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AUSTRIA SHOWS SIGNS OF MEETING DEMANDS ON ANCONA

WAR ON USURERS ONLY BEGUN; WILL NOT BE STOPPED

Deputy City Attorney Carden Says One Gang Has Been Broken Up By Convictions Against John Vivichaves in Circuit Court

OTHER MEMBERS OF RING FACE PROSECUTION NOW

Rates as High as 40 Per Cent for Loans of 15 Days' Duration Have Been Charged; Fireman's Kick Bared Hold-Up Game

"When John Vivichaves entered a plea of guilty yesterday morning in the first circuit court to the charge of usury for which he was being tried, at least one strong gang of usurers was broken up," said Deputy City Attorney W. T. Carden today. "Vivichaves was the leading spirit of the crowd, and was involved in more transactions than the others."

"We intend to break up usury in the city," says the deputy city attorney who carried the case through for the prosecution, "and we shall welcome word from anyone else who has come under the clutches of the usury game."

Vivichaves was tried twice on separate charges. On the third trial the prosecution brought in William Ayau as its main witness, the defense asking for a continuance of the trial on the ground that they wished more time to meet the testimony offered.

Accordingly the trial was continued until yesterday morning, and when court opened, Vivichaves withdrew his former plea of not guilty and admitted his guilt. Date of sentence has been set for January 8. Vivichaves is now out on bond. Carden said today that the prosecution intends to ask the court for a substantial fine.

Fireman Made Kick

"We first learned of the game these men were working on city employees through one of the members of the fire department," says the attorney. "The fireman applied for his money of the county auditor to find that orders had been made out to withhold all of it."

"As the man from whom the fireman borrowed the money had promised not to turn in the order to the auditor, the fireman began to raise a kick, and Auditor Bicknell brought him into our office to get some settlement of the trouble."

"What the fireman told us, together with testimony from other employees of the city who were borrowing money from the gang, finally led to our preferring charges against several of them."

E. Markie pleaded guilty several days ago. A charge has been preferred against W. L. Peterson already, and another warrant will be served on him today. Peterson, W. E. Wayman and L. Ayau are yet to be tried. Peterson's case will probably come up Monday.

According to Deputy Carden the individual loans are not so vital with the men as are the compound interest debts that accrue when payments cannot be made at once.

Charged 10 Per Cent a Month

Interest has been charged at 10 per cent a month for large loans, and up to 40 per cent for 15-day period on small ones. There are several cases of 20 per cent being charged for a period of three days, but the common rate has been \$6 returned for \$5 borrowed. Other cases were \$14 for \$10 loans.

As an example of how fast the loans gather compound interest, if a man borrows \$20 at 40 per cent for 15 days, at the end of his first pay day after he receives the money, he will owe the lender the neat sum of \$28. Compound interest on this amount will bring the interest in the next 15 days up to \$11.20, making \$39.20 when he runs. On his third pay day six weeks after he has borrowed the money he will owe \$54.88. Parallel cases to this example have been found in tracing down the usurers.

OKUMA WILL NOT GET TO DIET THIS YEAR

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipno)

TOKIO, Dec. 23.—Premier Okuma has been confined to his home this week and his physician gave out the statement today that the premier would not be able to appear before the diet this year.

The ninth annual meeting of the American Pest Society is to be held in Detroit in September. The purpose of the society is to push the use of pest.

MEMORIALS
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FIFTY PER CENT STOCK DIVIDEND FOR SAN CARLOS

A. D. Cooper Outlines Prosperous Condition of Sugar Company in Philippines

BIG NET EARNINGS HAVE BEEN INVESTED IN PLANT

Total of Profits More Than \$200,000; Plan to Increase Stock to \$600,000

After an absence of several months spent in the Philippines, A. D. Cooper, the secretary and a director of San Carlos Milling Company, returned on the Persis Maru last Saturday morning. In response to a request by a representative of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin for an interview, Mr. Cooper made the following statement this morning:

"The first news that I received on arriving in Honolulu last Saturday, was of the death of Edmond F. McLaughlin. It came as a great shock to me as the last word I had received, in response to a cabled inquiry that I made from San Carlos after an operation that he had in October, was to the effect that he was recovering, and I expected to find him well and strong by the time I got back here."

