

# Vice Rampant Here, Federal Officers Find

### Dozens of Complaints Reach Marshal Smiddy Who Begins Probe; Has Warned Women to Leave Houses in Residential Districts

HAT Honolulu is teeming with commercialized vice to a degree far greater than before, according to the federal officers who are being received by federal officials and which are being investigated by U. S. Marshal J. J. Smiddy.

"Conditions are rotten—and that is the only word that expresses it clearly—and are becoming worse every day," declares one federal official. He asserts that, in his opinion, the only way to remedy present conditions will be to reopen the restricted district.

Complaints regarding the prevalence of commercialized vice have been coming into the marshal's office by the score during the last three weeks, he says. These are to the effect that houses in respectable residential districts are being rented by women, who not only ply their trade in spite of repeated judicial warnings, but who are selling liquor without licenses, and it is asserted that soldiers form the majority of the purchasers of the booze.

A complaint reached Marshal Smiddy this morning from a well-known citizen that three women, formerly of Beretania street, where they are alleged to be catering to soldiers and peddling booze. Other districts, equally as respectable, are likewise being infested by these women, the marshal has learned.

Marshal Smiddy has already made several investigations and in each case warned the women to leave the houses they were occupying. No arrests were made as no actual evidence, either of the commission of a statutory offense or the sale of liquor, was secured. Other complaints have been turned over to the police department for investigation.

"Reports reaching me are to the effect that vice is rampant and that it is breaking out all over the city," says the marshal. "It is a case where little lilies are established alongside of respectable homes, and where school children are constantly brought in touch with the menace. This office will do all in its power to keep the vice from residential districts, and wipe out, if we are able, the vice existing there now."

Women of the underworld, the marshal has been informed, have been renting rooms by the wholesale as rendezvous in which to ply their trade. By clever acting they have been able to fool even the owners of the houses, who do not know who they are.

"At the present time," says the marshal, "it will be impossible for this office to personally investigate all complaints, as they have come in by the dozen, but we intend to continue our investigations."

One story reaching the marshal, and which he is inclined to believe is authentic, tells of a young Hawaiian girl who married a soldier recently for the purpose of securing a marriage license as a protection against arrest in plying the trade of the underworld. The husband of the woman, who resents

# SECRECY VEILS ACTIVITIES OF LABOR LEADERS

### Report is Proposals Will Be Submitted to Planters' Association Soon

New plans, new ideas and new arrangements are being considered by the leaders of the Japanese association for higher wages, according to reports current in Japanese circles, but what they are no one outside of the association appears to know.

The leaders are said to have declared that unless they keep their activities unknown to the planters' association they cannot accomplish anything, and it is now certain they will, in the future, try to keep the most important matters as secret as possible.

They intend, however, to present their proposition to the planters' association as soon as it has been approved by the so-called "board of leaders."

Fred K. Makino, R. Murakami and K. Shibayama, secretary of the association, when asked about these proposals, said that they had nothing important to tell. They even admitted that they did not know when the second conference of the association will be called.

As is well known, when the leaders of the higher wage association went to Kona, Hawaii, some weeks ago, no action had been taken by the special committee which was authorized at the first conference to appoint sub-committees. In the meantime, according to reports, S. Toki, one of the members of the committee, was confined to his home with illness for a few days. Y. Takakuwa, another member of the committee, it is reported, was considering resigning his position.

Dr. I. Katsumi, another member, will soon leave for Japan, where, it is said, he and his family will stay for several months. Dr. J. Uchida and M. Komeya are the other members of the committee.

Owing to business pressure, the committee did not have a well-attended meeting. The committee decided, however, to report to the second conference that it could not, after carefully considering the matter, appoint sub-committees as proposed, because it felt it did not have full authority so to do.

This explanation, which was published in all the Japanese dailies, was not acceptable to the Japanese community, it is reported.

