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OPPOSITION IN VERY HIGH QUARTER

Robertson's Appointment Being Opposed by Secretary Ballinger.

OTHER CANDIDATES UNKNOWN

Opinion That "Prohibition for Hawaii" Is Not Taken Seriously.

By Ernest G. Walker.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, December 23.—Hawaiian business at the Capital has been shaded by the holiday season, as is the case with nearly all other business of a public character. There will be little done till after the New Year for Congress is not in session and the departments are running along lightly.

There is keen interest here over the second federal judgeship, as far as the Hawaiian colony is concerned, but apparently no decision is to be made by the President just yet. Secretary Ballinger has taken ground unfavorable to the nomination of A. G. M. Robertson for judge, but how much influence this will have with the President and the attorney general has not yet developed. As far as known there are no other candidates in the field, although it is not questioned that there are several lawyers in Hawaii who would gladly accept the place.

Governor Frear returned here from New York, but only for a few days to consult with the attorney general about filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Wilder.

Prohibition Lobbyists.

John G. Woolley and several other reformers, during a recent reformer's convention in Washington, made a strong appeal to the senate committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico for prohibition in Hawaii. The committee has taken no further action yet. The Delegate will not be here till January 1 and Mr. McClellan is awaiting his coming before taking any step with reference to the proposition. Probably the matter is not to be taken seriously.

The sentiment of congress undoubtedly is against voting prohibition upon any of the Territories, although what might happen if the bill were forced to a vote might be another question.

Kahului Harbor.

Former Judge Hatch and Mr. McClellan have an appointment for a hearing next Monday before the engineer board of the Army, regarding the proposed improvement of Kahului harbor. They hope to obtain a favorable report to congress on the project so that it can be incorporated in the rivers and harbor bill which is now being made up by the house committee.

Judge and Mrs. Hatch have settled for the winter in a house on 21st street. Mrs. Hatch's health is not good and she plans to leave Washington for a while in the hope of finding a more congenial climate where her health will be restored.

Ashford's Pillikia.

The chances for Stanley Ashford, a cadet at the Naval Academy from Hawaii, getting a commission in the Corps of Civil Engineers are not as bright as they were a week back. It appears that [illegible] of the Naval Academy [illegible] taking a commission in another military corps where they would not [illegible] at least. Ashford goes [illegible] in the Corps by graduation.

WILSON HAS A FAT, SIDE JOB

Honolulu Road Supervisor Drawing Salary as Contractor's Aid and Partner.

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A disgruntled Portuguese is stamping on his Democratic administration with both feet and tearing holes in it. He is threatening to remove Mayor Fern from office and do many dreadful things, the statement of which earned him a hearing before Deputy Attorney General Andrews on behalf of the Republican cohorts but failed to ruffle the peace of the Democratic administration.

The disgruntled Portuguese is John F. Pieano, late a copartner with John Ehrenfarth on the Kalihi road contract. He claims that he has been detached out of many things, his fortune included, and that he is now relegated to the life of a plantation laborer to support his wife and four children.

He was interviewed last night in his house on Gulick avenue, and although he was partly drunk and preparing to get drunker in company with his wife and two sorrowful-looking natives, he managed to tell a pretty connected story of his outraged feelings. He says as a matter that he and John Woods submitted proposals for the Kalihi road contract and secured it. Thereupon both himself and Woods found themselves unable to secure bonds. He went to John Wilson, road supervisor of the Honolulu district, whom he calls his "best friend," and "heart's dearest" in his more tender moments.

Wilson winked his starboard eye and said that he would fix it for him and then, continues Pieano, he came around and told him to go to Ennehath who would go on his bond. Pieano did so and Ennehath went security for the again having for Woods at the same time. This made Ennehath and Pieano partners. Then, says Pieano, he was told that if he would sell our his share of the contract to Ennehath he would be given a job as foreman on the Kalihi road and he accepted the proposition. He weeps at this point as he states that he was only given $250 for his share and was then refused the foreman's job. His "dear friend" Wilson came to his assistance, he says, and when he became somewhat obstreperous promised him a job in the Honolulu Hardware at $1 a day. This latter was also refused him and Pieano, getting in his most memorable knockout story, winds up with a peroration to the effect that Ennehath and Wilson are partners and that being a partner of a county contractor is an improper thing for a county official to be.

Pieano says he was a Democrat. He also says he is not a Democrat any longer. He adds to this political information he swears that he and he alone fire swept from a country [illegible] in January, [illegible] for Mayor Fern before [illegible] office and he swears that [illegible] that he will be the same [illegible] against the Mayor at the next election. He states that he possesses [illegible] in which he claims the Ennehath [illegible]

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NEW CHINESE CONSUL WILL MEET HONOLULANS

HIS IMPERIAL CHINESE MAJESTY'S CONSUL, LIANG KWO YING.

