SEE HALEMAUMAU NOW, IS ADVICE FOR NEWCOMERS

Publicity Man For Hawaii Says Spectacle Never So Wonderful Before

GREAT CRATER SEETHING MASSES OF LIQUID STONE

View From Rim of Pit Is Like Looking At Birth Pangs of World

Now is the best time to see the great crater of Halemauman, the House of Everlasting Fire, for now the pit is hotter, fiercer, more spectacular than ever, according to L. W. de Vis Norton, publicity representative of the Island of Hawaii at the office of the promotion committee. In an interview given yesterday, Mr. de Vis Norton, who has just returned from a visit to the wonders of Kilauea, said:

"When is the best time to see the volcano? I suppose, more often than any other, I am asked that question, and truly it is a hard one to answer. To most tourists the volcano means not so much the whole area of the vast craterbed of Kilauea as the mighty spectacle to be witnessed at all times within the grim, stern walls of Halemauman, the House of Everlasting Fire. And, therefore, in answering the oft repeated question, I refer more to the latter than to any other part.

See Volcano Now

"Some few years ago, after the great earthquake, Halemauman was actually only a hole in the ground with some smoke in it, but I have met many who have told me that a journey right around the globe was not enough for a sight of that hole and all that it conveyed to the mind. If this be so, what can be said of it now—today—when the subterranean fires have returned to the surface and the whole area of that incredibly molten lake lies open to the eye of the visitor; when he may sit in perfect safety, and, dangling his feet over the rim of eternity, watch the creation of the world in full blast, little more than four hundred feet below him. A few days ago I sat on that rim, as I have done before, for several hours, and only the thought of an automobile and an impatient chauffeur fifty yards away, induced me to tear myself away from that terrific spectacle. Most unhesitatingly I say to every one of the visitors now in Honolulu, if you want to see the volcano in one of its grandest moods, see it now; take the first boat to Hilo, and, above all, do not be content to see Halemauman only once, but at least stay for a few days and visit it every day and every night during your stay.

Many Visitors Indifferent

"Indeed to me it is incredible that so many people can travel thousands of miles to see this greatest wonder of the world, and come away after a perfunctory glance at it. One night last week three of us were at the edge during a smoky interval when only the glare from the fires beneath was visible. We were joined by two visitors who stood for a few moments gazing at the swirling smoke wreaths and then went back to their automobile loudly expressing their disappointment. And yet, not five minutes after they had left, we three were the sole witnesses of one of the sublimest spectacles the volcano has provided for many months and certainly the grandest I have seen during my many visits.

"Words are but poor halting things when one tries to describe that sight, and when one realizes that though one may see it in the present day it yet belongs to a period antehistorical when nature first made up her geological epopee, when the glowing mass of the globe uplifted the mountains and when the earth in the pangs of a titanic childbirth first hurled forth those marvelous incandescent fountains of molten rock.

Whole Lake Lies Clear

"As I have already said, we had been waiting patiently through a smoky interval, but presently the dense cloud swirled upward and in a moment the whole pit was clear and the entire surface of the lake with its jagged banks lay unfolded beneath us. The lake itself was almost free from scum and was in violent motion. Old Faithful, the most constant of all the fire fountains, was tremendously active, sending crimson and golden waves dashing against the overhanging banks; several other fountains were playing and the entire lake was streaming rapidly from south west to north east. Close against the southern bank a row of smaller fountains gushed and tore at the imprisoning wall, while opposite them appeared a white hot cavern whose irregular mouth was thickly hung with magnificent stalactites many feet in length. Right on the southern bank were three newly formed spatter cones, volcanoes in miniature, which, every few seconds shot great clots of molten lava high in air, with a rattle like that of a battery of quick firing guns.

"It was a magnificent sight indeed for even as we watched in a spellbound silence, there appeared a glowing spot between those cones and the lake itself. The spot quickly widened into a rift and the rift into a chasm and then with a mighty roar a great lava flow burst from that awful throat, shooting high above the rim and pouring in a wondrous cascade into the lake which seemed to spring to meet it in delight.

