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THE LEGISLATURE'S WORK.

If the Fifth Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii had done nothing more than enact laws that will enable a more efficient handling of the great problem of leprosy, make provision for the introduction of European immigrants, give good-sized appropriations for public schools, authorize the deposit of public funds in the banks of the Territory instead of hoarding the gold in the vaults of the public treasury, and transfer additional responsibilities to the Councils, it could be said with all truth that the session had been a credit to the members of the Legislature and the people whom they represent, and the money it cost well spent.

These measures having to do with the health, industry, population, education, finance, and government by the people are sufficient to merit the verdict of well done, and we believe their importance is to be gauged in the order named.

Of course there has been evil legislation headed off. Of course there has been much left undone that should have been done. The failure to pass the Direct Primary law will stand to the everlasting disgrace of the legislators whose work is now just closed. And the share of responsibility for the bad faith these representatives have shown in their relation with the people to whom they gave their solemn pledge cannot be more generously shouldered onto the Republicans than the Democrats. A proper standard of patriotism should have prompted the men of both parties to reach a working basis on this, as was done on other measures.

But taking the main results of the session as they will stand when clarified of all the insignificant or temporary incidents and influences that look large when in the immediate foreground, the Legislature has shown careful judgment, wise foresight, and desire to reach right conclusions for the general welfare as opposed to private interests, that is deserving the highest commendation. It is naturally gratifying to this paper that such a large number of the measures it has championed in behalf of the intelligent and liberal-minded Americans of the Territory have gained the approval of the legislators and are now the law of the land.

As one follows the legislative results from year to year there is a steadily increasing proof of the beneficent operation of liberal Americanism in this Territory. The old forces of prejudice, selfishness, cant, and hypocrisy are losing their grip. Whether it is by popular pressure or an honest desire to reform makes little difference. The results speak. The grafter doesn't dare to put himself in the game to any great extent. In other words, the Territory is heading further away each year from semblance of government by the grafter or the dictator.

The people are developing a better spirit of unity in dealing with the public affairs of the Territory. In this connection the large outpouring of citizens to attend the hearings of legislative committees was a magnificent demonstration of an increased personal interest in the affairs of government. The civic standard is higher. The people are speaking more plainly. There is less back-room manipulation, more open dealing.

And as the people are coming to take this additional personal interest in their government, the representatives have done their duty in recognizing the popular demands. The public hearings, for instance, have had great influence. The legislators have been convinced and followed the obvious desire of the citizens.

The Executive is less arbitrary than in former days although it has indulged in shortsighted policies of trickery and double-dealing, next door to political dishonesty. These, however, are matters of personal temperament rather than an evidence of a community tendency. The disgust with which such matters are received by the community furnish a healthy sign of a growing demand for common honesty in personal dealings of officials with the public.

keeps on in the way it is moving, there need be no fear of losing any of the privileges of self-government now enjoyed. The people may go forward confident that the time is close at hand when the whole system of local government may be completely remodeled and those responsibilities rightfully resting with the local municipal organizations shall be transferred from the central authority.

SCOTT LEGISLATED OUT OF HIS JOB

Leslie Scott, first deputy clerk of the Judiciary Department, has been legislated out of a job. The approval of the Appropriation Bill cut his salary out from under him. The Legislature was determined above all things to be economical, so to save paying Scott a salary of \$150 a month, it cut him off the payroll and substituted in his place two assistant clerks—at \$100 each. Of course, this may be economy, but just how is hard for the ordinary mortal to see, especially in view of the fact that there are already more clerks in the Judiciary Department than the judges know what to do with.

The Legislature also pared \$25 off the salary of Henry Smith, giving him a job with a new title. Where Jimmie Thompson gets off nobody seems to have figured out yet.

DECLINED INVITATION

Kunihara, a Japanese barber, was charged at the Police Court this morning with having used threatening language toward a Japanese woman. He is alleged to have invited the woman and her husband to come out on the sidewalk and be killed. This cordial invitation was declined with thanks, and the police informed of the matter. The affair was thrashed out this morning before Judge Andrade, and after C. F. Chillingworth had cross-examined the complaining witness, the Judge called a halt and dismissed the accused.

It appears that the trouble arose through Kunihara asking for a raise in his salary; this was denied him, and he quit his job at once. The whole affair seemed weak, as the complainant admitted having visited the defendant and trying to square the matter by offering him back his old job.

POLICE COURT

"Monkey" Fragas is once more in the lockup, this time on a charge of chicken stealing. Yesterday morning, about 3 o'clock, a Japanese watchman in Palama noticed a couple of men carrying a bag of chickens. As soon as they saw the watchman they dropped the bag and took to their heels. When Chief Leal got a description of the men he came to the conclusion that "Monkey" and his pal John Bull were back at their old game.

