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THE FIRES WERE INCENDIARY TO ENLARGE AALA PARK

LOSS OF FROM TWENTY-FIVE TO THIRTY-THOUSAND DOLLARS CAUSED BY CONFLAGRATION AT AALA EARLY THIS MORNING—AN ABORTIVE ATTEMPT AT ARSON EARLY IN THE EVENING FOLLOWED BY SUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT THIS MORNING

The police are investigating a fire which appears to have been of incendiary origin. Whatever the origin the fire did its work well for half of a block on King street and half of a block on Aala Lane were raised to the ground, only a few partitions being left standing by the flames.

The fire which occurred about 2 o'clock this morning started in one of the two story buildings on the Walkiki-mauka corner of King street and Aala Lane. Nearly a score of Chinese stores of various description, butcher shops, shoe stores, merchandise stores, and drug stores occupied the ground floor on both streets, while up stairs there was a Japanese photograph establishment. Other portions of the upper floor were used for lodging quarters. There were three separate buildings covering the burned district and they had been erected by the various owners who had leased the ground from Chief Justice Frear. Every building was of wood and was easy food for the flames.

Circumstances during the early part of the evening, have caused the police to strongly suspect that the last fire was of incendiary origin as an earlier one certainly appears to have been. About 7 o'clock the fire department was summoned to Aala and King streets. In a vacant room in the building over Lee Chong Company's store on Aala street there was a small fire which had started under a piece of matting. The floor under this matting had been saturated with oil. The blaze was soon extinguished.

About 8 o'clock this morning, the department was again summoned by an alarm of fire to the same corner. By the time the department reached the scene of the fire, Chief Thurston saw at once that the buildings were past being saved. The fire is thought to have started some where in the rear of

Lee Chong's store. The fire had gained such headway that there was no chance to save the corner and the department was kept busy trying to save adjoining buildings. Practically every thing in the burning buildings was destroyed. The buildings on the Ewa side of Aala Lane, were badly scorched by the heat, which was terrific. Even the Oahu Railway depot which was about 100 yards distant from the fire, was scorched. A Japanese woman was reported to have been badly burned but beyond this accident no one appears to have been hurt.

It was impossible this morning to ascertain the detailed loss of the various tenants. In round figures the fire entailed a loss of about \$25,000 to \$30,000, scarcely a third of which was covered by insurance. There was \$1750 insurance on the building of Lee Chong Company, another \$1500 on Lee Chong's building and \$1,000 on Wo Chan's building. Among the stores burned out were Sun Wing Tai shoe store, insurance \$1,000, on King street; Chee Hoo Tong drug store King street \$600 insurance; Tong Kee shoe store on King street, insurance \$1,100; Tong Lee Yuen shoe store on King street, insurance \$1,000; Yee Wo was the butcher at the corner. His place along with the others was completely destroyed. There were a number of other stores which, with their contents destroyed but A. R. Gurey of the Underwriters had not received a complete list of them or of the losses and amounts of the insurance. It is very probable that arrests will be made in the progress of the investigation by the police, of the cause of the fire.

On January 27, 1900, the same site was the scene of a disastrous fire that destroyed practically the same number of buildings that the blaze this morning did.

PLAN TO ACQUIRE LAND MADE BARE BY THE FIRE EARLY THIS MORNING AND ADD IT TO THE AREA OF AALA PARK—A PROJECT WHICH WOULD GREATLY IMPROVE THE SMALL PARK.

A suggestion has been made that the burned district at Aala be added to Aala Park, greatly enlarging the park area and providing a good-sized park for that part of the city. The present bit of park area is a great addition to the attractiveness of Aala district and it is thought that if the land now laid bare could be secured, the enlargement of the park would be a public benefit.

"I think the opportunity to get a better park for Aala should not be lost," said F. S. Dodge of the Bishop Estate, who visited the section this morning after the fire. "The Territory should acquire the title to the land where the burned buildings stood, and add it to the park. The little park there now is a fine thing for that section, but it is not big enough. The land where the buildings were, adjoins the park, and it seems to me that it would be the most natural and proper thing for the authorities to do, to go ahead and acquire title and make a park out of the whole block. It will be a splendid thing for the people of Aala if this is done."

