

# Toner May Face Civil Service

## Coffee Price Hike May Bring Revival of Hamakua Farms

**By Special Correspondence**  
HONOKAA—The once flourishing coffee industry on the Hamakua coast which folded up during the depression of the 30's will probably make a strong comeback in the near future.

Workers and businessmen are talking coffee as they view the prosperity of Kona coffee growers on the other side of this Big Island and keep a close tab on the high coffee price.

Umetaro Muramaru of Paaulo, highly experienced coffee planter growing in the Hamakua district, says he does not think coffee will again become a bonanza, at least not for a long time, causing workers and businessmen to go into the gulches in their spare time to

bring home plants which they carefully nurture in cans and garden plots.

Muramaru once ran the Louisson coffee plantation which had large acreages in Paaulo. The plantation was closed down during the depression when the coffee industry, including that of Kona, was hard hit.

Besides the Louisson plantation, the Tashiros ran a farm in Paaulo. Both these growers sold their coffee to Kona factors for marketing to the Mainland.

The trees of the former coffee areas were dug out and the land is now used for grazing. But in the gulches coffee trees still grow, wild and untended, and prospectors

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## Graduate Engineer At City Hall Begins At Less Than Cop

When a graduate engineer goes to work for the city and county, he begins at a salary lower than that of a rookie policeman.

That was a point made this week by two department heads at city hall in emphasizing the difficulty of getting good men to fill necessary posts.

A policeman begins at \$318 per month while a graduate engineer, starting at the usual rating of GS-5, gets \$278.

### Promotion Not Easy

Furthermore, says William Vanatta, C-C engineer, it's hard to get a promotion for an engineer once he has been put in one classification. Although Act 212 of the last session of the legislature provides that a department head may raise an employe two grades without an examination, Vanatta says

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## Author of Many Applications Mum On Discrepancies

Mrs. Nesta Gallas will neither confirm nor deny the report and Edward P. Toner withholds comment, but the RECORD has been reliably informed that the C-C civil service staff, having checked into Toner's personnel file, has discovered discrepancies which will require explanations.

Toner, administrator of the C-C health department, has merely a "No comment" reply to questions as to his qualifications and possible discrepancies in statements made on his application.

Mrs. Gallas, civil service director, will neither confirm nor deny the report.

His position carries a GS-14 rating and a salary ranging from \$733.33 per month to \$816.67.

In recent years Toner has been

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MR. TONER  
Forgotten at Enon Valley

Read:  
**"If Sugar Workers Strike" --- P. 8**

## Shaffer Winning Reputation As Scourge Of Waipahu Saimin Stands, Minors

It is not safe, some Waipahu residents say, to send children out on errands after dark or they may run smack-bang into the law—in the shape of Police Sergeant Paul Shaffer.

Nor is it entirely safe to play cards, non-gambling games that is, in the saimin shops or on benches nearby. Shaffer is apt to pounce upon the players and order them to quit.

"He talks so rough," says a Waipahu man, "that he scares them into quitting—even when they're in the right."

Irritation is growing, however, the Waipahu man added and if Shaffer's abrupt attitude continues, it is expected to draw formal complaints.

### Saimin Stands Suffer

Chief sufferers thus far have been the Waipahu Saimin, Horiuchi Saimin, whose customers no longer linger, and one youth who had a job in Kailhi.

The youth had a job in Kailhi, according to report, but sometimes the job required him to work nights. And when he came home after work, it was after curfew time and he ran afoul of Sgt. Shaffer.

To avoid further encounters with "the law," the youth is reported to have quit his job.

Got Complaints on Vice Squad  
Shaffer's uncompromising attitude and his rough, sometimes racist language, were the subjects for complaints several times a few years ago when he served on the vice squad.

During that period, while appearing as a witness in a case, Shaffer was answering the questions of a cross-examining lawyer with the utmost politeness.

"Do you always speak this softly?" asked the lawyer, "when you're arresting people."

"Well," admitted the burly policeman, "sometimes I have to speak a little harshly."

## Retirement System Invests In Obscure R. R. Companies, Not Local Utilities

Is it smart to invest in railroads? From people in local financial circles, you hear that insurance companies have closed out on railroads—that they consider railroads an industry that will have to struggle in the future more than in the past to keep above water.

But the Territorial Retirement System apparently doesn't think so, for it has a chunk of money over \$3,000,000 invested in railroads. What's more, a good many are small roads you probably never heard of.

Take the Hocking Valley Railway Co., for instance. Do you know where it is? It's in Virginia, but a good many Virginians don't

know it. However, the retirement system has \$128,289 invested there.

The Virginia Railway Co. is working on \$294,386.91 of the money of Hawaii's government employes.

The Detroit & Toledo Shore Line enjoys a quarter of a million investment from the same source—and there are a good many others.

Generally the rate of loans to Mainland utilities by the retirement system runs 2 and three-fourths per cent.

Yet in the past, the directors have indicated from time to time that they feel county utilities in

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## Auto Mishap of Ray Coll Jr. Gets Small Play In Advertiser

On the 22nd page of its fourth section, Sunday's Advertiser carried a three-inch item telling of serious injuries suffered by an aged cook when a car driven by Ray Coll, Jr. went out of control and hit him where he was sitting on a curbing along the parking lot of the Advertiser building.

The Star-Bulletin front-paged the story in its final edition Saturday under the single headline, "Man Hospitalized When Struck by Reporter's Auto."

Two days later, the injured man, Adriano Erco, 63, was still in such a serious condition that he could not receive visitors at St. Francis hospital. He suffered a broken leg and other injuries.

Coll's automobile was reported

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## Dispute Over \$3.50 Reveals How Leg. Budget-Chopping Hits Needy Here

Because his wife was turned away by the C-C Emergency Hospital in a situation he feels was an emergency, Manuel Cabral refuses to pay a bill he was finally charged by the Queen's Hospital emergency unit.

Cabral feels the bill is the responsibility of the C-C hospital while it isn't large, Cabral says the bill is large to him in his present circumstances. He is a welfare client.

Besides, there's the principle of the thing.

Cabral and his wife were assisting at the Queen St. church of the Brotherhood of the Holy Ghost about nine months ago when Mrs. Cabral collapsed. Ca-

bral and his friends took her to the Emergency Hospital.

But there he was told she couldn't be treated, so Mrs. Cabral was taken over to Queen's where she received medication injections and was revived before long to return home.

Later Cabral got a bill for \$3.50 from the hospital. He told the hospital why he wasn't paying the bill, and later got it again from the Territorial Collectors. He visited that office to find an old acquaintance, Herbert Rego, former policeman. He says Rego told him the emergency hospital is only for automobile accidents.

"I can't believe that," Cabral

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## ILWU Asks China Trade Be Resumed To Make Jobs Here

PORTLAND, Ore.—(FP) — The reasons why it would be to the advantage of the U. S. to reopen trade with China and the Far East were stated by the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union at a 2-day executive board meeting here. Creating more jobs for American workers headed the list.

"It is becoming widely recognized that there is no possibility of turning the clock back in China," the board said. "The revolution there cannot be reversed. On the contrary, China is moving ahead economically at an accelerating rate. Because of restrictions imposed by the western nations, Chinese trade is now principally with the Soviet Union and the other countries of Eastern Europe. From these countries,

China is getting the industrial equipment she needs to proceed along the road of industrialization."

The union said its members had a direct stake in expanded world trade. "Unemployment among warehousemen and seamen has already become a serious problem and longshore work has begun to fall off," it said. "Rapidly expanded Far East trade offers a real alternative to a further decline in jobs."

A number of basic American agricultural products, including butter and cotton, are now surplus and could be sold abroad, the ILWU said, pointing out that expert of cotton to China "would be a boon to California. In the northwest a similar situation exists

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# FBI Bagged Workers, Aliens; Grafters Untouched

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is the third in a series on the FBI role in the U. S. life.

By Federated Press

Congressional anger at the FBI and its general intelligence division under J. Edgar Hoover mounted following the Palmer raids in 1919 and 1920 and hit a probable alltime high in 1924.

**THE FACTS SHOWED** the FBI had arrested thousands of workers and aliens and held them without bail and without allowing them to talk to their attorneys, but had not made a single move that congressmen could learn about to combat the graft and corruption which flourished in the war years and hit a peak in the Harding administration.

## Hoover Right in Front

Charles Evans Hughes, later to become Chief Justice of the U. S., investigated scandalous profiteering in airplane contracts and found evidence of wrongdoing. But the FBI and Atty. Gen. Harry M. Daugherty, so far as Congress could discover, were doing nothing about these scandals.

Incidentally, the Hughes investigation of airplane contracts, including the famous "flying coffins," showed that Harold E. Talbott, Air Force secretary in the Eisenhower administration, was one of those who made a good profit out of the bad airplanes.

**CRITICISM MOUNTED** so high that when Pres. Coolidge took over and appointed Harlan F. Stone attorney general, Stone allowed FBI chief William J. Burns to resign. Hoover, second in command stayed on as FBI chief but his general intelligence division was abolished and the wholesale pursuit of radicals was stopped for a while.

From that time on, the corps of FBI speech writers and public relations men has been trying to prove that Hoover had nothing to do with the Palmer raids and other wholesale arrests and that his policy-making began only after he became chief. But recorded proceedings of congressional committees reveal that Hoover himself arranged and directed the raids.

## Blamed Underlings

Records of the Labor Department, which then included the Immigration Service, show Hoover wrote instructions that non-citizens belonging to allegedly subversive organizations should be deported whether or not they knew what the organization stood for. The Labor Department overruled him.

**ACCUSED BEFORE** a Senate committee of ordering the arrest of a non-citizen without a warrant, Hoover testified: "The warrant was issued the following day."

