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## SCARED OFF BY THREATS OF ACHI?

Quorum of the Supervisors Stayed Away From Last Night's Meeting.

FIRE LIMIT LAW DELAYED

Suggestion of a Penalty for Non-Attendance at Meetings Is Made.

There was no meeting of the board of supervisors last night to take up the matter of final passage of the fire limits ordinance—for the simple reason that a majority of the board stayed away from the meeting place and there was no quorum. The impression prevailed among those who were at the meeting that the absentees had stayed away on purpose, to avoid a vote. They had been scared. It was freely stated that Achi's hints of Tuesday evening that those who proposed to vote for the ordinance had better look out for what might happen to them in the November elections.

On Tuesday evening the ordinance had second reading, and a special meeting was set for last night to pass it finally. Ahia, Aylett and Kane were present and concurred in this arrangement, though Kane went on record as opposed to the ordinance, without assigning why. All three stayed away last night.

Supervisor Fern and Supervisors Logan, Kane and McClellan waited for nearly an hour and tried to get in touch with the other members of the board. But it was impossible to get a quorum, and shortly after eight o'clock it was decided to adjourn to next Monday evening.

Before adjournment Logan asked County Attorney Milverton regarding the powers of the board to compel attendance of members. Milverton replied that the board had power to impose a penalty upon a member for not attending when meetings were held.

Achi, who lives far out of town, was expected to be present, but there was no explanation of the absence of Kane and Ahia. The board had no important business on, besides the fire limits ordinance, but everything will go over.

Achi's veiled warning that those who opposed the fire limits ordinance and get the opposition of the tenderloin vote, is regarded as responsible for the failure of some of the supervisors to appear last night and pass the ordinance according to their settled purpose of last Tuesday.

Achi himself denies that he made any personal threats. The foxy politician says he had no idea of telling the supervisors that if they voted for the fire limit law they would get it in the neck politically next November. He only mentioned that there was to be an election in November in order that

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## METHODISTS HAVE SENT FOR A RUSSIAN EVANGELIST

The Rev. J. W. Wadman's Report to the Fifth Annual Conference---Ready to War for Prohibition.

"Nowhere are the opportunities for mission work so great as at the gates of Japan and Russia in Hawaii . . . In a few years a Russian evangelist will come and be received with open hands, forming a new foothold of very intensified kind of work.

"Nothing short of this is adequate to work in winning these islands for Christ, and particularly all the races, and help conserve the interest of the Hawaiian race as a whole and abundantly overthrow the liquor interests and thus hasten the annihilation of the traffic in strong drink."—From the annual report of the Rev. J. W. Wadman, presented yesterday as superintendent of the Hawaiian M. E. mission.

The annual report of the Rev. J. W. Wadman, superintendent of missions, to the fifth annual conference of the Methodist Church, was presented yesterday. It is an interesting document with many problems being faced by the church, and shows that in addition to handling the many activities now under the superintendent has actively taken a look after Russians. The report includes the following:

"Once again, in the providence of God, we are assembled in this annual conference, in order to review the work of the past year, record the growth, mourn its failures and plan wisely for the future. Neither death nor any serious illness has invaded our ranks since we met in conference a year ago, and we are grateful to God for the measure of health and strength vouchsafed to his servants as well as for the measure of success which has crowned our efforts in the work in which all now so happily engaged.

"We are now passing the fifth year in our history as a mission and as these first annual periods slip so quickly by we feel that much of our work is largely that of 'beginnings' bounding from laying in preparation for the superstructure soon to appear.

"Looking over these beautiful Islands, lying beneath the southern cross, much of whose soil is holy ground because of the marvelous victories won for the Cross of Christ in the years past and gone and when at the present time the call for holy endeavor and consecrated service was never so emphatic and insistent, our hearts swell with gratitude to Almighty God because our beloved church is sharing with others in this cordial fraternal relation in bringing these thousands of a polyglot national aggregation, these sea girt, coral embedded islands of the sunny tropics to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus Christ, our Lord and master.

"We call our island home the 'Paradise of the Pacific' and perhaps no such creative beauty enshrines and enriches any part of the world. Hawaii

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## SLATE-MAKING BY POLITICIANS

A Proposed Republican Line-up for the Election in November.

CONTEST FOR CATHCART'S JOB

Charles Hustace Jr. for Treasurer and Jack Lucas for the Mayoralty.

Mayor—Jack Lucas.
Treasurer—Charles Hustace, Jr.
Clerk—D. Kalauokalani, Jr.
Auditor—James Bicknell.
Attorney—John Cathcart, or W. T. Rawlins.
Sheriff—Andrew Cox of Waialua.
Deputy Sheriff—not selected.
Senate.—John Hughes, Robert Shingle.
House—Mahoe of Waialua, recently recruited from the Home Rule party.

The above is a partial compromise slate being considered by various leaders of the Republican party for the coming campaign.

Those who have framed up the slate believe that Jack Lucas is a candidate for mayor who would stand a better show against the incumbent, Joe Fern, than any one else. This belief is expressed in the fact that while the names of both Lucas and Hustace have been considered for the mayoralty, it is thought that Hustace running against Richard Trent, the Democratic incumbent, will be the most powerful opponent the Republican party can furnish. Trent has held office three terms, but leading Republicans think Hustace can beat him.

