

TO INVESTIGATE BLIGHT IN PINES

The following from the Maui News should be of great interest to growers of pineapples on this island:

The Hawaii experiment station, at its demonstration farm in the Kuiaha homesteads, has begun a series of experiments that should be of the greatest value to pineapple growers, not only of Maui, but of the entire territory as well. The work is designed to solve, in part at least, some of the questions that have been puzzling growers for a number of years, namely the cause of the yellowing or "going bad" of the fruit on certain patches or large areas in different sections.

All of the plants used in the experiments are of the same quality and as nearly alike as possible, and all perfectly healthy. Some are planted in top soil and some in sub-soil taken from affected areas; and some of these have perfect drainage, and others poor drainage. A like number of plants are planted under identical conditions, except in soil known to be good. All of these plantings are made in large jars, so that the matter of drainage may be absolutely controlled, but otherwise they are out of doors, and under normal conditions. Other plants, not in jars, are planted for checking purposes.

Prof. Krauss, who has charge of the experiments, believes that these experiments will determine whether or not the trouble is due to drainage, or to some chemical element, or to disease. He is also making an experiment to determine exactly the respective value of crows, slips, and suckers, as plants.

SPALDING CASE LONG DRAWN OUT

Honolulu.—The trial of James Stewart and Company of New York City against Col. Z. S. Spalding of Kauai, which has been in progress in Circuit Judge Whitney's court during the past two weeks, is proving to be one of the most vigorously contested actions in the history of the local circuit.

To date, more than 600 pieces of documentary evidence have been filed with the clerk by the plaintiffs, which is a record for Judge Whitney's court. More than a week has been taken up with the examination of one of the plaintiffs' witnesses.

The suit centers on the construction in 1911 of the Spalding building in Portland, Oregon. It is alleged in the complaint that, as a result of the construction, there is still due to the plaintiffs more than \$56,000, and it is to recover this money that the suit has been brought. Colonel Spalding has been an interested spectator at all of the hearings which have been held thus far. The trial is by jury.

At the beginning of the case, when the opposing attorneys outlined to the jury what they expected to show and prove during the case, it was declared by the Attorneys W. B. Lymer and Alexander Lindsay, counsel for Colonel Spalding, that they would uncover many fraudulent transactions. The case may last several weeks longer.

Coal Schooner Here

The Hind-Rolph schooner Columbia, Captain Hafstrom, arrived at Ahukini last Tuesday from Newcastle, via Honolulu, with 633 tons of coal for the Lihue Plantation Company. As the master was not familiar with the port of Ahukini, Captain Harry W. Gahan was brought along from Honolulu to berth the vessel. The Columbia will get away the last of this week for Willapa harbor, on the Sound, where she will load lumber for Australia.

COOPER'S PLANS TO BE CONTINUED

Honolulu.—Although Judge Henry E. Cooper of Honolulu has resigned as director-general of the 1916 Mid-Pacific Carnival, it is believed that his plans to secure the participation of all the islands of the group in the celebration next year will be taken up and pushed to completion by his successor.

Judge Cooper's plan was to not only invite the residents of Kauai, Maui and Hawaii to visit the Carnival, but for them to suggest or furnish features which might add to the attractiveness of the big celebration. A pa-u section from each island was being considered by Judge Cooper.

It was Judge Cooper's idea to visit the various other islands in the interest of the Carnival but this plan, of course, vanished with his resignation.

It is believed locally, however, that Judge Cooper's successor will pick up and carry out the plans of the former director-general, and one of these will be a trip to Kauai and the other islands to arouse interest in the 1916 celebration.

The Carnival directors have not yet selected a successor to Judge Cooper.

Obituaries

MRS. MARY T. SHEPHERD
Honolulu, Oct. 28.—Mrs. Mary T. Shepherd, widow of the late Capt. Peleg T. Shepherd, passed away yesterday morning at her home, 1433 Pensacola street. The funeral will be held at four o'clock this afternoon from the residence, burial taking place in the family plot in the Makiki cemetery. Six nephews of the deceased will act as pallbearers.

The deceased was born in Cape Hope, Ontario, Canada, on October 14, 1836, and celebrated her seventy-ninth birthday anniversary two weeks ago. She came to Honolulu in 1872, arriving here on November 18 of that year. Capt. Peleg T. Shepherd, her husband and a former port pilot of Honolulu, died in this city on December 12, 1914, at the age of eighty-three years. Two children survive the deceased, Frank J. Scott of this city, by a former marriage, and Mrs. Jennie E. Tucker of San Francisco. Mrs. Shepherd had been in failing health since the death of her husband almost a year ago.

Mrs. Shepherd was a member of the well-known Wilder family of Honolulu. Her brothers were Samuel G. Wilder, prominent here in political life, business and shipping circles a quarter of century and more ago; William C. Wilder and John K. Wilder, both of whom were also prominent in the islands in civic and business life. An only sister Mrs. Emily Cooke, mother of Joseph P. Cooke of Alexander & Baldwin.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED

The following arrived by the Kinau Wednesday morning:
Mrs. E. H. Broadbent, Miss Broadbent D. B. MacChonichie, F. E. Hine, F. E. Boyd, C. A. Bruns, A. B. Lambert, Geo. Pang, E. W. F. Field, C. J. Atkinson, W. T. Frost, P. A. Gooman, J. A. R. Vierra, Mrs. E. H. Brown, Mrs. N. V. Fernandez, Master Fernandez, Ant. Silva, Ben Haaheo, S. Shikeika.

