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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, December 17.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, .05. Temperature, Max. 75; Min. 66. Weather, unsettled.

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GOVERNOR IS LOSING NO TIME

Sees Carnegie, Looks Over Public Building Plans, and Talks Architecture.

AMENDMENT BILL IN HOUSE

Satisfactory Meeting With Taft and Ballinger—Waiting for Delegate.

By Ernest G. Walker.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, December 6.—Governor Frear arrived here yesterday and today entered upon the work which he mapped out as the object of his long trip from Honolulu to Washington. He spent a part of today at the Capitol, where he met a number of old friends in senate and house. Attorneys Hemenway and Withington were there also to witness the opening of the session of congress, and the three lunched together at the senate restaurant. The Governor came to Washington by way of New York, where he tarried for a number of days.

This afternoon Governor Frear mentioned his visit to Andrew Carnegie as one of the very satisfactory events of his trip to the big city. The Governor learned soon after his arrival in New York that Mr. Carnegie had decided to give Honolulu a \$100,000 public library. A letter written by the Governor some time ago had been received by Mr. Carnegie on his return from abroad and informed him that Honolulu had complied with conditions he imposed, such as provision by the legislature for the maintenance of the library and the merging of the local subscription library with the new institution. Mr. Carnegie had already replied to that letter before the Governor called upon him, but they had a very pleasant talk of about an hour nevertheless.

Advising Architects.

Governor Frear said that naturally no further steps had been taken toward the construction of the building or the preparation of designs, but that will come later in due course. While in New York he saw members of the firm of architects of York & Sawyer, who have been commissioned to prepare the plans for the Honolulu public building, and incidentally suggested to them that there might be opportunities for obtaining further commissions should a representative of the firm go to Honolulu, as the treasury department expects will be done. The Governor alluded to the fact that a new public library was to be erected, as well as a new Y. M. C. A. building, probably a new chamber of commerce, and so on.

Public Building Plans.

The plans for the Honolulu building, as approved by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Hilles, Secretary MacVeagh, Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, and Postmaster-General Hitchcock were shown the Governor in New York. He regards these plans as very satisfactory. Some changes have been agreed upon, such as postoffice boxes on the outside of the building and separate quarters for the marine hospital service, which will preclude the possibility of contagion to persons coming to other parts of the building. The building material will probably be concrete.

Bond Refunding.

While in New York the Governor talked with various financial firms in the Wall Street district about the proposed refunding of \$2,000,000 of territorial bonds. He gained a deal of valuable information, he said this afternoon, about acceptable methods of issuing such securities so that they would find the most ready market. The Governor believes that New York firms will be glad to buy large blocks of the new securities. One firm, that handled a previous issue of territorial bonds, expressed a willingness to handle the entire refunding issue.

Chat With Taft.

Governor Frear expects to have a talk soon with President Taft about Hawaiian matters. His call this morning upon Secretary of the Interior Ballinger was very pleasant. The secretary made an appointment for a later day, when they can have a general talk about Hawaiian matters. He also saw Assistant Secretary of the Interior Wilson, who was at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. During the afternoon the Governor went to the Supreme Court, where he moved the admission of A. F. Judd of Honolulu to practise there and listened to the argument of the case of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association against the Territory of Hawaii to recover \$15,000.

The Governor has not formulated yet his plans for remaining in Washington. He remarked that the amendments to (Continued on Page Two.)

IN DEFENSE OF THE DELEGATE

A. G. M. Robertson States That Kuhio Is Still Wanted at Washington.

CRITICISM NOT INOPPORTUNE

Calls the Present Row "Tempest in a Teapot," and of No Importance.

Editor Advertiser:—When the last congressional party was here the hope was expressed, not only by the visitors but by our business men and by Republicans generally, that Kuhio would again be the Republican nominee for delegate to congress. When Kuhio finally declared that he would be a candidate for the nomination next year the announcement was hailed with much satisfaction, and it was accepted as a foregone conclusion that he would be reelected. At that time The Advertiser reported that "The announcement has been received with a great amount of pleasure by Republicans, by the independents among the business men and by the citizens generally." The Advertiser in a previous issue had said, "It is to be hoped that Kuhio will see his way clear to make the announcement desired by his friends. The reiterated advice of the visiting congressmen that Kuhio should be returned to Washington to carry out the work he has so successfully commenced has confirmed the reports that have otherwise come back from the Capital concerning the Delegate and his work. This Territory at this formative period needs Kuhio at Washington."

