

NO NEWS OF BIG BATTLE YET

"Misrepresentation By The High Sheriff"

MINORITY OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE DESIRES "TO GO ON RECORD AS DISAPPROVING THE METHODS OF MISREPRESENTATION MADE BY THE HIGH SHERIFF TO THE AUDITOR AS TO THE IDENTITY OF PAUL SMITH."

The minority report of the Police Committee in the case of Paul Smith was submitted to the House of Representatives this afternoon. It was signed by Representatives Cox and Mahikoa who fully agreed with the findings of the committee as to what Smith had done in collecting pay under an assumed name but thought that the High

Sheriff was deserving of more severe castigation. The report runs thus in addition to that of the majority report:

We feel however that the methods adopted by the High Sheriff in misrepresenting the identity of Paul Smith

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PLANTERS WILL REFINER

E. D. TENNEY OF THE SUGAR FACTORS' COMPANY RETURNED THIS MORNING FROM THE COAST—HE SAYS THE CONTRACT WITH THE WESTERN REFINERY COMPANY HAS NOT BEEN RENEWED—THE REOPENING OF THE CROCKETT REFINERY.

The Sugar Factors' Company will in all probability begin the refining of next year's crop of sugar at the Crockett Refinery.

E. D. Tenney, president of the Sugar Factors' Company returned by the Sonoma today, after an absence in San Francisco of some weeks. One part of his business there was to negotiate a renewal of the contract of the sugar planters with the Western Refining Company for the sale of the 150,000 tons of island sugar, which under the contract with the American Sugar Refining Company, may be shipped to San Francisco.

"There has been no renewal of that contract," said Mr. Tenney this morning, when asked about the matter. "Does that mean that there will not be any, or merely that there has not been any up to the present time?" was asked.

"It means that the negotiations are entirely off, because they have not been successful. We were unable to secure such terms as we considered we ought to have in such a contract."

"This probably means the re-opening of the Crockett Refinery and the refining of our sugar in our own refinery. It is up to the Sugar Factors to decide on that."

Mr. Tenney says there is no truth in the report some time ago that the owners of the sugar cargo of the Nebraskan refused to accept the New York quotation of the day of arrival as the basis of price.

Among the sugar factors and plantation owners, the feeling prevails that there is little or no doubt that the

Crockett Refinery will be reopened, and refining of island sugar by Island growers will commence. It is said that the conditions under which refining will be undertaken now are very much better than they were formerly. Practically all the island plantations are now united in the Sugar Factors' Company, while formerly they were not united, some selling to the trust and some to the Crockett refinery. Then it was necessary to go into the best industry to keep up a supply of raw sugar. Now it will not be necessary.

The San Francisco Chronicle of April 6 says: The big sugar refinery at Crockett, Contra Costa county, is now being remodeled and improved so that when the next sugar season opens in November, the refining of Hawaiian sugar will begin on the shores of San Francisco bay under the management of the growers. This move has been advocated by some of the largest planters of the islands for some years past, the argument being that San Francisco is the natural trade outlet of the Hawaiian Islands rather than New York or other eastern ports.

The next crop of the Hawaiian Islands, as far as can be judged by present indications, will be in the neighborhood of 400,000 tons, and all the plantations will derive incalculable benefit from the new business arrangement while at the same time freeing themselves from the oppressions imposed by the trust. It will also make San Francisco a great distributing port for sugar and materially increase the volume of the yearly commerce of this port.

Chamberlain And Japanese Alliance

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

LONDON, April 12.—Joseph Chamberlain strongly supports the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

RUSSIA HAS NO NEWS

ST. PETERSBURG, April 12.—No news of the reported naval battle has been received here.

FRENCH WARSHIPS NEAR SAIGON.

SAIGON, April 12.—A French cruiser and five torpedo destroyers are cruising near here.

HURRICANE IN TAHITI.

PAPEETE, Tahiti, April 12.—A hurricane swept over this region doing much damage.

ROJESTVENSKY'S FLEET INTACT.

LONDON, April 12.—All of the Russian battleships passed Singapore. None of Rojstvensky's vessels are missing.

RUSSIANS CONCENTRATING IN MANCHURIA.

TOKIO, April 12.—The Russians continue to concentrate troops in Manchuria.

JAPANESE CRUISING NEAR COCHIN-CHINA.

SAIGON, April 12.—The Japanese warships are cruising off the coast of Cochin-China.

ANDREWS ON RAPID TRANSIT

FREE RIDING PRIVILEGES STOPPED AFTER PROCEEDINGS BEGAN.

"It is puerile," said Attorney General Andrews this morning, "to suggest that this whole department would start to tie up the Rapid Transit and inconvenience the public because some of my subordinates are denied passes. We have never had passes, but as special police, some of the subordinates have ridden on the cars on police badges. The fact is that this privilege was not stopped before the present proceedings began. The Rapid Transit Company stopped the use of this department's badges after, and not before, the proceedings to enforce the law had begun."

"The whole case originated with the Superintendent of Public Works, as he this morning stated to me his willingness to inform the Senate committee. When the company failed to comply with the law, he turned over to me his evidence of violations and asked that I undertake proceedings, and I could do nothing else if I had wanted to. I secured further evidence and began the present proceeding."

"I do not see why the car system should be confused. As I suggested to Mr. Ballentyne when he called on me, I do not see why, if the cars met at transfer points before, they should not do so now. If the reduction of speed is uniform throughout, the cars will all be just so much slower, and will therefore meet one another just the same as before. There is no need to jumble up the system at all."

