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# EAMES MAY HAVE BEEN ON TITANIC

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### Plan to Unite Big Brother Forces Here

Simple as to working plans, but destined to be wide and effective in scope by those interested in its promotion, the "Big Brother" movement is almost ready for the launching. The idea of organization suggested by the committee, representing the various bodies interested, has been accepted by the Elks and the Men's League of Central Union church. The approval of the members of the Church Club of St. Andrew's Cathedral is alone lacking, but it is expected to secure this at the next meeting of the club when the plan will be presented.

The "Big Brother" movement originated among the Elks in the East. It was forwarded here by officers of that organization with the recommendation to the local members of the order that it be put in practice.

As a method of saving the boys of the country, it is proving most effective. It was stated.

The Elks here took the matter up on receiving the suggestion and named a committee of five headed by

John Hughes, with A. M. Brown, William Thompson, Chief of Detectives McDuffie and John Lucas to secure the necessary details as to the conducting the work. The committee called upon Spencer Bowen of the Men's League in their quest, and the suggestion was then made that the various social and religious clubs unite on the matter in order to make such action as might be taken more effective.

As a result a committee composed of George Davies, representing the Church Club, Spencer Bowen for the Men's League, and John Hughes for the Elks, was selected to draft a plan for a general organization to aid the movement.

The plan as formulated is covered briefly in four paragraphs as follows: "That a central committee be effected for the purpose of greater efficiency, economy and non-duplication.

"That this central committee shall consist of an elected or appointed representative of each of the following: (Continued on Page Eight.)

### National Park on Kauai

A National Park, to include the marvellously beautiful Waimea Canon, and the wonderful Na Pali section of the Island of Kauai, is a plan which will probably be presented to Secretary of the Interior Fisher, should that official finally pay his long impending visit to Hawaii. This scheme, as well as the taking over of the volcano of Kilauea by the National Government, are matters of considerable importance, since both of these features may well be classed as among the wonders of the world.

The Waimea Canyon and most of the north side of the Garden Island, which abounds in the magnificent rugged scenery that has been declared by artists to exceed in beauty even the great canyon of the Colorado, and to throw the Yosemite Valley of California completely in the shade, is at present owned by the Territory. The land is mostly in forest, and is either under lease or is held as forest reserves. The leased portions are for the most part held as (Continued on page Four)

### Majority Will Be Against Free Sugar

(Special Cablegram to the Star.)  
 WASHINGTON, April 18.—George Fairchild gave good testimony for Hawaiian sugar today before the Finance Committee of the Senate. The hearings will close on Saturday and the majority report will be averse to free sugar. BRECKONS.

### FISHER JULY?

(Special Cablegram to the Star.)  
 Washington, April 18.—Secretary Fisher will visit Hawaii at an indefinite date, but not before July. Breckons.

### WAS WAHIAWA MAN ON THE LOST SHIP?

IT IS REPORTED AT WAHIAWA THAT ALFRED EAMES AND HIS DAUGHTER BESSIE WERE ON THE ILL-FATED TITANIC. W. L. HOPPER WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT MR. EAMES AND HIS DAUGHTER WERE COMING HOME ON THE TITANIC. STAR REPORTERS HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE, AS YET, TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM.

ALFRED EAMES JR., AT WAHIAWA ONLY KNOWS THAT HIS FATHER AND SISTER WERE ABOUT RETURNING. LATER: MR. HOPPER WAS SEEN AT 2:40. HE DENIED THAT HE HAD ANY SPECIAL ADVICES AND SAID: "YESTERDAY AFTERNOON I HEARD FROM MR. TEMPLETON AT WAHIAWA, STATING THAT MR. EAMES' SON THOUGHT HIS FATHER AND SISTER MIGHT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN ON THE TITANIC. THAT IS ALL I KNOW ABOUT IT."

### THE CABLE REPORT

(Associated Press Cables to the Star.)  
 NEW YORK, April 18.—The steamer Carpathia will probably reach port at one o'clock Friday morning.

The lack of details about passengers rescued is explained by the fact that the wireless operator is exhausted. J. Bruce Ismay, chairman of the White Star company, is a survivor. The hopeless cases are those of Straus, Stead, Widener, Butt, Astor with Thayer doubtful.

Secretary MacVeagh has instructed a cutter to take the Senate committee on board for a preliminary investigation.

