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## CONGRESS ADJOURNS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 21.—Congress today adjourned for the holidays, naming January 5 as the day for reconvening.

There has been considerable local interest in the question of whether the Senate would confirm the nomination of Cottrill of Toledo for collector of internal revenue for the district of Hawaii, before adjournment for the holidays. The nomination went in last Saturday, and it was thought that there would be action before now. The delay may mean that there is opposition to Cottrill and that the protest from here against his appointment may be headed.

## KEEFE IS HUSTLING; SAYS IMMIGRANTS BROUGHT HERE NOT DESIRABLE ON MAINLAND

Immigration Commissioner-General Daniel Keefe arrived back in Honolulu from a tour of Hawaii and Maui Islands this morning, where he has been investigating the conditions prevailing among the plantation laborers. Commissioner Keefe will leave this evening at eight o'clock for Nawiliwili on the Claudine and hopes to get back some time Friday morning, in good time to leave for the Coast on the Mongolia on Saturday.

When seen by a representative of the Star this morning, Commissioner Keefe said that the conditions prevailing in the two islands visited were much the same as those here. He arrived at the island of Hawaii on Wednesday last and remained there until Monday last, when he left for Maui. He visited all the large plantations and was kept busy from morning to night. He saw the men at work, from the time of cutting the cane until the sugar was loaded on the cars for hauling to the ports. Commissioner Keefe talked with men of all nationalities as represented by those on the plantations; discussed immigration questions with plantation managers; saw the conditions under which the men live; investigated the cost of living and generally made a full and complete inquiry into all matters appertaining to his quest.

When Commissioner Keefe leaves the islands he will compile an exhaustive report dealing with the entire question and this report it is expected will run into many folios.

Until this report is completed Commissioner Keefe will not disclose the nature of the recommendations which he will make to the Immigration Department on his return East. He has made a special study, as far as possible in the short time at his disposal, of the various races working on the plantations.

"Are these men desirable immigrants?" he was asked.

"They would not be desirable on the mainland," was his quick rejoinder.

"But are they desirable here?" "I do not know. I am not saying they are. They certainly would not

be desirable on the mainland," he reiterated.

There were only two kinds of immigrants who went in anything like large numbers to the mainland, he said, and they were Porto Ricans and Filipinos. Neither Chinese nor Japanese were admitted, except under certain stringent conditions, and Portuguese did not migrate to the States in great numbers.

Commissioner Keefe is accompanied by his wife, who went with him to Hawaii and Maui and this lady will visit Kauai with him this evening.

## LOW CAN WIN IF DWIGHT WILL WITHDRAW

A petition in behalf of Supervisor-elect Eben P. Low for chairman of the committee on roads has been circulated among local businessmen and signed by many. But the members of the board who decided against him are standing pat, and declare that it is a most unusual proposition for a member of the board to get out a petition to influence the board regarding committee assignments.

The only way for Low to get the chairmanship, say the other members, is for Dwight to give it up voluntarily. If Dwight will withdraw in favor of Low, the latter can have it, but without such withdrawal they propose to stand by their choice of Dwight.

Considerable efforts were made yesterday to straighten out the difficulty, in order that the new board might start harmoniously. No progress appears to have been made, however.

## WAITING TO IMPEACH

The waiting stage has been reached in the matter of the refusal of the City and County Attorney's department to conduct prosecutions in the Circuit Courts. For the present, cases are being put over owing to the near approach of Christmas holidays, and, therefore, there is nothing to precipitate a crisis. The Attorney General, however, is determined to test the position if Catchart or his deputies should refuse to take action, for he stated this morning that, in the event of their declining to carry out their duties, he would act immediately. As soon as Catchart makes a definite refusal to prosecute a case, the case will be made the basis of proceedings for impeachment of the county attorney for nonfeasance in office.

