

Navy Wife Victor In Court

Kaiser Rumored Buyer Of John Ena Land For \$750,000

Although principals are doing very little talking about it, report from informed sources has it that Henry J. Kaiser, millionaire manufacturer who has recently taken an interest in tourist possibilities of the Territory, has purchased 7.7 acres of John Ena Estate land makai of Ala Moana Blvd., ewa of Fort DeRussy, for a price in the neighborhood of \$750,000.

No announcement of the deal has been made yet, real estate sources believe, because Kaiser's agents may be dickering for other land adjacent and do not wish to drive the price up.

If the reported purchase price is correct, it would mean Kaiser

paid only about \$2.40 per sq. ft. for the John Ena land, a figure considered a bargain for land in that area.

Opinion on a fair price for land in the area varies, but the lowest figure mentioned to an inquirer was \$4 per sq. ft.

"Anything below that," said the appraiser who mentioned it, "would certainly be a bargain."

The nearest property adjoining that seems desirable is the Paoo Estate land, and it is this property Kaiser's agents are said to be trying to buy now. A spokesman for the estate had no comment to

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Fight Followed Racism, Spitting; Accuser Punished

When a chief steward of the Navy, a Negro with 20 years of service in the Navy, came home last March 19 to find his wife crying because a neighbor's children had spit on his children, he testified in magistrate's court Wednesday, he told her to go out and speak to the neighbor.

Then he watched while his wife asked the neighbor, Mrs. Mildred Holliday, and told of the reply.

"She threw up her hands and said 'So what?' and then she spit in my wife's face."

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Sylva's Opinion Seen As Move To Oust Aoki From Bd. On \$76,000,000 Fund

At stake is a tremendous amount of money—\$76,000,000 belonging to government employees as the "kitty" of the Territorial Retirement Fund. It is an amount that grows by \$6,000,000 per year. Next year it will be \$82,000,000.

Issue in question is the manner in which the money shall be invested.

Principals who dispute the issue are members of the board of trustees. One trend of thought, represented by Fred Ohrt, is believed to be aimed at putting the money, or a large portion of it, in the care of the Hawaiian Trust Co. The

other, represented most strongly by Daniel Aoki, favors wide local investments.

The latest move in the rivalry, however, is one aimed at eliminating not only Aoki, but two other elected members of the board of trustees, Mrs. Helen Murphy and Luke Ukaouka.

It is a legal opinion given by Attorney General Edward Sylva to Gov. King which reportedly declares that the elected trustees hold office illegally—that all must be appointed by the governor.

Directors of the Hawaiian Gov-

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Baptiste Brought Economy; Target For Fern After Printing Put Out At Bid

By Correspondence

LIHUE—Katahi county is effecting savings to the taxpayers in its economy program and more than mere feelings have been hurt.

● An annual \$15,000 job printing outlay which used to go outright to the Garden Island Publishing Co. is now put out for competitive bidding. Result—one third savings to the taxpayers.

● The printing of the county auditor's annual report which went to the Garden Island Publishing Co. for a flat fee of \$800 is also open to competitive bidding. Result—the Garden, according to official records, went down as low as \$435 in its bid.

This surprised many as labor from the time the job was for \$800.



CHAIRMAN BAPTISTE Opposed By Ahana Brothers

● The county auditor who re-

Small Producer Dumps Milk Before Palace In Protest Against Big Boys

The dumping of 80 gal. of milk in front of Iolani Palace Tuesday by a small Waimanalo dairyman underlined a problem reported more than two months ago by the RECORD—that of surplus milk and a maintenance of high prices.

George Ernberger, who set the street in front of the palace awash with milk, said he has been getting only 15 cents a quart for milk.

Yet, the price generally remains 31 cents a quart.

On Feb. 11, the RECORD reported how the L & L Dairy, owned by Robert Lee, was selling at 29 cents in an effort to crack the price front.

Ernberger said it costs him 12 cents a quart to produce milk. Figuring his costs at more per unit than those of large producers, observers were quick to see what a proportion of profit must be en-

joyed by the big operators in the business.

In the RECORD'S Feb. 11 story, an account was given of how some producers had been forced down to the 15 cent level in dealing with milk distributing companies.

At that time, spokesmen for the larger companies hesitated to speak of a "surplus," but following Ernberger's demonstration, the figure of 3 per cent as surplus was quoted freely. Some said it is a conservative figure.

Conspicuously present at the pouring of the milk Wednesday was A. A. Rutledge, teamsters union agent, who said he now represents Ernberger and other small producers who produce more than one third of the milk consumed in Honolulu.

The figure was disputed by some producers.

Fong Said Playing With Political Dynamite In Blocking Forces That Made Him Speaker

Speaker Hiram Fong of the house of representatives is playing with political dynamite, many observers feel, in ignoring the alliance that put him in the speakership over Percy Lydgate and going along with GOP party-liners to close the special session to all issues but statehood.

Having taken the first step, by refusing to throw the session open to all bills, Fong appears determined to hew to that line. Thus far he has tossed out many bills introduced by Democrats, even though they were represented as having a bearing on the statehood issue.

If a test should in any way come again, some Democratic members of the house say, Fong might well



SEN. DUARTE "Let's Go Home"

lose the support that enabled him to gain the speakership in the regular session, despite the wishes of his own party leaders.

Hill on Spot Too

Sen. William "Doc" Hill, up for reelection next time, is in a precarious position too, and he looks to the house with as much interest as to the senate. If the session should be thrown open there, the Hawaii representatives might toss measures into the hopper that would require him to take some positive stand—and then lambaste him if he failed.

The Democrats in the house, especially floor leader Charles E. Kauhane and Manuel S. Henriques, have fought to open a wedge by which they might introduce bills that would benefit the Territory—instead of merely clinging to the statehood issue.

Henriques pointed out that ex-

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Japanese Unions Protest H-Bomb Tests In Pacific

TOKYO-(ALN) - The General Council of Trade Unions of Japan announced it would launch a nationwide protest campaign against the U. S. H-bomb tests in the Pacific. It said the campaign would also include a demand for banning all atomic weapons.

The labor organization's move coincided with the mood of virtually the entire Japanese people, who were horrified at the injuries suffered by the 23 Japanese fishermen as a result of the March 1 H-bomb explosion.

The upper house of the Japanese Diet April 5 unanimously adopted a resolution condemning atomic weapons. On the previous day, the Japanese Science Conference at a meeting of its special nuclear physics committee, issued a statement demanding the banning of atomic weapons from the standpoint of humanitarianism and science. The committee de-

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"Blanket" for Civil Service Employees Not Answer; New Tests More Likely

There is not likely to be any "blanket law" passed to cover illegally hired employees of government, as suggested in a front page story in the Star-Bulletin last week.

The chief reason is that O-C employees, among whom some 209 are said to have been illegally hired, have already been "blanketed" once when civil service was installed, a civil service authority revealed this week.

At that time, employees who had been hired to 1939 were exempted from the provisions of civil service. Legal authorities doubt that such a thing could be done again, in view of the action.

The situation, known to exist long before Attorney Walter Ackerman began using it as his chief defense of Roger Marcotte, still may be resolved without whole-

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Brewer Milks Naalehu, Mainlanders Stripped It
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Oxnam Blasts Un-Americans; Bishop Sheil Hits McCarthy

By Federated Press

DETROIT-(FP)- "Incompetent, irresponsible, and lacking in integrity," are the tags pinned on the House Un-American committee by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of the Methodist church in a lecture here April 7.

The committee has scheduled sessions in Detroit, Flint and Lansing early in May, unless another postponement follows the half dozen already announced. The May date is nearer the Michigan primaries of Aug. 3, where Rep. Kit Clardy (R, Mich.) of the committee hopes against hope to win re-nomination in the 6th district.

Oxnam, who called the committee's bluff about investigating the Protestant church last summer, declared in Detroit:

"There is a rightful and necessary place for such committees but abuse of investigative processes is essentially un-American. Its so-called public files are composed of newspaper clippings, letters, hearsay, allegations made by miscellaneous individuals or organizations, and rumors.

"These files, released by the committee, are regarded by the average citizens as an opinion or conclusion of the committee. However, they are unverified and unevaluated. The committee assumed no responsibility for their accuracy and insists that the material released does not represent a conclusion of the committee.

"Such derogatory statements can easily take the earning capacity away from a person and ruin his reputation in the community."

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CHICAGO-(FP) - The United Auto Workers (CIO) sixth biennial education conference April 9-11 provided the setting for a no-holds-barred attack on Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R, Wis.) by Bishop Bernard J. Sheil of the Chicago Archdiocese, founder and director-general of the Catholic Youth Organization.

The bishop's denunciation of McCarthyism brought him a standing ovation from the 2,500 delegates and congratulations from UAW Pres. Walter P. Reuther, who told him: "We are happy to join with you in this fight against political immorality in America."

The 66-year old Catholic leader, who has a reputation as a liberal advocate of unionism and racial equality, referred to McCarthy only as the "junior senator from Wisconsin" and termed him a "pitifully ineffective anti-Communist." He said "anti-communism is a serious business" which "is not a game to be played so publicity-mad politicians can build fame for themselves."

Sheil was the first high Catholic prelate to denounce McCarthy, who is also a Catholic. His speech came a week after the senator was the honored guest and speaker at a communion breakfast of the Holy Name Society of the New York Police Dept., attended by one-third of the city's police force. McCarthy received a hero's welcome at the affair, was praised by Msgr. Joseph A. McCaffrey and shook hands with Cardinal Spellman.

Although Sheil emphasized he was not speaking for his church, he questioned the wisdom of other Catholics who are supporting McCarthy. The Catholic church takes no position on controversial political issues, he said, but "it does

More on Navy Wife

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The result was a fracas in which a number of blows were "passed," a charge of assault and battery by Mrs. Holliday, and a counter-charge by Mrs. Willie Mae Hooker, the wife of the chief steward.

Chief's Wife Acquitted

After hearing the case, Magistrate Harry Steiner acquitted Mrs. Hooker and found Mrs. Holliday guilty, suspending sentence on her for 15 months.

