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MORE STEAMERS SUNK IN NEW "ZONE;" AUSTRIA SUGGESTS DISAVOWAL

TO TRY TO CANCEL PAPERS IF OZAWA IS MADE CITIZEN

Attorney-General's Office Responsible for Move Which Will Throw Entire Question of Japanese Naturalization to U. S. Supreme Court

DECISION IS EXPECTED JANUARY TWENTY-NINTH

Appeal Not Possible as Long as Instructions Sent Out By Wickersham in 1912 Are in Effect; Scudder Has Hand in Case

The entire question of the admission of alien Japanese to American citizenship will be presented to the supreme court of the United States if Takao Ozawa, a local Japanese, is declared by the local U. S. court to be eligible for naturalization. Should Ozawa be admitted to American citizenship by the local district court, Acting District Attorney Horace W. Vaughan will take immediate steps with a view to having the court's order in the case cancelled, acting under instructions from the department of justice and from the bureau of naturalization. A letter signed by Assistant Attorney-General Wallace was received by the district attorney's office about 10 days ago, and was to the effect that the department believes the question of whether an alien Japanese should be admitted to American citizenship should be finally settled.

The letter requests that the district attorney here take steps looking toward the cancellation of the order admitting Ozawa, if such an order is forthcoming. Will Not Reveal Grounds. Except to explain the contents of the letter from the department of justice, Mr. Vaughan was non-committal today as to the grounds on which he would base an action to have the order cancelled. The clerk's office which has charge of naturalization cases, stated that exceptions to the order might be taken on the ground that a Japanese is not entitled to become a citizen.

The naturalization law explicitly stated that those persons who shall become citizens must be "free white" persons, or "persons of African descent or nativity." Ozawa's petition for naturalization has been pending in the local court for many months. A decision by the court on the question of whether he shall be admitted is expected on the last Saturday in January. At that time, it is also expected that a decision regarding the rights of Marjoe Solter, a Filipino, to become an American citizen, will be handed down.

On December 9, this year, the local district attorney's office was informed by Washington that Dr. Doremus Scudder, pastor of Central Union church, had written a letter to the attorney-general referring to the Ozawa case. The letter received here instructing the district attorney to proceed to cancel in case Ozawa is admitted, was accompanied by a copy of Doctor Scudder's letter, and the copy of a letter from the department of labor, the latter being to the effect that that department concurred with the recommendations of Doctor Scudder.

For Court of Last Resort. Doctor Scudder's recommendations were that the question of the eligibility of an alien Japanese to become a

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"HERMITESS" LEAVES SIERRA FASTNESS TO TASTE HONOLULU LIFE

The young woman whom Prince Kaiser, called "America's most strikingly interesting girl," and who later tired of New York society life and retired to the high Sierras in Nevada, has given up her life as a "hermitess," after three years, and sailed from San Francisco for Honolulu on the last Manoa, according to the San Francisco Chronicle of December 22. Miss Minnie E. Finnegan is the name of the "hermitess" who gave up her mountain fastness for Hawaii because of failing health, and because loneliness pulled after three years. "After all, what all its hypocrites, the world is nice," said Miss Finnegan the day before she left the coast. "I'd rather sit and talk with a dandified male tea god than talk to nothing from a mountain rock."

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THINKS CITY IS PAYING USELESS INTEREST MONEY

Bank Examiner Drummond Calls System of Treasurer "False Economy"

PAYS OUT 5 PER CENT BUT RECEIVES ONLY 2

Supervisors Spent \$143,000 More Than Income for Year Just Ended, He Says

"GIVEN WITHOUT COMMENT" "The auditor's books and estimated disbursements for the balance of this month will show an excess of expenditures over the income for the year ending December 31, 1915, of approximately the same amount (\$143,000). "It is evident that the cash balance fund was taken into consideration at the time of making the appropriations which, it so, shows an indirect use of said fund on which I am not prepared to make any comment as to the interpretation of the law other than what I have called your attention to above."

Charging as "false economy" the system of City and County Treasurer D. L. Conkling, whereby money available in the cash basis fund has been kept in the banks at a rate of 2 per cent a year, when interest on registered warrant is being paid out at 5 per cent, Deputy Territorial Bank Examiner M. A. Drummond has filed his report for the half year just ended with the territorial treasurer, C. J. McCarthy.

Mr. McCarthy has sent a letter to the mayor and board of supervisors relative to the report, calling their attention to the fact that by the county treasurer's system the county has had to pay a larger amount of money in interest upon registered warrants than was necessary, and furthermore that the board of supervisors has appropriated and spent during the year, more money than it received in revenue.

Following is the letter from the territorial treasurer: "December 30, 1915. "Honorable John C. Lane, "Mayor, City and County of Honolulu, "Honolulu, T. H.

