

# HERBERT READS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

### Retires to National Lawmakers His Determination to Achieve Peace in Mexico and Dwells at Length on International Relations of the Much-Harrassed Southern Republic.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—The national congress was convened here by President Huerta last night. President Huerta's message, one of the most lengthy he has yet submitted to the national lawmakers, was listened to attentively throughout. He read the message from the rostrum of the senate, speaking in a strong, clear and distinct voice.

Huerta dwelt at length upon his policy in the past, and reiterated his determination to carry out his program to achieve the peace of Mexico. The message contained extensive mention of the international relations of Mexico, and commented with much bitterness on the difficulties which the Mexican government has encountered in raising funds, owing, said President Huerta, to the discouraging influence exercised by the strange attitude toward Mexico of a certain power.

### JUAREZ, Mexico, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—A telegram received here last night from General Villa, directing the siege at Terreon says that Terreon has not yet fallen into the hands of the Constitutionalists, although he now holds a part of that city.

It is rumored here that a trainload of soldiers under General Mena sent to reinforce the Federal forces at Terreon, has been dynamited. During the fighting yesterday General Velasco, commanding the Federal troops at Terreon, asked for and received a three hours' truce, wherein he offered to surrender the city and all stores, provided the lives of the officers and men were spared. Villa replied that General Orozco and many others, traitors to the Carranza cause, must be executed and stated that he would refer the request to Carranza.

### JAMES GORDON BENNETT STRICKEN IN EGYPT

CAIRO, Egypt, April 1.—(By Associated Press Cable).—James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, which issues a Paris edition, is in a very serious condition here. Mr. Bennett has been in failing health for some time past but suffered a relapse yesterday which has caused considerable apprehension among his relatives and friends gathered around his bedside. Specialists were hastily summoned and every effort is being made to prolong the life of the aged publisher.

### JAPANESE STATESMAN SUDDENLY STRICKEN

TOKIO, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Aya Hattori, former member of the Diet died here yesterday. The distinguished lawmaker was stricken with cerebral hemorrhage yesterday and died despite every effort to save his life.

### PAULINE CHASE OPERATED ON FOR APPENDICITIS

LONDON, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Pauline Chase, the well-known actress, was operated upon for appendicitis here yesterday. The operation was successful, the patient rallying well.

### RHEIMS, France, April 1.—(By Associated Press Cable).—Three aviators met death here today when two machines caught fire in mid-air, in a fall following a collision. The fire caused both machines to collapse, the two aviators and passenger, carried by one of the birds, being dead when they reached the ground.

NEW YORK, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Henry Lustig, a Fifth Avenue importer, was arrested here last night by the customs authorities on a charge of smuggling. He is accused of receiving valuable embroideries brought into this country without the required payment of duty. The customs officials, who have been working on the case, discovered that the embroideries were smuggled in from incoming European steamers by being brought ashore concealed in newspapers.

### SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—The board of directors of the Panama-Pacific Exposition for this afternoon set aside \$100,000 for a world's championship polo tournament to be played at San Francisco between March 15 and May 1, 1915.

It is expected that with this vast amount ready to be distributed in prizes, every country in the world where polo is played will enter teams. Hawaii, which can boast of the finest polo ponies in the world and one of the best polo teams, is bound to have an entry, it is believed here.

# An Average of One Divorce Was Filed Each Day in March

### Honolulu Continues to Maintain Its Record as "The Island of the Mismatched."

During the month of March there were filed in the office of the chief clerk of the first circuit court twenty-six divorce suits. Leaving out the five Sundays which decorated the March calendar this year, the average for the month was one suit filed per day. The last three suits filed in March were as follows:

Eileen Estabrook Kashani against Daniel Piki Kashani; Louise Scobie against Sidney Scobie; Maki Kubio against Daimio Kubo.

### Mattie Tyler, Seventeen Years Postmaster, of Norfolk Commits Suicide; President to Investigate.

NORFOLK, Virginia, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Mattie Tyler, granddaughter of John Tyler, committed suicide here today, following the appointment of B. A. Williams to succeed her as postmaster. Williams' selection was made from the civil service.

