

MAYOR NAMES HIS MEN

Mayor Fern, after a consultation with his political advisers that lasted until after midnight this morning, has announced the names of those he has selected to fill the various municipal offices that come into existence at noon on Monday next. Among the principal offices he reappoints the present chiefs, with the exception of the road supervisor. For that place he chooses Johnny Wilson. He has also named a man to serve as superintendent of the garbage department.

County Engineer Gere will be the City and County Engineer, Fire Chief Thurston succeeds himself; Electrician Frazee will continue as head of the electric light department; Captain Berger will continue to lead the band, and a few others will stay in their official places as lunas and assistant superintendents. Among the lesser offices, however, a clean sweep has been made. The Road Department gets a new deal throughout except in the way of a luna or two; Assistant Fire Chief Deering is dropped, the parks will have new men behind the grass mowers and the stables will soon ring with the orders of other bosses.

The complete list of appointments announced is:

- Secretary to the Mayor, Charles L. Rhodes.
- County Engineer, G. H. Gere.
- Chief of Fire Department, C. H. Thurston.
- Bandmaster, Capt. H. Berger.
- Chief Electric Light Department, W. L. Frazee.
- Electrician Police and Fire Alarm System, Charles Reeves.
- Road Supervisor, Honolulu, J. H. Wilson.
- Superintendent Garbage Department, David K. Martin.
- Assistant County Engineer, C. J. Willis.
- Assistant Chief Fire Department, George Wright.
- Lamp Repairer, Electric Light Department, Manuel Olsen.
- Lineman, Electric Light Department, Joe Kahunahana.
- Trimmer, Electric Light Department, Geo. Malle.
- Station Keeper, Electric Light Department, J. M. Ferreira.
- Dynamoman, Electric Light Department, Charles F. Sackwitz.
- Assistant Dynamoman, Electric Light Department, A. Walker.
- Poundmaster, A. Keahialoa.
- Keeper of Aala Park, E. W. Palau.
- Keeper of Aala Park, Asa Kaulia.
- Keeper of Thomas Square, G. W. P. Nawahine.
- Keeper of Thomas Square, Kahale Kapua.
- Keeper of Emma Square, Roger Kekeua.
- Chairman, County Engineer, R. Kalaokalani.
- Chairman, County Engineer, P. H. Kahau.
- Lineman, Police and Fire Alarm System, Charles Pimoku.
- Clerk, Garbage Department, J. A. Lawelawe.
- Collector, Garbage Department, E. B. Friel.
- Luna, Garbage Department, Sam Leina.
- Deputy Road Supervisor, David Crowningberg.
- Bookkeeper, Road Department, Robt. W. Cathcart.
- Timekeeper, Road Department, Geo. K. Lowe.
- Stenographer and Clerk, Road Department, J. C. Anderson.
- Foreman, Fourth District Stables, G. K. Keawehaku.
- Foreman, Fifth District Stables, Henry Alapal.
- Stable Watchman, Fourth District Stables, Geo. K. Kane.
- Stable Watchman, Fifth District Stables, Kalima.
- Watchman, Fifth District Kalihi Quarry, Samuel Haluapo.
- Watchman, Fifth District Alewa Quarry, G. W. Pahu.
- Watchman, Fourth District Moiliili Quarry, Victor K. Kallilui.
- Estray Police, Awili.
- Messenger, Road Department, Ernest Bell.
- Road Luna (Sweeping Gang), F. C. Benevedes.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Elona Alapal.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Kaalele, Kial.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Hugo Kanoe.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Sam Wahineasa.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, S. W. Kamohahi.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Ed. Hanapi.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Horace N. Crabbe.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Ed. Genet.

- Road Luna, Honolulu, J. K. Merseberg.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Chas. Clerk.
- Road Luna, Honolulu, Kenj. Kaluna.
- Team Luna, Road Department, Honolulu, W. Rathburn.
- Road Overseer, Ewa Road District, Jas. Manoana.
- Road Luna, Ewa Road District, J. H. Makanaui.
- Road Luna, Ewa Road District, Manuel K. Sylva.
- Road Luna, Ewa Road District, Jas. Keoana Jr.
- Stable Luna, Ewa District, Solomon K. Naholowaa.
- Road Overseer, Waialua Road District, Fred Meyer.
- Road Luna, Waialua Road District, Jas. Palau.
- Road Overseer, Waialua Road District, H. H. Piomer.
- Road Luna, Waialua Road District, D. K. Kauwala.
- Road Overseer, Koolauloa Road District, K. Kapu.
- Road Luna, Koolauloa Road District, Sam Paulo.
- Road Overseer, Koolauloa Road District, J. K. Paele.
- Road Overseer, Waianalo Road District, George Chalmers.
- Road Luna, Waianalo Road District, Moses Piyi.

