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HARDESTY IS UNDER FIRE

Supervisor Alleged To Be Financially Interested in City Sidewalk Job

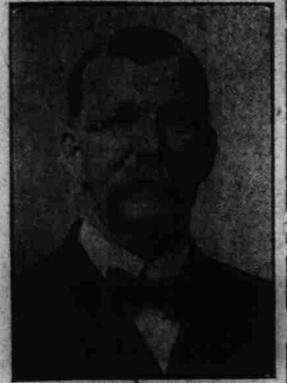
CLAIMS HE WORKED ONLY AS A LABORER

Admitting Employment, Asserts His Connection with Work No Violation

THE LAW

1. "No officer or employe of the territory or of any municipal or political subdivision thereof shall in any way, directly or indirectly, make or authorize any contract or agreement for the purchase or sale of any property or the performance of any work by, to or for the territory or any such subdivision, in which contract or work or in any payment or consideration therefor or proceeds thereof he is or shall be in any way, directly or indirectly, as a subcontractor or otherwise, pecuniarily interested."

Supervisor Samuel C. Hardesty is facing serious difficulties involving not only the loss of material and labor upon a city sidewalk job in which he is alleged to have a financial interest, but also involving his standing as a public official who is declared to have handled municipal work.



Supervisor S. C. Hardesty

dence of K. R. G. Wallace on Beckley street.

Investigation today by the Star-Bulletin disclosed the fact that not only do the records show that the supervisor participated in this piece of city work, but that the charge for the work is held to be excessive by City Engineer Whitehouse.

Supervisor Hardesty today admitted being engaged in the work, but declared it was only as a day laborer for the contractor, Devine, and that he is aware of breaking no law. He also explained why the bills were submitted which it is alleged are held excessive by the city engineer's office.

Not only is it predicted that the bills will be cut down about half, but it was said this morning that it is likely that Hardesty will be cut off entirely. This is based upon the fact that an act was passed at the last session of the legislature prohibiting an official from engaging in public contracts or jobs, and although Devine appears as the ostensible contractor, it is contended that the former's part of the work still comes under the provisions of the law, which would make it impossible for him to draw any money for the work.

When Engineer Whitehouse refused to approve the bills, declaring that the bills submitted were double the reasonable value of the paving, E. Wil-

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LOYAL SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ERIN TO CELEBRATE



J. D. CLARY AND MAURICE McMAHON

'Erin Go Bragh!' Slogan for Tonight at Ye Liberty Theater

Clay pipes and shillalahs, sham-rocks and green neckties will be in evidence this evening when the members of Honolulu's "ould sod" colony gather in the Liberty Theater for the goulbe purpose of celebrating St. Patrick's day and witnessing the "Irish Night" performance to be given under the auspices of the local Ancient Order of Hibernians, of which Jack D. Cleary is president.

In addition to the many vaudeville acts and other sketches for which have been secured the best of local Irish talent, there will be a three-reel motion picture play entitled "Colleen Bawn," acted in the old country by the Vitagraph players.

The complete program for the evening will be as follows:

Irish jig, P. Maurice McMahon; Irish step dance, Jack D. Cleary; four-hand Irish reel, Miss A. Rouse, Miss Kathleen McTigue, W. Warren and Daniel Cummins; a comedy sketch by Miss Virginia Brissac, John Wray and James Dillon; pianologue novelty act by Miss Marta Golden; the Original Irish Four, vaudeville's classic figures; vocal solo, Mrs. Charles Hall; specialty by Miss Dorian Grey, character comedienne and dancer; Kelly and Wilder, popular singing duo; violin solo by Senor da Graca; comedy sketch by "Raymond Teal"; musical novelty, Mons. Herbert; other features will be added if available.

The officers of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, under whose auspices the performance will be given this evening are: Jack D. Cleary, president; J. J. Sullivan, vice president; Frank Creedon, secretary; Father Valentin, treasurer; James J. Carey, marshal; F. G. J. Murray, sergeant-at-arms.

MEDICOS TAKE STAND IN BIG DAMAGE CASE

Important medical testimony by Drs. J. R. Judd, C. B. Wood and A. G. Hodgins was given this morning in Judge Cooper's court: In the \$25,000 damage suit of P. Braida vs. the Hawaiian Dredging Company. Dr. Judd testified that Braida gave the appearance of trying to exaggerate his injuries, but afterwards explained that this was his opinion only because the X-ray seemed to indicate that Braida should be able to get around with less difficulty upon his injured foot than he is.