Many witnesses testified for both women and during the testimony, it developed that Attorney James Shigemura had been retained for Mrs. Hooker by a Caucasian sailor, Torpedoman Jesse C. Fees, a former shipmate of the woman's husband, Chief Steward Necoletus Hooker, and a friend of the family.

Fees had also asked Shigemura to have him subpoenaed, he said on the stand, because he feared that otherwise he might be prevented by his duties from testifying in Mrs. Hooker's behalf.

Character witnesses for Mrs. Hooker included a number of Navy personnel ranging from the torpedoman to a chaplain and a retired commander.

Although Judge Steiner scrupulously kept out any comment on the racist motivation of the encounter, and even ruled out an attempt to introduce the background, it got in anyway.

Mrs. Hooker testified that, shortly after her husband located his family at the CHA-2 home, Mrs. Holliday had visited to tell her "colored people" weren't wanted there.

During her encounter with Mrs. Holliday, she said, that woman called her a "black son of a bitch."

The chief's wife verged on tears when she told how she had returned from the hospital only a week prior to the incident after suffering a miscarriage.

Mrs. Holliday, on the other hand, testified that Mrs. Hooker had called her from another neighbor's house, then said, "God damn it Mildred, I don't have to take this god damned stuff any longer."

Then, Mrs. Holliday testified, Mrs. Hooker had complained of the Hooker children spitting on her children. When she asked further questions, Mrs. Holliday said, Mrs. Hooker struck her.

Later, she called police and after that, she said, Mrs. Hooker repeated her accusation and struck her again. Mrs. Holliday testified that she did not fight back.

A number of witnesses summoned by her attorney, J. Donovan Flint, testified to her story, or parts of it, but there was one exception, a Mrs. Chapman, who said she didn't know who struck the first blow, but that "they were both hitting."

In his argument, Attorney Flint deplored the entry of "the racial question" into the case, but then used it in an effort to discredit his own witness, Mrs. Chapman.

"She's colored," he said, in what he apparently thought an explanatory manner.

Aside from Chief Hooker and his wife, Mrs. Chapman was the only Negro witness called by either side.

In his argument, Attorney Shigemura emphasized the spitting episode and pointed out that no evidence had been introduced to refute it.

"Therefore it must stand as fact," he said.

Judge Steiner agreed in his finding.

Attorney Flint filed a notice of appeal.

Outside court, the RECORD learned that Mrs. Holliday had filed a charge of threatening against Mrs. Hooker earlier, basing her charge on the same incident, but had failed to appear. Later she filed the assault charge.



WANTS MCCARTHY RECALLED NOW—Editor Leroy Gore of the Sauk-Prairie Wisconsin Star holds up copy of his paper urging recall of Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R) without waiting four years for a regular election. In Washington to map further strategy in his campaign, Gore said he has already obtained 185,000 petition signatures of 403,000 necessary for any action. (Federated Pictures)

Mossadegh Still Hero of Iran For Nationalizing Oil, U. of H. Told

Every American has 50 cents a year invested in the United States' "honest broker" policy of subsidizing the Iranian government headed by General Fazallah Zehedi, Dr. Edward A. Bayne, adviser to the Iranian government from the U.S. Mutual Security Program, told a gathering at the University of Hawaii recently.

The economist, who is presently on the American Universities field staff, explained that in Zehedi "We have a general who was not afraid to use the army to suppress the Communists." By giving Zehedi's government 45 million dollars to meet its budget, "We bought time" in Iran, Dr. Bayne added. He said another gift will probably follow soon.

Mossadegh Had Support

America is negotiating to work out an agreement on the oil problem satisfactory to Iran, Dr. Bayne said. A consortium of one French, two British and five American companies will probably take up the exploitation of oil resources where Anglo-Iranian Oil left off, but provision will be made for Iranians to share in management, since the British monopoly of management in the past was one of the sorest points with Iranians.

Zahedi's government is not expected to survive the oil agreement very long, he declared.

The whole country supported Dr. Mohammed Mossadegh, former premier, in his nationalization of the oil fields, Dr. Bayne said, because Iran was rebuffed in its efforts to borrow money for a seven-year plan of industrial development and its people bitterly resented the state-within-a-state behavior of Anglo-Iranian Oil.

National Hero

Later, when revenue from the oil no longer came in, Mossadegh lost support of the conservative parties and religious leaders and turned more and more to left-wing Tudeh, leading to the self-exile of the Shah and an attempt to set up a republic, Dr. Bayne told his audience.

Other highlights of Dr. Bayne's lecture are his information that:

- The coup d'etat which overthrew Dr. Mossadegh and restored the Shah on his throne began in a monster demonstration engineered by the traditional racketeers of Teheran, the "knife carriers" who head the athletic clubs.

- Despite his overthrow, Mossadegh is the national hero of Iran because he restored the nation's self-respect by nationalizing Anglo-Iranian Oil property. He cannot stage a political comeback but will probably be released soon to live under honorable "village arrest."

- Zahedi's suppression of the pro-Communist Tudeh Party has been "brutal and ruthless." Any striker or slogan-shouter was shot on the spot. A detachment of soldiers went through the University pulling out of the classrooms students who were considered ringleaders in Tudeh, and shot them then and there.

Landlord Domination

- Typical distribution of crops raised by Iranian peasants is one-fifth each to the landlord, the owner of irrigation water, the man who supplies seed, the man who supplies draft animals, and the peasant cultivator himself. The landlord is usually the first three rolled in one and gets three-fifths of the crop.

- Nevertheless, there is not likely to be much land reform because the government has no money to buy out the landlord's rights and the ex-landlords would have no industry in which to invest their money if they were paid.

"A Communist land reform is much easier," he said.

Iranian peasants, however, because of their cultural isolation are not much influenced by Communist ideas.

At the same time, some steps toward self-government, at the landlord's expense, are being taken in a few of the 40,000 Iranian villages.

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS

Caucuses among Democratic groups in the past week have been mostly among groups to whom the most important question has appeared as, "Whom can we find to beat Jack Burns?"

With an approach no more constructive than that of eliminating one officer, the groups have understandably come up with answers that failed to satisfy even them.

At one meeting last Sunday, reportedly lasting about seven hours and under the sponsorship of John Akau, a number of names were thrown out. These included Vincent Esposito, Bernard Trask and Ernest Heen.

There were those who saw Esposito's name as the strongest of the three, but later talk was to the effect that Esposito told Akau what he told reporters some time ago—that he would not be a candidate for chairmanship of the central committee. The young lawyer and fiery representative has been too busy in the past couple of years to attend even such meetings of the central committee as were called. Presumably, he again pleaded lack of time.

The reaction of Heen and Trask is unknown, though Heen is not considered acceptable to delegates from the outside islands—who remember his walkout leadership too well. Nor is he especially popular with adherents of Mayor Wilson, since he ran against the mayor and received what seemed a political reward from Gov. Stainback in being appointed head of the territorial welfare department.

As for Bernard Trask, his popularity with Oahu Democrats is undoubtedly high, especially since he is chiefly known for speeches in behalf of Mayor Wilson and in other functions in which he figured as a strong Wilson supporter. But whether or not that reputation carries to the outside islands is another question.

It may or may not have been significant that Heen's name was thrown in by a strong supporter of John Akau, Mrs. Thelma Monaghan.

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MORE THAN A LITTLE conjecture has been to the effect that John Akau, himself, though he has thus far denied it, may be "drafted" to run for the chairmanship, against Burns. If that possibility exists in the minds of his supporters, their play might be to arrive at his name after a sort of process of elimination—having proved to the satisfaction of as many as possible that Akau is the man "to beat Jack Burns."

How Akau figures to run any better than Heen among delegates from the outside islands remains something of a puzzle, though.

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EUGENE KENNEDY is said to be the next candidate to challenge the old political axiom that "cops can't win" in elections. Kennedy is being touted as a candidate for the board of supervisors. The theory is that ex-policemen have too many enemies to win elective posts. Kennedy has much popularity and should give the theory as fair a challenge as possible. But he's picking a tough race.

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A LOT OF LOOSE talk has been thrown around by Burns' opponents about how many votes they have lined up against him, but John Akau doesn't see it that way, at least not for publication. "It looks to me," he told the RECORD, "as if the outside islands will decide the important issues. Here on Oahu, the delegates seem to be divided in a sort of standoff."

Nor does Akau expect any explosions at the coming convention. Generally things will be pretty peaceful, he predicts.

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JUST WHY Jack King, the Republican representative, should get a job surveying personnel in the C-C building department may seem a mystery He hasn't got the job yet, in fact. But he's apparently had some sort of offer. He was in not long ago looking over the problem. Now he's busy with the special session, of course, and maybe he'll run into some GOP big shots who'll give him a job of some kind. Considerable surprise was evinced last month on all sides when King was discovered working at a labor job on the Kalih Tunnel. The Republicans have a reputation of taking better care of politicians who get elected and then vote right along with the party-liners on the big money issues.

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AN OLD-TIMER who knows his way around local politics voiced the thought of many Democrats when he said this week, "The only issue seems to be Jack Burns and the chairmanship. And they're not getting into any fights over that."

N. Y. City Hall Workers Pass Out Peanuts To Popeyed Passersby

By Federated Press
NEW YORK (FP)—New Yorkers walking past City Hall from noon to 2 p.m., April 8, each received a free peanut from angry city workers.

The peanuts were handed out by members of the American Federation of State County & Municipal Employees (AFLE) in protest against the peanut-sized raises proposed for civil service workers in mayor Robert F. Wagner's 1954-55 budget.

The union demonstrators carried signs, which said: "Peanut raises are for the birds. City workers demand a \$750 raise. We want \$750 from City Hall, not pennies from heaven."

Jerry Wurf, the union's general representative, accused the new Wagner administration of showing "callous indifference to the tragic economic plight of its employees." He cited the \$10,000 raises proposed for commissioners and the \$350,000 kitty set aside for raises for other top officials and demanded: "Where is the city worker amidst this shining parade of dollar signs?"