### All-Chinese Team Want to Buy Outright But Notley Seeks Management of Aggregation.

Members of the Chinese Athletic Union are on the anxious seat as to the position of their All-Chinese team, and they are wondering if the aggregation is to become a member of the Oahu League or not during the season of 1914. Although the team was admitted to the league at a recent meeting of the directors, there is considerable red tape to be unwound before the aggregation knows just where they are at. According to the members of the team, and the public was led to believe likewise, the All-Chinese were to purchase the franchise of \$200 to Natley, manager of the Stars, will dispose of his franchise only on condition that he remain as manager of the All-Chinese and share in the profits of the team with the players. This proposition does not meet with the approval of the team nor the Chinese Athletic Union. They are willing to take up the note Treadway holds against Natley, or are willing to enter the Oahu League upon the same conditions as the St. Louis Alumni entered, paying the sum of \$100.

It is the contention of the Chinese that the payment of \$200 to Natley does not get them anything, and that he is receiving \$200 for simply turning the name of his Stars into that of All-Chinese, and that he will still be in absolute control of the situation.

What the All-Chinese seek to do is to buy Natley out, take up his note with Treadway and become sole owners of the franchise. Or they are willing to file another application with the Oahu League and become a bona fide member as are the Punahou, St. Louis Alumni and other teams. That Natley should dispose of his franchise outright to the All-Chinese is the consensus of opinion for the best interests of baseball. The Stars, as a ball team, were a joke and did not help baseball whatsoever, while on the other hand a real All-Chinese team in the league would greatly add to the interest in the pastime and create no end of rivalry.

### Taken Back to Steamer Mene from Which They Ran Away—Wanted to Stay Here.

(From Thursday Advertiser.) A. Gawrosh, C. Jacobs and J. Bonderson, deserters from the German steamer Mene, were put aboard the vessel yesterday afternoon shortly before its departure by Harbor Officer Carter. The young men are fine appearing, well dressed, well educated, and apparently have means to live ashore comfortably for several months. Carter says they became enamored of the charms of Hawaii and escaped from the vessel March 25. They were later discovered in a room in a tenement house on upper Fort street with a supply of provisions to last them several weeks. Carter says the deserters intended to remain in hiding until the Mene sailed.

When leaving the police station yesterday the young men smiled sadly as they expressed their regret that they were not allowed to linger and grow up with the country.

### GOVERNORSHIP GRACIOUSLY DECLINED BY CAMINETTI

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(By Associated Press Cable).—A. Caminetti, commissioner of Immigration, announced today that he will not run for the governorship of California as has been announced on the Pacific Coast. Caminetti stated that he believed he was of greater use to the state of his birth and to the Democratic party in his present position.

# BRITISH PRESS PRAISES WILSON

### President's Stand on Repeal of Exemption Clause Commended by the London Standard.

LONDON, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—The British Press is strong in its praise of President Wilson on his stand in the question of the repeal of the exemption clause of American coastwise vessels in the Panama Canal toll bill. Though guarded in commenting upon the chances for the passage of the repeal measure now in congress, many of the leading publications yesterday expressed themselves as hoping that Wilson's policy on this question would be followed.

### CANAL BILL WILL BE PASSED, SAYS WILSON

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(By Associated Press Cable).—The administration is of the opinion that it has the minimum majority necessary to carry the Panama Canal tolls measure through the senate. It is counting on sixteen others voting with the government. Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma says that if the committee fails to report reasonably promptly on the bill he will make a motion for its discharge.

### SEARS ORDERED HOME.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Lieutenant Sears of the First Infantry, stationed at Schofield Barracks, who has been here on leave, received orders yesterday to proceed to his post at once. He will leave at the first opportunity.

### Believed to Be Enlisted with Company at Schofield Barracks—Officer to Investigate.

(From Thursday Advertiser.) Karl Freiherr von dem Bussche Eppenberg, a native of Danabreich, Westphalia, is being sought by a firm of attorneys in Halle, Germany. Georg Rodiek, German consul for Hawaii, received advices from the German attorneys last Monday, stating that Eppenberg had been traced to Hawaii, and was thought to be enlisted in the United States Army and was stationed at one of the posts on Oahu.

### Large Estate Awaits Him.

In the letter to Consul Rodiek, the German attorneys state there is a large estate in Westphalia, the property of the Eppenberg family, which is about to be distributed, and of which a large portion has been bequeathed to the missing heir. Mr. Schroeder is investigating to ascertain whether Eppenberg is a member of the First Infantry.