Events Of The War As Seen In Japan

THE MIKADO SENDS A PROCLAMATION TO HIS TROOPS, INSTRUCTING THEM TO BE COURTEOUS IN TREATMENT OF FOREIGNERS—A FLEET OF CAPTURED JUNKS IN DALNY—INCIDENTS AT THE FRONT.

The following war news is from Japanese papers received by the America Maru:

An English war correspondent, who arrived at Chefoo from Simintun on the 15th inst says that General Kuropatkin seems to have hoped for a Russian victory at Liaoyang, for in the early stages of operations he, most unusually for him, allowed war correspondents to approach the fighting line during three days. Three of the foreign correspondents with the Russian forces were then permitted to observe the fighting in a military balloon. Mr. Francis McCullagh, of the New York Herald, was among the

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Russians Unable To Locate Kuroki

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

ST. PETERSBURG, October 3.—The Russians are unable to locate Kuroki's army.

STRENGTHENING POSITIONS.

ST. PETERSBURG, October 3.—The Japanese have strengthened their advance posts at Tengteahu.

AMERICAN MINISTER LEAVING RUSSIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, October 3.—United States Minister McCormick has been granted leave of absence to the United States on business.

SENATOR HOAR'S FUNERAL TODAY.

WORCESTER, Mass., October 3.—The remains of the late United States Senator Hoar were buried here today.

KAUAI'S TICKET

JOHN GANDALL IS PUT UP FOR SENATOR FROM THE GARDEN ISLAND, DEFEATING NAKAPAAHU FOR THE NOMINATION—VICE-SPEAKER KNUDSEN IS NOMINATED FOR ANOTHER TERM, WITH MAHIKOA, CHARLES RICE AND M. A. REGO.

Kauai Republicans made their nominations on Saturday and have begun the campaign with every prospect of success. John Gandall, a member of the House in the present legislature, was nominated for Senator, defeating Nakapahu by two votes. Nakapahu became a Republican some time ago but was nevertheless nominated by the Home Rulers. He has declared that he will not run as a Home Ruler, but will withdraw, as he desired the Republican nomination. After the vote was taken in convention the choice of Gandall was made unanimous, and it is understood that Nakapahu will withdraw. The vote was twelve to ten.

For Representatives the convention named Representative E. A. Knudsen, George Mahikoa, Charles Rice and M. A. Rego. There were five candidates. Twenty votes each were cast for Knudsen, Rice and Mahikoa, Rego got 16 and there were 9 for Joseph Gardner. The four nominations were immediately made unanimous, Gardner retiring.

A platform was adopted which contains among other features a declaration for county government, based largely on the ground that Kauai can get her share of money raised by taxes through becoming a county apart. The platform also declares for the encouragement of settlement of public lands, but not at the expense of the chief industry of the Territory.

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RUSSIAN WARSHIP

SHANGHAI, October 3.—A Russian warship supposed to be the Bayan is anchored in Hangchau Bay.

FAIRBANKS—CAMPAIGNING.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 3.—Senator Fairbanks, Vice-Presidential nominee on the Republican ticket, began his tour of this State today.

WRECK CAUSES LOSS OF LIFE.

FREDERICKSTAD, Norway, October 3.—The Norwegian bark Sir John Lawrence was wrecked near here today and her crew of 14 drowned.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONGRESS OPENS.

BOSTON, October 3.—The International Peace Congress was opened here today. Secretary of State Hay delivered the address.

SAVE YOUR MONEY.

The Twenty-Ninth Series of Stock in the Pioneer Building & Loan Association will be issued in July, 1904, and is now open for subscription. The membership fee is fifty cents per share, and the monthly dues are one dollar per month per share. The stock draws much better interest than a savings bank.

Further information can be obtained from A. V. Gear, Secretary, 122 King Street.

FURNITURE EATING ANTS.