When the Senate investigating com-

mittee asked Atty. Gen. Mitchell Palmer questions about the policies involved in the raids, he referred the senators to Hoover. The charge was made that thousands of arrests in homes were made without search warrants. Hoover alibied: "The search warrants were entirely a matter which the agents in charge of local offices handled."

It was Hoover who telegraphed local agents in an effort to get whitewashed statements after it was learned that thousands of prisoners were held in open corridors without toilet facilities.

**THE SENATE JUDICIARY** committee learned that Hoover wrote to the Immigration Bureau, urging it not to release prisoners on bail until they had "talked" to the G-men. Asked by the Senate judiciary committee why so many foreign-born were held for months before their cases were disposed of, Hoover testified: "The greatest delay was the attorneys for the defense not getting the hearings over."

## Mary Beard Warns . . .

He was forced to admit it was his recommendation that caused many non-citizens to be held in bail of from \$1,000 to \$5,000. Finally, Hoover was identified as the man at the Justice Department who sent out orders for the raids which contemplated that many would be held without bail.

So persistent were the efforts of the FBI publicity men and newspaper friends of Hoover; like columnist Walter Winchell, that the FBI chief's leading role in the mass illegal arrests might have been forgotten had not the general intelligence bureau been reactivated in 1939. This sent researchers back through the records, and in 1940 Mary R. Beard, the noted historian, warned that the FBI was again becoming a menace to the American system.

## Lies to Cover Up

Alexander Holtzoff, a Justice Department attorney, advisor to the FBI and longtime friend of Hoover, wrote Mrs. Beard that Hoover's record was without blemish. Holtzoff denied that Hoover had ever had any connection with the old general intelligence division. When Mrs. Beard replied, citing records, Holtzoff said Hoover had told him he had no connection with the old division and Hoover was an honest man.

Attorney Gen. Homer Cummings just about then issued an official history stating that the general intelligence division was organized in 1917 "under direct administrative supervision of J. Edgar Hoover," who had been one of those "in charge of counter-radical activities as a special agent" since 1917.

Holtzoff, like several FBI men, was later made a Federal judge.

# Canadians In Mile-Long Protest Against Union-Busting Legislation

**QUEBEC CITY (ALN).**—Thousands of French Canadian workers marched in a mile-long parade here to protest two union-busting bills which the Quebec provincial government of Premier Maurice Duplessis is sponsoring.

The mile-long march through the streets of the city ended at the Palais Montcalm where the workers staged a mass rally. The auditorium was jammed to capacity and over 2,000 stood outside in 5 below zero weather to hear the speeches over loudspeakers.

## Legislators Scatter Quickly

Participating in the demonstration were the Catholic Syndicates, the Canadian Congress of Labor Provincial Federation, which includes Canadian affiliates of U. S. CIO unions, the Alliance of Catholic Teachers, the Montreal Policemen's Brotherhood and many rank-and-file AFL unionists.

**AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT** by Pres. Roger Provost of the Provincial Federation of Labor that AFL affiliates would not participate in the protest march drew attacks from CCL and Catholic Syndicate leaders, who accused the AFL of splitting labor unity. It had been indicated at first that the AFL would join in the campaign against Bills 19 and 20.

Effectiveness of the demonstration was conceded in advance by Duplessis who adjourned the legislature at 1 p.m. before the protesting workers arrived there. The legislators quickly scattered, seeking to dodge their angry constituents.

## Always Basis For Unity

Sec. Gen. Jean Marchand of the Catholic Syndicates attacked the AFL for refusing to join in the protest. "How come there are still labor federations, who in the face of dangers such as those which men-

ace us today, give their support to the other side?" he demanded. He said the rank and file members of these unions some day will repudiate such leadership "because even when there are ideological differences, there is always a basis for unity when it comes to defending the workers."

**CCL REGIONAL DIR.** Phillippe Vailancourt told the crowd: "The government no doubt thought we would not have the courage to oppose a bill that mentions communism. With the collective hysteria that holds sway in America, it is difficult to think clearly. But this does not encourage us to toleration when a government passes legislation with fascist tendencies. Bill 19 does not define communism.

"We are of the opinion that in a democracy it is our right to denounce the economic dictatorship and the system of the trusts that oppresses the working class of Quebec."

Pres. Gerard Picard of the Catholic Syndicates said: "This is the first time a gesture of solidarity such as this has taken place in our province. It is a democratic gesture . . .

"There are those who think this demonstration will end in disorder. . . . There are always those who speak of disorder and communism when workers get together.

"In 1949 the government came up with Bill 5. It provoked a veritable defense rising. United, the workers protested unanimously. The bill was withdrawn. Then they came back with it in small slices. Are we going to continue tolerating this manner of doing things? I believe the government stands exposed and has lost its right to govern this province."

Over 800 workers from Montreal came here by special train. They were joined by delegations from other industrial centers throughout the province, which traveled here in bus and auto cavalcades.

# Trained Protected Perjurers . . .

Two FBI agents recalled to the witness stand in the Michigan Smith Act trial admitted they had lied in their previous testimony.

The two labor spies, Stephen Schemanske and Milton Santwire, both Ford Motor Co. employes, had declared under cross examination by defense counsel Ernest Goodman that they had not known one another except incidentally.

Goodman turned up evidence that not only had Santwire roomed at the home of Schemanske's father-in-law but Schemanske himself paid Santwire \$75 a month for spying out of an expense fund of \$300 to \$400 a month given to Schemanske by Ford, U. S. District Attorney

Kaess took the perjury calmly and said he wouldn't do anything about it.

But Judge Frank A. Picard hit the judicial ceiling, telling Kaess: "It shouldn't make any difference to the government whether he is a government witness or not, and it doesn't make any difference to this court whether he is a government witness or not. He has told an untruth. He should be punished."

The two FBI perjurers will not be punished, if at all, like Daisy Van Dorn, the "grandmother," who told bald lies concerning a Federal judge during her appearance in the Honolulu Smith Act trial.

Schemanske worked his way up in the Communist Party and he reported to Ford

and by Ford's instruction, also direct to the FBI.

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Another confessed FBI spy in the Communist Party, Mrs. Berenice Baldwin, admitted at the Michigan trial that she began working for the FBI for \$10 a month expense money and was given raises from time to time till she was making \$225 a month. Starting with a \$10 a month pay, she hauled in \$17,300 for stoolpigeon work, she testified.

She was advised by the FBI to marry her boy friend, which she did. He was her third husband from whom she is now divorced.

Defendants in Detroit were Saul Wellman, Helen Winter, Billy Allan, Phil Schatz, Nat Ganley and Thomas Dennis.

# Maui Notes

By EDDIE UJIMORI

**SAM ALO, SR.**, Maui County auditor, announced at the recent Boy Scout luncheon at the Grand Hotel that he expects to retire from active politics as soon as he is granted a pension. One hat, if not already in the ring, was poised for the toss. It was that of Sup. Manuel Rodrigues (D) who will make an official announcement shortly, it is reported. Rodrigues has already donated 21 T-shirts to the softball team of Libby Unit 40, ILWU. Each shirt bears on its back the legend, "Manuel Rodrigues for Auditor."

**MAUI REPUBLICANS** are reported pressing Toshi Enomoto, county clerk, to run for the county chairmanship against Eddie Tam, and they are said to be seeking Kazuo Kage as a candidate for county clerk. This may only be preliminary sparring, of course, with no real significance.

**A MEMBER** of the board of supervisors tells us Elmer Carvalho (D), who resigned his school-teaching job recently, did so in order to run either for the county clerk's job, or for the house of representatives. An active Democrat, Carvalho is expected to draw strong support.

**ANOTHER POSSIBLE** move of Kazuo Kage is that he may enter the race against K. K. Kam (D), Maui County treasurer. It is a post he has often told friends he

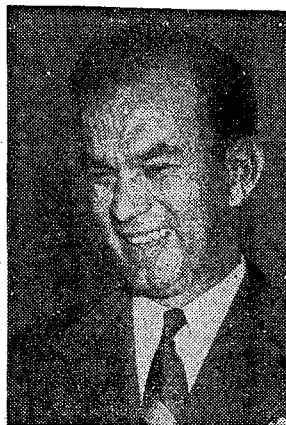
would like to hold.

**SUPERVISORS SHOULD** work for less than the \$215 per month they receive now, says Alfred Franco (D), who is out to beat Supervisor Robert Shimada. If they have the interests of the people at heart, Franco says, supervisors should be willing to work for \$50 a month, or \$25 per regular meeting, with an additional \$10 for each special meeting. We can see some of the supervisors frowning over that one already.

**ANTICIPATING** blasts from Ezra Crane and the Maui News, Rep. Richard "Pete" St. Sure says, "I'm not worried about what Crane says in his paper about my liberal views."

St. Sure got the blast during the last session of the legislature when he refused to line up with the GOP machine and back Percy Lydgate for speaker of the house against Hiram Fong who outmaneuvered the GOP diehards and walked away with the cake. St. Sure is one of the few Republicans who won the aloha of labor during the last session when he voted for bills that would help the working people.

**IN ANSWER** to queries, we publish the names of the present Maui police commission as follows: Chairman, Harold Rice; commissioners, William Tuttle, Ernest Paschoal, Dr. Edward Kushi and Marco Meyer.



**ONE LONE SENATOR**—Only senator to vote against \$214,000 appropriation for Joe McCarthy's witch-hunting committee was J. William Fulbright (above), Arkansas Democrat. (Federated Pictures)

## Levy's Favored Spot Eyed By Other Bakers

A new feature of the Pearl Harbor commissary has attracted the attention of local bakers and, unless fuller explanation is forthcoming, they may take steps to find out official reasons.

