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JUDD WILL ACT FOR GOVERNOR IN INVESTIGATION

"I shall accept the responsibility which Governor Carter has asked me to assume," said Albert F. Judd last night, "and will conduct the investigation into the affair of the school department as his personal representative."

"I have asked Albert F. Judd to be my personal representative to conduct an investigation into the affairs of the school department," said Governor Carter yesterday. "He will give me his answer this evening. When I have received that, I will write him a letter, and then he will be empowered to look into all matters in relation to the department, and conduct a full, free and fair investigation upon all heads."

Governor Carter began the conversation of which the paragraph above was the most significant part in his office late yesterday afternoon with a statement that Mr. Atkinson had refused to resign his position at the head of the school department.

"Mr. Atkinson," said the Governor, "has refused to resign. I do not want it to be understood that I am taking anything out of the hands of the Legislature in this proceeding. It is no part of my purpose to even appear to usurp any of their functions. But in a measure the matter has been put into my hands, and I shall order an investigation of the entire condition of affairs in the department."

FIRST OFFICIAL ACTION.

"Mr. Atkinson wrote me a letter today, which may be said to be the first official correspondence with reference to this matter. My communication with the Superintendent of Public Instruction heretofore with relation to it has been altogether personal. In his letter to me Mr. Atkinson says:

"Under existing conditions, I think it would be unjust to the officials of my department to resign at this juncture."

"And, a little further along, he requests a full, free and impartial investigation of any charges."

"Of course, as he wants it that way, he shall have it. I thought that there was an understanding between Mr. Atkinson and myself that, if at any time his administration of his department should be unsatisfactory, I should request his resignation. I thought that it was a kindness to him to relieve him in that way. He has preferred to stand by the officials under him and now, as I have said, I shall know no more than the public does."

"It is owing to the fact that there are two committees at work, order an investigation of the entire department. Everything connected with the administration of the schools will be embraced in this."

"This committee report that has come up to me, and the request of Mr. Atkinson has as you can see, made this step necessary. But pressed as I am for time, I have not as yet ever gone into the committee report fully. It is because of this pressure upon my time that I have asked Mr. Judd to act as my personal representative in making the investigation. I believe, and I think that the public will believe, that Mr. Judd will conduct it fairly and honestly."

INVESTIGATION TO BE FULL.

"If Mr. Judd accepts the responsibility, as I hope that he will, he will take this report of the House committee, and go fully into all the matter that is contained in it. Understand me, it is only the House committee that has referred any matter to me. There are two committees investigating the school department, but about what is being done by the joint committee of the two houses I believe, that a misapprehension has arisen in the public mind concerning affairs in the school department. There are no criminal charges contained in the report of the House committee to me, and I have been advised of no criminal charges against Mr. Atkinson."

"The House committee's report contains this statement," and the Governor read from the report on his desk: "Irregularities are apparent in the department, and a condition of affairs far from satisfactory."

"That is all," continued the Governor. "And it was in view of this that I stated to Mr. Atkinson that his administration was not satisfactory, and suggested his resignation. If he prefers to stand the brunt of the investigation, well and good. The investigation will be full and free and impartial."

JOINT COMMITTEE AT WORK.

The joint legislative committee which is investigating the Dept. of Education held another meeting in the Bungalow yesterday morning, hearing further testimony on the charges formulated by its sub-committee. Four principals of schools were examined, and all the testimony was favorable to the department. The session was in secret, but the general results soon became known. The only result of the closed session appears to be to put in circulation scores of varying reports.

Professor Scott of the High School, Edgar Wood of the Normal School, Mrs. Frazier of Kaulani School and Miss Felker of Kaahumanu School were the witnesses who testified yesterday. All of them denied the charge that the superintendent "showed indifference" to their work, or that the commissioners of education and superintendent never visited them. One of the principals testified to being "in touch" with the superintendent all the time, through oral and other communications, and all said that he showed interest in the work. The commission-ers were few visits in a body and the superintendent did not often visit.