"In addition to the other responsibilities that he held in the community, which were rather numerous for a young man of his age, he was acting secretary of San Carlos Milling Company from the time of my departure last April almost up to the time of his death; and took a keen interest in its affairs to the last. He was a life-long friend of mine, and I am sure that no one outside of his immediately family misses him more than I do."

"The object of my trip to the Philippines was to make an inspection of San Carlos Milling Company's business there and to report on it to the company's directors, who sent me. I was also to make a special inquiry into the possibilities for securing more cane for the factory, as it was evident at the time I left Honolulu that the then contracted areas would be insufficient to supply the enlarged capacity of the factory for the 1916 season."

All Cane It Can Handle

"The question of cane supply being the most pressing matter, and the recommendations that I cabled to the directors being satisfactory, negotiations were opened shortly after my arrival at San Carlos with a view to making additional milling contracts, and after some delay these were:

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EXPERT IGNORES PRECEDENTS IN DEPRECIATION?

C. A. Cattell, the San Francisco civil engineer retained by the Honolulu Rapid Transit and Land Company to make a physical inventory of the company's plant, testified under cross examination by the territory's attorney during the trial of the territory's injunction suit against the company, that, in every instance, the depreciation which he had allowed in the inventory, introduced as an exhibit for the Rapid Transit, was based on his own experience in such matters.

The cross examination further brought out the fact that Mr. Cattell had, in no instance, made reference to technical works respecting depreciation as affecting the life of the physical units of the plant.

Eugene M. Scoville, pump engineer for the Oahu Sugar Company, testified as to the condition of the boilers, piping and engines owned by the Rapid Transit. Further examination of Mr. Cattell was to be had this afternoon.

RICH MINING MAN HERE ON FIRST VACATION IN NEARLY THIRTY YEARS

James F. Callahan, who has become a multimillionaire since last April, arrived in Honolulu today on the Great Northern, to spend two months in the islands—the first vacation he has had in almost 30 years.

Mr. Callahan is controlling owner of the famous Interstate Callahan zinc mine in the Coeur d'Alene district in northern Idaho. Until the European war broke out the mine paid no profit, but since April, when the price of spelter soared, the company has paid out \$2,557,445 in dividends—and most of it went to Mr. Callahan, says the Spokane Chronicle of recent date.

SIGNS DEVELOP DOLE WON'T GET REAPPOINTMENT

Strong Prospect Bill May Pass Providing for Retirement on Same Salary

DEPARTMENT RESOLVED TO PLACE DEMOCRAT

Several Federal Vacancies are Open; Wilder Urges Local Man for Postmaster

From two sources develop indications that Federal Judge Sanford B. Dole, the veteran jurist of all Hawaii, is to be finally retired to make way for a Democrat.

Advices which have reached Hawaii from Washington by cable indicate that Congressmen and other officials are "getting together" in favor of the bill under which Judge Dole would be pensioned when he retires, as is done in the states. This bill was introduced by Delegate Kalaniana'ole at the request of Attorney A. A. Wilder on December 6, and is a general measure providing that any U. S. judge resigning at the age of 70, after having held his commission for 10 years, shall receive the same salary as given him before retirement, and there is a specific provision to make this applicable to the Hawaiian federal judge.

It is rather believed here that the department of justice will make no move formally to relieve Judge Dole until this legislation is perfected. The fact that it is being favored convinces some local observers that the department has no intention of recommending the judge for reappointment, purely on account of political reasons.

That such, indeed, is the attitude of the department is shown by special correspondence received from the Star-Bulletin's Washington representative. Writing under date of December 16, he says:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The supply of patronage pie available for distribution among Deserving Democrats in Hawaii has greatly increased of late. In fact there is much encouragement and "enheartenment" felt among those supposedly classified as "deserving."

There is a successor for Judge Dole's shoes. Department of justice officials say he (Dole) will not be reappointed.

In addition there are two additional judicial vacancies in Hawaii and these positions must be filled whenever suitable timber can be found.

Jeff McCann's resignation was accepted to take effect when relieved. This means that some good man at home, or in the last extremity a candidate from the mainland, will get the place. [This was written before Mr. McCann's dismissal.]

