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WHITEHOUSE MUST BE DISMISSED SAY FIVE CITY PATERS

Shingle and Ahia Will Consult With Mayor Lane Regarding Engineer

Long smoldering opposition to City Engineer L. M. Whitehouse broke forth into flame last night when the city supervisors in caucus over the appropriation bill for next year came to the question of his salary.

Supervisor Larsen, acting as spokesman for the other supervisors to explain their feeling to Supervisor Robert W. Shingle, who had just returned from the mainland, stated that five of the board are ready and wanting to have Whitehouse dismissed from the office he holds. They object to him not as an engineer but as an officer, feeling that he is woefully weak in handling employees. No special charges were brought against the engineer.

Mayor Lane was not present at the meeting, which Larsen regretted as he did not want to be accused of talking behind anyone's back. However he did not feel, he said, that he or the other supervisors could "further the mayor's political aims any longer" by keeping the engineer in office.

Ahia does not favor the immediate dismissal of Whitehouse. He wants the engineer to have six months more in which to make good, if possible. Shingle said that he could not stand for inefficiency, but that he had been away for some time and as the mayor had not been consulted on the question he would like for himself and Ahia to be made a committee to confer with the mayor on the question. The suggestion passed in the form of a motion, and the matter will be continued at next caucus.



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TOURISTS ENJOY FIRST BIT OF POI

Despite several unfortunate delays which resulted in the departure of some intending guests before the feast began, the luau given by A. L. MacKay at the Pleasanjo hotel grounds was enjoyed by about three score people last evening, tourists, Honolulu residents and army people.

Many a finger was dipped tentatively in poi for the first time, and there was much hilarity over the absence of knives and forks. The pig and chicken—indeed all the Hawaiian edibles offered—were well cooked and served on ti leaves and ferns spread on the ground between rows of matting. Individual bottles of pineapple juice were at each place. The hula dancers did not arrive until after 7 o'clock, to the great disappointment of those of the guests who had to leave early.

Mayor John C. Lane made a short speech of welcome to tourists who had arrived in recent liners from the coast, and a response was made by O. L. Everts of Fresno, Cal., who came yesterday in the Great Northern.

APPROPRIATE CARD IS MAILED OUT BY WEATHER MAN HERE

"May there never be a cloud in your sky—except when you are wishing for rain," is the appropriate verse on a neat Christmas card mailed in Honolulu today to various firms, bearing the "compliments of the season" from the local office of the government weather bureau.

The schooner William L. Elkins ran ashore at Cortland Head, N. H., and is expected to be a total loss.

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 (comedy)

LOTS AT DEWEY COURT SELLING AT GREAT RATE

The beach lots at Dewey Court, advertised recently as the "last of the close-to-the-beach home sites," are having a phenomenal sale. On the market one week, already many lots have been contracted for, among the purchasers being Frank Coombs, the automobile man; D. F. McCarrison of Davies & Company, C. F. Marquet of the Office Supply Company, Chas. Pringle, in the United States service, and others.

Mr. Coombs turned down an offer of \$100 advance, made immediately after he had signed his contract. In several instances two lots have been sold to the same purchaser, the probabilities of an early advance in price offering the opportunity for conservative speculation.

Some of the lots at Dewey Court are already improved with neat little cottages, which have just been completed, and are ready to move into at once. Both the cottages and lots are offered at extremely liberal terms, making living expenses at the beach distinctly less than rent would be in any part of the city.

Dewey Court is immediately across the street from Fort de Russy and is but a half block from the beach.

TYPICAL WILD WEST SHOW TO BE STAGED BY MEN OF SCHOFIELD

Honolulu is to have a wild west show on Military Day at the Carnival, instead of the series of formal military tactics usually held at this time.

This is the idea of Capt. John Boniface of the 4th Cavalry, Schofield Barracks, who predicts that such a show will be one of the biggest attractions of the whole holiday period. There will be roping, throwing, saddling and riding exhibitions to make it a real old wild west exhibition.

Whether the show will be held at Kapiolani park or at Mollili field has not yet been decided, that having been turned over to the captain to choose according to his judgment. Capt. Boniface will go to Maui New Year's Day to attend the roping and riding exhibition there, and hopes to bring back at least two of the Maui cowboys with him for the Carnival show.