"Four hundred and odd feet below we, we got there, we watched this raging inferno, but presently, from the heat and all the might of it we had our faces as from the glory of the Almighty, and when again we looked the smoke cloud had once more closed in and only the brightness of one glow remained to indicate the terrible forces at work beneath.

"A few moments later it was clear again, and then we saw that the solid bank had been eaten away and had fallen almost entirely into the lake, while the lowered mouth of the northern cave indicated that a sharp rise had taken place over the whole area.

Great Changes Taking Place

"This is only one of the things we witnessed on that night, but the following evening the reverberating explosions of the spatter cones could be plainly heard from our hotel three miles away, and most certainly further great changes were taking place.

"To my unscientific mind the whole crater bed appears hotter now than I have ever known it. The recent rains may have had something to do with this, but it is undeniable that many places into which I have penetrated during former sojurns are unapproachable now. Therefore, to all our visitors again I say, go to the volcano now and you will be richly rewarded.

Suggestions For Tourists

"If I may presume to offer a few words of advice to visitors I would say: (1) Take with you warm clothing, stout footwear and raincoats. You need cool garments for the sunny daylight hours, but the evenings are cold and at no time is the floor of a volcano a bed of roses to walk upon. (2) Make your first visit to Halemauman by automobile, starting from your hotel not later than half past three o'clock in the afternoon. This will give you time to see some of the extinct craters near by; to penetrate through the great lava take, and to have a brief look at the fire lake by daylight, before viewing some of the unique lava formations close to the pit. (3) Return to the edge of Halemauman as soon as darkness sets in; make your way to the South Station (some nights out of the seeing best from this point), sit down on the rock and wait. If there is smoke, it will soon clear, and after you get one good look you will not be in a hurry to come away for an hour or so. (4) If you have the time to spare, take the wonderful walk across the crater floor next day to Halemauman again and have your auto meet you there at night. (5) Do not come away from the Kilauea district until you have visited some of its many wonders. There are fourteen craters within your reach, every one of which is worth going round the globe to see, and there are many other natural features of a unique nature.

"Follow this simple advice, and, even if you do not explore the glories of the regions of Puna, Hilo, Hamakua and Kona, you will still find that your visit to Hawaii, the Scenic Isle of the green, has been infinitely well worth while."

MERCHANTS HELP TO BUNGLE FUNDS

Neglect Promptly To Invoice Supplies To City Contributes To Excess Expenditures

Either the local merchants are so prosperous that they do not need money which is coming to them for goods supplied to the city, or else they have a notoriously slack business system. Criticism of the supervisors with reference to overexpenditure of appropriations has been rife of late, and in this connection the city auditor has also come in for his share of the denunciation.

City Purchasing Agent H. E. Wescott said yesterday that neither the supervisors nor the auditor were entirely to blame for the overexpenditure of the past six months, and that the trouble was largely due to the delay on the part of the local merchants in gettting their invoices into the hands of the auditor for settlement. Some of these delinquent invoices date as far back as November 1, and have not yet been received by the auditor.

"It seems almost impossible," said Wescott, "to impress on the merchants the prime importance of having their invoices in so that the proper charges can be made against the appropriation. There is no way of ascertaining what purchases have been made until the invoices have been received for settlement.

"It has always been noted on the purchasing forms that invoices must be delivered to the purchasing department on the date of delivery of goods in order to facilitate checking the supplies and to record the invoice on the auditor's appropriation ledger. The only way that the merchants suffer on account of their dilatoriness is that settlement is delayed thirty days if the invoice be not properly rendered.

"The auditor and the city, however, suffer by discovering after it is too late that the appropriations have been overexpended.

City Purchasing Agent Wescott has arranged for a special notice to accompany all purchasing orders placed for the next sixty days, calling the attention of the merchants to the importance of having invoices reach the department upon delivery of goods.

The merchants working in conjunction with the requirements of the city in this regard would obviate any such financial faux pas as has distressed the city dads during the past few weeks.

