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## CIVIC FEDERATION AROUSED OVER THE BELT ROAD

At the meeting of the special committee of the Civic Federation on Streets, Parks and Public Ways, held yesterday in the Public Service rooms, the matter of awarding the belt road contract to the Lord-Young Company was brought before the committee in the following letter from Frank J. Green:

Honolulu, October 5, 1911.  
"M. M. McChesney, Esq., Chairman Parks, Streets and Public Works Committee, Civic Federation, Honolulu.

"Dear Sir: I beg to enclose you herewith a cutting from the Pacific Commercial Advertiser under date of October 4, 1911, bearing upon the contract of the Oahu belt road.

"You will note by this enclosure that the first five miles of belt road have been allotted to Lord & Young at a price of \$79,710. You will also kindly note that there was a lower bid offered by John Wilson, the price quoted by him being \$79,367.

"I quote from the cutting of the paper: 'Wilson's figure was based on a profit of approximately \$30,000.'

"In view of this seemingly excessive profit, which was expected to be received by the lowest bidder, it would seem to me that the total amount demanded for the construction of the road was far in excess of what should be paid by the commission.

"Therefore, I request that a meeting be called of the Parks, Streets and Public Works Committee of the Civic Federation, before whom would be laid by myself a request that the

committee investigate the matter, calling upon such civil engineering experts as may be members of the Federation for a tentative report. Upon this report there might be based an estimate of the actual value of the work that is supposed to be carried on by the belt road commission.

"If, after investigation by the committee, it would seem that the contract for the belt road is excessive, I would suggest that the matter be laid before a called meeting of the Civic Federation for such action as the Federation may see fit to take.

"Very truly yours,  
"FRANCIS J. GREEN."

After a vigorous discussion of the matter, all present agreeing that to submit without protest to the will of the Belt Road Commission would be a public disgrace, it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the executive committee at its meeting next Wednesday to appoint a special committee to investigate the matter thoroughly. It was thought best to recommend that this committee be drawn not alone from the membership of the Federation, but, in order to be truly representative, that citizens not members be asked to serve.

Next Wednesday at the regular meeting of the Federation this question will be the leading topic of discussion and all members of the Federation are invited to attend. It is hoped that those interested in the public weal and in the fair name of

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## PEDAGOGIC CHIEFS HOLD A COUNCIL

There was a full representation of the supervising principals of the schools of Hawaii, in the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction Pope this morning. Seventeen principals from Oahu and the other islands were in attendance, and the meeting was called to order at 9 o'clock.

Superintendent Pope presided and he had on his right Inspector Gibson, who answered all questions put by the principals on the important matter of grading teachers. The whole system was explained in a pamphlet that was passed around, and then a general discussion on the matter took place.

Superintendent Pope opened the proceedings by explaining how the plan for having the principals meet in Honolulu once a year was thought of some time ago. It was at first proposed to hold the meeting in the early summer but, for various reasons, the decision was come to that later in the year would be better.

"We have a more liberal appropriation than ever for the public schools," said the superintendent, "and the prospects for the future are brighter

than ever. We are to be congratulated on the fact that no less a sum than \$1,624,000 is available for the biennial period. That is twice as much as we ever had before, and it was obtained by the good work of those people who are so deeply interested in the educational work of the Territory.

"Previously we did not have enough money to carry out our hoped for plans, but now everything is all right, and the school affairs are running along smoothly."

After the opening remarks of the superintendent, Inspector Gibson took up the matter of the instructions to supervising principals regarding the grading of teachers.

Some considerable discussion arose over the grading of children by age, and the "retarded" pupils received much attention. Principal Copeland, of Wailuku, Maui, thought that length of time at school should be the basis for deciding if children are backward. "As it stands now," he said, "children of 40 years of age come to school

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## ITALIANS TO MAKE LAND CAMPAIGN

A GREAT MEETING OF CONSTANTINOPLE BUSINESS MEN CONVENED IN THE MOSQUE OF ST. SOPHIA YESTERDAY TO SIGN A DECLARATION, TO BE SENT ABROAD, THAT ITALY, BY MAKING WAR ON TURKEY, HAS PROVED HERSELF UNWORTHY OF A PLACE AMONG CIVILIZED NATIONS. A SALONIKA DISPATCH SAYS A TURKISH WARSHIP HAS CAPTURED A BRITISH STEAMER LADEN WITH CONTRABAND OF WAR.

### More Bombarding

(Associated Press Cables to The Star.)

FIUME, OCT. 7.—AN ITALIAN CRUISER HAS SUNK A TURKISH CRUISING VESSEL AND BOMBARDED THE TOWNS OF ST. JEAN-DE-MEDUA.

ROME, OCT. 7.—THE ITALIANS HAVE OCCUPIED DERNIA PREPARATORY TO A NORTH AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

ROME, OCT. 7.—THE ITALIAN GOVERNOR OF TRIPOLI HAS WIRE-LESSED THAT ORDER HAS BEEN RESTORED IN THE CITY AND THAT THE NATIVES ARE RETURNING.

