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Native "Queen" Increasingly Dictatorial; Threatens American Democratic Ideals

BY CONNOR VASU

(AP) Honolulu, Hawaii — Hawaiian Queen Liliuokalani's radical new constitution, which would disenfranchise and jail all American citizens, has embroiled the once-peaceful island nation in a widespread conflict between Native Hawaiians and American planters.

Queen Liliuokalani grabbed power late last month in a takeover of the American government. The American consulate had helped govern Hawaii on behalf of the traditional Hawaiian monarchy since the 1887 Bayonet Constitution, which had ensured a fair representation of all the island's inhabitants.

American citizens, which make up a majority of the people on the island, will lose voting privileges and face economic sanctions under the new constitution. For example, an American looking to start a business will have to pay hefty taxes for regulatory approval. This provision would impoverish thousands.

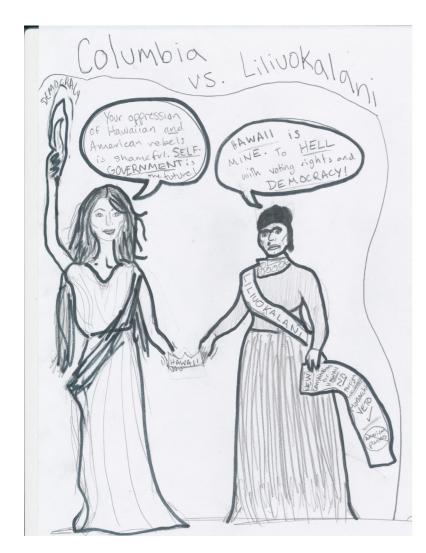
Unsurprisingly, the constitution has been met with widespread opposition by Americans on the island, many of whom would face immediate unemployment. However, most Hawaiians, too, are not behind the constitution, as it could lead to economic sanction by the United States, which would cripple Hawaii's economy.

Hawaii and the United States have had a long partnership of trade, dating back to the mid-1800s when American planters first started to grow sugarcane on the island. It is estimated that over \$10 million in sugarcane is exported to the United States yearly, and the proposed constitution would disrupt this economic cooperation.

In a statement, President Grover Cleveland said that the United States would not condone the queen's constitution. "The constitution has the potential to devastate the sugar trade of the United States, and take measures if necessary."



INTERVENTION NECESSARY



Rights of American Citizens, U.S. Economy, Jeoparadized by Hawaiian Queen Liliuokalani

BY SONIA KHURANA

Queen Liliuokalani has decided to take back the honorable Bayonet Constitution and institute one that concentrates the power back to herself. She aims to restore all power to the monarchy, completely disregarding all of the democratic ideals that America has brought to the islands in the past years.

Her new constitution is proposed to take away the voting rights of many residents of Hawaii, especially Americans. These Americans are the ones who have the ability to make Hawaii a more democratic, and therefore better, nation-state, and she is planning to take away their voting rights in order to selfishly preserve her own power.

She currently is riding around on horseback around Hawaii, spreading her foolish ideas of

concentration of power in a monarchy, just when the kingdom was progressing towards a more democratic state. She had the opportunity to bring more democracy to the world, yet unwisely chose to let it slip through her fingers. America has a responsibility to stop this

from happening.

If Queen Liliuokalani does not come to her senses and immediately halt all movement towards her proposed despotic constitution, America has no choice but to step in and stop her from making a decision that will harm not only the Americans who are living there and whose rights must be protected, but all of the people of Hawaii.

Additionally, America's sugar industry greatly relies on its partners in Hawaii, and if the nation is unable to express its interests under an

autocratic leader, our entire economy could collapse. If Americans in Hawaii are able to assist the Queen in economic decisions that foster mutual growth, a crisis could be averted. However, she is unwilling to budge from her despotic desires to subjugate all of the people living in Hawaii, and this could have severe consequences for all.

The Queen wishes to have absolute control over the people of Hawaii, as well the American residents, and this sort of tyranny cannot be tolerated. America holds a naval base at Pearl Harbor, as well as are tied to their economy, so the interests of the nation are at stake. The United States of America has a right and responsibility to stop tyranny in Hawaii and push towards creating a government that is best for all: a democracy.

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HAWAII FALLS TO NATION



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BY NATALIE BURR

Ever since American planters introduced sugar cane to Hawaii in the 1830s, both native Hawaiians and the American sugar industry has reaped large benefits from this cash crop. Our American pioneers on the exotic island of Hawaii employ natives as workers on the tropical plantations, where they munch on sweet sugar cane while growing and harvesting it.

If the American

If the American people aren't convinced by the humanitarian reasons for the annexation of Hawaii (in the name of democracy and self-government), then let them see these reasons for annexation of the lovely island of Hawaii!

island of Hawaii!

The "Big Five" sugar corporations in Hawaii are Castle & Cooke, Alexander & Baldwin, C. Brewer & Co., American Factors and Theo H. Davies & Co.. They have raked in millions of dollars with this industry, making a lasting impact

on our booming economy. They have also made a lasting impact on the native peoples of Hawaii, forming a relationship that is truly symbiotic between the natives and the plantation owners.

Having become dependent upon one another, it would be a tyrannical travesty to remove and persecute the American sugar planters in Hawaii. It would destroy the extensive industry and the beautiful paternal relationship between Americans and native Hawaiians, currently threatened by the dictatorial Queen Liliuokalani.

To preserve this evergrowing industry, we must rally as American people. Not only is the cause for the annexation of Hawaii a great humanitarian cause against tyranny, it is financially beneficial to the United States. It is essential to support annexation if one wishes to support America's economy.

Special Feature: Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor

In your articles, you discuss the Bayonet Constitution of 1887 and howitwill make Hawaiimore democratic. Additionally, you talked about how Queen Liliuokalani is a tyrant that is taking away the natural rights of man in Hawaii, and is generally disliked by the people.

However, my cousin Lilo is a Hawaii native and she has told me that actually, Queen Liliuokalani is very well liked. She is trying to bring power back to the old Hawaiian government that was in place before American merchants came in and took control of the Hawaiian economy, which was completely devastated by an American act, the McKinley Act.

The now Americandominated sugar plantation
system has displaced
native Hawaiians such as
my cousin Lilo from their
lands, and now American
merchants are trying to
build a workforce built

solely on Asian workers.

The people like Queen
Liliuokalani because she
is trying to take control
back of the economy and
bring the power back to
Hawaiians as opposed to

American merchants that have no business in Hawaii.

And yes, she wants to implement a government that will take away some voting, but those voting rights would only be taken away for American and European merchants that are not residents of Hawaii in the first place.

How can you justify this revolution and calling Queen Liliuokalani a tyrant when she is clearly well liked by the entire population of native Hawaiians? This is not just; these people are being unfairly controlled by the United States and we should not allow annexation.

~A Concerned Reader

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