Bigelow To Ask For Better Deal On Pine Contracts At Molokai

Recent extensions of pineapple company contracts with Hawaiian homesteaders on Molokai, Chairman Lyman H. Bigelow said this week, are in accord with an option in the contracts allowing the company to continue the contract an extra five years if they choose.

Reports emanating from Molokai had been to the effect that HHC officials were circulating extension papers on behalf of the California Packing Corporation to get signatures from the homesteaders.

Instead, said Bigelow, the commission's secretary, David K. Bent, being informed by the company that it would take advantage of the option, was merely relaying the information to homesteaders.

In recent years, the contract given homesteaders by pineapple companies has been the subject of much dissatisfaction. It pays a homesteader \$70 a month for the use of most of his homestead. Occasionally the companies have given bonuses at the end of the year amounting to as much as \$300.

Seek Pay By Tonnage

But many homesteaders argue that this is only a fraction of what they would receive if they were paid on a basis of percentage of the tonnage of pineapple grown on their property.

During the last session of the legislature, a number of Molokai homesteaders, sought action that would break the contracts. They argued that the contracts are in violation of the HHC act, which provides that homesteads may not be sub-leased.

But Attorney General Edward N. Sylva wrote an opinion to the effect that the contracts may not be broken on those grounds. In his opinion, he quoted from an earlier opinion by Nils Tavares when Tavares was attorney general.

In the face of these opinions, Chairman Bigelow said this week, he does not see how the contracts may be broken.

Will Ask Better Deal

"The best approach as I see it," said Bigelow, "is to try to sit down with the companies and see if we can't induce them to give the homesteaders a better deal."

He expects to meet with representatives of the different companies shortly, Bigelow added.

Kauai Judo Team Chosen to Compete In AAU Tourney

Kauai's representatives to the Territorial AAU Judo Tournament to be held Sunday at the Ala Moana Park are: Ted Shimazu of Hanapepe, 130 lbs. division; C. Kouchi of Hanapepe, 150 lbs. division and Alan Funamura of Koloa, 180 lbs. division.

They captured their respective division titles in a tournament held in Lihue last month sponsored by the Kauai Black Belt Association. Team championship of the tournament went to Hanapepe with Koloa, second, Kapaa, third and Lihue, fourth.

Tentatively planned is another tournament to be held at Hanapepe on May 9 sponsored by the Hanapepe YBA and the Kauai Black Belt Association. Teams entered are Hanapepe, Kalaheo, Koloa, Lihue and Kapaa.

PHILIPPINES NOTES

Reaching of a preliminary agreement on the amount of war reparations to be paid the Philippines Republic by Japan was announced last week in Manila by Vice-President Carlos P. Garcia and Japanese Minister Katsumi Ohno. The amount named was one billion dollars.

Informed of the announcement, President Ramon Magsaysay said he would immediately confer with Congressional leaders on approval of the agreement which must come from them.

According to the announcement, the agreement includes the payment of \$1 billion in capital goods and technical assistance for a period of 20 years. That period may be shortened to 15 years, the announcement said, if after five years conditions in Japan warrant such a change.

Among the services to be rendered the Philippines by Japan are dams for hydro-electric projects, agricultural projects, salvaging of sunken ships, railway works, improvements in the rice industry and rehabilitation of churches.

No Japanese labor will be employed on any of the projects, it is stipulated, beyond technical workers.

It is foreseen in Manila that, if the agreement meets no opposition in the Filipino legislative body, the Japanese peace treaty may be approved by the senate before its adjournment in May.

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LATEST TALK from foreign office circles in Manila has it that there are four possibilities for the office of consul general to Hawaii. The four are the following:

- Roman Cariaga, writer and college professor at the Arellano University, a former resident of Hawaii. Cariaga is endorsed by the Batangueños.

- Vicente Lazo, former Congressman of Ilocos Norte.

- Attorney Rodolfo Ranada, a very active young lawyer in Laoag, Ilocos Norte.

- Otolio Gorospe who finished a four year course in foreign service studies at the University of Manila last year.

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NICASIO CAMINERO, an escaped convict whose past included political killings, was shot and killed from ambush it was reported in Imus, Cavite, last week. Along with the suspended governor, Dominador, Caminero was accused of the killing of Jacinto Morales, son of a National Party leader, in Bacoor.

Surrendering in January to Gov. Horacio Rodriguez, Caminero pleaded guilty to two murder charges. The next month he bolted the stockade in which he was being held and was reported to have reorganized a criminal gang which he had once led.

His death, it is believed, was the result of disputes with other gangsters.

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A KIDNAP-MURDER CASE has stirred Cavite to a fever pitch and next announced move of the police is to question a husband who refused to pay 1,000 peso ransom. The murdered woman is Mrs. Damiana Ongkiko. Found in her hair was a last note to her husband written in Tagalog, which said, translated freely, "My dear husband, you valued money than my life. You allowed me to suffer this way."

The husband, not fully named in the Manila Chronicle which reports the story, was reported at one time to have got the word of

one of the kidnap gang that his wife would be returned in 24 hours. Although three persons were arrested on the kidnap charge, the hint is given that they were arrested because they were suspected of being Hukbalahap affiliates rather than because of real evidence of guilt.

Questioning of the husband has come as a surprise move in the case.

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ANOTHER ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING was foiled in Batangas when two men, disguised as women, were arrested and confessed that they had planned to put the "snatch" on Max Blouse, president of the Batangas Transportation Co. The two apprehended men, one of them only a 14 year old youth, had threatened Blouse a number of times with kidnapping and possible liquidation. They were caught after Blouse arranged a meeting with them, promising to pay money they demanded.

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SIX LABOR STRIKES are still awaiting solution, the labor department announced in Manila last week, these being at the following firms and projects: Philippine Rubber Project, Redi Taid Co., Marble Corporation of the Philippines, Marcelo Steel Corporation, Rattan Art and Decoration, Inc., and the Santiago Zambrano Transportation Co.

Two strikes recently settled were those at the Halili Bus Co. and the National Shipyards and Steel Corporation.

British Soldier Wins Appeal; Hit Kenya Brutality

LONDON (ALN)—A 20-year old British veteran, David Larder, won his appeal against being recalled to the army from which he was dismissed last September after he had disobeyed orders while on duty in Kenya, Africa.

Called up for his 2-year conscription term, Larder was a second lieutenant. The duties he had to carry out as a British army officer in Kenya appalled him and when he was sent out on patrol he deliberately came back early so that he might be charged with disobeying orders. This is what happened to him and he was sent back to Britain, dismissed from the army.

Now a tribunal has directed that his name may remain on the list of conscientious objectors, provided that, instead of military service, he does hospital work, forestry work or work on the land. "This is not a personal victory," he commented. "It is rather a victory for the many decent people in Britain who are horrified by these colonial wars."

Larder told the tribunal: "I love England so much that I do not wish to see her name dragged in the mud as a result of the things I saw taking place in Kenya." One of the atrocities he witnessed was the cutting off of dead Africans' hands.

All the allegations he has made of British cruelty against the African people have been proven true, he said, adding: "It seemed to me that the Africans had everything in common with the ordinary people in England and were struggling for the same things that the British people had themselves struggled for in the past."

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Mountain Ramps Parallel Daikon, Kim Chee; Now Win Wide Social Approval

By EDWARD ROHRBOUGH

A United Press story informs that Richwood, W. Va., is now the "ramp capital" of the nation, and thereby hangs a tale—as well as an odor—that has a local parallel. Ramps are wild leeks which look like wild onions, taste wonderfully good raw, boiled, or fried along with some type of hogmeat, but which also leave the eater carrying an odor fully as potent as Japanese daikon, or Korean kim chee. The same type of people that object to those odors locally, in fact, take great exception to mountain eaters of ramps, and perhaps for much the same reasons.

You see, the peculiar nature of ramps makes them somewhat akin to the shmoos of L'I Abner's Dogpatch, U. S. A. They cannot be commercialized because they are only edible about a month and a half in the spring of the year. They are too strong to be shipped very far successfully, and a merchant can't keep them lying around his store very long. But they are a great boon to the poor people.

Easy To Get

Ramps seem to flourish only at high altitudes (though I once found some growing on Long Island) but in the mountain areas of a few states, they grow so abundantly that there is no point in selling them. Anyone who wants a mess of ramps goes out and digs them up out of his backyard, or maybe on the hillside behind his house. But if he's too lazy for that, there are always neighbors who dig more than they can eat and will be glad to give some away.

So April is one month in the year when the poor people in the mountains have full bellies, satis-

fied looks on their faces and breaths that stand way out in front of them.

But only a few years ago there was one serious obstacle. It was considered bad form socially to be caught with a ramp-breath. Those who considered themselves a little above the general cut in formal education and ways of the outside world looked down at the ramp-eating, odoriferous brothers. Yet not a few of these ate ramps themselves on the sly.

I always believed that the mark of stigma was placed on ramps by elderly, unmarried female schoolteachers who came from the lowlands to bring learning and sophistication into the mountains. Certainly they were the ones who became most exercised over ramp-breaths on the schoolchildren.

Feminine To Faint

In a day when it was considered attractively feminine to faint over any reference to sex, no matter how obscure, or to develop a nausea at a puff of cigarette smoke in an automobile, the lady school teachers of the mountains declared they could not function properly with ramp-eating children in their classes.

So the mountain children who ate ramps were subjected to the same kind of sidelong glances and taunts as one hears was dished out to Honolulu children who brought daikon or kim chee in their lunch boxes.

Some schools even had a standing rule that any child who came to class with a ramp-breath should be sent home forthwith.

It is good, therefore, to hear that ramps, instead of remaining behind the schoolteacher's curtain, have emerged as a point of pride in the mountains.

"Local Boys" Change Picture
Much credit must go to Jim Comstock and Bronson McClung, editors of the Richwood News-leader, who helped out the campaign to popularize ramps tremendously. Both are "local boys" who were probably thrown out of school themselves as kids for eating ramps. At one point in their pro-ramp campaign a couple of years ago, they mixed ramp juice with printer's ink so the subscribers in faroff places could get a whiff for themselves and revive nostalgic memories.

When I was teaching in the high school at Richwood 20 years ago, the social taboo was still on, but I had the good fortune to be living in a home where the taboos got an argument.

