

ARMY MEN MAY GET FACTS BY TRYING SOLDIER

Talk of Court-martial For Meteyer to Establish Documentary Evidence

Cpl. H. Meteyer, who was arrested for the "affair" at the mayor's inau and whom the city attorney's office refused to prosecute after arrest, will appear before court martial on a charge of disorderly conduct, according to information heard yesterday. It is reported that Meteyer has consented to be tried, the trial to be for the purpose of getting all the evidence in the matter on official documents to be forwarded to Washington. At Fort De Russy it was reported that this trial will start as soon as Mayor Lane returns with the congressional party and that a similar investigation will be carried on by the U. S. S. Mary land, one of the members of the crew having made complaint against the treatment accorded the uniform wearers at the inau. At the inau for the principal topic of conversation is the outcome of the reported court martial. The soldiers are pinning their belief on the exoneration of Meteyer, the forwarding of the evidence in the case to the war department and the possibilities because of the "incident"—of the inau detail being allowed to wear civilian clothes off duty. "Had Mayor Lane felt kindly towards the soldiers," said one of the interested soldiers, "he would have taken the only course reasonable; he would have notified the department headquarters and asked for a provost guard. Such a request, I feel certain, would have resulted in a heavy guard or a general order to the soldiers to stay away from the inau."

A petition asking that Judge Alexander A. Larnach be appointed administrator of the estate of David J. Garden, deceased, has been filed in circuit court by Henry H. Williams, creditor. The estate is valued at about \$400.

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DEATH SUMMONS MRS. PETERSON AT AGE OF 75

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Mrs. Jerusha Peterson, for nearly 46 years a resident of the territory and one of the best-known of the older generation of Honolulu matrons, died this morning at 7 o'clock at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Gear. Mrs. Peterson was 75 years of age and had led an active and useful life until age hampered her activities. She came from Plymouth, Massachusetts, and was the widow of Daniel Peterson, who died some years ago. She leaves two surviving her, a son, Wells Peterson, and a daughter, Mrs. A. V. Gear. Two other sons, Arthur Peterson and Dr. C. A. Peterson, died some years ago. The funeral is taking place this afternoon at 4 o'clock from Central Union church and friends of the family are asked to be present.

FIGHT ON YUAN NOW PLANNED BY LOCAL CHINESE

That Yuan Shih-kai would yield to the demands of Japan was a well-established prediction months ago declare Chinese Nationalists of Honolulu who are now planning mass meetings and secret conferences to decide upon the local party's share in the general uprising in China. Col-gen. Wudan expects code cables during the next few days telling the steps taken by the Nationalists in South China to overthrow the Yuan government. The next mail steamer from the Orient is expected to bring letters of instruction, also. The Nationalist conference in San Francisco, July 27 to August 8, will be the final consultation of the leaders before applying the torch of China's third revolution.

BOAT'S CREW IS HELD TO BLAME FOR 2 DROWNING

Tragedy Off Lahaina Followed By Coroner's Inquest and Verdict

The Maui News of last Saturday gives the following account of the accident off Lahaina the previous week, concerning which conflicting reports reached Honolulu: "Death from drowning due to overturning of a boat manned by a crew of the I. J. S. N. Co., at Lahaina, Maui, through the carelessness and neglect of said crew."

Such was the verdict of the coroner's jury in each of the inquests held at Lahaina on Thursday morning over the bodies of Mrs. Ushi Kuwaye and Chow Soy. The jury consisted of O. J. Whitesead, David Espinda, Philip Espinda, Robert Bodnar, P. N. Kaiwi and William Keliheleua. Sheriff Clement Crowell as coroner conducted the inquests. Thrown into a boiling surf at Lahaina, when a shore boat of the Interisland steamer Kilauea overturned at 9 o'clock last Saturday night, seven passengers struggled for their lives and two lost in the fight. And while they thus struggled, against heavy odds, the strong and able crew of the boat swam ashore and left to their fate the men, women and children committed to their charge. Only Kiku Iona, the boat-steerer, to whose negligence the accident is ascribed, stayed by to assist, according to the testimony.

