

PLAN TO BUY FARMED HOTEL AS CLUB FOR SOLDIER LADS

Old Royal Hawaiian Hostel May Be Turned Into Meeting and Sleeping Place For the Men of the Service On Duty Here

AD CLUB MEMBERS BACK OF LATEST PROPOSAL

Idea Advanced by Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. Secretaries After Investigation of Conditions, Approved by Business Men

PROPOSING to launch a whirlwind campaign for funds to take up an option obtained last Saturday for the purchase of the buildings and site of the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, to be remodelled into a home for an Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., the Honolulu Ad Club yesterday adopted a report of a special committee with handclapping and cheers.

When this plan is put through, and the formal opening of the finest Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. in the Union will come within sixty days if it does, Honolulu will, in a very substantial way, have answered the years-old question "What can we do for the soldier?"

Historic Building

The proposition is to buy the historic structure, one of the handiwork of tropical style in the city, and turn it over for management and maintenance to the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., which has made good with the Army and Navy in scores of cities and hundreds of posts and camps.

Hawaii is to supply \$100,000, the balance of the purchase price to be supplied by the national board of the organization, the directors of which are to meet next week in New York.

First Subscription Made

The first subscription towards Honolulu's share has already been pledged, A. A. Young of the Territorial Hotel Company having put down his name for \$12,500, and in addition, his company has agreed to give the institution the present furnishings of the hotel, goods to the value of \$10,000.

Earnest approval of the plan was voiced at the meeting of the Ad Club yesterday by Brigadier General Strong, commanding the department, who urged the need of some such a place in Honolulu.

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Governor Urged Interest

Governor Pinkham urged that the proposal be given every encouragement, that of personal interest as well as money. "The enlisted men don't want your money," he said, "but they do want your personal interest. They want to be looked upon as men among men."

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boys in uniform that all Honolulu wants from them is what we can get out of them. If we supply this magnificent Honolulu club for the enlisted men, right to the heart of the club district of Honolulu, we will that complaint to the wall.

Mr. Horn, who followed as the first speaker after the presentation of the committee's report, paid a tribute to the worth of the young men of the Army. "There is no body of men I would rather work with and live with than these young standard bearers of Old Glory," he said.

General Strong began a straightforward appeal for the soldier by stating the great responsibility that he and his fellow officers feel for not only the military training but the moral training of the thousands of young Americans committed to their charge.

No Government Aid

He told how he had tried to get \$200,000 from the government to establish some sort of club house for the enlisted men of Oahu, but had failed. "But even if we had got it, we could not have managed such a place as we are now successfully as the Army Y. M. C. A. will be able to manage theirs," he added.

W. O. Smith, speaking for the business interests of the community and as a Kansanian, said that he has long been strongly impressed with the necessity for some place in Honolulu where the soldiers may meet on a plane of citizenship with others of the community.

Governor Pinkham said that his experience of the enlisted men of the army is that only a few of them fail to recognize their responsibility as citizens and that there must be no suggestion that anyone considers the army as being in any way made up of delinquents.

The detailed plan of the Ad Club committee is given in full in the report presented by Mr. Thurston, which was: "The question of 'What Honolulu should do for the soldier' has been actively before the community for several years.

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ELEVENTH HOUR VETO PROMPTLY OVERRIDEN

GOVERNOR LUCIUS E. PINKHAM, at the eleventh hour before the adjournment sine die of the legislature, vetoed last night that portion of the general appropriation bill which, while providing for an emergency fund, took away from His Excellency the convenient "contingent fund" out of which he has in the past paid for Christmas cards, balls, flowers and similar necessary governmental paraphernalia.

And the legislature, just as cocky as was the Governor, promptly overrode the veto. The senate was almost unanimous in its rebuke of the Governor; it overrode the veto eleven to one. The house was more divided, the vote to override standing twenty-one to nine.

Representative Lorrin Andrews in the house scored Pinkham as a peevish, childish person who was willing to place the Territory in imminent danger to gratify his spite because the legislature, acting from past experience, refused longer to trust him with the expenditure of territorial funds.

