

From Coast: Seiyō Maru, 25; Korea Maru, 26; Matsonia, 27; Great Northern, 30.
For Coast: Manoa, Tenyo Maru, 27; Niagara, 30.
From Orient: Tenyo Maru, 27.
For Orient: Seiyō Maru, 25; Korea Maru, 26.

Maui News

	Cents	Dollars
per lb. per ton		
Today's quotation	5.455	109.10
Last previous price	5.27	105.40

Alleged Murderer Pleads Not Guilty

Error In Date May Render Indictment Invalid—Light Criminal Calendar—Trial Term Begins Next Week—Grand Jury Discharged

John Hu Kaili, of Hana charged with having murdered Joseph Puhiale in a drunken Christmas brawl, this morning pleaded "not guilty" before the 2nd circuit court. . . .

Sam Burrows, of Molokai, this morning pleaded guilty of burglary, and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Kim Pong Gi, pleaded not guilty of rape.

The grand jury of the 2nd circuit court, which was convened on Wednesday morning, made its final report on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and was discharged.

The indictments found are—
Sam Burrows, burglary
Kim Pong Gi, rape
John Hu Kaili, murder.
No bills were found against—
Frank Correa, manslaughter
Fernandez Planesi, manslaughter
Peter Alpalena, sexual intercourse with female under 15.

Burrows is charged with breaking into the Kaunakakai Store some time ago and stealing various articles.

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Maui Bills To Go In Loan Fund Bill

No Danger Of Appropriations Being Left In Hands Of Public Works To Spend, Says Walsh—Other Maui Interests In Legislature

"None of the appropriation bills for Maui will go through in their present form," declared Representative Jack Walsh, who spent the week end at home, returning to the capital last Monday night.

"Most of these bills should have been introduced in form of resolutions," Mr. Walsh stated, "which would require the finance committee to insert them as items in the loan fund bill which will be introduced to carry all such measures for the several islands. There isn't any danger whatever of any of the bills objected to going through in their present form."

No Baggage On Running Boards
If a bill just introduced this week in the legislature carries, it is unlawful for any automobile in the rent service to carry trunks or other baggage on the running boards. A fine of from \$5 to \$150 is specified as the penalty.

Ask Money For Settlement
Representative Paschoal introduced a resolution providing that the following amounts be appropriated for the Molokai settlement:
Artificial limbs, \$5000; new cottages, \$10,000; electrical equipment, \$20,000; motor truck, \$5000; fire protection, \$20,000; a total of \$60,000.

Postoffice Will Close On The Dot For Awhile

For the purpose of establishing a basis for the letting of various mail carrying contracts, the Maui postoffice will begin weighing all mail matter passing through them, starting on March 27. The weighing will be continued for 35 days.

During this period Postmaster Costa states that there will be no latitude allowed on mail-closing time. At present it is usual to give 10 or 15 minutes grace for the benefit of late correspondents, but this cannot be done when time must be taken to weigh all sacks and keep careful record of same.

Japan To Attack U. S. In 3 Years Says Letter

A Japanese field hand in the Kulaha homestead district received a letter recently from a friend in Japan conveying the rather startling intelligence that the Japanese are preparing to make war on the United States in three years time, and that Hawaii, of course will be one of the first objective of attack.

Unusual Storm Does Maui Little Damage

Iao Stream Threatens Trouble—Severe Lightning Hard On Nerves—Big Surf At Hana—Oahu Badly Washed

Although the kona storm of last Sunday and Monday brought exceptionally heavy rains to many parts of Maui, very little damage is reported from any quarter, while in some sections the moisture has been decidedly beneficial.

On Hawaii also reports of heavy damage have been received from both wind and rain. The storm was of course particularly severe along the kona coast.