The postmastership is not to be sneezed at in these times of stress and economy. Officials at the postoffice department here declare that Postmaster Young has signified his intention of retiring early next year. The reason is the poor health of his wife, who is now compelled to live on the mainland.

As Judge Wilder says, with great emphasis, this place of all others should go to a local citizen of Honolulu and be should be a Democrat. He is now trying to impress this fact on the postal authorities and make certain that the postmastership remains at home.

Although the matter has not been mentioned here, it seems a good opportunity for Charles Barron to hoo back in the ring and pull down this plum, while he waits the fourth award him. His application has not yet reached the postoffice department.

Former Assistant District Attorney Thompson is the only man mentioned up to this time as probable or possible successor to Judge Dole. There is no disposition indicated of hastening any selection and the vacancies all may hang fire for some time.

U. S. DEPUTY MARSHAL IS FATALLY SHOT BY WHISKY SMUGGLERS

MUSKOGEE, Okla.—William Sheldon, a United States deputy marshal of Muskogee, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded by whisky smugglers at the state line near Sloom Springs, Ark. The assassins escaped. Should Sheldon die he will be the fourth deputy to fall a victim of the "whisky bandits" during the term of office of Marshal Enloe.

ANNISTON, Ala., Dec. 11.—J. B. Edwards, United States deputy revenue collector and former sheriff of Talladega county, Alabama, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded in a running fight with seven alleged moonshiners near Borden Springs, Cleburne county. The deputy collector, heading a posse of three, discovered the still at work. As they approached the moonshiners opened fire and Edwards fell.

There are now in the United States 4,063,028 persons native to Germany, Austria and Turkey, and 6,88,724 native to the nations fighting in the opposing alliance.

The railway that will link Greece with the rest of Europe is expected to be completed in August.

SEVEN OF SOUTH PROVINCES HAVE JOINED REVOLT

Fung Chi You, Former Secretary of Sun Yat Sen, Now in Honolulu Tells Plans

MANCHUS WILL NEVER ALLOW YUAN TO REIGN

Says Already More Than 200,000,000 Have Thrown Off Yoke of "Emperor"

"China will never take her place among the great nations of the world under the autarchical form of government," says Fung Chi You, former secretary to Mr. Sun Yat Sen during the Nanking government in China. Mr. You arrived on the Teyo Maru Monday from Tokyo and Shanghai. "Seven provinces have already declared their independence although the Associated Press despatches mention only five."

"Nanking was one of the first provinces to declare for the republic and for independence, and Hunan is another province that is not mentioned in the associated despatches. With these provinces and Kwantung, Kiangsi, Yunnan, Szechuen and Kweichow declaring for independence it means 200,000,000 people who will be living independent of Yuan Shih-Kai. Then you must remember Manchuria. The Manchus have not taken kindly to the new emperor, and they may revolt at any moment."

"It is a peculiar situation among the Manchus," continued Mr. You. "They favor the boy emperor and they will never be satisfied with Yuan Shih-Kai. The Chinese president some time ago asked that two of the leaders in Manchuria come to Peking to live and those who know the ways of the president may rest assured that they will be well taken care of. Yuan Shih-Kai, taking away the heads of Hailiang, King and Kuo Ling and the three provinces of Manchuria, and they are destined to be big factors in the coming political history of China."

"Yuan as emperor is not like Yuan as president and should he make any moves against the independence of the provinces I feel sure that China will see more trouble. I have had many experiences with the Peking government and have been arrested on two occasions, but they could not secure the necessary evidence and I was released."

When asked about the Shanghai trouble Mr. You said: "That was merely a skirmish. The revolutionists were not ready. They had not joined together; the attack was local. The attack on the Suivow was made because Yuan had ordered the battleship to go to another port. The National party did not take the skirmish seriously, and only 200 men were engaged. I hope that I may not see it, but China is destined to go through more than a skirmish before she takes her place in the sun."

Mr. You is on his way to San Francisco where he is associate editor of "Young China," the leading Chinese publication on the mainland. Mr. You was at one time president of the bureau of merit under Yuan Shih-Kai, but resigned and later went to San Francisco where he has been one of the leading spirits in the National movement. He will remain in Honolulu for about two weeks.