# DIVORCE SUITS IN COURT SET RECORD WITH 52 IN MONTH

Marital difficulties in Honolulu families have nearly doubled during the last month.

According to circuit court records 52 divorce suits were filed in August, which is considered a record and which is nearly twice the number filed in July. A large number of the plaintiffs are Japanese, and the ground of desertion as a cause for divorce prevails to a greater extent than all other grounds. Several cases of extreme cruelty are noted, as well as many cases of failure to provide and habitual intemperance.

"If cases continue to come in at this rate," declared Clerk Ben Kahalepuna, who enters the divorce cases, "we will have to have a new record book before the end of the year."

He was in San Francisco during the announcement of the results of her actions, has been advised to get a divorce.

# POLITICS HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR SYDNEY STRIKES

### Labor Party Starts Tie-up to Put Nationalist Administration in Disrepute

Politics is held to be responsible for the strikes which are taking up industry and commerce in Australia, by Ivan Nelson, a prominent shipping day on the Ventura. Activities of I. W. W. agitators from the United States are also believed to be partly responsible for the labor trouble.

Most of the labor element of the latter class in Australia has been allied with the I.W.W.s and the Nationalist party and this has made possible the inauguration of a Nationalist administration after the elections this spring, Mr. Nelson explains. To put the administration in disrepute their only hope is to start a strike in the future, the present labor party is causing the country-wide strikes, he says.

Politics is the cause of nearly all the labor dissatisfaction, he thinks. He is confident that the labor party will never gain the power of the past and control the welfare of the commonwealth.

Mr. Nelson is going to the United States "for a look around," as he puts it. "The affairs of Australia and America are constantly growing closer and we want to arrange for the distribution and sale of our products. Commerce, too, is tied up by a shortage of bottoms. The government has taken over many of the larger ships and we have no carriers to get our produce to England, although there are still some large ships in the Antipodes trade," he says.

He intimates that if possible an attempt will be made in the United States to get more ships from the shipping board for the Australian-American trade. He will be in the United States for about six weeks.

C. M. Terry is another shipping man from Sydney, who expresses similar views to those of Mr. Nelson regarding the labor situation in Australia. Regarding conscription, he says: "It was foolish to ever put the question to a vote. The country ought to have done exactly what the United States did—passed legislation requiring conscription. No one is going to conscript himself."

He is a New Yorker who has been located in Australia for a number of years. His mission to the United States is the same as that of the other Sydney shipping man.

# STRIKE HITS FRISCO HARD, SAYS CATHCART

John W. Cathcart, former city and county attorney of Honolulu, returned to Honolulu this morning on the Sierra after a short summer vacation in San Francisco.

"The street car strike is the most exciting thing there is in San Francisco," declared Attorney Cathcart this morning. "The street car service of the city has been practically tied up. Some cars have been running, but none were running after 7 o'clock at night. They feared trouble."

Attorney Cathcart stated that men were being brought in from the East to man the cars. The I. W. W., he said, had been the source of much trouble.

He was in San Francisco during the announcement of the results of the draft, but did not notice any tense excitement.

# MAJOR LOSES LEG IN BATTLE WITH OTTOMANS

### Australian Officer Tells How British Got 7000 of 18,000 Turks in 4-Day Battle

War's unkind fate and the physical nearness of the great conflict in Europe seemed to be drawn closer this morning when the Ventura entered the harbor with a French woman widow by the slaughter and her two fatherless girls aboard as passengers.

But it was to the uniform of a British officer that the eyes of the spectators were drawn. A man of evident physical perfection until he was deprived of a leg, but now in an unfeebled condition, although of rugged frame, was seen walking with a crutch and at the same time attempting to maintain a military attitude.

He is Major M. Shannon of the Australian Light Horse who for two years did his bit at Gallipoli and in Egypt. His regiment was among the first of the Australian forces to be despatched to Europe at the beginning of the war in 1914. First he was detailed to the fighting sector at the Dardanelles, and later to Egypt. It was in Egypt that he was wounded.