Some members of the family were intimidated by the taboo, but not "Aunt Nan" Spencer, the kindly, highly religious grandmother. She had grown up in a day when bears were caught and penned up for butchering. She had once joined in a women's temperance movement to help wreck and burn a saloon, though she was the most gentle old lady you could imagine.

But she had the courage of her convictions and she knew there was nothing wrong about ramps. So as often as anyone brought ramps around, she cooked them and all ate them who had a mind to.

Brought Out Stoolies

It was at that period, too, that I discovered who all the little stoolpigeons in my classes were. They were sneaking to me to advise in shocked tones, "Mr. Rohrbough, someone has been eating ramps."

I would sniff the air suspiciously and agree gravely, "Yes, I believe someone has."

After awhile, the warnings ceased. Even the stoolpigeons had figured out it was teacher who'd been doing the eating.

Needy Americans Should Get Food Surplus - - Official

WASHINGTON (FP) - Unemployed workers and other Americans hard-pressed to feed their families should apply to their state welfare agencies, not to Washington, to get some of the government's huge stocks of surplus food, an Agriculture Dept. spokesman emphasized to *Federal Press* Feb. 16.

The official apparently was trying to play down any idea that there are large numbers of hungry U. S. citizens clamoring for food by saying that only three states had made formal requests for distribution of the stocks. But he admitted a flood of informal requests have been coming in, including letters from individuals, local officials and others seeking information.

FP was assured that under Sec. 416 of the agricultural act of 1949, surplus food may be distributed free through recognized relief channels to prevent waste through spoilage. The order of priority for this is provided in the act as follows: (1) State school lunch programs; (2) the Indian Bureau and other agencies concerned with welfare; (3) private welfare agencies, such as the Salvation Army, using the food in the U. S.; and (4) private agencies using the food overseas, such as CARE.

States Ask For Food

The official emphasized that the Agriculture Dept. is not a "welfare agency" and is inclined to honor any formal request from state agencies for surplus food. He claimed such requests had come only from Missouri, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, although other reports indicated several additional states had asked for food.

In the fiscal year 1953 ended last June 30, the department gave out only \$2.7 million worth of surplus foods. But from July through November 1953, about \$19 million worth has been given out. This indicates the increase in the demand, but by no means measures the real need for it since the recent upsurge in unemployment.

More on H-Bomb

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clared atomic energy should be used only in the interests of peace.

City Councils of Musashino, Shioyama and Ishinomaki have passed resolutions demanding a ban on atomic weapons.

Dr. Masao Tsuzuki, the Tokyo medical specialist who is treating the 23 injured fishermen, called for "a worldwide ban on the use of atomic and H-bombs."

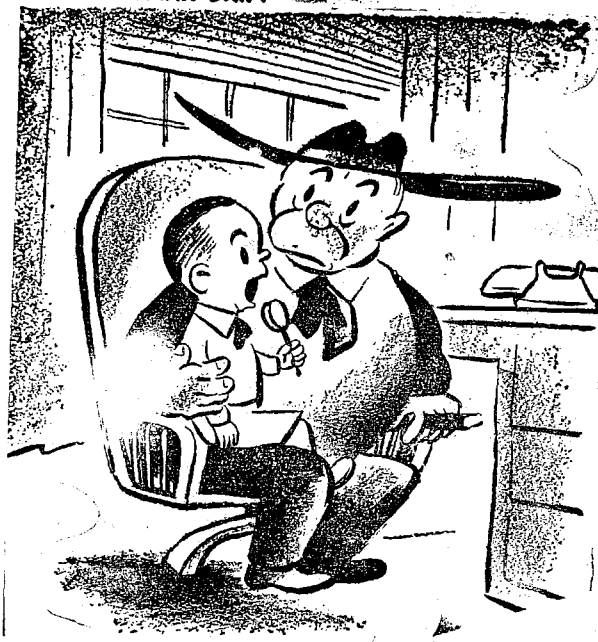
Calif. Counties Say Relief Funds Soon Will Be Exhausted

SAN FRANCISCO (FP) - A check of county welfare offices in the San Francisco bay area has disclosed that several counties will have to dip into their emergency relief funds within the next 30 to 60 days.

Contra Costa county expects a deficit of \$60,000 by June and Alameda will be in the hole \$300,000. Unexpected drains on relief funds have also left Sacramento, Marin and Sonoma counties badly hit. A rise of \$100,000 over the 1953-54 budget is anticipated in San Francisco.

Exec. Sec. Ruth I. Kaiser of the California Council of Social Work said some sort of state aid is necessary, specifically for migrants who go from county to county looking for work.

CONGRESSMAN DRIPP



"Daddy, I want to play with your H-bomb too."

Wall St. Bawls Out GOP For Optimism; Says Gov't Must "Assure Good Times"

(FR).—When will the rolling adjustment that is worrying American business stop rolling? No one in Wall Street circles seems to know and some of them are already bawling out Republican politicians for being too optimistic.

"The farm machinery man is as blue as his customer," was the headline over an article in *Barron's Financial Weekly* Feb. 15. The best *Barron's* could do for its anx-

ious readers was to have them wait and see, saying:

"A pretty good line on what lies ahead should be available in the spring trend of automobile sales."

Meantime it reported that "inventories (stocks of unsold goods) still constitute the chief uncertainty."

With customary frankness the *Wall Street Journal* reported from Washington Feb. 19:

"Business dip worries GOP officials more than they're admitting. Their concern is political as well as economic . . . They are convinced a recession is the one issue that could give the Democrats control of Congress. And the Democrats are getting ready to use the economic issue for all it's worth. That's the significance behind Eisenhower's new pledge to step up his anti-recession program if jobless rolls don't shrink in March . . . Some important Eisenhower allies in Congress are getting critical in private talks of the administration's unwillingness to say recession—not just a 'rolling adjustment'—is on."

Temps among the Wall Street optimism boys are getting short. U. S. News & World Report got some below-the-belt satisfaction by noting that "Walter Reuther, CIO president, who is deeply concerned about unemployment, is adding to that problem by firing 35 out of 260 CIO organizers. The union-organizing business is reported not to be as brisk as it was."

Govt. Must Do More

At the same time it admitted that "there's a gradual shift underway in White House policy. It's a shift over to the view that government must do more to assure good times."

The *Magazine* of Wall Street, which had been trumpeting that everything was okay because prices on the stock exchanges were still high, changed its tune Feb. 20. It deplored the action of some Democrats in making political hay out of the business decline but it had another wallop for its friends the Republicans:

"The Republican leaders, on the other hand, have had the bad judgment to paint an overly optimistic picture in the face of definite evidence that many uncertainties face business."

Public Warned By BBB About AMA Organ Sold Here

The so-called "health program" being promoted in Honolulu supposedly by the American Medical Association has not been authorized by the AMA, the Honolulu Better Business Bureau said last week.

Representatives of Publications Service Company, reportedly of Los Angeles, are soliciting without authorization subscriptions to *TODAY'S HEALTH*, an AMA monthly periodical.

The sales talk by the solicitors leads the public to believe that the solicitations are made on behalf of the AMA.

"NO AUTHORITY"

"We have no record," the AMA notified the local BBB, "of ever having had any correspondence with the agency, or of ever receiving or accepting any subscriptions for *TODAY'S HEALTH* from them or their representatives."

"They have no authority to sell our publications or to advertise that they have any connection with the American Medical Association."

"Any subscriptions that have already been secured under this plan will not be accepted, and if any orders are cleared through another magazine agency who have a contract to sell *TODAY'S HEALTH*, the agency who accepts the clearance of the orders will be notified that their contract arrangement will be cancelled."

'Oklahoma!' Opens At Ruger Theater May 12

"Oklahoma!" the musical comedy that played to packed houses in New York for several years, will open at the Ruger Theater, Wed., May 12, as the last production of Edward Magnum as director of the Honolulu Community Theater.

Among those in the cast are Phyllis Sydney, Edward Kenney, Lorraine Santschi, Tom Raskin, Elsie Russell, Pete Slade, Yankee Chang and Albert Correa.

The musical, adapted by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein from Lynn Riggs' play, "Green Grow the Lillacs," is remembered as the vehicle for such famous songs as "O What a Beautiful Morning," "Surrey with the Fringe on Top," "Kansas City," and "People Will Say We're in Love."

Reservations may be made now at the Ruger box office, Ph. 79-2625.

Beginning Monday, tickets will be sold at Dotor's, Hotel and King Sts.

Performances will be Wednesday through Saturday evenings, 8:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoons at 2:30. Ticket prices are: \$2.40, \$1.80 and \$1.20 for evening performances; \$1.20 and 60 cents for matinees.

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Big Profits Reflected By List of 29 Firms In 1953 "Billion Dollar Club"

By Federated Press

NEW YORK-(FP)-Twenty-nine U. S. corporations had the assets needed to qualify for the billion dollar club in 1953. One company was a newcomer to the exclusive circle.

The Business Week survey, made public April 10, did not include banks or insurance companies. In an earlier survey Jan. 16 the business magazines revealed that 18 banks had assets of \$1 billion or over last year.

Heading the industry club as usual was the Bell Telephone System with assets of over \$11.9 billion. Following were Standard Oil of New Jersey, with \$5.3 billion; General Motors Corp., \$4.4 billion; U. S. Steel Corp., \$3.2 billion; and Pennsylvania Railroad, \$2.5 billion.

The list of corporations that had sales or revenues in the billion dollar class was slightly larger. It included 32 corporations, with General Motors out in front and Bell Telephone, Standard Oil of New Jersey, U. S. Steel and the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. following in that order. The billion dollar sales club included eight oil companies, three auto companies, three steel companies, the Swift and Armour meat packing companies, General Electric

and Westinghouse and two rubber companies.

Sears Included

In the 29-member billion dollar assets club, the Phillips Petroleum Co. just made the grade with assets of \$1,039 million. Other members included:

Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., \$2.1 billion; Standard Oil of Indiana, \$2 billion; E. I. duPont, \$1.8 billion.

