

PIUKAHU SAYS PEOPLE THRIVE ON LOW TARIFF OF DEMOCRACY

Greater Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu Gives Its First Banquet, With Distinguished Visiting Ohioan As Its Guest

VITAL ISSUES DISCUSSED IN ELOQUENT ADDRESSES

(From Saturday Advertiser.) May Providence turn our minds from aggressive commercialism to pure patriotism, otherwise true manhood and the spirit that makes mankind worthy of the companionship of the forces of right and progress cannot dwell among us.—Governor Pinkham.

You don't have to present your arguments to make me a friend of the sugar tariff. I've been for you ever since I entered politics. I believe in protection to sugar. I believe in protection to every American industry. They say that under the protective tariff some people will get rich. Well, what if they do? The man who preaches that it is a crime to succeed is an enemy to the American people.—Senator-elect Harding.

ACCEPTING nomination as the senator from Hawaii and pledging himself in no uncertain terms to help forward the legitimate interests of Hawaii as they may come up for legislative action in congress, Senator-elect Harding, of Ohio, addressed the members of the chamber of commerce last night, in an address as eloquent as it was straightforward and convincing.

NOTABLES PRESENT Vice-President Farrington presided and acted as toastmaster, with Senator-elect Harding on his right and Governor Pinkham on his left. Others at the head table were former Governor Dole, former Governor Frear, Rear-Admiral Moore, Mayor John C. Lane, C. O. Overtill, collector of internal revenue, a former Ohioan; Doctor Sawyer, Chief Justice Robertson and Eoderick O. Matheson.

HAWAII IS FAVORED Following a toast to the President, drunk standing, Mr. Farrington called upon Governor Pinkham, who read a carefully prepared address, dealing with the tariff situation and the sugar question, in which he repeated his former suggestion that Hawaii could get a rebating from the administration by making a comprehensive and courteous presentation of the facts. The thirty-third Congress did not have all the facts, he said.

The Governor said that no part of the world had been so favored and prosperous as Hawaii, since Uncle Sam first adopted the Islands, first as a ward and then as a child of the family of States. He reviewed the early days of reciprocity, the ceding of Pearl Harbor and the abandonment by the United States of the reciprocity treaty. Continuing, he said:

FITTED HAWAII THEN "I did have sympathy with a little country and its sole business, that suddenly had every last special prop knocked from under it. "My family had ridden a cotton to boggan slide from \$1.75 per pound to price down to fourteen cents per pound, so I could keenly feel for Hawaii. "As early as 1870 and afterwards I had witnessed the struggle of the Far Western farmer with twelve-cent corn and a climate that forced him to burn it as cheaper than coal. "His only relief was the law of supply and demand in its erratic course, and the fact that he compelled as much of his corn as he could to carry itself to market on the hoof. "Although it has taken time, the law of supply and demand has not failed him and the world is now looking hungry toward his granaries and his paddocks and stalls. "How Hawaii Has Benefited "Since the Convention of Reciprocity, taking effect September 1, 1875, the United States of America has given

GERMANY AND AUSTRIA RESTORE POLES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) PETROGRAD, February 15.—Apparently authentic news has reached here from German and Austrian sources that Germany and Austria have declared the independence of the former Kingdom of Poland, to become operative on Sunday. Under the plan, as announced, Poland is to be restored, with the Russian, Austrian and German Polish provinces reunited into one kingdom. On Sunday it is planned to hold a convention at Cracow for the purpose of choosing a king. It is stated that the Archduke Charles Stephen (Karl Steppen) of Austria is a likely candidate for the throne. The archduke is a grandson of the grand uncle (Albert) of Emperor Franz Josef. He was born in 1860 and has held the rank of admiral in the Austrian navy. His wife is his kinswoman, the Archduchess Maria Theresa, the couple having three sons and three daughters. The sons are all in the Austrian navy.

JAPAN PREPARES FOR EVENTUALITY

(Special Cable to the Nippo Jiji.) TOKYO, February 15.—Simultaneous with the issuance at the foreign office here of an official report that a refusal by the Chinese government to comply with the demands of Japan will lead to open conflict between the two nations, Japan has perfected plans for sweeping changes in high military offices. An official announcement of the changes is expected Monday from Lieut. General I. Oka, minister of war. While it is declared by the officials of the war department that these changes will have no bearing on Japanese-Chinese negotiations, it is strongly intimated that Japan is quietly preparing for any action on the part of China which might result in the ending of an ultimatum to the latter government.

LOOK OVER PROBLEMS

Advice from Peking are that Minister Nioki and President Yuan Shih-kai are still deadlocked in their endeavor to bring about satisfactory negotiations. No further developments are reported. Minister Nioki is said to be presenting his demands for a speedy settlement of the difficulties. The situation is still serious, according to the foreign office here. Unofficially the foreign office says that, while Japan is ready for any conflict, it would rather see the difficulties amicably settled.