Byron D. Rogers, a navy paymaster, his died at Aux Cayes, Haiti, where he had been on duty as collector of customs and captain of the port. He was a native of Mechanicsburg, Ill.

IDEAL READY TO GET LATE TRADE

Christmas Shoppers Will Find Last-Minute Suggestions Here

All the folks who have had to find gifts for men and boys have, in their journeyings about the shops of the city, discovered a veritable Mecca at the haberdashery of the Ideal Clothing store on Hotel street. At least so it seems to the clerks, for the rush of Christmas purchasers, has been phenomenal. All day long they come and go, and never do they go without satisfaction. There's a reason for that, too, because the Ideal store's offerings for the season are such as will go a long way toward the satisfaction of any particular male being in the matter of articles of wear.

Besides the notion of giving clothing and suit orders, which are always in the best of taste for a man or woman to give to a relative, there are hundreds of other hints about the displays as to what will be appreciated by even the mere acquaintance who is to be remembered. From the semi-personal handkerchief or gloves to the very personal cravat, there are many things that will suit exactly any one of a long list of masculine tastes.

For those who have not yet decided what they are to give, the Ideal Clothing store will remain open all this evening.

BIJOU GETTING HOLIDAY CROWDS

"Aloha Land," the latest Hawaiian song, words by George Stroud, music by Charles E. King, is registering big at the Bijou theater. Madalene Rowe, accompanied by the Kamehameha Glee Club and the ducklings, is rendering this delightful Hawaiian air, and Miss Rowe is rapidly adding to her large string of admirers.

"Spending a Million" and "Marrying Marian," the combination bill that created a furore last night, will be repeated tonight and tomorrow night and boxoffice advance sales are taken as a prophecy that the Christmas season, usually the dulllest spot in showdom, will be a banner one for the Teal aggregation.

One of the unique features of the Christmas bill is the appearance of the entire chorus in hula costume, grass skirts and all the trimmings.

COUNTY CLERK OPPOSES CITY HALL BUILDING

That the city should not stop now to erect a new municipal hall, but should put out whatever money it has to spend on the streets and roads, is the opinion of County Clerk David Kalanokalani.

"We can get along with the present city hall buildings," says the county clerk. "I am firm in the belief that what the people as a whole will want, and what they need most is much work on the roads until these are completed."

Clerk Kalanokalani is about the only official of the city that has expressed himself as not favoring the new city hall. Most of the officials have declared themselves as wanting it.

Supervisor Robert Horner is strong in the belief that the new building is needed. He says, however, that it should cost at least \$200,000, and perhaps more. He is not in favor of putting up a building which will have to be added on to later.

Auditor James Bicknell is emphatic in expressing his belief of the needs of such a building. Bicknell has spent about 12 years in the present city hall and speaks, therefore, from experience.

"Most decidedly we need a building," he says. "We need it most on pay day when the men are all here for their money. As it now is they have to come here for their warrants and then go down two blocks to another building to cash them. The two offices should be in the same building."

Treasurer D. L. Conkling also favors a new building, and thinks that one could be built for \$100,000 which would answer the purpose. He feels that it should be placed somewhere in the vicinity of the civic center site, either on the Gore lot or farther down King street opposite the library.

EMPEROR'S LOAN ART COLLECTION IS ON WAY HOME

Bringing back with him on the steamer loan art collections belonging to the imperial Japanese family and the nobility of Japan from San Francisco, where they were on exhibition at the Japan building of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition until the big fair closed December 4, H. Yamawaki, commissioner-general of Japan to the exposition, is a through passenger on the Chiyo Maru today, homeward bound.

"All the other Japanese exhibits, including that of the government, have been presented to American public institutions, universities, museums and colleges," said Mr. Yamawaki. "Only the loaned art collections and the imperial art treasures are being taken back to Japan."

Mr. Yamawaki said he had been received in California with the utmost courtesy in the 14 months he resided in the state as commissioner-general to the exposition. "Japan's exhibit at the exposition has done much to make possible a mutual understanding between the United States and my country," he added.

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