# Today

Havana to Honolulu. Try the Sahara. Straus on Building. Pity a Poor Prince.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

Ralymond Coll, managing editor of the Honolulu Advertiser, writes: "Recently we contracted for the publication of your daily column, 'Today,' and our circulation gains during the short period we have published the column have been especially gratifying."

Very much obliged. This stuff is published across the line, in Vancouver; it's published in Spanish in El Mundo, R. R. Govin's able Havana newspaper. And now it travels out in the Pacific to Hawaii. Seventy cities in this country publish this column. What a pity it is not better worth read-

Professor Imbeaux tells the French Academy of Science that the Desert of Sahara covers a vast belt of "artesian water." These wells could reclaim the entire desert, making it a garden and viping out one of the worst disease spots on the globe. The job would cost \$400,000,000, less than France has wasted in the Ruhr, a mere nothing compared with the cost of war. Wealth that the world needs

must be taken out of the ground It cannot be squeezed by one na-tion out of another. France might get from Sahara's sands more than she will ever get from

S. W. Straus, just back from Europe, has done more than any 10 others to promote and make possible the building needed in this country. He, and his father before him, have invested for the people many hundreds of millions of their savings and no investor has lost a dollar. If every rail-road builder could say as much there would be fewer people in

Mr. Straus brings news of a building boom in slow-going Lon-

In New York and other great cities, he says, the building of expensive private dwellings is about ended. Business buildings will gradually crowd out slums. Apartment houses and apartment hotels, economizing labor in service, will house the people. "Fine houses" will be built in the country.

The ready-made clothing trade of Leeds has given a ready-made suit to the prince of Wales, and in these "carry-on" democratic days, he has got to wear it. That means nothing to you, but an awful lot to the prince of Wales. Much poetry has gone from the lives of kings and princes. No jousts, ne black armor, no more suivez mon panache blanc.

Steady pay, good food, many corner stones to lay, make a drab life. But ready-made clothing for a prince of Wales-that is something that an anarchist would hardly have suggested in 1914.

This will interest Mr. Eastman of Rochester. Dr. Hitchins, scientist, says diseases will soon be diagnosed by photography. Cur-ing is easy, diagnosing is difficult. On your fingers and toes you can count the good diagnosticians in

Soon the doctor will take your photograph instead of looking at your tongue, and say, "the photo-reaction shows scarlet fever."

Photography tells us about the stars, discovers new suns, catalo-gues the heavens, gives us the movies. Now it will show us to ourselves, diseases and all. Mr. Eastman will furnish film and

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Michael Murphy and Joseph O'Rourke were executed Wednes-day in Ireland for bank robbery. The free state means to discour-

we need not hang criminals so freely, but this country might do something about oil swindlers, bucket shop thieves and other get-rich-quick sharks who steal 100 times more than all bank thieves and burglars, and escape, thanks to lawyers as criminal as them-

If Mussolini were here, he would take one look at a group of swin-dlers and their lawyers, then send the swindlers to jail for 20 years and their lawyers for life-not to make any mistake.

President Harding made an eloquent and radical Decoration day speech. The radical part was his pledge that if war comes again, profiteers, industrialists and moneyed interests will be drafted along with "ordinary manhood." War must be outlawed, the president says, and "God grant that no conflict will come again."

All admirable, but that "God grant" prayer has been offered by mothers for 100 centuries and still war comes. And when war comes, "ordinary manhood" has to do the fighting, and "money interests" know how to get what they want, in one way or another. God grant that this country may keep out of war by keeping out of entanglements. "Lead us not into

temptation" is a wise prayer. And "Lead us not into the league of

nations or the world court" is also wise praying. Keep out of Europe and you'll keep out of war. (Copyright, 1923.)

Official Favors **Irrigation Plan** D. W. Davis, Assistant to Secretary of Interior, Tells of

> Trip in Nebraska. The inside story of how D. W. Davis, special assistant to the secretary of the interior, and A. P. Davis director of reclamation service, hap pened to spend several days inspecting the possibilities of the Central

Nebraska Supplemental Water asso-

ciation project, came to light Thurs

"We had no intention of inspecting any except going projects on this trip," explained Assistant Davis, on his arrival in Omaha Thursday morning. "But Carl Gray, president of the Union Pacific system, and embers of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, began bombarding us with telegrams. They also bombarded Washington with messages, urging that we stop off in central Nebraska and look over the proposed tricounty project. So we did.

Benefit to Burlington "The remarkable part of it is that the project, when completed, will benefit more Burlington than Union Pacific country, yet President Gray of system. He also indicated that it is the Union Pacific was a leader in entirely possible that the reclamation getting us to go over the proposed department might ask an appropriaproject. It's a wonderful spirit, and tion to carry on the work. want to state that Omaha can do no greater thing for itself, as well as the state, than to co-operate in aiding the state to develor."

