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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, December 30.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, .65. Temperature, Max. 80; Min. 67. Weather, rainy.

GOOD FAITH AND PUBLICITY.

The Filipinos, while being far from what has been credited to them as "fidelitous penantry," are yet about the only ones available as a stopgap for the Hawaiian labor supply.

The labor committee of the planters' association has met the situation presented by the introduction of a large number of impossibilities fairly. They join with the community in the stand that such people can not be admitted to the Territory and acknowledge that the importation of such is wrong.

The question to be faced is this: Where are the laborers for the canefields to come from to take the place of those who are leaving and until the plans of the territorial board of immigration to bring in an available supply of white labor can be worked out?

On the understanding that Filipino labor is not being looked upon as a settlement of the labor difficulty and the "manning the land" problem of Hawaii, but is to be regarded as a temporary expedient, and on the further understanding that adequate steps are to be taken in future against "substitutions" and against the bringing here of the physically unfit, the opposition now fast developing against Filipino immigration in any form will appreciably lessen, if it does not disappear altogether.

There are very few in Hawaii who fail to recognize the fact that it is upon the sugar industry that this Territory lives, and there are very few who would advocate immigration restrictions that would cripple that industry.

Insofar as the further importation of Filipinos is concerned, if the agents of the planters in the Philippines will from now on live up to the agreement made between the planters and the marine hospital service and have each Filipino examined and individually certified to by the marine hospital representative in Manila, such certification to be checked up by either federal or territorial physicians here before the Filipinos are admitted to the Territory, the present objections would be to a very large extent removed.

In this connection, the territorial board of immigration would assist in allaying the suspicion of the general public by keeping the public fully in touch with what is being done toward promoting Portuguese and other white immigration. Nothing will be lost through publicity, while considerable is lost through attempts at secrecy.

Once convince the general public that there is sincerity behind the protestations of the planters and the government that an earnest effort is being made to promote white immigration and there will be no step taken toward embarrassing the planters in their search to tide over the present labor insufficiency. There are doubtless many Filipinos physically fit for admission and to the presence of these no one would object.

To turn loose on the community such ones as have recently arrived, however, is an impossibility, recognized by planters and everyone else. They are no good to the plantations and would be a positive menace to the community.

MAUI'S MODEST PROGRAM.

Two years ago the people of the tight little island of Maui, and those of the other tight little islands of Molokai, Lanai and Kahoolawe, sent a delegation to the legislature to get something. They wanted a pipeline for Kula and they kept that pipeline so persistently to the front and rung it in on every bill as a rider or amendment with such grim earnestness that today there is a pipeline in Kula, delivering water to a thirsty land.

Encouraged with success, Maui now has prepared a little program of wants, which her members-elect are going to present, by degrees, to the forthcoming assembly. The list of things to be asked for is not as modest as was the list of 1909, but what it lacks in modesty it makes up for in originality. It is a nonpartisan list and one that disregards the Republican platform especially. It is also a progressive list, including amendments to pretty nearly everything in sight except the Constitution of the United States.

In the first place Maui wants three-quarters of all the revenues collected within her borders to spend herself, with suggestions how the other quarter may be spent by the Territory for Maui's benefit. In addition she would have the Territory build a few roads and turn them over to the county; she would have a few public buildings put up and turned over to the county; she would manage her own health affairs, her own schools, have police judges elected, the Sunday Act repealed and some radical changes made in the liquor law. These, with some twenty or thirty other territorial upheavals, will satisfy Maui for the time being.

The only thing about Maui's program that may prevent it being adopted en bloc is the fact that it disagrees with itself in places and fails to provide for the repeal of the immigration tax law.

NEW CONTINUOUS FLIGHT RECORD

BUENOS AIRES, December 30.—Tabu-tean, in his aeroplane, covered three hundred and twenty-six and two-third miles today in seven hours forty minutes. This was a continuous flight.

HOPE IN THE HAGUE.

LIMA, December 29.—The dispute between Peru and Ecuador over the boundary line that separates the two countries has reached such a critical stage that war is threatened. Mediating powers have urged Peru to submit the dispute to the international court at The Hague, and while Peru might consent to this course, it is believed that Ecuador will refuse. Meanwhile both countries are getting ready for trouble and military preparations are being made.

