

Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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POLITICS AND THE CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Information reaches the Star-Bulletin from a reliable source that City Engineer George Collins is to be gotten out of office for political reasons.

Various politicians—we are sorry to say they are Republicans—are credited with the scheme to secure Collins' resignation. The report in "underground" political circles is that the politicians are after the city engineer's scalp and if he doesn't take the tip to resign they will try to make it unpleasant enough so that the mayor will ask for his resignation.

The cause of this fight on Collins is perfectly plain. A city election is coming along next spring. The engineer's office and the road department often in the past have been used for political purposes and the scheme is to use them once more. The scheme is to get the political machine in smooth running-order, and one of the cogs would be the engineering and road department.

George Collins now stands in the path. The very fact that some Republican politicians want to get him out proves that he does not take the bidding of political interests in running his office. He runs the engineering department and the road department on the merit system, so far as that can be done in any municipal office in Honolulu. The Star-Bulletin has never heard his integrity or impartiality in handling his office questioned. It has been repeatedly said by men in and out of the city employ that Collins has been steadily raising the efficiency standards of the various groups of men working under his supervision.

Naturally such a man as this does not work in well with the politicians who operate on the "patronage" system and who are now looking for ways to build up a political machine preparatory to the spring election.

The developments of the next few months will be closely watched to see whether those who want Collins out of the way will make any open moves to get him out.

If we count the wealth of North America and South America as it seems today we find that the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus has been worth to the world \$3,000,000,000 a day from the time he sailed from Palos in August, 1492, down to the present time. Likewise the man who discovered the way of drawing tungsten wire gave \$300,000,000 worth of light yearly. — Popular Science Monthly.

"Don't wear your skirt so short that a person can't tell whether you are sixteen or sixty," says a dress reformer. Bootless advice! In the lexicon of the modern woman there is no such word as age.— Philadelphia Ledger.

SOCIETY

WINTER MUSICAL SEASON OPENS AT THE YOUNG

The opening of the winter musical season last night at the Alexander Young Hotel proved a notable social event.

From 6:30 to 8:30 the Rathskeller was filled with a gay crowd and from 8 to 12 there was music and dancing on the Roof Garden, and during the whole evening the crowd grew in numbers until the spacious garden was taxed to the utmost limits of its capacity. It was the biggest crowd that ever attended a similar affair at the hotel, and made up almost entirely of society folk and tourists.

The trio of singers secured by Manager Thiele of the Territorial Hotel Company made their appearance under encouraging auspices and scored immediate successes. Miss Virginia Pierce, operatic prima donna, already known here; Miss Jean Adams, mezzo-soprano, and Miss Helen Reichte, talented singer of popular songs, shared honors for the evening, and were called on for many encores. The Russian orchestra was also well applauded.

At the dinner hour the Rathskeller, enlarged and much improved in appearance and facilities, was also patronized by a capacity crowd. Many army and navy folk were in attendance.

Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Murray are entertaining on Thursday evening honoring Princess Kawasankaka, who

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Recent strides of prohibition sentiment, as shown in the elections last week and the addition of several states to the "all-white" territory, indicate that "dry" legislation will be more to the fore than ever during the next session of Congress.

While the Prohibition party's national campaign attracted general attention this fall, steady and effective work was done by other temperance and prohibition organizations. The Anti-Saloon League was particularly active in canvassing candidates throughout all the states and aspirants for the senate and the house, it is reported, were asked if they would favor "dry" legislation for the District of Columbia in next Congress.

While results of the state elections, so far as the prohibition fight is concerned, have not reached Hawaii except in general form, indications are that many of the candidates favored by the Anti-Saloon League and other organizations were successful. The fruits of this success will be apparent in the next Congress, and it is certain also that even at the approaching short session temperance legislation will have behind it the new sentiment growing out of the strides which prohibition made in annexing new states.

Prohibition legislation for Hawaii will be urged during the short session, the Star-Bulletin's Washington correspondent writes this paper. It will be somewhat linked with the bill to make the District of Columbia "dry" and advocates of these measures have hopes of making a winning fight.

If Mr. Roosevelt's mood was heroic, that of Mr. Hughes is workmanlike. The reason he dislikes the Democrats is because the sense of the craftsman rebels against the amateur.—The New Republic.