"By getting enough water from the ter each year in such counties as ber of Commerce this noon Gosper, Phelps, Kearney and Adams," he declared. "It is the most won derful farm land in the world, rich, Irrigation in Nebraska black soil, and what we term full irrigation isn't needed. Farmers in that section probably wouldn't need to buy more than an acre foot of water, where out west, in Idaho, for example, we have to have three acre from Lincoln and joined the party feet of water.'

Former Idaho Governor. of Idaho, having retired from that of- Conaughy, Andrew Jensen, V. Jensen, fice last January. He was born in Harry Johnson, Holdrege; George P. Rippey, Green county, Iowa, where Kingsley G. P. Kingsley, jr.; F. D. irrigation isn't needed, but since going to Idaho in 1905 he has acquired a large fund of information on irrigaon. He and Director A. P. Davis have inspected 16 going irrigation projects, including those in the viinity of Scottsbluff.

"I am convinced that this supplenental project in central Nebraska is quite feasible," said Assistant Davis. 'It will cost several million dollars. but when you consider the fact that 500,000 acres probably will be made to double their production you can see it is quite worth while.

"There is an engineer going over the proposition very carefully at present, and it will be his report which will finally determine just how feasible the project is. I think the people in the counties affected are in the right mood."

Suggests Bond Issue. Assitant Davis expressed the opin on-that the people living in that dis

bonds, and then either have the

general manager of the Burlington Assistant Davis was enthusiastic of the United States National bank, accompanied the Davis party during Platte to irrigate the land in the Both the assistant secretary and the its inspection along the Platte river. fall, the crop can be doubled or bet-

reclamation service or some other

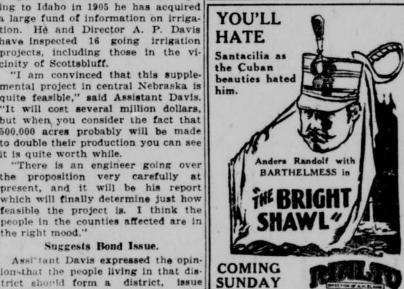
competent organization install the

Mr. Gray, who is chairman of the

Chamber of Commerce agricultural

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here. Others present were: Clarence Davis, former attorney general; W. H. Schwartz, Loomis: George H. Titus, Assistant Davis is former governor L. T. Johnson, Fred Brown, C. W. Mc-





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The Omaha Morning Bee: Friday, June 1, 1923-Page 2-He Urges Development | Nast, Louis Hines, Minden; Henning Omaha Chamber of Commerce is the doctor's initials: two rhinesstone sent it, did you?"

Thorell, Albin Olsen and Mr. Yates, enthusiastic for this great Nebraska shoe buckles, two silver shoe buckles. "No," she said.

of State's Resources The varied interests represented pressed by John L. Kennedy. and the spirit which prevailed made a better showing for supplemental water than has been made at any gathering connected with this subject.

Friendly to Project. Assurance was given that the department of the interior is friendly at the same time, it was made very often treated the family for various brotherly kiss." plain the co-operation is a support illnesses without charge. hat the department looks for.

revelation to me, although I con- any objection. sidered myself fairly familiar with rrigation from Hudson bay to the Rio when Judge Wakeley sustained an Grande. "So far as I can see, what we have here in ground storage is absolutely new in irrigation. The and diamonds have in your family? project is physically practical, I am

project and similar sentiment was ex-

were introduced as evidence.

Balm Suit Amusing (Continued From Page One.) o the development of the west, but nell was considerate and kind and it, and he replied, 'Oh, that's a

The large crowd and jurors sister and Dr. Connell frequently din "This project," said President Gray strained their necks when jewelry ing out. of the Union Pacific, has been a was introduced as evidence without

The defense scored a decided point objection to the question, "What relationship does this ring with sapphires Jewelry Is Evidence.

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Mrs. Amy Johnstone Kenah, a sis ter, corroborated most of her mother's started to joke about certain evidence "On one occasion, when Dr. Con-

ell kissed me, when he helped me be made to tell her exact age. When this morning. with my coat," said Mrs. Kenah, "I told him, that Violet might not like

Mrs. Kenah stated that she saw her

Kiss Was Serious. When Dr. Connell kissed you.

asked Attorney DeLacy, "did he do it okingly? "I hope he was serious and mean she replied.

Dr. Connell did not smile, but his alleged sweetheart laughed aloud. "Did he do it in a spirit of fun?"

was asked. "Over 21," she replied.

DeLacy and Mrs. Kenah then don't mind it." and more laughter resulted. DeLacy insisted that the witness

must answer and that the law was "How old are you?" Mrs. Kenah behind DeLacy, Mrs. Kenah stated that she was "35 and pretty old all right but as long as I don't feel it I Women in the courtroom applauded

Miss Johnstone is to take the stand

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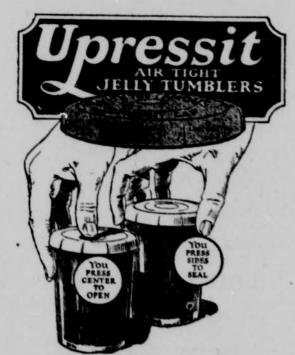
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