### Results of the Flood

BLACK RIVER FALLS, October 7.—Sixty-one business buildings were demolished by the flood, which is receding. Many people are homeless and there is much suffering.

### Struggling for McNamara

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 7.—Judge Bordwell has denied an informal motion to change the trial judge. Counsel for McNamara's defense have filed affidavits of bias.

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## HARRY ROSS DISAPPEARS

Another missing man has been reported at the police station. He is Harry Ross, a machinist, who has been employed by the Honolulu Smelting Company.

Ross left his home in Paoua Valley on Tuesday and his wife has seen nothing of him since. She is distracted.

Ross has done a good deal of work around the local power sampans and for Japanese garages in Honolulu. He has the reputation of being steady and of good habits.

Last Wednesday his wife heard that he had been seen in a Japanese machine shop near "Phoney" Davis' notorious resort on Richards' street.

Mmanuel Texeira, the Portuguese reported missing this week, has not been located nor has any word of his whereabouts been received.

## Mrs. Aki Wins Out

Judge Robinson is sustained by the supreme court in his order vacating and setting aside a decree of divorce in the case of Frank Aki against Mary Aki. Justice De Bolt writes the opinion. J. A. Magoon appeared for the plaintiff, and C. W. Ashford for the defendant. Particulars of the fight Mrs. Aki made against being divorced without proper service of summons, were published in The Star.

In the syllabus of the court's opinion it is held:

"A decree of divorce rendered by a circuit judge without having acquired jurisdiction of the person of the libelee is void and may be set aside and vacated under the circumstances in this case.

"An attorney for a party in one case has no authority to accept service of process for the party in another case in which he is not attorney for the party and has not been specially authorized to accept service."

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## OLAA FORGING UPWARD AGAIN

Olaa showed still stronger today on the stock exchange, and formed the basis for most of the trading. It advanced from 5.50 yesterday to 5.62 1/2 at opening and closed strong at 5.75, with none offered at that figure. Waiaina was stronger, closing at 120.50.

It is noticeable that miscellaneous stocks, other than sugar, have had considerable activity during the week, there apparently being an element which prefers to deal in these issues rather than in sugar. Brewery shares sold today for 19.87 1/2, to the number of 60, and 19.75 offered failed to bring out more, holders demanding 20.25.

There was no changes in the price of sugar reported today.

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## COCK CROWED LOUD AND OFT.

A Hawaiian woman appeared at the police station and demanded to see some one in authority.

She asked Deputy Sheriff Rose how she could stop a neighbor's cock from crowing.

Rose referred her to Chief of Detectives McDuffie, who has had experience with chicken thieves.

McDuffie told the woman that the course which she should pursue depended in a large measure to whom the noisy fowl belonged.

"It's my neighbor's," said she, "and every morning he crow-crow so loud that I can't sleep nor my little dog nor my popok."

"In that case," said the local Solomon, "it may be well to reason with your neighbor and show him the error of the bird's ways. Had the bird belonged to you, I should have suggested a little discreet throat-cutting."

And the woman went away greatly comforted, and returned to her home.

John W. Thompson was this morning granted a divorce from Louise Grimme Thompson on grounds of desertion. The case was heard before Judge Whitney, second judge of the First Circuit Court.

## The Sugar Outlook Is Quite Promising

The past week has been generally encouraging to the local sugar industry. Reports of continued disaster to the German beet crop, with a shortage of the Cuban crop, has had its effect in bolstering up local stocks which, despite continued high prices of sugar and outlook for even increased dividends, have been weak. Prices cannot be said to be particularly low, but there seems to have been a consistent lack of confidence which has made buyers very shy.

There is more or less difference of opinion as to the cause of this state of affairs. Probably most brokers and sugar men believe that the public fears some detrimental monkeying with the tariff by Congress this winter. Sugar men generally do not believe there is much danger of this, though to what extent the wish fathers the conviction is hard to say. The head of one of the largest agencies, however, gave his reasons for confidence in substance as follows: "I do not believe," he said, "that there is much danger that the tariff will be changed this year for several reasons. In the first place, before a Democratic Congress could well cut down the tariff it would have to see

some substitute method of raising the big revenue which the sugar tariff furnishes. At present there seems to be no practical way that this could be done. Then the Louisiana cane sugar and the western beet sugar interests are going to be powerful factors against any reduction of the sugar tariff. But even should Congress pass such a measure, I believe the President would veto it, as he did the woolen schedule bill, until his tariff commission could have opportunity to report on it."

Barring the tariff bugaboo, all indications point to generally even better prices for next year's crop than for the present year's. This year started in with very low prices, and over 250,000 tons, or nearly half the total crop, got to market with prices below four cents. The new crop will start off with better prices than this, and with short crops abroad it seems unlikely that any great amount of the new crop will be sold at less than this figure.

55,000 Tons Still Unsold.

