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NEW BOND PLAN ON FOOT

Bill Now Being Drafted to Allow Counties to Borrow After Plebiscite Vote

Legislative financiers will soon have a chance to consider a new bond plan that is expected shortly to make its appearance in the house of representatives. According to the plan as briefly outlined by Chairman Norman Watkins of the house finance committee, the counties will be authorized in this bill to issue bonds for specific purposes, providing the bond issues are approved when the project is submitted to the people. In other words, the proposed issues would be passed upon at plebiscites, as is now done in San Francisco and other mainland cities. Governor Frear is said to be at work on the measure now. It is conjectured that if the bill is favored in the legislature, the plan of having the counties borrow through the territory will no longer be followed.

HOFFMAN SEEKS FIFTY-YEAR GAS FRANCHISE

A measure to permit the manufacture and sale of gas and electric lights in Honolulu was introduced in the senate this morning by Senator Coke. The act specifically gives Theodore Hoffman, civil engineer of the Young Hotel, the privilege of furnishing electric lights and gas in the city for a term of fifty years, after the act is approved by Congress. The bill allows the supervisors of the county to make reasonable rules as to the manner of the erection of poles, conductors, conduits and other regulations, and limits the amount to be charged by the Hoffman company to twelve and one-half cents per kilo. watt hour for electricity. It also permits a corporation or association to be formed for the purposes of carrying out the work.

The bill is a long one, covering fourteen pages. It was ordered printed after passing first reading. The morning session of the senate was a busy one. Beside five bills being introduced, two by Senator Wirtz, one by Senator Judd and one by Senator Coke, seven were sent to the governor after passing third reading.

These all went through without much discussion. The only one at all questioned was S. B. 46, which provides for the refunding of money wrongfully collected as merchant tax.

It remained for H. B. 78, on second reading, which is an act providing for and limiting the expenses of the circuit courts, to raise the only argument. Several of the senators resisted the legislative act which would tread on the authority of the supervisors to fix the salaries of the judges and clerks of the circuit courts. But after objections had been made, and a few changes, the bill managed to get passed on second reading.

The hold-over committee put in its second report on the general and current funds of the territory. It is a long printed book and displays the careful work of the committee in gathering the necessary data and figures for it. Senator Judd, who introduced it on behalf of the committee, stated that it was the last report of the committee. He expressed his appreciation of the committee for the work of Secretary Mott-Smith in aiding them.

SHOTS TO FIRE

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WATSON GETS GOOD BACKING FOR GOVERNOR

Mississippi Statesmen Urge His Name—Pacific Coast Influences for McCandless

By C. S. ALBERT
(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—Edward M. Watson was the third candidate placed in line for the governorship of Hawaii. But he was not a bad third at that. He promises to have many pleasant things said about him and numerous friends coming forward to urge his final selection. Representative Humphreys of Mississippi, of which state Mr. Watson was a former citizen, brought his name before the president and Secretary Lane in connection with the governorship. Other Mississippi statesmen either joined in the original presentation or have since filed their endorsements. At the same time other prominent citizens and politicians of Washington state have filed recommendations for L. L. McCandless. Quite a number of these Pacific Coast people have joined the McCandless bandwagon. Coke's Prospects Bright.

The first real tip on any possible action came from the department of justice. It was an almost positive hint that J. L. Coke would be named United States attorney for the district of Hawaii, succeeding Mr. Breckons. This did not come from Attorney General McReynolds, but was given out by subordinates who said the heads of the department could not well ignore the strong endorsements filed on behalf of Mr. Coke. It was predicted by them that this nomination would be among the first to be made when the regular trial got to going at high speed.

There will necessarily be a full up actual appointments between the termination of the senate's special session and convening of the extraordinary congressional session, which will likely be adjourned along until about April 4 or 8. No formal nominations can be sent to the senate and there will be a period of guesswork until the next session comes in. This three weeks will doubtless be devoted by all concerned to lining up their fighting forces and getting their applications well approved and presented.