SALVATION ARMY HAS REAL HALLELUJAH WEDDING

A happy time was held at he Salvation Army hall in Hotel street on Monday night when Ensign Clair D. Stiles and Cadet Miss Delfina Montes were united in marriage, according to the army ritual, by Lieut. Col. Blanche B. Cox, head of the organization in these islands. After a brief honeymoon in this island, Ensign and Mrs. Stiles will leave for Koloa, Kauai, wher they will take charge of army corps there.

FORBES APPEARS IN COMMITTEE TO BOOST NEEDS

Wants Nawiliwili Harbor Improved First, If Only One Project Is Possible

TELLS OF BIG WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE

Makes Plea For Generous Appropriations For Much Needed Improvements In Territory

The pleas made by Superintendent of Public Works Forbes for needed harbor improvements at Kahului and Nawiliwili before the house committee on rivers and harbors in Washington December 16, 1915, have reached Honolulu in the printed report of the hearing.

Mr. Forbes opened the hearing with a formal statement in which he said in part:

"For some time past we have been working for harbor improvements in the Territory and have undertaken and in great measure completed several projects throughout the Islands. The proposed improvements to be discussed here are those at Nawiliwili, on the island of Kauai, and Kahului, on the island of Maui. At Kahului is a breakwater, known as the East breakwater, constructed by the Kahului railroad in part, the Federal government completing the project with the understanding that the railway company deed to the government such improvements as they have made in the way of a breakwater. The road spent $37,645 on the first unit of this breakwater.

Wants Western Breakwater

"The western breakwater is the proposed improvement at this point, and is recommended by the U. S. army engineers. It is absolutely necessary for the safety of ships at Kahului. The commerce of Maui has increased materially and the largest plantation in the Territory, producing between 60,000 and 70,000 tons of sugar annually, is located there. All of this sugar is lightered out to vessels, a slow and frequently dangerous procedure. The board of harbor commissioners has in mind the purchase of the railroad wharf, and its reconstruction upon the completion of the west breakwater. It is necessary from time to time to dredge Kahului harbor, which work is being done by the Federal government and by private individuals that they may have their cargoes lightered out to vessels. If we had a larger wharf it would be unsafe for vessels drawing more than fifteen feet to attempt going along side as things are."

Mississippian Curious

Congressman Humphreys of Mississippi at that point interrupted the statement to ask a question regarding the tonnage, which Mr. Forbes told him is principally sugar, and goes to New York and San Francisco.

Continuing Mr. Forbes said that the Territory is now opening up large areas of land through the Makawao and Haiku section, and the government is considering the opening of additional areas, most of which is to be under pineapple cultivation. "In fact," added Mr. Forbes, "the Territory is planning the opening up of 60,000 acres that will be taken up by homesteaders, and who will probably develop further the pineapple and cane industry, which must add several thousand tons to our present exports."

War Hurt Our Commerce

The question of decreased tonnage from the Islands coming up Mr. Forbes explained that the war in Europe had hurt the exports of the Territory, and that the slides in the Panama Canal had also affected the shipments for Honolulu. Questioned as to the increased valuation of shipments from the Islands while the tonnage remained about the same, Mr. Forbes said that the sugar valuation has increased materially since the war in Europe broke out, and that the Territory has also increased the value of some of its other products, notably the pineapple.

Going back to the breakwater again the members of the committee showed a desire to know all of the details connected with the project and particularly the reasons why it is considered necessary. Mr. Forbes explained that it is needed to "prevent the shoal inside, and to protect ships from the westerly drift." This drift, said the Superintendent of Public Works, frequently causes great changes in the amount of water in the harbor, the depth varying at times from one to four feet.

Nawiliwili Breakwater

The committee then took up the matter of the improvement's at Nawiliwili, which will cost $200,000. Mr. Forbes made a strong plea for this also pointing out to the committeemen the difficulty and danger of landing passengers and freight at that port.

"Could you realize the danger of disembarking passengers along the Kauai coast at night at an open roadstead, you would readily recognize that we are absolutely without protection to the lives of passengers and in the handling our commerce," said Mr. Forbes.

