

BIG HONOLULU FIRM ROBBED FOR YEARS

Trusted Secretary Takes More Than \$500,000.

AUDIT REVEALS THEFT

Shippers Victims of Overconfidence Scheme Called Diabolically Clever.

HONOLULU, T. H., Aug. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Serious irregularities understood to amount to more than \$500,000 and to extend over a period of several years, have been found in the accounts of John Guild, secretary of the shipping firm of Alexander & Baldwin, according to statement issued last night by C. R. Hemenway, treasurer and assistant manager of the company after special meeting of the board of directors.

Hemenway's statement said "the directors of Alexander & Baldwin have authorized me to state that serious irregularities have been found in John Guild's accounts."

Manager Waterhouse Notified. John Waterhouse, vice-president and manager of the shipping, sugar and insurance firm of Alexander & Baldwin, who is in San Francisco, was informed today by cable of the alleged \$500,000 defalcation of John Guild, the company's secretary, and will sail for Honolulu tomorrow.

The discovery of the alleged defalcation came during general audit of the firm's books following reported embezzlements in Alexander & Baldwin's New York office of approximately \$300,000 several months ago.

Company's Capital Unimpaired. It was announced today that the company's capital is unimpaired and that its cash and deposits in the bank, after a checkup, were found correct. The losses were absorbed, it is said, in the alleged speculations of St. Andrew's Episcopal cathedral, which Guild was treasurer, today is auditing its accounts.

Auditors for Alexander & Baldwin's accounts announced today they had ascertained that alleged irregularities had appeared as long as 21 years ago, when Guild was employed as a bookkeeper. The system of supposed defalcation was characterized by one of the directors of the company as "diabolically clever" and based on the manipulation of accounts of the offices in Honolulu, San Francisco, Seattle and New York.

Guild Not Expected to Live.

Guild is said to have been unconscious the last two days with heart trouble and physicians believe there is slight hope for his recovery. It was announced that he had signed over all his personal property to the company to make up partially for the alleged shortage.

Guild was considered one of the leading influential business men of the territory of Hawaii. He came to Hawaii from the West Indies and had been employed on several plantations before joining the office staff of Alexander & Baldwin. He was promoted to the position of cashier and in 1919 was elected secretary and a director of the company, occupying the same position in the company's subsidiaries.

Reputation as Philanthropist Won.

He is 53 years old. For many years he has been director and treasurer of the Episcopal church here, president of the board of trustees of Queen's hospital and formerly was president of the Boy Scouts in the territory. He had a widespread reputation as a philanthropist. The directors stated Guild had been in complete charge of the company's financial affairs and the full confidence of the directors. It is now said he had been engaging in heavy stock transactions.

GARBAGE CAN ENDS TOUR

Runaway American Boy Is Found Asleep in Paris Boulevard.

PARIS, Aug. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—When 14-year-old Jasper Heeman ran away from his home in Birmingham, N. E., bound for a personally conducted sight-seeing tour of Europe, he did not visualize his journey as ending in a garbage can on the Boulevard des Italiens in Paris.

But that is where a policeman found him, wrapped in peaceful slumber, at 4 o'clock this morning, and now Heeman is awaiting completion of arrangements to return him to Birmingham. The adventurous youth crossed the Atlantic as a stowaway on the liner Finland. He was discovered during the voyage and detained at Antwerp for deportation. He escaped, finally reaching Paris, where he was awaiting a chance to visit the battlefields.

GIRLS FINISH BIG HIKE

Courageous Pair From San Francisco Reach Syracuse, N. Y.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Aug. 22.—The Misses Jessica and Marcia McManus reached Syracuse yesterday from California, hitch-hiking their way to college. Escorting and chaperoning each other, they started from San Francisco in two months, walking and riding as necessity dictated and opportunity offered. Unlike the majority on the road, Jessica and Marcia wore skirts. Marcia, the "kid sister," contends that "flipping" a bit is an aid to success in hitch-hiking and that feminine attire is part of the game.

