

BOARDS FAVORS MERIT SYSTEM

Question Discussed at Length at Interesting Meeting of the Civil Service Commission — Service Muster Is Planned for Next Sunday.

Last night's meeting of the police and fire department civil service commission was the last legislative session of the commission.

The merit system has taken a strong hold on Chairman Wirtz and his fellow commissioners do not seem to be less impressed.

After Efficient Police Force. In order to keep up the efficiency of the Honolulu police force, Chairman Wirtz, who, as senator, was the father of the act, thought that for infractions of duty and general failure to live up to the standards which the commission expects to create in police circles, there should be three degrees of punishment.

In the first and second case, argued Chairman Wirtz, the delinquent would be given two chances to make good. In the third case, a third penalty would rid the force of the incumbent.

Service Muster Planned. There will be a service muster of the police force next Sunday morning at the station at half-past eight o'clock, when the commissioners will cast an eagle eye over the guardians of the peace.

The respective merits of the police and fire departments were discussed at some length. It was decided there should be some future unanimity of action between the two coordinate safety departments of the city government, which was not clearly stated, but the commission is determined those interested should find a way.

The question of the use of firearms of the policeman's club also had its share of attention, and Deputy Sheriff Rose stated there was not at all times that respect given the police as he could desire.

Deputy Sheriff Rose will prepare a general report of the condition of the city's police force, its deficiencies and present requirements, to present at a meeting of the commissioners which will take place next Wednesday evening in the city assembly hall at half-past seven.

"Assure the public," said Chairman Wirtz, at the close of the meeting, "that this body will not hold any secret or star-chamber meetings, and that the general public is always welcome to attend our sittings."

Blazon Type Not Necessary. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy needs no glowing headline to attract the public eye.

Great Singer Studies New Role



MME. SCHUMANN-HEINK.

Most interesting thing in the world? Mme. Schumann-Heink, who has just celebrated her fifty-second birthday says:

"Farming, next to babies, is the most interesting work in the world. Look at these two hands. Do they not appear capable? I have raised and worked for my children and they are yet strong—right?"

HILO OBSERVED FOURTH OF JULY

Parade Is One of the Features of the Crescent City Celebration.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.) HILO, July 7.—The most perfect weather enabled the Hilo Fourth of July parade to make a very nice showing, when it wended its way through town last Friday morning.

The parade was headed by Miss Wilhelmina Wright, twice Hawaii's princess in the Honolulu Floral Parades. This was the first time Hilo had seen her champion in her glory, and the sight made it easy to understand that she had always captured honors for her home city.

Then came the big feature of the day, the First Field Artillery Band, which furnished the occasion with just the appropriate swing. The committee could hardly have devised any better plan than that of securing this band.

When the prizes were distributed later on by a committee, consisting of Mrs. Custody, Mrs. Dick Young, Miss Shipman, H. V. Patten and J. D. Kennedy, who reviewed the procession from a stand erected at Moohan Park, the Father Louis organization secured the first and the Puno body the second prize.

After the Boy Scouts came the Hilo band, and then the Hilo fire department, all spick and span in red-shirted loveliness, which was enhanced by the handsomeness of the chief and his assistant, all of which contributed towards the winning of a prize.

The first of the automobiles was that of the Hilo telephone company, carrying a switchboard, a couple of hello girls, and a mass of punting and flags.

Following it came Jack Easton's auto captained by one of the Misses Reinhardt. It had been effectively decorated with red and yellow, the Hilo and the lehua, and won the third prize in its class.

farmer. It is nothing to dig. Once I made a garden at my New York home. It was a good one, too, and I liked it so much I shall make another. Only I'm not going to grow just vegetables.

"I'm going to grow an orange ranch that will be the finest of its kind in the world. It's going to be so big I can't find my way around it alone."

Madame has purchased three thousand acres near San Diego and so will have plenty of chance to experiment. an artistic touch which served to provide just the proper balance and effect. It is pleasing to know that every leaf that was used in the decoration was that of living plants.

Many Effective Displays. E. H. Holmes entered a float carrying a huge globe, showing Hawaii as the hub of the Pacific, a very well conceived and executed entry.

The Hilo Mercantile's entry was a particularly pleasing one as it took note of the cosmopolitan character of our population, and carried passengers, children of all nationalities, dressed in their best national costumes, a feature which was very effective.