Texas Co., \$1.8 billion; Bethlehem Steel Corp., \$1.7 billion; Gulf Oil Co., \$1.7 billion; Ford Motor Co., \$1.7 billion; General Electric Co., \$1.6 billion; Pacific Gas & Electric Co., \$1.6 billion; Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe RR, \$1.4 billion; Sears Roebuck & Co., \$1.3 billion.

Union Pacific RR, \$1.3 billion; Baltimore & Ohio RR, \$1.3 billion; Westinghouse Electric Corp., \$1.2 billion; Union Carbide & Carbon Co., \$1.1 billion; Humble Oil Co., \$1.1 billion.

Commonwealth Edison Co., Sinclair Oil Co. and Cities Service Co. each had \$1.1 billion assets.

SAN FRANCISCO-(FP) - An hour before the announced calling of a strike which would have closed nearly all grocery stores here, the AFL grocery clerks union accepted a compromise settlement of a \$3 a week increase.

"Salt of Earth" Called "Stirring Appeal" By AFL

DENVER-(FP)—An editorial praising the movie Salt of the Earth, appeared in the April 8 Colorado Labor Advocate, newspaper of the Colorado AFL.

It condemned the "black silence of fear" which resulted in movie houses here refusing to show the film, sponsored by the Intl. Union of Mine Mill & Smelter Workers. After the editorial appeared, a theater was finally found for one performance of the movie.

"We have seen the movie," the editorial said. "It carries a stirring appeal for union organization and racial equality. The conflict between the leading miner, Ramon (Juan Chacon), and his wife, Esperanza (Rosaura Revueeltas), over equality for women adds human interest to what is largely a story of the power struggle between company and union. Its appeals for equality were no more blatant or obviously of Communist intent than if it had been produced by an AFL union."

The editorial said that while it did not necessarily condone all the actions or policies of the union, it did have every right to produce the film and to "have it judged on artist ability and content rather than on its producer." "Salt of the Earth is worth see-

BIG ISLAND NEWS BRIEFS

The reason behind Nelson K. Doi's rumored decision to run as a Democrat for the territorial senate is said to be—pressure from Chairman James Kealoha to get him to join the Republicans. Doi, the county attorney, has kept himself out of either party. But it's said he got a lot of the same kind of pressure that made Republicans out of Auditor Edwin DeSilva and Supervisor Sakai. Only Doi is much more independent and doesn't make any move as a result of someone else's pressure. Furthermore, he has a reputation for seeking justice in all matters—instead of following expediency.

On the other hand, Sen. Tom Okino recently told acquaintances Doi is going to run as a Republican. And maybe that's because Tom figures the going will be tough enough this fall with "Doc" Hill for an opponent, let alone a race with Nelson Doi in the primary. Maybe Okino was right and then again maybe he was whistling in the dark.

AS FOR DESILVA, there is plenty of talk among voters about the auditor's being elected as a

Democrat, then jumping into the GOP. One wiseacre says DeSilva had better get busy selling cars—that's all he'll have after the next election.

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NOW THAT the Territory has again assumed responsibility for able-bodied welfare cases (conveniently in an election year) the county can relax a little from its policy of hiring those able-bodied. So let's hope the supervisors can see their way clear to giving more days of work to the per diem laborers. They can't reasonably say "The county's broke!" as before, because the money has already been set aside for road work.

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CHAIRMAN KEALOHA and Chuck Ota are at the peacemaking stage now. From now on, the talk is, differences between the two will be settled in the chairman's office, with as little controversy getting out to the public as possible. Not that Chuck Ota is shutting his eyes to the chairman's doings, however.

PHILADELPHIA-(FP) - Delegates from 31 CIO, independent and AFL unions here unanimously approved a provisional constitution for a new Oil & Chemical Workers Intl. Union with a membership at the start of about 200,000.

Brewer Changed 'Skinning' Tactics At Naalehu to Agency 'Milking'

The two plantations in Kau on the Big Island are much alike: both big, both old and steady money-makers for C. Brewer & Co., Ltd.

In all three respects Hutchinson Sugar Plantation Co. at Naalehu ranks behind its Pahala neighbor, Hawaiian Agricultural Co. Pahala covers 116 square miles, Naalehu 91. Pahala was incorporated in 1876, the present Naalehu firm in 1889. For the past 50 years Pahala has paid its owners an average of \$301,120 annually in dividends, Naalehu \$93,150.

Run By Spreckels Interest

Even though there is nothing spectacular about Hutchinson Sugar, Brewer has no cause to regret owning over 57 per cent of its stock. Net profits, 1904-1953, have averaged 7.3 per cent on capitalization. Losses were reported for only five years out of 50. None could be called substantial.

Dividend payments, however—which average 5½ per cent on capitalization for 1904-1953—fall mainly in the period ending 1920. This is because Hutchinson Sugar's financial history falls into two contrasting periods.

Naalehu Sugar Co., owned by the A. Hutchinson Estate, was acquired by Claus Spreckels and other Mainland capitalists, who incorporated it as a California company in 1889. Until 1910 its agent was W. Irwin & Co., a tool of the Spreckels interests.

Devil Take The Surplus

It appears that as long as control rested in California the Mainland stockholders insisted on quick and complete returns for their money. Dividends equaled or exceeded net profits—and devil take the surplus account.

Eight or 10 years after C. Brewer & Co. took over, it began a conservative policy for

Mechanization, Speedup . . . In 12 Years 16.4 Ton Production Per Man to 44.5 Tons

Hutchinson. Since about 1920 Brewer has built up the plantation's surplus account, gone easy on dividends and let Mainland stockholders whistle for their money. Probably Brewer counts on making a great part of its profit off the services it sells to the plantation.

Brewer also reduced the original \$2,500,000 capitalization of Hutchinson Sugar to a conservative \$1,500,000 in 1918.

Union Steadied Profit Pattern

The old and new policies contrast strikingly when net profits and dividends are compared for the decades 1904-13 and 1943-52. (Figures for years before 1904 are not available to the RECORD.) Returns in per cent for both periods are figured on the present \$1,500,000 capitalization.

	Net Profits	Dividends
1904-13	\$1,298,446, or 8.65%	\$1,502,500, or 10.0%
1943-52	\$1,027,182, or 6.85%	\$240,000, or 1.6%

Two things stand out clearly: Coming of the union in 1945 did not upset Hutchinson Sugar's average but steady pattern of profits. And Mainland absentee owners in early years "skinned" the plantation for dividends.

Mainlanders still predominate heavily among minority stockholders. J. D. & A. B. Spreckels Co. stock, however, amounting to 9.4 per cent of the total, was bought up by Brewer in 1948.

10 Plantations In West Kau

Like many plantations, Hutchinson Sugar is the result of consolidating many small enterprises. Alexander Hutchinson began grinding with 18x14 inch rollers at Waiohinu in the 1860's. In 1868 he formed the Naalehu Sugar Co. A traveler in Kau in 1880 found 10 other plantations in the western part of the district, their cane lands ranging from 30 to 600 acres.

These were W. K. Moi at Waiohinu, the Burchardt Brothers' Fern Hill Plantation, O. G. Rose's Clover Hill, Lewis F. Turner, William Thomas Martin, A. A. B. Elliott's Mount Abundance, A. Sunter's Alohele, Dr. Richard Oliver's Honuapo Sugar Plantation, William Thompson at Naalehu, and Hilea Sugar Co., the only one besides Hutchinson with a mill.

Hilea Sugar Co. was started about 1878 by W. G. Irwin and three others. In 1886 it merged with Naalehu Sugar Co. but not until 1909 was the Naalehu mill dismantled and all grinding done at Honuapo. Because the Naalehu and Hilea cane areas are so widely separated, transportation has always been a special problem of the consolidated plantation.

Manpower Down, Production Up

With its 91 square miles, Hutchinson Sugar is bigger than the sovereign Principality of Liechtenstein. Four-fifths of its 6½ square miles of cane land and one-third of its pastures and other land are held in fee simple. Over 22 square miles are leased from Bishop Estate and the remainder from the Territory.

On a smaller scale than its Pahala neighbor, Naalehu also raises beef cattle. It owns \$2,800 in Hawaii Meat Co. shares. Kau Construction Co., Ltd., is a wholly owned subsidiary.

In 1938 Hutchinson Sugar employed 840 adult males, each man producing 16.4 tons of sugar. In 1951 it employed only 341, but each man produced 44.5 tons.

Gadabout

Since the U.S. Bureau of Immigration threw out the case against Art Rutledge, he is no longer "Avrom Rotleider" to the Star-Bulletin. There was, a time, you'll remember, when the Star-Bull stooped to calling the teamsters union leader "Rotleider" in its stories, presumably because it claimed he had once gone under that name.

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THOSE WHO claim the late W. K. Bassett and others were "un-American" for disagreeing with the decision in the Smith Act trial here should read Earle Stanley Gardner's "Court of Last Resort," now available in the pocket edition for 35 cents. It is the account of how Gardner, creator of the fictional detective, Perry Mason, headed a group of experts who investigated the cases of convicted felons after all other avenues of appeal, for one reason or another, had been exhausted. After investigating a number of cases and freeing men who had served years in prison for crimes they didn't commit, Gardner came to the conclusion that American courts may err in placing too much store on convictions.

We count only on results, Gardner says, and perhaps we should pay more attention to manner of obtaining them—the results being convictions in this case. As an illustration of the results thing, he cites the different manner in which Japanese judge archery. Fifty per cent of the score, he says, is awarded for manner of archery, the other 50 for the location of arrows in the target. We Americans, on the other hand, count only the bullseyes, paying no attention to the manner of shooting.

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IN LOVE WITH OWN WORDS DEPT.: Late last week, John Jenkins finished an IMUA program saying he would now "close with this interesting and significant observation." The observation turned out to be something fairly commonplace about the ILWU radio shows, of doubtful interest and chiefly significant of the trouble John has finding something to talk about.

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ACCORDING TO THE MAYOR'S REPORT, out this week, grievance procedures have been adopted for every C-C department except the police department. And yet there are those who maintain civil service is a drag on the police and police efficiency—Attorney General Edward N. Sylva among them. Maybe Sylva and the others think efficiency would be impaired by allowing any procedure by which police officers can get a hearing for their grievances.