Will Occasion Surprise.
The fact that the Mayor-elect has gone into the details of appointments so as to include parkkeepers, poundmasters and chairmen will come as a surprise to many. It is extremely probable that while the Republican majority on the new board will approve of the head appointments there will be a big row over the claim of his right to appoint men for the great majority of the offices included in the above list.

A CONSPIRACY OF GRAFT DISCLOSED

United States District Attorney Breckons has secured evidence showing that during the visit of the Atlantic fleet in this port the denizens of Iwilei contributed twelve dollars each to a fund by which they were guaranteed immunity during the stay of the fleet.

In the course of the investigations which have led to the overwhelming evidence of this fact, a large number of arrests have been made on warrants sworn out by Mr. Breckons. It was in the course of this investigation that the complaints against Isoi and his wife were sworn to and their arrest made. But there were a great many others as well.

The investigation started on information that a number of Japanese women had been brought to Hawaii for the purposes of prostitution. The general plan followed in this was for the woman on her arrival to be met here by a Japanese man who was in the conspiracy, to whom she was married at the immigrant station. Having thus qualified, the women were lauded by the immigration authorities and immediately began plying their trade. The complainant husbands are being gathered in by the Federal dragnet as participants in the conspiracy to violate the law.

Following up the thread of the evidence in these cases came the discovery of the twelve dollar club for immunity during the visit of the fleet. The evidence of these payments and of the purpose for which they were made is conclusive. But it has not yet been fully disclosed who organized the scheme and got the money. It is known who received it from the women, but for whom it was collected and to whom the collector turned it over is not as fully known.

Yesterday another discovery was made. It has been found that since the first arrests following the investigation were made another levy of three dollars from each of the Iwilei women has been made and a part of it has been collected. Apparently this levy was to provide a defense fund for the Isoi crowd. That only a part of the women have paid this levy, is believed to be because those engaged in collecting the fund got scared and quit.

An important arrest was made in this matter by Marshal Hendry night before last at Waialua. This was the arrest of Nakamura, for whom a warrant was issued November 30. In fact, this was one of the very first warrants issued. But Nakamura could not be located. Other members of the conspiracy refused information as to his whereabouts. Finally, by following up clues, he was traced to Waialua, where he was found as a plantation laborer.

Among other arrests made in connection with this, some of whom have been indicted, are Isoi and his wife Chise, Kuwano and his wife, Kajawara, Susuki, and Hini Susuki.

The immigration department is co-operating with the District Attorney in this investigation.

LOOK AFTER YOUR HEALTH.
If you have a cough, cure it. A cough is a symptom of more serious trouble. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best obtainable and you need have no hesitancy in using it as it contains nothing injurious. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., Agents for Hawaii.

MR. FERN RESIGNS, BUT THE SUPERVISORS ARE RELUCTANT TO ACCEPT

Just as the meeting of the Board of Supervisors was about to close last evening Supervisor and Mayor-elect Joseph J. Fern presented his written resignation as a member of the present board, to take effect immediately.

The resignation was a surprise to everyone and for a few seconds the mayor-elect received the concentrated and astonished gaze of every other member. Chairman Hustace scratched his head, and then took up the written resignation and glanced it over. The chairman expressed regret at the action taken by Mr. Fern. He did not know the supervisor's reason for resigning, but supposed it was a good one. He had hoped that the entire board would hold together until the last day of their term. Some one suggested that if the board refused to accept it, the resignation could only go to the Governor for final action.

Mr. Fern said if the board did not accept the resignation he would have to find a way. "I presented my resignation," he said, "just to keep out of trouble, as under the law I cannot hold two offices at one time. I have to fill in my appointments as mayor between December 1 and January 1, and if I remained a supervisor I would be filling two offices. These appointments are effective right now."