The president has expressed his intention of not keeping for his private use the Mayflower, so long assigned to service as a presidential yacht. The president will use any ship of the navy, when necessary for official occasions, but will not keep expressly for pleasure trips and entertaining purposes the Mayflower or any other craft of her type.

Tea dances and luncheons on board the Mayflower have been a feature of the White House social program for ten years and her officers have been available for duty at White House social functions. The Mayflower and the Dolphin are at present on the way to Panama, bearing the members of the house committee on naval affairs and their wives.

Congress at its recent session provided for an additional judge advocate of the army, with the rank of

WOULD TRANSFER WATER-SEWER SYSTEMS

The long-anticipated proposition of having the sewer and water systems of Honolulu turned over to the city and county by the territory was finally launched this morning in the senate, when Senator Wirtz introduced a bill for that purpose. He stated that it was the commencement of a project long needed, and that in the interests of Honolulu he would fight for its passage. The bill provides that after the governor has received a certified copy of an ordinance of the city and county, in which the conditions of the transfer are accepted, the chief executive shall cause the two systems to be turned over to Honolulu, together with the books and records. There is a stipulation in the measure providing that in taking over the property the city and county shall also take over all debts which may be outstanding against the systems, and shall agree to pay the treasurer of the territory upon the bonds representing the indebtedness. The measure also gives the right to Honolulu to regulate the rates to be charged the territory for the use of the systems.

STATE CAPITOLS IN PERIL OF WIND AND FIRE NOW MENACED BY FLOODS



The picture above shows the handsome state capital at Indianapolis. According to dispatches, the tornado whose effects were felt in that city left Indianapolis without fire protection and there is much danger from rising waters. The Columbus, Ohio, capitol, shown below, is also menaced. It was completed at a cost of \$5,500,000.

BILL MIGHT HIT RAPID TRANSIT CAR-SPEED

Judd Introduces Measure to Prevent Exceeding Twenty Miles an Hour

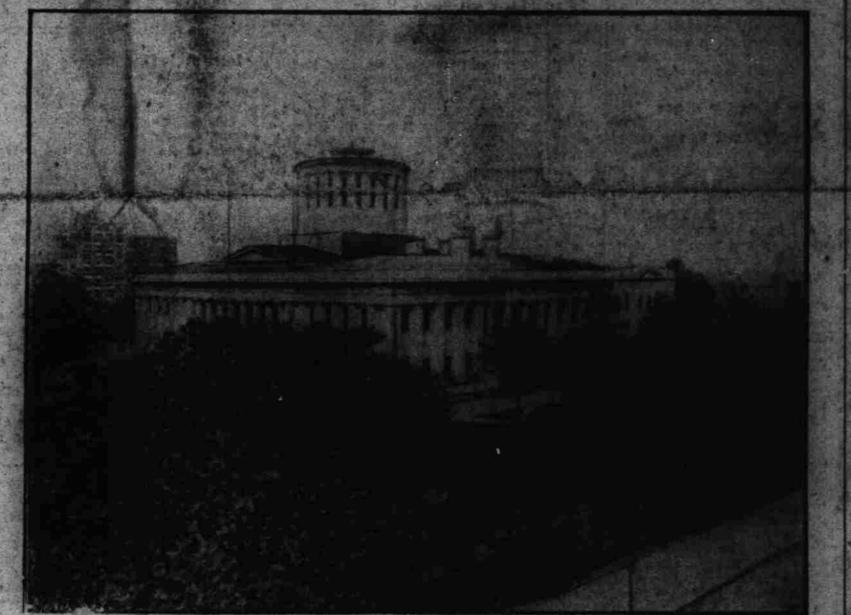
Coming unexpectedly, hardly more than 24 hours from the time a public hearing will take place on the two measures before the senate for the extension of the Rapid Transit and Land Company's franchise, a bill was introduced in the senate this morning which may have a material bearing on the final disposition of the two measures. Senator Judd introduced this bill. He stated afterwards that he had done so "by request." Speculation among the senators was rife as to the author of the measure. In the end it was generally agreed that it was indited by the governor, though Senator Judd refused to verify the supposition, stating that he preferred to wait until the proposed act was printed. It was not for some time after the bill had been introduced that the lawmakers awoke to the fact that a new angle of attack had been commenced. The bill itself, at casual reading, does not seem to be of much consequence. It does not mention the name of any particular railroad or car company. It simply amends the present law so as to make it unlawful for a railway company, operating other than by steam, to travel at a speed greater than 20 miles an hour, which is about five times as fast as one walks.