Now you say that Kuhio has "cut the ties of party allegiance," and has "disassociated himself from the party," also that "he should be disciplined."

The charge against Kuhio seems to be that he has in a reprehensible manner and at an inopportune time criticized the land policy of the Republican administration.

That the administration of the public lands of this Territory has long been open to criticism could be easily proven by reference to the files of The Advertiser, and I venture to say that Governor Frear, if he were here, would readily concede it. I have not heard anyone deny it. So far as any such criticism is concerned Kuhio has voiced nothing new, and his position in that respect, as well as the Governor's, was well known to all those who took part in the conferences on the land bill over which the Governor presided. For Kuhio to forebly remind the party that something ought, if possible, be done by way of remedying the situation before the next election, and to bring the matter to public attention before his departure for Washington, can not justly be said to be inopportune. It is nonsense to contend that a Republican leader can not criticize a Republican administration without "disassociating" (Continued on Page Two.)

ALL BIG LINERS ARE BOOKED UP

Honolulu-Bound Tourists Told That Island Tickets Are Unavailable.

The only assurance that tourists, heading for Hawaii, have of getting here on the big transpacific liners, is that they can get accommodations only on the Pacific Mail steamship Mongolia, sailing December 21 from San Francisco. That vessel appears to be the only one which has had any vacancies at all that can be obtained by Honolulu-bound passengers.

General Agent Kerrell of the Pacific Mail company, in nearly all letters sent out to inquiring persons who ask for the prospect of getting accommodations to Honolulu, states that "all other steamers (other than the Mongolia) are booked up full for many weeks to come, and accommodations are accordingly not available."

MAY VOTE TICKET, BUT NOT HEAD IT

"We don't want Prince Cupid," said a Democratic member of the legislature last night. "Of course, he is welcome to vote the Democratic ticket, we have no objection to that. But if he thinks he is going to come in with us and head our ticket, he is badly mistaken. We don't need him; we have leaders of our own and we are not going to sidetrack them to make room for Cupid. "And if Cupid thinks he is going to start a new party and get any Democratic votes to help him out, he is badly mistaken. He is about as far off as our sorehead Democrat from Hilo, Ryan. He can't run the Democratic party. No, sir. We can take care of ourselves without any assistance from Kuhio."

QUEEN'S LAWYER WILL BE BALLOU

He Will Represent Her Before the Court of Claims at the National Capital.

Before the court of claims at Washington, ex-Queen Liliuokalani's claim for a portion of the revenues from the crown lands of Hawaii, after the overthrow of the monarchy in 1893, will be presented early in the coming year, and possibly by Judge S. M. Ballou of the law firm of Kinney, Ballou, Prosser & Anderson.

The Queen is now en route to Washington, accompanied by her private secretary, J. D. Aimoku. As usual, she will make an appeal to the federal government for reimbursement, but this time the claim will be presented with all due formality, under legal procedure. It is believed here that the Queen has a better chance for recognition by this congress than by any other, although the ultimatum has been issued by cabinet heads that curtailment of expenses and appropriations must be made this coming year.

It is believed that the Queen's claim will be for a sum amounting to about \$400,000. All congressmen who came here this year, as well as those who were here two years ago as guests of the Territory, are in favor of the queen's claim, and if presented in a manner which will be reasonable, it is believed that proper steps may be taken to grant her request.

OPPOSITION TO PORTO RICANS IS RAISED

If the planters' association are determined to carry out their reported intention of importing more Porto Rican laborers, the members will find that much opposition will probably develop in Hawaii. One of those who promises to lead a campaign against the movement is ex-Governor Clegg, who has strong ideas on the subject.

"I think it would be an outrage on this community to bring more Porto Ricans here," he said yesterday. "I for one will oppose such a thing as strongly as I am able. If necessary, I will appeal to Washington to put a stop to it. I would rather see the plantations go to ruin than to have Hawaii infested with any more of the class of people the other importations of Porto Ricans proved them to be." Other expressions of disapproval, less vigorously expressed, were heard yesterday. No one in authority among the planters' association members denied the reported intention of turning to Porto Rico, nor did anyone confirm the report.

COLONISTS ARE TROUBLESOME

Portuguese All Want to Go to Ewa and Russians Sigh for Skating.