The feature is a bakery counter, apparently the concession of Levy's Bakery. Other bakers are wondering how Levy's rates such a favored spot.

A further report among the baking trade is that a price war may be in the making—with some bakeries dropping bread to 15 cents a loaf and doughnuts to 40 cents a dozen.

## FBI's "Immunity" Backfires On Stoolie; Sen. McCarthy Ired

Even Sen. Joseph McCarthy expressed irritation recently with Federal Bureau of Investigation's failure to keep its promises of "immunity" to stoolpigeons.

Fred J. Kitty was McCarthy's star witness in the senator's publicized investigation of the Signal Corps at Ft. Monmouth, N. J. He testified against a former associate there after McCarthy wrote the Justice Dept. asking that a perjury case against Kitty be settled.

McCarthy later said he wrote the Justice Dept. because Kitty's attorney, O. John Rogge, said a deal made with the FBI had been broken. McCarthy said the FBI had promised not to indict Kitty for perjury because he failed to say he had been a member of an organization on the subversive list.

McCarthy said after cooperating with the FBI, Kitty was indicted anyhow "by the Truman administration." Investigation showed the indictment was returned May 19, 1953, several months after the administration was changed.

After receiving McCarthy's letter, the Justice Dept. acted and prosecutor James B. Murphy asked after Kitty's conviction that he not be sent to prison. Federal judge William C. Coleman in Baltimore, however, sent Kitty to prison for four months. Rogge and McCarthy expressed astonishment and chagrin.

Unemployment compensation claims for the week ended Jan. 9 were 467,300, highest weekly figure since August 1945.

# BIG ISLAND NEWS BRIEFS

By SPECIAL WRITER

Big Island Boy Scouts took over the running of the county and some plantations from regular executives and department heads last Friday.

Calvin Haena of Post 52, Hilo, ran the county with County Chairman Kealoha at his side on Friday. In the ceremony held as the day began, the Big Island's Scouting Family of the Year award was presented to the Wilmar A. Elliot family by Chairman Kealoha.

**SCOUTS CHOSEN FOR** county posts during the annual "Know Your Town" day for their all-round qualities as leaders in various activities and on their records as scouts included:

Myron Shirasu, Post 62, third circuit judge; Aaron Ishikawa, troop 41, Hilo, So. Hilo district magistrate; Gerald Ujiki, troop 35, Honokaa, county clerk; Richard Whittington, troop 9, Hilo, county auditor.

**STEPHEN KAAINOVA**, troop 25, Honokaa, county engineer; Richard Morikawa, post 23, Hilo, county treasurer; Charles Vest, troop 41, Hilo, fire chief; Kenneth Itohshi, post 23, purchasing agent.

Paul Nishimoto, post 5, Hakalau, police chief, Wilfred Tsugi, troop 35, Honokaa, county attorney; James Akoni, post 37, Hilo, postmaster; Ronald Goo, troop 9, Hilo, manager-engineer of the water board; and Kiyoshi Kobayashi, troop 36, Kurtistown, health officer.

**WHEN WILL PLANTATION** management in the Territory include non-haoles and even haoles the Big Five prefer not to have on their front line and quarter back staffs? The management staff has been a closed shop for favored ones. Until the workers became organized in the plantations, both sugar and pine, workers of Filipino, Japanese and other non-white ancestries were not given supervisory positions.

The organization of workers has opened up and broadened the employment field. Today supervisors enjoy better pay and conditions because of the ILWU. Every time the workers win their demands for pay and conditions, the supervisors automatically get a hike in pay, etc.

Because there are union contract provisions, the supervisors need not do the type of "dirty work" they were forced to carry out in the old days, like whipping and beating workers and docking their pay. There are exceptions among supervisors. Some managers prefer to have them around and these supervisors instigate trouble in employer-employee relations.

**WHEN WILL** plantation management cease to be a closed shop? What if managers were selected from the community that produces the sugar or pineapple crop? There would be an upset because the haole management circle makes up the smallest minority in any plantation community.

**EXPLORER** Scouts Post 10 of Pahala on Feb. 8 chose leaders from their ranks in observing Boy Scout week to fill management posts at Hawaiian Agricultural Co. Ten management positions were filled by:

Lawrence Sasaki, manager; Harry Nishihara, assistant manager; Alan Shimizu, harvesting supt.; Hardy Iida, factory supt.; Masao Toma, office manager; Roy Teramoto, cultivation supt.; Larry Miyamoto, garage supt.; Eddie Iida, construction supt.; Earl Nakamoto, Warehouse supt.; and Stanley Mitura, carpenter supt.

**PAPAALOA SCOUTS** in similar manner ran the Laupahoehoe Sugar Co. Feb. 12, along with the company's management staff. The scouts filled the following positions:

Manager, field superintendent, garage supervisor, personnel director, harvesting superintendent, mill superintendent, sugar boiler-chemist and agriculturist.

Explorer Scouts Arnold Palmer, George Higashihara, Edwin Fujinaga and Thomas Mamanouchi, along with Boy Scouts Gordon Palmer, Robert Barwick, Patrick Palmer and Carl Kazuma "ran" the company for the day.

**FUTURE FARMERS** are vying for public speaking honors. With the territorial winner slated to compete in Kansas City, Mo., this fall, elimination contests were held at Hilo and Laupahoehoe High Schools Feb. 2. Kenneth Matoba of Hakalau won at Hilo and Griffith Yamamoto of Honokaa, at Laupahoehoe.

Last week's island-wide conference had Pahala, Pahoa, Hilo and Hakalau future farmers meeting at Hilo High and Konawaena, Kohala, Laupahoehoe and Honokaa participated at Laupahoehoe.

**KILAUEA COUNCIL** Boy Scouts of America, began its fund raising drive Monday to fulfill its budgetary requirement for the year of \$29,530.24. It faces a deficit of \$18,646.14.

The Kilauea Council requested \$29,530.24 from the Community Chest and the Chest's review board recommended a \$27,276.25 operating budget. Of the recommended figure the Chest's review board wants the Scouts to raise \$10,000. Since the Chest in its drive met 63 per cent of its goal, it will distribute to the Scouts 63 per cent of the review committee recommendation of \$17,276.25, which is the balance after the \$10,000 is deducted.

**THE COMMUNITY CHEST** leaders will meet Feb. 17 at Masonic Hall, Hilo, to decide whether or not to continue with its annual campaign to raise funds. Chest President Malcolm Love is reported in favor of suspending chest operations for two years to see if the project is needed. Poor response in the past drive is reason behind the present consideration.

**ORDERS FROM THE BIG ISLAND** liquor commission to three liquor establishments to remove TV sets from their place of business since they were not installed with consent of the commission has the bar owners beaming.

The bar owners, two in Kohala and one in Honokaa, thanked commission chairman Eugene S. Capellas for the ruling. The bar operators who are interested in selling liquor over the counter said TV fans would order a beer, divide the drink among a few and sit for hours watching the entertainment at a cost of five to 10 cents.

**KOHALA IS** expected to send the strongest judo team from the neighbor islands to compete in the third annual Hawaiian judo championship at the Nuanuu YMCA on March 6.

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# Among the Politicians

Democrats last Sunday were propelled into the amazing situation of having their national committeeman, Frank Fasi, advise them not to contribute to a fund-raising campaign conducted by the Democratic Party. Fasi's argument, given over his weekly radio show, was to the effect that the fund-raising committee, being appointed by John A. Burns, central committee chairman, is "not legal."

Chairman of the committee is Ernest Heen and its 15 members include such former Fasi friends as Thomas B. Miles, Thomas Gill, Robert G. Dodge and current Fasi favorite, Prof. Don McGuire of the University of Hawaii.

**FASI'S REPUTATION** for accuracy suffered, among Democrats of a few years standing—especially when he claimed he sent more money to the national party than anyone in the Territory ever did before. It was recalled by one long-time Democrat that two large stockholders in the TransPacific Airlines contributed \$5,000 each in 1949—a total of \$10,000 and well

over Fasi's claim of a "top" of \$8,500. The \$10,000 wasn't all that was contributed that year, by any means, either.

But then, maybe Fasi isn't to blame. Was he a Democrat then, or does anyone remember?

**SINCE FASI'S** broadcast has been made the subject of front-page article in the Star-Bull, Democrats say they'll be surprised if a copy does not turn up sooner or later in the hands of the Democratic National Committee at Washington—accompanied perhaps by a suggestion that he be considered for dropping. That's not likely to happen, though. Only twice in history were national committeemen dropped by that body, the last being in 1948 when the Dixiecrats walked out of the national convention rather than accept a platform urging an end to racial discrimination. The other committeeman dropped was one years ago who came out openly for a candidate of the opposition. Some local people feel Fasi's "don't give a dime" pronouncement may be akin to that.

**JACK BURNS** was again Fasi's chief target when the national committeeman had some time on a radio program Wednesday morning. This time the object appeared to be smear and Fasi accused Burns of associating too closely with the "Communist-ILWU" crowd. Then he went on to report what Burns told FBI agents who asked him to testify against Jack Hall. According to Fasi, Burns told the FBI he knew of no more good and loyal American citizen than Jack Hall.

Recalling that Fasi was quite willing to aid in the effort to railroad Hall and six other Smith Act defendants to prison, one wonders just how he found out what Burns told the FBI. Do FBI agents go around swapping gossip like that?



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## 27 Maui Hospital Workers Laid Off Despite \$4,000 Aid From Supervisors

In a surprise move, directors of the Central Maui Memorial Hospital dismissed 27 employes this week. The move came as a surprise, despite an announcement that severe budget-cutting was due, because the Maui County board of supervisors had moved to delay the layoffs until the end of the month.

