

REPORTS ABOUT IWILEI RIOTING ARE CONFLICTING

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though County Attorney Brown, as quoted elsewhere, apparently does not agree.

Four Hundred Ready to Fire. Four hundred men of the 2d Infantry were ready to fire into from 200 to 500 negro soldiers who were rioting in the Iwilei district last night between 7 and 8 o'clock and but for the discretion of the negroes, who recognized the bugle call to "Load," the riot which began because women of the district would not associate with the negroes would have possibly ended much more seriously.

The order, according to officers in charge of the 2d Battalion, 2d Infantry, was given in good faith. At the time the negroes were tearing down lanais, throwing bedding and furniture from windows and driving the women out of their homes. First the bugles blew "Fix bayonets," and the rioters paid no attention. Next came the call to "Load" and this sobered the mob, which vanished within a few minutes. Before this general fighting had been in progress between the provost guard and the negroes.

The Iwilei district today is a scene of near-desolation. Windows are broken, lanais are torn down, mattresses, furniture, bedding, women's clothing and household articles are strewn about the ground.

Each Blames Other Regiment. Officers of the 9th Cavalry and of the 25th Infantry all refuse to place the blame on their own men and those in command of each of the negro regiments seem to believe men of the other regiment were principals in the riot.

After a "lull" at the army yesterday afternoon given by the 25th Infantry to colored soldiers of the 9th Cavalry, here on the Sherman en route to the Philippines, one of the colored soldiers got into a fight in the Iwilei district. Later in the evening a mob gathered, and at 7:15 they began a concerted attack on the women of the district.

Early during the riot the women put out all the lights in their houses, and later, it is charged, negro soldiers cut the light and telephone wires. Soldiers rushed up to the darkened houses, battered in windows and doors, grabbed the occupants, whom they sent flying out into the mud head first and then proceeded to wreck the interiors, checking out furniture helter skelter.

Within a few moments Iwilei was a scene of wild rioting. The soldiers forced their way into the houses, tore down the lanais and used the timbers to beat open doors with and attacked the women. Policemen sent in plans at once and immediately the military authorities took the situation in hand. Came in On Double Time.

From Fort Shafter, about three miles out, one company of the 2d Battalion, 2d Infantry, did double-time into town, the other three companies of the battalion following them at the usual march pace. When the first contingent arrived in Iwilei the riot was still in progress and their efforts to stop it were ineffectual.

Under Lieut. Thomas E. Cathro of the 9th Cavalry, 25 men of that regiment went in the police patrol from the dock to Iwilei and shortly after 7 o'clock went in unarmed to try to stop the trouble. Lieut. Cathro said the police would not aid him and he could do nothing.

"Except that my men of the 9th Cavalry," he said today, "left the place when ordered, and the detachment with me were powerless. Once, in fact, it looked as though we were ourselves in serious danger."

It was in the midst of this kind of rioting that the other three companies of the 2d Infantry arrived and just when the situation looked hopeless loaded their guns and prepared to shoot into the negroes. Threatened with death, the rioters gradually left.

During the trouble the women hid, or escaped. In terror of the negro soldiers, they jumped through windows, crawled under other houses, ran through alleys and out and all went to the police station.

Women Lose Possessions. The women were despoiled of everything they had. Money, jewels and clothes were taken. One woman came to the police station with but one garment left on her body, the rest having been torn off by a negro who attacked her.

This morning Chief of Detectives Arthur McDuffie counted the money placed in his hands by such of the women as escaped without being robbed, and it amounted to more than \$2000.

In one woman's room a member of the 2d regiment found a bag of gold coins as big as a man's two fists, which he thinks contained almost a thousand dollars. This was returned to the woman.

Immediately after the riot Lieut. Frank A. Sloan, 2d Infantry, with a detachment, took charge of the principal approach to the place and no one was allowed to enter without a signed pass. Guards at all streets and entrances demanded passes of every one entering.