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THEY'RE STILL talking on Maui about the visit of a big wheel in the local radio world who visited there and sounded off about unions and about what he would do if they ever tried to organize his employees. A high old time was had by the big shot and his pals, so the story goes, and Maui is still laughing about a couple of things that happened.

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A RATHER PUZZLING item came over the radio the other night—to the effect that the jail of Sand Fork, W. Va. has been sold for about \$300 since no prisoner had been lodged in it for 20

years and there is no policeman in the hamlet.

Makes the place sound very peaceful and that is a little misleading though not altogether. But an important fact is that the Burke family lived in Sand Fork for many years, and probably still does, and there were few if any of the Burkes that anyone else could ever lick. The people of Sand Fork had learned better than to try, through bitter experience. Newcomers with chips on their shoulders soon found out what Sand Forkers knew. But no Burke would have desired a fellow man in jail, and no one would have been able to jail a Burke, so what was the point of having a jail at all, at all? This department is aware of all this about the Burkes because one of its contributors was born about six miles west of Sand Fork.

Stock Car Notes

With last Saturday night's race postponed because of wet weather, fans and drivers are left with little to talk about except the race before and its exciting aftermath, which culminated with an announcement late in the week that Jerry Unser would be "fined" his entire total of 320 points for the season. Few were surprised by Unser's following announcement that he would retire from racing in Honolulu because they had made a "big deal" of his fracas with Sandy Sanders last Saturday.

As most readers of the RECORD and the dailies know, Unser was alleged to have attacked Sanders in the McKinley Grill the morning after Sanders was disqualified for "failing to avoid a crash which might have been avoided." Unser was, of course, party of the second part in the collision. Many spectators, as well as Unser, believed that the crash was a purposeful move by Sanders since he had been "spun out" by Unser earlier in the same lap.

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BUT THERE IS a minority opinion on that crash. An ardent fan tells us Sanders should not be blamed for the crash.

"If Unser's car had spun out as many do, instead of stopping against the fence and catching fire, probably no one would have thought much about it," says this fan. "But Unser's car caught fire and Sanders turned over and it looked like a bad crash."

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IF THE PENALTY for Unser's punching is stiff, says the same fan, it's merely the swinging back of the pendulum.

"They used to go out of their way to help him," says the fan. "I've seen an official run out to wipe off his windshield after an accident. Then when his car got knocked out of commission, they've let him drive another one. I think that when a driver's knocked out, he shouldn't be allowed back in that race."

Unser is by no means the only driver who has been allowed to take another car. Such has been the practice. Whether or not it is a good practice is another question, but on that particular score, Unser has not been given special favors.

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"JERRY UNSER is a fine driver and a fine sportsman," the fan continues, to make it clear he has no prejudice, "but he's been having a run of bad luck lately and

Clerks To Meet Ewa In Playoff For ILWU Oahu Softball Title

Castle & Cooke Clerks garnered the 1954 championship of the ILWU-AA Oahu County city section softball loop by handing defending champion Love's Bakery a 16-5 lacing. The game, played Sunday morning at the Ala Moana park, was the league's final scheduled tilt. It was the clerks' seventh win in eight games.

The Clerks thereby earned the right to meet Ewa, ILWU Oahu rural section champions, in a special best two-out-of-three series for the all-Oahu ILWU pennant. The first game will be played this Sunday, starting at 10 a.m. at Tenney Field, Ewa. The second contest will be played in Honolulu on May 2.

Ewa won the country circuit crown by lambasting Alca C&H 36-12 last Sunday at Ewa.

Four-way Tie Possible

Manager Henry Yee's Clerks had the situation well in hand throughout as they outplayed their opponents in every department of the game to turn what was expected to be a closely fought contest into a rout. A Love's Bakery victory would have meant a four-way tie, involving the Clerks, Love's, Longshoremen and Hawaiian Pine.

Veteran K. K. Kam hurled a masterful game, limiting the usually potent Bakers to five measly bingles. The champs in the meantime blasted out 11 explosive hits off Jim Shimada, scoring runs in every inning. They scored four runs each in the second, fourth and fifth frames. Shimada issued nine walks.

Kam, Bill Choy, Rigger Mineishi and Damien Ferreira of the Clerks and Chico Yokamoto of Love's each paired hits. The champs' Al Ramos socked a two-run homer.

Ewa pounded out 20 safeties to close its season with an eight-win, two-lost record. Jim Ornellas and Yoshio Oshiro paced the attack with five and three hits respectively. Kena Nishimura was the winning chucker.

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The ILWU Golf Club's April ace tournament will be played at the Leilehua course in Wahiawa this Sunday morning, starting at 11 a.m. The Williams Equipment trophy will be at stake. Ball prizes will also be given out.

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it seems to have got on his nerves. It could happen to anybody."

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PROVING THE SPORTSMANSHIP BOOST, Unser is reported to have announced early this week that he will resume racing in Honolulu and will compete in Friday night's race.

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THOSE WHO READ only the dailies last week and then got a look at Unser felt they'd been misled. One who saw the ace driver early in the week noticed his battered features and wondered how the papers had reported Unser as dishing out a beating to Sanders when he looked far worse than Sanders. Those who read the RECORD, of course, knew that Unser got his beating outside of the N. C. O. club at Fort DeRussy Saturday night—not Saturday morning at McKinley Grill.

Sports World

By Wilfred Oka



SPORTS TIDBITS FROM HERE AND THERE

Roosevelt finally came through last Saturday over at Punahou Field to win the Interscholastic track championships by scoring 60½ points to Punahou's 55 points. Punahou's nine-year rule as a champion was ended by a close margin of 5½ points. Roosevelt came the closest to winning the meet last year when they lost out to Punahou by a gnat's breath of half a point. Coach Ticky Vasconcellos has done a terrific job of building a track team to oust the team that has almost monotonously won the prep title.

The outstanding performance, however, was that of Manuel Kaapana of Kamehameha who set a new record in the pole vault by clearing 12 ft. 1¼ in. The former record of 11 ft. 11¼ in. was jointly held by Martin Anderson and John Peacock both of Punahou. Moans were heard after the running of the half mile relay which was won by Punahou but disqualified because of an illegal passing out of a zone. The disqualification was a difference of six points in the score.

Incidentally, there were more unofficial scorers at the meet than ever before. Interest in the score was sky high with fans figuring the possible team winners.

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WAIPAHU, REPRESENTING OAHU in the Territorial AJA baseball championships held last week-end on the island of Hawaii, defeated Kauai 4 to 2 but lost in the championship game to Hawaii by a score of 5-4. Hawaii previously beat Maui by a close 2 to 1 score. Jimmy Saito, the winning pitcher, got off to a shaky start when the Waipahu team put across two runs in the first inning and added another pair of runs in the fourth inning, but thereafter he held the Waipahu team scoreless. This is the Big Islanders' first championship since 1936. We figured on Waipahu to take the title but home runs by Jitsuo Kotake and Larry Aganus of Hawaii turned the trick for Hawaii.

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BOB (THE RIPPER) TAKESHITA'S COME-BACK DEBUT was spoiled by Dickie Wong, a comparative newcomer to the pro ranks, last week at the Civic. Pre-fight opinion was that The Ripper had too much punching power and therefore he was favored in quite a number of places. However, in the actual fighting The Ripper came out second best with Wong picking out spots throughout the fight to blast Takeshita. Except for the first round when he whizzed a left hook which connected on Wong, Dickie was in complete control of the proceedings. Takeshita's bobbing and weaving tactics were solved very early in the fight by Wong and in the exchanges Wong bested Takeshita with furious rights and lefts that left Bob Takeshita rather tired.

What surprised us was that the advisors in Takeshita's corner had him continue the same tactics even after the fifth round when he was waging a losing strategy in continuing his bobbing and weaving and then pumping away at close quarters. The Ripper's punches hardly made an impression and Wong managed to block and parry them and then return them with his sharp punches to make Takeshita look bad. Takeshita fought an aggressive fight but his punches lacked the snap and power. Takeshita, a rather individualistic sort of a person, evidently decided to follow his own advice, and consequently, the advisors in his corner hardly carried any weight in the over-all strategy. We understand that Takeshita has his sights set for the future but what he lacks now should be made up with a little better strategy in his fights.

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ON THE SAME PROGRAM with Takeshita and Wong were five four-round bouts which in our opinion were better than average. Larry Cantiberos, a lightweight, won over Bobby Acosta, who looked overweight and flabby; Dalfus Brown, now under new management, turned the trick in beating former stablemate Richard Choi; Martin Cambra, making his pro debut, got handed trial horse Vince Medeiros whom he promptly disposed of in the second round; Ernest Sylva decisioned Ray Carvalho, who looked rusty; and Stan Harrington eked out a decision over Dan Santiago. Harrington looked pretty bad on in-fighting and with his potential it is about time that his handlers teach him some in-fighting. With Harrington's potential he looked pretty awkward in many situations with Santiago.

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WITH ONE OF THE TOUGHEST fields entered in the history of the Boston Marathon, Norman Tamanaha of Honolulu, the 47-year-old local marathon champion, finished 13th as Veikko Karvonen of Finland won the tough event in the comparatively slow time of 2:20:39. Among the American runners Tamanaha finished fifth which is not bad.

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SID FLAHERTY, WHO MANAGES BOBO OLSON, flew into town for a few days to look over the promotional picture for the middle-weight champion and in the meantime got the TEC all in a dither over whether the Flaherty interests represented by Tommy Miles, former executive secretary of the TBC, should be granted a one promotion license. The opinion of the commission is that the promotional rights of the two present promoters be protected; that it will not issue a one promotion license; and that the date that Sid Flaherty wants for Olson—which is May 19—is not available since the Ichinose-Yempuku combine has already set their promotion for May 18. This, the commission feels, is a bit too close for comfort for either party.

In the Miles-Flaherty promotion, the name of Leo Leavitt continuously crops up. The promotion, if handled by the Flaherty interests, would make the line-up include Leo Leavitt who was rather successful in his promotional ventures locally. In fact Leavitt had quite a number of guys in the boxing and athletic picture right in his hip pocket. And we don't mean their hands, either!