Twenty-five of the 27 positions involved were reported abolished. Minoru Shigeoka, administrative assistant, and a highly controversial figure ever since his appointment 18 months ago, resigned, reportedly to enter private business. Last Friday, the Maui board of supervisors appropriated \$4,000 for the purpose of keeping the hospital workers working past February 15, when they were supposed to be laid off.

The same night, the Maui Hospital Managing Committee rescinded the lay-off notices in a

secret meeting held at the Central Maui Memorial Hospital.

Then thirty-five workers were given dismissal notices by the hospital committee after a secret meeting held on January 26. In the lay-off letters, the committee blamed the finance committee of the board of supervisors for making the lay-offs necessary.

### Pressure on Board?

When the notices were sent to the employes, some political observers felt that the managing committee was trying to pressure the board of supervisors for a larger appropriation.

**Eddie Tam, Chairman and Executive Officer of Maui County, immediately branded the lay-off as "premature" and pointed out that no budget has been presented to the board of supervisors.**

The United Public Workers and the Hawaiian Government Employees Association joined in criticizing the lay-off. Henry Epstein, territorial director of the UPW, and David K. Trask, Jr., of the HGEA, both complained that the lay-off was unfair and discriminated against employes with many years of seniority.

### Seniority Ignored

The two union representatives pointed out that an employe with fifteen years of seniority was being laid-off while workers with only a few months' seniority were being kept.

At their request, a public meeting was held at the hospital early this month. At that time, they argued that the lay-off was discriminatory and claimed that the civil service rules were being violated in the lay-off. The result was the postponement.

Another public meeting last week, the UPW and HGEA representatives presented their ideas to the managing committee.

The HGEA was represented by Alfred Au, a member of the staff of the Honolulu C-C auditor. Au examined the hospital's budget and came to the conclusion that there was no need for a lay-off.

Following Mr. Au, Henry Epstein, of the UPW, said that he hoped the managing committee would call off the lay-off after hearing Mr. Au's report. However, if the committee rejects Mr. Au's suggestions and goes ahead with a lay-off, Mr. Epstein presented an eleven-point proposal which would provide for a fair system of lay-off.

### Seniority Stressed

The main point in the UPW proposal advised the managing committee to:

"Prepare a hospital-wide seniority list. Lay-off should be in strict conformity with the seniority list, with the last to be hired being the first to be laid off. Exceptions should be made only in special and unusual cases directly affecting patient care, such as an anesthetist, and these should be kept to a minimum."

When members of the managing committee spoke against the idea of seniority, Epstein pointed out that seniority in lay-offs is provided for in all of Hawaii's basic industries.

"If it's good enough for the sugar industry, the pineapple industry, and the longshore industry, as well as the private hospitals, why shouldn't it be good enough for the Central Maui Memorial Hospital?" Epstein asked.

Estimated steel production for the week beginning Jan. 18 was 74.3 per cent of capacity, the American Iron & Steel Institute reported. Actual production one year ago was 99.7 per cent of capacity.



**MEXICAN WORKERS STORM U. S. BORDER**—Result of U. S. refusal to work out new agreement with Mexico on admission of seasonal farm workers is this mob scene at border gate at Mexicali. Nine thousand Mexicans massed at border, seeking to enter U. S. to work on harvest in California's Imperial Valley. U. S. authorities dispersed crowd with riot guns and teargas, allowed only 600 to 800 to enter. AFL has charged new U. S. policy is exactly what corporate farmers ordered. (Federated Pictures)

## Author of Many Applications Mum On Discrepancies

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a frequent applicant for other positions, ranging from Secretary of Hawaii to the yet unfilled post of deputy to Controller Paul Kerpeler.

Some clue to the nature of the discrepancies Toner may be asked to clear up may come from an item that appeared in the RECORD Feb. 22, 1951. That item reports a check on Toner's statement in an application that he graduated from Enon Valley High School (Pa.) in 1926.

The secretary of the elementary school there answered a query saying that the high school had been discontinued and the records accidentally destroyed.

### "They Do Not Recall"

She wrote further, as reported in that item, "The school was small and I have information from graduates of that year and they do not recall that Edward Patrick Toner was in the class."

There was also a question in the item as to whether or not Toner had passed civil service examinations from CAF-9 to CAF 12 as he had indicated in one application.

Toner was most recently in the news when he sent letters to Democratic officials suggesting that Ingram Stainback be expelled from the Democratic Party.

### Challenged '39"

Some years ago he attempted to initiate similar action against the 39 local people who were cited for contempt of Congress for refusing to answer questions of the unAmerican Activities committee at a hearing here.

Toner's own political activity and his membership in the Democratic central committee were at that time brought to the attention of the civil service commission. The commission ruled, however, that Toner's central committee membership did not constitute illegal political activity.

He later resigned from the central committee, however, and announced that he was done with politics.

It is not believed that the commission will initiate any action in the Toner case, however, until it has fully disposed of the Marcotte case and others of a similar nature—unless such action is demanded by an outside party, in which case action would probably be accelerated.

## Brownell Holds Leftists Are "Foreign Agents"

WASHINGTON - (FP) - Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell has recommended to the Senate and House that they amend the foreign agents registration act so that "agents of a domestic organization which is financed, controlled, supervised or directed by a foreign government or foreign political party" be defined as foreign agent. The Justice Dept. contends that leftwing groups in the U. S. are controlled by the USSR or Communist parties abroad.

Apparel chain stores sales continued marked declines in December. Bond Clothing Stores, for example, showed a sales decrease of 7.6 per cent in December 1953 compared with the 1952 figure.

## Sugar Employers' Stalling Exposed By Ballot Offer

HILO - (By Mail) - The simple and short proposal by ILWU sugar negotiators for the employers to bring out their best offer for the rank and file to vote on in a secret ballot seems to have broad and hearty approval on the plantation level.

"It's simple and it exposed the employers. The proposal crowded them out of their maneuvering space," commented a worker in East Hawaii.

"The employers always say, 'Let the rank and file decide.' What are they waiting for? They are eating their words and they don't taste good," said another. "The public understands the score."

The proposal simply and directly put to the employers evidently has helped to solidify the ranks further in the negotiations.

### Boesses Stopped Cold

Numerous workers say the maneuvering employers were stopped cold and their stalling tactics shown up before the public for what they are worth.

The conduct of employer negotiators who aren't willing to give when the sugar industry is enjoying great prosperity apparently has further deepened the general belief among workers that their bargaining demands are just.

## Auto Workers Say "Eisenhower" Is Ike's New Name As Layoffs Continue

DETROIT - (FP) - Great Lakes Steel Corp., downriver from Detroit, largest steel mill in the area and chief local supplier of auto steel, laid off over 15 per cent of its workers Jan. 28. The layoff of 1,900 of its 12,000 employes followed successive layoffs of auto workers and severe reduction of

overtime in Detroit plants, though Flint, hub of the General Motors empire, is still running with sizable shifts.

Great Lakes is a division of E. T. Weir's National Steel Co.

The Wayne County (Detroit) CIO Council demanded a conference with city officials to set up relief measures for those out of work whose jobless benefits have expired as well as to consider new employment. Mayor Cobo, stand-offish after his recent easy reelection—this time to a four-year term—set Feb. 11.

Labor Sec. Mitchell, pretending inability to find all the unemployed claimed by the UAW-CIO, promised to look again. He managed in his latest report to stay just under the distress limit. The UAW charged that he failed to take known layoffs into account.

Auto workers are beginning to call Ike Pres. "Eisenhower" because of his minimizing of their unemployment troubles. He told Congress Jan. 28 that it was a "minor adjustment" or "a slight contraction in business."

### What's a Hill of Beans?

But they are more incensed over the remarks of Pres. Henry Ford II of the Ford Motor Co., who publicly stated that "unemployment doesn't amount to a hill of beans."

V. Pres. Pat Quinn of Dodge Local 3, UAW-CIO, where two thirds of the force is idle, said: "Just why Mr. Ford is an authority on unemployment, we don't know, as he hasn't done a lick of work in his life. Mr. Ford, just tell a man with five or six children or even one child, whose last miserable unemployment check is running out, that his unemployment doesn't amount to a hill of beans."

"We frankly feel that the Mr. Ford the Second never saw a hill of beans, no more than he saw unemployment checks of \$27 a week."

## Prejudice Against Rabbit Vanishing; Govt. Has Recipes

A meat unfamiliar to many housewives but delicious and unusual in flavor is domestic rabbit, now sold ready-to-cook fresh or frozen. The old prejudice against gamy flavor and fear of rabbit fever can be laid aside these days, the Dept. of Agriculture says.

Domestic rabbits are marketed as fryers, 8 to 12 weeks old, and roasters, 8 months or older. Fryers weigh 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 pounds and may be cooked much like chicken of the same age and weight.

The roasters usually weigh 4 pounds and over. They need long, slow cooking in a covered pan to make them tender. Stewing and braising are the recommended ways of cooking.

Single copies of a new booklet, Ways To Cook Rabbit, may be obtained free from the Office of Information, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C. General cooking directions and about 20 recipes are included.



"Your left front is flat, sir."

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WHAT WILL MAKE DEMOCRATS FIGHT?

# Despite Ike's Words, Red-Baiting of Democrats Is Only Way Out For GOP

By JOHN B. STONE  
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Before they set out on their week-long series of nationwide red-baiting speeches in celebration of Lincoln's birthday, the Republican bosses on Capitol Hill made a deal with the Democratic bosses on Capitol Hill.

The Democrats agreed not to bring up any important matters requiring rollcall votes during the period of GOP forensics in observance of the birthday of the Great Emancipator. In return, the Republicans agreed they would hold up action on important matters when time for the Jefferson-Jackson day speeches comes around.