"The people of Kauai and the Federal government," he went on "realize that Nawiliwili is the logical point for earlier improvement. A breakwater and the necessary dredging at this port would add safety to shipping and encourage commerce. It would also afford a terminal for the projected Kauai railroad, and in a short time would [illegible] at this point for upward of 200,000 tons a year, as all commerce and passenger service would revert to Nawiliwili and fill a long felt want for making direct shipments to the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the United States."

"All Hawaii," added Mr. Forbes, "suffers from want of harbor protection. The Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company handles 15,000 passengers per annum, all of whom save passengers for Hilo and Kahului are forced to land in open roadsteads, which is extremely dangerous. Furthermore ships are frequently compelled to go by their destinations because storms and lack of protection, and this is particularly true of the two locations now under discussion."

Tells of Work Done

Mr. Forbes then went into the work that is being done by the board of harbor commissioners, instancing the new wharf in Honolulu at the cost of $385,000.

The question of ownership of land in the Territory also came up before the committee and Mr. Forbes told the members that "fully seventy-five per cent of the entire developed area of the Territory of Hawaii is strictly American."

He then explained the clause in the Organic Act which gives the Federal government the right to appropriate any land owned by the Territory for any governmental purpose whatsoever. This aroused the curiosity of the committeemen and the section of the act covering this was ordered read by the secretary of the committee.

Later in the hearing Mr. Forbes told the committee that he is of the opinion that, should but one of the proposed improvements be possible at a time, he would prefer to see the Nawiliwili improvement tackled first "because no harbor improvements has ever been attempted there by the Federal government, the harbor has no protection and its commerce is constantly increasing, and many other improvements are contemplated provided the breakwater is constructed."

The hearing closed with a statement of the railroad officers on the different islands of the Territory.

LITTLE BOY SHOOTS HIS GIRL PLAYMATE

'I Only Did What I Saw In Moving Pictures,' Says Child To Sheriff

While playing with a revolver yesterday morning, four-year-old George Costa shot Josephine Ferreira, a girl of the same age, in the shoulder. The shooting occurred in the Kalihi road opposite the new jail.

The families of the children are neighbors and yesterday morning the little girl went to Costa's house to play with George. When she entered the house the boy had taken a 38 calibre Colt police special revolver out of a bureau drawer, and on seeing the girl approach leveled the weapon at her and pulled the trigger.

Neighbors heard the shot and rushed into the house to find the girl lying on the floor with blood coming from a wound in her left shoulder. The wounded child was placed in an automobile and taken to the station, the patrol wagon, which had been summoned being passed on the way.

Examination by Dr. R. G. Ayer revealed the fact that the bullet had fractured the clavicle and had only just missed cutting an artery.

The bullet passed clear through the girl's shoulder and was found imbedded in a post in the room.

After Doctor Ayer had dressed the wound the family of the boy had the girl removed to the Children's Hospital, where she is progressing very favorably.

The gun belonged to an elder brother of the girl, who only purchased it a short time ago. Sheriff Rose asked the boy why he shot Josephine, and the youngster replied that he only did what he saw in the moving pictures.

SOLDIER SENTENCED FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Man Who Killed Benjamin Franklin On Christmas Day Goes To Prison

Cpl. Benjamin Carthal, Company I, Twenty-fifth Infantry, who stabbed and killed Pvt. Benjamin Franklin of the same company, on Christmas Day, during a fight, has been dishonorably discharged from the army and will serve a term of two years' imprisonment in the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

The killing of Franklin occurred in the notorious Volcano saloon at Leilehua, which has since been closed by the board of license commissioners. While Carthal was playing a game of cards in the booze joint, Franklin entered the place and a quarrel ensued between the two men during which Carthal drew a knife and plunged it into Franklin's body, the latter dying shortly afterwards.

During the trial of Carthal by a general court martial, acting under orders from headquarters of the Hawaiian Department, the soldier set up the plea of self-defense, and the testimony tended to show that Franklin had been the aggressor in the quarrel. The court martial's findings of manslaughter were approved by the reviewing officer.