This is the second day in succession when work has been done on the Kalakaua avenue improvement. Put it down among the pleasant things to remember.

Speaking of Superintendent Forbes' plans for another trip to Washington, what has become of the injunction suits which his former little journey brought on?

Great Northern passengers had an unusually good view of the volcano. Kilauea and the weather have been doing their best to charm the Angel City tourists.

Local Democracy headed by L. L. McCandless was right on the job of welcoming Senator Phelan. In case of a change in governorship, you know—

The Austrians and Italians are struggling for the Tooth of Pasublo. Clearly a case for the use of gas.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

tel. Mrs. Tarleton and their daughter came yesterday.

Mr. James A. Kennedy left on this morning's steamer. He will join Mrs. Kennedy, who is visiting their son, Derwent. Both will return in time for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dryden of New York City are back from their trip to Hawaii's wonderland, the crater of Kilauea. In a month they plan to go to Australia.

Mrs. B. D. Conrad, who has been the house-guest of her mother, Mrs. Isabelle Creighton, for the past three months, left for her California home today.

Judge and Mrs. Edward M. Watson entertained at dinner last evening some of the passengers on the transport who are en route to the Philippines.

Judge and Mrs. Edward M. Watson are home after two months spent in Visalia, Cal., the guests of Mrs. Watson's parents, Judge and Mrs. Brady.

Lieut. and Mrs. Frank Sloan will be host and hostess on Friday evening of this week. The hop at Fort Shafters will feature the evening's pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Dwight Lowrey and their three small sons left on this morning's steamer for a two months' visit to California.

Mrs. A. Hocking is entertaining a company of guests at a bridge party this afternoon.

Mrs. Reynold Brodie McGrew has

'JOE' FERN HAS HAT IN RING; TO RUN FOR MAYOR

Is Confident He Will Be Nominated; May Not Have Democratic Support

"Make this announcement for me," said Joseph J. Fern this morning as he snifed the wrapper on one of City Attorney Brown's cigars. "that I will be a candidate for mayor at the coming primaries."

In this unassuming way "Uncle Joe" tossed his black derby into the political circle and asserted he would give "Link" McCandless and J. C. Cohen a run for their money.

"I am sure I will be nominated at the primaries," he continued, "and am sure of a heavy Hawaiian vote. I had been figuring for a long time whether to run for mayor and have just decided that I guess I had better."

As a matter of fact, Fern's name has been mentioned for several weeks past by those offering predictions about the next election. It has been declared in Bourbon circles, however, that he will not be supported this time by the Democrats. That prediction, however, does not seem to bother "Uncle Joe." This morning he declared he was confident of being nominated.

"I may give a luau around about Christmas time," he said, harking back to the time when newspapermen used to write his Thanksgiving proclamations. Fern has served three terms as mayor of Honolulu and one term as a member of the board of supervisors.

Mayor John C. Lane, Cohen and McCandless have been mentioned as other possible candidates for the mayoralty.

CHRISTMAS WILL BE MADE ENJOYABLE FOR SEAMEN IN HONOLULU

Plans for entertainment of all sailors in port the Saturday before Christmas are being made by the Seamen's Institute, according to Superintendent Charles F. Mant.

The superintendent said today the institute will serve a Christmas dinner on Saturday, December 23, as Christmas Day this year is on Monday. Following the dinner, to which all seamen in port will be invited, there will be a social evening, with a Christmas tree on which will be a present for every sailor.

Superintendent Mant is already at work on arrangements for the affair and hopes to make it the best given by the Institute and Sailor's Home in some years.

PRATT CALLS NOTICE TO LOW COST OF HEALTH

Dr. J. S. B. Pratt, president of the territorial board of health, calls attention to the fact that while living may be expensive at the present time, health costs little. He says:

It costs nothing to stand up and walk and breathe properly. Fresh air in the home is free. It costs nothing to chew the food thoroughly. It costs nothing to select the food best suited to the body. It costs nothing to clean the teeth twice a day. It costs no more to stop using patent medicines. It costs no more to read good books than trashy literature. It costs nothing to have a cheerful, happy disposition, and stop having grouches. These things cost nothing, yet they will bring content and reduce the doctor's bill to nothing a year.

asked a company of friends to be her luncheon guests on Friday of this week at the Country Club.