That was all in the good old spirit of the "political game." But some of the Democrats seem to be surprised, chagrined and hurt by the use the Republicans made of their holiday from action.

It is hard to believe these Democratic big guns actually could not have foreseen that from Pres. Eisenhower down to Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R, Wis.) and GOP national chairman Leonard W. Hall, the GOP orators would concentrate their attention on smearing the entire Democratic party with the red label.

### Foresaw Business "Downturn"

The GOP obviously knew they would have to face out a business downturn. They didn't have any desire to return to New Deal methods of meeting a business downturn. But they would have to have something to give the people instead of help in meeting economic problems.

When Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell warmed over the documents in the Harry Dexter White case, and enlisted the open backing of FBI Dir. J. Edgar Hoover in his purely political attack on former Pres. Truman, the handwriting was on the wall.

When the President sent up his eight messages to Congress spelling out great tax concessions for big business and peanuts plus a tougher Taft-Hartley act for working men and women, that handwriting was further illuminated.

And when the GOP leadership, with the obvious blessing of the White House, put McCarthy on the rules committee, pushed through the biggest budget in the history of the government opera-

# New Conditions, New Problems in Control of TB

The dramatic drop in the tuberculosis death rate in Hawaii in the last 52 years, from nearly 500 per 100,000 population to 15.5 in 1952, has caused a shift in problems.

Despite the decrease in number of deaths, there has not been any decrease in the number of tuberculosis cases.

More patients are being discharged alive from tuberculosis hospitals. This trend increases the need for greater rehabilitation services. More assistance is needed to help these patients find job opportunities.

The finding of new cases becomes increasingly difficult as the general public realizes the importance of regular chest X-rays. The case-finding program must be strengthened to seek out those who are missed in X-ray surveys.

tions committee, which McCarthy uses for his witchhunting, and sent McCarthy out on a national tour with the slogan that FDR, Truman, Adlai Stevenson and by implication at least all Democrats are traitors—then at least the Democrats should have known.

Ike's Doublecross  
Now that the GOP have made their Lincoln day speeches, we have the amazing spectacle of Democratic House floor leader Sam Rayburn (Tex.) complaining that Eisenhower expects the Democratic members of Congress, "as good Americans," to support him but sends out Republican orators to brand these same Democrats as traitors. It sounds like a small boy saying, "You play mean. I'm going to quit."

From Sen. Mike Mansfield (D, Mont.), who once was rated liberal, we get a major but noncommittal speech on Indo-China.

It is significant that while Mansfield was speaking, Rep. Lee Metcalf (D, Mont.) was telling the House about a miner in Butte who wondered how miners could continue spending at the current rate, as requested by Treasury Sec. George M. Humphrey, when hours in the Butte mines have just been cut so sharply as to reduce miners' income by \$100 a month.

Faced by recession, fearing loss of their jobs and seeing the dangers to democracy, what the people want is not whining apologies from the Democrats, but a fighting program that shows up the Eisenhower strategy for what it is—a gigantic scheme to enrich the corporations at the expense of men and women who work for a living.

# How Many C-C Workers Registered? Survey May Be Proposed Soon

How many city and county employees are registered voters?

No one seems to know for sure, but it's a subject that has become of hot interest around city hall since the RECORD's story of last week revealing how Gov. King's survey shows half the territorial workers are not registered.

Leon Sterling, C-C clerk, says no one has approached him as yet to make a survey, but he will not be surprised to get such a request any day.

"This department is all registered," said Sterling. "That's the only one I'm sure of."

### Women Voters To Be Asked

From other sources, the RECORD learned the proposal of such a survey is likely to be presented to the League of Women voters with the suggestion that the group make it a project.

Still a puzzle in the minds of readers was the fact that the Star-Bulletin, with plenty of inside access to Iolani Palace in addition to its regular reporters, failed to cover the story until it was broken by the RECORD.

Most Democrats believed the reason was that the palace desires as little publicity as possible on the survey, itself, which was seen as a political move by Gov. King when it was first ordered by him, and which, like the results of the survey, was first reported in the RECORD.

Army contracts worth \$500 million will be canceled by June 30, the Defense Dept. announced. Outstanding orders will drop to \$5 billion by June 30, compared with \$13 billion on Jan. 1, 1953.



**CAREY TESTIFIES**—Testifying before Senate labor committee against proposed Taft-Hartley amendments, CIO Sec.-Treas. James B. Carey (above) clashed with Sen. Barry Goldwater (R, Ariz.), who complained that he was part of a captive audience and was tired of listening to labor. "You can come late and leave early," Carey told the senator. "You aren't a captive audience. No boss can fire you if you don't attend these sessions." (Federated Pictures)

# Hercules Powder Lays Off 1,600 As Cutbacks In Order Hits Industry

RALFORD, Va. (FP)—The Hercules Powder Co. has scheduled layoffs of 1,600 workers at its plant during February and March, according to Mgr. J. C. Foster. The company operates a government-owned arsenal here.

Foster said outbacks in orders caused the layoffs. The layoffs have been going on since last September, with about 1,500 employes discharged already in addition to another 900 who quit and were not replaced.

# ILWU Claims Majority West Coast Stewards Represented by Union

SAN FRANCISCO (FP) - The International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union has protested the failure to include its Stewards Dept. Organizing Committee in a series of conferences being held by the NLRB with the National Union of Marine Cooks & Stewards and the rival AFL union, affiliated with the Seafarers International Union, in an attempt to settle the jurisdictional dispute over representation on west coast ships.

The ILWU said it represents "the overwhelming majority" of coast stewards, "twice as many as the two other unions combined." It said NLRB regional Dir. Gerald A. Brown excluded the ILWU at the behest of the AFL because it would not guarantee now to petition for an election.

This it refuses to do, the ILWU statement said, since "an election has been pending for two years and has not been held because the NLRB has known that Lundeberg could not win it." The reference was to SIU official Harry Lundeberg.

The NLRB did finally order an election on Sept. 23, 1953, but it has been postponed until settlement of a dispute over back pay owed by the shipowners to MCS members. The conferences are continuing.

# Cowboys Seem Independent But There's More Than Meets Movie-Goer's Eye

By EDWARD ROHRBOUGH  
With a rodeo coming to the stadium, with westerns taking a high spot on local radio and motion picture programs, and with one kid out of three on the streets boasting some piece of Hopalong Cassidy paraphernalia, I am often reminded of cowboys—how they used to be and how they got that way.

I am far from being an expert on cowboys but I have held the horses of a couple of cowboys and spent a good many hours listening to old-timers when I was supposed to be doing something else. So a few loosely related facts come to mind.

For one thing, while the cowboy seems about as independent an individual as you find, he unconsciously gets his life dictated to him far more than say the coal miner's.

The miner, for instance, wears his safety boots and his lighted cap for very functional reasons which he understands very well. But though many cowboys might deny it, they wear ten-gallon hats and decorated, pointed-toe boots because the style was set years ago by the movies—back in the time of William S. Hart and from there.

### Old-Timers Looked Like Farmers

Such is the opinion of one of the best-known bootmakers of Central Texas, a man who rode the range himself and who comes of a family that includes both Texas Rangers and some of the men the Rangers chased. The bootmaker has a lot of old-time pictures and boot lasts to prove his point. Most of the men who rode up the Chisholm Trail, he will show you, dressed just about like any other farmers except that they carried six-shooters.

More than one old-timer has attested to the fact that most cowboys never had occasion to draw their revolvers against other men. It may be disillusioning to movie fans, but the average cowboy went through his career firing only at objects such as rattlesnakes, coyotes, an occasional outlaw steer, and the wide night sky over Dodge, Kansas, at the end of a trail drive. The gunfighters were exceptions.

The old bootmaker will argue very convincingly that cowboys got fancy boots and big hats after seeing them in the movies. And the movies appear to have got them from the Mexican vaqueros of Sonora and Lower California, adding a good deal to them in decoration and design. The old Texas cowboys wore boots rather more like cavalry boots, the authority says, with soft round toes, low flat heels and no decoration at all.

There is much to back up what the bootmaker says. For one thing, you discover knocking around the Texas cownowns, that western pictures are the most popular bill of movie fare. The cowboys would rather look at Hollywood's conception of them than the movie-makers' conception of anything else.

### Amazingly Poor Pay

In the economic field, of course, the cowboy's lack of independence was amazing, and maybe it still is. Cattle kings like John Chisholm, Charles Goodnight and "Shanghai" Pierce made millions driving longhorns to the westward-moving market. But the men who drove for them were lucky if they got "forty and found," or \$40 a month and their keep. During the Great Depression of the '30's, cowboys were working for a lot less than that. You can be sure Honolulu longshoremen do better today than most cowboys.

But the cowboy HAD his in-

dependence in a number of ways. When Lord Adair, owner of the XIT ranch, first visited the ranch after buying it, the Englishman found not a single cowboy who would demand himself by polishing his lordship's boots.

When Ab Blocker, XIT manager, had occasion to visit an official Mexican office, a friend whispered to him that he should take off his hat. Blocker paid no attention and the friend whispered again. "When in Rome, you do as the Romans do."

Blocker replied calmly, "By God, I'll back out of Rome."

There was a time when a cowboy lost some of his independence by coming to town where he was considered something of a rustic, a bumpkin and a natural "mark" for the unscrupulous—though he was never the safest of "marks." Those days are gone.

### New York Left "Toots" Cold

A few years ago, I had occasion to carry a message to "Toots" Mansfield, often calf-roping champion in Madison Square Garden. I found him in hotel across from the Garden playing penny-ante with a couple of other rodeo contestants. I discovered that was all most of the cowboys did when they hit New York—stay in the hotel and play penny-ante and perhaps rip mildly at a bottle.