In reply to a question from Senator

PLENTY OF MEN ARE OUT FIGHTING FOREST FIRES

News From the Ignited Belt Generally Favorable—Olaa Fire Out—Clearing Trails Around Burning Forests—Kona and Waiialua.

A trail thirty feet in width and between two and a half and three miles in length surrounds the fifteen hundred or two thousand acres of forest land which is burning at Waiialua, Oahu. The force of five hundred men from the plantations and ranches which began fighting the fire yesterday morning did valiant work in retarding the progress, and at night those in charge had the satisfaction of knowing that the fire would burn no further than the limits of the trail.

Manager Goodale of Waiialua plantation stated last evening that all things taken into consideration the fire would certainly be confined to its present sphere.

Mr. Watt, head overseer of Waiialua plantation, went to the scene of the fire yesterday morning with 200 men. Manager Buick of the Dowsett Ranch took a force to the side opposite Waiialua, or on the Waipahu side, and was joined there by Manager Ball of the Waipahu plantation with 100 men. These worked over toward the Waipahu side. Other men under Manager Goodale worked on the Waiialua side.

The gangs worked in opposite directions in clearing out a trail and met on the Waiialua side late in the afternoon. The trail is cleared entirely of inflammable materials exposing the dry earth to view in all parts. Wherever the fire reached the trail yesterday it died out.

Manager Goodale estimates the burned and burning area to be over 1500 acres in extent. A portion of it was cultivated land on which the fire started. The fire then spread to the forest timber. In the forest were ohia and koa trees and there was a heavy undergrowth of ferns, staghorn ferns, lantana, etc. The staghorn ferns are especially dangerous under the present conditions, for beside being inflammable, they have a great mass of roots which carry the fire close to the ground.

Manager Hosmer telephoned in last night to state that the fire was under control, and that thirty men out of the five hundred were patrolling the entire district, quenching flying embers as they fell into the unburned sections. These men will be kept in the district for several days if necessary, and if the fire continues to burn along, will be kept on duty until heavy rains come.

Byron O. Clark estimates the burned area to be about 2000 acres, half of which is grass land and the other half dense forest.

David Haugh of the Bureau of Agriculture and Forestry was on duty on Sunday night, yesterday and last night. He is directing the patrol.

OLAFA FIRE OUT.

A wireless message was received last evening by Land Commissioner Pratt from Mr. Williams of Kona, dated Hilo, as follows:

"Fire all out. Rain Saturday night and last night. Part of forest at Lewis settlement gone, also fifteen acres of bananas."

FIRE FIGHTING IN KONA.

R. S. Hosmer, Superintendent of the Forestry Division of the Bureau of Agriculture and Forestry, received information yesterday afternoon from South Kona, Hawaii, from George McDougall that the cross-line mauka of the burning forest district will be completed today and by Wednesday night the ditches will be completed, at which time the fire-fighters expect to have the fire under complete control.

Mr. Hosmer says that most of the country about the fire is very rough, but Mr. McDougall has succeeded in cutting a trail entirely around the burning area. In some places the contour of the country has given Mr. McDougall the opportunity to cut ditches. These, with the trail, practically assures the fire-fighters that the fire will not get a fresh start into a new district. The entire line of trails and ditches will be constantly patrolled by a gang of trustworthy men.

WANT TO GET FISHES TO EAT MOSQUITOES

Dr. David Starr Jordan Tells Local Experts How the War Can be Carried on Successfully.

A course of action that is most likely to lead to a successful issue of the mosquito campaign has been indicated to D. L. Van Dine of the Government Experiment Station, by David Starr Jordan of Stanford University, and yesterday, in company with Dr. Cooper, Mr. Van Dine called upon Governor Carter to lay the plan before him and enlist his aid.

As outlined, the plan of Dr. Jordan is to import mosquito-eating fishes from the mainland, thus destroying the insects in the larval stage. There are fishes, Dr. Jordan says—and he knows more about fishes than anybody in the world—that will do this, much more effectively than the kinds now here, and he has offered to find a man who will catch them and send them to Honolulu if the mosquito campaigners here will pay the man's expenses.