"Dear Sir: "Enclosed you will find copy of report of Deputy Bank Examiner M. H. Drummond on the financial affairs of the City and County of Honolulu ending November 30, 1915. "In his letter Mr. Drummond calls special attention to the following: "First, That the Cash Basis Fund has not been used as the law intended, thereby causing the City and County to pay interest on registered warrants at a rate of 5 per cent, when it could have been paid at a rate of 2 per cent. "Second, That the Cash Basis Fund has been kept in the banks at a rate of 2 per cent, when interest on registered warrants is being paid out at a rate of 5 per cent. "I am, Sir, very respectfully, "Your obedient servant, "C. J. McCarthy, "Territorial Treasurer."

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NOTED MISSOURI EDITOR PASSES

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 3.—Col. Robert Thompson Van Horn, founder of the Kansas City Journal, died today.

Col. Van Horn was 41 years editor of the Journal, becoming a widely known figure in American journalism. Kansas City was a village whose inhabitants numbered only 478 when the young Van Horn went there and bought the Weekly Enterprise for \$500, in 1855, and changed the name to the Journal. With the rapid growth of the place the Journal became one of the flourishing daily newspapers of the West. When Col. Van Horn retired from control of the paper, in 1896, he was 72 years old. He was born May 19, 1824. Col. Van Horn was the son of a Pennsylvania farmer of Dutch and Scotch-Irish ancestry. His education was largely of his own endeavor, with occasional terms at a subscription school. At 15 he became apprenticed in the printing trade and worked at it for 10 years in Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and New York, finally drifting to Kansas City, to invest what little he had in the newspaper business for himself. Col. Van Horn served the public not only as an editor, but as a soldier, as mayor of Kansas City many years ago, a member of the state legislature and for four terms as the representative of his people in Congress. His military service was with the Union army, although in the political prologue to the Civil War he had been a pro-slavery Democrat. Secession made a Union man and a Republican of him. He headed a Missouri regiment which served with distinction, participating in the battles of Shiloh, Corinth and Westport. For many years Col. Van Horn was a delegate to Republican national conven-

CAMINETTI RAPS IMMIGRATION OF FILIPINOS HERE

Commissioner-General in Annual Report Points to Figures of Orientals

SAYS AMERICANIZATION OF HAWAII GOES SLOWLY

Would Have Territory Placed on Same Immigration Basis as Mainland

Filipino immigration to Hawaii may be strongly opposed in the national administration and in Congress as the result of statements in the annual report of A. Caminetti, commissioner-general of immigration. His report, received from Washington today, repeats a declaration he made several months ago that "Americanization of Hawaii is not making substantial progress." He further declares, after mentioning the various immigrant factors, "it is doubtful whether it is advisable to permit any large number of Filipinos to enter Hawaii." After considerable discussion of Oriental immigration, during which he raises the question whether there should not be legislation against the "picture bride" system, he says, under the head of "immigration from insular United States": "It will be observed that, in addition to the 15,512 aliens shown by the said table as presented last year to have come to continental from insular United States during the seven years covered, 2437 have entered in the past year; that of the 15,512 admitted in the said seven years 10,948 came from Hawaii, 3950 from Porto Rico and 614 from the Philippines, 10,740 of them landing at San Francisco, 3910 at New York and 631 at Seattle; and that of those admitted during the past year 1615 came from Hawaii, 768 from Porto Rico and 54 from the Philippines, 1610 landing at San Francisco, 756 at New York and 10 at Seattle. "This subject was discussed very fully in the last report. To go over

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FATHER WANTS TO DIVORCE MOTHER OF MISS SPRING

Multimillionaire Parent of Girl Held in Honolulu Would Wed Younger Woman

Miss Dorothy Spring, the daughter of the Berkeley multimillionaire who was driving the automobile which ran down Mrs. G. H. Moore of Honolulu last month and injured her so that she later died, is not the only member of the Spring family in trouble.

Mrs. John H. Spring, the girl's mother, who was a returning passenger from the Orient on the Tenyo Maru, here December 30, and went on to the coast while her daughter was held here on a charge of falling to assist an injured person, received a wireless before she reached San Francisco that her husband had announced he wanted a divorce in order that he might marry Mrs. Genevieve L. Ecker, a charming young widow.

Mr. and Mrs. Spring have been married for 27 years and have seven children, but not until the wireless reached the Tenyo Maru did Mrs. Spring know that her husband wanted to be free to marry the young widow, who is only 27 years of age. Mr. Spring himself was born 52 years ago. Mrs. Spring, on landing at the coast, would make no statement as to her intentions. She was met by her brother and her oldest son. The case has aroused much comment in the cities around the bay. Rev. Francis Van Horn of Oakland recently preached a sermon on the Spring-Ecker affair, in which he attacked Mr. Spring bitterly. Meanwhile Miss Dorothy Spring is detained in Honolulu pending her trial; Mrs. Spring is visiting different of her married children. Mr. Spring and Mrs. Ecker are living at the same fashionable apartment house and the Spring home is being dismantled.

