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#### SIXTEENTH CRUISE

By Eddie Mack

The Sixteenth Cruise to the American Equatorial Islands (Canton, Enderbury, Howland, Baker, Jarvis), American Samoa and Palmyra, started on May 20, 1939, when the United States Coast Guard Cutter *Taney*, under command of Commander Eugene A. Coffin, sailed from Honolulu.

In addition to the American replacements of Hawaiian colonists for the five Line Islands there were on board Karl Leuder (Air-Port Manager of PAA at Canton), Robert Campbell (CAA representative), Lt. Col. W. L. Roberts, Major Herman H. Pohl, Frank O. Boyer, William Norwood (of Star-Bulletin), R. C. Knowles, H. H. Warner, A. C. Campbell (Photographer), John A. Young, Leslie Bartel, and others.

Lieut. Com. Frank T. Kenner, of the Coast Guard, served as substitute for Richard B. Black of the Interior Department under the jurisdiction of which the five islands are.

A special visit was made to Pago Pago in American Samoa for the purpose of transferring Pan-American Airways material and personnel from the Samoan abandoned PAA air base to Canton Island where the PAA is constructing a base. A large barge (that had been used as a landing float at Samoa) sank because of the heavy weather while being towed by the *Taney*.

At Samoa the *Taney* took on board the Hawaiian outrigger canoe *Lealea Lani* which had been navigated from the Island of Hawaii to Samoa by U. Alvin Woodbury II, Don Hall and Al Eastman. These three intrepids, however, remained in Samoa.

The *Taney* berthed at Pier Twelve, Honolulu, shortly after three o'clock on the afternoon of June 20, 1939.

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On June 8, 1939, President Roosevelt and King George VI of England exchanged champagne toasts at the White House. In his toast, among other things, the President referred to the joint Anglo-American administration of the American Equatorial Islands of Canton and Enderbury.

#### BOMB-PROOFED HONOLULU

Paradise of the Pacific commends the article of Hugh Lytle in the Star-Bulletin of June 22, 1939, on Pali Tunnel as a bombproof shelter during the next war. This magazine is delighted to receive such support of its continuous efforts to have the authorities do something about the safety of civilians of Hawaii in any future war. We led in recommending the Black-Out. So, let Louis Cain construct that Pali Tunnel if it is the best haven that could be constructed for civilians in the next war.

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Aloha! U.S.S. Honolulu!

We trust that (see suggestion April 1, 1939 of this magazine) the invitation from the Pasadena Tournament of Roses, received last month by Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, will be accepted.

Long flights may make Midway Island unnecessary as a base for civilian aviation but it always will be an essential National Defense base.

Hirsute male bosoms scare people off the beach at Waikiki, and the Desha Law should be amended to exclude them from that Snooty Spot. Hair in its place is OK but it should be kept in its own baliwick-or clipped or removed. A hirsute chin is bad enough, but ugh! a mannish hair chest!

Like it or not, Oahu some day may be a military-navalaviation garrisoned fort-island. Maybe commercial interests should start developing the Island of Hawaii as a substitute for Oahu.

Paradise of the Pacific enthusiastically applauds the Star-Bulletin editorial of June 3, 1939, calling for a frequent "shuttle-service between Honolulu and San Francisco" by the PAA for have we not often invited attention to this necessity.

Since Hawaii is the West Coast of the United States we may expect the Spy Hunt to reach here soon. Often has this magazine warned against espionage in Hawaii despite efforts to "laugh it off." \* \*

It is impossible to believe that Admiral Leahy, Chief of Naval Operations, was correctly quoted when a columnist had him telling a Congressional Committee that he was not disturbed over the above-ground status of the Pearl Harbor oil-tanks.

Kamehameha Day is not the birthday of Kamehameha I.

Kamehameha Day, with its Holoku and Calico Balls, Parades, addresses, and ceremonies, was a splendid success. 泰

A National Defense Section in the Library of Hawaii would please Uncle Sam's land, sea and air regulars. In such a section would be found histories, biographies, technical works, and many other books on the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard activities.

\* In 1880, Joseph O. Carter served as Commercial Agent for the Empire of Japan in Honolulu.

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Our Constitution should be amended so that no law could be constitutionally created that would discriminate against any American citizen who happens to reside in an organized territory.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull is urged to create some machinery, to operate in all parts of the United States, that will aid all our dual citizens to divest themselves of the claims of foreign governments.

Hear you ever of the Kahakai Hui the members of which loll and relax daily at Waikiki Beach?

Construction of the new drydock at Pearl Harbor should be rushed-Congress should hasten the execution of its part.

This magazine is pleased with the initial and successful air-transportation of troops in Hawaii (on June 13, 1939) for, more than once and particularly on May 1, 1939 (page 20), it was advocated.

Foreign-owned newspapers throughout the United States should be brought under the same statute-requirements regarding stock ownership that apply to radio broadcasting stations.

Uncle Sam could use some coconut shell charcoal from American Christmas Island, for gasmasks.