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(Staff Correspondence of The Republican.)

WASHINGTON, July 18.—The Baltimore Sun, probably the greatest newspaper printed in the South, has the following editorially today:

"The Honolulu Republican is the title of an excellent newspaper which starts its career concurrently with the establishment of the Hawaiian Islands as a Territory of the United States. Files of the paper which we have received give interesting accounts of local affairs and the effects of changes in conditions which have come with the change in government. Some of these changes are not, apparently to the liking of the people. The new system of red tape introduced in the custom house, the Republican complains, makes it practically impossible for a merchant to get possession of the goods awaiting him without the expense of employing a broker at considerable cost. There is also much confusion upon the question of citizenship and eligibility to office under the organic act. Attorney General Dole, who is a nephew of the Governor, has given an opinion upon this subject which has made a stir. Of it The Republican says: "Whatever Attorney General E. P. Dole had in mind when he rendered his opinion on the question of citizenship in Hawaii perhaps that gentleman can tell, but certainly no one else can tell by reading his letter to his uncle, the Governor. The opinion shows a most marked absence of knowledge of the law, and any clerk in a reputable law office who would be guilty of writing such a paper for publication would be deemed fit to be informed that he had better drop out and go to hoeing sugarcane."

"It seems that the organization of the Territorial government was signalized by a public ball in Honolulu. The Republican contends that as the cost of this ball was paid by the government, it should have been open to the public instead of being limited to invited guests. The invitations, The Republican complains, savored too much of monarchical times. "The city of Honolulu bids fair to have a 'boom' in consequence of annexation. The Republican says the city has 'reached that period in her history that might well be termed the parting of the ways. From a slow, plodding town she has become a live, bustling city. Her harbor is filled with shipping, as never before, and she has suddenly jumped from an insignificant calling port to a great commercial center. The march of progress has reached Honolulu, and the old conditions must give way to the new order of things."

"Among proposed improvements are a sewerage system, the opening and paving of streets, the numbering of houses and the construction of an electric street railway. "A leading fruit shipper in an interview condemns the policy of Hawaiian farmers in devoting so much of their energy to sugar growing. He believes that the present high price will not be maintained, and that there is more profit in fruit growing. The whole of the Island of Oahu is devoted to the production of sugar, rice and taro, the first being the money crop and the others for domestic use. The fruit shipper urges the cultivation of limes. He says: "The duty on limes is \$1.75 per case. This has been removed by annexation. Hawaii is the natural home for the lime. It does better here than anywhere in the world. It is a perennial bearer and in Hawaii is very prolific. It takes from three to four years for the lime to bear from the seed. I have three small trees on my place at Kalahehi. They net me \$15 each. The United States imports from Mexico annually from 300,000 to 400,000 cases of limes. These limes could be easily raised here. This is a great pineapple country. The pineapples that we raise are very juicy, of fine flavor and free from pulp. From 4,000 to 5,000 pineapples can be raised on an acre. The price to the grower will average \$1.75 per dozen. I have six acres of pineapples on my place. Two men do the entire work and I pay each \$20 a month. The crop matures once a year. Figuring on only 4,000 pineapples to the acre, the net income would be \$875.75 and the profit \$442.75, or 65 per cent profit. Does any one want a handsomer profit for his investment than this?"

"The same gentleman declares that there is a profit of \$200 an acre in bananas at 25 cents a bunch, and that grapevines produce two crops a year. "An article on the weather says that on June 25 the thermometer in Honolulu registered 88°—the hottest June day on record. The usual average temperature for June is 76°, but in June of this year it was 78°."

DEATH OF AUGUST KRAFT.

An Old Resident of Honolulu Passed Away Yesterday.

August Kraft, one of Honolulu's old citizens, passed away yesterday at his residence corner of Kewalo and Lunalilo streets. Mr. Kraft came here many years ago and engaged in watch-making and jewelry business with his sons on King street, near Fort. The shop was continued for many years and the proprietor became wealthy by strict attention to his work. Several years ago he retired from business and went to live on the Plains. He had purchased a very large lot on which a house was constructed. After he gave up the pursuit of his trade, he turned his attention to the cultivation

of plants and flowers. As years rolled on he gathered around him trees and plants of numerous varieties from almost all parts of the world. The place became a botanical garden on a small scale, and Mr. Kraft made his plants his most intimate friends. Although he loved them he was generous with them, and many people in town were given slips from his gardens. Mr. Kraft was a man of simple life. When he was taken sick several weeks ago he called for Dr. McGrew, who told him he had but a little time to live. The doctor advised removing the sick man to the hospital, but Mr. Kraft objected, saying he wanted to die amidst his flowers. The immediate cause of his death was consumption. Deceased was a native of Germany and over 70 years of age. He leaves a fortune of about \$40,000, which is bequeathed to his son and daughter living in New York City. The funeral will take place from the undertaking parlors of H. H. Williams, this morning, at 10 o'clock. The interment will take place at Nuanuan cemetery.

DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS.

Commodious Suit In the Chicago Auditorium Engaged.

CHICAGO, July 23.—Headquarters for the campaign will be established by the Democratic National Committee at the Auditorium here. Senator James K. Jones arrived today and completed arrangements whereby the national headquarters will be established on the second floor of the Auditorium, in the rooms which were occupied by the Paris Exposition Commissioners. There are fourteen rooms in the suit, providing ample space for the campaign committee.

ROMAN CATHOLICS IN CHINA.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT AND CHURCH.

Exact Terms by Which Prelates Are Able to Deal Personally With Officials.

Here are the exact terms of the agreement entered into between the Chinese Government at Peking and the papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Rampolla del Tindaro, acting through the vicar apostolic of Peking, Mgr. Favre: "The Imperial government, having for a long time authorized the propagation of the Catholic religion, and Catholic churches having in consequence been established in all the provinces of China, we are desirous to see our people and Christians live in harmony. To insure a realer protection it has been agreed that the local authorities shall exchange visits with missionaries according to the conditions specified in the following articles: "First—In the ecclesiastical hierarchy bishops shall be entitled to the same rank and dignity as viceroys and governors, and shall be privileged to interview viceroys and governors. "In case a bishop is called away or dies the priest in charge shall be privileged to interview viceroys and governors. Vicars general and archdeacons shall be privileged to interview treasurers and judges as well as intendants. Other priests shall be privileged to interview prefects of the first and second class, prefects independent, sub-prefects and other functionaries, all of whom shall return courtesies, according to rank. "Second—Bishops shall make a list of the priests appointed to take charge of affairs and interview the authorities, giving names and locations of missions. This list shall be sent to the viceroys or governors, who will direct and authorize the officials to receive them according to this regulation. "Priests requesting an interview, or those especially appointed to take charge of affairs, should be Europeans. If, however, a European priest be not conversant with the language of China he may be accompanied by a Chinese priest acting as an interpreter. "Third—It would be useless for bishops living away from cities to visit the provincial capital for the purpose of being received by the viceroys or the governor if they have no business in hand. At the installation of a new viceroys or governor, upon the arrival of a new bishop, or upon any occasion of ceremony, as New Year's day and the principal feasts, bishops shall be privileged to write private letters to the viceroys and governors, at the same time inclosing their cards. Viceroys and governors shall return the courtesies. Before leaving or upon their arrival other priests shall, provided they have a letter from their bishop, be privileged to interview, etc., according to their rank. "If any grave or important matter concerning any mission in any province should arise the bishop and missionaries in office shall appeal to the minister or members of the council which the Pope has appointed as a religious protectorate, the latter shall have the right of deciding, together with the Tsung-tai-tsun, of the local authorities. If a mandarin is consulted on an official question by either a bishop or a missionary he must give the matter immediate and polite attention and institute an investigation. "As occasions arise the local authorities shall endeavor to assist the missionaries to unite with the Christians. They shall never encourage hatred or countenance dissension. Bishops and priests shall likewise exhort all Christians to strive earnestly toward maintaining the good repute of the Catholic religion, so that the people may be content and appreciative. In any suit between the people and the Christians the local authorities shall judge and rule with equity, that the people and the Christians may live in peace. Missionaries shall neither interfere nor give their protection with partiality. "The purpose of the concordat was to give Catholic prelates official standing, to enable them to overcome curious Chinese etiquette and to deal personally with officials rather than, as in the past, with the consuls. It was a step in the direction of good government and not of necessity a religious propaganda. The Roman Catholic Church has no missionaries in America in China. Almost all of its missionaries there are from France, a few from Italy and Belgium and a very few from Holland. All are members of orders, since it is found that orders can act as missionary societies, raise funds and maintain discipline far better than could the Propaganda Fide acting direct and dealing with seculars. The latest agreement with the Missions Catholiques, as used by the Propaganda Fide at Rome and covering the Chinese Empire, are nearly twenty months old. They estimate the population of all China to be 449,155,000, giving their figures by districts, and give the Catholic population as 532,448.—New York Sun.

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