After consulting with the County Attorney Mr. Hustace said he did not think he, as chairman, could accept the resignation. After further consultation with the County Attorney the chairman announced that the resignation would be received and placed on file. That ended the matter and Mr. Fern was regarded as a real mayor.

A Love Feast.
After the routine business was concluded, Chairman Hustace referred to the financial report, showing that about \$17,000 cash would be turned over to the new board by the present one, and said that it was better than he had anticipated.

"Tonight being our last regular meeting," he said, "we will not take up the matter of estimates for the coming month. As the former board did not do that for us I think it would be an infringement of the rights of the next one."

"I would like to make a showing as to the financial condition of the county. I don't think the people of this county have any idea of the amount of money that goes through the hands of the Board of Supervisors? We have handled about \$1,044,000 in two years. A man I talked to the other day laughed when I told him it would be over a million. The people of this community should attend the meetings of the board and find out what is being done. We have been in office twenty-four months. The former board was in about eighteen months."

"I want to thank every member of this board for the support they have given me, and also to thank the heads of departments and the clerks."

"The county is safe. We have done our duty. Oahu has not been wrecked. The county is here to stay. If it is handled as well in the future there will be no occasion for any government by commission."

Thanks to Hustace.
At this juncture Clerk Kalaokalani read the following resolution presented by Supervisor Dwight, seconded by Mr. Fern:

Whereas, The second term of County Government on the Island of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii, is now drawing to its termination and is about to be succeeded by the City and County of Honolulu; and

Whereas, The members constituting the present Board of Supervisors are desirous of expressing their appreciation of the able and zealous administration of Mr. Charles Hustace, Jr., as chairman of this board; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Oahu, thoroughly appreciating the valuable services, courtesy and executive ability of our chairman, Mr. Charles Hustace, Jr., do hereby extend to him our sincere thanks for the able, efficient and courteous manner in which he has performed the duties of executive head of this board, and extend to him our best wishes for his success and happiness in the future affairs of his life.

He it further Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the board in recognition thereof.

Introduced by Supervisor S. E. Dwight; seconded by Supervisor Jos. J. Fern.

Mr. Hustace smiled as an appreciative bow with a Christmas gift.

What County Has Done.
In thanking the members for this testimonial, Mr. Hustace again referred to County success, saying the work of the past two years had all gone to make a successful administration of affairs. He said the board was like the board of directors of a corporation. The people were the stockholders, and their

dividends were in good streets, police and fire protection.

"It may sound conceited," he said, "but I think the affairs of the county have been managed as well as those of the Territorial government. They cannot touch us. We have always had money in the bank and paid our warrants in cash right along. We have saved some and come out on top. I will look back in years to come on this administration and feel proud of this board's record. If I should ever again come back to the board I want to land again among seven as good Hawaiians as I have been associated with. I say this from the bottom of my heart."

Everybody Talks.

Supervisor Cox expressed his appreciation of Chairman Hustace administration of affairs on behalf of the outer districts. There were many improvements now that would never have been made by the Territory.

Mr. Fern said he had been sorry he had run for mayor. He had been brought into court several times, but now it was happily ended and he would be mayor in fact. He hoped the members of the new board would work in harmony. He hoped the new board would not spend the county money in a hurry, but do it conservatively.

Aloha from All.

Mr. Dwight had nothing to say, and Mr. Keoloha said "Aloha." Mr. Archer said he was glad to state that the chairman had always done his duty by the county. Mr. Archer said as to himself that he had worked for the best interest of Ewa district and now there was a fine macadamized road from Pukaki Hill to Honolulu, over which autoists enjoyed their runs. The County Attorney thanked the chairman and members for courteous treatment and for help given his office throughout. The Attorney's office now had a fine law library. When he came in there were only a few old books. He challenged any county in the United States to show as efficient and economical government as had been administered in Oahu County. The Deputy Attorney spoke in like manner.

Clerk Kalaokalani thanked the board on behalf of himself and office staff for courteous treatment and assistance. Auditor Bicknell said his relations with the board had always been very pleasant. Engineer Gere thanked the board for taking hold of his practical suggestions and putting them through. The road work done by the county would be a monument to its efficiency. Road Supervisor Cummins regretted the board was going out, and as its days were numbered, so might be those of himself and of other employees under him. Fire Chief Thurston and Superintendent of Electric Lights Frazee said the Territory had only 130 arc lights in Honolulu, and since county government went into effect this number had increased to 270 arc lights and about 350 incandescents.