This morning the Chief cross-examined Fragas in the presence of Mrs. Freitas, to whom the alleged thief had sold eight chickens. "Monkey" at first denied selling the fowls to the lady, but later on confessed that it was so. The youth has a very bad record, and has been convicted several times before; once for pigeon stealing. It is also alleged that he has been known to sell stolen chickens to a person and then steal them back again.

Ex-Chief of Detectives Kalakiele is confined to his room through illness at present. It is some old trouble which has been worrying him for some time; however, he expects to be down at his office in a day or two.

There is no change in the condition of the three men who were shot at Aiea. They are progressing as well as can be expected, and Haunani, the man who did the shooting, is still in the lockup at Pearl City.

The Ellefords will be the hosts of the news-carriers of the city this evening. The management has invited the boys from the newspaper offices who deliver the papers to subscribers to attend the play this evening and occupy reserved seats. It is a good play and the boys will enjoy

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LINDSAY DOFFS ERMINE TOMORROW

Will Resume Private Practice With A. Judd

Judge Lindsay doffs the ermine tomorrow and resumes private practice as an attorney, his resignation tendered recently going into effect the last day of the month. The Judge was busy this morning clearing out his desk in his chambers, and expressed great satisfaction at the prospect of getting back to private life.

He has formed a partnership with Albert Judd. Already things seem to be coming his way. He states that he has business on hand already that will bring him in more in a month than his salary as Circuit Judge would be. His period on the bench has given him experience and a knowledge of the law that he could not have gained in any other ways, but he says he thinks it is time for him to begin to build up a practice for himself.

Deputy Attorney General Whitney, who is to succeed Lindsay, has not yet received official notice of his appointment, and probably will not for some time, as he has to be confirmed by the Senate before his appointment is operative.

GAS COMPANY IS UNAFRAID OF PROBE

"We court criticism and we deny that we have approached anyone for the purpose of influencing them to refrain from investigating the gas company service," said Manager Wight this morning. "Good service is a business asset, and that is why we make the saying our motto. I know of no one who requested Senator Quinn or anyone else to stay an investigation of the service." The same sentiments were also expressed to the Bulletin for publication by Attorney Withington.

ELLEFORDS SCORE IN PRINCESS OF PATCHES

Well, well, who would have thought it. The Ellefords proved themselves to be good vaudeville people last evening, when there were specialties galore. Miss Mattie Lloyd Luce gave a pleasing song and excellent toe dance, while Hernandez came to the front with a parody that made an immense hit, and Ray Collins was there with a clever con song, and the Osborn children had another new one, the best yet. The piece was full of surprises and laughable situations, especially the old boat-house, which received several curtains.

CONFESSED JUDGMENT

Jessie K. and Virginia K. Makalana, against whom Allen & Robinson, Ltd., brought ejectment proceedings to recover possession of two pieces of land, one being one acre on Kalia street and the other 1.26 acres on Middle street, confessed judgment this morning in Judge Lindsay's court, on condition that no writ of execution issue for 45 days. The plaintiff also asked for \$2500 damages, but it is stipulated that this claim be dropped.

THE ROYAL THEATRE.

The Hawaiian hula girls are having huge houses at this little unique theatre in the heart of the Oriental section. Tourists should not miss this opportunity of seeing the old Hawaiian dances.

HAWAII WILL JOIN WITH CALIFORNIA

Childs Plans To Open Active Social Campaign

Hawaii and California will take the lead in social functions at the Alaska-Yukon Exposition, if the plans of Lloyd Childs do not miscarry. Childs plans to have the Island Paradise join hands with the Land of Sunshine in entertaining visitors at the Fair.

"California has always taken the lead in social functions in the past," said Childs this morning. "I do not think that we can do better than form a combination with her representatives at Seattle. I hope to have the broad verandas of the Hawaiian building screened and draped after the manner of lanais in these islands and I believe that they will prove very attractive. By joining hands with California, I believe we can make a strong showing."

THE POLLARDS.

Great preparations are being made for the farewell show at the Opera House, Saturday night. The first part will be minstrel, and the second part, "Under the Pump," a musical skit with very humorous situations. "Fun on the Bristol" will be given for the last time at the Saturday matinee.



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Overture: Unrest Storck
Intermezzo: The Apache Dance (new) Offenbach
Melodie in F (first time) Rubinstein
Popular Harry Lauder's Songs (new) Hume
- Part II
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