Iao Caused Alarm
The heaviest rains on Maui fell on Sunday morning about West Maui. Wailuku got about three and a half inches in as many hours, beginning about seven o'clock. At Waihee over five inches was recorded. The precipitation was so rapid that the Iao stream arose almost to the destructive height of January, 1916. A large crowd gathered at the foot of Market street in spite of the downpour, to watch the raging stream, and the work

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District Nurse In Camps Is Success

Experiment On Maui Agricultural Co.'s Plantation May Be Extended—Other Plantations Said To Be Interested

The success of the camp nurse system inaugurated some months ago by the Maui Agricultural Company at the suggestion of the Alexander House Settlement, has been so pronounced that it is probable that the idea will be considerably extended on the M. A. Company plantation, and that it will be adopted by the Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company, and possibly other plantation on Maui.

At the present time there is but one nurse, whose work is confined chiefly to the main Hamakuaopoko camp. This work consists of keeping in such intimate contact with the laborers, and their families that insipient cases of tuberculosis and other diseases are discovered, thus preventing their spread, and at the same time making cures practically assured.

Miss Anna Sylva, the Hamakuaopoko nurse, is reported to be rendering exceptionally efficient service.

ST. PATRICK'S DANCE WAS JOLLY AFFAIR

The dance last Saturday night at the Puunene Club house, under auspices of the Puunene Athletic Club, was voted by all of the two hundred or more young people present, to have been one of the most pleasant dances ever given on Maui. It was a St. Patrick's Day affair, with decorations all in green, most of the ladies in green gowns, and the men with conspicuous ties and other parts of their dress of same vivid hue.

Fair May Absorb Racing Association

Committee Recommends Plan—Another Harmonious Meeting But Plan Of Organization Is Changed—Next Meeting April 5

Reversing their practically unanimous decision of two weeks ago to incorporate their organization, the workers for future Maui County Fairs yesterday decided that they could work better under an ordinary membership association plan, and so ordered.

The reason for changing the form of organization was that it was believed more interest could be kept among a wider number of Maui residents than could be the case with the other plan. Under a joint stock company a few persons, by voting the stock they owned or controlled, might dictate the policy of the organization and thus tend to discourage small share holders from taking an active interest.

To Absorb Racing Association

Chairman Harold Rice, on motion carried, appointed a committee of ten members to draft constitution and by-laws, and to report at a meeting to be held on April 5. The committee consists of—E. R. Bevin, chairman, D. H. Case, F. B. Cameron, F. F. Baldwin, William Walsh, W. F. Pogue, C. D. Luffkin, F. G. Krauss, W. A. Baldwin, and R. A. Wadsworth.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to confer with the committee of the Maui Racing Association reported recommending that the latter organization be consolidated with the fair association. The fair association will assume a debt of about \$1750 of the racing association, and will take over the ninety-nine-year lease of the race track grounds, and the buildings, the later being estimated to be worth about \$3000.

The meeting yesterday was attended by some thirty-five business men from all sections of central Maui.

Expert Studying Potato Diseases On This Island

C. W. Carpenter, a plant pathologist of the bureau of plant industry, Washington, D. C. who has been attached to the Hawaii experiment station in Honolulu for the past six or eight months, is on Maui this week studying the diseases that have been troubling farmers on this island.

Mr. Carpenter states that the potato diseases in the Islands are principally two in number, and both are common on the mainland. In fact he says it is probable that most of the seed brought here is infected. Careful seed selection and rotation of crops, he believes is the solution of the problem.

Kula Crops Doing Well Storm Damage Small

But little damage was done by the kona storm last Sunday, according to reports from Kula, although the rain fall was heavy. Corn is well up and looking well. Potatoes, which were badly beaten down by the kona storm of several weeks ago, and which were supposed to have been all but ruined, is stated have largely recovered and will make a fair crop.

RESIDENCE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD BY ADMINISTRATORS

The sale of several acres of land belonging to the estate of Edward H. Bailey, deceased, is advertised by the administrators to take place on April 14. The property is on Vineyard street, and is valuable residence property. Besides the real estate, 17 shares of Maui Drygood & Grocery Company stock, 15 shares of Nahiku Rubber Company stock, and 4800 shares of Consolidated Mining Company stock will be sold.

