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ALL SIGNS POINT TO A SWEEPING VICTORY FOR DEMOCRATIC TICKET

The close of the campaign finds the Republicans in a blue funk and on the dead run. All they are hoping for now is to find a cyclone cellar where they may hide themselves from the storm that is due to strike them tomorrow. They are so badly scared that if they get the chance, they will crawl into a hole and pull the hole in after them.

The Republican leaders themselves concede the election of a majority of the Democratic ticket and about all they hope for now is to succeed in pulling a few scattering candidates through—enough perhaps to make some kind of a showing and give them something to show that there really has been a campaign and that they were in it.

Indications now are that virtually the entire Democratic county ticket will be elected. The Republicans never had more than a faint hope at any time of electing their candidate for sheriff, and even that faint hope has long been abandoned. The election of Jarrett is conceded by everybody. The opposition to Charles Rose has never been strong enough to be more than a mild joke. The Republican candidate fills a hole in the ticket, that is about all.

John Lane, being naturally of a hopeful disposition, still hopes that he may pull through, but his optimism is not shared by his fellow Republicans, nearly all of whom concede the election of Mayor Fern by a handsome plurality.

It is possible that the Republicans may get a supervisor, even possibly, though not probably, two of them; but that is about all they can hope for on the county ticket.

As to the legislative ticket, present indications are that the legislature will be strongly Democratic. This is necessary for the Democrats in order that they may be enabled to carry out their platform pledges. It, therefore, behooves the voters not to scratch but to vote a straight Democratic ticket, for the Democratic platform was written with the intention that its pledges should be carried out and the Democrats must be given the opportunity to keep their promises.

Link McCandless, on this last day of the campaign, is confident of election, and reports from all parts of the Territory indicate that his confidence in the result of the election is fully justified. His strength has been increasing steadily every day of the campaign and now prophets who early in the campaign

said he had no chance at all concede the defeat of Kuhio and the election by a handsome majority of McCandless.

Kuhio will be entirely snowed under on Hawaii. Private reports received from the various sections of that Island point to a Democratic landslide. Kona is solid for McCandless. His strength in Kau alone is enough to put Cupid out of the running on the Big Island. Kohala is going to give the Republicans the surprise of their lives. It is the same almost everywhere on the Island—Kuhio's strength has been steadily declining while that of McCandless has been augmented by the steady flocking of voters to his standard.

The Republicans of Kauai admit that they are scared for the first time in the history of the Territory. The tight little Island has always heretofore been regarded as a Republican stronghold and the man nominated on the Republican ticket was usually regarded as virtually elected.

But this year it is different. To their surprise and discomfiture the Republicans learned early in the campaign that they had lost their hold. McCandless in his campaigning tours of Kauai was everywhere received with enthusiasm and speedily developed a strength that the Republican candidate was unable to match.

Equally encouraging reports have been received from Maui. McCandless and almost the entire Democratic ticket, is the prophesy from that Island.

It is hardly necessary to mention the probable result on this Island so far as the Delegateship is concerned. It all looks like McCandless. His strength has increased rapidly since the beginning of the campaign, and it now appears that hundreds who heretofore have voted the Republican ticket are going to transfer their votes to the Democratic candidates.

There is one thing, however, that the Democrats must not forget: Every vote counts. Get your vote in early and then go out and see to it that your Democratic friends and neighbors vote. The fight is not over until the polls close tomorrow evening. Work, and work hard! Many a fight has been lost by over-confidence. The Republicans are sure to work and the Democrats must not stop for a minute. Get out tomorrow and work for the entire Democratic ticket.

MONSTER TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION TONIGHT

Seventeen hundred torches, borne by the participants in a monster torchlight procession, will this evening illumine the closing of the Democratic campaign, and presage an overwhelming Democratic victory tomorrow.

The campaign will close with a huge rally at Aala Park, a rally which will undoubtedly be the biggest and most enthusiastic one of all, and at which virtually all the candidates and orators of the Democratic ticket will be present to address the voters.

The torchlight procession will take place before the final rally. Forming at Atkinson Park, it will start at seven

o'clock and march through the principal business streets of the city, finally winding up at Aala Park. There a large platform has been built and seats installed for the comfort and convenience of the large audience that is sure to be present.

