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'NOTHING TO IT' IS VERDICT ON KOTSUKI CHARGE

Sheriff Rose Decides \$15 Was Sent to Policeman in Part Payment of Debt

"There's nothing to it," was the verbal verdict of Sheriff Rose today, given after several witnesses had been examined with reference to the charges against the Nippon Jiji, a local Japanese newspaper, that S. Kotsuki, a plain clothes policeman, had accepted a bribe of \$15 from another Japanese known as Yamamoto.

Gijiro Naito, a Japanese, was arrested last January, charged with attempting to do injury to a Japanese woman and to Yamamoto, his rival. After serving until June in the county jail, Naito trailed his rival and the woman and then called Kotsuki to arrest both on a statutory charge.

"I told Yamamoto that as long as he could afford to get married that he ought to be able to pay me that \$25 he owed me," Kotsuki told Sheriff Rose. He told the sheriff that the next day Yamamoto telephoned him and said he could pay \$15 of the \$25 owing. Consequently, Kotsuki said, he sent the chauffeur to get the money for him.

Editor Makino of the Japanese newspaper came to me before the story was printed and told me he was going to publish the story," explained Sheriff Rose. "I told him to go ahead and he promised me that he would produce the witnesses on the morning of July 7. McDuffie was to take their testimony, or at least meet the witnesses. The captain waited all morning for Makino and his witnesses, but none showed up.

"Again McDuffie got in touch with Makino, and again Makino promised to bring the witness around and again failed to appear. The next day Makino called on McDuffie and told him that Kotsuki was the sole support of a widowed mother and that for that reason, Makino said, he had decided to drop the matter and asked us to do the same. That made me all the more anxious to probe the affair. The paper had attacked Kotsuki's reputation and after doing that had refused to give the man a chance to defend himself.

"So McDuffie and I started out to locate the witnesses ourselves," continued the sheriff. "We got the chauffeur. He didn't know anything except that he collected the \$15 for Kotsuki. The other automobile drivers the Japanese paper mentioned did not know a thing about the case. Naito is in jail now. After he had gone with Kotsuki to the hotel where Yamamoto and the woman were staying, Kotsuki saw a revolver protruding from Naito's pocket and he booked Naito on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. I will have Naito brought from the jail and will examine him before I close this case."

DANCE AT THE MOANA HOTEL THIS EVENING

Tourists, officers of the army and navy and their ladies and local society folk are cordially invited to a dance to be given this (Tuesday) evening at the Moana hotel. Hawaiian music during dinner. Dancing at 9 o'clock.—Adv.

Mrs. Dixon—Why do you let your husband growl so much when you have company? Mrs. Viven—That's the only time he gets to grumble.—Brooklyn Citizen.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

A meeting of the musical club of the Kamehamehs Alumni Association will be held at 7:30 o'clock this evening in the club house, 1337 Fort street.

A public concert will be given at the Kalahehi pumping station at 7:30 o'clock this evening by the Hawaiian Band. This afternoon the band played at the insane asylum.

No arrangements for the funeral of the late Dr. Nathaniel Emerson have been made as yet. Advances from the cast are being awaited before any plans are taken up.

A petition asking that he be appointed guardian of the property of Abraham Kalamo Kaamoana and Noa Kalamo Kaamoana, minors, was filed in circuit court today by S. H. Kaamoana.

A hearing of the case of Chun Man Noon, charged with concealing and otherwise handling opium, was to be held before U. S. Commissioner George S. Curry this afternoon.

An inventory of the estate of Hugo Robenowitz was filed in circuit court today by J. M. McChesney, administrator of the estate. The estate is valued at \$2591.05 and consists of real estate in Honolulu, cash in a local bank and 25 shares of sugar stock.

James L. McLean, J. A. Lyle, R. H. Trent, Charles Crozier, A. D. Castro, G. L. Samson and M. G. Johnston were elected directors to serve during the ensuing year at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mutual Building and Loan Society of Hawaii last night.

The ministers attending the annual conference of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association will be the guests of honor at a tea which the members of the Woman's Board of Missions will give at the residence of Rev. John P. Erdman, Beretania and Alexander streets, from 4 to 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

A petition was filed in circuit court today by attorneys for the Trent Trust Company asking that the court direct a certain notary public of San Diego to take the testimony of Frederick A. Rhodes, now residing in that city, in connection with the probate of the will of the late Emmet C. Rhodes.

A decision reversing the district magistrate of Molokai, in the case of Eugene Murphy against H. R. Hitchcock, an action for the recovery of the value of \$75 worth of fish, has been handed down by the supreme court. The Molokai judge is ordered to enter judgment in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$75 and costs.

No decision has been rendered yet by the public utilities commission in regard to the Lahala accident, on which testimony was taken Saturday afternoon and yesterday. With the close of the investigation yesterday the last witness in the affair had been examined but the decision will be deferred until all transcripts of evidence have been made.

HEAR MISSION REPORTS FROM OTHER ISLANDS

At this morning's session of the ninety-third annual convention of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association the time was occupied with reports from the island associations, and by a discussion of the work of the agents of the Hawaiian Board.

The addresses were full of interest. Rev. A. Craig Bowditch of Paia, Maui, spoke for half an hour upon "The Preparation for Evangelism." "The Home and the Church" was the topic upon which the following members of the Association spoke with much earnestness and the delegates listened with deep interest: Rev. S. L. Desha, Rev. John P. Erdman, A. S. Mahaulu, Rev. W. Kamau, and Rev. T. Okumura.

