

IRWIN SELLS ISLAND OF LANAI

M'BRYDE SETTLED

ALEXANDER AND BALDWIN TAKE IT OVER

Alexander & Baldwin will take the agency of McBryde plantation.

This is as definitely settled as eight out of nine directors can settle anything.

Wallace Alexander will leave by the steamer this afternoon for San Francisco, but with matters in such shape that the taking over of McBryde will be simple.

The first news of the conclusion of the directors came in private wireless messages from Kaula yesterday. One of these was from Paul Isenberg to H. Hackfeld & Co. In some way these private aerograms leaked out and started a small sized scramble for McBryde stock.

Mr. Alexander, W. R. Castle and George R. Carter, who were members of the party which left here last Tuesday, returned to the city in the steamer Noeua this morning. The remaining directors will return tomorrow morning, after which the next move will be decided upon. That move will probably be a hurry call for a meeting of stockholders to ratify the action of the directors.

Mr. Castle states that arrangements will be made to have the transfer of the agency take place next week. This will be easy, as the business of the plantation is now in the hands of the Dillingham Company as agents pro tempore.

"The matter is settled," stated Mr. Castle. "Eight of the nine directors

went over the situation at McBryde and were present at the meeting held there. The vote was unanimous in favor of taking over the agency."

Corroboration of the first news of this decision was not on the streets this morning early enough to create much of a flurry on the Stock Exchange in regard to McBryde. However, it did well for a starter, advancing quickly to \$6.75, holders demanding \$7. It is stated that a combination of large interests, having first information of the success of the agency proposition, scooped up all the stock in sight during yesterday afternoon and this morning at \$6.75 and less.

The deal means everything to McBryde. With its load of debt, the once promising estate was rapidly drifting into the breakers. The decision of Alexander & Baldwin to take it over more than places the estate upon its feet. At one stroke it is given a standing it has never before held, and will soon be able to take its place in the list of up-to-date plantations.

The matter of obtaining surplus water from Makaweli, which is also controlled by Alexander & Baldwin, becomes now purely a matter of detail which can be arranged at any time. Undoubtedly the plantations, lying close together, will reciprocate advantages in many ways, to the large benefit of both.

LOCAL HUI PAYS \$325,000 FOR THE PROPERTY

HUI FORMED ENTIRELY OF LOCAL CAPITALISTS PAY \$325,000 FOR PROPERTY, PAPERS ARE SIGNED AND THE PRELIMINARIES OF TRANSFER ARE COMPLETED—WILL ENGAGE IN AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS AND SHEEP RAISING.

The deal whereby the island of Lanai in the least possible time. Cattle and sheep passes from the ownership of W. G. Irwin into the hands of a hui of local capitalists was closed this morning. The papers being signed, the money paid over and the exchange being completed.

The deal was negotiated by the Henry Waterhouse Trust Company. W. G. Irwin was represented in the matter by his attorney-in-fact, W. M. Giffard. The buyers of the island are: Francis Gay, Aubrey Robinson, John T. McCrosson, Frank E. Thompson and Cecil Brown.

The price paid was \$325,000, and the property conveyed includes the rights of Mr. Irwin to the island and everything on it. The first price made by Mr. Irwin was \$350,000, but the lesser amount was accepted as a final figure for the deal.

The new owners will proceed as early as possible to develop the resources of the island and to place the land in as fit condition as possible for agricultural and grazing purposes secured there.

NO ORIENTAL NEED APPLY FOR LICENSE

ATTORNEY CLEM QUINN, REPRESENTING SAKE COMPANY, CONSIDERS ADVISING CLIENT TO PROCEED IN SPITE OF REFUSAL OF LICENSE—QUOTES LICENSE COMMISSIONER CRAIG AS DECLARING HE IS OPPOSED TO GRANTING LICENSE TO ORIENTALS.

Attorney Clement Patrick Quinn, on behalf of the Toyo Sake Brewing Company, granted a charter by the Territory, is up in arms because his client's application for a fifth class liquor license was, at the hearing yesterday afternoon, denied by the Liquor License Commissioners.

"As far as I am concerned," Commissioner Craig is reported by Clem to have said, "I am opposed to any license being issued to an Oriental."

The Toyo Sake Brewing Company's desire is to manufacture sake, the Japanese drink, in Kalia, Honolulu, and, incidentally, to manufacture it from Hawaiian-grown rice.