Time was when Leo Leavitt and Sad Sam Ichinose were so very close in the game. Whether this relationship still exists still has the town guessing but the activities of these two former boxing hotshots indicate that they are now pffft. In the meantime it will be interesting to see how the promotional picture in the Olson fight shapes up. This will make good copy!

Sylva's Opinion Seen As Move To Oust Aoki From Bd. On \$76,000,000 Fund

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ernment Employees Association indicated at a meeting last week they will oppose any move by Gov. Sam W. King to implement that opinion.

The opinion is said to be based on a passage of the Organic Act which stipulates that all boards and commissions shall be appointed by the governor.

It is seen as significant that the opinion and the request for it came after Aoki won an election for the seat held by the late Henry A. Nye, defeating two other candidates. Val Marciel and Edward Lyons.

Aoki, one of three "employee representatives" on the board, has taken a strong position since his advent against some of the policies known to be favored by Ohrt.

Aoki Hit 20 Per Cent Rule
One of these is the policy, set by the trustees, that no more than 20 per cent of the investments of the retirement fund may be made in the Territory. Aoki strongly questioned such a policy and argued that the trustees, while doing their best to insure the soundness of their investments, also have a responsibility to invest the money in such a way as to aid the economy of the Territory.

Clashes on principle between Ohrt and Aoki are reported to have been frequent.

Gov. King has taken such an interest in the situation that it has been reported from Republican sources that, in his early plans for the special session, King included the matter of the retirement trustees' election as one

of a few matters he wanted dealt with along with measures to further statehood.

But government employees who know the situation consider it unthinkable that the governor should take it upon himself to appoint every member of a board which administers their money. Thus support for Aoki expressed by the HGEA directors was reportedly very strong.

See Move To Legalize

If an effort is made to implement the opinion, or even if none is made, it is expected that the legislature will be asked to legalize the election of "employee representatives" to the board of trustees, or to remove that body from the "board" category and from that particular application of the Organic Act as it stands.

To remove the issue from the heat of the moment, some have pointed out, Gov. King might appoint the three elected trustees who are now serving. But in doing so, he would be giving little help to Fred Ohrt, his own appointee and close friend.

And he is hardly expected to do that—especially in view of the belief that Ohrt is responsible for bringing the passage of the Organic Act to King's attention in the first place.

And after all, the stake is \$76,000,000 growing at the rate of \$6,000,000 per year.

Not the least of the problems that would be brought up by an illegalizing of the board of trustees is the question—would it also illegalize the actions of the board?

Fong Playing With Political Dynamite In Splitting Coalition With Demos

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penditures for statehood have cost the Territory \$1,440,683 thus far and it is ridiculous to add the cost of a special session for more statehood propaganda.

In the senate, John Duarte of Maui made a move late Tuesday afternoon to adjourn "if this is all we're going to do."

Duarte Congratulated

His motion was seconded but ruled out of order by Pres. Wilfred Tsukiyama. Duarte had the satisfaction Wednesday morning, however, of announcing that his motion had got him a number of congratulatory phone calls from citizens hostile to the idea of a session for statehood alone.

The Republicans, following the plan of Del. Farrington and Gov. Sam King, carried the day on all fronts at midweek, though the Democrats were prophesying that they will pay prettily for it at the polls in November. Chief topic of disagreement appeared to be the size and character of the delegation to be sent to Washington.

Many Republicans in the house favor sending the whole legislature. In the senate, sentiment is more divided. But it appears likely, at this writing, that there is a good chance the whole legislature may be shipped off to Washington on a chartered plane as soon as the question is decided.

Some say the decision should come quickly. Others predict as much as five days of debate and dickering.

Still calling the special session a "political papaya," politicians are still swapping guesses as to what inspired it. One contention is that Gov. King is merely following or ders of Del. Farrington.

On Ike's Word?

Frank Fasi, speaking on his radio program Sunday night, offered the opinion that the special ses-

sion was called with an understanding from the White House that President Eisenhower will make public announcement for statehood for Hawaii and Alaska. The guess was seen as an astute one, even by Fasi's enemies.

Still another guess was that King seeks a special session because he needs to confirm his appointments in a senate where the balance is Republican. That guess implies, of course, that King seriously fears the Democrats will take over the senate in November.

That's what the Democrats have been saying, of course.

More On Kealoa

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Fog nozzles are a part of the equipment of every station, yet almost the entire department has never used them though occasion to do so presented itself time and time again. I venture that the men were simply afraid to depart from the conventional method dear to the heart of oldtimers like Smith, lest they displease him. It is noted that Smith has very evidently not remonstrated with his men for not using fog nozzles, since they still use the "solid stream" or "pour on the water" technique indiscriminately. (A fog nozzle is a nozzle that breaks up the water into a misty spray which, when sprayed toward a fire in a confined space, such as a house fire, is expanded many hundred times its original volume by the heat of the fire thus smothering it in quick time WITH A MINIMUM OF WATER DAMAGE.)

Since fog nozzles have been demonstrated to the department, but their use apparently discour-

More On Civil Service

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sale firings, the civil service authority said.

Federal Method More Likely

The manner to be used would be that used by the Federal civil service system after manpower shortage of World War II forced it to take many unqualified persons into government employment.

To correct the discrepancies, the Federal system after the war gave employees examinations for the jobs they were holding. If the employees didn't pass, the local commissions and the appointing authorities had the discretionary power of ordering second examinations.

This might be the remedy for the local situation, the authority suggested. At any rate, it is far more logical than any effort at a "blanketing" of employees hired before June 30, 1951, as suggested in a measure said to be proposed by the HGEA.

When he told Ackerman to file written complaints against the "hundreds of similar cases," Chairman Herbert Kum was merely following procedure, the authority pointed out. In a number of other cases, where discrepancies have been rumored to the commission, the authority recalled, no action was taken unless a written complaint was finally received.

More On Kaiser

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make on any overtures from Kaiser's agents.

With the Paoa Estate land, a planning engineer pointed out, the John Ena property would combine to make a very attractive expanse, bordered on one side by the sea and on the other by a beautiful highway.

But the Paoa Estate land partially blocks off the John Ena land from Ala Moana Blvd. in such a way as to restrict the latter property severely if it is not acquired. A surmise in the minds of real estate people is that the Paoa Estate is in a position to ask Kaiser considerably more for its land than he reportedly paid for the John Ena area.

Administrator for the John Ena Estate is the Hawaiian Trust Co., a joint administrator, Father Valentin, having died some time ago. Authorization of the Hawaiian Trust Co. to take over Father Valentin's administration was recorded in December, 1953.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

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to bargain as equals, not as servants and masters. That's the only way we'll get peace.

Pope Pius, in his Easter message, asked the nations to outlaw nuclear weapons. Personally, I would like to see the nations go even farther and outlaw war.

But we will have peace and end the threat to exterminate humanity by nuclear devices only when we eliminate the causes of war. Until we do away with colonialism, racism, and the belief that one nation has a right to dominate another, we will always be faced with the threat of war.

That's why they're fighting in Indo-China now.

aged, to the distress of the fire victims and insurance companies, why then do not the insurance people holler? The answer probably is that improved fire-fighting methods would not only bring fire losses down but also fire insurance rates. But should the public go on being made the sucker?

Watch for next week's paper.

James I. Kealoa

Baptiste Brought Economy; Target For Fern After Printing Put Out At Bid

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ceived a flat \$65 a month car allowance up to December last year now uses a car from the county motor pool under a new system.

Result—In January, 1954, Auditor K. M. Ahana, who used to claim he travelled 12,000 miles a year, rode a county vehicle for nine-tenths of a mile, a cost to the taxpayers of less than 6 cents. The county figures on a cost of 6 cents a mile.

In February, Ahana travelled 58.8 miles on county vehicles, at a cost to the county of about \$3.50. In March he travelled 86.8 miles in an official automobile, which cost the county about \$5.22.

In two opposing camps on this hot political issue of county spending stand Chairman Anthony Baptiste and Auditor Ahana.

Baptiste Saved On Printing
Baptiste upset the traditional Republican practice of handing about \$15,000 worth of job printing to the weekly Garden Island, a GOP mouthpiece.

Political observers say the Garden Island will never forgive Baptiste and say it is understandable that it attacks Baptiste consistently. In contrast they point to the courteous treatment K. M. Ahana gets.

The Garden Island has not come out with the story on the savings Baptiste's administration is effecting.

Auditor Ahana, the county's watchdog of finances, gave out printing orders and did purchasing in the past. In a recent bid for job printing the Garden Island was awarded two jobs only. The Kauai Shinpo and the Filipino News got the major part of the jobs.

Before 1948 Ahana was getting \$50 car allowance a month. He asked the supervisors for an additional amount and without official board action, the prior administration is said to have given in to his request. The following year the car expense account figure of \$65 a month was made official by board action.

Hard Fight For Motor Pool

Observers of county politics say the fight to have the motor pool system adopted was a hard one for Baptiste. He finally convinced the supervisors in 1953 and the system went into effect January, 1954.

The Ahana brothers—K. M. and County Treasurer K. C. Ahana—who have largely controlled Kauai county government in the past are observed as working hard to weaken Baptiste politically.

Until a few years ago it was viewed locally that Baptiste was close politically to the Ahana brothers. But it is now felt that the Ahanas did not find a "yes man" in Baptiste.

In battling for an economy program Baptiste rubbed K. M., the county's financial watchdog, the wrong way.

Currently, observers say, K. M. has moved to put the board of supervisors and Baptiste on a spot.

Sought Upgrading

Auditor Ahana about two weeks ago requested upgrading of employees in his department. Civil Service director K. O. Soong granted the request. It is now before the board of supervisors who must appropriate funds to carry out the reclassification.

Under the reclassification status, the lowest grade employees in the Kauai county auditor's office hold GS-6 rating.

This is now being compared to ratings in the Hawaii County auditor's office where among the lowest grades there are two GS-2s; one GS-3; and one GS-5.