The afternoon is being devoted to meetings of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor, with an address by Hon. W. H. Rice, president of the Sunday School Association, upon the topic "Sunday School Efficiency."

An important meeting of the ways and means committee of the Hawaiian Board is being held at the board rooms at three o'clock. This evening the temperance rally will take place under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon League of the territory at the Kaunakapali church.

"To the ultimate limit. He couldn't even imagine a castle in the air without a mortgage on it."—Judge.

LIGHT SIDELIGHTS ON POLICE COURT SCENES

An argument in the Iwilei district at 11:30 last night resulted in Private McCormick being beat up. C. E. Abbott is the man who did it, so McCormick said.

James Donovan wanted to start an independent religious meeting last night, so when the Salvation army service was over at Nuuanu and Merchant streets, Donovan started his own meeting. At 12:40 a. m. Officer Sizemore happened along, and he took Donovan to the municipal "cooler" and booked him on a charge of being drunk and disorderly.

So successful was A. Paul, a Chinese, in making the sun disappear Sunday afternoon and in making it rain Sunday morning, that he decided to try a new venture and forthwith proceeded to carry out his miracles at 2:30 a. m. yesterday and attempted to make the moon drop to the earth. Paul was making weird motions at Hotel and Alakea about that time when Patrolman Branco happened along. He took Paul to the police station where the Chinese now faces an examination as to the state of his mind.

As the result of raids by Detective Captain McDuffie's staff Saturday and Sunday, 10 alleged che-fa players and bankers were defendants in district court yesterday. One of them, Shigetomi, was fined \$250 for assisting the game. One was fined \$15 and another \$25 for playing and two others were found guilty and sentence will be imposed later. The other cases were continued at the request of the defendants. R. Kiri and Chin Coon were fined \$25 each for having opium in their possession.

On the witness stand Shigetomi vigorously denied any connection with a che-fa bank and offered to lead the police to the man he said was the real banker. Consequently McDuffie allowed the Japanese to lead him through Chinatown, but Shigetomi was unable to locate his man, so he told McDuffie. However, while making the tour, the detective captain found Lee Yuk See, an outsider, with alleged che-fa tickets in his possession.

Joe Kelehua was brought to Honolulu by a Hilo police officer today and is facing 10 charges of larceny. Every charge represents a bag of rice which he is alleged to have appropriated from the City Mill Company, by which company he was employed as deliveryman, say the police. Joe was discovered by the company's watchman coming down stairs with the tenth bag of rice. He dropped it and ran, later leaving Honolulu for Hilo. He was arrested in the Crescent City upon information furnished by the local police. With the arrest of Kelehua, the police believe they have solved the mystery of the disappearance of a quantity of paint and hardware from the City Mill Company.

Captain of Detectives McDuffie and assistants entered a local theater at 1 o'clock Monday morning and found Frank Gonsalves asleep on the seats. He had a brand new undershirt on and was immediately taken into custody. Later, Gonsalves admitted that on three occasions he had entered the Canton Dry Goods Company, whose store adjoins the theater, and appropriated large quantities of clothing, shoes and drygoods. A search of Gonsalves' rooms revealed a lot of the stuff, say the police. Gonsalves is awaiting trial.

ARMY NOTES

Maj. E. B. Gose, recently detailed in the inspector-general's department, is now at his desk at army headquarters. He relieves Lieut.-col. McDonald, who leaves for the Philippines in the August transport. Maj. Gose, who came here with the 25th Infantry, has taken a house in the Manoa valley and yesterday moved into Honolulu with his family.

Rigid tests of the buoyancy and lifting power of the four pontoons now under construction at Mare Island navy yard, will be made before the cylinders are sent to Honolulu harbor to be used in raising the lost submarine F-4 and her dead crew.

It is announced by Mare Island officers that all work on the four pontoons will have been completed by August 1. One of the tanks is almost completed and will be tested soon. It will be lowered, filled, into dry dock. Compressed air will force the water out and the amount of weight the tank is able to lift will be ascertained.

War Department orders received this morning cancel the orders of Maj. Edgar Russell and Capt. George Gibbs, Signal Corps. Maj. Russell was to come here as department signal officer, and Capt. Gibbs was to have gone to Washington for duty. What further disposition of these officers will be made is not known as yet.

Maj. Peter W. Davidson, 26th Infantry, has been detailed a member of the Board of Road Commissioners of Alaska, with headquarters at Valdez, vice 1st Lieut. Louis A. Kuntzig, infantry, relieved. Maj. Davidson will be the disbursing officer of the board.

Gen. Carter, accompanied by his aide, Lieut. Kimball, went to Pearl Harbor this morning to return the call of Rear Admiral Boush.

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FORT SHAFTER NOTES

Mrs. Tayman, wife of Maj. Tayman, 1st Infantry, who has been a patient in the department hospital for some time, went back to Schofield on Saturday. First Class Pvt. Louis F. Osbourne, Telephone and Telegraph Detachment, Company M, Signal Corps, has purchased his discharge from the army. Lieut. Fredendall left for the field on Monday to join Company F, to which he has just been recently assigned.

Tomorrow evening at the Aerodome theater will be shown Charles E. Van Lcan's famous film "Buckshot John."

He—You only kiss me now when you want money. She—Good gracious, John, isn't that enough? —London Mail. "Uncle, why did you never marry?" "I never found a girl who would have me." "Uncle, somebody's been fooling you. Our sex isn't that particular."—Detroit Free Press.

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