NEW CHIEF OF STAFF

Regarding the changes to be made in military offices, Lieut. Gen. Y. Uehara, now chief of the bureau of education, will be promoted to the rank of general and appointed new chief of staff. Gen. Y. Hasegawa, who will be relieved by Lieut. Gen. Dyshara, was appointed field marshal several weeks ago, but has not yet assumed his new duties.

ANOTHER PROMOTION

Among other important changes will be the appointment of Lieut. Gen. N. Otsuka, now commander of the Fourth Army Division, with headquarters at Osaka, as commander of the imperial guard division of the Japanese army.

FIRE THROWS LINCOLN DAY GROWD INTO PANIC

Four Attempts Made To Burn Auditorium During Meeting (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LOS ANGELES, February 15.—Four attempts were made here yesterday to burn the municipal auditorium while Lincoln Day exercises were being held. The fire resulted in a panic among the 2500 persons that made up the audience and it was with the utmost difficulty that the police restored order and averted a possible catastrophe. As it was a number of women fainted and several persons were injured in the crush. The police have one suspect under arrest on a charge of vagrancy.

SIR ROGER CASEMENT SAYS HE IS HOUNDED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, February 15.—Sir Roger Casement, the leader of the Separatist faction in Ireland, who came here at the beginning of the war with a plan of enlisting an Irish brigade to fight against the English, has published here an open letter addressed to Lord Grey, the British foreign minister, alleging that he, Casement, has documentary evidence to substantiate his charge that Great Britain is a party to a criminal conspiracy to have him captured or killed, because of the part in the war he is taking. He charges that the British government has offered a reward of \$25,000 for him, dead or alive.

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BRITISH FIELD PIECES EXCEL TEUTON GUNS

'Eye Witness' Says New Howitzers in France Have Proved Their Superiority

TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION FOLLOWS USE OF RIFLES

German Prisoners Recently Taken By Allies Said To Be of Poor Physique

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, February 15.—The British army "eye-witness," the official army reporter at the front in France, reports that the new British howitzers have proved their superiority over the German heavy pieces and have gained the ascendancy whenever the two types of big field pieces have been pitted against each other. The British pieces have a greater range than those of the Germans and are easier handled. The boom of these pieces, when they are fired, and the detonation of their bursting shells are audible for a distance of twenty miles.

TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION

These guns were first brought into active use on the battlefield a week ago yesterday, when the assault was made upon the brickfields south of the Ze Basse canal. The guns cleared the German defenders out of the positions which the British had attempted previously to take by assault, and the infantry which followed up the work of the artillery found few survivors to oppose them. "Eye Witness" reports that the German prisoners recently taken in France and Flanders are of poor physique, far different from the first-class fighting men that first were driven into France in the rush against Paris.

SOLDIER CONSUMPTIVE

Medical certificates found upon the body of one German, in a captured position, stated that he was consumptive. Letters from other dead Germans, from relatives, complain of the increased cost of living because of the war and refer to the general scarcity of bread. In some of the letters are references to schoolboys being drafted for the war.

AEROPLANES ACTIVE

Thirty-four British air machines bombarded the districts of Oetend and Bientzenbergh, damaging railway stations, tracks and the power station at Middlekerke. The minesweeper Zeppelins also was damaged. The raid lasted twenty-four hours. Claude Graham-White, who was piloting one of the machines, fell into the sea and was rescued by a French vessel which exposed itself to the enemy's fire to save him. The aircraft was in command of Wing Commander Sanson. The British government has given its consent to the issuance of \$50,000,000 worth of Russian treasury bills in London.

AIRMEN TAKE FRENCH

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, February 15.—German aviators have bombarded the fortress of Verdun and captured trenches of the enemy near Verdun. A counter attack under Geneva flag was repulsed. The Germans have also repulsed a French infantry attack at Souvigny. A slight French success has been won at Champagne, and the French have captured a trench in the front at Voeges.

CARRANZA WARNED NOT TO HAMPER DIPLOMATS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, February 15.—The United States has sent representations to General Carranza pointing out the serious complications that are likely to follow any interference on his part with the representatives of the diplomatic corps discharging their official functions in Mexico. No specific references are made in the representations to the cases of the Spanish and Belgian minister, both of whom have been expelled from the City of Mexico. The former reached Vera Cruz yesterday and immediately boarded a Spanish Trans-Atlantic liner. He will go to Havana.

