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NECESSITY OF ECONOMY IS APPARENT

Counter-question Asked by Tax Board Official and Agent of Plantations

PESSIMISM IS KEYNOTE OF TALK FROM PLANTATIONS

Retrenchment Policy of Governor Given Weight by Facts Brought Out Today

"What are the sugar plantations going to do for a government if we can't get money enough to run it?"—Treasurer Conkling.

"What's the government going to do if the sugar plantations are put out of business?"—Richard Ivers.

The tax equalization board this morning listened to very interesting representations relative to the tax return valuations made by W. Lanz, of F. A. Schaefer & Company; E. D. Tenney, of Castle & Cooke; and Richard Ivers, of C. Brewer & Company. This afternoon the board will hear from Theo. H. Davies & Company in connection with the returns on the plantation properties which they represent.

The absolute necessity of following the policy advocated by Governor Pinkham, for retrenchment in all lines and in all departments of the territorial government was made quite apparent through the statements made by the representatives of the plantations.

Pessimism was the keynote of the talks of all of the plantation men. Under present conditions and with the gloomy outlook for the future, the plantations have little real value more than the lands are worth as cattle ranges. From the standpoint of income the past year has shown a reduction in profits of two-thirds over normal years of crops and prices. Unless the tariff laws are amended and some duty on sugar maintained there is nothing in sight but the virtual wiping out of the sugar business in Hawaii. These sentiments formed the basis of the expressions of the sugar men who appeared before the board this morning. They also claimed that the returns they submitted were in most instances as high as could be consistently made, and that with the increased tax rates fixed this year, over that of last, the plantations will pay about the same amount of taxes on the returns submitted, as they did last year.

Mr. Tenney stated that unless the tariff duty is restored the plantations will be "skinned," or dismantled, and the movable property on them sold for what they will bring. Should there be no evidence that popular opinion is about to overthrow the present disastrous administration, he declared it as his opinion that this

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INTER-ISLAND INVESTIGATION IS ON TODAY

Public Utilities Members Will Be Assigned Different Sections of Probe Work

The initial hearing in the Public Utility Commission's investigation of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company is being held this afternoon in the commission's rooms in the Stangenwald building, having convened at 2 o'clock. Present are E. A. McSmith, chairman; Henry O'Sullivan, secretary, and A. J. Gignoux, of the commission, and James A. Kennedy, president and manager; James L. McLean, vice-president, and Charles R. Hemenway, attorney, of the Inter-Island.

For the purpose of such action as the Public Utilities Commission may deem necessary to take upon the information and data procured by it in the investigation in the interest of the public and of the company, the following procedure has been outlined:

"The company shall be required to submit under oath at all public meetings held in this cause such information as the commission may deem necessary for the purpose of this investigation, and to answer any questions pertinent thereto put by the commission or any members thereof. "Because of the nature of this investigation, it is held that the company is not on trial in the sense that cross-examination will be permitted

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TWO TWO-STAR OFFICERS IN HONOLULU GEN. CARTER COMMANDS DEPARTMENT



Major-general William H. Carter, who assumed command of the Hawaiian Department this morning, relieving Brig.-Gen. M. M. Macomb.

HERE TO LISTEN, NOT TALK, SAYS NEW COMMANDER

Has Long Military Record and Served in Both Arms, Particularly Cavalry

A two-star general officer, one of the six wearing the uniform of the United States, now commands the Hawaiian department. This morning Major-General Wm. H. Carter, who ranks No. 4 on the list, took over the command from Brigadier-General M. M. Macomb. The latter will remain as "awaiting transportation" until the April transport sails for the coast.

General Carter, accompanied by Mrs. Carter and his two aides, Lieutenants J. G. Pillow and J. D. Reardon, arrived on the transport Thomas last night. The general and Mrs. Carter are staying for the present at the Young hotel.

General Carter has a long military record, and before he became a general officer served both in the infantry and cavalry arms. Most of his services has been with the horse soldiers, however, and it is as a cavalryman that his old-time friends always think of him. He is a well-set-up, soldierly figure in uniform, and looks several years younger than the army register states. Also a keen horseman, he brings to Oahu two splendid mounts, and will probably be as familiar a figure in the saddle as General Macomb has been.

"I would be glad to tell you anything in connection with my new command," said General Carter to a Star-Bulletin reporter this morning. "but the fact is that I'm assimilating information, not discharging it. I have never before been stationed here, and was last here just five years ago, when the Logan was hung up on the reef for five days, during which time I made a trip around the island. That is the extent of my personal knowledge of Oahu, but I hope soon to be thoroughly familiar with every aspect of this most interesting command. By the way, on that trip of the Logan, we arrived on Friday, the 13th, with the 13th cavalry on board. How is that for a hoodoo combination?"