PINEAPPLE DAY BIG SUCCESS IN EASTERN STATES

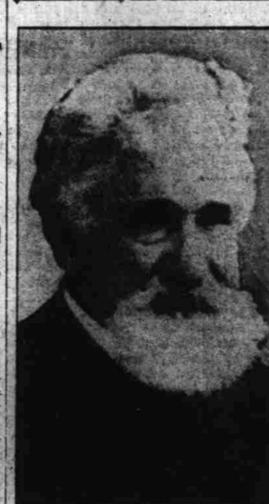
"Hawaiian Pineapple Day was a great success in the eastern states, and I saw evidences of the popularity of our island pine everywhere," said Clifford Kimball, manager of Haleiwa Hotel, this morning, as he stepped ashore from the Great Northern, wearing a lei presented to him yesterday by the Hilo Board of Trade, one of which decorated all the passengers.

Three of the greatest football games of the season were seen by Mr. Kimball, who won fame at the Yale-Harvard game as the man who traveled the longest distance to witness the contest. The Boston papers "played up" this feature. He saw the Princeton-Yale, Harvard-Yale and Army-Navy games.

Mr. Kimball has been away from Honolulu for three months, his wife accompanying him on his journey which included visits in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia and Boston. He said the trip over on the Great Northern was splendid, and that all the tourists on board were delighted with the steamer's comfort and service.

"The Hilo breakwater should be completed as soon as possible," added Mr. Kimball, "because yesterday the steamer had to anchor in the bay, and the last of her passengers did not get ashore until noon, although she arrived of port at 7:30 in the morning."

MEMBER OF CIVILIAN ADVISORY BOARD WITH U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT



Hudson Maxim, ordnance expert, whose work with the new naval advisory board stamps him as one of its leaders.

CHRISTMAS MAIL BUSINESS SETS A NEW U. S. RECORD

Postal Department Handling Vast Volume Without Any Delay

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 23.—There is no law for the state of Illinois under which Dr. Haiselder, who recently refused to operate to lengthen the life of a baby monstrously born to the Bollinger family of Chicago, can be indicted and tried. This has been determined by a search of the state statutes.

HARVESTER CO. SEEKS TO AID ITS EMPLOYEES

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 23.—Announcement was made today that the International Harvester Company plans to assist 35,000 employees to become stockholders and sharers in the profits of the company. The employees are to purchase the stock by monthly payments from their salaries.

NO ILLINOIS LAW TO INDICT PHYSICIAN WHO MET DEFORMED BABY DIE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The postoffice department is receiving advices from all over the country of enormous mail traffic, showing that the postal business for this Christmas is the heaviest in the history of the country. Though the mass of mail is tremendous, it is moving without delay to the points of destination.

JACK LONDON BACK TO WRITE ANOTHER NOVEL; MAY STAY SIX MONTHS

"Yes, I'm back to write another novel in Honolulu," said Jack London this morning, as he elbowed his way through the throng on Pier 6, just after the Great Northern docked. "This one is to be called 'Hearts of Three,' and is already begun, as a matter of fact."

"How long will we stay? Oh, five or six months at least. We'll like it here, you know," and Mr. London hurried on out into the sunshine, where Mrs. London accompanied by Harry L. Strange, awaited him beside Mr. Strange's automobile, into which they stepped.

"Just before I left here last summer I finished 'Jerry,' you know," Mr. London called. "The sequel, 'And Michael,' is all finished and in the hands of the publishers—and then his voice died away as the car chugged down the street."

"Jerry" and "And Michael" are two novels built around Alaskan dogs.

SECOND AMERICAN NOTE GETS A BETTER RECEPTION; BRITISH LOSSES AT DARDANELLES HUGE

MORE THAN HUNDRED THOUSAND CASUALTIES IS PRICE OF COSTLY CAMPAIGN—BERLIN STATEMENT DECLARES TEUTONS HAVE RE-WON HARTMANNSWEILERKOPF—MORE INDICTMENTS OF GERMAN "WAR-PLOTTERS"—GROWING UNEASINESS IN GREECE

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

VIENNA, Austria, Dec. 23.—The new note sent by the United States and dealing with the torpedoing of the Italian liner Ancona by an Austrian submarine has made a good impression. An answer has been begun.