Those who criticize Auditor Ahana for what they term an unreasonable move to create dis-

sension among departments, say that Hawaii county has seven employees in the auditor's office. Two of them are temporarily assigned GS-2s.

The Kauai auditor's office has eight permanent employees. Kauai has 536 county employees and 29,000 people. Hawaii county has 1,246 employees in 1953 and 70,000 people.

It is said that Ahana's move is political. If the board of supervisors turns down the schedule in this election year, they would be criticized. On the other hand granting of what some term unreasonable reclassification ratings would bring criticism from other taxpayers.

In the reclassification, it is reported that Ahana and Soong created new titles, which is irregular. New positions, according to informed sources, can be created only by the board of supervisors.

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THE KEKAHA ILWU softball team defeated the Lihue Unit team 14-2 April 13 in the first championship playoff between East and West Kauai. The team winning two out of three will be champion.

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THE OKINAWA young people's organization will get its softball league underway soon. Entering in this year's contest are Kalaheo, MoBryde, Kaumakani, Kekaha, Mana and Koloa. Mana won the league title last year.

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LIHUE PLANTATION irrigators from three sections (Kealla, Hanamaulu and Lihue) are picnicking May 16 at Hanamaulu beach. These workers take contracts from the company to irrigate fields. There are about 175 irrigators.

This will be the first such gathering of irrigation workers. Purpose of the meeting is to hear report of a committee on irrigators' problems on incentive rates and working conditions. Workers are complaining of the company's speedup program.

Chairman of the committee is Luis Moises. He will be master of ceremonies at the picnic.

BUDAPEST (ALN)—An electric washing machine that uses high-speed sound vibrations to shake the dirt out, instead of the usual rotary beater, will go into mass production early in the new year, according to reports in the Budapest press. The news accounts said the machine does a wash in 15 minutes and uses no more power than a small light bulb.

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Our Present Madness

Some of our flag-waving orators are fond of sounding off from time to time to the effect that we are the most powerful military nation in the world—among other things. What with our proven reservoirs of manpower, natural resources, our industrial knowhow and our advancement in destructive science, there is not much reason to doubt our armed power, even cutting away the superfluous oratory.

Would you say, then, that a helper on a garbage truck who has worked at his job 15 years could be a threat to our country?

Would you feel a high school sophomore speaking for five minutes in a local high school is dangerous to our government, or any part of it?

Ridiculous? Of course it is ridiculous in any situation where sanity prevails, but this is a time of national hysteria. It is a time when the man who played a major part in making our most dangerous military weapon, the atom bomb, may be accused of "disloyalty" and the accusations given serious credence.

Last week Shigeo Takao, helper on a C-C garbage truck, became the first victim of the Territorial Commission on Subversive Activities and its stoolpigeons when he refused to answer the commission's questions. It would be interesting to hear the commission explain how an employe in his position COULD be dangerous to the government even if he wanted to be.

As Takao pointedly commented later, "They spent \$90,000 to get me."

The move to fire Takao, along with the issuance of large reports, mostly "scalped" from other publications, is the achievement of the commission. And the taxpayers have paid \$90,000 for that!

Most readers will remember the case of the Kaimuki High School sophomore of a few years ago. She made a five minute speech, which she freely admitted was merely an exercise, on "Communism." The officials of the high school and the DPI immediately went into secret sessions on the matter and it was finally blasted across the nation, along with the girl's name, by Sen. Hugh Butler.

One would have thought some deadly plot had been uncovered.

Certainly it was ridiculous, too, that a Navy employe should be seen as a security risk because he "associated with" President Gregg Sinclair of the University of Hawaii.

Yet are these events more far-fetched than our contention that we are fighting for "freedom" in aiding the French effort to suppress the people of Indo-China? Our America has often, in the past, taken a strong stand against imperialist powers in behalf of colonial peoples. That was natural since our America is, itself, a product of a revolutionary war against imperialism.

But today, instead of aiding the people of Indo-China, we aid their oppressors. We even threaten that if the French quit fighting, we will take over and carry on the war, ourselves.

Certainly nothing is more vital to our country's future than the ending of present madness both at home and abroad.



To The Editor ...

Fog Nozzles Known But Not Used In Local Dept., "James Kealoha" Writes

The Editor:
This is number 8. In letters from readers column of Star-Bulletin's April 16th issue, F. Lorrre Walker, 130 South Beretania St., pays high tribute to the fire department's "finest." Claims he was well received as a visitor at central station and extended practically every courtesy due a visiting potentate though, of course, he makes no claim to being one. I, too, pay tribute to Honolulu's firefighters not, however, because they are always alerted to seize upon the slightest chance to further their public relations program, as was done to Mr. Walker, but because their job—like the policemen's—is to protect others even at the cost of their own life. Thus all firemen and policemen have my deepest respect, provided they pursue their purpose in a manner conducive to good public service.

But Mr. Walker should respond

to an alarm on one of the fire trucks. He will soon find that fire fighting equipment cleaned, polished and put on the floor in the apparatus room for public inspection and display, and being shown around by men "of integrity, loyalty and character" has no bearing on performance in the field. Mind you now, I would cast no ill reflection upon them but for the provision noted above. But with the present chief whose fire-fighting methods hark back to the days of the bucket brigade, whose purpose it was to deliver the water to be poured on, the good qualities of those fine men are not being fully exploited. It is not uncommon under chief Smith to find that the water damage exceeds the fire damage. Briefly then, the performance record is more to be ashamed of than applauded.

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Reader Feels Un-Hawaiian Commission Should Be Put To Sleep With Ditty

The Editor:
This seems to be open season on garbage collectors. First, one garbage collector gets fired for collecting garbage after hours. This happened because Sonny Hart doesn't believe in free enterprise, at least when that enterprise is in competition with his own poorly run department. The Star-Bulletin promptly praised the Supreme Court's decision upholding this discharge as a long overdue decision preventing government workers from holding more than one job.

Next thing we know, Bill Stephenson, who holds three jobs—district magistrate, chairman of the subversive committee, and lawyer in private practice—and gets paid for all three, demands that another garbage collector be fired. This employe, after 15 years of service, has reached the magnificent salary of \$266 a month, with which he used to support his wife and three children. This magnificent salary is a rather obvious explanation as to why garbage collector

No. 1 had to quit on his trade after hours.
King Sam rushes into print to support his hand-picked commission against the telling barb of garbage collector Takao that the commission went after his job because it had to produce something to justify its having spent \$90,000 of taxpayers' money. King Sam assures us that the firing of a garbage collector will protect Hawaii from an international Communist conspiracy. The king of the elephants lumbered up to protect the right of his boys to produce a \$90,000 mouse.
We think the epitaph should be written for this waste of taxpayers' money. We suggest that the committee be buried, with the following engraved on its tombstone:
"Here lies Hawaii's un-Hawaiian Committee,
Laid to rest with this little ditty:
A garbage man who wouldn't stool
Exposed these jerks as King Sam's tool."
"Poetical"

Frank-ly Speaking

By FRANK MARSHALL DAVIS

Who's Afraid?

The Russians are much more afraid of America than we are of them, and their military buildup has been defensive. Furthermore, we ought to "stop rattling the atom bomb as much as we do and stop talking about bombing Moscow."

Those statements are not from the Communists but were made by Defense Secretary Wilson testifying before a house appropriations subcommittee in February.

This is refreshing. From the utterances of other key officials, Americans have been led to believe those Russians were likely to pull a sneak Pearl Harbor attack at any time and we have just been plain lucky that they haven't rained bombs on our cities before we had a chance to build up our own defensive strength. For that reason, say some, we ought to bomb Moscow first.



MR. DAVIS

We Surround USSR

Obviously, both points of view cannot be correct. To me, what our chief defense official has to say makes far more sense. The Russians, by every rule of logic, have a right to be scared of us. We have ringed the vast Soviet Union with strategically placed air bases and have boasted of the necessary planes and munitions to rain destruction upon any vital portion of that nation.

Interestingly enough, I have not heard of similar boasts coming from Moscow. I am confident that if any responsible Russian official had popped off to the effect that Soviet planes could blast New York or Chicago or Los Angeles at a moment's notice, such talk would have made the biggest headlines and inspired editorials in all sections of the U. S. press.

I believe, along with Wilson, that the Russians are afraid of us. I believe also that Americans should be far more afraid than they are—not of the Soviets, but of war itself in a day of atom and hydrogen bombs, new death gases and bacteriological weapons.

Next week five big nations of the world will meet at Geneva in a conference originally intended to ease the tension that could lead to mankind's last war. This could be a time for building peace. But I have grave doubts.

I do not pretend to know what pronouncements in advance of the meeting have come from policy-makers in Moscow, but our press has carried the remarks of Washington spokesmen and these are not conducive to a settlement of differences.

Close Door on Large Population

Secy. of State Dulles has told senate leaders that the U. S. will not permit China to vote at Geneva. I shall not comment on our audacity in unilaterally determining what other sovereign nation does what at a given time, but I cannot ignore the continuing stupidity of closing our eyes and trying to wish away a country that contains within its borders from 20 to 25 per cent of the world's total population, merely because we don't like that country's government.

Vice President Nixon told the world that American troops might have to be sent to Indo-China if the French pull out. While this is called "unlikely" by Dulles and the White House has not backed Nixon, there has as yet been no positive denial. It is a known fact that many lawmakers and some of the top brass in the Pentagon favor such intervention.

There has also been an attempt by Dulles to get both France and Britain to follow Washington completely in the war in Indo-China, which seems to be to defeat the Viet Minh regardless of French desires to end the fighting.

Already Dulles is reported as being so pessimistic over the prospective outcome of the Geneva conference that he plans to leave after a week and turn over the U. S. reins to subordinates. And if official Washington goes through with its obvious policy of ruling or ruining the sessions, I quite agree with Dulles.

None May Dictate

You see, I still cling to the idea that a conference of this sort between sovereign states should be operated in a spirit of give and take in an honest effort to reach agreement. I do not believe that either Moscow or Peiping will be any more inclined to accept dictation humbly than would Washington. If we really want the easing of tensions then all sides must be prepared

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