Maui Assessments Raised Over Seventeen Percent

Tax Assessor J. H. Kunewa returned last Saturday from Honolulu where he attended a week's meeting of the territorial board of tax equalization. A general increase in assessments was a result of the meeting.

The board, which is composed of the four counties with Charles J. McCarthy, treasurer, as chairman increased the tax valuation of the sugar plantations in the Territory \$23,687,000. In 1916 the plantations were valued at \$96,638,000 and this year the amount is fixed at \$120,325,000.

The largest increase are those of the Oahu Sugar Company and the Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company, each being \$2,000,000.

	1916	1917
Pioneer	\$ 5,800,000	\$ 7,500,000
Olowalu	200,000	335,000
Wailuku	4,100,000	4,100,000
Hawn, Com. & S. Co.	14,000,000	16,000,000
Kahului	600,000	600,000
Maui Acrel Co.	6,500,000	8,000,000
Kaheku	700,000	1,000,000
Kipahulu	100,000	100,000
	\$32,000,000	\$37,635,000

St. Louis College To Play Ball Here

Basket Ball Team Also Coming To Try Conclusions With Alexander House—Some Good Sport And A Dance In Sight For Easter Time

Maui has the promise of at least three good games of baseball this season, even if she doesn't get a league organized, as now seems quite likely. A. A. Reis, of Wailuku has succeeded in making arrangements to have the St. Louis College baseball team from Honolulu come up to spend their Easter vacation, and he has managed to stir up enough enthusiasm to insure a warm welcome for the team which for some time has lead in school base ball in the city.

Besides the base ball team, the St. Louis College will send along its champion basketball team to try conclusions with the Alexander House Gymnasium five.

The St. Louis ball team were the 1916 interscholastic champions, and the basket ball five are the present interscholastic champions.

A series of three games will be played, one on Saturday, April 8th, the other on Sunday, and another on Monday, the 9th and 10th, respectively. The local team will present a strong lineup, being composed of some of the best players in the old Junior league, together with one or two of the Seniors to even up things. Geo. H. Cummings will manage the local team and the public may rest assured that with Brother George handling the reins, the All-Maui will come mighty near keeping the bacon at home.

It is hoped that a large crowd will attend the games especially Sunday's game which should prove to be a hummer.

Kona Gale On Hawaii Does Much Damage

Hilo, March 20—One of the worst storms in the history of this island was reported here yesterday. The gale wreaked its will in many strange ways turning loose torrents that tore open the graves in a Japanese cemetery in Kau Monday night, and distributed the bones of the dead in the muddy cane fields below.

A Japanese woman in the Kau district was caught in the flood caused by the cloudburst and drowned, almost within sight of her home.

The great steel bridge between Pahala and Waiohinu was washed out by the floods and Pahala was completely isolated. The canefields in that district were harmed but slightly, and the damage done by the gale as a whole is believed to have been but small. The traffic around the island is at an end however, thanks to the convulsed condition of the roads, and it is impossible to say when it will be resumed.

AMERICAN TANKER SUNK OUTSIDE OF WAR ZONE

More Than Score Lives Lost—Germany Apparently Trying To Force War—Congress To Meet April 2—Germans Still Retreating Before Allies Troops

LONDON, March 23—American oil tanker Healdton, 2722 tons, sunk by submarine outside of war zone. Was bound from Chester, Pa., for Rotterdam with refined petroleum. At least twenty-one, and some reports say thirty-four of crew foully murdered. Attack was made after dark on Wednesday. Torpedo was fired from close range. Only twenty-four out of thirty-nine of crew who took to boats saved, many dying from cold and wounds. Shots hit upper side of engine room, explosion killing thirteen instantly, or maimed and burned to death.

Frank Mahin, United States consul, cables these details. Says attack was unwarned, and within supposed safety zone.