Asked whether he had any late information regarding an increase of the Oahu garrison, the new department commander said:

"I know nothing definite or direct about additional troops for the islands. Everyone knows that it is the plan to garrison Oahu with about 15,000 troops eventually, but at present it looks as though the men could not be spared from the border. I haven't heard of any troops ordered here immediately."

General Carter was born in Tennessee, November 19, 1851. He entered West Point as a cadet in 1868, and was appointed a 2d lieutenant in the 8th Infantry in June 1873. In November of the following year he transferred to the 6th cavalry getting his 1st lieutenantcy in 1879, and his captaincy a little over 10 years later. He became major, and acting adjutant general in 1897, lieutenant-colonel and acting adjutant general in 1898, and colonel, detailed in the same department, in April, 1902. He wore the eagle only three months, being appointed brigadier-general July 15, 1902. November 13, 1909, he attained his present rank.

To bring oil to the local branch of the Associated Oil Company, the ship Falls of Clyde has been placed on the berth to sail from Gaviota.



Major-general Thomas H. Barry, Honolulu visitor, en route to Philippines to take command of department.

GEN. BARRY IS BUSY GREETING HIS OLD FRIENDS

Returning to Philippines to Take Command—Away Since 1901

Major-general Thomas H. Barry, who is en route to the Philippines, to take command there, was kept busy this morning greeting old friends who came to army headquarters in the Young Hotel in the hope of meeting him. Although he has not been in Honolulu for more than 12 years, there are many local people who have very pleasant recollections of his visit here in 1898, when he was a major on General Otis' staff. His last trip here was in 1901, on his way back from the Philippines.

General Barry was dressed in a quiet suit of civilian blue this morning, and his calls were purely informal. He seemed genuinely pleased to renew acquaintance with Hawaii. "I expect I'll find many changes in the Philippines," he said to a Star-Bulletin reporter this morning. "I haven't been there since 1901, when we turned the islands over to Mr. Taft, after the so-called 'empire days' were over. I am looking forward to getting back again, for service there is always interesting. I am sorry though that our stay in Honolulu is so short, for it would be a real pleasure to spend some time here and note what has happened since annexation."

One link that binds General Barry closely to Oahu is the 1st Infantry, in which regiment he served as 2nd and 1st lieutenant, and captain. He graduated from West Point in 1877, and went into the cavalry arm, transferring to the 1st foot in 1880. In 1897 he gained his majority, being detailed as acting adjutant-general, as a major, lieutenant-colonel, and colonel. In August, 1903, he became a brigadier-general, and in 1908 won his second star. He was a brigadier-general of volunteers from January, 1909, to June, 1901.

One of those who renewed acquaintance with General Barry this morning was Brigadier-General John H. Soper, N. G. H., retired, who knew him here in 1898, and later in Cuba, in 1908.

PINEAPPLE NOT HOST FRUIT, IS GROWERS' CLAIM

Vigorous Protest Made to Such Classification for Purposes of New Quarantine

PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 19TH

Albert Waterhouse Says Other Proposals Are Entirely Fair and Satisfactory

Making a vigorous protest against including pineapples in the quarantine list of fruits and vegetables, as proposed by the federal department of agriculture, on the ground that it is not a host fruit—that is, one to which the Mediterranean fly is attracted—pineapple growers on the islands met yesterday afternoon with the territorial board of forestry and agriculture, and urged that a cable be sent to Washington at once opposing the inclusion of pineapples in the new quarantine list.

The board discussed the matter thoroughly at its special session, and at the end decided to cable the secretary of agriculture in accordance with the wish of the pineapple growers. Though both pines and bananas are included in the new quarantine list, on which a public hearing will be held in Washington, the fruits may be shipped to the mainland after a rigid inspection by federal authorities, provides the new rules. The objection of the pineapple growers to the inclusion of the inspection—it was stated that they really favor inspection—but to the classification of pines as a host fruit.

Albert Waterhouse, acting president of the board of forestry and agriculture, stated this morning that all tests, made under artificial and natural conditions failed to reveal that the Mediterranean flies touch the pines; and it is for this reason that the growers insist it is unjust to include them among the other fruits and vegetables which are known to be the victims of the flies.

A cable message was received by (Continued on page eight)

ADVERTISE MORE, ADVISES MAYOR OF ROCK SPRINGS

Wyoming City Official Says Hawaiian Islands Unknown in His Section

"If Hawaii intends becoming a combined summer and winter resort it will have to wake up and do considerably more advertising," said J. H. Anderson, mayor of Rock Springs, Wyoming, yesterday when seen at the Hawaiian hotel. Mr. Anderson, in company with Mrs. Anderson, arrived in Honolulu yesterday, and intends to spend a month in the islands.