Mansfield was interested enough in the rodeo to talk about that, and in cutting up mutual acquaintances in Bandera, Texas, but about New York he had little or no comment. New York was just a place where the inhabitants paid good money to see calf-roping.

That's a bit of a change from the personal accounts you'll read in "Trail Drivers of Texas," a unique book made up of cowboys' own accounts of their trips up the Chisholm Trail.

One of these, for instance, Jack Potter, a six ft., six in. giant, tells how he took a trip to Kansas City, after paying off at Dodge, and encountered a group of college girls who were fascinated at the idea of meeting a cowboy. They asked him to write something romantic in their autograph books and he wrote the only verse he knew. It was one he'd remembered from the few years he'd spent in school and ran as follows:

"It's tiresome work," said Lazy Ned,  
"To climb the hill with my new sled  
"And beat the other boys."

# T. H. Retirement System Invests In Railroads

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Hawaii are not especially good investments. There are those who say the directors look with a skeptical eye on the future of the economy of the Territory.

### Kimball, Hind Get Loans

Some local borrowers on the other hand, have enjoyed surprising success at interesting the directors. Among these is G. R. Kimball who got \$450,000 toward enlarging Halekulani Hotel. The directors believe, apparently, in the future of tourism.

And the Hind Estate touched them for a million dollars; so apparently the directors also believe in certain types of subdivisions and real estate projects.

But on these loans, the interest is 5 per cent.

# Gadabout

**OFFICER ROBERT TAKESHITA**, the former "Palama Golden Boy" of the ring, has become the subject of considerable discussion on Bethel St. since his activities have taken him into many fields. From many sides come reports of his (a) abrupt and puzzling questioning of some individuals on narcotics, (b) others on fleecing and (c) frequent statements that this, that and the other person are "being watched by the FBI." Whatever Takeshita lacks in judgment (since he is, after all, patrolling a beat) he makes up for with energy—to such a degree that a Bethel St. wag comments Dan Liu had better keep his eyes open or the former boxer will have his job.

**IN THE OLD** days, an informed source tells us, Puerto Rico was even more like a colony of the U. S. sugar interests than she is today. Now the South Puerto Rican Sugar Co., controlling about a third of Puerto Rico's sugar production, is the only firm ostensibly owned by interests in the U. S. It would be naive to believe, however, that there aren't a good many more ties between the U. S. interests and the "Puerto Rican" companies than appear on the surface.

**WHEN RADIO** invaded the Maui County board of supervisors, the move was applauded and suggested for the other counties. It seemed a step toward giving the people a much closer look at the men they elected. But politicians feel inhibited when the eyes of the voters are upon them too closely. Now the board members retire to secret sessions in the office of the chairman, wrangle out the important points, and then come out to give the public the finished product—minus the argument and thinking that went into the conclusion. Maybe the result is to keep some supervisors further from the public than ever. At least, the pre-radio meetings were open to the press and people could read of the things that occurred.

**COUNTRY GIRLS** in some parts of Japan used to experiment with their hair when they visited Tokyo, it's said, and return home as redheads much to the surprise of their parents. In explanation, they might tell their elders the phenomenon was the result of the sun's being closer and hotter in Tokyo. But the younger girls who hadn't gone weren't fooled and they'd start experiments of their own with various oils and what-nots, seldom meeting with the kind of success they hoped for.

**REPORTS CONTINUE** of more AJA families moving to the West Coast to engage in the produce-farming projects that, as the

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RECORD reported some months ago, have drawn many families from Maui. Now they're leaving Oahu, report has it, and this situation will get more investigation and coverage in RECORDS to come.

**ANY BASEBALL** fan will get a whiff of a kick out of "Southpaw," by Mark Harris, which very nearly lives up to the blurb that advertises it as being "the most authentic and adult treatment of sport ever attempted." It has to do with the adventures of Henry Wiggen, a cocky, brilliant rookie with a mind of his own. It also has a laugh a minute and the humor isn't contrived. Whoever Mark Harris is, he knows his ball-players. Only trouble is, the book isn't in pocket size yet, being published by Bobbs-Merrill in hard covers and probably at a fat price—unless you happen to belong to the Liberty Book Club, 100 W. 23rd St., New York 11, N. Y., in which case you can get it for \$1.89 including postage. If you haven't joined and want to, you'll get a free book. And if you like Ring Lardner's "You Know Me, Al," stories and "The Champion," known widely as a movie nowadays, you can't miss liking "The Southpaw."

**JESSE KOPP** seems to have pulled a boner by announcing first that the Public Utilities Commission doesn't argue its cases in the press and on the radio—and then releasing a lengthy statement to answer claims of Gray Lines spokesmen that the PUC denied it an opportunity to present evidence against the HRT's request to run a sight-seeing bus around the island.

Nor did his answer do much to refute the claim of Gray Lines' Bob Allen that the PUC may have been "legally" correct in refusing to hear Gray Lines evidence, but was "morally wrong."

Allen reached the height of something or other when he accused the IMUA head and the PUC of acting as if they are "behind the iron curtain."

How long has it been, one wonders, since the PUC ever rejected any of the HRT's numerous requests to make more money off the public?

**DESPITE ASSURANCES** from the territorial department of labor a year ago that the building industry would continue busy for a long time, contractors are bidding more sharply against one another now than at any previous time in local history, an authority on the subject says. Where four or five contractors used to submit bids for jobs, the number more often approaches 20 now. Incidentally, that's another manner in which unemployment figures are inaccurate on the side of concealing the full number of the jobless (see last week's RECORD). When 20 contractors bid on a job and one gets it, that means often enough that most of the others will have to go without a job they could have done—and their employes are out of work at the same time, many of them unregistered with the employment service so long as they hope a new contract may be upcoming.

**"THEY'RE RUINING** our kids!" That's the half-humorous complaint of an Oriental father who says food importations from the Mainland have become so popular in his family, he can't get meals he really likes. The children like steaks whenever possible and, although they haven't lost their taste for rice, they don't care for poi. Father would like poi at least once a week, but he doesn't get

## Three-Way Tie In ILWU Softball

Hawaiian Pine, American Can, Love's Bakery and the Castle & Cooke Terminals Clerks were victorious in games played Sunday morning in the ILWU-AA Oahu County City section softball league at the Ala Moana park. Hapco, AmCan and Clerks are currently tied for the league lead with two straight wins.

The Regional Office Jets gave Hawaiian Pine a big scare before going down to a 3-7 defeat. The score was tied up at 3-3 in the sixth frame, when the victors tallied four markers to wrap up the game. Larry Arakaki drove across two runs with a homer.

The Wharf Clerks scored three runs each in the first and second innings to shade the Murphy-Aloha Motors outfit by a 6-3 count. Rusty Akama homered with one aboard and Rigger Mineishi got two hits to pace the 7-hit attack for the victors.

Love's Bakery and AmCan both scored lop-sided victories over their opponents. The Bakers rapped out 15 safeties to swamp the Calpackers 28-1, while the Cannery routed the debut-making Libby Cannery crew by a 32-6 score.

Next Sunday's games: Regionals vs. Longshoremen, Love's Bakery vs. Libby, Clerks vs. Hawaiian Pine, CalPack vs. AmCan.

## Tanaka Hits 4 for 4

**WAILALUA**, February 15—Cal-Pack defeated Alea C&H 13-8 and Wailua edged out Hawaiian Pine 10-8 as the ILWU-AA Oahu County rural section softball league went into its second week of play at Wahiawa on Sunday morning.

The Waipahu-Ewa game was postponed.

Toshiharu Tanaka of CPC paced his team's victory over Alea by lashing out four timely bingles in four times at bat.

Wailua unleashed a powerful batting attack to chalk up their second straight victory. Ernest Robello clouted a homer for Wailua.

Next Sunday's games: CalPack at Ewa, Waipahu vs. Hawaiian Pine at Wahiawa, Alea C&H at Wailua.

it much oftener than once a month.

**THERE'S A MORE SERIOUS** side to the picture at the family table, which has not escaped the father. That is the damage done local production by the emphasis on Mainland importation, especially in the field of edibles. What, for instance, will happen to the poi industry if the trend is general? And with Mainland beef giving locally raised beef strong competition, what will happen to ranching? And why can't the DPI, instead of using Mainland surpluses for school cafeterias, use local surpluses instead? They all sound like very pertinent questions and their answers may well have a direct bearing on the economy of Hawaii in the next couple of years.

**"THE CAINE MUTINY"** got a much better review in this column last week than it deserved. That's because the reviewer went off half-cocked and wrote after reading most, but not all of the book. The ending changes the whole thing from what might have been a great novel to a story fit for a B class picture. It's rather as if Herman Wouk wrote a fine book, then found he couldn't sell it to our timid, market-conscious publishers and put an ending on it that some literary agent advised. So it's really only two-thirds of a fine book.

## Sports World

By Wilfred Oka



### SAVING OUR FISH

The fish conservation program that the Federal and Territorial governments have been doing is well worth the support of the public. Old timers who know about fishing in and around Hawaii's island chain say that the supply of fish is gradually being depleted. A friend of ours who knows of the problems came up with a suggestion that certain areas along Oahu's shores be "rested" as a preserve with other areas being in use on a rotation plan. Other suggestions such as the "raising" of lobsters under protective measures such as lobster hatcheries, and the raising of mullet fingerlings, also under protective measures, may in time raise the fish population in Hawaiian waters. Of interest also was the announcement by Vernon Brock of the Territory's fish division on the program of tagging of akule which is an excellent food fish in Hawaii, to study some of the migratory habits of the fish. Of course the other big problem in the major fish business which is aku is the diminishing supply of nehu which is an absolute "must" as bait for aku.