"Because the legislature, acting from experience," he said, "refused to entrust to the Governor the unlimited expenditure of its funds, he in a fit of childish anger sees fit to veto this important item in the appropriation bill. As a result, if the Territory is visited by plagues or cholera or some other calamity, if the Governor's veto is sustained, we shall be without funds to fight it, just because the Governor is peevish. I second the motion to pass the item notwithstanding the veto of the Governor and his abject threat to complain to Secretary Lane about us as a lot of bad little boys."

It was Representative Cooke who in the house moved to override the veto. He merely outlined the great need of an emergency fund which should be used for real emergencies and not for purposes of entertainment.

When the vote in the house was taken it was noticeable that those who voted to uphold the Governor's veto were of such caliber as Kapphan, Moosman, Kalama and Ahana. The Governor's veto of the item, which was one of the weirdest documents ever submitted to a legislative body in the history of Hawaii, read as follows:

"I have this day approved Senate Bill 22 entitled an Act making appropriations out of the general revenues for the biennial period ending June 30, 1919, but I disapprove and veto the item therein designated 'Emergency Fund' and described as follows: 'From which expenditures may be made only by the Treasurer of the Territory and only for urgent needs for chase the entire Hawaiian Hotel premises for \$250,000.

This purchase price includes fee simple estate to 102,999 square feet with frontage on Beretania, Richards, Hotel and Alakea Streets. The purchase carries an option to purchase an additional area of 6169 feet on Richards Street for \$9000, making a total cost of approximately \$2.50 per square foot.

Included in the proposition is the lot and cottages formerly occupied by the University Club, next to the Masonic Hall, and the former 'McGregor' premises on the corner of Richards and Beretania Streets, opposite Central Union Church, the said lots having been recently purchased by the hotel company.

It is proposed that the above referred to option be exercised, and the Hawaiian Hotel premises purchased. This recommendation to purchase is based on the following reasons: (1) Work Can Begin Immediately. The buildings in question are large enough to allow the work to begin immediately and to adequately care for the forces now here.

It is estimated that such changes as are necessary can be completed within the next sixty days. If these premises are not purchased, even if a suitable site is obtained, new buildings will have to be erected. Under existing conditions there is no probability that this can be accomplished in less than two years.

(2) Buildings enough for Work and Rent. The sufficient buildings on the ground not only to accommodate the immediate necessities of the organization; but for rental for store and other purposes, sufficient to give a considerable income to apply toward operating expenses.

(3) Room for Expansion: There is land enough in the premises under consideration for all expansion that the organization will ever require. (4) There are no other available premises in the city so advantageously located, of sufficient area for the purpose.

The foregoing proposition has been submitted to Dr. L. C. Warner who arrived on the 'Maui', and it meets with his hearty approval. The proposition has also been submitted to the Board of Directors of the local Y. M. C. A., and meets with their strong approval.

It is unanimously recommended by the Ad Club committee. Respectfully submitted, JAMES WAKEFIELD, L. A. THURSTON, SAM'L I. JOHNSON, EMIL A. BERNDT, Committee of Honolulu Ad Club on Army and Navy.

Strong Endorsements. This report was accompanied by the following endorsements: "The undersigned have read and considered the foregoing report of the Ad Club Committee, recommending the purchase of the Hawaiian Hotel premises for the purposes of an Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. in Honolulu, and hereby approve and endorse the same. I heartily endorse the report."

F. S. STRONG, Brig-Gen. U. S. A. LUCIEN C. WARNER, Ex-President of International Committee of Y. M. C. A. and now member of their Executive Committee. "FRED A. McCARR, International Secretary, Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. "W. A. HORN, Supervising Secretary, Army and Navy Department, Y. M. C. A. Hawaiian District.

"YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, By F. C. Atherton, President. By a cable message from the British Admiralty news was received here Tuesday that Claude Osborne, E. N. V., now in command of a patrol boat in the Mediterranean, on April 14 was seriously but not dangerously injured by explosion. Further advices yesterday stated that he is progressing favorably. Mr. Osborne is the eldest son of Cannon Osborne, St. Clement's Rectory.

SPORTS

Why Should Majors Play Season To Bitter End?

