

# Letters From the People

## PROGRESS UPWARDS AND COM- PETITION.

Editor Advertiser:—Although there is no immediate danger of a law being passed for compulsory closing of the stores at five o'clock as suggested by Mr. H. Culman in an article that appeared in your Sunday paper, it is well to be reminded that it is no longer the saying—the greatest good to the greatest number—but the greatest good to all. Under our present social system such a restriction as he advocates would be entirely out of place. Such a restraint would run contrary to the spirit of our laws and institutions, which guarantee—the free field and no favor.

Gameness and endurance are still success factors in the commercial game. And "commercial life is the main-spring of civilization." All the blessings of life are the direct outcome of this struggle, there is no substitute for it.

The spirit of competition, if there be any truth in evolution at all, is the source of all that development which we so proudly call progress.

To adopt any methods in order to check or even lessen the struggle is therefore deemed disastrous when applied to the mass of humanity.

It is wrong to reduce the prizes of success artificially.

All the prizes in the shape of wealth, social advantage, ease, leisure and any of the other desirable things, all can gain. It only requires the Cosmic urge.

No attempt should be made to arrest the getting of the necessities of life, lest the starvation of the primary instincts may cause the disappearance of the virtues developed by the free operation of those instincts.

In commercial life the methods of scientific militarism are employed, and any check to these methods has no real place in the constitution of our present day advanced society.

The social order of today is established for "the good of all."

Already in some countries measures have been adopted for poor relief, old-age pensions, state medical aid and public charity which always stands ready for the good of all, but legal restraint should be avoided as contravening the sacred principle of unlimited and unrestricted competition.

The iron law of nature is everywhere to be found to assist man in the path of human progress, and the whole upward struggle of rational man, whether physically, socially or morally has been with the help of this hard tyrant of nature, the law of competition.

In the physical world man has accomplished mastery through inventions.

Every utensil of labor, every mechanical device, every object of design and every artificial form that serves the human purpose is a triumph of man over obstacles, with the always present help and spur of competition.

In the social world it is human institutions, religion, government, law that have been thought out and adopted to advance "the good for all."

That competition is natural force is undeniable. This is nature's plan of improving the type and developing individuals, and finally the perfecting of the State as an organism.

This condition is very unfavorable to the development of idlers, but it is an "environment" whose goal is the improvement and greatest "good for all." A COUPON CLIPPER.

## GOOD WORD FOR FORD.

Editor Advertiser:—If space will permit, I should like to say a word or two about Mr. Alexander H. Ford and the Outrigger Canoe Club. Everyone knows that Mr. Ford is the father of this club, and also that had it not been for him there never would have been such a club. But everyone does not know what an amount of work it cost him to get the club organized and started. In the first place, it took him nearly three months to get the lease to the premises; and it was only by hard work and by his force of character and his untiring energy and great persuasive powers that he got it at all. And this lease that is estimated at, or valued at, \$5000 he gave to the club. Again, Mr. Ford worked for nearly six months in getting the grounds in order and in putting up the building, and changed the place from an unsightly mass of weeds and tangled trees into one of the most useful and charming places of resort in this city. And for all of this work he asked and received nothing, or, at least, nothing worthy the name.

Mr. Ford not only did this, but he got about 150 members to join the club, and few people have any idea of the amount of time it cost him to persuade all of these persons to come into the club. Nor do I believe there are any other men that could have done it. Mr. Ford also secured donations, canoes and many other things for the club, and worked as hard to secure them as if his life depended upon the success of this undertaking.

This great amount of work would entitle him to some consideration, one would think, though some of the members may not think so. Under these circumstances, I think it would be an act of discourtesy to refuse to accede to Mr. Ford's written request that we should await his return (which will only be a few weeks) before we start to build the new bathhouse. In waiting until he returns, it does not mean that we have to accept his plans, unless, indeed, they should prove better than ours.

