

THE HAWAIIAN EMBEZZLERS

Two Prominent Officials Are Defaulters

GOVERNMENT TREASURER

And Chief of Department of Public Works of Hawaii

FORMER ADMITTED GUILTY, BUT ESCAPED FROM ISLANDS, BUT LATTER WAS ARRESTED—A CHINA EMBEZZLER CAUGHT, NATIONAL BANK FAILS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Official reports of the defaulters by two prominent officials of the Hawaiian Government were received by the Secretary of the Interior today from Governor Dole.

William H. Wright, Treasurer of the Government, admitted that he was \$17,950 short, and H. B. Wright, Chief Clerk of the Department of Public Works of Hawaii, is charged with the embezzlement of \$8,272.

The former escaped on the steamer Alameda, which sailed from Honolulu, September 26th, for San Francisco, and has not been found, but the latter was arrested and held for trial this month.

Another Embezzler.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 14.—R. H. Moffat was arrested this morning on board the steamship Hongkong Maru as soon as he was released from quarantine. A cablegram in the hands of the police accuses Moffat of being a fugitive from Hongkong and an embezzler of \$24,000.

National Bank Fails.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 14.—The Central National Bank, a small institution compared with many other city banks, did not open its doors today because of an order from the Controller of the Currency who had placed National Bank Examiner Oneal over it as temporary receiver.

Impaired assets are given as the first reason for the failure. The incident did not produce any flurry in financial circles.

Up For Contempt.

Denver, Col., Nov. 14.—Julius Aythe, county clerk, will have to stand trial for contempt of court in having ignored the injunction forbidding him to certify to names on the registration lists which were declared to be fictitious.

The defendant alleged that the court had no jurisdiction in the case, but Judge Johnson held otherwise and overruled the motion to dismiss the case. The arguments were then begun on the question of trial by a jury.

Italians Satisfied

Rome, Italy, Nov. 14.—Latest news received here regarding the Mascagni affair has convinced the Italian press that the American authorities did the utmost within the limits of the law to mitigate the odious situation. The Italian Consul, at Boston, has telegraphed the Foreign Minister that it was impossible to do more than they did for the composer.

War Prisoners Released.

Washington, Nov. 14.—Mail advices from Caracas, Venezuela, are to the effect that the Irons had been taken off General Jose Manuel Hernandez, Dr. Finol, and other prisoners detained in the castle of San Carlos. Hernandez was imprisoned by order of President Castro to prevent him from participating in the recent revolution. President Castro, in his proclamation, treats the revolution as having been crushed.

Rodriguez Will Surrender.

Caracas, Ven., Nov. 14.—General Rodriguez, formerly Cabinet Minister during the administration of ex-President Andrade, and who has been one of the leaders of the revolution in Venezuela, has offered to surrender to the Government.

MAGNATES AT WAR.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—An active tobacco war is in progress in Germany, according to a Herald dispatch from Berlin. It is a three-sided contest. The most formidable adversary is a large American company which is declared to have bought up the James Maiz factories of Dresden and set domestic tobacco interests agog by purchasing all the Turkish leaf in a storage in Dresden in order to secure a monopoly of the supply. Inasmuch as the German tobacco market and its supply is not a monopoly, as in France, Russia and other countries, the fight for control promises to be a keen one.

VICTIM OF SHARPER

BUNCO ARTIST 'BORROWED' A FARMER'S MONEY TO GAMBLE WITH.

SPOKANE, Nov. 14.—A peculiar suit has been started in the Superior Court here in which T. Gower seeks to recover, through replevin proceedings, a certificate of deposit for \$3,000 which he was buncoed out of, and which is being held by the authorities to be used in the trial of the case against the man who is charged with having performed the bunco act. Gower is a home seeker, who says that he hails from Wisconsin. He arrived in the city several days ago, and on Tuesday morning, with his wife, he was waiting at the Northern Pacific depot for the train which was to take him out into the Big Bend country, where he was to look at some land.

While at the depot he was approached by a man who proceeded to make his acquaintance, and proved to be a jolly good fellow. He told Gower of some rich mining propositions in which he was interested, and finally invited the Wisconsin man to accompany him

to a room where he had some specimens on exhibition. Having plenty of time before starting for his train, Gower accepted the invitation and accompanied his new-found friend to a room which Gower says was in one of the business blocks, but which he could not later locate.