JACOB BROWN HOMESTEAD BADLY DAMAGED BY STORM

The Jacob Brown homestead and farm near Pukoo, Molokai, was badly damaged in the recent storm which visited Maui and Molokai. Trees were blown down and fences broken and the house was badly wrecked. Several head of stock were killed by the rush of waters and a great silo built to supply green food during the short months was demolished, as well as a large bin for the storage of corn.

CARNIVAL PLANS TAKING SHAPE TO OPEN WITH BANG

Ad Club Members Preparing For Entry of King Carnival In Regal Style

BALL OF ALL NATIONS WILL BE GRAND FETE

Capitol and Grounds Will Blaze In Glory With Music and Dancing Galore

Each of the five sub-committees of the Ad Club Carnival Committee reported substantial progress at the meeting of the latter yesterday and plans for the first night's celebration of the Carnival, on February 21, are taking shape rapidly, though as yet they are largely tentative.

James A. Dunbar, chairman of the sub-committee on the Ball of All Nations, to take place at the capitol grounds, reported elaborate plans for a big entertainment consisting of many amusements, including, besides the pavement dances on the King and Hotel street sides of the capitol, a free motion picture entertainment, folk dances, a Punch and Judy show, a large refreshment booth, rest-rooms for men and women and a number of other features. A portion of the plan was approved by the general Ad Club Committee, but the entire affair is tentative and must receive the approval of the superintendent of public works, since it involves classification and restriction of travel through the four main gates to the capitol grounds.

Recommends Advertising

As related several days ago, the committee has recommended an expenditure of $500 on advertising for the opening night of the Carnival, for which the Ad Club is sponsor. Three hundred and fifty dollars of this amount would go to the local newspapers in payment for advertising space in their columns. Whether the Carnival Committee will be able to assume this item remains undetermined.

Harry L. Strange, chairman of the Ad Club's Carnival Committee, explained yesterday that unless the money is forthcoming the publicity committee will be able to proceed on a plan whereby no debt will be incurred. The committee accordingly adopted the following resolution:

"That the publicity committee be authorized to proceed with its plans for advertising the opening night of the Carnival without obligating the Ad Club Committee of the Mid-Pacific Carnival, Ltd., to any expense unless some definite appropriation should be made."

Ball of All Nations

In addition to the Ball of All Nations, the Ad Club proposes to arrange for a big dance in the armory, a parade and a number of special stunts, which will add materially to the gaiety and excitement of opening night. Harold Dillingham, chairman of the subcommittee having charge of the armory dance, reported progress in preparation for that event. R. L. Noggle, chairman of the committee on the parade, also reported progress, while F. Q. Cannon, chairman of the stunts committee, submitted some details of novel schemes for the occasion. These will not be revealed until later and some may be kept secret until they appear before the eyes of astonished spectators.

Tentative Plans Approved

Features of the tentative plans for the Ball of All Nations in the capitol grounds which were approved yesterday are as follows:

Employment of fifty to seventy-five army men, if they can be obtained, but, if they cannot be had, the engagement of an equal number of civilians to serve as ushers and general custodians of good order.

Entrances to the grounds to be as follows: Public entrance by Richards street only; seat holders' entrance by Hotel street only; exits by Likelike street; Likelike street closed entirely to entrance and King street entrance closed at least until ten o'clock that night.

That two bands be employed, one to be in the thoroughfare leading to the capitol from King street, and the other in the avenue leading from Hotel street. The King street band would be placed in front of the bleachers and separated from the capitol by these the seats being arranged in crescent form directly across the capitol steps. Similar arrangements would apply to the band and bleachers on the Hotel street side. Rest rooms would be prepared in the basement of the capitol.

In front of each handstand and facing the bleachers small platforms would be erected, on which groups of skilled artists of many nations would present folk dances, these groups alternating between the platforms on the two sides.

HAWAIIAN MUSIC STILL POPULAR IN NEW YORK

Sheriff Rose is in receipt of a letter from D. Makaena, the wellknown musician, who is at present in New York.

"The boys here are all O.K.," writes Makaena, and their singing is very much appreciated. In fact Hawaiian music is the real go here. Hotels and cafes have been breaking their necks to have Hawaiian music.