Clem put in a strong petition for the granting of the license, declaring that there was \$225,000 worth of sake

being imported here every year by the local Japanese and that it would be to the business benefit of the Territory to have this amount of sake manufactured in the islands instead of being imported; that if the Toyo company was given a license it would be able to manufacture enough sake to supply the local demand and there would be no necessity of importation. He also declared that the sake would be manufactured from Hawaiian-grown rice, thus adding an impetus to the rice-growing industry in Hawaii.

But the License Board refused to grant a license and now Clem is thinking of advising his client to go ahead and manufacture sake and contest the right of the License Commission to refuse a license.

ANOTHER DESCENT INTO HALEMAUMAU

Hawai Herald: Another descent has been made into the pit of Halemaumau, this time when the fire was more fierce, the heat more intense and the flames nearer to the summit of the crater than when the four footy men descended last September and Moses took his celebrated pictures.

It was little more than a couple of weeks ago that L. M. Hale and Joe Burnette made their second exploration of the mouth of hell, and it was on a Sunday morning. They crept down the perpendicular walls of the crater for a distance of one hundred feet, standing upon the black ledge that is directly beneath the lookout house and with the fire only twenty feet below them.

Hale says that the heat did not seem so intense as upon the occasion of his

first approach to the lower regions, but when the waves of fire met and crashed together in the center of the pit they were both compelled to turn their backs and run as fast as they could across the black lava to escape from the sparks. In the midst of lava upon which they were standing they found, here and there, specks of a blue substance that had fallen with the sparks. Some of these they collected and brought to Hilo with them for subsequent examination by a mineralogist.

They have a weird collection of snapshots taken of one another with their peculiar surroundings, and one taken of the people who were standing on the top of the crater and looking down at them. Other good photographs were taken from the top, of the fire in the pit.

MORE MARTYRS FOR CIVILIZATION

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

MANILA, P. I., December 4.—In a desperate encounter between the Philippine Constabulary and a horde of fanatical natives of Mindanao, eleven men of the Constabulary have lost their lives. Twenty tribesmen were killed.

CROWDS CONDEMN HOUSE OF LORDS

LONDON, December 4.—Today there was a great popular demonstration in which thousands participated. The House of Lords was unmercifully condemned for its recent action in rejecting the budget, and the action of the Commons in passing Premier Asquith's resolution declaring the Lord's action to be a breach of the constitution, and a usurpation of the rights of the Commons and of the people, was enthusiastically commended. The demonstration occurred in Trafalgar square, the excited crowd gathering around the great column surmounted by the statue of Lord Nelson, pressing to hear the impassioned speeches of their leaders.

CHILD LABORER BURNED HUNDREDS

CHERRY, Ill., December 4.—Investigation as to the cause of the great fire in the mines, which resulted in hundreds of deaths, results in the evidence that the fire was caused by the carelessness of a child who was employed in the works.

READY FOR WAR TRIP

SAN FRANCISCO, December 4.—U. S. S. Princeton is coaling here and making ready to proceed to Panama or Nicaragua.

WILSON A FREE MAN

SAN FRANCISCO, December 4.—On motion of Attorney Henri, the charges of bribery preferred against former Supervisor Wilson have been dismissed.

PHILADELPHIA, December 4.—The U. S. S. Prairie which went ashore in the Delaware, while leaving for Nicaragua with seven hundred marines, is still aground. The Dixie was ordered to take the troops from aboard the stranded vessel.

LONDON, December 4.—The steamship Ellen Vannin has been lost, thirty-three persons being drowned.

NEW YORK, December 4.—George Crocker, capitalist, largely interested in numerous improvement, banking, railroad and other enterprises, of Sixty-fourth street, this city, dies today.

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A subscription list is open at The Hawaiian Star office for the proposed

astronomical observatory for the College of Hawaii at Kaimuki. There is \$40 in hand as a starter. Further subscriptions are solicited.

PRESIDENT GILMORE'S TALK. Following is a synopsis of the talk on Halley's comet given at the Commercial Club's luncheon yesterday afternoon:

The coming year will be an unusual one for astronomical sights. Not only will there be several eclipses both of the sun and moon, and also several conjunctions of the planets, but the object of greatest interest will be the return to our skies of Halley's comet. This comet returns to us once in about 75 years, and is therefore, visible to only a few people more than once. It

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BIG DISCOUNT ON RIBBONS. In the big stock of holiday ribbons at Sachs 10 per cent discount will be allowed all this week. Don't fail to see the great Christmas assortment at Sachs Dry Goods Co.

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