With his brigade, he was on outpost duty inland about 25 miles from the Suez canal, when at night they were attacked by the Turks. Faced by overwhelming odds the British troops, about two regiments in the vicinity of the attack, were forced to withdraw, but slowly, as spread out in skirmish order it was desired to hamper the approach of the Turks until the main lines of the British would be ready to meet the Turks at daylight. Throughout the night the fighting continued, while the lines of the British were strengthened and the Turks were drawn on by the Light Horse to a battle front where the fight lasted for four days, before the Turks were routed.

It was as day was approaching that Major Shannon was wounded after the all night fight. Simply, he explains, when questioned, that "it was just a bullet that got me in the leg. An artery was severed and amputation was necessary," he says with nonchalance.

Major Shannon is en route to England where he will remain and while passing through the states he will secure an artificial limb.

With a satisfied smile, weariness and thoughts of personal suffering seemed to pass from him as he said, enthusiastically: "There must have been 18,000 of the Turks in this attack, but after four days we had 7000 of them."

# ELKS HAVE ENJOYABLE DANCE AT THE MOANA

Saturday night was Elks' night at the Moana hotel and a hundred or more persons turned out to partake of the jollity that characterized the occasion. The grounds of the hotel were brilliantly lighted, one decorative scheme being the large American flag whose brilliant electric hues gave a patriotic background for the event. The grounds were likewise festooned with Japanese lanterns while in the center was a large Elks' emblem.

Dancing was the main amusement of the evening, interspersed with several impromptu vaudeville acts of a local flavor, in one of which Captain McDuffie held the center of the boards. As the hour of 11 o'clock was sounded the lights were dimmed and the Elks' toast to the absent brethren given in impressive manner.

# MISS MARIE K. HOLST WEDS VERNON GEDGE

The wedding of Vernon M. Gedge and Miss Marie K. Holst was solemnized Saturday afternoon by Rev. Leon L. Loebowrow, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church. The witnesses were Miss Mildred M. Hushaw and Mrs. Loebowrow.

After the ceremony the young couple left in the Mauna Kea for Hilo and the Volcano, where they will spend a brief honeymoon. Mr. Gedge, who is connected with Theo. H. Davies & Co., is a son of Norman E. Gedge of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation company. The bride has connected with the Trent Trust company.

# OFFICERS OF GUARD HONOR MAJ. CRAWFORD

Major Lawrence C. Crawford was the guest of honor at a Country Club dinner on Saturday evening given by several officers of the national guard with whom the major has come closely in touch since taking up the work of instructor to the militia organizations. Capt. Lawrence M. Judd was master of ceremonies and during the evening presented Major Crawford with a handsome leather traveling bag as a gift from the officers.

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# FAIR PASSENGER TELLS OF ESCAPE FROM HUN U-BOAT

### Australian Woman on Mediterranean Trip Gets All Thrills of Exciting Chase

To be a passenger on a boat which was chased by a submarine was the experience of Miss Emily Plunkett and her mother who are passing through Honolulu today on their return to Australia.

Miss Plunkett and her mother recently went to London through the Mediterranean, returned to Australia, took a quick trip across the Pacific and are now on their way back to Australia.

"The boat was sunk by a submarine on the next voyage," stated Miss Plunkett. "When we were on her she was attacked by a submarine, but they did not get us."

"We noticed that the boat was going faster, but our inquiries were not answered. Finally all of the life-boats were swung over the side and all passengers were told to put on life preservers."

"Thus rigged out we waited in tense anxiety for the sound of the crash. The passengers stood near the boats ready to get into them at a moment's notice, but the shock never came, and we arrived safely."

The case of Charles Pangelinan, charged with the commission of a statutory offense, is scheduled to go to trial in Circuit Judge Heen's court tomorrow morning. Attorney J. M. Monsarrat, former police judge, is counsel for the defendant.

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