Picture Unveiled.

Complimentary remarks concluded, Clerk Buffandeau mounted a ladder and, tearing off a paper envelope over a picture hanging behind the chairman, exposed a large frame enclosing individual pictures of the entire board. The chairman presented each member with a copy of the large picture, the gift of Photographer Williams.

Payrolls Safeguarded.

A question arose as to how the pay of employees shall be taken care of in the interval between January 1 and January 4. It was first suggested that the present board make up the rolls and bills for this short interval, but after some consultation with the County Attorney and Supervisor-elect Logan, the chair announced that such bills would be taken care of by the next board.

Claim is Adjusted.

The claim of some property-owners at Waipahu for damages done their land by the running of a ditch from the road, was adjusted for \$100, one of the owners being present and accepting this amount.

Fire Chief Thurston reported five fire calls during December, with a property loss of \$128.35, the liability of the insurance companies being only \$14.35.

Official Cash Count.

A statement was presented by Chairman Hustace and the Deputy County Attorney as to the amount of money on hand with the County Treasurer, as follows:

There ought to be in the treasury, \$12,691.63; warrants issued, but not paid, \$8001.90. Total, \$20,693.52.

Amounts and kinds of money are: Redeemed warrants, \$206.85; U. S. gold coin, \$965; U. S. silver coin, \$119.97; U. S. currency, \$92; road taxes on special deposit in banks, \$10,911.15; general fund, \$8378.55—making the above total of \$20,673.52.

A long list was presented by Superintendent Frazee showing the number of petitions received for electric lights and the number installed.

Berger and the Band.

Captain H. Berger, leader of the Hawaiian band, presented the following report, showing the number of times the band has played during 1907 and 1908, during the term of the present Board of Supervisors:

1907.	1908.	
Steamers	91	127
Emma Square	43	47
Thomas Square	42	39
Aala Park	66	63
Capitol	34	18

Makee Island	14	15
Young Hotel	13	20
Moana Hotel	9	14
Seaside Hotel	13	12
Hawaiian Hotel	15	4
Baseball	32	24
Kakaako	3	8
Hospital	2	6
Rehearsals	86	49
Extra	29	40
Funerals	6	8
Kalihi	2	0
Queen's service	6	2
Chinese service	4	9
Japanese service	6	1
Military service	14	15
	530	521

Another Financial Report.

Supervisor Archer presented the following statement of county finances:

Statement of Cash on Hand, December 29, 1908.

To balance on hand, December 29, 1908

To warrant for December

\$63,911.21

Outstanding:

December estimates

Water wagons—balance

Repairs—fire engine boiler

Horse for electric light department

Blocks for Queen street in reserve

\$43,832.75

\$20,078.46

Road Tax Fund on Hand

December 29, 1908:

Honolulu

Ewa and Waialua

Waialua

Koolauloa

Koolaulopo

\$ 5,384.75

\$25,463.21

The board adjourned to meet again on Monday, January 4, at 10 a. m.

WAIPIO GULCH LEASES GIVEN UP

There was filed yesterday with Registrar of Conveyances Merriam the surrender of two leases by Leong Kan Chew of property leased from Samuel Parker. One of the leases is dated January 1, 1901, and is of rice and taro land in Waipio gulch, Hawaii, for with the rental was \$9000 a year. The other was for other lands in Waipio gulch, for which the rental was \$500 a year. In both cases the surrender states that the lessee is unable to pay the rent. At the same time new leases of the same property were filed to Lee Poi. For the \$9000 a year property Lee Poi is to pay \$6000 a year and for the other \$500.

FOUNDATION FOR BIG GUNS

Forty thousand tons will be the weight of each of the two great gun stations to be established at Waikiki on the United States government property. As Major Winslow expresses it, each station, as to weight, is like two battleships resting one on top of the other.

Tests are still being conducted and minute observations as to the character of the foundations are being recorded daily. Two piles have been driven down through the uncertain strata of coral and water and on each pile are boxes of sand. Tests show that each is slowly going lower. To complete this novel test there will be more than the usual delays, but as the determination of the character of the foundation for these mighty gun stations is of the first and most important consideration, time will be of the utmost value.

