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No Retreat With Honor

THE United States faces a situation today in which there appears to be no retreat with honor. This country must stand by the principles which have been declared in our name by President Wilson, or we must drink the bitterest dose of recantation ever presented to any nation.

Our President has notified Germany that in the prosecution of its share of the naval warfare it must restrict its actions to the recognized rules of international law and limit them according to the laws of humanity. It is true that we have not lived up to the brave words uttered, but neither have we as yet accepted a complete and utter defiance of our warnings, such as is contained in the German note of Wednesday.

It must be taken for granted that the government of Germany has not issued its latest ultimatum to the neutral world without a full consideration of the possible action of the United States. It must be taken for granted that Germany means what its note says and that all the consequences have been weighed. It may almost be taken for granted that Germany looks upon all the warnings and threats of the United States as empty bluffs and the bold utterances of Woodrow Wilson as phrases meaningless of intent.

And now the show down has come. Either we will confess that all our notes have been void of substance, our rhetoric without intention and the declarations of our championship of the rights of neutrals only hollow pretensions meant to deceive the world and tickle our own sense of the vain-glorious, or we will act like men conscious of the right and willing to assume in the eyes of the world the position won for us by our fathers and willing to fulfill the duties entailed.

What will President Wilson do? Will he tamely submit to the German terms, which regulate our whole activities upon the Atlantic and make of the United States a Power less to be considered than little Holland or Switzerland? He has his own created precedents to follow if such is to be his course.

Or, will he act as the President of the United States should act, accept the challenge, dare Germany to carry out her threats and launch all the might of the Union into the conflict if Germany should strike one more blow against us?

He would surprise none by doing this. It is what the nation expects him to do, despite all the backwoods of the past. The nation looks to Woodrow Wilson to rise to this occasion and to lead the United States out of the ignominious position in which we have allowed ourselves to be placed.

The issue faced today by the President is no academic question. It is the real thing. He has it in his power to play the man and lead a united people in the cause of Right, or to play the craven, seeking excuses to save his own conscience and making pretty explanations to sugarcoat the bitter pill of national humiliation.

We believe the President will act as a President of the United States should act. We believe that this latest manifestation of German arrogance, of German disregard for pledges, treaties and the common rights of humanity will not be tolerated. We look for action and not for words. The day for notes has passed and we believe that Woodrow Wilson will soon make it evident that this is so.

The Acid Test

THE acid test is about to be applied to those American citizens of German birth or German descent. The real crisis for many millions of Americans has come. The question which the nation has been asking itself for more than two years is about to be answered.

Are the German-Americans at heart German or American?

This nation sprang from a colony of British-born immigrants, who, when the issue was joined between the land of their adoption and the land of their birth, first threw off the British yoke and, later, joined in a war against their fatherland.

Their allegiance remained true to the country which sheltered them as opposed to all other countries.

Today the citizens of German birth and German blood face the test of Americanism, the test to which other Americans have been subjected.

That they will be found true to their salt is the full expectation of the nation.

Farmers, Attention!

THAT the form and appearance of the package and the amount of advertising have more to do with the price of butter than the quality of the product, is the verdict of United States department of agriculture specialists. This conclusion was reached after an extensive cooperative study of creamery butter prices in Wisconsin. The Press is mightier than the churn when it comes to selling butter at a fancy figure. It pays to advertise.

Germany is willing to allow two American steamers to ply the transatlantic lane provided the ships sail when the Germans say, where the Germans say, how the Germans say and carry what the German says. For which kind consideration our thanks will be duly presented.

The Kilauea Military Camp

YESTERDAY'S ADVERTISER contained a full statement by the Trustees of the Kilauea Military Camp setting forth the origin, location and status of the camp, how to get there, what it costs, and what there is to be seen in the vicinity.

The camp consists of fifty acres at an elevation of 4000 feet, and of buildings which will accommodate 400 men with sleeping, eating and assembly quarters, or 800 men if sleeping tents are also used. A separate building is provided for the use of the officers.

The camp is located in the immediate vicinity of the Volcano of Kilauea, about a mile from the Volcano House, at the junction of the belt auto road around the island and the trails which lead to Mauna Loa, Maunakea, and across the island. It is the center of a section of the country where more volcanic wonders, tree ferns, giant trees and tropical scenery are to be found than in any other part of the islands, or of the world for that matter.

The camp has been built without any fuss or feathers, entirely at the private expense of the people and business concerns of the island of Hawaii, for the use of the National Guard of Hawaii as a camp and field maneuver station; and of the members of the regular army as a recreation and health resort.

No charge of any kind is made for its use by either the guard or the regulars.