The case has been dragging out in Judge Cooper's court for some weeks and his honor thought it advisable to appoint the special board of disinterested practitioners who testified to-day rather than to continue with the somewhat prejudiced testimony of doctors engaged by the prosecution and the defense. The testimony of the doctors this morning was just and unprejudiced from all appearances and will do much to bring the trial to a speedy close. It is thought probable that in the \$50,000 damage case against the Inter-Island Navigation Company soon to come to trial before Judge Cooper a similar board of medical experts will be appointed to determine the exact injuries of the defendant.

MERE LEGAL QUESTION IS SUPERVISOR'S WORRY

Whether or not it is legal to pay a supervisor for unofficial work done by him is the question which the county attorney at Hilo has been called upon to answer. It was brought up when Chairman Ewalike of the board of supervisors sent in his bill for twenty-four dollars for painting, being six days' work. The finance committee returned it with the "saddest of words of tongue or pen, "not allowed." So now the county attorney's office is turning over old sheepskin bound books to find what the law says about such things.

According to a report submitted to the house by the bureau of labor, hard coal companies increased the price of anthracite coal to consumers three times as much as they increased the wages of the mine workers.

After robbing two men on a Wabash train, a lone bandit lost his nerve, pulled the airbrake cord and escaped.



Net Closes On Dope Smuggler Far Away

Quartermaster of S. S. Columbian Arrested for Connection with 'Hilo Ring'

The fourth party to the Hilo opium ring, brought to light a couple of months ago and in which Patrolman Kaimi and two Chinese were implicated, was made known this morning when U. S. Marshal Hendry received word from San Diego of the arrest of Peter Hartung, quartermaster on the S. S. Columbian.

At the time of Patrolman Kaimi's indictment before the federal grand jury it was known that a secret name was on the marshal's files and that another arrest in regard to the "poppy" ring in Hilo was pending. It now develops that Marshal Hendry at that time cabled to the authorities at San Diego and that Hartung was subsequently taken into custody when the Columbian arrived there from Panama ports.

He will probably be brought to Honolulu to trial, and his arrest is said in local circles to be important in that it indicates that the federal authorities are preparing to spring a sensation.

OAHU AND HAWAIIAN COMMERCIAL IMPROVE

Oahu appears to be regaining confidence, having recovered an eighth of a point additional since Saturday, a sale of 50 shares at 17.25 being reported. Other recess sales show Hilo Railroad common exchanged at 6.12 1/2 for 20 and 70 shares, and Oiaa at 3.50 for 29 shares.

On the board Hawaiian Commercial recovered one-quarter of a point in a sale of 25 shares at 34. McBryde loses one-eighth in sales of 5 and 100 shares at 3.75. Natomas sixes gain a half point in a sale of \$2000 at 95.

BOARD ENDORSES THE HOME LOT PROJECT

Word has been received from Hilo that the board of trade of that town has endorsed the proposition advanced by the Waialua home lot applicants, relating to lands which it is deemed advisable to set aside for the purpose, and also the park project. The matter was brought to the attention of the board by a letter received from the governor asking whether the tract asked for by the home lot applicants overlapped on the area which the board of trade asked to be set aside for park purposes.

Many persons are said to be gratified at the action of the board, as they have been anxiously waiting for the opening of the lands.

Captain Rostron of the Carpathia was presented by President Taft with the gold medal awarded him by Congress by order of congress for his gallantry in rescuing the Titanic survivors.

After a six hours' debate, the senate passed the Burton bill for the abolishment of involuntary servitude of seamen and for the improvement of labor conditions on board American merchant ships. This is a substitute measure for the Wilson bill, previously passed by the house.

THAYER SAYS WATER WASTE CAN BE ENDED

Attorney General Points Out Law Compelling Owners to Cap Flowing Artesian Wells

That the authorities in charge of the water system on the island of Oahu have been lax in enforcing the law that regulates the wasteful consumption of water from privately-owned wells and that, in accordance with a general policy of conservation made necessary by the present water famine, immediate steps should be taken to properly regulate the flow from artesian wells on the island, are facts brought out by investigation of the water situation.

Attorney General W. W. Thayer, when questioned a few days ago in regard to the power of the government to require the owners of artesian wells to cap their wells and to refrain from an extravagant use of the water, turned to Chapter 223, Section 3197 of the revised laws of Hawaii and quoted the statute: "Every flowing artesian well on the island of Oahu shall be capped by the owner or owners thereof in such a manner as to give complete control over the flow of water from the pipe of such well."

The attorney-general then quoted section 3198: "No person having the right to the use of water from any such artesian well, shall allow the same to run to waste, but may use it for irrigation, domestic and other useful purposes, except for driving machinery; provided, however, that such water may be used for driving machinery in case it be utilized afterwards for irrigation or other useful purposes."