### May Reveal His Identity.

At Schofield Barracks yesterday the officer in charge said that if Eppenberg was a member of the First Infantry he had not enlisted under that name. During reveille this morning, however, the news of the quest for the missing heir will be announced, so that if the person sought is among the assembled soldiers he may reveal his identity and place himself in a position to claim his heritage.

### COLLEGE OF HAWAII TO SURVEY PUNALUU

A group of four of the College of Hawaii faculty, comprising Professors Donaghoe, Bryan and MacCaughey and Doctor Hlingworth, are to make a biological reconnaissance of the Punaluu region during the latter portion of this week. The party plans to take with them a number of scientific instruments, so that precise records may be obtained.

The Punaluu region is one of unusual interest to the naturalist, as it includes the most primitive portion of the Koolau rain forest. Mr. Rock, the botanist of the college, several years ago found in this region a number of very rare native plants and several new to science.

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# 16 DREADNOUGHTS WILL LEAD WAY

### World's Leading Warships Will Form Procession Through Panama Canal.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The dreadnoughts of the navy of the world will pass in procession through the Panama Canal early next year. It will be a procession of the most powerful warships ever known. The mountains back of Colera and of Empire will look on a picture which will diminish the greatness of the scene of the sweep of the Spanish Armada towards Pamboroug Head.

Rapidly the preparations are making for the gathering of the warships in Colon harbor. It may be that the great event will be set forward from January to March, for it is possible that the operating force of the canal will not be trained to a point of efficiency to make it absolutely safe to entrust it with the safe-guarding of the great fleets in their course from ocean to ocean, but within twelve months the procession will pass and it will be such a one as never before has been witnessed.

It has now been definitely decided that the sixteen largest American battleships, the dreadnoughts of our navy, shall lead the great vessels of the foreign navies through the waterway from the Atlantic to the Pacific. There has been a change of intention with regard to the date of the procession, but with a record which makes it fitting that she shall lead the way as she has led it before. In the immediate wake of the Oregon will come the sixteen most formidable warships of the American navy.

### Eighty-Five Now Known.

Washington officials already have been definitely informed that eighty-five warships of foreign nations will take part in the Panama Canal parade. Tentative promises have been made that other "ships of the aliens" will be added to the lists, and that when the day comes there will be 120 foreign warships in line to take the water of the American craft.

While the American battleships will lead the procession, other American vessels, cruisers, gunboats and smaller craft will be distributed at different points along the line of parade. One detachment will consist of twenty-eight torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers. If the fitness of things is to be preserved, Rear-Admiral Hutch I. Cone will command them, for it was he who some years ago took the little craft safely down the Atlantic, round Cape Horn and up the Pacific in the trail of the world sailing fleet.

### Many Nations to Attend.

Every nation on earth which has a navy, or enough of a navy to supply vessels for other than home guard purposes, will be represented in the sailing line. England, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Russia, Japan and other countries will send their craft and their sailor men to take part in the procession. It will be a great show, and it is probable that thousands of Americans will have an opportunity to see the fleets of the nations in northern waters.

It is expected that the dreadnoughts, the cruisers, the gunboats and the torpedo boats inside the Virginia capes before proceeding to the tropics. It is forty-two miles from Colon harbor to Panama harbor. The first eight miles of the canal from the Atlantic side are at sea level. Then the first of the flight of three locks built by Lieut. Col. William L. Sibert will be reached and each battleship must be locked up the stairway separately. Only one ship will be admitted to a lock at a time, which means, however, that locking operations for three ships can be going on simultaneously, for the flight of three locks at Gatun is so arranged that a vessel can occupy each one of the three steps at once.

### Little Room to Spare.

It needs only an appreciation of the huge number of ships that are to be locked through the waterway on the day of the great procession to make one understand the delicacy and the responsibility of the work of the operating forces of the locks.

Several battleships, the Texas for instance, have a width only of fifteen feet less than the width of the Panama locks. Each ship, as it enters the locks will be taken in charge by towing engines, which run on tracks at the side of the locks and must control the great craft and see that they do not force forward or make way astern to the demolition of the lock gates.