British steamer Coronada, sunk. Twenty-one missing.

PARIS, March 23—Snow is hindering Allies' advance, and transportation of supplies. Germans desperately fighting around St. Quentin, making stand, but were smashed back. Retreat continues.

LONDON, March 23—Hollweg called to army headquarters for consultation with kaiser and Hindenburg. Believed international policies are to be reviewed.

British food controller urges that country adopt a two-day per week meatless plan, and two days without potatoes. Would allow five ounces of meat in future. Police authorized to inspect houses to ascertain if more than authorized amount of sugar is on hand.

WASHINGTON, March 23—America is ready to accord full recognition to Russia, according to state note to Ambassador Francis.

WASHINGTON, March 22—Offer of mediation to prevent actual war between United States and Germany, expected. Administration has heard that European neutrals are contemplating such plan. Frankly regarded that the effort is backed by Germany to divide sentiment of Congress and embarrass America. President declared authoritatively that no proposal for mediation will be considered.

Plans for rendering financial assistance to entente nations in case of war, is being considered by federal board and other officials. Two courses are proposed: one for United States government to place large sum at disposal of ententes; and other to place general credit of entente with individual banks.

PARIS, March 22—Since the Somme offensive, 853 square miles have been recaptured, including 366 towns and villages. 200,000 Frenchmen have been liberated. Germany still possesses 7126 square miles.

French captured several more villages between the Somme and Aisne. Five new palatial passenger steamers are planned says Rosseter, manager of Pacific Mail, on board Venezuela. Believes time is ripe and believes he will obtain them.

Inter-Island hearing postponed on account of counsel being engaged in court.

Guarded statement of Governor indicates something is to be done in matter of German ships in day or two by federal authorities.

School survey plan received unanimous support of House. Runaway freight car hits passenger train. None but engineer hurt. He had bruised face.

Forbes has been called to Senate to explain additional cost in building territorial prison. He blames Ripley & Davis, architects. Plans incapable of being carried out. Were accepted under Frear's administration. He attacked architects vigorously. Was sensation of the day in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 22—Food exports from United States reduced by submarine campaign from 105 million to 67 million tons.

Secretary Baker, chairman national council for defense, called meeting for next Saturday to discuss defense measures.

LONDON, March 22—Law intimated government will make another attempt to settle Irish question.

Lloyd George telegraphed Russian premier—"Revolution is greatest service Russia has rendered Allies."

LONDON, March 22—Greatest advance made yesterday by British. Have driven Germans more than ten miles to the south and southeast of Terrone and enemy is still on the run. Lines now ten miles or more east of the Somme. Yesterday forty villages recaptured between Arras and Nurlu after heavy fighting, but British drove Germans into full retreat.

Russians have crossed Persian border into Mesopotamia taking Ottomans retreating before British in flank movement, threatening whole Turk army with extinction or capture.

WIRELESS MARKET QUOTATIONS

SESSION 10:30 A. M. MARCH 23, 1917.

Sugar Price at N. Y. 96 degrees	
Ewa Plantation Company	5.455
Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Co.	33.00
McBryde Sugar Company	49.1/4
Oahu Sugar Company	10.1/4
Olaa Sugar Company	28.1/4
Pioneer Mill Company	14.1/4
Waialua Agricultural Company	36.1/4
Honolulu Brewing & Malting Company	30.1/4
Mineral Products Company	.96
Honolulu Consolidated Oil Company	3.20
Engels Copper Company	6.1/2
Mountain King Mine	.29
Hawaiian Sugar Company	.38
Onomea Sugar Company	.53 1/2
Hawaiian Pineapple Company	41.50
Oahu Railway & Land Company	162.1/2
Mutual Telephone Company	
Hilo Railway (7 per cent Pfd.)	8 1/2
Hilo Railway (Common)	2 1/2
San Carlos	16
Honokaa	10
Montana Bingham	.43
Madera	.31