After the preamble, which it is stated that the bill is amendatory of section 2 of Act 88 of the revised laws of 1907, it reads: "And provided further that the speed of any such company's rolling stock while operating with motive

power shall not exceed twenty miles an hour." (Continued on Page 3)

HONOLULU MAN HAS RELATIVES IN OHIO

F. O. Boyer, manager of the Dearborn Drug & Chemical Works, is one of the many Honolulu people who have relatives or friends in the tornado-flood districts. Mr. Boyer has been trying vainly by cable to get news of brothers living at Piqua, O. He has heard indirectly that other members of his family outside the stricken districts have started for Dayton to locate those from whom no word has come.



HONOLULU WOMEN JOIN FIGHT FOR PROTECTION OF SUGAR

Massmeeting Called for Next Saturday Morning at the Public Library

Women especially are busy in other matters for the benefit of the community, but I think you will find that a different line of work will develop both capacity and enthusiasm for further endeavor. We want you women of the Kiloahana Club, who have had much experience in stirring up the community, to assist in this work of saving our main industry." He said that a large percentage of their stimulus had been in knowing what had been already done, therefore it was desirable that reports of what the women did should be made to the committee. Mrs. Lowrey stated that they could invite 130 women to participate and they probably would be very much interested and willing to help. In answer to a question she mentioned the women's college club, the women's cooperative league, the Hawaiian women's club and the church societies and guilds. The Kiloahana Club was

Co-operation of the women of Honolulu in the campaign was initiated at the meeting of the Sugar Protection Committee this morning. A deputation of the Outdoor Circle of the Kiloahana Club was present, consisting of Mrs. F. J. Lowrey, Mrs. George Sherman, Mrs. Henry Waterhouse and Miss Kaulamanu Ward. Mr. Carter explained the methods of the letter-writing campaign, strongly emphasizing the element of individuality in correspondence. People here should take up sugar as an interest of their own. For seven-and-a-half years Hawaii had been experimenting on sugar. It was a staple of everyday use and Hawaii could not furnish it in large quantities economically, while there was nothing else known that could be substituted for it as a basis of profitable enterprise. "If we do not make ourselves heard in Washington," said the chairman, "we will have no right to complain of adverse legislation. I know that

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IMMIGRANT STEAMER GETS HERE SUNDAY

The immigrant steamer Wilhelmsen will arrive here on Sunday morning. She comes from Gibraltar with about 1500 Portuguese and Spaniards, and is consigned to F. L. Waldron, Ltd. The Wilhelmsen is the first of two immigrant ships chartered by the territorial board of immigration.

CALL HEARD AND HAWAII WILL ASSIST

San Francisco Fire Victim and Native of Ohio First to Contribute

San Francisco fire victim \$ 5
Ohioan 5
Harry T. Mills 5
Leon M. Straus 5
Total \$20

"What is Hawaii going to do for those who are suffering from tornado, fire and flood?" That is the question that seemed uppermost today in the minds of the people of this city. In partial answer to that question, in fulfillment not only of its own plans, made since yesterday's news revealed the full extent of the terrible disaster, in response also to the many suggestions made this morning personally, by mail and telephone, the Star-Bulletin has today opened subscription lists and will take contributions, large and small. As soon as arrangements can be made for handling the fund, the money will be forwarded to the governors of

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OTHER SECTIONS REPORT DEATHS AND SUFFERING

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 27.—The situation in this city is rapidly growing worse and the general danger is imminent. Martial law has been declared and the citizens called out to help protect the city. A bridge over the river gave way this morning and ten cars went down as it collapsed. There is a general shortage of food, felt particularly on the west side, which is cut off from communication with the rest of Indianapolis. The poor quarter is the worst hit, the suffering there being severe already, with fears for the future felt on all sides.