Were the gun stations to be built without a thorough determination of the foundation the stations in time might prove valueless. When Major Winslow came here he understood the strata to be of a certain character. Preliminary tests made under his direction showed differences and thorough tests gave conclusive proof that the foundation was uncertain, and therefore the pile tests were made and will be watched closely. This may mean a delay of two months or more, but the delay will benefit Uncle Sam.

It was for the reason that Major Winslow wanted tests of the beach including the McCandless lot, that condemnation suit was brought to include the McCandless property in the War Department's holdings. Although the matter has not been settled, Major Winslow, under the circumstances, assumed the right to make tests on the McCandless property as one of the gun stations will be located partly at that place. The old Afong property belongs to the United States and the preparation work can go ahead there without restriction.

The two guns for the stations will be 14-inch and as far as known by the army engineer they are now being manufactured. These weapons are the largest now being turned out by the United States.

The stations may be erected on foundations of piles.

ADDING TO THE EXPENSE BILL

The announced appointment by Mayor-elect Fern of a superintendent of a garbage department and the divorcing of that department from that of roads which will follow the appointment, is the carrying out of a plan advocated by him a year ago as a member of the Board of Supervisors, a plan which is said to have been inspired by Charley Achi. At that time, but for the pressure of opinion against it, the separation of the departments would have been made, the two Democrats on the Board having the moral support of Supervisors Archer and Cox. The added expense the separation would have been so clearly pointed out, however, that the matter never came to a vote. Now, with Fern in the saddle, the change appears likely to be made and the extra expense incurred.

At the present time the superintendent of garbage, who is also the road supervisor, receives \$50 a month salary. A superintendent who has to depend on that one job for a living must receive certainly more than \$50 a month, while in several other important particulars the expense of maintaining a separate department would be greater than under the present system. In 1902 when the garbage department was under the Superintendent of Public Works, the expense on the public was \$3600 a month, but this was cut down, through the extension of the sewer system and otherwise to \$2250 per month in the first months of 1905, with the establishment of county government, while, with the coming in of the present Board of Supervisors in 1907, the monthly expense had been cut to \$1975.

The amalgamation of the road and garbage departments was made in 1904, but separate stables were maintained until the present government stables were built.

During the past few months the expense of the department has been still further decreased, to \$1399 last month, but the income has fallen off considerably, for some reason, being \$250 less in November than in January. In that month the net cost of the garbage department had been reduced to \$322; last month it was \$599, while if a separate department is created again the cost to the taxpayers will approximate \$1000 a month at least.

Out of thirty head of stock, the property of the garbage department, only eighteen are used in the service, the remaining twelve being used by the road department in regular road work; and only two excavator wagons being necessary, the rest are turned into street sprinklers.

Should the division be made it will not only increase expenses by employing a foreman, watchman, stablemen and others necessary for the running of separate stables, but it will necessitate the turning over to the garbage department together with other property for which it has long since ceased to have use, some twelve head of stock, now used for road work, and eight excavators which are being used as street sprinklers, and which in case of a division could not be maintained by the road department, and the superintendent of the garbage department be expected to account for, while a man with some thousands of dollars in stock to be responsible for deserves more than \$50 a month, especially with all his clerks getting higher pay than that.

Y. M. C. A. WILL HAVE BACHELOR'S DINNER

The Y. M. C. A. of Honolulu has always observed the time-honored custom of serving a New Year's dinner, open to any one who cared to drop in, but owing to the cutting up of the large assembly hall into classrooms it was decided that such a dinner would be impossible this year. However, as a great many members have requested it, the social committee has decided to serve a dinner at six o'clock on a much smaller scale than usual in the social hall. This dinner is planned especially for those men who may happen to be in town on New Year's Day and who have no homes of their own. An excellent dinner will be served at 50 cents a plate, and a program consisting of music and short speeches is being prepared. A fine time is promised every one who comes, but as there will be accommodations for only about fifty it will be necessary for those who wish to attend to notify the secretary at once, who will prepare souvenir place-cards.

All young men in town, whether they are members of the Y. M. C. A. or not, who want to have a jolly good time on New Year's night, should make it a point to see the secretary at once and deposit his four bits.

Some concern is felt as to whether any Honolulu people were in the region of the Italian earthquakes or not. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Marx are in Italy, but in Milan. Godfrey Brown of the Mutual Telephone Company is abroad and intended to include Italy in his travels, but it is not known that he has reached there.