Patrolled All Night. Almost before the rioting was over Lieut.-col. Benjamin W. Atkinson and his staff, 2d Infantry, rode to the police station on their horses to find how serious the situation was. Before 11 o'clock at night three companies of the 2d Infantry returned to Fort Shafter, while the other company patrolled the Iwilei district all night.

How much damage was done in the Iwilei district during last night's rioting is a matter of conjecture still. Approximate estimates place the total loss through the rioting of the negro soldiers at between \$3000 and \$5000.

This covers broken glass, furniture destroyed, damage to houses and loss of personal belongings of the women.

If the story of the women in the district is correct, they were looted of jewels, watches, clothing and money. Robbed of Big Diamond.

One woman claims she lost a diamond worth \$500, which she says a negro soldier took from her finger while he held her against the wall of her room and choked her almost into insensibility.

The frenzy of fear in which the women were plucked by the attack of the negroes was indicated by one woman who came to the police station almost in hysterics, with two hats in her hand, telling the police "That's all I have left."

Except for black eyes, bruises and minor injuries only three persons were injured last night in the rioting.

One soldier of the 9th Cavalry, who has not yet reported to his commander, was struck on the head with the butt of a gun and later treated at the Emergency hospital. He stepped out of a house in which he had been ruing furniture and approaching a soldier of the 2d Infantry said:

"What you going to do with that gun?" Then he started to take the gun.

The 2d Infantryman struck him over the head. Today it could not be ascertained where he is.

Jennie Starr, Lena Stein and Margarie Kane were slightly hurt, but did not require medical attention.

A. M. Brown Blames Asch. "No action will be taken by the city attorney's office toward an investigation of the disorder at Iwilei last night. Had Deputy Sheriff Julius Asch been on the job and sent a few armed policemen into the districts, several arrests could have been made which would have laid the foundation for an investigation. But as this was not done there now is little or nothing that the city attorney's office can do."

Thus did City Attorney A. M. Brown today explain the situation arising out of the "riot" in Honolulu's tenderloin, alleged to have been taken part in by members of the 9th Cavalry and 25th Infantry, both colored organizations.

Attorney Brown said that it would be practically impossible now for his office to do anything. There is little doubt that the ringleaders of the movement could never be located.

"Up to Military." "I consider that it is up to the military authorities to investigate this affair and seek out the ringleaders," Mr. Brown continued. "The ringleaders should be severely punished. Of course, the city attorney's office could take up the matter on a charge of rioting, but I feel that the military authorities are better equipped than we are."

In Mr. Brown's estimation, it would have done no harm had Deputy Sheriff Asch sent a detachment of police to the scene of disorder and arrested a few of those who were taking part in the frolic. Had this been done, he believes, the city attorney's office would have had a loophole through which to begin an investigation.

"Mr. Asch should have armed the men and sent them down to Iwilei, and should have given them orders to shoot if their attempts to arrest were resisted," the attorney added.

25TH KNOWS NOTHING AT ALL OFFICIALLY ABOUT IWILEI RIOT

If any of the men of the 25th Infantry at Schofield Barracks were implicated in the fight last night in the Iwilei district, it is not known officially to their officers.

This afternoon Maj. Frank H. Albright said he had no reports of arrests, no complaints, and therefore no official knowledge of whether his men were among the rioters.

9TH CAVALRY OFFICERS CLAIM INJUSTICE HAS BEEN DONE THEIR MEN

Officers of the 9th Cavalry today said the regiment had been done great injustice when the blame for the riot last night was placed on their men.

Col. Harry S. Hale, commander of the regiment, said all reports to him indicated his men were not to blame. Col. Hale said the sergeant-major of his regiment reported to him last night that almost all the men were aboard the Sheridan. At 9 o'clock last night every man on the Sheridan was lined up by order of Col. Hale and counted. Only a few men were missing.

Maj. Ervin L. Phillips said that last night a large number of the men of the regiment were ashore, but they all came aboard early. He does not believe his men were responsible for the trouble.

First Lieut. Thomas E. Cathro took command of the detachment of 25 men sent to the Iwilei district last night and today in talking to a representative of the Star-Bulletin plainly indicated that he thought the men of the 9th Cavalry had been misrepresented in reports of the trouble published this morning. Lieut. Cathro gave an interview with the permission of the commander of the regiment.