"But, then, I don't want to knock; it is only kindly criticism and comes in the form of a suggestion," he continued. "Take my home city, for instance. It is a mining center and harbors a host of wealthy men who would jump at the chance of coming to this beautiful place to escape the cold winters. But they go to Florida or California. Why? Because Hawaii's charms have not been sufficiently advertised in that part of the country."

"What led you to come to Honolulu" was the query. "Two young fellows from Rock Springs visited Honolulu some time ago," answered Mr. Anderson. "When they returned they talked of nothing but Honolulu and Hawaii. I took the chance of a trip—and I'll tell you what, I'm mighty glad of it. Think of jumping from a place where it is 20 degrees below zero to a place where it always is summer. Why, California and even northern Mexico climate is nothing compared with what you have here."

Mr. Anderson said that already he has made application to join the come-back club, and, although he has been here but a day he doubtless will prove a loyal booster for these islands. He laid special stress on his statements that Hawaii need to be more thoroughly advertised in the Middle West.

"In Wyoming, the people hear the praises of Florida and California sung continually," he said, "but there is nary a word about Hawaii to join in the chorus. I'm going to wake up the people in Rock Springs, though. I'm going to get a lot of coconuts and ship them back there by parcel post, and, if possible, I'm going to send back some of those big pineapples."

Mr. Anderson visited the Promotion Committee during the forenoon and obtained considerable descriptive literature, as well as information as to where he might secure coconuts for mailing. He and Mrs. Anderson will spend at least a month in the islands, and plan to visit the volcano, and perhaps Kauai and Maui, before returning to the mainland.

URGES PEOPLE TO SETTLE UPON A FEDERAL SITE

President Farrington of Merchants' Association Says Issue Is Live One

SEVERAL COURSES OPEN TO U.S. ATTY. M'CARN

Spreckels, Allen and Irwin Sites Are Discussed as Possibilities

Urging the people of Honolulu to give active and earnest consideration to the matter of a federal building site, because of the fact that definite action soon is necessary, President W. R. Farrington of the Merchants' Association said today:

"As president of the Merchants' Association I want to call the attention of the people of this city to the fact that the federal building site is a live issue. "Honolulu citizens will soon be called upon to make up their minds on what they want, after gaining a more or less definite statement on what they can get. The proposition is stewing in limited circles at the present time. I believe the discussion should be general.

"The only concrete thing we have at the present day is that there is a blockade and a very complete one on the federal building site.

"But there is a desire for action. This desire is really taking shape in Washington, and will soon be more in evidence locally.

"In my opinion, our people should have the subject under serious consideration so that there can be a greater degree of unanimity between the federal government and the community than has hitherto prevailed. I refer to the conflict between local opinion and the decision of the architect's office regarding the proper size of the lot. As a matter of fact, that is what has held up the whole proposition from the start.

"The federal building site question is now in the hands of United States District Attorney McCarn. He is representing the treasury department in its effort to reach a conclusion.

"Hawaii is absolutely without representation in Washington.

"It is already known that Mr. McCarn has reported to the government that certainly no more money should be paid than was awarded under the judgments for the site extension. I put it in this way because Mr. McCarn has said that he has not reported to the government that the price for the property constituted a 'hold-up,' as

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ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE AGAINST HOTEL LICENSE

Officers for Fiscal Year Are Named at Annual Meeting Yesterday Afternoon

Electing officers for the coming fiscal year, listening to the agent's and treasurer's reports for 1913, and commenting briefly on the proposed plan of the Pleasanton Hotel to apply to the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for a permit to sell liquor, the members of the Anti-Saloon League of Hawaii held their annual meeting at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Stangenwald building.

The officers were Rev. D. C. Peters, president, reelected; Rev. W. D. Westervelt, 1st vice-president, reelected; Mrs. Mary Whitney, 2nd vice-president, reelected; Miss Florence Yarow, 3rd vice-president, creating a new office; Dr. J. W. Wadman, superintendent; George W. Paly, agent, reelected; and C. H. Dickey, treasurer, reelected. The chairman of committees chosen were W. A. Bowen, entertainment; G. J. Waller, law enforcement; Rev. O. H. Gulick, legal protection; C. H. Dickey, legislation; Rev. W. D. Westervelt, finance.

Object to License Near Punahou.

In connection with one more proposed application, the matter was taken up concerning the reported intention of the Pleasanton Hotel for a permit to sell liquor, receiving W. Paly, agent, reelected. In speaking of the proposed action of the hotel, George W. Paly said this morning that he understands the hotel has somewhat changed its former plans regarding the nature of the license for which he says it intends asking.