The Sugar Factors Company estimates that there are about 55,000

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## JUDGE SOAKS PISTOL PACKER

Judge Monsarrat made an example of a gun-toter in the police court this morning, and for the same is entitled to the thanks of the community at large.

Newton Stewart, who recently figured in a divorce case, was charged with going offensively armed. He has been annoying his former wife for some time and last night fired a shot through the wall of the home of Charles Kauhane, where she is staying. He escaped from Police Officers Saunders and Holbron, who were sent to arrest him, but was caught by Kauhane and Frank Kanae and taken to the station house.

Kaumai, charged with stealing \$10 from a Hawaiian named Kaleihua, was sent to the reef for thirty days.

Isaac Naki, charged with assault and battery on J. K. Nauhole, whose straw hat he did knock off, was fined \$10 and costs. The hat was a brand new one, hence complainant's beef.

Matsu, charged with riding a bicycle without a light, was fined \$4 and costs.

Kauh, drunk, was assessed the customary "three and costs."

There is in the hospital for repairs one Harry Phillips, who yesterday, while arguing with a friend in Proglane, waxed so vehemently that he

## FRENCH SCIENTIST FROM NOUMEA

Governor Frear said this morning that he had received a call from Doctor Marques, commercial agent of France, introducing a visitor from New Caledonia. The distinguished visitor is Mons. De Bert, the bearer of letters of introduction from the governor of the French South Sea Settlement, and he is deeply interested in the subject of the suppression of the lantana pest, and also the study of leprosy.

At Noumea, the capital of New Caledonia, the French government is finding that the lantana bush is gaining ground in the suburbs and that something must be done to combat the evil.

Leprosy also exists in the Western Pacific and, as the news has gone around that Hawaii is studying the dread scourge thoroughly, the French scientist intends to look into the conditions on Molokai.

The visitor is a member of the Pasteur Institute and has done some writing on the subjects in which he is interested.

He stuck his hand through a window and severed an artery.

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## "A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME" SOLDIERS IN FIGHT

Considerable amusement was caused at the meeting of the supervising school principals this morning when the question of the names of pupils came up. Instances were given where the teachers had put on the rolls such names as "Ann Halberg" when Arnold Berg was the true name. The faulty pronunciation of the children was given as the cause for the mistakes and it was suggested by Inspector Gibson that more care be taken in the future to obtain the real names of the pupils.

In some instances it was impossible to ascertain the sex of the pupils by the names on the roll. Portuguese names were given a phonetic twist that made them resemble Chinese words, and all sorts of peculiar names were to be seen on the rolls.

## LADIES INCLUDED IN INVITATIONS

A number of inquiries have been received at the Y. M. C. A. headquarters to know if the invitations which have been sent out for the various receptions, banquets and exercises inaugurating the opening of the new building next week include ladies.

The officers of the Association say that Tuesday night is for members and subscribers, and such ladies as have subscribed to the building fund are invited that night. The invitations for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights include the recipients of the tickets and such of their friends, either men or women, as they choose to bring.

The only full dress function of the whole dedication is the press and pulpit dinner on Monday night. On every other occasion business dress or "Sunday-go-to-meeting" clothes will be proper.

Those who have not received invitations and would like to attend the ceremonies will receive their tickets by calling at the Association building. In some instances tickets sent have gone astray.

Mayor Fern, Engineer Gere and Sam Dwight, chairman of the road committee, went off on some expedition this morning, the nature of which nobody at municipal headquarters could tell.

## SOLDIERS IN FIGHT

The police received a message from the Pacific saloon at 1:30 that a fight was in progress outside the place and requesting the presence of officers, and Officers Almeida and Nawahl rushed to the scene and found a crowd surrounding three blue-jackets, each of whom bore marks of recent encounter, two of them being liberally splashed with blood. One of them was armed with a 2x4 commandeered from a nearby brewery wagon, and was brandishing it in a hostile manner.

The bluejackets and some soldiers said that they had gone into the saloon for a drink and had been set on by the proprietor, Dick Sullivan, and beaten up. Sullivan said that they got into a fight outside and then came into his place and raised such a racket that he had to gently but firmly put them out. He said that he didn't see any act of violence in his saloon, and that if such were committed it must have been by some person unknown to him.

The bluejackets and a soldier or two then went to the police station and asked Deputy Sheriff Rose for a special permit to go and clean out the Pacific, which request was very properly refused.

Then they wanted a warrant for the arrest of the man who had committed the assault and when Rose told them

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## COLLINS BLOCK SELLS FOR \$6000

A large crowd attended the auction sale by the Realty Auction Company at noon today, of the C. R. Collins building and leasehold on King street, but bidding was not very lively. The property was knocked down to Arthur J. Spitzer for \$6000. It is understood that it was bought solely as an investment.

The price is regarded as very cheap. The building is of brick, three stories and basement, and practically new. It has a frontage of twenty-five feet and depth of 42.1 feet. The lease has nineteen and one-half years to run, with a ground rent of \$800.

Mr. Spitzer is a salesman for I. Rubinstein & Co.