A van from the Volcano Station decorated conventionally with bunting, ended the procession, although as the parade passed the reviewing stand, a Japanese with a ship on his shoulders, and a cart appeared from nowhere in particular, and a prize, which had been left over in the shuffle, was handed this enterprising gentleman.

REFUSES TO PAY FOR PRIVATE TELEPHONES

A decision of the comptroller of the treasury some time ago in a case which had nothing directly to do with Army and Navy affairs has now been applied to the use of telephones in the quarters of army officers at military posts and naval officers at navy yards and stations. Such telephones will be regarded as private means of communication, for the expense of which officers must pay personally.

While in individual cases it does not amount to much, it would, in the aggregate, reach a large sum if continued. It is of importance, it will be appreciated, that the living quarters of officers possess telephonic facilities, but this will not be possible unless the individual officers are willing to bear the expense of maintaining this means of communication. The result will be that the telephones will be taken out of the quarters and confined to the offices, for which service, of course, the government will pay.

MANUFACTURE KITES FOR HAWAIIAN PHOTOS

RENO, Nevada, June 19.—Giant box kites made by Prof. S. P. Ferguson of the University of Nevada and Dale Pruitt, a student, have been sent to Harvard University after having been successfully tested. These kites are to be used in the taking of photographs of the crater of a volcano in the Hawaiian Islands and for the purpose of taking other photographs for relief maps.

BRAVE ACT OF LOVING WIFE SAVES THE LIFE OF INJURED HUSBAND

Young Russian Woman Volunteers to Give Cuticle from Her Body That Man She Loves Might Live.

"And now, how is Michel?" was the first question pretty Elena Kudomora, asked as she lay on the operating table slowly recovering from the effects of the ether in the Queen's Hospital Monday morning. She is the wife of Michel Kudomora, a stalwart young Russian who was pinned beneath his engine and frightfully injured when his train became unmanageable and piled up in a ditch at Waiahole last week.

There was little hope of nature providing a new surface for the injury. Blood poisoning would result and death probably follow if an attempt was made to heal the wound. Amputation offered one hope, but a crippled engineer stands but little chance of employment in a strange country, and Michel, lying in his white bed in the Queen's Hospital, thought of Elena and the hardship which would follow for her if he went back into the world a cripple.

"I will try to get well this way," he told Doctor Straub, the attending physician when it was thought that amputation might be necessary. The kindhearted attendants at the hospital had kept the news from the anxious, palefaced young wife who was a daily visitor to the hospital.

"If we could find someone who would volunteer to a skin operation we might save the life of Michel," some one finally told Mrs. Kudomora. Immediately the sad face of the young woman lightened, into her eyes came a sparkle which told of the love she held for the man who lay suffering in the next ward.

"I will do it," she volunteered. "He can have my life, too, anything that Michel might live." And so the arrangements were made. In the operating room Monday morning Mrs. Kudomora at first refused to take an anesthetic that the painful operation might be performed. But when she was told that it would make the operation more successful for her husband she consented. The skin was taken in small pieces from different sections of the brave little woman's body. Carefully the cuticle was applied to the injured man. Yesterday it was seen that the transplanted cuticle was adhering and now it is believed that recovery for Kudomora is certain.

The glad news was carried to Mrs. Kudomora. "I am so glad," she said.

Circulars Sent to Various Organizations to Get Views on Subject.

Another Cleanup Day is suggested in a circular letter issued by the Oahu Central Improvement Committee, and addressed to the representatives of the various improvement clubs affiliated with the central organization.

The central committee is simply trying to ascertain the pulse of the public with regard to another Cleanup Day and will not make a move until the various clubs give their opinion. If there is a favorable reception to the suggestion, the Governor will be asked to declare another holiday, as without a holiday the work cannot be properly carried on, the officers of the central committee state.

Among the reasons advanced by the club for a Cleanup Day are the following: Cleanup Day is admitted on both sides to have an educative influence upon the many nationalities comprising the population of Honolulu.

It results in the elimination of weeds, rubbish and junk, which, if left in themselves insanitary, give an impression of squalor and slovenliness.

Cleanup Day is a good promotion card, in letting the outside world know that the citizens of the Mid-Pacific metropolis are determined to have a sanitary and beautiful city.

Some portions of the city, particularly in the more congested sections, are reported to be in a bad state today. As already intimated, the safety of the city as a whole depends, from a sanitary point of view, upon its most overgrown parts.

