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AFFAIRS AT PEKING.

If it turns out to be true that the Emperor and Empress Dowager of China were taken fatally ill at the same time, the world will suspect the poisoned chalice of a palace revolution.

Roosevelt, World President

Kansas City Journal.

Mr. Nicholas Longworth, the President's son-in-law, denies having said that the Roosevelt family program contemplated a return of the President to power eight years from now.

Of course it is some sort of a "reform" bureau that has conceived this masterpiece of superlative idiocy, but Dr. Crafts assured his congregation in Washington that "great as the magnitude of the task is, it will be carried out."

The Roosevelt methods have brought out a startling series of reckless and impassioned hero worshipers, each with some sort of amnesia recalled to emancipate the human race from every evil handicap through the mediation of Theodore Roosevelt.

It were too bad to puncture prematurely the beautiful and childlike dream of one Dr. Wilbur Crafts, but it might be ventured tentatively and in all due humility that perhaps the rest of the world does not want Mr. Roosevelt as ruler.

Standards of Living Compared

Consular Report.

The standard of living among the common laborers about the flour mills of Great Britain is decidedly below that of the same class of labor in the United States. It can not be otherwise with wages at half or less than that of the American standard.

An Experiment in State Insurance

Consul-General John J. Bray of Melbourne reports that the government of the Australian State of Victoria is about to undertake the experiment of state insurance in connection with the houses of settlers, which the government has erected on a scheme by which repayments by the occupants are extended over long periods.

It is estimated that the settlers will have to pay to the government for the state insurance of the houses what is equal to an annual premium of not much more than one-fourth per cent, upon the value of the property.

The government program provides for the building of 500 new houses within the next two years. This will bring the total number up to 750 houses.



Mandarin and Shriner.
The American Nobility.
Gambling in Chinatown.
The Coming Bakeshop.
News for Honolulu.

If the Chinese officials had seen the Shriners yesterday they might have mistaken those brilliant mummies for the reception committee and would have thought Hawaii civilized at last.

What is it, will you tell me, that takes a lot of hard-headed American business and professional men out in the open, garbed in barbaric splendor and of a mind to solemnly address each other as Potentates, Princes, Sovereign Rulers, Grand Chancellors, Regents of Paradise, Knights of the Groll, Grand Commanders and Holy Shepherds?

There was Jotham B. Pratt from over Hubbardsville way—a little meaching man with scant whiskers and bad teeth who felt that the corner lamp post couldn't stand without him.

For this class of our humble fellow citizens and for those of us who are too pure and noble to expect anything in the way of titles from a rowdy electorate, I recommend the great American institutions where any man who hangs on long enough can be a Majestic Autocrat and any woman a Sovereign Chaperone.

Sometime ago the next President of the Hawaiian Senate remarked that he could always tell when gambling had started up in Chinatown by the actions of his cook.

Airships and International Law

New York Tribune.

So far no provisions agreed upon by civilized nations abridge the universal liberty of the air. Few works on international law deal with the subject, and the little they have to say proves impracticable for consideration.

The question as to the limit of national jurisdiction in the air becomes, of course, of the greatest importance in the event of war, where the rights and duties of the neutral nations are to be determined.

All these questions are for the time being still open, and it is to be hoped that the nations will soon arrive at some agreement.

Commercial News

By Charles L. Rhodes.

The stock market has, if possible, been quieter during the past week than it was the week before. Prices have continued on the whole strong, but business has been light.

Sugar Planters' Meeting.

Whether the fact that the Sugar Planters' Association was holding its annual meeting during the greater part of the week had anything to do with the quietness of the market or not, the attention of those directly interested in the sugar industry in the Islands was centered in that meeting.

Important Reports.

The reports of the various divisions of the Experiment Station were of the highest importance, not because of any one great sensational accomplishment, such as the achievement of control over the leaf-hopper was three or four years ago.

Plant Pathology and Hybridization.

In the Division of Plant Pathology definite and important advances have been made. Progress, and the well considered basis of progress, has been made in hybridization of canes and in the selection and development of new varieties from seedlings in the Agricultural Division.

Report on Machinery.

The report on machinery and appliances was this year rather more extensive in its scope than it has frequently been in the past, and there was much in it of the very greatest interest to the industry and some things that were of interest beyond the industry.

A Fifteen-Roller Mill.

Perhaps the matter of widest general interest in this report on machinery was the account given of the plans for a practical conversion of the two nine-roller mills at Ewa plantation into one fifteen-roller mill, the first of the kind in these Islands, and probably in the world.

The Development of Mills.

It is barely ten years since the nine-roller mill became the standard mill in these Islands. But during that time the nine-roller mill has been improved by the addition of crushers, and then developed into a twelve-roller mill.

Report on Labor.

The report of the Committee on Labor was made to the Association in executive session.

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Small Talks

JOSEPH T. LIDDY—John Wynne took his sentence like a brave man. Of course, he was a bit put out that he had to be hanged.

CHAMPION GUNNER SHEEHY—I liked Honolulu when I was here on the Maryland, and decided that it was the place I wanted to live in. I'm here to stay.

F. T. P. WATERHOUSE—Enough have promised to be present to make the dinner at the close certain, so the meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association will be a success.

ALEXANDER HUME FORD—We have decided to use acetylene now for illuminating our surf boards at the Outrigger Club. All other illuminating processes seem failures.

JOHN EPPINGER—What the Promotion Committee wants to work for is better transportation to and from the Islands. We have everything else but that, and without that everything else counts for little.

POP SPITZER—Say! A feller asked me if I wanted a political job where there was nothing to do. What do you think it was? He said I was just the man to be Inspector of Pork at Jerusalem.

DR. J. H. RAYMOND—The best rain the drought-stricken part of Maui has had for months occurred Friday afternoon and night. The rain up in the mountains was heavy. Kula has had no rain lately unless this rain reached it, but there have been heavy dews of late which have helped out.

LOYD CHILDS—It is my opinion that the Fishmarket people should be compelled to make use of swing fans or punkahs to keep the flies off the fish and meats. This is done in other cities, and certainly should be done here, where the weather is so much warmer.

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Chance for American Farmers

Albany, West Australia, Times.

It is possible—nay probable—that the reopening of relations between the United States and the Commonwealth will be followed by an emigration of American farmers to West Australia. Scores of thousands of American farmers are pouring into Canada every year, and when it becomes known to these most desirable immigrants—and become known it will—that down in the Southwest is a country which can offer them quite as spacious an area of good wheat land as does Canada, together with superior climatic conditions, cheap railway facilities, and a greater need of assistance from the government, the thoughts of many of them will inevitably turn this way.