The establishment is the manifestation of a spirit of community cooperation in support of the principle of "preparedness" and the desire to promote the organization, welfare and comfort of the National Guard who belong here; and the regular army, whose members are here, in one sense, as our guests.

It is doubted if anywhere in the entire United States as generous a spirit, so liberally expressed, has been shown toward the army, as has found expression in the Kilauea Military Camp.

The present intensely active and extremely interesting state of the Volcano, renders this a specially good time to make use of the camp.

The transportation companies are quoting special low rates to military organizations and the free use of the Hilo Armory is given them for camping purposes, during the time they may want to stay over in Hilo.

The Trustees have issued a folder giving full information about the camp, answering nearly every question that can be asked concerning it. Copies of the folder and other information can be secured from L. W. de Vis Norton, at the rooms of the Hawaii Promotion Committee in the Young Hotel, in Honolulu.

The Country Store

THE country store, especially in the plantation districts, renders the community it serves high-grade, up-to-date service, a service always a little better than the patronage it receives warrants. This development is one of the surprises that greets the casual stranger, for it will be found that goods of the latest design are offered in many of these out-of-the-way establishments at prices which cannot be duplicated by any city merchant.

The merchants keep, at the planter's very door, about all the good things the season and the market affords. All everyday requirements can be taken care of at a moment's notice. Drygoods and grocery stocks are equal in point of variety to any ordinary demand. Tools and hardware are usually cheaper. These stores carry anything for which there is a demand and instead of being stocked up with thread bare, antiquated merchandise, very often unload their "dead" stock on the city buyers.

Cheaper prices for fresher, newer goods is a uniform point of difference in favor of the usual run of live country or plantation stores in Hawaii. Rents are lower than the city merchant has to pay, and running expenses less so that these advantages more than compensate for the higher freights the country merchant has to pay—and the country consumer benefits.

A proposal is afoot to enact legislation to establish children's playgrounds throughout the Territory, with a territorial appropriation of \$3000 a year to maintain them. The idea of territorial aid to the free playgrounds is excellent, but it ought to strike the ones responsible for the proposed legislation that children's playgrounds outside of Honolulu and possibly Hilo are quite unnecessary. The free playground idea is intended to be applied in urban districts where there is no place for the children of the congested sections except in the streets. Only in Honolulu does such a condition exist, except possibly in Hilo. If the idea is to secure a territorial appropriation in order that a share of it may be spent where it is needed and the rest of it spent where it is not needed, the bill should be sidetracked. The territorial scheme appears to be based on the supposition that the legislature would not vote for Honolulu playgrounds alone and that it is better to get what is needed for Honolulu even at a cost of wasting money elsewhere. Surely a way could be worked out of getting for this city what we need and voting the other islands a proportionate amount for something really necessary.

It looks as though the best preparation for anyone who wants to specialize in diplomacy and international law, would be a stiff course in target practice.

BREVITIES

(From Sunday Advertiser.) Yesterday's arrests included: Harry Peterson, driving an automobile without having a chauffeur's certificate; Benjamin Ross, assault and battery; N. Taketa, investigation; Lena Carr, vagrancy; J. H. McKenzie, headless driving.

The officers of the First Foreign Church of Hilo, as elected last week for 1917 are: P. S. Lyman, deacon for three years; H. W. Berg, Sunday School superintendent; L. C. Lyman, clerk; Miss E. G. Lyman and Mrs. E. N. Holmes, members of the standing committee; E. N. Devo, Miss Helen Severance, Mrs. Paul Bartels and Alvah A. Scott, music committee; David Forbes, John Kennedy, Mrs. Horace Johnson and Mrs. W. S. Terry, nomination committee; John Fraser and Roy Goff, ushers; John Plankinton and H. L. Ross, substitute ushers; W. S. Terry and C. R. Kennedy, extra deacons.

(From Tuesday Advertiser.) Ben Hao was treated at the emergency hospital last night for burns on his body and face. He alleged that some Chinaman threw boiling water over him.

Edna Carrera was taken to Queen's Hospital yesterday afternoon suffering from a badly contused face. She was knocked down by an automobile near Pawaia junction.

James W. Jump leaves for Kihou in his cabin-cruiser Sea Scout, on Thursday, to attend the housewarming at Barroa Lodge, the Maui headquarters of the Hawaii Tuna Club, at Kihou. Harbor Tolleman Charter yesterday morning interrupted a crag-game in progress near Pier 7 and arrested a Japanese named Mukai. He was fined five dollars in the police court yesterday morning.

Early yesterday morning the corporal of the guard stationed near the tanks of the Standard Oil Company at Iwilei, took a shot at a prowler in the vicinity of the tanks. No capture resulted, the man making his escape.