Pleading upon their knees, with tears streaming down their cheeks, deaf to all statements but the one word "all right," as translated into the Portuguese language, a number of Portuguese women immigrants who arrived on the British steamship Swanley have made life miserable for R. D. Mead of the planters' association, Will Savidge of the board of immigration and Consul General Canavaro. When the Portuguese finally decided to ask the planters' agents for work, they mapped out the plantations to which they wished to go, and naturally they chose estates on this island so as to be near that dear Punchbowl. Ewa was the plantation to which most of them wished to go, and to Ewa most of them have (Continued on Page Eight.)

WILDER'S RESIGNATION HAS BEEN ACCEPTED

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17, 1909.—Hon. A. A. Wilder, Honolulu: Your telegram of December 15 received and resignation as Associate Justice Supreme Court of Hawaii is hereby accepted to take effect immediately.

WM. H. TAFT.

A. A. Wilder is no longer a member of the territorial supreme bench. The justice yesterday morning received the above esblegram from Washington, informing him that his resignation had been accepted. There was considerable speculation yesterday regarding Justice Wilder's probable successor. It is thought not unlikely that the President may be conferring with Governor Frear regarding the appointment of a man to fill the vacancy.

RIVAL THRONES IN THE CAPITOL

Conflicting Claims to Rulership Causes Ruction and Two Courts Are Held.

Although the Territory didn't know it, it yesterday faced one of the greatest crises in its history. Only the kind intervention of Fate saved its political system from total destruction. It all arose through Acting-Governor Mott-Smith developing an indisposition.

When he left his office yesterday morning to return home and attempt to recover his lost equilibrium, Claudius H. McBride, private secretary to a prodigal Governor, understood that instructions had been left which made him the Acting Acting-Governor. He alleges that he was told by Mr. Mott-Smith to take care of the office.

The real Acting-Governor had no sooner disappeared over the horizon when a rival warwhoop sounded from the other side of the hall, and Acting Attorney-General Andrews stuck his head out and surveyed the scenery. Failing to discover any substitute for a chief executive, he climbed up on what he considered his rights and rode over to the Governor's sanctuary. There he discovered McBride in the softest chair, with his feet on a pile of correspondence and a chief executive cigar stuck in an aperture of his face at an angle of forty-five degrees with the horizontal.

Andrews' outraged feelings found vent in a low growl which caused McBride's back hair to bristle up and float on the trade winds that were coming in through the open window.

With the whole force of his legal training and the authority of his office, Andrews settled down to prove to the secretary that according to every law of man and God he was the Acting Governor pending the rearrival of Mr. Mott-Smith, as in his capacity as attorney-general he was in line to the throne by divine right. McBride, however, requires more than law to deprive him of his rights, and quoted Shakespeare and Mott-Smith by the yard, in which he made it appear that somebody had given the attorney-general a bum steer, and until the rightful claimant came back he was going to hold the official lid.

Arbitration failing to result in anything definite, Andrews returned to his own sanctum and opened a rival court, and so matters stood the entire afternoon. When interviewed late yesterday as to the situation, Mr. McBride said:

"We are rivals. We are opening all the Governor's mail and he is waiting for something weighty to come up that he can decide. Nothing has as yet come in, as Treasurer Conkling has not yet turned in his resignation."

NEW TURN IN SUGAR FRAUDS

Five American Refining Company Employees Are Found Guilty.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, December 18.—Five employees of the American Sugar Refining Company, implicated in the gigantic weighing frauds which shocked the country a few months ago, were yesterday found guilty of conspiracy to defraud the United States government.

Through fraudulent weighing, brought about by tampering with the scales, the American Sugar Refining Company, according to the charges of the authorities, managed to cheat the government out of gigantic sums of money in the shape of duties on sugar. The men directly implicated in the frauds were at once placed under arrest and put on trial for defrauding the government.

LEOPOLD'S WILL IS THREATENED

Daughters Get But One Million Dollars Each From Vast Estate.

ALL BELGIUM IS IN MOURNING

Dead King's Career Is Lauded in Singular Official Decree.

(By Associated Press.)

BRUSSELS, December 18.—Though the private fortune left by the late King Leopold reaches almost fabulous figures, the royal will, which was opened yesterday, divides but \$3,000,000 among the three daughters of the late monarch. This is looked upon as practical disinheretance, and the announcement of the provisions of the testament signalizes the beginning of gigantic lawsuits on behalf of the princesses to secure control of the enormous wealth left by Leopold.