"There's no other club here but us and the hotels and cafes can't get us. The manager of our theater only lets us play for the exclusive class of people in New York."

TO RAISE $3000 IN THREE HOURS

Councillor Rice Offers To Get That Sum For Local Boy Scouts

Through the kindness of the Cooke Estate the local council of the Boy Scouts of America hereafter will have spacious permanent headquarters in a suite of offices in the old Hawaiian Trust building, in Fort street. James A. Wilder, special field commissioner for the Pacific made this announcement last evening at the annual meeting of the local council on the roof-garden of the Young Hotel.

The Cooke Estate, by the courtesy of Richard Cooke has tendered use of the offices in the business block. Boy Scout activities in Oahu from this time forward will radiate from that point as a permanent center.

At the same meeting officers of the council for the ensuing year were chosen and Arthur A. Rice was appointed to assist Commissioner Wilder in raising $3000 by subscription among the business men of the city to meet the budget for 1916. If this sum is forthcoming, and officers predicted last night that it would be raised by not more than three hours' actual work, a permanent Scout secretary probably will be brought from the national headquarters in New York City, to take active charge of the organization's detailed business.

Officers elected are John Guild, president; Judge S. B. Dole, first vice president; Walter F. Dillingham, second vice president; Hawaiian Trust Company, treasurer; F. D. Creedon, secretary, and Harry S. Hayward, commissioner for Oahu. The executive committee consists of officers of the local council.

Commissioner Wilder urged the necessity of monthly council sessions to encourage activity. He reported that the membership of the Honolulu council is large.

Councillors in attendance were Judge S. B. Dole, J. H. Soper, A. H. Rice. council is growing prosperously and deserves close attention by the men in John Guild, Guy H. Buttolph, John Fleming, J. M. Camara, Ed Towse, F. D. Creedon. Scoutmasters present were C. H. Judd, R. L. Noggle, A. S. Mahaila, Jacob Kelekini, Prof. W. A. Bryan, M. G. Santos, W. R. Humphrie and H. Q. Cannon. Officers present were J. A. Wilder, special field commissioner; Harry S. Hayward, commissioner and C. H. W. Norton, scout executive.

INFANT IS ABANDONED IN YARD BACK OF STORE

Japanese Woman Who Has No Children Would Adopt Baby

A three-year-old Japanese girl was abandoned by its parents on a bench in the rear of the grocery store of Chin Loy, 1402 Fort street, sometime Monday night. The wails of the infant attracted the attention of several in the neighborhood but all thought that the waif was in one of the houses in the vicinity. Yesterday morning at seven o'clock Chin Loy found the little thing in the yard back of his store, where it was sleeping, having exhausted itself with crying all through the night.

Chin, is married and has a sufficiency of kiddies of his own, but the Japanese wife of C. W. Cross, who lives in the neighborhood, wanted a little one and so there being no one else right on the spot who would be responsible for the babe she took it and started in at once to get advice as to how to keep the child.

She was told at the police station to apply to the circuit court for regular adoption papers.

WELSH AND GRIFFITHS FIGHT ANOTHER DRAW

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

AKRON, Ohio, January 26.—Freddie Welsh and Johnny Griffiths fought a twelve-round bout here last night to a draw. On February 1, last year, the two men fought here a twelve-round go, a draw also being recorded in this case.

Woman Needs All Her Strength

The woman who has a bad back is in constant pain, for her work must be attended to just the the same. Any other member of the family would have prompt and loving care, but the mother is inclined to neglect her own ills.

So, many a woman who needs all her health and strength to stand the work and worry of keeping house becomes a chronic kidney sufferer.

Don't neglect a backache, lame back, disordered action of kidneys, dizziness headache and blue or nervous spells. Probably it's all the result of kidney weakness. Women all over the world recommend Doan's Backache Kidney Pills for just these troubles, and weak delicate women can take them freely for Doan's contain no harmful, poisonous or habit-forming drugs. They act quickly and do lasting good.