The other members of the crew are: Umauma, Moses Smith, Ahia Moepona and Lepanu. It was the second boat to leave the Kilauea, which had just arrived from Honolulu. In it were Mr. and Mrs. John Saffrey and two children and Miss Keao of Olowalu, a Japanese and a Chinese, whose names have not been learned. Kuwaye, husband of the Mrs. Kuwaye who was drowned, and Chow Soy, the aged Chinese victim. For some reason Iona, the steersman, shaped a course for the shore fast to the westward of the landing place. When close in a large wave swung the boat around, and a second breaker, even larger, caught the craft broadside and turned it over. Iona says his steering arm snapped. "It drifted away and has not been found. The other members of the crew did not hear the oar break, nor had any idea that such a thing happened. The surf was perhaps a little higher than normal, but not such as to be considered dangerous, had the boat been in the usual course."

Police & Hospital Reports

Eight Hawaiians arrested for gambling were released after a hearing at district court this morning. Judge Monsarrat found no evidence to convict.

Victor Kanage, arrested by Captain of Detectives McDuffie, was convicted of theft at district court this morning. He was sent to the city and county jail for six months for stealing a saddle and other articles.

Charles Kalehiki, alleged to have sold intoxicating liquor, arrested by Special License Officer Fennell, was given more time to plead to the charge at district court. The case has been set for tomorrow morning.

Eleven Chinese and Japanese caught at a gambling game in Kakaako Saturday night after a raid made by city detectives, forfeited bail when the case was called at district court this morning. They each contributed from \$10 to \$20 to the city and county coffers.

A settlement of a bill of damages for injury to a horse belonging to Police Officer M. P. Moranha may be arranged by Lieut. S. H. Wheeler, 25th Infantry, who is alleged to have struck the horse while out on May 5. Moranha had attempted to effect a private settlement when the matter was brought to the attention of Sheriff Rose. According to Moranha, Lieut. Wheeler had asked not to be arrested, saying that he stood ready to pay for any injuries inflicted on the animal.

One hour in the marshal's office, with costs remitted, was the sentence imposed on Mrs. Haole Ah Mana in federal court today. She recently was indicted by the grand jury for statutory offense.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Honolulu Lodge No. 495, F. and A. M., will hold a stated meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The employment committee of the Y. M. C. A. met at noon today in the association office.

The territorial grand jury will meet in the judiciary building at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

The Japanese contribution for the aid of the families of the F-4 is almost \$500. More donations are added every day.

The Hawaiian band will give a public concert in Emma square, Emma street, beginning at 7:30 o'clock tonight.

Senator Smoot of Utah will be the luncheon guest of the Commercial Club tomorrow and will make a luncheon talk.

On the ground of non-support, Circuit Judge Whitney today granted a divorce to Josephina Ramos from Juanito Ramos.

A regular meeting for third-degree work will be held tonight by Harmony Lodge No. 3, I. O. O. F., in Odd Fellows' hall, Fort street.

The case of Yong Tai Kee, charged with smuggling and otherwise handling opium, has been continued in federal court until called up.

A special meeting of the Strangers' Friend Society is called for tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the Associated Charities, Alakea street.

Pleas of not guilty were entered by Walter H. Neff and Lillie Michael in federal court today to a statutory offense. The case has been continued until called up for trial.

Circuit Judge Whitney today granted to Georgiana Broadley a divorce from George Broadley, the grounds being nonsupport.

Under bond of \$15,000, James Wakefield today was appointed by Circuit Judge Whitney as executor of the estate of the late Alfred T. Wakefield.

Nancy Mahelona today was appointed by Circuit Judge Whitney as administratrix of the estate of the late Sclomon Mahelona under bond in the sum of \$500. The estate is valued at about \$6945.

The final accounts of Charles E. King as executor of the estate of the late Jeanne B. King were approved today by Circuit Judge Whitney. The executor's bond was cancelled and he was discharged.

