

CHINA FLAG SHIP, DECLARES STORY ON WATERFRONT

Old Pacific Mail Liner Reported Suspected By Agents of Great Britain

'INSIDE' ACCOUNT OF HER SEIZURE REACHES HERE

Part of Vast British Boycott of German and Austrian Goods It Is Said

That the steamer China is believed to be an "alien enemy" and watched as such by British and Japanese warships, despite the fact that she is owned by Chinese money and registered under the American flag, was the story that went the rounds of local shipping circles yesterday.

Wanted Vouch For Story

Not one of the men who spoke of the incident yesterday would vouch for the truth of the story, but it gains some currency in shipping circles as a result of this. The Advertiser prints the story as it is, it is worth it. It deals with the greatest thing that is going on in Europe and, in a fashion, links Hawaii ever closer than before with the struggling nations on the far side of the world.

Swiftly Spreads Swiftly

Swiftly this boycott spread. There was nothing official about it at first, but the spontaneous action of the people themselves. Firms in Canada took it up. Australia followed suit, and soon hardly one of the far-flung British colonies but was boycotting German and Austrian made products, going without when they could not find a British, or French or a neutral-made substitute.

China Feels Movement

In China, thanks to the conditions which had prevailed there long before the outbreak of the war in Europe, British and German firms had been in close business relations in many of the little concessions that are scattered along the coast of the ancient empire and young republic.

Teutons Go To Work

That was the situation when the China was offered for sale. Instantly upon the story, the Teutonic elements in China got to work, and acting through a clique of Chinese opposed to the Yuan government, secured the vessel with the neutral outer world. It was then that the Allies woke to the situation under their noses and began pulling wires at Peking.

This work was easy, as the hostile attitude of the owners of the China to the Yuan government is said to have been well known. The Allies, agents, therefore, found little difficulty in convincing the registration of the China under the Chinese flag as was at first intended, and keeping her under the stars and stripes, a neutral flag it is true, but one that the German element back of the purchase of the steamer is reported to have objected to for reasons of its own.

BRECKONS' POLITICS AROUSES OPPOSITION

Desire of Honolulu Attorney To Be Republican National Committeeman Stirs Strife

Speaker H. L. Holstein's plan to have Hawaii and Oahu each represented by two delegates at the Republican national convention in Chicago is likely to go glimmering if reports from the other islands are to be believed.

Breckons' Chances Challenged

For a long time it was considered a foregone conclusion that R. W. Breckons would be the second member of a delegation of two, but since the beginning of the week conditions have changed and it looks now that if two delegates are to be sent, it will be either Charles A. Rice or Harry A. Baldwin of Maui, Rice being the present national committeeman from Hawaii, he is looked upon in some quarters as the fittest person to go with the Delegate.

Ambition Arouses Opposition

Breckons' evident desire to be the national committeeman has aroused considerable opposition to his going as a delegate, as the wise ones, and from all accounts the territorial convention is liable to be handed some wonderful schemes in an attempt to carry through the program of a six-delegate slate.

Government Duties Outlined by Walsh

Former Governor of Bay State Says Public Health and Education Are Fundamentals

Greatest of all functions of government is the protection of the public health, declared David L. Walsh, former governor of Massachusetts, to the crowd at the luncheon of the Commercial club yesterday. The second most important thing, he added, is education.

Returns on Incomes Flood Revenue Office

Collector of Internal Revenue Haley was kept busy yesterday with the sudden flood of returns on incomes. Practically all of those liable for the income tax had made their declarations before the close of business yesterday afternoon. This morning the fifty per cent penalty goes into effect, said the collector.

bearer of despatches to German firms in America and South America, which dealt with plans for an evacuation of Teutonic merchants the world over which was to combat the allied boycott of German-made goods. It was in hope of being able to secure these papers that the ship was stopped, and not merely because the British sailors wish to arrest a few Germans, Austrians and Turks among the passengers on board the ship.

BIRTHS ALMOST TREBLE DEATHS

Registrar's Report Covering Year of 1915 Shows Some Interesting Vital Statistics

During the year ended December 31, according to figures completed yesterday by Miss M. Hester Lemon, registrar general of the bureau of vital statistics of the territorial board of health, there were throughout the Territory 2615 properly registered births and 428 "unrecorded" births, a total of 3043; 2694 marriages and 4439 deaths.

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To build and have endowed a home for Japanese girls in Honolulu is the big task undertaken by the members of the women's auxiliaries of the Episcopal church in the islands. Such a home has been found very pressing by Deaconess Spencer, who is doing some settlement work among the Japanese women here, and is, therefore, in close touch with young Japanese girls.

Blazing Automobile Brings Fire Engines

A blazing automobile top gave the fire department a run about nine o'clock last night. The car, which was owned by Gregory Nahala, an employe of the Oahu Auto Stand, was filling Joe Clark's car with gasoline and qualifying for the immediate and thorough attention of the fire-killer by performing the operation by the light of a lantern.