It will take all the sunlight hours of a day to put all these great steel ships through the Panama Canal.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 1.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Charles Edward Waddell, famed throughout the baseball world as "Rube" and famous in Philadelphia Athletics, died here today of tuberculosis. Waddell led a spectacular and erratic career as a baseball player, but was an idol of the fans as well as a thorn in the side of his managers. Waddell first sprang into prominence in 1902 and during his stay in the league performed many wonderful feats in pitching. In 1903 he jumped the Athletics to play with the Los Angeles team, but after a month on the Coast, he again returned to Philadelphia. Following his big league career, Waddell drifted to the American Association but was on the down grade owing to his excessive use of liquor, and this habit is believed to have brought about the disease which ended his life.

# Wotherspoon Chief of Staff Wood Starts on New Duties

### WASHINGTON, April 1.—(By Associated Press Cable).—Maj. Gen. William Wallace Wotherspoon of the general staff was today chosen as successor to Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood as chief of staff.

Brig. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, now in command at Fort Bliss, Texas, one of the principal posts on the Mexican border, will be assistant chief.

The duties will not be new to General Wotherspoon, as he had been acting chief two or three months when General Wood went out and before General Wood formally succeeded to the position.

General Wotherspoon will bring to his new position a wealth of experience and honor. He is the man who started the International Conference of Naval Architects by a scheme for revolutionizing structural rules in building ocean-going vessels. He proposed an inner skin for all ocean passenger boats, with numerous compartments filled with compressed air, rendering them practically unsinkable.

By maintaining the air pressure in case of accident, the boats could be kept upright and able to withstand the onslaught of the sea, and at the same time forcing the water from the flooded and damaged compartments. He did not present merely a theory, but showed successful tests of the plan as made on the warship North Carolina.

W. W. Wotherspoon was born in Washington, November 16, 1850, and has a long military record. He became a lieutenant general October 2, 1907, and served on the general staff from 1908 to 1913.

### Recent Promotions Will Result in New Officers Coming to Oahu Posts.

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, March 30.—War department orders dated March 30, announce the transfer of six lieutenants to regiments here. The Fourth Cavalry gains three first lieutenants to fill existing vacancies, caused by the transfer of Lieut. F. H. Coleman, recently promoted, from the Second Cavalry. Lieut. R. H. Kimball, recently promoted from the Eleventh Cavalry, and Lieut. A. Boone, recently of the Third Cavalry, and who gained his lieutenancy on Capt. Jess Stejke's promotion.

To the Twenty-fifth Infantry by transfer will come three second lieutenants to help fill the gaps in the official personnel of that regiment, whose seven vacancies in that grade have existed. Lieut. W. C. Phillips, from the Fourteenth Infantry; Lieut. E. E. Deason, from the Eighteenth Infantry, and Lieut. C. C. Stokely, from the Twenty-eighth Infantry, are the newly transferred officers. These officers are all of the West Point class of 1909, and will rank all of the second lieutenants of the Twenty-fifth except Lieutenants Speed, Baird and Paine, which promises to further complicate the quarters question.

Lieutenant Philon Aas, a national reputation as a football player. He was captain of a victorious Bowdoin College team before entering the academy, and while a cadet played center on the West Point team, and was captain during its first class year. He made the All-American team of 1909.

Another addition to the garrison will be made by the assignment to the Twenty-fifth Infantry of Lieut. Col. W. W. Forreth, to take the vacancy made by the detail of Lieutenant Colonel McDonald to the inspector general's department. Lieutenant Colonel Forreth has recently been attached to the First Cavalry at the Presidio of Monterey, and will join his new regiment on the June transport.

It is rumored that Maj. Edmond L. Butts, Twenty-fifth Infantry, will be detailed to the position of instructor of military art at the University of Minnesota, to leave the department in time to join at St. Paul for the opening of the college year next fall. Major Butts had just completed a four-year detail at the Minnesota college when he joined his present command about two years ago.

### Many Expeditions to Hunt Animals in Alaskan Waters This Season.

Attracted by alluring profits promised by walrus hunting in Alaskan waters many more ships than ever before, it is said, are being outfitted to engage in the pursuit of the big animals this season and a lively vigil is in prospect for the vessels of the international patrol fleet which are sent into Behring Sea each year to guard protected game against the invasion of poachers. As the big fish hunts the little fish and in turn is swallowed by the walrus, so the human hunter pursues the walrus and is himself pursued by the sea-going police if he invades forbidden waters in his quest for game.