Blames No Other Regiment. "I do not wish to blame men of any other regiment," he said, "but I am glad to give the facts as I saw them. Immediately after the call I went to Iwilei with about 25 men. I found a riot in progress and tried to stop it. Being the oldest officer with the 9th Cavalry I know its men and I knew I could stop them if they had begun fighting."

"But I did not find many of our men here. Possibly there were 30 of our men in the crowd. Most of these were on the outskirts, mixed with civilians and others."

"We arrested only two 9th Cavalrymen last night during this trouble. At 9 o'clock all of our men, with the exception of a few, were aboard the Sheridan."

Lieut. Cathro said he would not object to any thing he said being published.

"Because we are here on the transport and are leaving it seems to be the idea to blame us for this," he said, "but I am willing to go on record as saying the 9th Cavalrymen did not

BEST YEAR EVER FOR HAWAII FROM TOURIST ANGLE

H. P. Wood Brings Opinion From Prominent Mainland Railroad Traffic Men

Hawaii will be visited by more tourists in 1916 than in any other year in the islands' history. H. P. Wood, resident commissioner for Hawaii at the Panama-Pacific exposition, believes.

Mr. Wood, who was chairman of the Hawaii board of commissioners to the exposition, returned today on the Tenyo Maru, after a year's absence.

"The tourist outlook is brighter and brighter than ever," said Mr. Wood this morning. "Plenty of money in the eastern states, plus the cutting off of travel to Mediterranean points because of the present submarine activity there, has made Hawaii more than ever the objective for traveling Americans."

"I have talked with Charles S. Fee of the Southern Pacific, John I. Byrne of the Santa Fe and Carl Stone of the Great Northern, and all of them are confident this winter, next spring, and in fact, all of 1916, will see more people coming to California and Hawaii than ever before."

Mr. Wood was met at Pier 7 when the Tenyo docked by A. P. Taylor, director of the Promotion Committee; H. W. M. Mist, Alexander Home Ford, and a number of other Honoluluans. Recently the Promotion Committee authorized a vote of thanks to Mr. Wood for his nine years of service for the committee, of which he is a former director.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood will remain in Honolulu as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. M. Mist at their home in Manoa, until the Shinyo Maru arrives February 1. They will leave on that steamer for Penang, Federated Malay States, where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. R. T. S. Durston, of Baguan-Serai, near Penang. Later Mr. Wood plans to return here and establish a tourist agency.

"There is a possibility that the Great Northern may make another trip in April," added Mr. Wood. "The acceptance of the Hawaii building by the citizens' committee is a big feather in our cap. They are maintaining the aquarium, and a shipment of Hawaiian fishes for them left on the last Matsonia for them."

GLUUD IS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT-MAJOR OF NATIONAL GUARD

By commission from the governor Sgt. Frederick A. Gluud, who left the regular army to act as chief clerk in the adjutant-general's office, National Guard of Hawaii, has been promoted to regimental sergeant-major. He will continue in position as chief clerk in Gen. Samuel I. Johnson's office.

FIVE HUNDRED NEEDED TO ADVERTISE NIGHT GIVEN TO AD CLUB MEN

That at least \$500 is needed to carry out the advertising campaign for "Ad Club Night" during the Mid-Pacific Carnival, was the decision reached at a meeting yesterday of the Ad Club's carnival publicity committee. The money is to be raised by the Ad Club with the cooperation of the carnival directors. The members of the committee are P. D. Levenson, chairman; D. L. Conkling, H. G. Jewell, Charles R. Frazier, Owen Merrick and H. D. Case.

BIG BLOCK OF PIONEER SOLD BETWEEN BOARDS

The market showed stronger today than at any day earlier in the week, there being slight advances at many places along the line. Three deals comprising 180 shares of Pioneer were made at \$35, although a big block of Pioneer, several times larger than this morning's sales of that issue, were made yesterday between boards at \$34.50, and never recorded on 'change. McBryde is down one-quarter today, as is Oahu Sugar. Sales at the session this morning totaled 440 shares, and the between boards deals came to 2360 shares.

start this, as far as I can learn and so far as my observation goes. Naturally, after the entertainment given yesterday there were some of them in the crowd."