All Belgium is now in official mourning for the late King, and all public places have been closed. An official decree, issued yesterday, lauds Leopold's career and lauds the late monarch as a great King.

Prince Albert, who succeeds to the throne, will take the solemn oath of office on Thursday next.

May Contest.

BRUSSELS, December 17.—The son of the Baroness Vaughan will possibly contest the throne with Prince Albert, Count of Flanders, nephew of the late King Leopold. It is said that the Vatican has confirmed the marriage of the baroness with the late King, of which union the pretender was issue.

NUUANU DAM NOW IS READY FOR WATER

Work of Blocking Up the Tunnel Was Completed Late Last Evening.

The Nuuanu dam is now ready to hold water. At six o'clock last night the work of blocking up the tunnel through the front cross section of the dam was completed and the contractor announced that it would be safe to allow the water to rise behind the dam to a height of thirty feet.

The fact that the dam is now ready for service means that the water from the next rainfall will all be saved. There is still a large amount of work to be done, but water to the depth of thirty feet can now safely be stored.

FILIPINOS COMING ON THE NIPPON MARU

Two Hundred Islanders Will Be Here This Month, and More Next.

Two hundred or more Filipinos will arrive here by the Nippon Maru on December 31. Furthermore, during the month of January at least 600 more men from Uncle Sam's oriental islands are expected here. On those plantations where the Filipinos have gone to work excellent reports are being made and the workmen are giving good satisfaction.

ZELAYA SAYS THAT HE HAS RESIGNED

(By Associated Press.)

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, December 17.—President Zelaya has sent a cable message to President Taft to the effect that he has resigned as leader of the Nicaraguan government in order to allow Nicaragua to resume friendly relations with the United States. Zelaya has proposed to leave the country, but declares that he is ready to account for all that he has done.

ATTELL AND WEBSTER FIGHT LIVELY DRAW

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18.—Monte Attell and Danny Webster fought a rattling mill to a draw here last night.

THOMPSON DEFEATS HYLAND.

(By Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, December 18.—The fistie battle between Cyclone Thompson and Dick Hyland, pulled off here last night, resulted in a victory on a decision for Thompson.

WOULD RIVAL THE UNITED STATES

Mexico and Central America May Be Formed Into One Country.

WASHINGTON IS NOT PLEASED

Southern Republics Are Said to Be Ready to Join Hands.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 18.—It is believed here that there is a well-developed plan on foot looking toward the consolidation of the Republic of Mexico with the various States of Central America. The rumor seems to have strong foundation and is apparently given credence in high official quarters.

The plan, so well-authenticated report says, is to amalgamate the countries under the name of the United States of Central America. Mexico is said to be committed to the proposal. Such a move would make Mexico the dominant power in all Central American matters and would give that country immense influence. The plan does not meet with the favor of high officials of the United States government.

WOULD RECOGNIZE THE REVOLUTIONISTS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 17.—Congressman William Sulzer of New York today introduced in the house of representatives a resolution authorizing the President to recognize General Estrada, the leader of the insurgents against the Nicaraguan government, as President of that government, in place of Zelaya, and to proceed at once to punish Zelaya for violation of international principles.

JAPANESE BUDGET QUARTER BILLION

Imperial Navy Gets Big Slice of Estimate of Year's Needs.

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, December 18.—The budget for the coming fiscal year, made public yesterday for the first time, places the estimated expenditures for the year to come at \$267,000,000. Of this gigantic sum, \$43,000,000 is allotted to the war department, and \$37,500,000 is set aside for the expenses of the imperial Japanese navy.

MUST BE NO FIGHT AT BLUEFIELDS

Commander Shipley Has Issued a Formal Proclamation to That Effect.

(By Associated Press.)

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua, December 18.—Commander Shipley, U. S. Navy, commanding the U. S. S. Des Moines, yesterday issued a proclamation to the effect that he will not allow any fighting between the forces of the government and the revolutionists at this place.

APPEAL FOR HELP.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 17.—Americans at Corinto are appealing to the United States government for protection against the armed forces of President Zelaya of Nicaragua.

WASHINGTON, December 17.—The U. S. S. cruiser Buffalo, with seven hundred marines, has been ordered to Panama.