Most likely the new bathhouse will be constructed to agree with the requirements of the place and may be constructed from a combination of both plans. What Mr. Ford wishes us to do is for us to decide how we can best erect spacious quarters—in Hawaiian style—that will be at the same time comfortable and attractive. This does not mean that they are to be grass bathhouses; indeed, he had nothing to do with the present grass bathhouse. I would say that Mr. Herbert

gave the present one to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Outrigger Canoe Club, and they fitted it up to suit themselves.

In regard to Mr. Ford being elected president of the club, will say it was done as a mark of appreciation, and not so much for what he has done in the club as for what he is doing for the club at the present time; and it would seem to me to be an act of ingratitude to deprive him of that honor, and particularly as he can do more for the club while holding that position. Very truly,  
GEO. OSBORNE.

## LIFE SAVING.

Editor, Advertiser:—I find that by some means erroneous impressions have been created, and in order to prevent the farther spreading of same and, perhaps, with harmful results, I should wish to make it clear that "The Royal Life Saving Society" is of English constitution with its head center in London, that the King of England, is at its head, and that the Prince of Wales is its president, with Lord Desborough acting president, and that I am a life governor of this society as well as vice president, both purely honorary positions, and that I came to Honolulu an invalid and solely for the benefit of my health; that any rumor that charges are to be made by me for instruction in life saving, or that I expect to derive monetary benefit from any demonstrations of life saving and resuscitation work that I may give, are entirely unfounded. Also that The Surf Swimming and Open Sea Life Saving Association of New South Wales has only recently been formed, that his excellency the governor general, Lord Dudley, is at its head, with his excellency the state governor, Lord Chelmsford, and his excellency the admiral as vice patrons; that my position in this association, of which I am the founder, is that of "acting president and examiner in chief" both purely honorary positions, and that in place of deriving monetary benefit from any of these honorary positions, in any life saving society, association or brigade, it is quite to the contrary.

Yours faithfully,  
WALTER V. H. BIDDELL.

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## By Authority

### NOTICE TO CONSUMERS OF UPPER MAKIKI WATERS.

Until further notice, the use of water for purposes of irrigation in the Manoa and College Hills districts is strictly prohibited.

J. M. LITTLE,

Superintendent of Honolulu Water Works.

Approved:

MARSTON CAMPBELL,

Superintendent of Public Works.

Honolulu, T. H., November 24, 1909.  
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## SPECIAL MEETING.

Shareholders of C. Brewer & Co., Ltd.

By order of the President, a special meeting of the shareholders of C. Brewer & Co., Ltd., is called to be held at the office of the company, in Honolulu, T. H., on Tuesday, November 30, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of considering an increase of the capital stock of the corporation.

W. W. NORTH,

Secretary.

Honolulu, November 15, 1909.

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## NOTICE

To the Stockholders of the Tulare Land Company, Limited.

Take notice that a special meeting of said stockholders will be held at the offices of Thompson & Gleasons, 9 Campbell block, Honolulu, on Saturday, November 27, 1909, at 9 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of authorizing the assumption by the said company of a certain mortgage made May, 1909, by Samuel Parker and John Tamatea Baker to Corn Wallace Morton of the property taken over by the said company on its incorporation, and for any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

F. E. THOMPSON,

Secretary.

Honolulu, November 23, 1909.

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## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT, TERRITORY OF HAWAII.

At Chambers—In Probate.

No. 4210.

In the Matter of the Estate of Marianno J. Borges, late of Honolulu, Oahu, Deceased.

Notice of Hearing Petition for Administration.

On reading and filing the petition of Mary Borges, of Honolulu, Oahu, alleging that Marianno J. Borges, of said Honolulu, died intestate at said Honolulu, on the 29th day of October, A. D. 1909, leaving property within the jurisdiction of this Court necessary to be administered upon, and praying that Letters of Administration issue to William Savidge.

It is ordered, that Monday, the 27th day of December, A. D. 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., he and hereby is appointed for hearing said Petition in the courtroom of this Court in the Judiciary building in the City and County of Honolulu, at which time and place all persons concerned may appear and show cause, if any they have, why said Petition should not be granted.

Dated, Honolulu, November 17, 1909.

By the Court:

A. K. AONA,

Assistant Clerk.

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