On arriving at the room they found two men playing cards. Gower's friend was invited to take a hand and did so, but only lasted a short time until he was broke. He then borrowed from Gower all the money the old man had—\$220 in cash—which soon went into the possession of the sharpers. Gower, however, did not lose confidence in his friend and produced a certificate of deposit on a Spokane bank for \$3,000. This he gave to his friend and it soon followed his cash into the pockets of the card players. Gower was then escorted back to the depot where he was given the shake by the smooth individual who had the mines for sale.

Gower told his wife what had happened and she at once started on the warpath. The bank was notified not to honor the certificate, and when it was presented a few hours later by a man named Riddle, he was taken into custody. He claimed that he had purchased the certificate from a stranger. The certificate was taken possession of by the authorities and is being held as evidence against Riddle. It is claimed that Gower has been given back the cash from which he was separated, and that the suit which he has brought to recover the certificate is at the instigation of the alleged buncoer, who has squared the matter with Gower and hopes in this way to avoid prosecution. The replevin suit was brought against Chief of Police Reddy, who has filed an answer in which he states that the certificate is not in his possession, but that it is locked up in the safe of the prosecuting attorney.

The authorities are using every effort to bring Riddle to trial before the replevin suit can be heard, and, on the other hand, Riddle's attorneys are overlooking no action by which they can cause a delay.

ROOSEVELT IS ON THE TRAIL

Black Bear Killed But Not by the President

AN EXCITING DAY'S HUNT

Dogs Struck Trail Soon After the Party Started Out

HAD HE FOLLOWED COLLIER'S DIRECTIONS WOULD HAVE SECURED A SHOT—PRESIDENT NOT IN CAMP AT LAST REPORT—CLEVELAND STARTS OUT.

SMEDS, Miss., Nov. 14.—A lean black bear which weighs 225 pounds is hanging up at the President's camp on the Little Sun Flower, but to the regret of all the members of the party, the first trophy of the hunt did not fall to the President's rifle.

The bear's tracks were struck by the hounds soon after the party started this morning. As soon as the dogs gave tongue the President and the guides plunged through the dense underbrush in pursuit. Within a minute, the dogs showed the direction the quarry was taking, and Hoke Collier directed Mr. Foote to take the President along a trail to a certain cut off. For several hours the President and Foote waited, but shortly after noon Foote abandoned hope that the quarry would come their way, and he and the President returned to camp for lunch.

Had they remained the President would have had a shot, as the bear crossed almost the exact spot which Collier had indicated.

On the way to camp with the dead bear the dogs struck a fresh trail and the President, Foote, Mangum, Cortelyou and Long followed it. At dark, when the Associated Press correspondent left there was no sign of the President, and some anxiety was manifested lest in his enthusiasm he would get too far away and be forced to sleep on the trail.

Cleveland Goes Hunting.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 14.—Grover Cleveland passed through Norfolk today for the marshes of Merrittuck, where he will be the guest of Joseph Selinger, of this city, on a week's duck hunting.

IRWIN EXONERATED

EX-SUPERINTENDENT OF OREGON SCHOOLS NOT GUILTY OF MALFEASANCE.

SEATTLE, Nov. 14.—United States Commissioner Irwin, former Superintendent of Public Instruction of Oregon, who has been on trial at Juncos on a charge of malfeasance in office, has been exonerated by Trial Judge Brown at Juncos. Two attorneys preferred charges, alleging that Irwin had appropriated \$11 to himself in two separate criminal cases. They wanted his discharge, but Judge Brown declined to remove him. However, he did scathingly rebuke Irwin for inattention to duties, and remarked that his office might be conducted in much more business-like style.

Alaska newspapers are divided about evenly on the decision, some agreeing and others disagreeing. At any rate, Judge Brown's decision is a victory for Irwin.

The above item donkeys the intelligence that G. M. Irwin, formerly of this city, who was recently charged with the misappropriation of funds received in his official capacity, has been adjudged innocent of the crime, and will be gladly received by his friends and relatives in Salem.

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COMMISSION IN SESSION

President Mitchell on the Witness Stand

SEVERELY QUESTIONED

By the Attorneys for the Mine Owners to Test His Memory

A TRYING DAY FOR THE LEADER OF THE MINERS, BUT HE PASSED THROUGH IT WELL—COMPANIES WELL REPRESENTED LEGALLY.