Lieut. Cathro said the police afforded him no aid last night. He asked two of them, he said, to accompany him, and before he had gone far they disappeared. Later, Lieut. Cathro says, he had to go back and argue with the police before he could get them to go with them.

"I told them I was subservient to all civilian authorities and had no right to arrest civilians and demanded that they accompany me and my men to handle civilians in the crowd. I felt I could look out for soldiers. But it was only after long argument I got the policemen to go with me."

THREATS OF COAL OIL FIRES IN IWILEI ARE TAKEN TO M'DUFFIE

"If we get ashore tonight and have coal oil we'll finish the job by burning every house in the district."

This is the threat three girls from the Iwilei claim was made this morning by soldiers of the 9th Cavalry, who are still ashore.

The men probably are some of those who failed to report on the transport last night if the story told by the women is true.

They reported this to Chief of Detectives Arthur McDuffie this afternoon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Leah! Chapter, No. 2, O. E. S., will hold a special practice meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Circuit Judge Stuart's trial jurors have been excused until 10 o'clock next Tuesday morning.

Nine habeas corpus cases have been continued in circuit court until next Wednesday morning for further hearing.

The case of Charles Clark, charged with furious and heedless driving, is scheduled to be disposed of in Circuit Judge Ashford's court at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Sentence will be pronounced by Circuit Judge Ashford at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning on Charles Katakai, who pleaded guilty to a charge of keeping liquor for sale without a license.

James A. Overbay, convicted of embezzlement, is scheduled to receive sentence in Circuit Judge Ashford's court at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The case of Victoria Bufandean against Agnes Glade has been discontinued in circuit court.

Discontinuance was filed in circuit court today of the case of E. H. Wodehouse against Manu Makanoa, an action for ejectment.

The annual accounts of the estate of Emma Kaleleonalani were filed in circuit court today by Bruce Cartwright, trustee.

Plans for the proposed new bowling alleys in the National Guard armory have been approved by A. C. Wheeler, acting superintendent of public works, and bids probably will be asked for within a few days.

An order to show cause in the case of Katherine Murasky against Charles G. Murasky, a divorce proceeding, was filed in circuit court yesterday. It is alleged that the latter is in default in alimony in the sum of \$238.

The Beach Walk Improvement Club will meet on Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Jack Milton, 237 Saratoga Road, to discuss street improvement work prior to the meeting with the supervisors next Monday morning.

Plans and specifications for the Kaieie road on the island of Hawaii involving work to cost approximately \$5000 have been approved by A. C. Wheeler, acting superintendent of public works, and bids will be called for within a few days.

The trial of Yee Yo Keuk, Korean bad man, on a charge of first degree robbery and one of assault with intent to commit murder, is scheduled to begin in Circuit Judge Ashford's court at 9 o'clock next Monday morning. The Korean says that he will act as his own attorney.

Water rates collected for the first 13 days of the new year have amounted to \$40,028.54, while sewer rates have brought in \$9036.70. Last year the first 13 days brought in \$32,450.42 for water, and for sewers, \$7472.65. Tomorrow is the last day that rates may be paid without penalty for delinquency of 10 per cent.

The Lackawanna railroad is not satisfied with the novelty of its own name, so calls its marvelous new bridge over East River, New York, the "Tunkhannock viaduct."

LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE IF SICK, CROSS, FEVERISH

When Constipated or Bilious Give "California Syrup of Figs"

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, it is a sure sign that your little one's stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

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You needn't coax sick children to take this harmless "fruit laxative," they love its delicious taste, and it always makes them feel splendid.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Beware of counterfeiters sold here. To be sure you get the genuine, ask to see that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

A rifleman aims six lengths ahead of an aeroplane and at the nose of a Zeppelin, to allow for the speed of his object.

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