"As I understand it, the former intention of the hotel was to ask for a permit to serve liquor during the meal hours," he said. "Since, I have heard that the hotel intends building a sort of clubhouse in the yard, where billiards may be played and liquor secured. I will not touch for the truth of this rumor, however, but I do know that of late several persons who signed the petition gotten by the hotel have asked to have their names

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PAGE EXPLAINS WORDS; SAYS U. S. OBJECTS TO EUROPEAN AGGRESSION IN NEW WORLD

Ambassador to Great Britain Declares Misunderstanding That Caused Senate Action Due to Fact Speech Reported by Cable in Too Condensed Form—Gives Speedy Answer to Bryan

(Associated Press Cable)

LONDON, Eng., Mar. 13.—What threatened for a day and a night to become an incident of international unpleasantness with perhaps serious results has probably passed off with explanations made today by U. S. Ambassador Walter H. Page.

Mr. Page today received from Secretary of State Bryan a notification by cable that the senate yesterday adopted a resolution calling upon Secretary of State Bryan to investigate the alleged public remarks of Ambassador Walter H. Page, American representative at the court of St. James, made Wednesday night in London before the Associated Chambers of Commerce relative to the Monroe Doctrine and the Panama canal.

Mr. Page had been reported as saying in substance: "The United States would prefer that no European governments would gain more land in the New World."

The ambassador today declared that the speech had been reported by cable in too condensed form, causing a misunderstanding as to his meaning. He said that he had distinctly stated that "America would object or prohibit a European Power from taking territory in the New World."

More "Inside" Information on Plan to Repeal Canal Tolls Bill

(Associated Press Cable)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—A new turn was given today to the investigation into the Panama canal tolls exemption controversy. The activities of Carnegie's international peace endowment organization, in favor of a repeal of the tolls exemption provisions, was testified to by the foundation's secretary, in a hearing before the senate lobby committee which produced some interesting moments.

The secretary admitted that a million copies of a pamphlet urging the repeal of the bill have been circulated as well as 715,000 copies of Senator Root's speech which declared that the provisions of the bill exempting American shipping from paying the tolls are in contravention of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. He admitted also that there was an allotment of \$23,000 for the circulation of Panama and Panama canal tolls literature.

Pearl Harbor Drydock Losses to Be Made Good, Says Hindes

(Associated Press Cable)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Mar. 13.—S. G. Hindes, president of the San Francisco Bridge Company, which is interested with the Hawaiian Dredging Company in the Pearl Harbor drydock contracts, stated today that he expects there will be early reimbursement for the losses suffered by the Pearl Harbor contractors through the collapse of the big drydock. He is now awaiting a decision of the navy department, which has under consideration six different plans for resumption of the work and completion of the structure.

Resigns From House of Peers of Japan; Navy Scandals Cause

(Associated Press Cable)

TOKIO, Japan, March 13.—Tsunetsu Murata, members of the house of peers, resigned today, protesting against the attitude of the cabinet in connection with the naval scandals and the naval appropriations. The house of peers today reduced the naval construction appropriation by \$15,000,000, making a total of \$45,000,000 to be spent during the next five years on new battleship and other construction. The vote was 240 to 44.

Fairbanks Talks for Peace

(Associated Press Cable)

LONG BEACH, Cal., March 13.—Charles Warren Fairbanks, former vice-president in a speech before the local Y. M. C. A., today told a large audience that war with Japan is impossible, that the coming years will only cement stronger the bonds of international friendship and the cordial relations between the two countries.

Dynamiters Appeal to Wilson

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 13.—More than twenty labor union men, many of them high officials, among those convicted of criminal conspiracy in connection with the dynamiting cases, have prepared applications for pardons, to be presented to President Wilson. Recently the supreme court denied them retrials.

Many Wrecks in Wild Hurricane

MELILLA, Morocco, March 13.—As a result of a fierce hurricane off the Moroccan coast, five steamers and 38 sailing vessels have been wrecked. All the larger vessels have put to sea to avoid being driven ashore by the violent winds.

Mexicans Now Want To be Free

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 13.—Writs of habeas corpus have been asked of the federal court on behalf of Gen. Mercado and 3000 federal soldiers held at Fort Bliss. They are part of the remnants of the federalists defeated at Ojinaga and driven across the border, being then held under guard at Fort Bliss for technical infraction of the neutrality laws.

U. S. Express Co. Dissolves

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 13.—Largely as a result of federal action through the interstate commerce commission and completed or proposed legislation, the United States Express Company has dissolved, the directors passing resolutions of formal dissolution today. The company is liquidating its assets.

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ACTION OF CHARITIES MEETS WITH APPROVAL OF CIVIC FEDERATION

recently decided to table it for further consideration until the governor submits his opinion on the present employment situation.

J. M. McChesney, president of the federation, was authorized to fill the position on the executive committee left vacant by the resignations of Victor Clark and Edgar Wood. Progress was reported on the Lillooaloan tract and A. K. Ozawa was elected a member of the organization. Present at the meeting were J. M. McChesney, C. K. Al., A. G. Smith, A. E. Cooke, David Kanaha, C. H. Dickey, and A. D. L...