"When Your Back is Lame—Remember the Name." Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for **Doan's Backache Kidney Pills** and take no other. Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50c. a box (six boxes $2.50) or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., or Benson Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands.—Advertisement.

INSPECTOR HALSEY SAID TO BE SLATED TO LOSE POSITION

Commissioner General of Immigration Coming To Honolulu With Ax, Says Report

DEMOCRATS ARE AGOG OVER LATEST RUMORS

Friendship of President For Head of Hawaii Bureau Kept Him In Office

R. L. Halsey, inspector in charge of the immigration station of the United States in Honolulu, may be an officeholder no longer after the middle of February, if the report that was current in many circles of the city yesterday is substantiated by Time, which proves or disproves so many rumors.

Mr. Halsey himself, when asked if he had heard the report of his approaching official demise, said that it was all news to him, and that he hoped it was not so. Indeed, he was, he added, inclined to doubt it, as he had been on the mainland last August, and if there had been any intention of removing him and filling the post he holds with a good Democrat, he believes that he would have heard something of it at that time.

Commissioner General Coming

The report, however, persisted despite the statement from the man most affected thereby, and embraced the statement that Commissioner General of Immigration Anthony Caminetti is expected to visit Hawaii some time next month in the dual guise of official executioner for Mr. Halsey, and crowner of the man who is to take the vacancy thereby created.

The report, which was most circumstantial, even went to the length of saying that the successor has been picked out by the powers that be in the Democratic party, that he is a California man, and a political and personal friend of the commissioner general. Only in the matter of names was the Old Dame Rumor silent, beyond averring that there are several names which have been mentioned in the past which might fill the description given above, for Mr. Caminetti has many friends political and personal.

President Is His Friend

The removal of Mr. Halsey, should it prove to be a fact, would cause much surprise among the politically wise ones of Honolulu, for Mr. Halsey, in addition to minding his own business well, is reported to be a Princeton man, who knew the President when Mr. Wilson was head of the university and who has kept in touch with the Nation's chief executive during the years of his rise to power.

At the time of the Bourbon national victory on the mainland, when the local Democrats were looking about for possible plums of political hue, the talk veered to the collectorship of the port and by natural inference to the post held by Mr. Halsey. Mr. Stackable was collector of the port, but is no longer. Mr. Halsey was inspector in charge of the immigration station, and still is.

Politicians Warned Off

In short, the politicians of Hawaii were warned off by those who knew the situation, from attacking Halsey, because of that relationship with "Prexy" of Princeton, in the days before the college president became President of the Nation.

At that time the names of several Honolulans were mentioned as possible candidates for the immigration office, Col. Charles J. McCarthy, now territorial treasurer, being among them. But McCarthy, it is said, did not want that job—under all the circumstances—and devoted his attention to other things. Bertram G. Rivenburgh was also mentioned but he too had something else in view at that time, and refused to take the suggestion seriously. So the matter rested until just recently.

With Ax and Baton

Of late, however, there have been reports and rumors buzzing about Honolulu, concerning themselves with the occupant of the immigration station's executive chair, but none of them of sufficient importance to warrant repeating. Now comes the statement that Commissioner General Caminetti is coming next month, swinging the executioner's ax in one hand while in the other he carried the baton of office which he will confer upon his own man. But it may all prove a rumor as baseless as others of a similar character—and then again it may not.

ROSARIANS TO BRING OTHER BOOSTER CLUBS

The Radiators of Eugene, Oregon, the Cherrians of Salem, and the Rosarians of Portland will make one harmonious whole on the coming trip of the Oregon boosters to Hawaii. Such, at least, is the burden of the reports coming from Oregon to Hawaiian friends of the three organizations. The Rosarians will furnish the band and the others will furnish the dancers on the voyage down. Everybody expects to be happy.

PASADENA HOTEL MAN WILL BRING TOURISTS

Under the guidance of Manager D. M. Linnard of the Maryland Hotel, Pasadena, guests from that hostelry and from the big Hotel Huntington, will visit Hawaii next month and will return to the mainland about the middle of March, according to information received here yesterday.