### Japanese Join in Quest.

Formerly the sturdy Norseman, ever ready to brave the perils of the frozen north that discouraged even the most venturesome sailors of other nations, led the precarious chase for seals and walrus, but since the Japanese got a taste of walrus meat they have joined in the hunt and their activities threaten the animal with extinction. According to reports, expeditions are being fitted out at many ports of the empire and will leave for Alaskan waters in time to be there when the season opens.

### Dried Like Venison.

Walrus meat is considered a delicacy in Japan, the animal being sought as much for this reason, it is said, as for the profit realized from the sale of its tusks. The meat is put through a drying process much like that employed in producing venison and when so treated it is said to keep indefinitely in any climate, and to be so popular as a food staple among the Nipponese that it brings fancy prices even during hard times.

that period, until 1909, when he became assistant to the chief of staff. From 1907 to 1909 he was president of the War College, and again held the same position in 1910-1912. He was appointed commander of the Department of the Gulf, with headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, in January, 1912.

He was appointed to the Army from civil life, and his rise to the top was rapid. He was jumped over the heads of 117 colonels and thirty lieutenant colonels, and was not even the senior lieutenant colonel in his arm of the service, being eighth in rank in the list of lieutenant colonels of the infantry arm when he began his stride towards the presidency of the War College and the title of brigadier general. He was very popular with the staff administration, which recognized in him special qualities as a soldier and general all-around, able man.

He is an able and forceful speaker, writes well and thinks deeply. He is a typical American soldier of the brainy, resourceful type, and looks the part.

### WOOD NOW COMMANDS DEPARTMENT OF EAST

WASHINGTON, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, succeeded yesterday by Maj. Gen. William Wallace Wotherspoon as chief of staff of the United States Army, lost no time in assuming his new duties. He has been assigned to command the Eastern Department, with headquarters at Governors Island.

### City Treasurer Takes Up Question of Legality of Measure with Attorney General.

City Treasurer C. J. McCarthy, believing that he had discovered a "nigger in the woodpile" in connection with the new direct primary law, recently put the matter up to Attorney General Thurston, who hastened to reply. "You must McCarthy really figures that the point he discovered questions the constitutionality of the act. To cover the supposed defect in the present law he thinks the Governor should get busy and draft an amendatory bill which should be rushed through congress at this session in time to have it in operation before the primaries are held in September coming.

"The purpose usually to be served by a primary law is to provide for the nomination of candidates for office by direct vote of the people," says the attorney general in reply to Mr. McCarthy, "but it will be seen that by the terms of the sections of act 151, under certain circumstances, a candidate at the primary may be fully elected to office, and need not stand for election at the general election, as provided for by the Organic Act. And as section 13 of the Organic Act provides that no person shall sit as a senator or representative in the legislature unless elected under and in conformity thereto, it would seem that in that respect there is a possible conflict between the Organic Act and the primary law.

"There can be no question that where an act of the legislature comes in direct conflict with the Organic Act, if must fail, and you suggest that possibly section 85 of the Organic Act, which provides for the election of delegates to congress, is included in the following: 'This legislature of the Territory shall have the right to alter or amend any part of the election laws of said Territory including those providing for the election of Delegate to Congress and its action shall be the law with full binding force, until altered, amended or repealed by congress.'

"The difficulty with this argument is that there is nothing in the election laws of the Territory which treats of the date of the general election, such date being fixed by the Organic Act in section 15, and while the paragraph from section 85 refers to the election laws providing for an election of Delegate to Congress, there is nothing in the election laws of the Territory on this subject, the whole matter of the election of the Delegate being contained in section 85 of the Organic Act. It may be argued from the fact that congress has provided that the legislature might amend the laws relating to the election of the Delegate and that the only law on the subject is part of the Organic Act, that congress intended that the legislature might alter or amend the Organic Act in all matters relating to elections.

"But I do not put much faith in this line of argument, for it certainly can not have been intended by congress that the legislature should be permitted to amend those portions of the Organic Act which provide for the qualifications of electors (sections 69 and 62, Organic Act). And there is no reason why, if the legislature can change the date of the general election, it can not also prescribe new qualifications for voters.

"After a comparison of section 14 of the Organic Act and similar provisions in the constitutions of most of the various states, I find that by the majority of the statutory or constitutional provisions relating to this matter use practically the same phraseology; that is, the first election is set for the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November in a given year and the phrase 'every two years thereafter' or 'every four years thereafter' follows. In some statutes and constitutions, the word 'biennial' is interjected in that phrase, so that it reads 'and in every second year,' etc. (Revised Statutes, Minnesota, section 153.) In certain other constitutions the phrase 'biennially thereafter on the same day' is used. (Revised Statutes, Indiana, section 6874.)

