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PRICE FIVE CENTS

MUCH CRAFT IN TWO BIG STATES

San Francisco Eclipses Even the Record Made by San Francisco.

SELECTS FORTY COUNCILMEN

New York's Great Insurance Bribery Scandal Involves Foreign Companies.

PITTSBURGH, March 22.—The graft investigation following the confession of a former councilman that he had accepted bribes has reached startling dimensions. Forty indictments have returned against present members of the common council, charges of bribery.

Members of the council indicted have been ordered to testify if in unanimity. It was found in the Francisco graft investigations, councilman Klein expressed to the grand jury his indignation at the manner in which the government had been bribed to deposit government funds, and the city and county officials followed that regulations be

enforced. N. Y. March 22.—The graft investigation, which has developed testimony today showing that foreign companies have been granted monopolies for privileges. According to witnesses before the investigating commission several foreign companies paid out large sums to have an legislator in court.

EDDY SIGHTSEEING NOW.

EDDY, March 22.—President Roosevelt and party last night viewed the city of the great temples of ancient Eddy by moonlight.

BITULITHIC PAVEMENT FOR FORT STREET IS ORDERED

Supervisors Authorize a Contract for New Kind of Street Work in Downtown Section.

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SUPERVISORS GET A JOLT

Campbell Peremptorily Orders Them to Lay Sidewalks According to Law.

AN INSULT, SAYS MR. KANE

Territorial Official Gives County Sixty Days in Which to Comply With Law.

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NEW AMBASSADOR TO CHINA HERE

Calhoun Entertained by the Members of Honolulu Civic Bodies.

IS BANQUETED AT YOUNG

Discussion of Politics Does Not Enter Into Short Address of Diplomat.

Supple, unostentatious and dignified was noted out to William J. Calhoun, ambassador to China, when he arrived in Honolulu yesterday on the Tanager. The guest of the chamber of commerce and other civic bodies, he and his party were taken around the city to the points of interest, the Park, Waialae, and other places generally included in the itinerary of such excursions. In the afternoon a luncheon was tendered in his honor at the Young Hotel.

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LABOR BUREAU PAYS A FINE

Pinkham's Contract Laborers Each Cost the Planters \$1000.

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In addition to the fine, the labor bureau had, of course, to pay the cost of boarding the two laborers and their expenses here, and also their expenses back to the United States. The two laborers were the Portuguese boys who themselves testified that they were recruited in Mindoro and who showed letters from Pinkham which were held by the immigration officials to be virtually contracts.

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FIRE LIMITS ARE EXTENDED

Five Supervisors Vote "Aye." One Votes "No." and One Stays at Home.

FERN WILL SIGN ORDINANCE

Erection of Wooden Firetraps in Chinatown Will Soon Be Unlawful.

The ordinance extending the fire limits passed its third and final reading by the board of supervisors last night by a vote of five to one. Alder was absent. Alder voted no.

There was much discussion when the ordinance was read. It was simply called up on the agenda, and Alder moved that it pass. The mayor asked the vote. Everybody but Alder voted aye. Alder voted a no.

The mayor has stated that he will sign the ordinance, as soon as it shall have been published the required number of times it will be law, and the erection of wooden firetraps within the downtown section of the city must come to a stop. The demands of the people have defeated the wishes of the cheap politicians. The fire limits ordinance has been passed.

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SENATOR HARVEY FOR DELEGATE

A New Democratic Rival to "Link" McCandless in Sight.

Senator Frank Harvey is said to be growing for the Democratic candidacy for delegate to congress, and it is quite possible that he will appear as a rival to "Link" McCandless for the party's nomination. The liquor situation has considerably to do with his proposition, for it is said that the local liquor interests are raising a campaign fund and that it would be used preferably for a ticket with Harvey as the main force in congress.

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WHARF CHARGES INVESTIGATED

Legislative Commission Has Toured All Islands of the Group.

TO REPORT TO GOVERNOR

Owners of Landings in Many Cases Said to Charge Exorbitant Rates.

A most comprehensive investigation of the system of wharves and landings all over the Territory is just being completed by a special commission appointed by Governor Frazier as a result of an act of the last legislative session, with a view to finding out what sort of wharf charges are being made to shippers. It is predicted that a number of owners of private landings will hear something of a drop when the commission makes its report, for at some of the island ports, the charges are said to be exorbitant, so high that the "small farmer" hasn't a chance to do business.

The commissioners are D. E. Metzger of Hilo, Hugh Howell of Maui and Road Engineer Moragne of Kailua. They returned on the Kaima Sunday from Kailua, completing their tour of the islands, except for some visits to points on Oahu. It is predicted that there will be some radical recommendations of reductions in rates, and possibly in a number of cases the commission will advise that the government take over the landings.

The commissioners have visited nearly forty different wharves and landings throughout the islands. A great deal of data has been collected, showing the wharfage charges made in all cases. It is said that at some of the private landings where the inter-island steamers call the charges are almost prohibitory.

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TAFT AGAIN ENDORSES ALDRICH

The President Gives Indirect Support to Republican Regulars.

STANDS PAT ON TARIFF LAW

Comfort for the Cannon Forces in His Attitude—House Committee Scheme.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 22.—With Senator Aldrich sitting at his left, at a gathering of the Manufacturers' Association of this State last night, President Taft emphatically repeated his endorsement of the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill. The President stood by the position taken in his famous Winona speech, in which he first declared that the new tariff bill was the best tariff bill ever passed.

The President's course is one of complete opposition to the insurgents, and will have much significance in connection with the Cannon controversy. It is recognized that Aldrich, Payne and Cannon are the three leaders most identified with the passage of the tariff law. At the start of his western tour Taft declared the bill the best tariff bill ever passed, and warmly commended Senator Aldrich. He has been sharply criticized ever since for that utterance. Tonight he boldly repeated it in the presence of Aldrich.

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