Miss Mollie Grace, who has spent the last year on the mainland, came home on the transport on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Lewis, Jr., took friends who arrived on the transport for a trip around the island.

Judge and Mrs. William B. Lymer are the house-guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lucas at Kahalawai.

Mrs. Harold T. Hayselden is entertaining with a bridge party this afternoon at her Manoa home.

Mr. George Allborn entertained a large company of friends at dinner on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Matheson and their two sons are living at the Colonial Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Waldron came over from Hilo on the Great Northern.

IWI LEI SCORED AT MEETING OF MEN'S LEAGUE

Only Pitiless, Paid Publicity Will Secure Control, W. R. Farrington Asserts

Dr. Doremus Scudder will bid farewell to Central Union church this evening. He will deliver his farewell address at a meeting of the congregation in the church at 7:30 o'clock and will be followed by Rev. John H. Wilson of Redlands, Cal., substitute minister. Dr. and Mrs. Scudder leave for the Orient on the Tenyo Maru Friday.

At the annual meeting of the Men's League last night Dr. Scudder was presented with a handsome photograph. Among other matters of business, officers were elected as follows: A. L. Dean, chairman; C. B. Andrews, vice-chairman; J. F. Nelson, secretary; Stanley Livingston, treasurer; H. B. Campbell, W. F. Frear, H. P. Judd, A. E. Larimer, E. C. Webster, Judd, A. E. Larimer, E. C. Webster, chairman of the various committees outlined the work done during the last year.

A pointed talk on the social evil was given by W. R. Farrington of the civic section. He declared that the women in Iwilei look upon the police as "boobs" and that it is a community disgrace to allow children in that district. He spoke forcibly in favor of control of the social evil, asserting that at present there is no control. Mr. Farrington said that men who come here knowing conditions in restricted districts on the mainland declare they have never seen the like of Iwilei, due, they say, to the lack of police control.

In Mr. Farrington's opinion, the way to secure effective control would be through the medium of pitiless, paid publicity. He called attention to the Wahaiwa "Blood Town," declaring that, as conditions now exist there, it is impossible for one to take his family in or out of Wahaiwa without going by "Blood Town" and the tenement houses along the road. It is a question, he declared, of whether the community will stand for it.

Former Governor Frear gave an interesting talk on his recent visit to Australia and New Zealand.

J. D. PHELAN TO BE SPEAKER AT BOURBON RALLY

Although Republican National Committeeman Wilcox has not yet conceded the reelection of Woodrow Wilson as president of the United States, local Democrats are enthusiastically at work on plans for a ratification and jollification rally at Aala Park next Friday evening.

Senator James D. Phelan of California, who is in Honolulu fresh from his work in the campaign which landed the Pacific coast state in the Bourbon column, will be the principal speaker. The prominent position occupied by Senator Phelan in national affairs, no less than his active support of Wilson during the last four years, is taken as a sufficient guarantee that his address will be a telling presentation of things dear to the hearts of Bourbons, which his connection with Hawaiian affairs at the capital is an assurance that what he will have to say about the hearing of national legislation in so far as it may bear on local matters, will give his remarks the weight of understanding and authority.

Harry Irwin will preside. Several local speakers will have ample time to tell of the satisfaction they feel at the result of the recent election. Those who will speak are:

L. L. McCandless, Judge H. W. Vaughan, Wade Warren, Thayer, M. C. Pacheco, A. J. Wirtz, E. K. Hanapi, S. C. Huber, C. J. McCarthy, Justice R. P. Quarles, Joela Kiakahi and Gabriel Keaweakua.

PERSONALITIES

FRANCIS M. SWANZY was reported this morning as considerably improved over yesterday, when his day had not been as good as usual.

MRS. ALEXANDER ISENBERG arrived on the Great Northern and is stopping at the Pleasanton. Mrs. Isenberg is making a very short trip and expects to return on the same ship.

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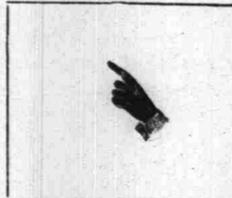
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