As to the county attorneyship, John Cathcart, the Republican incumbent, will probably try for another nomination. W. T. Rawlins, the present assistant United States district attorney, may contest with him for the Republican support, and a hard fight will probably be waged before the convention meets to get Rawlins into the running.

As to the shrievalty, Andrew Cox seems to be the popular selection of the politicians and even the conservatives. Mr. Cox is a deacon in many Hawaiian churches all over the Island, and has a political strength which the Democrats recognize.

### HAWAIIANS IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Judge Balton, of Honolulu, has been here this week and was given a hearing in behalf of the Hanapepe harbor project, but the war department, in view of the authorization on the river and harbor bill, which has passed the house, for a survey of all ports of the island to ascertain which would be the best for improvement, will approve of Major Winslow's report.

Henry E. Cooper, just nominated for judge of the first circuit, was on his way to Washington but telegraphed here that he had been delayed by the floods in Nevada till he felt compelled to turn back.

## RIGHT, NOT STRENGTH, HIS AIM.

PRESIDENT TAFT

Who declared last night in a speech at Albany that he has not tried to build up political strength.

## THOUSANDS OF NEW CITIZENS

An Early Result of the Big Pearl Harbor Appropriations.

By Ernest G. Walker.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The generosity of the house naval committee in appropriations for Pearl Harbor assure speedy development of that great naval base. As will be known in Honolulu by cable, before this letter reaches there, the committee has agreed upon an item of $1,500,000 for the Pearl Harbor channel and $1,000,000 for the new drydock, while the committee has increased the total authorization for the dock from $2,000,000 to $2,500,000. This will provide for a dock 720 feet long and 110 feet wide—a dock twenty feet longer than the new dock at the Brooklyn yard.

Two thousand laborers, a majority of them skilled laborers, will be employed at Pearl Harbor within a couple of years, according to the estimates made by naval officers, in view of the appropriations which congress is making for the naval station. This means an addition of from six to eight thousand to date to the population of Honolulu. It is thought that most of this add'n will have to be imported.

The two thousand laborers would not make the Pearl Harbor station equal to the other big American stations, and the estimate is regarded as conservative. The concentration of a great drydock and of other docks at Pearl Harbor, will call for an immense force, and only citizen labor is to be used. "I do not think the people of Honolulu realize what is in store," said the naval officer referred to. "Where are the accommodations for two or three thousand new people here, a majority of whom will be men of families? The ordinary estimate in America is five to a family. That would mean ten thousand new residents of Honolulu if there are to be two thousand new laborers and there will probably be more than that."

### BILL FOR REVENUE CUTTER FOR HAWAII

Delegate Kalanianole has introduced into the house, H.R. No. 21882, which provides for the construction of a revenue cutter for service in the Hawaiian Islands, for which an appropriation of $250,000 is mentioned.

This is a request of congress which has been agitated for some time, the proposition being to construct a vessel fitted for service in these southern waters. Some of the vessels sent here are totally unfitted for the work, some being too hot for comfort and others are not speedy enough.

## HABEAS CORPUS CASE STILL ON

Decision May Rest Upon Whether or Not a Felony Was Committed.

Is the crime of conspiracy in the third degree, of which Makuna and the three other strike leaders were convicted, an infamous crime or only a misdemeanor? This is the question which it is up to Judge Robertson of the United States District Court to answer, and upon his answer, in the opinion of the attorneys in the case, of some of them, hangs the constitutionality of the trial of the Japanese.

Attorney Lightfoot, who is trying to get them out of jail on writ of habeas corpus, contends that the crime of which they were convicted was infamous, a felony, and that, therefore, their trial without previous indictment by the grand jury was unconstitutional and they should be released on writ of habeas corpus. The attorneys for the Territory, of course, take the ground that the offense was only a misdemeanor, being their contention on the sentence imposed, which was an imprisonment for ten months and a fine of $500 each.

"I cannot now believe," said Deputy Attorney General Smith, "that the court will see in such a case as this that there was such a violation of the constitutional rights of these men. It has always been a maxim in jurisprudence that 'Where one is a felony, let that be a felony.' Here we have a misdemeanor and the best evidence we have is that the sentence imposed by the court may be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary, but that is left to the court's discretion. Under the circumstances, considering the prison sentence and hard labor, it put the sentence in the hard work, it put the sentence in the category of a felony."

"It is hardly the view I can imagine that Mr. Lightfoot would take," said Mr. Smith. He stated that the sentences were given only ten months and not, there could have been imposed, to a year, and that furthermore in the event of their not paying the fine they would have to work it out, and this would mean a year in the penitentiary for Japanese unable to pay a fine of $500 each.

The matter of the petition for the writ of habeas corpus was argued long and fully yesterday, but the lawyers did not get anywhere. At the end of the afternoon session the matter was left in the hands of the judge. Who said he would take the arguments under advisement and read the authorities submitted, and if he could be ready to do so would give a decision. The case in dispute is an important one, and it will be watched with keen interest by the people of the country for a week or more.