His Imperial Chinese Majesty's consul, Liang Kwo Ying, will hold his informatory reception today at the Chinese consulate on Nuuanu street, to which hundreds of invitations have already been sent to the leading men of the city. He will meet the local Chinese from nine to eleven this morning, and from noon to two o'clock the government officials, members of the diplomatic corps, army and navy officers, county officials, and others who are prominent in commercial circles.

He will be assisted in welcoming the guests by his secretary, Sai Sun Mung, and C. K. Sung Pao Tung, the English secretary, who served under Tseng Hai, the former consul, and the following local Chinese merchants: Hong Quong Chin Gong, Chun Mun, Tong Kim, Lee Tong, Lunch Hoy, C. K. Ai Goo Kim, [illegible] Tong, Ah Chin, Lum Kim Chun, W. Y. Kwai Fung, Lum Joe, Chang Sen, L. Kwai Chan, and others. By courtesy of the Mayor, the band will be in attendance.

The New Consul.

The new consul is thirty-five years of age, born in Hong Shan, Canton, and comes from the same city as Special Ambassador Tong Shao Yi, who passed through here last year on route to Washington, and Tong Kau of the local immigration station.

Consul Liang has held the high official position, "Taotai," connected with diplomatic affairs, in the province of Yunnan, and the office as commissioner of fisheries in the province of Shan Tang.

He has large commercial interest in Peking, Tientsin, Shanghai, Hongkong and Korea. Although he has been here only a few weeks, he has gained many friends and become popular among his own people. His English secretary, Au Yang Ion, who was a Punahou student, will arrive here from the states within a few weeks.

The ladies, of course, are expected, and will be welcomed between twelve and two o'clock, although the invitations sent out did not specifically include them. This was an oversight which the consul takes this means of correcting.

DASTARDLY WORK OF HUMAN BRUTE

Attacks on Women Have Thrown Aiea Plantation Into Reign of Terror.

Aiea is in the throes of a reign of terror. The women shiver with apprehension when they hear a step upon the veranda, and the men are investing in guns and revolvers, which they are keeping ready for instant use. A renegade who preys upon defenseless women is causing the alarm.

How long the miscreant has been carrying on his work is not known, as it was not until he turned from the humble quarters of the laborers and directed his efforts toward the houses of the plantation officers that the story of the dastardly depredations leaked out. The police have the matter in charge but as yet have not been successful in getting hold of any clue to work on.

Thursday morning the officials of the plantation were horrified to learn that a man had attempted to assault the wife of one of their number. An investigation was hurriedly started and soon it was learned that the wretch had successfully terrorized the Japanese quarters for some time, but that by threats he had managed to frighten his victims into keeping quiet.

The attempted assault made Thursday morning was particularly dastardly. The husband of the intended victim had left the house early. The woman was rudely awakened by the blanket being torn off her bed, and next she found herself grappling with an intruder. Plucky she fought, screaming for help all the time, and the assailant ultimately desisted, making his escape before assistance came.

As quickly as the news of the attempted assault was spread about the plantation the men organized a manhunt in the hope of catching the villain before he should escape from the premises. But though every place that would seem to afford shelter was carefully searched, no trace of the miscreant could be found, and the search was given up.

The plantation authorities called the police to their assistance and the latter made every effort to get on the trail of the miscreant. Should the man be captured by the plantation workmen it is likely to go hard with him, for feeling against him is at fever heat.

Sheriff Jarrett stated last evening that no clue to the identity of the man had been discovered. He stated, however, that the testimony of those who had seen him leads to the belief that the human brute is a Porto Rican, and a careful search of all the surrounding district is being made. It is probable that arrests will be made today.

PINCHOT LOSES OFFICIAL HEAD

President Summarily Removes the Forest Chief. Charging Insubordination.

OTHERS ALSO FEEL THE AX

Political Watchers Fear That Act of Taft Will Have Grave Consequences.

MAY SPLIT UP THE PARTY

Insurgents Win Signal Victory in Connection With the Investigation.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, January 8.—Ballinger has drawn first blood in his battle with Gifford Pinchot, head of the division of forestry of the department of agriculture. President Taft yesterday summarily dismissed Pinchot from office.

With Pinchot fell Overton W. Price, associate forester and chief of the bureau of forest measurements, and Solicitor Shaw, head of the legal department of the forest service. Price had been in the department since 1899 and was Pinchot's righthand man.