### TRY THIS FOR INFLUENZA.

The peculiar properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have been thoroughly tested during epidemics of influenza, and when it was taken in time we have not heard of a single case of pneumonia. For sale by all dealers. Benson Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

## Waldron's Report On Tour Of China

It is my firm belief that the Chinese value the friendship of the Americans more than that of any other nation on earth. At Peking we began to realize that the friendly feeling of the Chinese towards the United States extended from the lowest coolie to the Throne. From Commissioner Waldron's report to the Chamber of Commerce.

At the joint meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and Hawaii Promotion Committee this afternoon Fred Waldron submitted a report on his recent tour of China as a member of the party of commercial men from the Pacific Coast and Hawaii. The report is in part as follows:

As your delegate to visit China in response to the invitation of the Chinese Chambers of Commerce and in connection with the delegation invited from the associated Chambers of Commerce of the Pacific Coast I now have the honor to submit the following report:

The different cities represented in the delegation with the number of delegates actually attending were as follows:

San Francisco, three; Seattle, three;

Tacoma, three; Spokane, three; Portland, one; Oakland, two; Los Angeles three; San Diego, two, and Honolulu, one, with the exception of four days in Canton, when we were favored with the presence of Mr. E. C. Brown, your other appointee, who, much to his own and my regret, was for business reasons unable to join the party at an earlier date.

In handing you my report, I wish to state that my hardest task has been to condense matter, and in so doing I feel that it is an injustice to hundreds of Chinese official and commercial gentlemen who knew of no limit in their endeavor to extend in their welcome and hospitality a reception never before accorded a party of visitors in any country.

To illustrate the impossibility of embodying more than the principal events of the trip I shall here mention the programme followed at Shanghai and Hangchow, similar programs being the order of the day in all other parts of China which we had the pleasure to visit:

Garden party at Chao's Garden given by the Associated Chinese Chambers of Commerce;

Reception by the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association;

Evening reception by the American community of Shanghai;

Reception by the Shanghai Taotai (corresponding to Mayor);

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## RECORD MONTH FOR TRAVEL HERE

The present month is believed to be the record month in the history of Honolulu, in the number of passengers arriving by steamers from the mainland. With two big steamers still to come, the Wilhelmina and Sierra being due next week, the total of arrivals is over 500, and the total of departures from here is far below the average.

The next two months will probably exceed this one, however, in the number of passengers arriving. The book-

ings reported for next month indicate a continuance of the travel this way, while the several big excursions coming here in February will place that month far in the lead.

Another March excursion is being advertised in the eastern press, in the following language:

"Hawaii. A special cruise visiting Honolulu and Kilauea, the greatest volcano in the world. Sailing from San Francisco March 18, 1911."

## CATCHART WILL PROSECUTE

Judge Cooper this afternoon made the following statement from the bench:

"In regard to the prosecutions by the County Attorney's office, while the Court has not made a formal order out to have no doubt as to the position of the court, it is hereby

ordered that in all criminal matters now pending on the calendar of the first Circuit Court, First Judge presiding, that the City and County Attorney, or his deputies as he may designate, shall appear and prosecute all cases pending before this court." Attorney Catchart:—"I bow to the ruling of the court."

## ANTI-SPITTING ORDINANCE IS LAW, BUILDING ORDINANCE MOST WAIT

The announcement of the signing of the anti-spitting ordinance by Mayor Fern, and the development of the fact that there is no chance for the building ordinance to be completed and passed in the near future were the principal features of last night's meeting of the Board of Supervisors. The anti-spitting ordinance provides penalties for expectorating on the sidewalks and in other public places, and was passed only after a long fight in the board, Aylett having had very strenuous objections to it for some time. Cox and Kane also voted against it.

The building ordinance appears to be almost a building itself, and it has architects, contractors, plumbers and other practical men at work on it. The present draft of the law makes 125 pages of typewriting, so that the proposed law is a small book.

Aylett brought the matter up last night, by inquiring what had become of the ordinance. Quinn responded with a roast of the county attorney's department, which he said was holding the measure. He said the county attorney and deputies found time to attend to private practice but claim-

ed that they hadn't time to pass upon the ordinance. Deputy County Attorney Milverton replied that the ordinance was 125 pages in length and that he had gone through about a third of it and found many legal defects. He had only had it in his hands for a short time.