Says Law is Sound.

In commenting upon these two statutes, Attorney-General Thayer stated that, although the water authorities had apparently never tried to make

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OUT TO CAPTURE CALIFORNIA'S SENTIMENT

To capture the commercial sentiment of California is the object of an effort that took shape at the meeting of the Sugar Protection Committee today. F. Dohrmann, Jr., vice chairman of the trade extension committee of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, was present and consented to be the bearer of resolutions for submission to that body, which Ed Towse and J. P. Cooke were appointed as a committee to draft.

Chairman George R. Carter introduced the subject, mentioning that California was asking support from Hawaii for two expositions in 1915. He quoted communications that showed some of the leading fruit packers of California to be in favor of free sugar, and he said that California had always derived great benefit from these islands. It was surprising to him that California had not done more than she had to save the main industry of Hawaii. Figures could be added showing that California supplied the greater part of the millions of dollars worth of merchandise Hawaii imported from the mainland.

E. A. Berndt suggested that Mr. Dohrmann, who was to leave for home on Friday, be made the personal representative of the campaign on the coast. Mr. Carter, while assenting to the suggestion, said that Mr. Dohrmann should be backed up with statements from local merchants that were heavy buyers in San Francisco.

F. L. Waldron thought the campaign should also be taken up with Mr. Alexander, of the San Francisco office of Alexander & Baldwin, and Captain Matson, president of the Matson line.

Mr. Dohrmann spoke of the absorption of other large organizations by the San Francisco chamber, which made it a more influential body than ever. He thought the San Francisco papers might be enlisted in the campaign. The chair then appointed the committee already mentioned to draft resolutions for submission to the San Francisco chamber.

W. T. POPE SUBMITS REPORT TO GOVERNOR

LINING UP NOW FOR LINK

Western National Committee Said To Be Strongly Behind McCandless for Gov.

PRESIDENT WILSON CALLS EXTRA SESSION

April 7 Is Date and Tariff Revision the Paramount Task

(Associated Press Cable) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—Will R. King, Democratic national miltiteam for Oregon and a prominent western Bourbon, and John H. Wilson, Democratic national committeeman for Hawaii, have both visited Secretary of the Interior Lane and urged him to appoint L. L. McCandless governor of Hawaii. It is claimed that McCandless has the indorsement of a number of influential western committeemen.

EXTRA SESSION CALLED APR. 7

(Associated Press Cable) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—President Wilson today issued a formal proclamation calling for the extra session of congress to convene on April 7. It is understood that tariff revision is to be the paramount subject before the session.

M'COMBS GOES TO PARIS POST

(Associated Press Cable) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—William F. McCombs, Wilson's campaign manager, has decided to accept the post of ambassador to Japan.

MEXICANS HAVE DAILY FIGHT

(Associated Press Cable) NUEVO LAREDO, Mex., March 17.—Two hundred followers of Gen. Carranza attacked the city today, but were repulsed with a loss of twenty and fled to the hills. Fifteen federals were killed and fifty wounded.

AMERICAN NAVAL STORES TO QUIT

(Associated Press Cable) SAVANNAH, Ga., March 17.—It was announced today that the system of American naval stores will suspend because of the application of the Sherman anti-trust law and the possibility of successful prosecution.

YOUNG CALIFORNIANS FACE UGLY CHARGES

(Associated Press Cable) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—Federal warrants charging them with violation of the "white slave" law have been issued against Drew Caminetti, son of State Senator Caminetti, and Maury Diggs, young married men, now held in jail at Sacramento charged with eloping with young girls to Reno.

No Suffrage Mass Meeting

Announcement made last Saturday that there would be a mass meeting tonight at Aala Park under the auspices of the Women's Suffrage Association of Hawaii was incorrect. No such mass meeting will be held, it was stated by Mrs. J. M. Dowsett, president of the association, today.

Liners Come In

With a large list of cabin passengers for this port, the Ventura, en route from San Francisco to the Colonies, will dock at Hackfeld wharf at 2:30 o'clock. The Pacific Mail liner China, from the Orient, was sighted off Barber's point at 2 o'clock and will dock at the Alakea wharf later this afternoon.

WHAT STATE ARE YOU FROM?

The committee making the fight for the protection of Hawaii's industries, wishes to secure a representative from every state in the Union to assist in the campaign.

Representatives for the following states are wanted: Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Arkansas, Texas, Montana, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Washington, Oregon, North Dakota, South Dakota.

Are you a native of any of these states? Do you wish to assist in the work of protecting Hawaii's industries?

Register your name and state at the headquarters or call up W. R. FARRINGTON.