Furniture eating ants do great damage in Honolulu. Any furniture that they get into can be protected by using Rough-On-Bugs. Sprinkle in the crevices and stop their boring. At Hobron's.

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BROWN'S BOLT TO THE DEMOCRATS

CANDIDATE CLAIMING REPUBLICANISM SAID TO HAVE COMMITTED A BIG POLITICAL BLUNDER.

The action of Cecil Brown in affiliating himself with the Democratic campaigners is said to have alienated a lot of his support. When Brown came out as an independent he declared that he had not left the Republican party and assumed to be still a Republican. His taking the first opportunity to join in a Democratic meeting and join with the Democrats in a general assault on the Republicans, prevents him from claiming any Republican support at all. It is now claimed. It is believed that his joining with the Democrats will have the effect of greatly weakening his position.

"Brown made a serious error in allowing the Democrats to use him," said one Republican. "I do not believe that there can be any true Republicans who will vote for him now."

SMOKE WAS IN THE COURT

RUBBISH BURNING SENDS CLOUDS INTO THE SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING.

People who had occasion to pass the Judiciary Building today could not have failed to be impressed with the energy displayed by the officials who have charge of the gathering of rubbish. A big pile of the stuff piled Walkiki of the building was set on fire sending clouds of acid smoke which fairly choked passers-by. The Supreme Court's October term opened this morning and the court room was now and again invaded by puffs of the smoke, a slight change in the wind would have rendered the room untenable. A good deal of comment was passed on the policy which directs the building of rubbish in the immediate vicinity of the principal public buildings of the city.

SHAW QUILTS

Jam & Shaw has announced his withdrawal as a candidate for the House on the Republican ticket. A meeting will be held tomorrow at noon to fill the vacancy.

Delegate Kuhio leaves tomorrow for a campaign tour of Kauai. Star Want Ads pay 25 cents.

ANOTHER SUGAR CARGO ARRIVES

SHIP LUZON WITH OVER 2,000 TONS OF SUGAR REPORTED OFF DELAWARE BREAKWATER SATURDAY

The Marine Exchange cable report Saturday told of the arrival of the ship Luzon off Delaware Breakwater on that date. The vessel was out 121 days, as she sailed from Honolulu June 2. She carried 2,080 tons of sugar and at the prevailing quotation of \$85.10 a ton, her cargo was worth \$177,008. The Luzon was one of the smallest of the vessels carrying sugar around Cape Horn.

There are now only the ships Edward Sewall and Henry Villard, barks Nuuanu and Abby Palmer and steamers American and Hawaiian bound from Hawaiian ports for the Breakwater with sugar cargoes. The arrival of several of them is likely to be reported at any time. The entire sugar crop should be marketed by the end of November at the very latest.

CHINESE JANITOR WANTED BY POLICE

ACTED SUSPICIOUSLY LAST EVENING AND WILL BE CALLED UPON TO TELL WHAT HE KNOWS.

Detective McDuffie was detailed this afternoon by Deputy High Sheriff Childingworth to locate the Chinese janitor of the Lee Chock building on Aala lane. This man is thought to know considerable of what occurred about the building previous to the fire.

When the first fire during the early part of last evening was discovered, the janitor occasioned considerable comment by his indifferent manner regarding the blaze. He made no effort, it is stated by the police, to help put out the fire or aid the people who were trying to save the building.

PASSENGERS.

Per S. E. Ventura, October 4, for San Francisco—George A. Martin, Mrs. W. A. Bailey, H. H. James and wife, John Hind, K. S. Gjeodrum, Mr. and Mrs. Furchin and 2 children, C. D. Lurkin, Mr. Churchhouse, Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead and maid, Mr. and Mrs. De Vere, F. W. Grimwood, E. Lawton, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gilmore and child, P. J. O'Connell and wife, C. Windsor, L. B. Levy, wife and 2 daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Alexander Colquhoun, A. Sinclair, Mrs. Colquhoun and 2 children.

Per S. S. Sonoma, October 5, for Sydney, Mr. Alliffe, S. F. Hunt.

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