In the field of conservation is the US Fish and Wildlife Service which is doing a yeoman job on the comparatively small allocation from Congress. Maintaining several ships in Hawaiian waters with a crew of scientists and experienced fishermen, the department has been able to be of considerable aid and assistance to local fishermen. The sum total of the research in this field is of material aid to the total fishing industry. Compared with what is being spent in the field of agriculture, appropriations for this division are negligible. However it is important to point out that the fishing industry, which has been an important industry for a great number of years, needs the scientific help of the government. The depleted sardine industry in California is a case in point.

Recently, Durward L. Allen, who is now a staff member of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, wrote a book called "Our Wildlife Legacy" which explains ecology, the study of interrelationships among animals and plants and the environment in which they live. Allen's philosophy is that in a friendly range, field, forest, lake, or stream, as the case may be, animals will thrive, no matter what pressure is exerted by hunters, fishermen, or predators. On the wrong sort of land no amount of restocking or protection can hope for lasting success. The knowledge of these men plus further work of those in this field will be of considerable help.

### SPORTS TIDBITS FROM HERE AND THERE

**WE SEE** that a rasser by the name of Al Lovelock won the Hawaiian version championship in a match with the holder of the title, Ben Sharpe. To lend dignity to the exhibition or championship, depending on how you look at it, was the Ring Magazine Gold Belt which is a symbol of the title. We haven't been able to get an official count of the number of these belts floating around the USA but they must be in the neighborhood of the number of Hopalong Cassidy badges now being worn by his fans. And that, by the way, is quite a number.

**INTRIGUED** by the number of fans watching wrestling via TV we took a gander at one of them last week in which a rasser by the name of the Great Togo went through the routine with his opponent by the name of Christy. The Great Togo has been built up as a prototype that was so unpopular during the last war against Dai Nippon. Togo is usually the villain and as such is pictured as a cunning, tricky, dirty rasser. And it is too bad but a lot of people get this impression without realizing that it is only a gag that is worth a lot of publicity in the circus life of a rasser. But the rub is that so many of the fans take pro rassing seriously and a guy like the Great Togo is a prototype that passes for the Japanese people as a whole. Like it or not this is the impression being created and this is a slap in the face of the Japanese people who call America their only home!

**THEN THERE** is that sports writer who plugs pro rassing so much over his radio program that we wonder if he is on the payroll as a praise agent for our local promoter. Pro rassing can't be that good! Who said anything about ethics?

**FORD KONNO** came through with an amazing 2:04.8, chipping off seven-tenths of a second off the 220-yard freestyle record which was held by John Marshall of Australia and also of Yale. Konno also threatened the world mark of Marshall when he went the distance in the 440 yards in the fast time of 4 minutes and 30 seconds which was 1.9 seconds off Marshall's record time. Richard Cleveland, another Hawaii lad, tied his own world's record in the 100 yards when he hit the time of :49.2. All this happened in a dual meet against Indiana.

**THE TOP GAME** in the high school circuit will be played Saturday afternoon at the Civic when McKinley High's basketball team takes on the Roosevelt team—presently leading the league. Roosevelt is favored.

**JOHN LANDY**, one of the outstanding milers in the world today, finished sixth in the 880 yards event held in Sydney, Australia. Jim Bailey, the winner, from New South Wales, went the distance in 1:53.2. Landy looks like he's no half-miler!



**A MOTHER'S TRAGEDY.**—Deserted by her husband, ill for months and on relief, Mrs. Betty Forsell, 26, is led away by Tacoma, Wash., police after she had allegedly shot to death her 89-year-old grandfather and her 6-year-old daughter in their home. She managed to hold off two dozen officers until routed by tear gas. (Federated Pictures.)

## Coffee Plants Grown In Cans As Hamakua Farmers Seek Land From T. H.

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tive coffee farmers go there to get their seedlings.

**Plant In Cans**  
In many homes one sees quart and gallon cans planted with coffee. Some who have land, from two to 40 acres, are talking of transplanting their seedlings. Others have a few plants, hoping that somehow they can get hold of arable land.

With interest in coffee growing at a high pitch, people are talking of asking the Territory to open up government land. Large tracts now idle can be put under production, they say, and this would alleviate unemployment and supplement income of sugar workers who face a shorter work week in this day of mechanization and speedup.

Besides the idle territorial land, the plantations hold idle land leased from the Territory at low rental. Prospective farmers are looking to the plantations to sublease the land for coffee growing. Another problem facing prospective farmers, other than the land question, is "know how" in coffee production.

**Look To Kona**  
With the University Agricultural Extension Service conducting experiments in Kona the year round, people interested in coffee growing here hope to benefit from the experiences of Kona farmers. It is nearly 20 years since termination of coffee production here and during this period Kona farmers have improved their technique.

Prospective farmers say that to make coffee industry successful here, they need the cooperation of the extension service. Some small farmers who want help from the service say they have been unsuccessful in getting field agents

to visit them, to give advice on improving the pastures and livestock.

Coffee once was a going industry in Hamakua and seasonal workers came from Kona to harvest crops at Louissou plantation. Some families still keep a few trees in their yard which provide coffee for home use.

Hamakua has the land and climate for coffee production, and the people willing to invest time and capital for four years until the trees begin giving berries. There is a probability that coffee will come back into the economic fabric of this community, employing many, bringing prosperity—if the price stays up, as all prospective farmers hope it will.

## Auto Mishap of Ray Coll Jr. Gets Small Play In Advertiser

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also to have struck a tree.

According to what he told reporters of the dailies, Coll's accident came when he attempted to make a left turn into the parking lot and was impelled to speed up abruptly when he saw another car coming toward him rapidly and finally lost control of his own automobile.

The accident occurred about 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Coll was charged by Police Officer Valentine K. Mahuka with careless driving.

The banner headline across the top of the Advertiser Sunday concerned two Honoluluans who lost their lives in a West Coast auto crash.

## Graduate Engineer At City Hall Begins At Less Than Cop

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civil service sometimes blocks such promotion.

His department has found that civil service argues it cannot promote a man until he has completed a certain period in the class below, Vannatta says, so it is impossible to jump the grade.

That is true, says Mrs. Nesta Gallas, civil service personnel director, but only in certain areas and in accord with Act 212. The act provides that a promotion of two grades may be made—if the employe has the minimum qualifications, she points out. And minimum qualifications in a few positions require that the applicant be experienced in the grade below.

The reason for such requirements, Mrs. Gallas says, is that the higher positions are supervisory.

"We do not feel that a person should be put supervising draftsmen of a certain grade," she says, "unless he has been a draftsman of that grade, himself."

The grade of "Engineer Draftsman V," for instance, has as minimum qualifications, "four years' experience as a draftsman, one being in the next lower level."

**"Sliding Scale Bill"**  
When originally presented in the legislature, Act 212 had the opposition of both civil service and government employe groups, who held that it would give a department head too much latitude, tend to increase favoritism and to decrease emphasis on promotion by merit. The opposition called the law the "Sliding Scale Bill."

There may be inconsistencies between the civil service ruling and the act in some areas, Mrs. Gallas said.

## Colombian Coffee 74 Cents At S. Francisco

The most nearly current price quoted for coffee was 74 and three-eighths cents per pound in San Francisco, the price being quoted on Colombian coffee on Feb. 5. Colombian coffee is generally considered as of the same grade as Hawaiian coffee, but the price includes the cost of transportation from South America. The proportion cost by transportation is not known at the University of Hawaii, where the figure was obtained.

The largest amount of coffee exported from Hawaii in recent years was 3,928,926 lbs. There is no breakdown of regions.

Colombian coffee has increased in volume on the world market since a period in the 30's, an agricultural economist here says, as the world demand for coffee increased. Colombia, Guatemala and other South and Central American countries have increased exports, the economist says, so the price has not risen.

**Brazilian Coffee Higher**  
Brazilian coffee exports have not increased proportionately, the economist says, so that the price of Brazilian coffee has remained generally higher.

The economist doubts that coffee will remain long at its present peak price, for it is the result of a frost of Brazilian coffee. However, he thought it might take a period of three years to level off, depending on changing economic situation of the U. S. and the world.

## Dispute Over \$3.50 Reveals How Leg. Budget-Chopping Hits Nedy Here

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says. "When they take that sign 'Emergency' down, I'll try to find some way to pay the bill. But not before."

Recalling other recent complaints that persons have been turned away at the emergency hospital, the RECORD called Dr. H. H. Tong, physician in charge there.

**Chopped By Legislature**  
Dr. Tong said the hospital accepts all emergency cases and also treats the "medically indigent." But treatment for the medically indigent has been considerably curtailed since the last two sessions of the legislature chopped the request of health departments from \$4,000,000 four years ago to an appropriation of \$2,125,000.

When Dr. T. E. Mossman told the board of supervisors much of the program for medically indigent would have to be dropped unless funds were forthcoming, an additional \$130,000 was granted.

But "borderline" cases are sometimes turned away, Dr. Tong said, if it is thought the emergency is not too great, or that the patients may be able to pay for private doctors.

## More on ILWU And China Trade

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ists with regard to lumber, flour, grains," it added.

"During the Korean war, with the Chinese participating with the North Koreans, there was understandable unwillingness to trade," the board said. "Now with the war over, there is no economic basis for continuing the present complete embargo."

**U. S. Business Losing Out**  
Finally, the board noted, other countries, including Britain, Germany, France and Japan, are getting "a head start" in trading with China and "unless U. S. policy is changed soon, American workers will lose opportunities for jobs."

The union cited these figures to show how immense Chinese trade might become if restrictions were lifted:

1. In the prewar years 1939-41 China bought 26,261 cars from the U. S. In 1951 it bought two cars from us.
2. The U. S. is now exporting nothing to China. If, instead, it shipped as much to China per capita of her population as was shipped per capita to the Philippines in 1952, U. S. export trade with China alone would amount to \$7.7 billion. This is more than half the U. S. trade with the whole world.

