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CHANGE MEANS LAND LAW REVOLUTION GENERAL BELL IN AUTO TRAGEDY

Death In Goes To Probe Crash of Auto

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 23.—In a collision here today between an automobile and a street car, Major-General Bell, ex-chief of the general staff, had several ribs broken and was otherwise injured internally. The wife of Major Slocum, who occupied the automobile with Major Bell, was thrown to the ground and instantly killed.

Hawaii Shortages Auditor Fisher Leaves In Hurry To Begin Investigation In Response To Wireless

Territorial Auditor Fisher was a passenger on the Mauna Loa for Hawaii yesterday and it is stated that the chief auditing officer of the government went to Hawaii in connection with the discovery of a number of shortages in the books of a public employe on the big island. Fisher's destination has been a well-kept secret and at the present time it is not known just who is under suspicion in connection with the report of shortages. The Grand Jury on Hawaii devoted considerable attention in months past to the reports of graft among the police officials, but according to the report the present investigation and the reported delinquency upon the part of a public employe is due to some entirely new developments. The auditor left in a hurry in response to a wireless that was received stating that there was pressing need for his services in examining the accounts of a public employe.

Immunity For Grafters

(Special Bulletin Cable.)
 PITTSBURG, Pa., Mar. 23.—Twenty-nine of the men who have confessed their guilt in connection with the sensational graft exposures have been granted immunity and their testimony will be used in the prosecutions.

Rear-Admiral Entwistle Dead

NEW YORK, Mar. 23.—Rear-Admiral James Entwistle died here today. Admiral Entwistle entered the service in 1861, rising through the different ranks, when he was made rear-admiral in April, 1899. He took part in the battle of Manila under Admiral Dewey, and was presented with a Dewey medal.

MISSIONARY FROM NAURU IS HERE

"I have been stationed on Nauru for the past ten years," stated Mrs. Philip A. Delaporte, who is a missionary on that island, to a representative of the Bulletin this morning. Mrs. Delaporte arrived in this city some three weeks ago on the Tamoan Maru, which was quarantined owing to sickness on board. Mrs. Delaporte will return to Nauru on that same vessel on April 7. "Ten years ago the population of Nauru was approximately 1600, but it has dwindled down to 1250, owing to sickness. Three years ago, when we returned from a vacation, we found that 200 of our adherents had died of dysentery during our absence. "Ocean Island is our nearest neighbor, distant about 150 miles. There is a branch of the American Board of Missions there, in charge of Rev. Mr. Channon, whom we see at intervals. A regular line of Japanese steamers touches at Ocean Island, so that connections can be made with all parts of the world. "On our island we have about sixty or seventy white people, mostly employed by the phosphate company. In addition, there are a number of German officials and about sixteen native police. We are absolutely dependent upon canned provisions. As there is practically no soil, we have great difficulty in raising vegetables. Rain is very scarce, so that drinking water is at a premium. The phosphate company distill their drinking water from the ocean, but we have to rely upon wells, which in times of drought run dry. There are now only three wells on the island. Some of the inhabitants have to go eight to ten miles to get their drinking water.

VISITOR FLEEDED OF MUCH MONEY

Tells Police He Was Drugged and Robbed—Sends Balance Of Cash To San Francisco

About two months ago a man named Johns arrived from the Coast with \$2,600 in his possession. He was bent on seeing the islands and having a good time. He fulfilled the latter part of the program, but fell down on the former. In fact he has not seen daylight for some time, and this morning he informed the chief of detectives that at last he had sobered up after being beautifully jagged since Washington's Birthday. Incidentally all of his money except a few hundred dollars has been hunced out of him—not by gold rings or that kind of spiel—but with drugged booze and knock-out drops. For days he had laid in certain boarding houses, and remembers nothing much except many trips in hacks to the bank where his dough was lodged. From what he can learn from his pass book, he has been drawing money out a hundred at a time, and he has faint recollections of hearing his landlady discussing the advisability of allowing "the old stiff to pay for every-

STEVEN MUST BE CAREFUL

Special Agent Steven who with L. E. Pinkham are conducting a campaign for Filipino labor out in "America's Farthest Possessions" has been cautioned to employ more care in the selection of his recruits for Hawaii's cane fields. In what purports to be an interview between a reporter of La Vanguardia published at Manila and Manuel Tinio, director of the Philippine bureau of labor, Su. Tinio makes the statement that owing to several complaints made against the agents of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association that they have been recruiting labor for their plantations in the Philippines by inducing young lads under 16 to enter their service. Governor General Forbes has written a strong letter to Mr. Steven, the local agent of the company, warning him to take more care in choosing his men. The greater number of the laborers under 16 who have been taken to Hawaii have been recruited through the aid of a Filipino who has a labor agency in Manila and it is claimed that he has made promises to these youths which have not been authorized. "The natives are taught in German and we preach to them in their own language. Nauru is the only island in the Marshall group which has a distinct language, so that it is very difficult and expensive to supply."

OPEN FIGHT ON RECRUITING AGENTS

Pinkham And Steven Have Stirred Up The Philippines

HONGKONG COMES TO THE RESCUE

Claim That The Boys Are Offered "Clerkships" in Hawaii Neglected Alleged Abduction of Laborers—Authorities Interfere.