Mr. Spring, prior to the arrival of his wife at the coast, was very busy transferring more than 1500 pieces of real estate which he owned to the Regents Park Investment Company, of which he is president. Augustus O. Stanley, for six consecutive terms Democratic congressman from the Second Kentucky District, was inaugurated for a fourth year term. He was extremely proud of the fact that he was one of "the immortal 306," who stood for the third term nomination of Gen. Grant in the Chicago convention of 1860.

U. S. SECOND NOTE TO AUSTRIA Dual Monarchy Is Held Responsible

America's second note to Austria on the Ancona sinking, one which bears directly upon the situation created by the sinking of the Persia, reached Honolulu in today's mail from the mainland.

It declares that the official admission of the Austrian admiralty that the liner was torpedoed after she had stopped and while passengers were still aboard, alone is sufficient for the American demand for disavowal, reparation and punishment of the submarine commander. Secretary Lansing's second note, made public on December 22, renews the demands of the United States and says the details to which Austria referred in her reply to the first American communication, are in no way essential to the discussion. It emphasizes that continuance of good relations between the two countries depends upon the action of the Austrian government. The full text of the note, which is addressed to American Ambassador Penfield, follows:

The government of the United States has received the note of your excellency relative to the sinking of the Ancona, which was delivered at Vienna on December 15, 1915, and transmitted to Washington, and has given the note immediate and careful consideration. Admitted Guilt. On November 15, 1915, Baron Zwielinek, the charge d'affaires of the imperial and royal government at Washington, transmitted to the department of state a report of the Austro-Hungarian admiralty with regard to the sinking of the steamship Ancona, in which it was admitted that the vessel was torpedoed after her engines had been stopped and when passengers were still on board. This admission alone is, in the view of the government of the United States, sufficient to fix upon the commander of the submarine which fired the torpedo the responsibility for having willfully violated the recognized law of nations and entirely disregarded those humane principles which every belligerent should observe in the conduct of war at sea. Irony Ironed. In view of these admitted circumstances the government of the United States feels justified in holding that the details of the sinking of the Ancona, the weight and character of the additional testimony corroborating the admiralty's report, and the number of Americans killed or injured are in no way essential matters of discussion. The culpability of the commander is in any case established, and the undisputed fact is that citizens of the United States were killed, injured or put in jeopardy by his lawless act. The rules of international law and the principles of humanity which were thus willfully violated by the commander of the submarine have been so long and so universally recognized and are so manifest from the standpoint of right and justice that the government of the United States does not feel called on to debate them and does not understand that the imperial and royal government questions or disputes them. Austria Responsible. The government of the United States, therefore, finds no other course open to it but to hold the imperial and royal government responsible for the act of its naval commander and to renew the definite but respectful demands made in its communication of the 6th of December, 1915. It sincerely hopes that the foregoing statement of its position will enable the imperial and royal government to perceive the justice of those demands and to comply with them in the same spirit of frankness and with the same concern for the good relations now existing between the United States and Austria-Hungary, which prompted the government of the United States to make them.

BRITISHERS DON'T WANT TO BE HELD ON AUSTRALIA TRIP LITTLE SUCCESS BY ENEMY, SAY GERMAN CABLES

Because they knew they would not be allowed to leave the country if they landed there, three Britishers of military age, who had planned to go from here to Australia on the Oceanic steamer Ventura this afternoon, canceled their bookings and will not sail. Their action was taken because of the new law recently passed by military authorities of the commonwealth forbidding Englishmen or Australians of military age to leave Australia. News of this law reached here last week on the Sonoma, December 28, and was printed in the Star-Bulletin of that date. The same law was in effect in New Zealand for some time before it became effective in Australia.

TO GIVE PRIZES IN HAWAII FOR C. E. MEMBERS

Dr. Francis E. Clark, founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, announced today that, at the end of 1916, he will offer three prizes for special membership campaign work to be carried out by the Endeavor unions in Hawaii. The prizes will be in the form of solid gold Christian Endeavor pins. The first will go to the president of the union in the territory which succeeds in securing the largest number of junior societies this year. The second will be given to the president of the society securing the largest number of intermediate societies, and the third to the president of the union securing the largest number of members.