Reports of the volunteer inspectors on insanitary and mosquito-breeding conditions, including leaking water, if acted upon by the authorities, would be of incalculable value in improving conditions.

BREEDS INSECT SLAYER

PHILADELPHIA, June 26.—City Entomologist Hornig, the official exterminator of mosquitoes in this city, has devised a new way to rid the city of these pests. He has growing on a farm in South Philadelphia, 200 preying mantids, the Chinese beetles, which the mandarins use like fighting cocks. Each of these mantids will produce 300 young and they are already swarming over the trees in the southern section of the city and devouring all mosquitoes they can capture.

British Officers to Witness Grand Review at Schofield



CAPTAIN LIONEL HALSEY, R.N.

NAVAL STATION IN TOUCH BY WIRELESS WITH BATTLE CRUISER NEW ZEALAND LAST NIGHT—SUGGESTED PROGRAM OF ENTERTAINMENT SUBMITTED TO COMMANDER.

At eleven-fifty o'clock last night the naval radio station received the following message from Captain Halsey of the New Zealand, addressed to Rear Admiral Moore, U.S.A.:

"Many thanks for kind signal. I expect to arrive at four o'clock Saturday afternoon. I should like to berth alongside. Propose to coal Monday, finishing Tuesday. Concur in program, but fear that engagement on Tuesday may be doubtful on account of coaling. Captain Halsey and Commander Grace accept with much pleasure kind invitation of consul for Sunday night."

(Signed) CAPTAIN HALSEY. At nine o'clock last night the New Zealand was 927 miles off Honolulu.

Captain Halsey, R. N., commander of the British battle-cruiser New Zealand, to be in port on Saturday, and the wardrobe and gunroom officers with him are to be given an opportunity of seeing Uncle Sam's fighting men on parade, a grand review of all the troops at Schofield Barracks having been ordered by Brigadier-General Punnett, U. S. A., commanding the Hawaiian Department, at which the British naval officers will be the guests of General Funston and staff and General Macomb and staff. The New Zealanders will be taken out to the Army post in autos and will be entertained by Colonel McGunagle, post commander, and the Schofield officers. The date had not been definitely set, but the review will probably be a week from today, on the seventeenth.

The review will be the first held at Schofield Barracks by General Funston and will be the biggest review yet held in the department. In the line will be the First Field Artillery, Fourth Cavalry and First and Twenty-fifth Infantry.

This will be the Army's share of Oahu's welcome to the officers of the gift dreadnought. The Navy's welcome will take the form of a garden party at the Country Club, at which the New Zealand officers will be the guests of Rear-Admiral Moore, U.S.N., and officers of the local naval station.

The University and Pacific Clubs will join in giving a smoker for the visiting officers and will issue cards to Captain Halsey, the Prince of Battonburg, who is a sub-lieutenant aboard the New Zealand, and to the other officers, while cards will also be issued by the Country Club. The members of the Commercial Club will invite the New Zealanders to be the guests of the club for an automobile tour of the City on Sunday and for refreshments at the club.

Consul General Rontzky and Mrs. Rontzky will give a reception and a garden party will be given by Mrs. F. M. Swanzy.

The entertainment of the men has been arranged for by a committee appointed at a mass meeting of the British residents, which completed its final arrangements yesterday and agreed upon a program, which was submitted to Captain Halsey last night by wireless, through the courtesy of Admiral Moore, Operator McGee of the naval wireless station getting into touch with the warship last night at a quarter to eight o'clock.

The men will be the guests of the committee at the baseball game at Mo-Hill on Sunday, transportation to and from the grounds to be provided. On Tuesday the whole ship's company, as many as can secure shore leave, will be given a day at Kapiolani Park, with transportation and free admittance to the Aquarium. A sports program has been prepared, with several hundred dollars in prizes, and supper will be served to the men at the park, with plenty of solid and liquid refreshment and a ton of fresh pineapples on the side. After supper the men will be brought in to town and taken to one of the theaters, Manager Magooon has promised an especially good program for the occasion. Five hundred seats in a block will be reserved for the New Zealanders.

Later in the week there will be a smoker for the men at the Seaman's Institute, under charge of F. W. Ever-

MASONS OFF TO VISIT VOLCANO

One of Most Prominent Members of Fraternity Boosts Sugar Tariff and Praises Honolulu—Reception and Dance Planned on Return of Party from Hilo.

