Honolulu from Portland in less than a month. The camp site has been selected, and some waterpipes are being laid, but the materials for the camp are not on hand at Schofield Barracks, none can be bought here just now as there is no fund from which the department commander can draw for that purpose and no notification has reached department headquarters that such materials are to be forwarded.

Captain Watkins, Second Infantry, post quartermaster at Schofield Barracks, has asked for a double allowance of tents, tent floors and other crude things that will give the regiment only a title of ordinary post comforts. The women and children of the regiment have been given no consideration in the orders transferring the regiment from Vancouver Barracks, and they will have to put up with all manner of makeshifts here. The officers will be put to considerable personal expenditure in order to make their tents habitable for the women.

The Fifth Cavalry regiment will have 915 men. Each of the twelve troops will be composed of 70 men; regimental and squadron noncommissioned staff, 8; band, 28; machine gun platoon, 25; headquarters detachment, 14. The field artillery regiment at Schofield Barracks, (one battery still being on duty in the Philippines), will carry 877 as a light battery. The engineer company at Fort De Russy will be composed of 159 men, and each of the Coast Artillery companies kept up with 104 men.

Practically all the organizations in Hawaii are now chockablock. Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell, acting adjutant-general at department headquarters, says that the crowding of cavalry troops is not an advantage, as an officer can hardly be heard at present with the minimum strength, owing to the clattering of hoofs, jangling of sabers. A cavalry officer's chief asset is his lungs. Bugles are used by both cavalry and field artillery, but there are some orders which can not be given by bugle so well as by voice.

### JUSTIN MCCARTHY DEAD IN HIS LONDON HOME

LONDON, England, April 25.—Justin McCarthy, statesman, novelist and publicist, died last night in his home in this city.

Justin McCarthy, novelist, historian, and member of parliament was born in Cork, Ireland, November 22, 1830. He was the son of a Roman Catholic, and under the then existing law of Ireland, could not obtain a degree in any of the colleges of his native land. His father, however, was ambitious for him, and gave a fine private education. In 1848, young McCarthy became a journalist in his own home city, and remained there until 1852. From 1852 until 1860, he worked on papers in Liverpool, and rapidly rose in his profession. In 1860 he was called to London, where he became editor of the Morning Star. In 1870 he was asked to become chief editorial writer of the Daily News. He was elected to parliament from Longford County in 1879, and rapidly forged to the fore politically. He was a hard worker and turned out a number of novels and historical works, as well as many pamphlets upon current political questions.

### BANDITS LOOT BANK.

MIDLAND, Arkansas, April 24.—Four bandits early this morning blew open the vault in a local bank, looted it of \$8,000 and after a two hours' running fight with citizens made their escape.

### SUFFRAGE LOSER.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Woman suffrage for Alaska was disapproved yesterday in the house on a tie vote on the Mann amendment to the Alaskan home rule bill.

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