Hughie Fullerton, who sees things in baseball that no one else ever suspected, has doped it all out. His tale is how the major league teams should finish according to a private system of scoring them. Hughie might be taken more seriously if he hadn't made baseball so scientific that even the best managers got dizzy when they looked at his diagrams and figures; but, anyway, here are Hughie's figures on the big leagues, infielders, outfielders, pitchers and catchers and so on being rated comparatively and the points totaled for each team:

NATIONAL LEAGUE table with columns: Team, Infield, Outfield, Catching, Pitching, Total. Teams listed include New York, Boston, Cincinnati, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, Pittsburgh.

AMERICAN LEAGUE table with columns: Team, Infield, Outfield, Catching, Pitching, Total. Teams listed include Chicago, Boston, Detroit, St. Louis, New York, Cleveland, Philadelphia.

*Indicates gains made since the training season opened. *Indicates gains or losses since the training season opened.

Giants Battle the Champions To a Tie Game

Struggle Called In Fourteenth With Score Two To Two; Cards Make a Gain

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BIG MINOR LEAGUE MAY CUT SEASON; WAR IS TO BLAME

Contention of Minneapolis A. A. Club Makes Suggestion; Gate Receipts Poor

MINNEAPOLIS, Minnesota, May 3.—President Cantillon of the Minneapolis American Association club and others have broached the suggestion that the playing season of the association be shortened because of poor gate receipts, a result of the war.

This is the first sign of weakness of baseball leagues. The A. A., as it is called, is a Class AA league, as are the Pacific Coast and International. They rank next to the majors, and if the A. A. is weak the many smaller leagues must be hit extremely hard.

WELSH OUTPOINTED BY JOHN KILBANE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, May 3.—Johnny Kilbane outpointed Freddie Welsh in eight of ten rounds here last night.

Out of His Class. Kilbane is going out of his old class in meeting Welsh, who is the lightweight champion, whereas Kilbane has fought as a featherweight. Welsh's normal weight is 135 pounds. This is what Tom Andrews, the dean of writers on boxing, had to say of the Kilbane-Welsh scrap:

"Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion of the world, or perhaps it would be better to say his manager, Jimmy Dunn—is not consistent in his remarks regarding matches for the titleholder. It is announced that Johnny has been matched to meet Freddie Welsh in a ten-round bout at New York, May 1, the weight to be 135 at two o'clock, which is the European scale for championship matches in the lightweight class. Only a few weeks ago, Manager Dunn made the statement to the writer that he would not permit Kilbane to enter the lightweight class, as it was too far from his real weight, which is about 125 at all times and the featherweight limit of 122 ringside is easy for Johnny to make. He said boys like Richie Mitchell, Benny Leonard, Charlie White, Johnny Dundee and Freddie Welsh were too large for him to go against but he must have changed his mind again since that time. Probably Jimmy figures that Champion Welsh is about 'all in' and that there is now a fine chance to slip over a real win and capture another title—the lightweight crown—and make himself a greater attraction, both on the stage and in the ring."

San Francisco lost to Los Angeles, 1 to 7. Los Angeles was sharing the cellar with Portland before yesterday's games, and San Francisco is leading the league. This was not all: Salt Lake lost to Vernon at Vernon, 1 to 3, and Vernon is fighting close to Oakland, being only one game behind. The victory of Oakland over Portland at Portland, 4 to 3, was the only rift in the late, as otherwise the second division teams won. Oakland gained, therefore, a fall game on Salt Lake and San Francisco, if the Oaks keep their pace for a few days longer they will be leading the league. Yesterday's games were the second straight for Oakland and Los Angeles, but Vernon and Salt Lake have split the two games of their series.

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Yesterday's Results. At Vernon—Vernon 3, Salt Lake 1. At San Francisco—Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 1. At Portland—Oakland 4, Portland 3.

At New York—New York 2, Brooklyn 2 (14 innings, called because of darkness). At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 2, Boston 1. At Chicago—Cincinnati 1, Chicago 0. At Pittsburgh—St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 0. At Cleveland—Chicago 8, Cleveland 3. At St. Louis—Detroit 2, St. Louis 0. At Boston—Philadelphia-Boston, no game called. At Washington—New York 2, Washington 0.

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