The final accounts of James W. Robertson guardian of Irma Wodehouse, a minor, now of age, today were approved by Circuit Judge W. L. Whitney. His bond was cancelled and he was discharged.

Tax bills have been sent by the assessor and collector of the first division of Honolulu to all officers at Fort Shafter owning automobiles. The legislature failed to pass a bill exempting army officers from paying this tax.

There will be no meeting of the harbor commission tomorrow morning. No meeting of this body will be held until after the return of Chairman Charles R. Forbes, who is with the congressional party touring the outside islands.

Charles F. Clemons today was appointed by Circuit Judge Whitney as administrator of the estate of the late Goldie G. Gurney under bond in the sum of \$3000. Prior to her death, Miss Gurney was stenographer to Federal Judges Dole and Clemons.

"Mother's Day" was observed in Honolulu yesterday with special services in several of the churches. No concerted action was taken in celebration of the day. At the morning service at the Christian church, Mr. Dowling of Fullerton, Cal., delivered a "Message to Mothers."

The Woman's Society of Central Union Church will hold a May social in the parish house, Beretania street, Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Miss Vera Damon, who recently returned from her studies in Boston, will sing for the first time before a Central Union audience since her return to Honolulu from the mainland.

Kilauea and the lake of everlasting fire has at last been conquered by the movie picture man. Messrs. Haworth and Porter of the Harvard research expedition have managed to lover a moving picture camera into the crater for the coveted pictures of Pele in action. The film when developed will tell whether the venture was any more successful than previous attempts. Mr. Porter nearly lost his life when a cable stretched across the pit broke about a month ago.

DAILY REMINDERS

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ARMY OFFICER TO TEST AUTO TAXATION LAW

A test case to determine whether army officers residing on federal government property and owning automobiles are required to pay the territorial automobile tax as provided for in section 1228 of the revised laws, has been brought into circuit court in a bill for injunction filed today by Capt. A. F. Cassels, 1st Field Artillery, with station at Schofield Barracks, against Charles T. Wilder, tax assessor and collector of the first taxation division. The bill for injunction asks that the collector and his deputies and agents be perpetually enjoined and restrained from collecting any taxes or attempting to collect any taxes, on Capt. Cassels' automobile. The matter is before Judge W. L. Whitney's court.

It is stated in the bill that Schofield Barracks is a military reservation, owned and used by the United States, and that at all times it has been under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States. The bill continues that on January 1, 1915, the date on which taxes are levied on all property in the territory, Capt. Cassels was, and now is, owner of an automobile, and that at no time during the first day of January, 1915, was the automobile without the confines of Schofield Barracks. It is stated that Capt. Cassels has made no return of the automobile for taxation for the year 1915 to the tax assessor or any deputy assessor for the first taxation division.

Since January 1 and prior to May 1, says the bill, the deputy tax assessor for the Ewa district assessed Capt. Cassels' automobile for taxes in the sum of \$36.85, purporting to assess the machine for the annual automobile tax for 1915 under the terms of section 1228 of the revised laws of Hawaii. In conclusion, the bill says that the automobile was at no time on January 1 within the jurisdiction of the territory for taxation purposes or subject to taxation by the territory by reason of the fact that on that day it was within the confines of Schofield Barracks.

That said assessment of said automobile was, and is, improper, illegal and void. Capt. Cassels is represented by Attorney C. H. Olson. Various other army officers owning automobiles recently were sent tax bills by Tax Collector Wilder. Attorney Olson said today that the matter now before the court is purely a test case.

The case of Benito Campo, charged with a statutory offense, went to trial in federal court this morning and further hearing is being had this afternoon. Two witnesses were called, Antonio Lopez and John Ferris, cooks at Iwilei. The following were summoned on special venire to complete the jury: George S. Bromley, Fred Luning, J. N. Gere, J. A. Rothwell and A. N. Jacobson.

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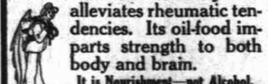
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