There will be a meeting of the Hawaiian Historical Society at its rooms in the Library of Hawaii this evening at eight o'clock. Several interesting papers will be read. All who are interested are invited to attend.

Yesterday afternoon C. Uehiro, while at work on a rock-crusher at Moiliili, was caught, in the set-screw of a shaft, the tissues of the calf of his right leg being badly lacerated. He was removed to Queen's Hospital.

Because he failed to appear in court yesterday morning in response to a subpoena issued last Saturday to appear as witness in the naturalization case of Sven Larsen, Stanley Stephenson was fined \$100 by Judge Vaughan.

In the federal court yesterday morning Francisco Santiago, recently found guilty of buying and selling a Colt automatic revolver, the property of the United States government, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment by Judge Vaughan.

Dr. A. G. C. Schneck, son of J. H. Schneck, of Honolulu, on January 21 completed his period of one year and a half as interne in the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, and is now a physician in the Infants' Hospital in the same city. Doctor Schneck, who is a graduate of Oahu College in the class of 1909, is a specialist in infants' and children's diseases.

Contrary to report Dr. Carl Keller was not a witness before the grand jury last Friday when that body was investigating a charge that a criminal operation had been performed by a local physician on a school-teacher who until recently held a position on this island. Doctor Keller stated last night that his presence before the grand jury was in connection with an entirely different matter.

BEAUTIES OF BUTTE WILL GET REWARD IN TRIP TO HAWAII

Another party of pretty Montana girls will visit Honolulu this year as guests of the Montana American, a weekly paper of Butte, Byron E. Cooney, editor and owner of the American, has written to the promotion committee, announcing the coming of the young women, who are winners in a popularity contest conducted by the newspaper.

There are ten in the party and they will arrive on the Great Northern due here April 18.

That the trip and its preliminary contest have been means of much advertising for the Islands by the State of Montana is evident from Mr. Cooney's letter. He writes that a great deal of space in the American is being devoted to the Islands and asks that cuts be sent for further publicity work. Mr. Cooney has been a visitor in Honolulu several times.

Two years ago a similar party of young women, winners in a newspaper contest visited Honolulu.

A. P. Taylor, secretary of the promotion committee, has written to Mr. Cooney arranging for reception of the party on arrival here.

FIVE SUGAR CORPORATIONS PAY \$175,000 IN DIVIDENDS

Dividends, totaling \$175,000 were paid by five sugar companies listed on the local exchange Thursday. The disbursements were: Haiku, \$1,000 a share, \$15,000; Kekaha, \$2.00 a share, \$30,000; Koloa, \$1.00 a share, \$7,500; Puna, \$1.00 a share, \$22,500; Pioneer Mill, 40 cents a share, \$100,000.

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PERSONALS

(From Sunday Advertiser.) Mrs. Samuel P. Jacobson, who has been spending the past two months in Hilo, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nobriga, returned yesterday by the steamship Mauna Kea.

Dr. Katherine Cherrill and Dr. F. H. Prudden, and wife, who arrived from the States about three months ago to visit and to see the Islands, have decided to make this their home as they are in love with Honolulu. The Doctors will practise their profession here. Both are osteopathic physicians.

JAPANESE KILLED IN AUTO SMASH

An inquest will probably be held today on the body of Kawamata, who was crushed to death in an automobile accident on Nuuanu Avenue near Wylie Street early yesterday morning.

Shirama, who was badly injured in the same accident, was reported unchanged as to condition, at Queen's Hospital, late last night. He is suffering from internal injuries and may not live.

The men had taken an automobile from the A. B. C. stand and gone joy-riding to the Pali. The car they used is registered in the name of L. Ono of Lelehu.

On the return journey, about half past three o'clock, the car, driven at a high rate of speed, skidded on a wet stretch of road near Wylie Street, traveled 250 feet and capsize opposite the residence of Albert Horner.

The ambulance attendants found Kawamata dead and suspended in the air from a broken piece of the auto top. His brains had been dashed out. Shirama was lying close by in intense agony.

The car turned completely over and righted itself on its four wheels. The top and windshield were smashed and the tonneau badly damaged.

The two Japanese had been employed as wash-boys, one on the A. B. C. and the other on another stand. They are said to have been in the habit of taking a car from one of the stands and going for a ride in the early morning.

BIG DEAL IN OIL SHARES IS REPORTED

A recent stock deal of interest on Merchant Street was the sale by the brokerage firm of H. Armitage & Co., Ltd., of 26,000 shares of United States Petroleum Company of Wyoming at par, a dollar a share, to a local investor. The control of this company has recently been secured by Captain Matson, and there is a big demand locally for more of the stock.