It is stated that there is no chance for the measure to be passed by the present board, or by the next, for some weeks. It is so long and full of details that it will require very extended consideration.

The bill for the bifurcated paving of a portion of Fort street was passed. It showed that the cost had been less than the sum appropriated.

The bill calls for 1337.5 square yards at \$3 a yard, amounting to \$4,012.50; nine lineal feet for curbing at \$1 a foot, or \$9, making a total of \$4,021.50.

For credits there were 541 3/4 cubic yards of rock furnished by the city at \$1.25, making \$677.19; use of roller, \$72, a total of \$749.19, leaving a balance due the Bitulthic Paving Company of \$3272.31. The appropriation for the work was \$4,900.

## TERRIBLE MINE DISASTER IN ENGLAND

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

BOLTON, England, December 21.—Two hundred and ninety miners have been entombed here by an explosion and fire in a coal mine. The most strenuous efforts possible are being made to reach the buried miners, and the wildest excitement prevails. The wives, families and friends of the entombed workers, gathered at the mine in mobs which made it necessary for police to be employed to keep them off.

Bolton, which appears to have made a new and appalling record for mine disasters, is a city in Lancashire, England. It has a population of about 120,000.

## REPUBLICANS DISAGREE IN LORIMER CASE

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 21.—Senator Julius C. Burrows of Michigan, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, today presented a report exonerating Senator Lorimer of Illinois, who has been under investigation on charges of having gained his seat in the Senate by bribery of members of the Illinois legislature.

Senator Frazier, Democrat, of Tennessee, a member of the same committee, dissented, and Senator Beveridge of Indiana, Republican, did not concur but deferred expressing his opinion.

### CHANGE NEW MEXICO'S BOUNDARY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 21.—President Taft in a message to Congress today advised the passage of a joint resolution authorizing annulment of a portion of the constitution of the new state of New Mexico, for the purpose of changing the boundary. The Senate has adopted the resolution as proposed.

## REBELS IN AIRSHIP RECORD

CHIHUAHUA, December 21.—General Navarro's force is said to be surrounded by rebels and in danger of being forced to surrender.

### BIG CINCINNATI FIRE.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, December 21.—A fire in the factory district here today cost two lives and caused a loss of two million dollars.

### NO STAR ON MONDAY.

As Monday will be the officially kept Christmas holiday, The Star will not be issued on that afternoon.

Haas makes the best candy. We have it fresh and fine, Benson, Smith and Co. Ltd., Fort and Hotel street.

### COSTUMES FOR THE CARNIVAL.

Orders for costumes for the Carnival can now be ordered from the Hawaiian News Co. Ltd., Alex. Young Building. Great interest is being taken in the coming Carnival and the costumes are very attractive.

### NEW RICE MILL.

The K. Yamamoto Rice Mill is the largest as well as the finest in the islands. All machinery is of the very latest pattern. The famous Tengu Rice is cleaned at this mill. With the large cleaning capacity they are able to handle considerable outside particular work which they guarantee.

PAU, France, December 21.—Legaux made another remarkable record in his aeroplane today. He flew 328 and 4-10 miles in six hours and one minute, breaking all records, in the competition for the Michelin cup.

### TWENTY POLICE CASES.

There were twenty charges down on the police court calendar this morning, but eleven of these were dealt with quickly, seven being continued over and four stricken from the calendar. There were ten charges arising out of assaults, three for threatening language, three drunks, two for violations of the liquor laws, one for murder, and one for larceny. The continuances were made mainly on account of the fact that the trial of Nomura for causing liquor to be sold without a license was set down for hearing.

### SACHS' EVENING SPECIALS.

Sachs' Big Store will be open every evening this week and there will be special inducements for the Christmas shoppers. See the advertisement for Evening Specials.

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