Jessica is going to Radcliffe. Marcia is going to Columbia to enter the Pulitzer school of journalism.

Lodge Delegate Returns.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Willard L. Baker, local attorney and one of the three Oregon men who attended the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias at San Francisco, has returned from California well pleased with the work accomplished by the lodge session. Mr. Marks also attended the meeting of the American Bar association and visited his mother and a sister, who live at Napa.

Summer prices on coal. Phone Diamond Coal Co., Edwy. 2037.—Adv.

WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO TELL PRETTY SOON WHETHER OR NOT SHE HAS BEEN ROBBING THE NEST AND HIDING THE EGGS.



VIRGINIA EDWARDS WINS

PORTLAND GIRL IS CHOSEN OREGON'S PRETTIEST.

Victor Is Fine Swimmer and Diver; Merchants Promise Many Beautiful Gifts.

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Gal's Time Is in Store.

There she will have a continuous round of gala entertainment given in her honor. She will take part in a national tourney of beauty at which the judges, artists of national and international repute, will award the crown of loveliness to the fair.

Gifts already promised Miss Portland by leading merchants of the city are an evening gown by the Meier & Frank company store, an afternoon costume by H. Liebes & Co. silk hosiery and lingerie by Charles F. Berg, Oxford by the Knight Shoe company, two bathing suits, one by the Columbia Knitting Co. of Portland, and another by the Asbury Mills, New York city, one dozen best quality photographs by Leonard Pink, portrait photographer, and candy by Swerland's.

Conscientious Efforts Made.

The five judges gave their most conscientious efforts to make their award entirely fair and they approached their task wholly without prejudice in favor of any contestant. Character of all five was such as to establish public confidence in their verdict. Judge C. H. Carey was chairman of the committee. Miss Esther Wuest, superintendent of art instruction in the public schools, acted as the referee. Miss Gray, called away from the city and was unable to serve later. Her place was taken by Mrs. A. Gay of the same department in the public schools.

Task Found Difficult.

The judges found their task extremely difficult because of the great number of beautiful girls who had entered the contest. Through-out the judging they were embarrassed by the wealth of material from which they had to pick the most perfect flower of girlhood. They regretted extremely that there were not sufficient prizes to go around to the many whose seeming perfection was thought to deserve recognition.

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The committee regrets that it is unable to award more than one prize to the candidates as a type of Oregon beauty. The fact is that practically all of the photographs submitted were pictures of beautiful girls and the committee has had great difficulty in reaching a decision among so many aspirants of first quality.

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RAIL CHIEFS HURRY BACK

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Despite continued assertions of rail chiefs that they will enter the conference without having before them any definite proposal as a result of their executive committee's two-day conference with the big five last week, reports persist in labor circles that several such proposals were laid before the carrier representatives.

WHAT CONGRESS DID AS ITS DAY'S WORK.

House. Tariff bill sent to conference. Interstate and foreign commerce committee favorably reports coal commission bill.

Senate. Not in session.

Full Seniority Wanted.

On the seniority question strikers would return with full rights as of July 12. Employees would retain former rights, plus rights since July 1. New men taken on since the strike was called, would have rights dating from July 1. Under this plan the strikers would lose seniority rights for only the eight weeks the strike now has been in progress.

Most of the 148 rail men who will attend the meeting arrived tonight and began several informal caucuses in an effort to line up votes for the balloting tomorrow.

Meantime labor headquarters again became active with the arrival of officials of the 16 shop crafts units, who preceded the big five leaders into the city. Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and E. F. Jewell, president of the shop crafts organization, are expected here tomorrow to plan for the brotherhood's resumption of sessions with an executive committee of the association probably on Thursday.

The Oregonian publishes practically all of the want ads printed in the other three Portland papers, in addition to thousands of exclusive advertisements not printed in any other local paper.

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NEW ERA BEFORE CUBA

RECONSTRUCTION OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS ABOUT DONE.