The company is capitalized at \$1,000,000 with 1,000,000 shares at a dollar and Captain Matson has bought up more than half of the stock.

A new corporation, the United States Petroleum Company of California has been organized by Captain Matson, as a subsidiary of the Wyoming corporation.

Captain Matson is president of both concerns and W. P. Roth is secretary-treasurer.

LURLINE LATE—IN AT HALF-PAST FOUR

Whether or not the censorship was responsible, wireless messages sent out to agents by vessels due to arrive here from the Coast today were not delivered yesterday until well towards noon. It was then discovered that the Matson liner Lurline was ten hours late and that the Sonoma was about an hour and a half late.

The former vessel reports that she will arrive about half past four o'clock this afternoon, having been due at the usual hour of half past six in the morning. The vessel has forty-four cabin and two stowage passengers for Honolulu. Her local cargo, which includes twenty automobiles, amounts to 627 tons. The Kahala cargo is 1447 tons.

The Sonoma, of the Oceanic line, will arrive at eight o'clock this morning from San Francisco with 810 tons local cargo and 149 passengers, an unusual report, both as regards passengers and freight, from an Australian-bound Oceanic boat.

MATSONIA ADMITS PASSENGERS ONLY

There is no war measure in the order just published by Castle & Cooke, agents for the Matson Navigation Co., stating that only passengers will be admitted to the Matsonia's decks previous to her departure tomorrow morning at ten o'clock. The big crowd that is going away on the liner is the cause, and to expedite matters and ensure the vessel's prompt departure the order has been issued that no visitors will be allowed on board. Tickets will be taken up at the gangway. The vessel is sold out as regards passenger accommodations, the few berths that were still not booked for being taken by alarmed tourists upon the publication of news of the break between this country and Germany.

LITTLE SCHOONER ALLIE I. ALGER IS BELIEVED LOST

Another poor craft has, in all probability, joined the ghostly fleet which sails the Pacific Ocean. The little schooner Allie I. Alger, which left here for Yokohama December 16 with a cargo of scrap-iron, has been given up for lost.

A. R. Todd, owner of the schooner, left for San Francisco by the steamer Great Northern yesterday morning, and prior to departing stated that he harbored no hope that the little craft would ever be heard of again.

The tiny two-masted came here from Seattle last fall and, after joining the local fleet, made a trip to Fanning Island, arriving back November 19. She left here loaded with 150 tons of scrap to be manufactured into shrapnel in Japanese arsenals.

When the schooner sailed from this port the water was slopping in her ports and she was said by her crew to be leaking slightly.

Former Boatwain McFadden, of the ship John Ena, took the Alger out, her crew consisting of Japanese and two white men, Joseph Seel and Frank Danzig. Both men were Englishmen and came here together after having experienced many vicissitudes in various parts of the world. Seel was an artist of talent and he was also a clever descriptive writer.

The schooner was loaded to the last ounce and her cargo, in addition to the last hold, was piled on deck.

Owner Todd came here to investigate the possibilities of establishing a tuna cannery on the Island of Hawaii.

PARADE PLANS NOT TO BE CHANGED

International Crisis Will Not Affect Arrangements For Washington's Birthday Celebration

The international situation will not change plans for a parade of the United States military forces February 22, Washington's Birthday, according to the present plans of the United States military authorities. The parade will be held as arranged.

First in the parade will come the battalion of engineers, Companies C and D, Third Regiment; the First Separate Company, National Guard of Hawaii; then the First Hawaiian Brigade, composed of the Twenty-fifth, Thirty-second and First Infantry Regiments, and the provisional brigade, made up of the First Regiment, National Guard of Hawaii, the Second Infantry (regulars) and the provisional regiment, coast artillery corps. After these units will come the First Field Artillery, the Fourth Cavalry, the cadet battalion of the Kamehameha schools, and the cadets of Oahu College and of the Honolulu Military Academy.

The parade will be held on the waterfront yesterday that some one had an eye to eventualities when the Geier was moved from the naval slip to that between Piers 7 and 8. The coal pile across Allen Street from the slip was a miniature fort, from which rifles and machine guns commanded the gunboat—a situation quite different from that that would have obtained had the Geier remained where she was.

The Geier's crew when she was seized Sunday was 290 men, or 102 more than she had when she entered here. The increase is attributed to German reservists joining the crew. Some have come from Manila, it was stated, and others may have joined here—but the fact remains that there was a surprising growth.