Members of the Christian Endeavor societies of the territory met in a conference with Doctor Clark in Kawaiahaeo church this morning, during which time Doctor Clark told how the societies in the territory might be bettered. The Christian Endeavor work, he said, is for the training of young people in church service, and more stress should be laid on work for young people than on work for adults. This, he continued, has been one of the great weaknesses in church activities—the young people have been neglected and the adults have taken the work in their hands, held the prominent positions and have given the young people nothing to do but to receive lectures. He pointed out that the young people want different lines of work to be mapped out for them, and that they want to solve their own problems.

CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR CALLS SOLONS TO WORK

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 2.—Governor Johnson has issued a call for a session of the legislature to open on Wednesday. Rumania's requisition of all merchant ships is reported to be a precautionary measure to prevent the sale of any ships to foreign powers, the colder.

U. S. CONSUL AT ALEXANDRIA SENDS REPORT GUN ON PERSIA; ZWIEDINEK PLEDGES REDRESS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Arthur Garrels, U. S. consul at Alexandria, has sent to Washington a report that the P. & O. liner Persia carried a gun aboard.

CHARGE D'AFFAIRES AT WASHINGTON SAYS REDRESS WILL BE GIVEN IF AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE SENT P. & O. LINER TO BOTTOM—JAPAN RUSHES SQUADRON OF WARSHIPS TO SUEZ, PRESUMABLY TO PROTECT JAPANESE SHIPPING

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—The administration officials have suspended judgment on the sinking of the P. & O. liner Persia by a submarine in the Mediterranean sea last Thursday. They are awaiting a full report on the facts. President Wilson will arrive tomorrow from Hot Springs, Va., where he has been spending his honeymoon.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Baron Erich Zwielinek, Austrian charge d'affaires and head of the embassy since the recall of Dumba, today reiterated to Secretary of State Lansing what he told other state department officials yesterday concerning Austria's attitude on the Persia sinking. Baron Zwielinek assured Secretary Lansing that prompt reparation will be made by the Dual Monarchy in case it appears that an Austrian submarine torpedoed the Persia.

Mediterranean a Terror Zone; More Ships Sunk There With Loss of Lives

LONDON, England, Jan. 3.—The British steamer Glengyle has been sunk in the Mediterranean. The Glengyle carried total passengers and crew of 120. Three Europeans and seven Chinese have not been rescued. No Americans were aboard. The British steamer Stoswald also has been sunk. The Glengyle is almost a new steamer. She was built in 1914 at Newcastle, England, is of twin-screw type, 9355 tons, 500 feet long and owned by the Glen Line, McGregor, Dow & Co., Ltd., of Glasgow. Her home port is London.

TOKIO, Japan, Jan. 3.—Advices received here say that the Japanese freighter Kenkoku Maru has been sunk in the Mediterranean. The crew has been landed at Cannes.

Germans to See Little of Ford Party

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Jan. 3.—Germany has given permission to the members of the Ford peace party to traverse Germany to The Hague on Friday. However, rigid restrictions have been set down which the delegates must observe throughout their trip over German territory. The doors of the railway carriages which convey them must be locked. No papers carried, no field glasses or cameras operated and no gold used. The party expects to disband on Jan. 12.

Reports Kaiser's Malady Serious

PARIS, France, Jan. 3.—Italian and Swiss despatches continue to affirm that the kaiser is afflicted with a serious malady. It has been reported that he had an affection of the neck which was yielding to treatment.

Russians Claim Victory At The Stripa

LONDON, England, Jan. 3.—Russian headquarters reports that the Russian forces in the southwestern part of the east battle-line have advanced beyond the Stripa river, throwing back the Austrian forces which have opposed them here for months.

Japan Sends Warships to Suez Canal

TOKIO, Japan, Jan. 3.—It was officially announced today that a squadron of Japanese warships has sailed for Suez, presumably to protect Japanese shipping in the Mediterranean and adjacent waters.

California Storm Is Terrific; Floods Added to Rains and Heavy Winds

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless] SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 3.—One of the severest storms in years is sweeping California and from many points comes stories of damage to property and danger to life. So severe is the flood in Oakland that women and children have had to be rescued in boats from the surging waters. The schools of San Francisco and Sacramento have been closed owing to the floods and the breaking of windows by the high winds.

LANE OR DAVIS MAY BE JUSTICE

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane and Solicitor-general John W. Davis of the department of justice are mentioned as possible successors of the late Justice W. B. Lamar.

The state department has inquired of Great Britain whether the British embargo on logwood from Jamaica is to be operative against the United States.

EXPLOSION IN STEAMER FATAL

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 3.—As the result of an explosion in the hold of the steamer Aztec, one person is known to be killed and is seriously injured. The ship is burning and as 18 persons are missing, they are believed to be dead also.

Senator Tillman, chairman of the naval affairs committee, will introduce in the senate a bill for the establishment of a government armor plate factory.