Kamehameha's Day Will Be Observed

There was an enthusiastic meeting of the promoters of the Kamehameha Day celebration held last evening, at which were present representatives of the leading Hawaiian societies and others interested but unattached, and others.

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The top of the car was burned and a portion of the body, the damage amounting to about fifty dollars. Nahala was badly burned on the left arm. He was medically treated and then sent home.

HOME FOR JAPANESE GIRLS PROPOSED BY DEACONESS SPENCER

Task of Establishing Institution Undertaken By Women of Episcopal Church

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The plan is to build a home which will be also a settlement house for girls' clubs and women's meetings. The girls would be doing some for boards and need a home here, who attend the higher grades of the grammar, high and the normal schools, as well as business girls.

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The women undertaking this worthy work have in view a pretty and central site, and will begin working out a money-making plan for an elaborate Japanese fee to be held on the grounds of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel two weeks after Easter. They hope to raise enough funds to begin on the building, which will cost between five and eight thousand dollars.

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Deaconess Spencer, who lived in Japan five years and speaks the language fluently, is devoting her time to work among the Japanese. Part of her work is visiting Japanese patients, and she is always glad to be notified of any cases of Japanese women who are in hospitals, so that she may visit them.

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The societies represented at the meeting were Hui Oiwai Kanohi Hui Oiwai Wahine, Kamehameha Lodge, Hui Poala, Hui Kaahumanu, Daughters of Warriers, Court Lunalia, A. O. F., and Chiefs of Hawaii.

SPORTS

NO REGARDS FOR ATHLETIC UNION

Frank G. Menke Points Out Lucidous Result of Application of Rules

'Is the Amateur Athletic Union becoming a mere figurehead in amateur athletics in the United States,' asks Frank G. Menke, one of the leading athletic critics of the country in the Salt Lake Tribune.

'The general impression always has been that the A. A. U. was the governing body in athletic affairs in the United States, that its rules were the standard laws, that all amateur bodies must be governed by its dictates.'

'But such is not the case. The golfing and tennis associations make their own laws, overriding those of the A. A. U. as they please, the college authorities ignore the A. A. U. in their practically ignore the A. A. U. in the drafting of their laws.'

'The A. A. U. rules are, in the opinion of the collegiate, tennis and golfing authorities, "too narrow." So they have drafted rules that are broader, and by so doing have taken issue with the A. A. U.'

'Article 10 of the A. A. U. rules reads as follows: "An athlete becomes a professional if he enters competition open to a professional, or knowingly competes against a professional."

'Further along there is this rule: "A single professional on a team makes that team a professional."

'Judged by the A. A. U. rules, Jerry Travers, Francis Oulmet, and at least 500 other golfers who are classed as amateurs really are professionals. And under the A. A. U. rules all the men who played on the following football teams in 1915 are professionals.'

'Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Michigan, Stanford, Dartmouth, Brown, Carleton, Trinity, Amherst, Williams, Tufts, Bowdoin, Springfield, Montana, Colgate, Columbia and Mount Union. Tainting of Golfers'

'Travers, Oulmet and hundreds of other amateur golfers have competed in open tournaments, and, therefore, "knowingly" competed against professionals. They violated the A. A. U. rule by this act and became professionals. Each of those tainted men later tainted every man against whom he competed.'

'George Brickley played with the Philadelphia Athletics last summer and accepted money for his services. By this act he became a professional. In the fall of 1915 he was assigned to the fullback position on the Trinity college football team.'

'The A. A. U. rule says that "a single professional on a team makes that team a professional one." Therefore, the Trinity team became a professional one. The rules state that an athlete becomes a professional when he "knowingly" competes against a professional. Every team that played on Trinity must have been aware of the fact that Brickley's presence in the lineup made that team a professional one, and that its action in playing against the Trinity team would, according to the A. A. U. rules, put it in the professional class.'

'Professionalizing Football

'Outside of Columbia and New York universities, none of the teams on Trinity's schedule canceled its games with Trinity. They played them and by that act became professionals, in the eyes of the A. A. U. Brown played Trinity by that action, and then Brown played Yale, Harvard, Syracuse, Carleton, Amherst and Williams, passing the taint along to them.'

'Those teams played other teams and tainted with professionalism every one of their opponents. All the other teams played by Trinity became professionals, according to the A. A. U. rules, and they in turn passed the professional taint along to other colleges.'

'Therefore, according to the A. A. U. and its narrow rules, there are at least 1000 professional football players in the United States, and there are so few semi-pure amateurs that they can be counted on one hand.'

'However, the A. A. U. rules in the main are ignored by the golfing and football authorities. Those authorities have their own rules, which are broader and fairer, rules which do not make a professional of an amateur merely because he plays against a professional.'

'There is no crime in an amateur's playing against a professional, and the A. A. U. ought to wake up to this latter-day sentiment in regard to this competition; it ought to wake up to the fact that its rule in this respect is somewhat absurd.'

WHO IS GREATEST OF BALL PLAYERS

Inquiring Fan Asks Question and Starts Discussion on Subject

Who is the best ball player on the Islands? One of those baseball fans who likes to start something has asked the question and in so doing has opened a field for much discussion.