DOUGLAS, Arizona, April 1.—(By Associated Press Cable).—Yagui Indian riders, who made a foraging trip over the border from Mexico, are accused of the killing of Otto Mueller, a German citizen.

# STERILE SOILS EASILY MADE PRODUCTIVE

### Hawaii Experiment Station After Thorough Test Discovers That Use of Fertilizer in Spills of Territory Has Been a Useless Waste of Money; Planting of Leguminous Cover Crops Solves Problem.

Dr. E. V. Wilcox announced yesterday that an extended series of experiments conducted by W. F. Kelley, chemist of the Hawaii Experiment Station, indicate that all Hawaiian soils contain enough plant food to produce crops without using fertilizer. "Island soils are rich," said Doctor Wilcox. "They contain an abundance of all the essential mineral elements of plant food. I am of the opinion that, if these elements can be made available, as our experiments show to be within the range of possibility, Hawaiian soils have the lasting qualities that will enable them to be cropped for many years without fear of serious depletion of their natural fertility."

The physical condition of the local soils is of far greater importance than their chemical composition. He said that the station chemists have found an abundance of plant food present in soils that absolutely would not grow crops. This has been especially true of the "packed" virgin soils. Analyses of hard packed soils usually show heavy total percentages of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash, with no nitrate, and no soluble potash or phosphoric acid. When these soils are cultivated and broken up the fixed elements become soluble as a result of aeration. Also, soluble plant food applied to packed soils quickly becomes transformed into fixed or insoluble combinations.

### Indiscriminate Analyses Useless.

Doctor Wilcox stated that he has come to the conclusion that indiscriminate chemical analyses of soils to determine what crops can be grown or what fertilizing elements are lacking are absolutely useless. The fertility of soils depends on their physical condition, not on their chemical composition, he stated. The station experts have taken sterile soils that analyzed up to the richest soils in the world and have transformed them into crop-producers without using commercial fertilizers. The method is to use thorough deep and frequent stirring and cultivation and grow leguminous cover crops.

Doctor Wilcox stated that the experiment station has transformed sterile soils by this practice so that in two or three years they were capable of producing enormous crops. Cover crops make soils richer every year. After the percentage of humus in soils has been increased through the growth of legumes on the land the soils get to the point where fertilizers greatly increase growth and production. A dressing of fertilizer applied to a loose well tilled soil produces far greater results than an equal amount applied to a hard close-packed soil. Doctor Wilcox said that it is not a business proposition to use fertilizers on soils unless the physical condition of the soils is first improved by plowing under leguminous cover crops and green manures.

### Test Seed Being Offered.

The station has secured considerable quantities of seed of some of the best legumes suited to tropical conditions and now offers for trial one pound packages of seed of velvet beans in three varieties; eleven kinds of soy beans, or dalis; four varieties of peanuts—jack-haws, Seshania, Kahi, and the Indian Mungo.

If modern methods of cultivation are employed and every effort is made to put the island soils in better physical condition by adding more humic compounds to them Doctor Wilcox stated that it is his belief that Hawaii can grow bigger crops with less fertilizer. (Chemical fertilizers, he stated, do not take the place of cultivation in making soils rich.)

### GOTHAM'S POLICE MUST LEARN HOW TO SWIM

NEW YORK, April 2.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless).—Following the program Mayor Mitchell will improve the efficiency of the New York police department, the police commission yesterday issued an order that in the future examinations of candidates for positions on the police force swimming and life saving will be made a part of the tests.

(Special Cable to The Advertiser.) WASHINGTON, April 1.—Charles Barron of Honolulu, who is here advocating his own candidacy for the postmastership of Honolulu, took time today to interest himself in the federal offices of Hawaii. He has enlisted the services of Senator Vardaman against Internal Revenue Collector Cottrell of the district of Hawaii. Barron announced that he has presented the name of a Democrat for the place and expressed himself as certain that this man will be named.

The name of Barron's choice could not be learned here yesterday. It is the belief, however, that Soapbox has thrown his support to C. D. Fringle for the position now as ably filled by Charles A. Conrill.

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