Insubordination on the part of Pinchot and his lieutenant is the reason given for the summary action of the President. The reading of the forester's letter to Senator Dolliver, making certain charges against the secretary of the interior, was the immediate cause of the removal of the official. The letter was read in the senate during the course of the Ballinger investigation, and immediately caused a furor.

President Indignant.

The reading of the letter aroused the keenest resentment on the part of the President, who charged that the dignity of his high office had been attacked.

The cabinet was in session throughout the afternoon. When the meeting came to a close, the announcement was made that Pinchot's official head had fallen and that with their chief had fallen the two highest officials of the forestry division.

It is believed that the action of the President will lead to harsh words in congress. Political observers declare that the sensation created by the dismissal of Pinchot is the most tense that has existed in years. Pinchot has a large following throughout the country and his dismissal is sure to lead to much bitterness, say those intimately acquainted with the political situation.

It is freely predicted that the dropping of Pinchot will result in a breach between President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt and it is feared that the Republican party is facing the danger of a split. The situation is generally admitted to be critical.

Insurgent Victory.

The insurgents won their first victory in connection with the coming investigation of the department of the interior and the forestry service. By a margin of three votes they passed an amendment to the resolution calling for the investigation. The amendment takes the appointing of the investigating committee out of the hands of Speaker Cannon and provides that, instead, the house shall elect the members.

When the result of the vote was announced, there was wild cheering in the house.

PARADE PLANS GIVEN BOOST

Committee Meets and Discusses Suggestions Connected With 1910 Floral Pageant.

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WORK IS BEGUN ON OBSERVATORY

President Gilmore Makes a Start on Construction Work in Kaimuki.

Work was begun yesterday on the observatory being erected in Kaimuki to house the big telescope of the College of Hawaii. So fast have the subscriptions been coming in that yesterday President Gilmore of the College at Hawaii felt justified in making a start, and he has a party of workmen out to the site selected.

He has yet to be noted along that the telescope may be operated in plenty of time to allow all to have an opportunity to observe the approach and departure of Halley's comet.

Two new telescopes, toward the observatory building, were received yesterday by The Advertiser editor, donor, who did his identity under the name of Lemuria, subscribed (Wong) [illegible] and Frank Godfrey contributed the latter. These subscriptions are [illegible] to be received by [illegible] The Advertiser office.

PRESIDENT URGES RADICAL ACTION

Would Have Railroads and Other Corporations Under Strict Supervision.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, January 7.—President Taft in a special message to the house today made the most emphatic recommendations that have ever been made, of legislation to control corporations. Most special attention is given to railroads, for which a plan for federal control is outlined. The message is a comprehensive document and covers all phases of the question of corporation control. It recommends the publication of federal statutes for all corporations engaged in interstate commerce, and the publication of all corporation reports, and the prosecution of officers of corporations who violate the law. The message also recommends the creation of a commerce court, the creation of a bureau of corporations, and the publication of all corporation reports.

MEYER WANTS MORE FOR PEARL HARBOR

Secretary of the Navy Asks That Further Funds Be Allowed for Dredging.

(By Associated Press.)

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SENATOR PERKINS BETTER.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN RAFAEL, January 7.—Senator La Dietes, who yesterday suffered a relapse, passed through a critical stage and is now on the road to recovery, it is stated in a bulletin issued this afternoon.

SIGHTLESS PORCINE PAYS A STIFF FINE

License Inspector Turns His Eyes on Plantation Cookhouse With Results.

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SECRETARY KNOX PROPOSED NEUTRALIZATION PLAN

Made Suggestion as Calculated to Avoid Friction in Manchuria.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, January 7.—Following the cabinet discussion of affairs in the Far East, it was announced today that Secretary of State Knox proposed the neutralization of the Manchurian railway. This is the plan by which it is hoped to avoid friction between rival powers seeking to gain control and holdings of one another's interests.

REVOLUTIONARY LEADER MEETS DEATH IN WATER

(By Associated Press.)

BLUEFIELDS, January 8.—General Diaz of the revolutionary army was drowned yesterday while on his way to Managua. Diaz was going as the representative of the revolutionists to discuss terms for a possible truce of arms between the forces of Estrada and the army of the government.

LATHAM SETS NEW PACE FOR AERIAL SKIPPERS

Flying Machine Navigates the Air at Record Breaking Height.

(By Associated Press.)

MOURMELON, January 8.—Latham [illegible] in his aerial machine [illegible] at the remarkable [illegible] feet.

DISTINGUISHED PRELATE IS SUMMONED BY REAPER

Cardinal Satolli Passes Away at Rome After Long Illness.

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, January 8.—His Eminence Cardinal Satolli, died here yesterday, after a lingering illness.