MERCHANTS RAISE PRICES At the height of the city's needs, the merchants of the city have raised the price of food. There is much criticism of their action. Troops are being rushed here at top speed to prevent a threatened pillage of shops and homes, many of which have been abandoned as the people sought safety in flight.

SMALL TOWNS HIT. PERU, Ind., March 27.—One hundred are missing here and fifty known dead. There is much disease already breaking out. PIQUA, Ohio, March 27.—Five hundred are known to be dead here.

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio, March 27.—It is snowing here. It is estimated that in this section of the country 10,000 people are homeless.

CINCINNATI FEARS FLOOD. CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 27.—The city is facing the worst flood in its history, with the river rising rapidly and reports of snow and rain above here. In Sharon and Newcastle, Pa., it is reported that the waters are fifteen feet deep in the streets.

DEATH-TOLL GROWING FAST

Chilling Rains and Snow Fall on Homeless Thousands in Several States

PRESIDENT WILSON MAY GO TO FLOOD SCENES

Surgeon-general Rupert Blue Ordered Out Because of Fear of Pestilence
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27.—With the reports of flood, fire and famine growing hourly worse in half a dozen states and hundreds of cities and towns, nationwide relief is already in sight. Telegrams are pouring in to the Red Cross society offering assistance from individuals and organizations from every state in the Union. At the same time, news has come of assistance being offered to Gov. Cox of Ohio and other governors and mayors.

PRESIDENT WILSON MAY GO

DAYTON, Ohio, March 27.—President Woodrow Wilson may go to Ohio, the worst part of the ravaged country, to assist in systematic relief of the people for nationwide relief. Surgeon-general Rupert Blue was today ordered to the scene and leaves at once accompanied by many members of the public health and marine hospital service. It is feared that a terrible outbreak of pestilence will follow the disaster already accomplishing.

FIRE IN DAYTON IS BURNING UNCHECKED

DAYTON, Ohio, March 27.—In spite of the heroic efforts of the fire department, aided by hundreds of volunteers, the fire that is sweeping over the sections of the city not yet under water is still burning. This morning it was fanned to new life. The breaking of the great Lawden dam above the city is imminent, as wreckage has piled up in the dam and the water is backing up for miles. Should the dam give way, the damage would be even greater than that of last Tuesday when the floods first tore through the city. A heavy fall of snow is adding to the horror of the situation.

BUSINESS DISTRICT DOOMED

The entire downtown section of the city seems doomed. The water is ten to twenty feet deep. All the smaller shops and factories are under water. Many mercantile stocks are entire losses and even the buildings are badly damaged, frame structures suffering severely. Martial law was declared early and citizens' committees are assisting in patrolling the streets as well as in the relief work.

BABIES BORN IN BOATS

The suffering of the people is frightful. Many of them are able to get no shelter whatever in houses and are passing their days and nights in boats. Food and medical aid are badly needed. One of the pathetic things is that many babies have been born as the mothers floated in boats. The streets are full of floating bodies and only the cold has prevented a nauseating and dangerous situation. Even as it is pestilence is feared. Offers of assistance are coming to Dayton from all parts of the United States.

DEATH LIST UNKNOWN

So great is the number of dead that all previous estimates are believed to have fallen short and the number is now uncertain. The list is growing hourly. Many of the rescuers have been drowned, some of the tragedies being of the most sensational character. There have been several cases of overloaded boats sinking beneath the flooded waters.

GOVERNOR IS ACTIVE

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 27.—Governor Cox has proclaimed a general cessation of public business for ten days in this state because of the necessity for action in checking further disaster and in relieving the flood victims. Between six hundred and a thousand have been killed in and near this city. The reports from the smaller towns in the flooded districts indicate heavy losses.