SHERIDAN SAILS ON FRIDAY.

The transport Sheridan will sail tomorrow afternoon for San Francisco. She is discharging 1,100 tons of Japanese coal at this place. The vessel has as passengers the 14th Infantry under command of Major J. S. Park. The regiment has been on duty in the island of Samar.

HELENE HAD SUGAR CARGO.

The schooner Helene sailing yesterday for San Francisco had a cargo of 27,555 bags of sugar.

Star Want Ads pay 25 cents.

TENNEY PECK AND THE SPEED LIMITS

PRESIDENT OF THE RAPID TRANSIT SAYS HE WANTS A JUDICIAL DETERMINATION OF TERMS.

L. Tenney Peck said that the suit against the Rapid Transit Company for running faster than its franchise permitted, would come up before Judge Whitney tomorrow and he wanted a trial on the merits of the case. The company wants a legal construction of the terms used in its franchise. He said that it was a curious fact that the limit of eight miles an hour in the franchise was word for word and letter for letter the same as in the Tramways Company's franchise, which he thought was remarkable. The Tramways company's franchise was granted at a time when electric roads were practically unknown and when eight miles an hour was the limit of possible speed. Faster than that would mean cruelty to animals. At the same time he recalled that just before and just after the inauguration of Rapid Transit service on King street the Tramways company continuously violated its franchise by galloping its horses, and making faster time than eight miles an hour on King street.

In regard to the list of fatalities given by the Attorney General, Mr. Peck said that in every case the coroner's jury had found that the cars were not going faster than they were allowed by law. Hence these fatalities had nothing whatever to do with the matter of exceeding speed limit.

As to the figures given out in one of the legislative committee's reports, he said that the figures which were certified to by A. W. T. Bottomley were correct, as he had had access to the books of the company. But there were a large number of other tabulations which might, by the careless reader, be supposed to be Mr. Bottomley's figures, which were not. He did not know where these figures came from, but they were grossly incorrect.

NEBRASKAN MAY SAIL TODAY.

The S. S. Nebraskan may sail tonight from Kahului for San Francisco. She is being dispatched several days ahead of her regular sailing date on account of the S. S. Oregonian being required as soon as possible at Kahului to load sugar.

BALLOU IS QUALIFIED

LIGHTFOOT ROASTS THE SPECIAL DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL IN THE SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING, BUT THE COURT QUICKLY DECIDES THAT THERE IS NO REASON WHY BALLOU IS DISQUALIFIED.

Magoon's plea against Ballou as deputy attorney general in the matter of the charges against Magoon was very unceremoniously thrown out by the Supreme Court this morning, after argument in support of it by Lightfoot, for Magoon. The court said that argument on the other side was not necessary and said it could see nothing in the document filed or in the argument in support of it, which would indicate disqualification of Ballou, as claimed, or require that he be cited to show cause.

"The plea, motion or whatever it is, is denied," said Chief Justice Fraser after some comment on the "special appearance and plea in bar," as the document filed was endorsed. Magoon thereupon asked and was allowed until Saturday to file a return and filed a motion for a continuance (till May 15, with an affidavit which sets forth a good deal of the proposed defense to the charges against him. Ballou did not appear in court, the attorney general appearing in defense of his action in appointing Ballou to handle the case.

When court convened Lightfoot read Magoon's plea against Ballou with considerable eloquent effect. Attorney General Andrews suggested that it had nothing to do with the case of Magoon, and that if there was anything against Ballou that was another case. If personal feeling were to prevent attorneys from appearing in se-

hions, it would be difficult to have cases tried.

The court announced that it wanted to hear from the other side, and Lightfoot proceeded with an eloquent argument, in which he roasted Ballou to the best of his ability. In the course of his argument Lightfoot said that the history of the inception of the prosecution of Magoon had not yet been revealed. "Our lips are sealed by confidential communications, but the day may come when the hideous persecution will stand out in all its bitterness." Lightfoot declared that Ballou was personally embittered and prejudiced against Magoon, and therefore disqualified to represent the attorney general's department against him. In an eloquent passage he recalled the Biblical scene where Christ invited him who is without guilt to cast the first stone, and he said that if Ballou had been present Ballou would have risen stone in hand and shouted that he, the perfect one, was present to do some throwing. He quoted numerous authorities to the effect that criminal prosecutions could not be undertaken by interested parties and referred to the Carter litigation, Magoon's charges against Ballou and Magoon's libel suit against Ballou to show that Ballou was interested.

In an interruption Andrews suggested the production of authorities to

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WHO PAID PAUL SMITH?

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE FOUND THAT THE HIGH SHERIFF CERTIFIED TO A FALSE NAME ON THE PAY ROLL AND THAT SMITH DREW HIS PAY UNDER THE ALIAS OF "WM. JOHNSON" UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE HIGH SHERIFF.

The report of the Police Committee of the House of Representatives on the resolution introduced by Coelho asking for an investigation into the article in the Star headed "Who Paid Smith?" was presented in the House this morning.

As a mere glance at it will show, it is highly condemnatory of High Sheriff Henry but even as it was it did not go

far enough for two members of the committee. The report was signed by Holsteb, Kalno and Quinn. The other two members of the committee Cox and Mahikoa signed the report but, before it was read, withdrew their names on the understanding that they would submit a minority report. Cox stated that

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