The seventeen hundred torches that are to be carried in the parade are of the Hawaiian kind and will be given away to their bearers as souvenirs of the occasion. So, if you are a Democrat and want a unique torch as a remembrance of the hottest campaign in the history of the Territory, get in line tonight at Atkinson Park.

SPECIAL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATING CONTRACT LABOR LAW

Have the Republican Special Interests been violating the United States contract-labor law? By their own confession they have, and their punishment therefor is about due to descend upon their heads.

The Democratic platform contains the following:

"We favor the reenactment and continuation of the Special Income Tax law so amended as to divert all such funds now on hand as well as all funds to be derived therefrom to the construction of belt roads around the Islands, to be expended substantially in the ratio of collections of said tax in each county. A liberal proportion to be expended in the construction of numerous homestead roads so as to make all homestead lands available. All of such funds to be exclusively at the disposal of the board of supervisors in each county.

"We insist upon a legislative investigation of all funds already spent upon immigration and a detailed accounting of the same."

The Republicans claim that the above plan is impracticable for the reason that the Immigration Act is unconstitutional and only remains in force and effect now by sufferance of those who pay the special income tax. They say that if an attempt were to be made to divert to other uses the revenue derived from the special income tax, those who pay it would go into court and fight the payment of the tax on the ground that the law is unconstitutional.

No, they wouldn't; not after they had stopped to think about it. A plea on their part that the law is unconstitutional would be virtually a confession that they have been bringing immigrants to Hawaii unlawfully, that they have been knowingly violating the contract-labor law of the United States.

And such a confession from them

would indubitably mean a Federal investigation of labor conditions in Hawaii and of assisted immigration to Hawaii as it has been conducted in the past.

Can the Special Interests stand such an investigation? They know they cannot and dare not! They know that it would uncover a multitude of things that they have been carefully hiding for years, that it would result in a scandal that would injure them ten times as much as would the diversion of the special income tax revenue into legitimate channels.

The Special Interests claim that they are within the law in assisting immigration to Hawaii, but they know very well that they are outside the law, that they have been consistently and knowingly violating the contract-labor law, and that if this fact is ever brought to the attention of the people of the States, to the attention of Congress and to the attention of the immigration authorities at Washington, something mighty unpleasant is going to happen to the Special Interests of Hawaii, that have been for so long fostered and nourished by special privileges and illegal practices.

The Democrats understand that the Immigration law as it at present exists on the statute books is probably unconstitutional and that it needs to be amended. They propose to amend it. They propose to see to it that the Special Interests of Hawaii cease to violate the contract-labor laws. The Special Interests themselves, though they talk loudly now, dare not go into court and question the constitutionality of the Immigration Act. If one of the special income tax payers were to attempt to do anything of that kind, there would mighty soon be a scurrying around among the others and he would be called off in a hurry.

PLANTERS AFTER 20,000 HOOKWORM FILIPINOS

The Republicans and their friends, the Special Interests, threaten that if they are not allowed to continue to bring in assisted foreign immigrants, they will go to work and import 20,000 Filipinos.

That threat, however, loses its effectiveness when one remembers that they are even now doing all they can to get those 20,000 little brown brothers. For two or three years the agents of the sugar-planters have been in the Philippines collecting the diminutive and hookworm-afflicted natives of those islands and shipping them to the sugar plantations of Hawaii, and they are still at work.

It would not make a particle of difference whether the legislature voted to continue in force the Conservation and Immigration Act or not. The planters would still go ahead collecting Filipinos and bringing them into Hawaii to work on the plantations and keep the wage level down.

Even the most ardent Republican

campaigner has not had the hardihood to claim that if assisted immigration were to be permitted, the planters would stop bringing in Filipinos. They have not even stated that the Sugar Interests would not turn to Porto Rico in an effort to increase their labor supply at the expense of the prosperity of Hawaii.

It may be taken for granted that the Filipino, with his attendant evils, the hookworm disease and amoebic dysentery, will continue to flood Hawaii just as long as the planters are allowed to bring them in. Assisted immigration has nothing to do with it. It costs more money to get Portuguese or Russians than it does to get Filipinos, and, besides, the Portuguese and Russians are not as liable to be satisfied long with the disgracefully small wages paid by the plantations as are the ignorant and helpless Filipinos. Consequently, the plantations are not going to give up their Filipino project until they are forced to do so.