Reform Programme Appears to Assure Governmental and Financial Stability.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—After many months of confusion and uncertainty, the reconstruction of Cuba's political and fiscal affairs is nearing completion on a basis which state department officials regard as promising an era of restored confidence and tranquillity throughout the island republic.

The reform programme, in the drafting of which Cuban officials have had the constant aid of Major-General Enoch H. Crowder of the American army, is said in advice received here to have reached a stage where re-establishment of governmental and financial stability appears to be assured for the near future.

Numerous changes in the government machinery, making possible the retirement of fiscal and judicial officials who stand in the way of needed reforms, are coupled in the reorganization plan with a sweeping rehabilitation of the entire tax-collecting and disbursing system of the public treasury.

In a statement detailing the entire restoration programme tonight the state department manifested thorough satisfaction with the turn taken by Cuban affairs and predicted that a proper execution of the plans now agreed upon among Cuban officials undoubtedly would go far toward "normalization and the betterment of business conditions generally."

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TWO MORE STATES JOIN COAL PEACE

Illinois and Indiana Miners Prepare to Enter Pits.

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CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Soft coal operators and miners in two more states made peace today, but anthracite operators and miners representatives meeting in Philadelphia adjourned a joint conference subject to call without agreement at Kansas City in an effort to bring about a settlement.

The peace negotiations already completed at the department of labor to estimate the weekly bituminous coal production at 9,000,000 tons within a week.

Wage Scale to Be Same.

All the agreements thus far concluded in the bituminous industry have been based on the settlement concluded at Cleveland last week between John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, and his associates and operators from seven states. By the terms of this agreement the miners returned to work at the same wage scale and under the same working conditions as when they struck on April 14 days ago. This agreement is effective until next March 31, with provision for a fact-finding commission to investigate the industry and the selection of a sub-committee of operators and miners at a joint conference at Cleveland, October 2, to determine methods of negotiating future wage scales.

Negotiation Plan Accepted.

Today's agreement merely provides for continuing present wages and working conditions until next March 31, eliminating the clause providing for negotiations to begin when the present one expires. This clause is to be supplanted by the Cleveland plan of negotiation. President Farrington of the Illinois miners' union announced tonight that every Illinois operator signed the agreement and said that all men had been ordered back to work in this state. He predicted normal production by Monday if the trains were able to move the coal.

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drinking poison in her room at a local hotel. She apparently repented after having partaken of about four-fourths of a bottle, for she turned up one of the chambermaids, explained what she had done, and asked for a doctor. Dr. Thompson and Coberth were at once called, and they ordered the woman taken to the hospital, where it was reported this evening that she had an even chance of recovery. Mr. Allen and her husband had been here since July 26, and had been quarreling during the last week, other patrons at the hotel said.

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GENEVA, Aug. 22.—It is expected here that the wedding of Miss Mathilde McCormick and Max Oser probably will take place at Basle within the next three weeks. It is stated that Oser has deposited papers and applied for a license to marry, according to Swiss law, at the civil registrar's office in Basle, thereby giving plenty of time for Mr. and Mrs. Harold McCormick, who are at present attending the Mozart festival at Salzburg, to arrive in Switzerland for the wedding. Meantime Miss Mathilde is having a splendid holiday around Lucerne, sometimes accompanied by Max Oser. Mrs. Stanley McCormick, who has been at present attending the Mozart festival at Salzburg, says the wedding will not take place there, as Miss Mathilde is trying to evade publicity.

FORD PLANT USES OIL

Burners Are Installed Because of Shortage of Coal.

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 22.—Owing to the shortage of coal, The Ford Motor company's Highland Park plant has been equipped with oil burners, it was announced today. The change was made without loss of time to any of the 42,000 employees.

The Ford company, it is understood, has placed orders for 12,000,000 gallons of fuel oil. Before installing oil burners, coke screenings and other fuel were tried out but found unsatisfactory.

The oil burners have been placed in all the boilers, of which there are 14. Whether they will be continued in use after the fuel shortage has passed has not been determined.

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