(From Thursday Advertiser.) W. P. Filmer, one of the Sovereign Grand Inspector Generals of the Scottish Rite Masons, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., and one of the leading Masons of the United States, stated yesterday that he will work against free sugar and will use his personal acquaintance among congressmen to stem the tide of legislation against Hawaii's principal industry.

He made the statement in a brief address at the Commercial Club yesterday noon. He spoke in an optimistic vein. "There will be nothing doing in free sugar," said Mr. Filmer. "If the present congress does take the tariff off it will be taken off the books within three years."

He urged the islanders to continue their fight against free sugar, stating that they would win in the long run. When Mr. Filmer was the guest of the Commercial Club last evening he was the guest of the wives of Scottish Rite Masons of Honolulu, at the Moana Hotel, where a delightful luncheon was served.

Party off for Hilo. The Filmer party, which consists of Mr. and Mrs. Filmer, Grand Lecturer T. J. Baker, F. & A. M., and Mrs. Baker, and H. G. Iderston, a prominent Scottish Rite Mason of Oakland, left in the Wilhelmina last evening for Hilo, en route to the Volcano. The Masons will be received by the Masonic fraternity of Hilo, and the entire party will return Saturday on the Mauna Kea.

Invitations have been issued to the Masonic fraternity and their families to attend a grand reception and dance tendered by Grand Master William F. Filmer, at the Young Hotel at eight o'clock Saturday evening. It promises to be one of the great social events of the season. Stanley Stephenson has charge of the decorations which will be unique and beautiful as well as appropriate to the occasion and the fraternity. The music will be by Kaai's orchestra.

Reception Being Planned. On Monday evening Mr. Filmer will be officially received by the Masons of Honolulu at the Masonic Temple. On Wednesday the party returns to San Francisco in the Wilhelmina.

Tuesday, immediately on arrival, the Filmer party was met at the steamer and during the forenoon motored to the principal points of interest, including the Falls, Moanaiua, the Aquarium and the beach.

In the afternoon, under the auspices of the Scottish Rite, the party was taken to Waipahu in autos. The Scottish Rite was represented by Walter Coombs, secretary, under deputization of Judge H. E. Cooper, a high official of the order, who is now en route to Palmyra Island in his schooner, the Lulu.

TOM O'ROURKE STILL HAS FAITH IN MORRIS

Tom O'Rourke's taking over the management of Carl Morris is something of a surprise, but at the same time it is the best proof in the world that Morris is still a championship possibility, says an Exchange. O'Rourke has never yet made the mistake of picking up any "dead ones."

Al Palzer is said to have entirely recovered from the illness that robbed him of his fighting strength for several months. A slight operation was necessary and it was successful. Palzer was not fit to fight when he met McCarty, but went in, hoping to rush the fight and win before his strength pegged out. With Palzer and Morris both fighting in trim and well coached, O'Rourke will have a formidable brand of "white hope" clan. Gunboat Smith, Gus Wildard, Palzer, Morris and Rodol would make great material for an elimination tournament. The survivor of that could at least lay good claim to the title, "white champion."

LONDON, June 28.—Terrible sufferings endured by a ship-wrecked crew, who for six months have existed on a deserted island frequently covered with ice and snow, are described in reports which reached North Shields.

In October last the sealing schooner Sea Bird, belonging to Messrs. Vivian of North Shields, was wrecked in the neighborhood of Prince Edward Island, in the Southern Ocean. The vessel struck a swollen rock and speedily sank. The three boats were launched and provisioned before she went down, and for the next six months the crew which numbered twenty-two, were marooned on a desert island.

Their sufferings were terrible, but they made a shelter of a marquee and a cave in a mountainside. There was no wood on the island, but sea elephants were shot and their blubber burned. The men's food consisted chiefly of penguins, albatross and seals.

Two of the men died from the severe exposure, but the other twenty, most of whom were Norwegians, were rescued in April by the steam whaler Thomas William Irvine, belonging to the same owners, and were landed at Cape Town.

The Sea Bird was commanded by Captain Hystad, a Norwegian. John Mattos, a former Honolulu plumber who, some months ago, located at Hilo when he purchased the business of T. A. Dfanga, has sold out in the Crescent City and returned to Honolulu. He has leased a store adjoining the Honolulu Gas Company on Alaka street where he will again engage in business.