NEW CONSPIRACY.

LONDON, December 29.—Advice from Lisbon today confirm the report that a plot has been discovered to overthrow the existing republic of Portugal, bring Manuel back from exile in England and put him back on the Portuguese throne. A revolt in the army and navy is now feared by the republican leaders.

ONLY A BARGE.

NEW YORK, December 30.—The pur-

EDITOR EAGAN SAW FILIPINO LABORERS

Martin Eagan, managing director of the Manila Times, was the guest yesterday of W. H. Babbitt of the labor bureau of the planters' association, who escorted the visiting newspaper man about through the rain to various points of interest. Among the places gone to was the Pali, where it was found that the Kona rain had blotted out the landscape, making the Oahu scenery at that point resemble Niagara in flood time.

In the afternoon, accompanied by the editors of The Advertiser and Bulletin, Mr. Eagan was taken to the Ewa plantation, where a visit was made to the Filipino camp, in order that the Manila editor might see in what condition the laborers from the Philippines were housed and treated. The Ewa Filipinos are a very presentable set of people, comfortably living in plantation houses, a family to a lot. They are starting in to cultivate gardens, and are apparently quite satisfied with their new world. Inquiry from plantation people as to the quality of the Filipinos as laborers brought satisfactory replies.

Mr. Eagan talked with some of the Filipinos and made a hit by asking one of the men if the baseball uniform he was wearing as a wet weather costume was the uniform of an insurance agent. The party visited the mill, the visitor being taken through the big plant and its workings explained by the mill superintendent. On the return to town the party dined at the University Club as Mr. Babbitt's guests.

Mr. Eagan is on his way around the world, with stopovers in California and Washington in view.

MAUI WANTS A FEW LITTLE THINGS

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board of education, all teachers being obliged to present a certificate from the board of education stating competency of applicant to teach the required grade applied for. Text books and method of teaching in schools to be retained as specified by the board of education.

Require new board of supervisors to meet with old board biennially on the fifteenth of December after general election to adopt budget for the following year.

That the counties receive seventy-five per cent of all taxes and license fees, excepting the school tax which shall be a special fund, all of which shall be expended in the district in which collected, the same as the special road tax fund.

Fifty per cent of all realizations from government lands, excepting proceeds of land sales, be paid to the counties as a special fund for permanent improvements within the counties, all projects for expenditures from this fund to be subject to the approval of the superintendent of public works.

Fines imposed in circuit courts in appeal cases from district courts to be given to the counties.

To increase the salaries of all elective county officers.

Houses of correction or reform schools, for juvenile offenders of both sexes, to be built and equipped by the Territory, and turned over to the county to maintain for the correction of juvenile offenders within the counties.

An appropriation of \$25,000 for a modern driveway from Lahaina to Lahainalua Seminary.

Sufficient funds to provide for a modern driveway around West Maui and around East Maui, excepting that section between Muna (Kaupo) and Kaunaloa, from Molele to Kahalepalaoa via Koolo on Lanai; and from Halawa Valley to Kalae on Molokai.

That the Territory subsidize the county farm and sanitarium in an equal amount to that appropriated by the county.

The purchase by the Territory of the new Kahului wharf, and a sufficient appropriation to materially enlarge and extend the same.

To extend the wharf at Lahaina, so that inter-island shipping can lay alongside of same.

Residence qualification of county and territorial officials be raised to five years' residence in the Territory and one year's residence in the county.

The enactment of a primary law. Appropriations for an experimenting farm at Naliuku and at Kula.

County supervisors to be elected at large. District magistrates to be elective; if not, supervisors to fix their salaries. Deputy sheriffs to be again made elective.

An armory for the N. G. H. at Lahaina.

County control of taxation. Recording office to be under the county, the county clerk to be the recorder ex officio.

Liquor commissioners to be the board of supervisors, or else provide for appeals of license seekers from the board of liquor commissioners to the board of supervisors.

Repeal the Sunday law. Repeal of wide-tire act.