Some of the members of the crew of the Locksun are held at the immigration station instead of at military posts with the others from their vessel and those from the Geier. Immigration Inspector R. L. Halsey said that he was not at liberty to make any statement as to their number or as to the future disposition of any of the men.

REASSURE COAST REPRESENTATIVES OF GREAT NORTHERN

Reassuring Coast agents of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company as to conditions in the Islands, F. L. Waldron, Ltd., yesterday cabled assurance that local conditions were unchanged. It is not believed that current international events are going to hurt the promised big tourist patronage by the liner Great Northern, but the local agents apparently are not going to risk bad impressions arising on the mainland about Hawaiian conditions, because of the cloud cast over them by the censorship.

The cable reads: "Conditions absolutely normal. Carnival arrangements being perfected as planned. Transportation insufficient to local demand for Volcano trip account of extraordinary spectacular display."

"WALDRON." The Great Northern arriving here on the nineteenth of this month is expected to have her record crowd.

NET EARNINGS OF STEEL FIRM TREBLE IN YEAR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) NEW YORK, February 3.—Net earnings of the Republic Iron and Steel Company, one of the American firms that received big munitions contracts, increased in 1916 by \$1,105,038 over the net earnings of 1915 according to the annual statement of the company published yesterday. The net earnings of the corporation during 1916 totalled \$16,544,636. The 1915 statement of the company showed net earnings of \$5,439,598.

AMERICAN BEET SUGAR

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles.) NEW YORK, February 3.—Extra dividends on common stock and an increase in the regular dividends were announced yesterday by the American Beet Sugar Company. An extra dividend of twelve dollars a share on common stock was declared by the company. In addition the regular common stock dividend rate was increased. With these announcements, the usual quarterly disbursements on preferred stock of the company, \$1.50 a share were paid.

MEN OF NAVY SEE VEILED INSULT IN FIRE ON GEIER

Believe Officers of Interned German Gunboat Violated Their Paroles When They Attempted Destruction of Their Vessel

There is intense feeling in Honolulu at the violation of their solemn paroles by the officers of the Geier, both because of the veiled insult to the navy officers and because of the reflection upon officers of any service.

The word of an officer is regarded as sacred, and that of the Germans was accepted as any other officers' would have been.

In the very act of interment, the officers of the Geier bound themselves not to take any part in the war whatever. In the damaging of their vessel they broke this obligation. They also made themselves responsible for the crew, paroles of the individual members of which could not be taken. The violation is regarded as all the more reprehensible because of the very large liberty allowed the crew. Captain Grasshof, for example, once made a trip to Hilo. The men were not expected to depart from the Islands, however. Navy Responsibility.

The United States Navy officers in Honolulu were made responsible for the Geier and Locksun when the vessels interned. In effect, the officers of the Geier, when they damaged the vessel, said to the Americans:

"We do not trust you to live up to your part of the agreement; therefore, we will damage the vessel all we can; making it useless if you seize it."

But it will be recalled that reports have come from the States that members of crews of German vessels interned in Atlantic ports had broken their paroles. Army and navy officers are under restraint as to the comments they may make; evilisms, however, are not, and they condemn the acts of the Germans. The merchantmen, of course, were not interned, and their officers are not guilty as the naval officers were.

Edward E. Peck, Harbor Master, is the Geier and co-lieut. Locksun were towed to Pearl Harbor by the United States Navy tug Navajo yesterday, leaving the slip between Piers 7 and 8, where there was so much action Sunday, unattended except for the German merchantman Pommer. The Geier was taken down in the morning and the Geier and Locksun will remain at Pearl Harbor indefinitely.

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CARNIVAL SEASON TICKETS ON SALE

Will Grant Admission To All Shows of Fete

One thousand season tickets for the Mid-Pacific Carnival will be placed on sale this morning at the stationery store of the Hawaiian News Company, in the Young Hotel building. The best reserved seat sections will be sold with the season tickets for the events for which an admission charge will be made. The season tickets will grant admission to everything except the Army and Navy ball and the directors' ball, which are invitations, and the side-shows at the Carnival circus in Aala Park.

The season tickets will be sold for \$6.50, although their actual value, according to the schedule of single admissions, is \$7.75. Besides the sale of tickets at the stationery store, the Carnival directors will make a personal canvass of the city to quicken the season ticket sale. They intend to draw call on those who have subscribed to the Carnival fund, who, they believe, are entitled to a good choice of seats. It is probable that the season tickets will also be sold at the luncheon meetings of the various clubs of the city.

The season ticket this year is detachable and transferable as a purchaser who does not care to attend some particular event can give the admission coupon to a member of his family or to a friend.

BWARE OF COLDS

Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick curability of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.