Chairman Ismay will be summoned to Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The commerce committee has appointed a sub-committee of seven, looking to the use of an international probe for the Titanic affair.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The Carpathia will be at the dock at nine this evening. She has wireless for 250 coffins. She says that many dead aboard but does not give the number.

**REFUSE THE DEMANDS.**  
 NEW YORK, April 18.—The operators of the railroads east of Chicago and north of Norfolk refuse the demands of the locomotive engineers.

**BOMBARDING THE TURKS.**  
 LONDON, April 18.—Italian warships have begun a bombardment in the Dardanelles. One warship has been damaged by the return fire.

**TRAGIC FIGHT WITH SOLDIERS.**  
 IRKUTSK, Siberia, April 18.—One hundred and seven gold-miners have been killed and eighty wounded in a fight with Russian soldiers.

**25,000 HOMELESS.**  
 ROSEDALE, Miss., April 18.—The new break in the Mississippi levee makes 25,000 people homeless.

**REFINED CLIMBING UP.**  
 NEW YORK, April 18.—All refined sugars have risen five points.

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### CHANGE FOR LOCAL MERCHANTS TO FURNISH ARMY FORAGE

Between 8000 and 10,000 tons of forage is the amount estimated will be required to feed Uncle Sam's horses and mules in Hawaii during the next year, beginning July 1. It may take more than this amount, but contracts will be entered into on May 1 to take at least 16,108,500 pounds of various kinds of feed stuffs during the year. The cost of this feed bill, figuring at present prices, will probably run well up to a quarter of a million dollars.

Bids have been called for by U. S. Army Division Quartermaster, at San Francisco, for furnishing the forage which will be required during the year beginning July 1 next, for the whole Pacific coast division, including Hawaii, and bidders may submit ten-

ders for any or all of the vast amount that is needed. Bids will be received also in Honolulu, and opened simultaneously with those at San Francisco, on the first of next month.

Among the materials specified for the different posts in Hawaii are the following: Four hundred and ninety-three thousand pounds bran, 8,077,000 pounds hay, 5,799,000 pounds oats and 1,793,500 pounds of bedding.

Most of this material will have to be brought here from the Coast, and it is sufficient to make cargoes for several large steamers.

The specifications also call for 65,000 pounds of panicum grass, and will accept rice straw or dried cane tops for bedding; and these products may be supplied locally.

### To Improve Boys' Field

Following a meeting of the boys' work committee at the Y. M. C. A. today, the announcement was made that plans are in course of preparation for putting a thoroughly equipped playground on the Boys' Field at Kailua. While Director Loomis said this morning that all the details have not been completed, arrangements have already been made to secure a man thoroughly familiar with the work to take charge of the playground.

Equipment will also be installed in addition to that already on the ground, and quite a sum of money will be expended in making the playground one of the best in the country.

### H. HACKFELD & CO. LAND THE U. S. ARMY CONTRACT FOR COFFEE

Competing against heavy odds, a local firm has succeeded in landing a contract for furnishing Uncle Sam's soldiers in the Philippines with 55,000 pounds of high grade Kona coffee. The bids were opened locally and in San Francisco on Monday, and H. Hackfeld & Company has been notified of the acceptance of its bid of 24 1/2 cents per pound.

Considerable elation is felt in local business circles, over the fact that a local firm was able to land the contract, which is likely to be but the first of monthly contracts of similar amount to be awarded indefinitely. While the contract amounts in dollars and cents to less than \$8500, it is hoped that it is but the entering wedge for a very large volume of Army business.

It is quite possible that the size of the contract will increase in the future. The bid at this time called for 30,000 pounds, while the contract was let for 55,000.

### HAMAKUA RATS BEING DESTROYED

Reports from the Hamakua district of Hawaii are to the effect that rats are being exterminated along the coast, and that at Honokaa the weekly catch is averaging well over one thousand. At Hilo good work is also being done, six hundred rodents being slaughtered there every seven days.

Chief Inspector Bowman is putting forth a vigorous campaign. He has organized a force that is accomplishing wonders in the way of rat extermination.

Dr. Pratt, president of the Board of Health, is very well satisfied with the way the rat and sanitary campaign is being carried on in the Hamakua district, and he thinks that when next he pays a visit to Hawaii he will find much improvement all around.