3. If Portland, Ore., and other Columbia river ports loaded as much lumber as went to China in 1931 (a depression low point), longshoremen would get 3,112 additional gang days of work.

## Negroes Win Posts On Dixie Police Forces

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) - With the hiring of two uniformed patrolmen, Mobile became the first major city in Alabama to add Negroes to its police force.

Three smaller communities in the state also employ Negro police. The city of Montgomery has announced its intention to do so within the next few months. In the south as a whole it has been estimated that 38 cities have interracial forces.

Dr. Tong didn't recall a case like that of Mrs. Cabral, but said, it is something that normally shouldn't happen.

"We always try to take care of the women and children," he said, "no matter whether we think they can pay their bills or not."

## Sugar Workers On 48-Hour Strike Notice; Talks End

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jected a union offer to allow them to put their best offer before rank-and-file sugar workers for a secret ballot vote. Union spokesmen proposed that such a vote be taken to allow the employers to explain their plan, while the negotiating committee would say nothing.

But the employers rejected that offer, chief spokesman Phillip Maxwell saying the function of taking votes should be that of the union. Employer spokesmen also said they felt that any plan not recommended by the negotiating committee would be rejected by the rank and file.

Jack Hall, speaking for the union, attempted to keep the conversational channel open for bargaining but, reportedly, the employers closed it and the meeting was ended.

## FRANK-LY SPEAKING

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chemist who died in 1943; Dr. Ralph Bunche, political scientist; Marian Anderson, great contralto; W. C. Handy, father of the blues; and Jackie Robinson, first Negro admitted in major league baseball.

But you may not know much about Dr. Daniel Hale Williams, one of the greatest surgeons and first to perform a successful operation on the human heart; Henry Ossawa Tanner, renowned painter; Paul Laurence Dunbar, called the "Robert Burns of Negro poetry"; Robert S. Abbott, fighting newspaper publisher; Charles C. Spaulding, head of the world's largest Negro business institution, and A. Philip Randolph, militant labor leader.

The new Hughes book, "Famous American Negroes," tells you about all those mentioned and gives the uninformed a new understanding of the history and struggle of a minority group in America. So buy it. It's well worth the \$2.75.

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## If Sugar Workers Strike . . .

Negotiations between the ILWU and Hawaii's sugar industry appear to have come to a dead end. The employers have laid out a "take-it-or-leave-it" proposal on three important items—wages, pensions, and an "incentive plan."

They have adopted an attitude that makes further bargaining all but impossible. They have left the sugar workers with one very obvious alternative. Their manner at bargaining sessions has reportedly been such that it appears their intent is to force the workers to that alternative—strike.

As this is written, it is too early to tell whether the employers realize fully what they are doing, or whether they are merely playing their hand in the good old American game of "bluff" right down to the last minute.

But if a strike comes to Hawaii's sugar plantations and mills, it would seem that certain tactics of the past will be out of the reach of the boss-propagandists and their self-appointed allies among the lunatic fringe.

How are they going to say now, as they have in the past, that the ILWU is out to wreck the economy of Hawaii?

How are they going to justify the likes of the 1949 "Dear Joe" letters to Moscow, relating the progress of the strike, as if it were the contrivance of a foreign power?

Within recent weeks, the ILWU has signed an agreement with the pineapple industry after negotiations which both sides agreed were the vehicle for fair and reasonable bargaining.

Almost simultaneously, the ILWU also signed an agreement with the stevedoring employers, months ahead of the time when negotiations were due to begin. No one could have attributed that settlement to weakness on either side, for both long-shoremen and the companies know each other as tough antagonists.

Even Ingram Stainback, as bitter and vindictive an enemy as the union has ever had, was forced to admit under the questioning of U.S. Senators that the 1949 dock strike was a strike for wages and nothing else. He played loose and fast with the truth in many other respects, but even at a distance of miles and years, he dared not risk repeating that old absurdity about the union's strike being an effort to wreck Hawaii's economy.

So anyone who dares to attempt smearing Hawaii's sugar workers with such a brush will do so at the risk of making himself highly ridiculous to his listeners.

No one, except possibly the employers, wants a sugar strike, and if it comes, it will be a result of the sober decision of the sugar workers—that they must strike for their wages, their pensions, their rights to have a fair "incentive" system in the industry they create.



## "Orthodox" Recession

We don't like "recessions," "depressions," "downward adjustments in the economy," "establishment of more realistic normals"—or any of the other fancy words that business economists are using these days. We don't think that recessions or depressions are inevitable or necessary. We think they can be prevented by wise economic policies on the part of business and/or government. We don't believe that workers out of work are any happier or any less hungry because a corporation economist with a string of degrees has decided that his unemployment is inevitable. . . . We do think that it's time that the economists, in the corporations and in the government, devoted more time to developing policies to bring back full employment and full prosperity, than to finding new phrases to make recessions or depressions sound more attractive. —CIO News.

## Our Hope for 1954

Not since Herbert Hoover was predicting that prosperity was just around the corner . . . has this nation been so jittery concerning the future than now as the curtain is ringing down on 1953 and the dawn of 1954 is nearing. . . . The alarming situation is that unemployment is rapidly growing. . . . It would seem that instead of endeavoring to prevent a depression the forces in control of the administration are carrying out a plan to insure a depression. . . . Internationally the mess is as sickening as at Washington, and one branch of the government does not appear to know in an international way what another branch of the government is doing. One day we hear that trade is to be opened with Red China and the next day Dulles gives notice that we will attack Red China should it move into Indo-China. Our ally, Syngman Rhee, who has received the benefit of the blood and sacrifice and lives of the sons of our armed forces, is screeching for more blood. . . . It is well that the great trade union movement has been schooled in adversity and seasoned in hardship. It, with the organized farmers, will prove to be the force that will rally in this time of bewilderment and confusion as always in the past to aid in leading the way to a brighter day. —Minneapolis Labor Review.

## A Conservative Warns

The New York Times is one of America's largest newspapers and one of the most conservative. So when its publisher, Arthur Hays Sulzberger, blasts McCarthyism in an interview with the press it is time for others besides those of the political Left to listen. When Sulzberger says: "We not only live in the shadow of a mushroom cloud, but, to a certain degree, we cultivate this fear." It is time for all America to move against hysteria. Can anyone longer doubt the direction and degree of that hysteria?

## Frank-ly Speaking

By FRANK MARSHALL DAVIS

### Famous People

How many of the following persons can you identify? What do you know about Phillis Wheatley, Richard Allen, Ira Aldridge, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, Booker T. Washington, Daniel Hale Williams, Henry Ossawa Tanner, George Washington Carver, Robert S. Abbott, Paul Laurence Dunbar, W. C. Handy, Charles C. Spaulding, A. Philip Randolph, Ralph Bunche, Marian Anderson and Jackie Robinson?

Chances are, you know about six. Yet each of these is important and all had big parts in building America. Probably the reason why is that all are Negroes and therefore suffer from historical neglect. To correct this condition which leads to prejudice between ethnic groups, we have the annual Negro History Week observance.



MR. DAVIS

We can be thankful that many influential people are aiding in this campaign to build unity. Dodd, Mead and Co., one of the best known New York publishing firms, has just brought out a volume called "Famous American Negroes" from the pen of that prolific and distinguished Negro author, Langston Hughes.

This is the latest in the series of Famous Biographies for Young People. Interestingly written and containing 147 large pages of text and illustrations, it sells for \$2.75 and is worth it—particularly for those who want to know about the contributions made by various peoples toward our nation.

### All Faced Great Obstacles

In addition to being Negroes, the famous men and women in this volume had something else in common: all had to struggle against the bitter odds of racism. That they went on to achieve lasting fame despite this monstrous obstacle is a tribute to their unusual ability.

Phillis Wheatley was stolen in Africa at the age of six or seven and brought to Boston in 1761 as a slave. But she had the good fortune to be bought by a master whose wife, impressed by her aptness, taught her how to read and write. By the time she was 21, she was famous throughout the colonies and in England as a poet and is generally considered by critics as America's finest poet of that day.

Richard Allen, born a slave in Philadelphia in 1760, developed into such an eloquent preacher that Negroes were barred from the leading white Methodist church. As a result, Allen founded the African Methodist Episcopal Church, today one of the largest and most powerful Negro organizations. He fought slavery and the attempt to repatriate free Negroes to Africa, and was first president and a founder of the Colored Convention whose goal was equal citizenship in America.

Ira Aldridge, born free in New York in 1807, became one of the greatest actors of his day. But he had to go abroad to win real fame. Although his greatest role was as Othello, he starred in other Shakespearean plays and for 40 years toured the capitals of Europe regularly and was honored by Kings. After becoming famous, he never returned to America with its prejudice and died while on a tour of Poland.

### Mighty Fighter

Frederick Douglass, born in slavery in 1817, suffered just about all the cruelties possible before escaping to New York at 21. He became probably the greatest orator in a generation of outstanding orators and had tremendous prestige both in America and Europe. All of his adult life was spent fighting against slavery and for equality for Negroes. In addition, he campaigned for women's suffrage.

Harriet Tubman, known as "General Moses," was a woman of unbelievable bravery and skill who, after escaping from slavery, went fearlessly back to lead others to freedom by the Underground Railroad. She was a nurse, an intelligence agent and planned and led raiding parties for the North in the Civil War. She died in 1913, somewhere between the age of 90 and 100.

You have probably heard of Booker T. Washington, also slave-born, who became one of America's greatest educators and founder of Tuskegee Institute; Dr. George Washington Carver, another former slave and America's greatest agricultural

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