OAKLAND BANKER AND WIFE SLAIN

They Were Fouly Murdered in Their Home in Fruitvale, Probably For Robbery

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) OAKLAND, California, February 15.—Jacob Vogel, an aged banker, and his equally aged wife, Elisa Vogel, were found yesterday by neighbors murdered in their home in Fruitvale, an outlying district of this city.

Robbery is thought to have been the motive of the crime, although thus far the police have no clue to the identity of the person or persons who committed the heinous deed. The home known at the present time no property is missing.

The bodies of the victims show that both Vogel and his wife went to their death fighting desperately. The old couple had been bound, beaten, choked and finally strangled to death. Vogel was a very wealthy man and owned a great deal of property in Fruitvale and East Oakland, where he and Mrs. Vogel had resided for many years.

STEAMER WASHINGTON SUNK IN BOMBARDMENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, February 15.—Henry Morgenthau, the American ambassador at Constantinople, has reported that the steamer Washington, partly American-owned, has been sunk in the harbor of Trebizond, during a recent bombardment of that harbor and city by the Russian Black Sea fleet. It is not known whether the Washington was the American or the Greek flag.

Henry Lane Wilson Says Washington Policy Simply Prolongs Disorders in Republic

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) INDIANAPOLIS, February 15.—Henry Lane Wilson, American ambassador to Mexico during former President Taft's administration and at the beginning of President Wilson's tenure of office, in an address here last night said that there was no hope for peace in Mexico as long as the United States maintained its present attitude towards the warring factions of the southern republic. "There can be no hope for Mexico," said Mr. Wilson, "until either the present administration reverses its policy entirely, or a new administration committed to less uplift and more genuine practical advice, comes into power."

SECOND SON OF KING RETURNS TO HIS SHIP

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, February 15.—Prince Albert, the second son of King George, who was brought back from his ship, with the North Sea fleet, suffering from appendicitis, has recovered from his operation and passed the medical board for service. He has rejoined his ship, on which he is serving as a midshipman.

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES PROHIBITS ABSINTHE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) PARIS, February 15.—By practically unanimous vote the chamber of deputies yesterday adopted a bill prohibiting the sale of absinthe in any form throughout France. The measure also applies to Algeria and the French colonies.

FAMOUS HYMN WRITER AND AUTHOR IS DEAD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BRIDGEPORT, Connecticut, February 15.—Fanny Crosby (Mrs. Frances Jane Van Alstyne), the famous hymn writer, poet and author, died here today. She was 95 years old.

ITALY VOTES MILLIONS MORE FOR WAR PURPOSES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) ROME, February 15.—The Italian government yesterday voted an additional appropriation of \$3,000,000 for further military expenses to July, 1915.

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REST HOUSE ON HALEAKALA GREST

Citizens of Maui Plan to Provide Mountain Climbers With Unique Tavern

When the public-spirited citizens of Maui bring to culmination their proposed rest house on the crest of Haleakala, the largest extinct volcano crater in the world, they also will have provided the most unique place of habitation in the world.

Ten thousand and more feet above sea level, at a distance of only a few miles from the ocean; with its picturesque ascendant trails, rugged scenery and magnificent views as cliff after cliff is negotiated, the rest house will rival anything in Switzerland as a haven for mountain climbers.

This was the picture painted by Ed Towse yesterday afternoon at the meeting of the promotion committee. Mr. Towse backed up his contentions of the rest house being the most unique place of habitation in the world by describing it as being "fire-proof, burglar-proof, rust-proof, hoodlum-proof and fool-proof." He showed maps and drawings to bear out his contentions. No Wood in Building

"There won't be so much wood in the entire building as is contained in a toothpick," said Mr. Towse. Then he elaborated and pointed out that walls and floor would be of rubble; that the windows would be of indestructible wire screened glass; that the window sashes and doors would be of metal; that even the beds would be of iron pipe.

There will be eight sleeping compartments available by lowering sliding iron doors and dividing an ordinary 12 by 12 feet. Each compartment would have two bunk beds. Water for the premises will be provided from a 5000-gallon tank which will receive its supply from a run-off from the roof of the rest house. Mr. Towse told of the proposed Haleakala rest house when asked for a report on a recent visit to Maui. He reported that Maui residents were extremely friendly to Oahuans and the promotion committee and were anxious to work hand in hand with them in the exploitation of the islands. He pointed out that though between \$1300 and \$1400 was subscribed at the recent civic convention on Maui for the erection of the proposed Haleakala rest house that between \$1500 and \$1600 more was needed to carry out the plans desired by Maui residents but that the sum was being raised by popular subscription and would be prepared.

Corresponding Agents Wanted Following the report of Mr. Towse and his assurance of the friendly feeling of Maui residents and the desire of cooperation, L. A. Thurston and A. J. Taylor, who left last night on the Kona excursion, were named as a committee by Chairman Berard to arrange for corresponding agents at Kahului, Wailuku and Paia to work with the local committee.