### BLISS TO CALIFORNIA.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—General Bliss has been assigned to the command of the department of California, succeeding General Davis, who has been transferred to West Point as the superintendent of the military academy.

## POPULARITY HAS NOT BEEN AIM

President Taft Says He Has Tried to Do What Was Right, Not Simply Politic.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—"Since taking office it has been my endeavor to do what is right, rather than those things which would bring to me political strength," declared President Taft with earnest emphasis in the course of an address which he delivered last night before the Rochester Chamber of Commerce. The president outlined the policies of the administration and pointed out what he is endeavoring to accomplish.

In the course of his talk President Taft said that he hope the Republican party has sense enough and sufficient discipline to meet its responsibilities fairly and squarely, and will not try to dodge the issue.

The speech was listened to by a large audience and frequently the president was interrupted by cheers or applause. As he took his seat he was warmly congratulated.

### WOOD TAKES UP HIS DUTIES AS CHIEF OF GEN. STAFF

War Department Announces Other Changes in Stations of General Officers.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The changes in the personnel of commanders were announced in connection with the war department. Major General Wood, now Chief of Staff, will go to the Philippines to relieve Major General Bell, who is to come home to take charge of the department of the East, which is now held by Major General Hunter. General Sumner is assigned to the command of the Pacific division, which includes the Philippines, Hawaii and the Pacific coast, and Major General Bliss is assigned to the command of the Pacific division of Missouri.

### CALIFORNIA FIGHTING COASTWISE SUSPENSION

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The California delegation in congress is preparing to oppose the efforts of Hawaii to obtain coastwise privileges. It is said that an organized effort will be made to be heard March 15. The date mentioned for a hearing is that on the Foster and McLellan. The labor men represented in this are opposed to the suspension, fearing that foreign labor will carry Asiatic passengers on the same terms as American licensed ships.

### ROOSEVELT AT WADIHALFA.

WADIHALFA, March 18.—Colonel Roosevelt's party arrived here last night. The party will depart to-day by steamer.

## BATTLE WILL BE RENEWED IN HOUSE

Neither Side Can Yet Claim a Victory in Unprecedented Parliamentary Fight.

WILL BE RESUMED TODAY

Talk That Champ Clark May Be Named to Succeed Cannon Should Latter Lose.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Speculation is rife among the political wise ones concerning the probable outcome of the struggle between the regular Republicans and the insurgents and Democrats in the house. That the struggle will be renewed with increased vigor when the house meets today is conceded and excitement is intense.

So far neither side can claim a victory and the outcome of the battle up to date is generally regarded as a draw. The insurgents with Democratic assistance have managed to hold their ground, but they have been unable to secure any marked advantage over the regulars. The regulars are exerting every effort to bring together missing members and get them onto the floor before time for the house to convene this morning.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—At two o'clock this afternoon the house of representatives took a recess of two hours after one of the longest continuous sessions and one of the most bitterly-fought parliamentary battles in the history of that assembly.

The session had continued through the night, and the morning dawned on a very tired but very hard fighting but determined body of congressmen. Every absentee had been brought in, and every trick of the filibustering game in legislation was used throughout the long night. Roll-call followed roll-call on small points of order, and speeches were made to occupy time. These were interspersed with vigorous and acrimonious passages between the leaders of the opposing forces.

The Republican regulars led the filibustering, and for the time being appear to be at the mercy of the combined Democrats and insurgents who claim a majority of ten votes.

This afternoon at 4:18 the house adjourned, both sides being physically exhausted and quite willing to postpone further consideration of the Norris resolution, that caused all the trouble, until tomorrow.

**Cause of Trouble.**

The incident that forced the recess was Speaker Cannon's refusal to rule without consulting the precedents, on the motion to declare the Norris resolution out of order. This resolution, introduced yesterday by Congressman Norris of Nebraska, provides for a new committee on rules and the elimination of the speaker in the organization of the committee.

All during the night, while the regulars were trying to prevent a quorum and dilatory motions to secure delays, members representing the regulars and the insurgents were in almost continuous conference seeking to reach a basis of compromise. All their meetings were in vain.

If there is a reorganization of the rules committee as proposed by the insurgents and Cannon is deposed, the regulars threaten to vote for Champ Clark, the Democratic leader, for Speaker.

The insurgents scout this threat, as they claim a majority of ten votes and consequently the absolute control of the house.

### DISASTROUS FIRE VISITS YOKOHAMA

Great Damages Is Done Property and Lives are Lost.

YOKOHAMA, March 19.—Five hundred houses were burned and seven lives lost during a fire which destroyed a large section of this city yesterday.

### SHACKLETON WILL MAKE TRY FOR SOUTH POLE

LONDON, March 18.—Lieutenant Shackleton, who recently returned from an expedition to the Antarctic, is making preparations for another south pole expedition, to start early in 1911.

### TAFT SILENT.

ASHTABULA, Ohio, March 18.—President Taft, arriving here today, declined to discuss the crisis in the house.