While most of these subjects met with the approval of the supervisors, legislators and leading citizens present, some were not favored at all. The meeting adjourned to Tuesday, January 3, when the subjects for legislation will be taken up and a final expression of opinion given for the guidance of the legislature.

The suggestion for vesting a larger share of the control of the public schools with the county was well received by the county supervisors and the legislators present, only one gentleman present objecting on the ground that the change might confuse pupils into the school system. The suggestion to have local health matters and appointment of government physicians, and entirely in the hands of the county was favored by all, and some desire to cut out the territorial board of health entirely from general supervision.

Epidemics Nearly Over. The diptheria epidemic is fast passing the crisis, and the danger of its spreading to other parts of the Territory is diminishing.

Health authorities reported by the authorities to be very satisfactory.

In the matter of the expenses for suppressing the epidemic diseases on Maui, the trustees of the "shippers' fund," who have near \$4000 at their

disposal, have agreed to pay one-half of the expenses incurred, and as the territorial board of health seems to be short of available funds at present, the county of Maui will pay the other half, with the expectation of having the Territory indemnify the county later.

A thunderstorm visited central Maui last night and left a coat of snow on the summit of Haleakala.

The laying of railroad tracks for beginning the construction work on the Kahului breakwater is going on, preparatory to taking rocks from the quarry for the continuation of the breakwater.

ONE DAY'S WORK ON FROLIC SOME DRUNKS

Maybe it was the weather, or maybe it was just epidemic, but yesterday was a great day for drunks. From the time that Chief McDuffie saw an inebriated Portuguese named Moniz hang with inebriated affection about the neck of a perfectly strange lady at the corner of Fort and King streets until an ex-jockey tumbled over the Claudine's gangplank at the height of a glorious jag, there was nothing but drunks to the day's work of the police.

Moniz was the first man in. After him came Kalua, the shriveled dame who gets scrumptiously "tight" three times a month in front of the O. R. and L. depot, and who, when she has not enough money to get arrested for drunkenness, swears at the passersby until a policeman in desperation arrests her for profanity.

After that they came in pairs, herds and droves. One happy person, on the whole, thin edge of delirium tremens, managed to tell the receiving clerk that his name was Jim, just before he turned up his toes in monk disease and afterwards hit the turnkey in the left optic.

Two others, who had accumulated a big jug and divided it up evenly between them, wandered in together at the behest of Officer Kahaawini. As the shades of evening commenced to fall, a well-known jockey, who has been trying to get away from an awful jag for a week and who gave his name yesterday as L. Armstrong (though that isn't it), fell off of the steamer Claudine as he tried to step to the top of the wharf shed and missed by forty feet.

He sustained a bruised face, got knocked unconscious and was taken to the Queen's Hospital.

POLICE ORDERS.

Sheriff Jarrett has issued two manifestos, one of which interests autoists and particularly those who have a penchant for speeding, and the other interests the young hoodlums who are said to rejoice in New Year's eve to a naughty degree, although during past celebrations their mischievous proclivities have been overawed by a multiplicity of police.

As the aviation meet opens today and as the road to the polo grounds is one of the most dangerous in the island, the sheriff will have all the mounted men stationed at intervals along the road besides a number of the foot police. It will be their particular duty to check scorchers and if necessary arrest them. None, adds the sheriff will be in hiding, like John A. McAndrews supposes.

The orders for the New Year's eve celebration tonight are similar to those which have gone before. No rowdiness of any kind will be tolerated; no flour, talcum, snuffing powder (in particular) or other nuisances permitted. The entire force will be on duty in the evening just as if the afternoon had contained no particular extra work.

MANY TROOPS KILLED.

EL PASO, December 31.—Word was received here yesterday that the relief expedition of General Luques for Mexican troops in Chihuahua, has had a series of battles lasting four days, during which his column has lost 600 men in killed, wounded and missing. A large force of revolutionists was concentrated in the attack upon the relief column.

Creditor—Is your master at home? Servant—Yes, please walk in. Creditor—Thank heaven, I shall see some money at last. Servant—Don't make that mistake. If he had any money, he wouldn't be at home.—Flegende Blatter.

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