The following arrived by the S. S. Mikahala Friday morning:
S. W. von Holt, F. Weber, Geo. F. Winters, Wm. Ebeling, A. Menefoglio, W. J. Kruse, W. K. Orth, H. Schultz, Fred Lohr, C. Weibke, G. S. Limado, Tin Chew, Wong Fat.

The residence of Frank Crawford, Lihue, is being treated to a coat of white sand, with black sand trimmings.

WILLET & GRAY ON SUGAR MARKET

Willet & Gray's latest sugar letter contains the following:

New York sales for the week ending October 14 were 203,000 bags Cuban and Porto Rican raws. Willet & Gray make a comparison of prices as of that date this year and a year ago showing raws one-half cent cheaper this year than last. Granulated was 4.802 this year and 5.88 in 1914, the difference between granulated and raws being 0.792 cents now and 1.37 cents last year.

Stock in the United States and Cuba together of 506,507 tons, against 532,823 tons last week and 467,855 tons last year, an increase of 38,652 tons from last year. Willet and Gray's report states, in part, that business thus far on the advance has been about moderate, and the market can scarcely be called settled on any new basis until considerable further business is done. The coming week will show whether the advance can be maintained or whether lack of interest by buyers will return the market to its former declining tendency until a level is reached somewhere below 3c, c. & f.

First January Sales.
Some interest has been shown by speculators recently for new crop sugars, particularly for January shipment. Sales were made at 3.89c then advanced to 4.01c. Advances from England state that sales of new crop sugars have been made to that country to extent of 200 to 250,000 tons.

The visible Cuban production to end of September is 2,532,987 tons, or 2,560,335 tons. The receipts of the week are only 1,755 tons against 3,000 tons last year, although exports are 27,068 tons compared with 11,000 same week a year ago.

Cuban Stocks Heavy.
Stocks decrease slowly and stand at 236,394 tons, or more than double the figure of 1914, which was 112,000 tons. One Central continues to work, and, weather is reported as fair and unsettled, but all indications received from Cuba point to a record crop for 1915-16. Visible production to October 9 is 2,536,603 tons against 2,564,335 tons last year, or a decrease of 27,732 tons.

COAST MAIL STEAMERS

STEAMERS TO ARRIVE		
DATE	NAME	FROM
Nov. 3	Makura	Vancouver
4	Sonoma	Sydney
4	U S A T Logan	Manila
9	Matsonia	San Francisco
12	Niagara	Sydney
13	Nippon Maru	San Francisco
13	U S A T Thomas	San Francisco
16	Lurline	San Francisco
22	Sonoma	San Francisco
23	Wilhelmina	San Francisco
26	Shinyo Maru	San Francisco
30	Chiyo Maru	Hongkong
30	Manoa	San Francisco
STEAMERS TO DEPART		
DATE	NAME	FOR
Nov. 3	Wilhelmina	San Francisco
3	Makura	Sydney
4	Sonoma	San Francisco
4	U S A T Logan	San Francisco
9	Manoa	San Francisco
12	Niagara	Vancouver
13	Nippon Maru	Hongkong
14	U S A T Thomas	Manila
17	Matsonia	San Francisco
22	Sonoma	Sydney
23	Lurline	San Francisco
26	Shinyo Maru	Hongkong
30	Chiyo Maru	San Francisco

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH CIRCUIT, TERRITORY OF HAWAII.

At Chambers—In Probate.

In the matter of the estate of NELLIE SPITZ, deceased.

Order of notice of Hearing petition for administration.

On reading and filing the petition of C. W. Spitz, of Lihue, alleging that Nellie Spitz of Lihue, died intestate at Honolulu on the 16th. day of September A. D. 1915, leaving property in the Hawaiian Islands necessary to be administered upon, real property of the value of \$1500.00 and personal consisting of money in bank of the value of 1,975.00 and praying that letters of administration be issued C. W. Spitz.

It is ordered that Saturday, the 27th day of November A. D. 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., be and hereby is appointed for hearing said petition in the Court room of this Court at Lihue, at which time and place all persons concerned may show cause, if any they have, why said petition should not be granted.

Dated at Lihue this 20th day of October, 1915.

(Seal) LYLE A. DICKEY,
Judge of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Circuit.

Attest:
(Sgd) D. WM. DRAN,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Circuit.

Oct. 26th. Nov. 2-9-16.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH CIRCUIT, TERRITORY OF HAWAII.

At Chambers—In Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of Wilhelmina Labenz, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned, Hans Isenberg, administrator of the Estate of Wilhelmina Labenz, deceased, hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against the Estate of the said Wilhelmina Labenz, deceased to present such claims duly authenticated, and with proper vouchers, if any exist even though such claims be secured by mortgages of real estate to the undersigned, at his office of business, Lihue, County of Kauai, Territory of Hawaii, within six months from this date, or such claims will be forever barred.

And all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate settlement with the undersigned, administrator as aforesaid, at his place of business.

Dated at Lihue, Kauai, Territory of Hawaii, this 25th day of October A. D. 1915.

HANS ISENBERG,
Administrator Estate of Wilhelmina Labenz, deceased.
Oct. 26, Nov. 2-9-16.

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