

Today

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

Ralmond 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 reading!

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 wiping 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 nation out of another. France might get from Sahara's sands more than she will ever get from Germany.

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 railroad builder could say as much there would be fewer people in porches.

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

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, no black armor, no more suivez mon panache blanc.

Steady pay, good food, many corner stores 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. Hitchens, scientist, says diseases will soon be diagnosed by photography. Curing is easy, diagnosing is difficult. On your fingers and toes you can count the good diagnosticians in any city.

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, catalogs the heavens, gives us the movies. Now it will show us to ourselves, diseases and all. Mr. Eastman will furnish film and camera.

A mile a minute, in a machine weighing 600 pounds, using half a gallon of gasoline for 50 miles—that's the flying record of Mons Barbot, just arrived. His machine is an engine-driven glider. Gasoline does half and gliding does half. It is to the air what the auxiliary steam and sail boat is to the water. We shall all fly before long, except for the shortest distances. If railroad managers do not get ready, heaven help railroad stock owners.

Michael Murphy and Joseph O'Rourke were executed Wednesday in Ireland for bank robbery. The free state means to discourage crime.

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 themselves.

If Mussolini were here, he would take one look at a group of swindlers 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 Declaration day speech. The radical part was his 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.

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, happened to spend several days inspecting the possibilities of the Central Nebraska Supplemental Water association project, came to light Thursday.

"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 members 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 tri-county 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 the Union Pacific was a leader in getting us to go over the proposed project. It's a wonderful spirit, and I 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 develop."

Assistant Davis was enthusiastic over the land of central Nebraska. "By getting enough water from the Platte to irrigate the land in the fall, the crop can be doubled or better each year in such counties as Gosper, Phelps, Kearney and Adams," he declared. "It is the most wonderful farm land in the world, rich, 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 feet of water."

Former Idaho Governor.

Assistant Davis is former governor of Idaho, having retired from that office last January. He was born in Rippey, Green county, Iowa, where irrigation isn't needed, but since going to Idaho in 1905 he has acquired a large fund of information on irrigation. He and Director A. P. Davis have inspected 16 going irrigation projects, including those in the vicinity of Scottsbluff.

"I am convinced that this supplemental 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.

Assistant Davis expressed the opinion that the people living in that district should form a district, issue bonds, and then either have the

He Urges Development of State's Resources



reclamation service or some other competent organization install the system. He also indicated that it is entirely possible that the reclamation department might ask an appropriation to carry on the work."

Mr. Gray, who is chairman of the Chamber of Commerce agricultural committee, W. H. Holdrege, former general manager of the Burlington, and John L. Kennedy, vice president of the United States National bank, accompanied the Davis party during its inspection along the Platte river. Both the assistant secretary and the director were to speak at the Chamber of Commerce this noon.

Irrigation in Nebraska Endorsed by Officials

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from Lincoln and joined the party here. Others present were: Clarence Davis, former attorney general; W. H. Schwartz, Loomis; George H. Titus, L. T. Johnson, Fred Brown, C. W. McCaughy, Andrew Jensen, V. Jensen, Harry Johnson, Holdrege; George P. Kingsley G. P. Kingsley, Jr.; F. D.

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Santacilia as the Cuban beauties hated him.



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Nast, Louis Hines, Mindert Henning, Thorell, Albin Olsen and Mr. Yates, Loomis.

The varied interests represented 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 to the development of the west, but at the same time, it was made very plain that the department looks for

"This project," said President Gray of the Union Pacific, has been a revelation to me, although I considered myself fairly familiar with irrigation from Hudson bay to the Rio Grande. "So far as I can see, what we have here in ground storage is absolutely new in irrigation. The project is physically practical, I am convinced."

President Walter Head said the

Testimony in Heart Balm Suit Amusing

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nell was considerate and kind and often treated the family for various illnesses without charge.

The large crowd and jurors strained their necks when jewelry was introduced as evidence without any objection.

The defense scored a decided point when Judge Wakeley sustained an objection to the question, "What relationship does this ring with sapphires and diamonds have in your family?"

Jewelry Is Evidence.

The ring, a bracelet, a wrist watch, a silver drinking cup engraved with

the doctor's initials; two rhinestone shoe buckles, two silver shoe buckles, two gold rings, gold hatpin, three brooches and embroidery scissors were introduced as evidence.

Mrs. Amy Johnstone Kenah, a sister, corroborated most of her mother's testimony.

"On one occasion, when Dr. Connell kissed me, when he helped me with my coat," said Mrs. Kenah, "I told him, that Violet might not like it, and he replied, 'Oh, that's a brotherly kiss.'"

Mrs. Kenah stated that she saw her sister and Dr. Connell frequently dining out.

Kiss Was Serious.

"When Dr. Connell kissed you," asked Attorney DeLacy, "did he do it jokingly?"

"I hope he was serious and meant it," she replied.

Dr. Connell did not smile, but his alleged sweetheart laughed aloud. "Did he do it in a spirit of fun?" continued DeLacy. "You didn't re-

sent it, did you?"

"No," she said.

"How old are you?" Mrs. Kenah was asked.

"Over 21," she replied.

DeLacy and Mrs. Kenah then started to joke about certain evidence and more laughter resulted.

DeLacy insisted that the witness be made to tell her exact age. When

told by Judge Wakeley that that she must answer and that the law was behind DeLacy, Mrs. Kenah stated that she was "31 and pretty old all right but as long as I don't feel it I don't mind it."

Women in the courtroom applauded her.

Miss Johnstone is to take the stand this morning.

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