Inasmuch as the second American note was virtually a reiteration of the first, and in the second note the United States refused to debate "non-essentials" with Austria, it seems probable that the peremptory demands made by the state department are now being acceded to by Austria. It is officially given out in Vienna that the second note has made a "good impression," indicating that Austria will yield or at least send a more satisfactory reply than the first Vienna answer to the U. S. demands.

More Indictments Against Germans

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Indictments charging conspiracy were handed down today by the federal grand jury against Paul Koenig, head of the bureau of investigation of the Hamburg-American Steamship Company, and Richard Lyendecker, an art goods dealer, both of whom were arrested last week and held in heavy bail. It is alleged that they conspired to dynamite the Welland canal.

Edmund Justice, the Hamburg-American watchman, who was arrested yesterday, and Koenig were also indicted for conspiracy to secure military information for Germany. Justice is said to be one of the main links connecting up the Hamburg-American Company as a violator of American neutrality laws.

Greece Uneasy; Bulgar Rush Feared

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 23.—It is unofficially reported here that martial law is imminent in Greece. There is growing uneasiness that the Bulgarians will cross the Greek border, and it is realized that an invasion might bring the two nations into conflict.

The developments of the attack of the Russians on Varna, the Bulgarian Black Sea port, show that the Russian assault here was only a minor action with torpedo-boats and that it is probably preliminary to a much more extensive sea-bombardment. A large Russian fleet is reported to be in the vicinity of Varna.

Yasaka Maru Submerged; All Saved

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 23.—The steamer Yasaka Maru has been sunk by a submarine. The flag under which the vessel was sailing is not known. The sinking occurred on Tuesday afternoon and the passengers and crew were saved at midnight by a French gunboat which picked up the refugees from their open boats.

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipno)

TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 23.—The Yasaka Maru, the Japanese Mail Steamship Company liner which was sunk by a German submarine in the Mediterranean Sea, was one of the leading boats of Japan in the passenger service. The navy department will officially investigate the attack on the Japanese liner at once.

Germans Claim Important Hill Re-taken

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 23.—The Germans have succeeded in recapturing the summit of Hartmannswellerkopf. The French took this important position earlier in the week. Twenty-three officers and 1530 French soldiers were captured in the second fight.

Great British Loss At Dardanelles

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 23.—The British loss in the Dardanelles from the beginning of the campaign up to December 11 totals 112,921 officers and men, it was officially announced today.

French Say Situation Is Unchanged

PARIS, France, Dec. 23.—Official—The situation on the French left at Hartmannswellerkopf remains unchanged. There is continued progress by the French on the right.

SOUTHERN PROVINCES OF CHINA RIPE FOR REVOLT ON SIGNALS

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)

TOKIO, Dec. 23.—A late despatch from Shanghai states that the provinces which declared for independence in southern China are ready for a revolt and the situation is growing alarming. With this message came a report from Shanghai that the Chinese government is seeking Japanese recognition.

CHAMPION JAPANESE WRESTLER CUTS OFF HAIR AND RETIRES

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipno)

TOKIO, Dec. 23.—Umgatani, champion wrestler of Japan, retired from the mat game today. The ceremony of the occasion was held this afternoon. Baron Uryu, president of the Japanese exhibit during the San Francisco exposition, was the presiding officer at the ceremony. According to the custom each retiring wrestler cuts his hair upon resigning, and the ceremony of hair cutting was performed by Baron Uryu. Umgatani will be elected elder director of the Japanese Wrestling Association. He will change his name to Ikazuchi.

GERMAN OFFICIAL CABLEGRAMS

The following cablegram from official German sources was received today:

"German headquarters report, Dec. 23.—The German 82nd territorial brigade, after a hot combat, has reconquered the top of Hartmannswellerkopf. The enemy suffered extremely heavy and bloody losses, besides 23 officers and 1530 soldiers being taken prisoner. The Germans still occupy this position and are ejecting the French from some trenches on the northern slope."

"The French report of Dec. 22 states that in the combats of Dec. 21 1300 Germans were captured. The French statement is an exaggeration by at least half the number given, since the German total losses, including the dead, wounded and missing, amount to only about 1100."