"The fishes Dr. Jordan indicates," said Mr. Van Dine yesterday while he was waiting to see the Governor, "are the varieties known commonly as killies and top minnows. They come, mostly, from Texas. Dr. Jordan recommended, moreover, that we import several va-

rieties, those that live in brackish water, as well as the fresh water ones, for the reason that, while we have no mosquitoes here now that breed in brackish water, there is no telling when that kind will come. These fishes are more voracious feeders than we have here."

"And there is no telling when the yellow fever will come, either," said Dr. Cooper, "after the Panama canal is built. This mosquito campaign is carried on now altogether by private subscription. We have asked the Legislature for \$7,000 for the two years, a comparatively small sum when the benefit to be derived is considered."

"Dr. L. L. Howard, Chief of the Bureau of Entomology at Washington, has a man in view who will come here and take charge of the work for \$150 a month," said Mr. Van Dine. "It is not much, for a good man. Yes, the dragon flies do good work in mosquito killing, and the nymph of this fly works on the young of the mosquito in the water, but the dragon fly cannot be helped artificially. The fishes can be."

The schooner Aloha will probably get away for Maui today. She will load 1200 tons of sugar there.

GOVERNOR SHOT DOWN

Finland Executive Receives a Probably Fatal Bullet From a Boy Revolutionist.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

VIBORG, Finland, Mar. 21.—Governor Miasodorff has been shot by a boy revolutionist. His condition is critical.

BURT FOR PANAMA.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—Horace G. Burt will probably be the new head of the Panama Commission.

Horace Greeley Burt, of Omaha, Nebraska, is one of the most successful railroad men in America. He is a man who has worked up from the bottom until he became president of the great Union Pacific railroad. In 1903 he assumed the powers of general manager of the road in addition to his duties as president. He is an excellent organizer and a man well fitted to push the great canal to completion.

GETTING BOOTY BACK.

OAKLAND, Mar. 21.—Part of the booty taken from the oil refinery messenger at Point Richmond has been recovered and one robber is believed to have been captured.

THE RETREAT CONTINUES.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 21.—The rear guard of the retreating Russian army is twenty-seven miles north of Tie Pass, destroying bridges and the railroad.

THE MAD MULLAH SUBDUED.

LONDON, Mar. 21.—The Mad Mullah has signed a treaty of peace with Italy and Great Britain and has gone under an Italian protectorate.

PACIFIC COAST SUBMARINES.

VALLEJO, Mar. 21.—The submarine destroyers Pike and Grampus will soon leave for San Diego for maneuvers on their maiden trip.

BROCKTON EXPLOSION'S VICTIMS.

BROCKTON, Mar. 21.—Fifty-three victims of the boiler explosion are dead and 54 missing.

PROMOTION FOR NEW.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—Cortelyou has appointed Harry New vice chairman of the Republican National Committee.

FRANCE AND VENEZUELA.

PARIS, Mar. 21.—The Government is awaiting cable advices about the Venezuela decision before taking action.

BRITISH STEAMER SEIZED.

TOKIO, Mar. 21.—The British steamer Harbarton with coal from Vladivostok has been seized.

AFTERNOON REPORT.

TOKIO, Mar. 20.—The Japanese have occupied Kasyuan. WASHINGTON, Mar. 20.—Two French warships have been ordered to Venezuela as a result of the strained relations with the Castro government.

BROCKTON, Mar. 20.—A boiler exploded today in the Grover Shoe Factory in this city, and was followed by a fire which completed the disaster. It is thought that 100 persons perished. Sixty bodies have been recovered.

OAKLAND, Mar. 20.—A messenger carrying \$10,000, to pay off the employes of the oil refinery at Point Richmond was held up today while riding in a buggy to his destination. Two highwaymen did the work and escaped with their booty.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 20.—The anxiety regarding the fate of General Linevitch's army continues. It is officially indicated that the Mukden losses were 120,000 men and 80 guns.