The recruiting operations being conducted by Messrs. Pinkham and Steven in the Philippines have certainly stirred up the Haughty Don as well as other employers of labor out in the Pearl of the Orient, and judging from the stories that are appearing in the public prints throughout the east, a lively and entertaining campaign of retaliation is well under way. The fact that hundreds of "Little Brown Brothers" are quietly slipping out of the ports of Cebu, Iloilo and Manila and taking passage to Hongkong, there to tranship to trans-Pacific liners, is a sore point with the planters in the Philippines. They have appealed to Governor General Forbes for relief and the press of the East has considered the recruiting in a rather pessimistic light. It lies with the Hongkong Daily Telegraph in its issue of February 7 to launch a story which is not only interesting but startling in its allegations.

Persistent rumors on Thursday and Friday last of an infamous scheme which had for its object the illicit recruiting of a number of school boys in Hongkong for employment in Honolulu, led us to pursue a diligent and searching inquiry into the truth of the report with a view of laying bare some of the least objectionable features of the slave traffic of an infamous and happily by-gone age. The natural reticence of the authorities whom we approached during the earlier stages of our inquiry baffled our efforts to expose a design as carefully planned as it was innocently given away by the guileless simplicity of a school girl of tender years. It would appear that when we stated in our issue of Saturday, that there was no truth in the report that an attempt had been made to get a number of school boys away as illicit emigrants, we were led into an error which, in the circumstances, was justified by the desire to get the perpetrators of the scheme into the meshes of the law. Affirmative reports having reached us that there was a good deal more in the rumor than meets the eye, urged us to the prosecution of fresh inquiries whereby we have been placed in possession of detailed facts. These facts, which we now place before our readers would go to show that the curtain has only just been raised over

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CONSUL NAGAI MAY BE REMOVED

Bay City Japanese Send Resolution To Home Office

Japanese Consul-General Nagai of San Francisco, who is charged by the Japanese residents there with having attempted to collect \$2 registration tax from every Japanese, is making trouble for himself, state the Japanese on the Coast.

For Increase Of Fur Seals

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 23.—The Senate has passed the bill terminating the lease on the Pribilof islands and authorizing a closed season for the taking of fur seals.

Takes Control From Governor

Mandatory Provision In Land Laws Would Cause Far-Reaching Change

An absolute and far reaching revolution in the land law administration of Hawaii will be the result if the United States Senate concurs in the change to the Organic Act amendment bill made by the Committee on Territories of the House and favorably reported by that committee Monday. The terms of the amendment favored by the Committee on Territories which first became public through the special cable received Monday from the Bulletin's correspondent at Washington, has been considered with something approaching consternation in Governmental circles. The reactionary effect of the proposed change in the land law as recommended by the House committee was confirmed by Governor Frear in a statement made this morning. Governor Frear declared without qualification that the incorporation of a mandatory provision in the Organic Act compelling the Government to open public lands upon the application of twenty-five citizens was wrong in theory.

NOT A CANDIDATE HARVEY DECLARES

Senator Makes Emphatic Denial That He Has Ambitions For Washington

"I am not a candidate for Delegate to Congress on the Democratic ticket. The Advertiser's statement this morning is absolutely false. I am for Link McCandless whom I have supported in the past. I want to finish my term as a Senator." Senator Frank Harvey, who was reported this morning as a probable candidate for Delegate to Congress, where he was to represent the interests of the Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association, made the above statement this morning. He contradicted the statement to the effect that he would run if furnished enough money to cover his traveling and other incidental expenses, during the coming campaign. The "cowboy senator" as he is generally called by the Hawaiians, was greatly surprised to find in this morning's paper the statement of his having expressed his willingness to run on the strength of the money consideration. Harvey, when asked whether he had attended the meeting of the Wholesale

PRISON BARS FOR VIDA

William Vida, Sam Apollona, George Kaea and Kekipi charged with being a party to a seven-eleven gambling game who were placed under arrest some months ago and after being found guilty in the District Court, carried the case to the Circuit Court, have been found guilty by the highest tribunal in the Hawaiian Islands and according to a decision submitted by Judge Perry of the Supreme Court, will be obliged to serve out the sentence imposed by the lower courts. Judge Perry contends that the evidence was sufficient to permit of a finding by the jury that a game was being played and that it was one at which money was lost and won and also, although this need not have been proved, that it was a percentage game.

New Record Made By Oldfield

(Special Bulletin Cable.)
 DAYTONIA, Fla., Mar. 23.—Barney Oldfield, the famous auto driver, established a new record over the two-mile course today, when he covered the distance in the phenomenal time of 55.87 seconds.

Maine Will Be Raised At Once

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 23.—The House passed the bill making an appropriation for the raising of the battleship Maine, which was sunk in Havana harbor by explosion just previous to the declaration of war against Spain.

Beets Up; 5.12 cts

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—Beets: 88 analysis, 14s. 7 3/4d.; parity, 5.12c. Previous quotation, 14s. 5 3/4d.

Republican Rules Slate

(Special Bulletin Cable.)
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 23.—The Republicans slated for the new rules committee of the House are Representatives Dalzell, Smith, Fassett, Longworth, Lawrence and Kahn.

Tug Lost And Six Die

(Special Bulletin Cable.)
 VANCOUVER, B. C., Mar. 23.—The tug Arthur B has foundered in a storm and six members of the crew have been lost.

Oxford Wins Race

PUNNEY, Eng., Mar. 23.—Oxford defeated Cambridge today in the barge race on the Thames by three and a half lengths. Time, 20 1/4.

Bail Raised

NEW YORK, Mar. 23.—Johnson's bail was this morning raised to \$5,000. Johnson was held in the toms for five hours before the required amount could be raised.

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