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SHRINERS JUBILANT

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"Later there will be a special entertainment by the famed troupe of jongleurs and mummers known as the Alcazar Company. Nobles will attend in full war paint. The theater is yours for the night. Up to this point be discreet in thy behaviour and remarks, as the comedian of this company is a jolly dog and the 'josh' bird will be liberated for the occasion.

"There will likewise be a pilgrimage along the trail of the iron horse to Waialua, including a visit to the sugar plantations on this Island and for those Nobles who insist on eating and drinking at every opportunity, a lunch at Haleiwa Hotel.

"Lastly, at the caravanserai known as the Moana Hotel, will there be held a grand shindig or celebration reserved strictly for Shriners. Ye know what to expect. After this ye are at liberty to depart and go rest yourselves—You'll need repose."

But pleasure is not the only object of the pilgrimage of the Shriners to these shores, for it is written in their code that business shall be combined with pleasure; in fact, the chief object of their visit is to erect Aloha Temple, and the pleasure accruing from the visit is only a secondary object or a part of the program which is relegated in the main to their wives and families.

If all the necessary arrangements can be completed in time, and the various committees are working overtime, Aloha Temple will be inaugurated this afternoon or evening or perhaps it will extend to both afternoon and evening.

This will be conducted with magnificent pomp and ceremony and as the scribe says, "There are flower-crowned houris in this land, bronze beauties that shall dance before your divans until the senses are intoxicated. There will be other intoxicants. There will be yarn-spinning across the hookahs and coffee shops where Noble outdoeth Noble and truth hides its head in a hubble-bubble."

The charter members of Aloha Temple and the visiting Nobles convened behind closed doors last evening in Progress hall for rehearsal and many a man who had never before been astride of the camel is now an adept in the art of riding that animal and when the grand performance comes off tonight staid citizens of Honolulu will vie with each other in performing that duty. It will be a "duty accomplished."

More serious instructions were given to the prospective Nobles and many a man went to his home last night with one more secret to conceal from his wife. But that is all part of the work of the order.

After this grand work is an accomplished fact the real entertainment of the Shriners begins, and many a luau and perchance a hula or two will be found on the bill of fare. The luau to be held at the Maternity Home will be largely attended by the visitors and their wives on Saturday, while a large contingent will go to Waialua.

There are nearly 200 people in the caravansary, of which about 150 are Nobles, the remainder representing the families of the visitors. The caravan started from Grand Rapids, Michigan, and in their long journey across the continent every city contributed a Shriner, or generally several Shriners, until the total was reached. The caravan passed through snow and ice in its journey and every kind of weather was experienced, and it will be with regret that they will bid "Aloha" to Honolulu and the climate.

Lou B. Winsor of Reed City, Michigan, is at the head of the party and enjoys the title of Imperial Potentate of the order. It is to his executive abilities that the success of the pilgrimage is due, and much of their pleasure both en route and in Honolulu may be credited to that gentleman. Speaking of Honolulu, Mr. Winsor says: "I find it difficult to put into words my impressions; about all that I can say is 'elegant, splendid, magnificent,' and everything else indicative of the greatest surprise and pleasure. I had no idea of the beauties of the place nor of its immense business enterprises, and I can see a great future ahead, and I have no doubt but that with the growth of Honolulu the places situated on the other Islands will grow, too.

"The visit of so many business men from the States to Honolulu should result in much good to the Islands, and while the direct results may not be apparent immediately, they are sure to bear fruit before long. Investments look good and I would not be surprised if considerable money 'passed from Shriners' hands into legitimate channels in this city. However, I shall be in a better position to say something concerning this after we have completed the business which called us here and have more time to look around."

VACATION LIST OF OFFICIALS

The following letter was sent to the Legislature yesterday:

Honolulu, H. I., March 14, 1901.
Hon. A. A. Akana, Speaker of House of Representatives, Territory of Hawaii.

Sir: A certified copy of a resolution of the House of Representatives, dated March 12, has been received, requesting me to "furnish forthwith a list of the names" of Government beneficiaries who have been allowed vacations with salary.

I beg to submit the following list of Government beneficiaries who were granted leave of absence from the Territory with sixty days' pay, of which this Department has record, exclusive of school teachers, say, from January 1, 1899, to December 31, 1900.

W. D. Alexander, Surveyor General; A. Brown, Superintendent Honolulu Water Works; J. F. Brown, Public Land Agent; E. D. Baldwin, Sub-Agent First Land District; W. W. Brunner, Road Engineer; J. K. Burkett, traveling normal instructor; W. H. Cummings, Road Supervisor, Honolulu; J. H. Coney, Sheriff of Kauai; D. H. Case, shorthand reporter, First Circuit; S. M. Damon, Minister of Finance; C. H. Dickey, Tax Assessor, Second Division; J. K. Farley, Tax Assessor, Fourth Division; J. H. Hassinger, chief clerk Interior Department; Charles F. Hall, assistant bookkeeper Auditing Department; J. M. Oat, Postmaster General; O. L. Sorrenson, second assistant surveyor; Jonathan Shaw, Tax Assessor, First Division.

After the last clause of the last resolution—"where he got his authority and the law governing the same"—I will state that the authority for granting vacations to Government beneficiaries rests by custom and usage with those who have the appointing power, viz: the heads of departments and bureaus, but I know of no direct provision of law governing same. The rule of allowing sixty days' pay where extended vacations were granted was fixed by the following resolution of the Executive Council, adopted on the 27th day of November, 1896: "Resolved, That in case of absence, the pay of Government officials or employes shall not continue more than sixty days from the day of their leaving office." A copy of said resolution was furnished this Department when the vacation salary question was first raised after the inauguration of the present Audit Act, and I have paid such salaries in accordance therewith.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. AUSTIN,
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Professor Powell, formerly superintendent of the public schools of Washington, D. C., for fifteen years, passed through Honolulu yesterday en route for Manila, where he will engage in business. He is a brother of Major Powell, of the United States Geological Survey, at Washington, D. C., who has explored almost every foot of the western part of the United States. He visited many points of interest, but owing to lack of time, did not have an opportunity to present letters of introduction to many prominent Honolulans and officials from Washington. He will remain in the Philippines for some time.

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