### KAWAIALOA LOTS REQUIRE A ROAD

Land Commissioner Tucker paid a flying visit to Kawaiiloa Beach today. He is deeply interested in the matter of a road that should lead to the homesteads on the beach. It seems that there has been considerable trouble with regard to the right of way through some private property that is situated mauka of the lots.

The land commissioners will go over the matter with the representative of the owners, and some agreement may be come to soon.

Homestead matters generally are keeping Commissioner Tucker busy, as there are lots on all the islands that are to be selected in the near future.

### POLICE COURT LET OUT EARLY

In the police court this morning Felicitia and Mary Davis, charged with maintaining a disorderly house, were given a suspended sentence for thirteen months.

Okamoto, charged with common nuisance, also had sentence suspended for a term of thirteen months.

S. Namokueha, charged with malicious injury, was fined \$20 and costs. Defendant tore a page out of a book of accounts belonging to a Chinaman.

### THE LIBERTY IS SUED FOR \$1000

The Honolulu Amusement Company has filed a claim in the circuit court against the Liberty theater for damages in the sum of a thousand dollars for the loss of the services of "Blondie" Robinson during the time he was enjoined, on petition of the Liberty, from appearing at the Bijou. The Honolulu Amusement Company also asks for counsel fees and the taxation of other costs.

### ROBERT HORNER HOLDS HIMSELF UNBOUND BY PACT

No less than three rather important cases are being wound up in the courts today, each of them after a trial lasting from four days to several weeks.

In Judge Robinson's court the final testimony in the case of Horner versus Horner was being put on this morning. Robert Horner, the defendant in the case, was still on the stand, under rigid cross-examination at the hands of Frank Thompson.

Robert Horner, in reply to a series of rapid-fire questions, stated that he had considered that the agreement that has figured so prominently in the trial bound his brother Albert in the trial bind him. In other words, Albert could not legally buy more stock of Kukui plantation without dividing it among the other members of J. M. Horner & Sons, nor could he sell any of his holdings to an outsider without first offering it to the other heirs, including Albert himself. But Robert considered that, legally, at any rate, he could buy or sell as he pleased.

Robert explained this by saying that the agreement was never recorded and that he himself did not sign it. Albert did sign it and Robert therefore considered his brother bound by its terms.

It is expected that the introduction of testimony will be concluded today and that the case will go to argument tomorrow or as soon as the attorneys shall be ready to argue.

**Pilippo vs. Scott.**  
 In Judge Cooper's court the assumption case of Esther Pilippo and others versus Nettie M. Scott, which has been on trial for several days, was being argued this morning. The plaintiffs are suing the defendant for something like \$1100. As the case is being tried jury waived, it is impossible to predict when judgment will be rendered.

**An Alibi in Question.**  
 In the federal court the case of Sal (Continued on Page Eight.)

### WILL TAKE NO CHANCES ON RABIES

The question of whether or not a small poodle dog, that is detained on the Wilhelmina and not allowed to land, should be made an exception in regard to the quarantine law, was put up to Governor Frear by Dr. Nordgaard, territorial veterinarian. The governor decided that the matter was up to the board of agriculture, and that body at once found that no exceptions were provided for in the law, and that none would be made in regard to the poodle. Rabies is said to exist in San Francisco, and no possible chance of the disease being allowed into Hawaii will be taken.

**Other Matters.**  
 Governor Frear had a conference with Dr. Victor Clark and several others interested in immigration matters, this morning. The new list of immigrants that arrived in the Harpagon were discussed, and the news that there was very little disease among them was received with great satisfaction.

The governor also took up some land matters with Commissioner Tucker, who had made a speedy return from the other side of the Pail. Several matters were discussed. Mr. Tucker reported progress on many details of his department.

### Immigrants Are Thrifty

That frugality and industry characterize the majority of the immigrants who come to the islands to work, is made apparent by the fact that Dr. Victor S. Clark is constantly receiving sums of money from immigrants who ask him to forward the money to their relatives in Europe. Only this morning Dr. Clark opened a letter in his early mail, containing \$60 which had been sent him by a recent arrival who wanted the money sent to his mother in Spain.

"I have received other amounts for the same purpose, recently," said Dr. Clark, "and it is a good indication of the character of the people who are coming here."

The Anti-Saloon League will hold its annual meeting in Cooke Hall at four o'clock this afternoon. Reports will be read by the retiring officers on the work accomplished during the year and officers will be elected for the ensuing term.