

Sunday Advertiser

HONOLULU, HAWAII TERRITORY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1910.

This Day of Peace a Great War Anniversary

--- Albert P. Taylor ---

Just half a century ago to-night, when Charlestonians were celebrating Christmas...

At nine o'clock the following night an order was sent quietly to the garrison of only sixty-two effective fighting men to prepare for marching.

Another order came to pack furniture and prepare it for shipment; and soon the garrison was working like a hive of bees.

Before daylight all was completed, and when the rays of the rising sun fell upon the Stars and Stripes floating from the flagstaff of Sumter...

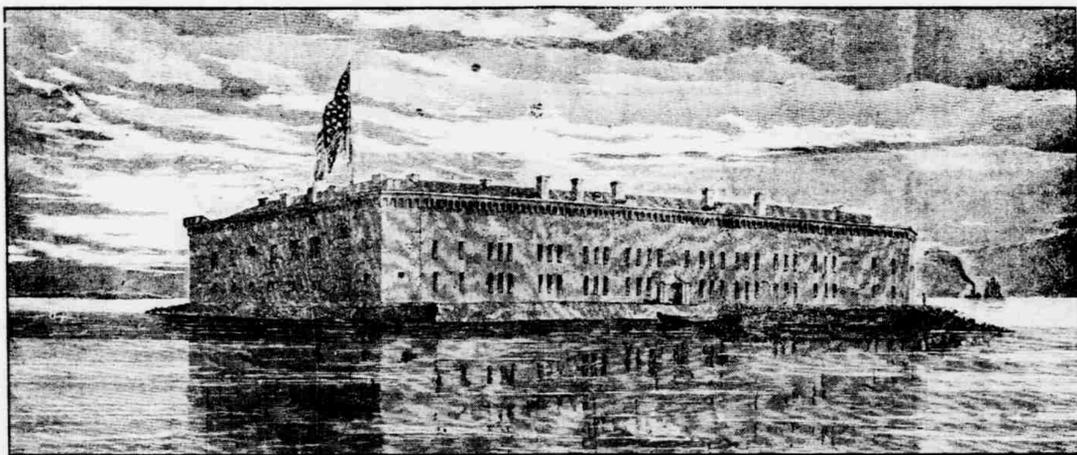
Newspaper correspondents and agents of the Federal government, and the Southern leaders, rushed for the telegraph wires...

The South's Reply.

The South Carolinians at once began to build earthworks at all points bearing on the fort and began preparations to drive Anderson out.

The news was at once telegraphed to Charleston, and the gunners of the Confederate batteries shotted their guns and awaited the appearance of the steamer.

An old gunner who stood by a casemate of Fort Sumter with the lanyard of a shotted gun in his hand, tells the



FORT SUMTER, CHARLESTON HARBOR, THE OCCUPATION OF WHICH JUST FIFTY YEARS AGO TOMORROW NIGHT, WAS THE FIRST DECIDED ACT IN THE CIVIL WAR.

story of how he begged Major Anderson to let him fire on the rebel batteries.



MAJOR ROBERT ANDERSON.

harbor, Major Anderson turned and walked away, curtly saying there was no need to fire then...

The First Bombardment.

The first naval operation of the war was the expedition fitted out to relieve Fort Sumter. In itself this expedition was but an insignificant affair...

While the squadron was fitting out it was generally supposed that it was intended to carry troops and munitions of war to Fort Pickens in Pensacola harbor...

immediately. When the fleet arrived off Charleston the bombardment was well under way.

When, finally, after a heroic defense of several days Major Anderson and his little band, worn with constant vigilance and labor, destitute of provisions and exposed to a constant fire within, agreed to capitulate...

The Commander.

Major Robert Anderson of the artillery graduated from West Point with honor in 1825, and he had not only served with gallantry but with distinction in Florida, and afterward in the Mexican war...

When the secession excitement in South Carolina, and particularly in Charleston, had reached its height, but ten days before the State Convention had taken a final step...

Anderson's Desperate Position.

After December 11 no one was admitted to Fort Sumter unless he was known to some officer of the garrison. Events justified this precaution...

reinforced, and Sumter was "an empty fortress which they might seize and control in a single night."

General Scott saw, too, that the fortress could not hold out twenty-four hours. Meanwhile volunteer troops began to pour into Charleston...

A Christmas Day.

Christmas Day dawned upon Major Anderson under these circumstances and bound by these instructions. It may not be supposed he was in a festive mood...

But their plans and fancies were dispelled when they saw the flag of the Union floating from the flagstaff of Fort Sumter on the morning of December 27...

Major Anderson had kept his secret well and done his work thoroughly. During the day following Christmas the wives and children of the fort were sent away from the fort on the plea that...

change of station was even greater throughout the country at large than at Charleston. It flashed the gleam of arms and men saw suddenly what before they had only imagined.

In the North the occupation of Sumter was regarded as the most prudent and dignified course that could have been taken. It touched national honor and awoke the national pride.

On December 28 the Charlestonians seized the custom house and the post office and on the thirtieth the arsenal, and raised the state flag upon them and sent an armed force to occupy Moultrie and Pinckney...

Half Century Ago.

And so is recorded the first act of the great Civil War, whose half century anniversary is now just at hand. Hawaii had a part in the great conflict for she sent some of her sons to the front where they achieved national fame.

ARK HAD NO FISH; CAN NOT BE HURT

ST. LOUIS, Missouri, November 28.—That no fish were on the ark with Father Noah, and therefore the creature is not an animal, is the position taken by Mortimer Levi...

The case was dismissed over the emphatic protest of Judge William Jefferson Pollard, who argued the dictionary defines a fish as an animal and that it was an animal in every sense of the word.

Kram was allowed to go home. The peddler was charged with advertising his fish by displaying a live one from a string on his cart...

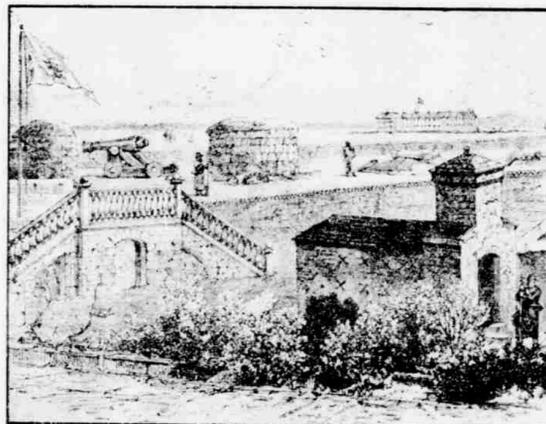
WOMEN'S CLUBS ARE SUPERIOR TO MAN'S

NEW YORK, December 10.—Women's clubs are superior to men's clubs, thinks Dr. Charles F. Aked, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church.

"A man's club is for personal ease, good cooking and good company," he said in his sermon today.

"They have not always lived up to their professions, a peculiarity which they share with churches, but at least they have in view something more than a comfortable chair and a well cooked chop."

"Churches are generally 'manned' by women. There is not a church in existence today which would be in existence but for the love and yearnings of a woman's heart."



FORT MOULTRIE.



ENTRY OF MAJOR ANDERSON'S COMMAND INTO FORT SUMTER THE NIGHT AFTER CHRISTMAS, 1860.