Out at Schofield Barracks, especially where the Twenty-fifth Infantry hold forth, the vote would be all for Wilbur Rogan. And a general of his record on the diamond and what he can do makes it a hard proposition to find any one his equal hereabout.

First of all Rogan is a natural ball player and is at home in any of the nine positions on the team. As a rule the utility man of a ball team can play first, second, short or third base. Out he can go out and play any of the outfield. Then again he can pitch and play the outfield or he is a good catcher and outfielder but when a man can go in behind the bat one day and catch a great game of ball, and then on the next go in the box and pitch a great game of ball, besides being a great hitter, fast base runner and quick thinker, he is some ball player. All this Rogan can do and if necessary he can play any of the infield or outfield positions with elegance and grace.

All in all, if the question as to who is the best ball player in Hawaii was put to a vote, Rogan would get ninety and per cent of those votes.

Another good ball player here is Ken Yen of All-Chinese, but he is not in Rogan's class. Hoon Ki can pitch and catch and play the infield but he can not run nor hit like Rogan.

Verily Rogan looks to be the best ball player of them all.

KAUAI SOCCER TEAMS IN SCORELESS MATCH

(Mail Special to The Advertiser) ELEELE, February 26.—One of the most exciting of the games of the Inter-School Soccer League was played off between the Lihue and Elele government schools on the Elele field.

The teams played so even a game that the score resulted in neither side gaining a point and ended 0-0. The Lihue team has been judged one of the best in the league, but Elele has evidently been putting in some hard practice and has improved greatly.

The next games are for Friday afternoon when the Kanai High and Grammar School will play the Lihue Government School on the former's grounds and the Koloa and Elele teams will play in Koloa.

LES DARCY HAS FINE RECORD IN PRIZING

Les Darcy's record in the squared circle has been a wonderful one since he entered into the boxing game, and all Australia believes him unbeatable. Following is his record: Born October 28, 1895; nationality, Irish-Australian; weight, 160 pounds; height, 5 feet 7 inches; reach, 74 inches; neck, 16 inches; chest, 39 inches; waist, 32 inches; biceps, 14 1/2 inches; forearm, 13 1/2 inches; wrist, 7 inches; thigh, 23 inches; calf, 14 1/2 inches; ankle, 8 1/2 inches.

The following gives the date, opponent, result, where fought, and number of rounds of fights engaged in by Darcy:

1913: January 8—Dave Deput; won; Newcastle; nine rounds.

February 12—Jimmie Burns; knockout; Newcastle; eleven rounds.

March 15—Billy Hannan; knockout; West Maitland; eighteen rounds.

July 19—Reg Delaney; knockout; West Maitland; seven rounds.

September 27—Joe Shakespeare; knockout; West Maitland; six rounds.

October 25—W. McNab; won; West Maitland; twenty rounds.

November 3—Bob Whitelaw; won; Newcastle; twenty rounds.

January 5—Jack Clarke; knockout; Sydney; nine rounds.

January 30—Young Hanley; knockout; Sydney; five rounds.

March 21—Bob Whitelaw; knockout; West Maitland; five rounds.

April 23—Billy McNab; knockout; West Maitland; four rounds.

October 5—K. O. Marchand; knockout; Sydney; five rounds.

November 7—Gus Christie; won; Sydney; twenty rounds.

December 26—Fred Dyer; won; Brisbane; twenty rounds.

1915: February 27—Frank Loughrey; won; Sydney; twenty rounds.

March 13—Fritz Holland; won; Sydney; twenty rounds.

April 3—Henri Demien; knockout; Sydney; five rounds.

May 1—Fritz Holland; knockout; Melbourne; thirteen rounds.

May 22—Jeff Smith; won (d); Sydney; two rounds.

June 12—Mick King; knockout; Sydney; ten rounds.

July 31—Eddie McGoorty; knockout; Sydney; fifteen rounds.

September 18—Billy Murray; won; Sydney; twenty rounds.

October 8—Fred Dyer; knockout; Sydney; four rounds.

October 23—Jimmy Clabby; won; Sydney; twenty rounds.

November 1—Billy Murray; knockout; Melbourne; six rounds.

Boxing day—Eddie McGoorty; knockout; Sydney; eight rounds.

CORNELL MEETS NEXT ON PROGRAM

Island's Best Athletes Will Compete On Track and Field Saturday

Track and field athletes will hold the boards next Saturday as well as on the Saturday following at Alexander Field. Next Saturday is the day of the annual Cornell meet, while on the following Saturday the annual A. A. U. events will be held.

In the Cornell meet relays will be featured, there being a one-mile, a two-mile, four-mile and a half-mile event. Kamehameha, McManley, St. Louis and Pinahook will send men into these events.

In the A. A. U. meet several of the best athletes of the Island will compete, and those who closely follow the track and field achievements of local men are looking forward to a few smashed records.

Privates Gilbert and Mills of the Twenty-fifth Infantry will both be competitors, and it is expected that both will equal their previous marks, if not better them.

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