The committee also want all records as being unimpaired in favor of the establishing of a public comfort station in the downtown district and proclaimed it a disgrace that a city of the size of Honolulu should not have such an institution. They heartily backed Supervisor Hollinger, who was present, in his intentions to work for such an institution.

A letter was read from L. F. Vosburgh, general passenger agent of the New York Central Railway line, in which he promised to give wide publicity to Hawaii in the company literature. Honolulu Fireman Arrested

Another pleasing feature was the displaying of a picture in a recent issue of The American City, a New York City publication, in which was shown a portion of the Honolulu fire department under the caption, "Magnificent Motor Apparatus in Different Parts of the World," and showed the apparatus from Calcutta, India; Pontiac, Michigan; Moline, Illinois, and West Milton, Ohio.

PROGRESSIVES READY TO MAKE COMPROMISE

Medill McCormick Says Moose May Return to Republican Party (Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) QUINCY, Illinois, February 15.—Medill McCormick, former head of the Progressive party in Illinois, in a Lincoln Day address here yesterday, pledged the Progressives not to fall to the Republicans in 1916, providing the latter reciprocate.

McCormick is a staunch supporter of former President Roosevelt and an ardent admirer of Governor Hiram W. Johnson of California, who was the colonel's running mate on the Bull Moose ticket at the last national election.

His reference to 1916 in his speech here is taken to mean that either Roosevelt or Johnson will be proposed by the Progressives for President in 1916.

WASHINGTON PROPOSED POSTPONEMENT OF CASE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, February 15.—The United States government has proposed to Great Britain that the disposition of the steamer Wilhelmina through a prize court be postponed pending new evidence, which the owners of the cargo say is conclusive that the cargo should not be seized as contraband.

NEW GERMAN ARMY DRIVES SLAVS FROM EAST PRUSSIA

Augmented Teuton Force Under Von Hindenburg and Personally Commanded By Kaiser Sweeps Russians Back From Mazurian

BERLIN IS CELEBRATING AND IN GAYEST SPIRIT

Muscovite Advance in Poland, North of Vistula. Also Has Been Checked and City of Sierpoc Recaptured By Wilhelm

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, February 15.—News of the success which has attended the sudden appearance of a new German army, under Field Marshal Paul von Hindenburg, in East Prussia, which has driven the Russians back from their positions in the Mazurian Lake district, with the Kaiser in person directing the fighting, has created the greatest enthusiasm here and the city is again bright with flags and bunting in honor of the Kaiser's victory. The people are celebrating and are in the gayest spirits.

SLAVS SWEET BACK The official announcements from the East Prussian front indicate that the Germans are sweeping back the Russian advance, which had penetrated by way of the Suwalki border. In the fighting the Germans cut off several detachments of the enemy, taking 25,000 prisoners and fifty guns.

The Russian advance in Poland north of the Vistula has also been checked, the force west of Sierpoc being driven back and the city recaptured by the Germans.

FOUR NEW GERMAN CORPS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) PETROGRAD, February 15.—Official—"It is believed that we are upon the eve of great military operations, which must settle definitely the struggle in East Prussia.

"Four new German corps have recently appeared on the East Prussian front, radically changing the conditions and necessitating our retirement to more concentrated positions in order to facilitate the reorganization of our forces."

The weather and dense formations, affording opportunity for directed fire, caused the heavy German loss in the Poland operation. An eye-witness describing a battle says the machine guns mowed down the enemy's ranks as with a rice blade. At the end of the combat the Russians saw hills of dead before them.

TEUTON LOSSES GREAT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) PARIS, France, February 15.—The failure of recent German attacks in Poland appears complete. Their losses are unprecedented in the history of such operations. According to authentic reports they have lost 40,000 killed and wounded, and missing proportionately in the attempt to drive into Poland and capture Warsaw.

FIRST EXCHANGE MADE OF PRISONERS OF WAR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, February 15.—The first exchange of disabled prisoners since the war began will take place at once, under the plan suggested by the Pope. It has been arranged at the German embassy that Great Britain will release one hundred and seven Germans, so seriously wounded as not to be able to take any further part in the fighting.

PRESIDENT REJECTS SHIPPING BILL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, February 15.—President Wilson has definitely rejected a proposed compromise on the shipping bill. The compromise was an amendment terminating government ownership in any steamship line two years after the war ends. The President refuses to accept the amendment, and the compromise plan is off.

OLDEST CIVIL WAR VETERAN IS BURIED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, February 15.—Edward Monroe, aged 106, the oldest Civil War veteran, was buried here today.