SCRANTON, Pa., Nov. 14.—The anthracite coal strike commission, appointed by President Roosevelt, to arbitrate the differences existing between the mine workers of the hard coal fields of Pennsylvania and their employers, today began hearing testimony by which it will determine whether or not the workmen are receiving fair and just wages and whether their conditions should be improved. The star witness, for the miners,

President John Mitchell, took the stand in the forenoon, and when the commission adjourned he was still under the fire of cross-examination by David W. Wilcox, general counsel for the Delaware & Hudson Company.

It was a trying day for the miners' leader, but he seemed to stand the test well. The heaviest fire of cross-questions was aimed at him late in the afternoon session and when the hour of adjournment was reached Wilcox was still propounding questions and testing Mitchell's memory.

The opening of the session was a notable day in the annals of law. In the upper anthracite region. Ranged around three tables in front of the seven commissioners were no less than thirty lawyers, twenty-four of whom were looking after the interests of the mine owners.

Introduced Resolutions.

New Orleans, La., Nov. 14.—Another day was devoted by the American Federation of Labor to work preparatory for the actual duties of the convention. Reports of committees and introduction of resolutions took up all of the session. No action was taken on any of the resolutions, of which eighty-seven were submitted.

TO REVISE ROAD LAWS

THE ASTORIA PUSH CLUB WILL WORK FOR NEW LEGISLATION.

ASTORIA, Nov. 14.—The Push Club of this city has taken up the matter of road legislation, and at the approaching session of the Legislature a measure embodying the ideas of the club will be presented. The proposed new law is the outgrowth of the recent good roads convention held in Portland, which was attended by a large delegation from Clatsop county.

The club by President Carnahan, who is a Representative-elect from this county. Mr. Carnahan believes the present road laws of the state are wholly inadequate for the needs of the times. Nearly every county in Oregon is building fine roads, and the old laws, he thinks, should be brought up to date.

The bill which Mr. Carnahan intends introducing will bear the same relation to roads that the present school laws bear to school districts. At present the road districts have no funds other than for making repairs, but if Mr. Carnahan's bill goes through, each district will have a road fund of its own. This will take the expense of roads off the county, and place it on the community that is directly benefited by the new highway.

The details of the new bill have not yet been worked out by its advocates, but the roads committee of the Push Club has been instructed to take up the matter and make it a careful study. The advice of the most experienced roadmakers of the state will be sought, and after the committee exhausts every avenue of information it will submit to the club a report embodying its recommendations. Care will be exercised to frame a bill that will be agreeable to all sections of the state, and which will be calculated to encourage the construction of new highways. At the good roads convention many new phases of roadbuilding were brought out, and from the Eastern commissioners much valuable information was secured. This will greatly aid in the framing of the new bill intended for regulation of the work in Oregon.

That there may be no opposition to the measure it will probably be submitted to Legislators before it is presented, so that the very best system may be adopted. Mr. Carnahan will make this matter his special study at the session, and hopes to get a law that will result in much benefit.

PREPARING FOR WAR

PRESIDENT OF BOLIVIA HIMSELF MAY LEAD EXPEDITION INTO ACRE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Congress is authorizing the emission of \$1,000,000 in paper currency to cover the cost of the expedition to Acre, and has placed the debt upon the Northwestern colonies, which means Acre, says a Herald dispatch from La Paz, Bolivia. Preparations for the expedition, which will consist of 1,000 men, already have commenced. If President Pando takes personal charge of the expedition, First Vice-President Velasco and Minister of War Montez will accompany him, leaving Second Vice-President Caprillo temporary head of the republic. Great enthusiasm is expected to develop if the President shall finally decide to go.

THEIR PAY INCREASED.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Nov. 14.—Burlington switchmen in St. Joseph have received a raise in wages of 4 cents an hour and helpers have been advanced 3 cents an hour. The action is voluntary on the part of the road. The war's are now the same in St. Joseph, Kansas City and Chicago. Superintendent Perkins said the scale would be put into effect November 15th. The new wages will be as follows: Night foremen, 33 cents an hour; night helpers, 30 cents an hour; day foremen, 31 cents an hour; day helpers, 28 cents an hour. Between 75 and 100 men will be affected in this city.

APPLE-SHIPMENT UNDER WAY.

MEDFORD, Nov. 14.—The apple-shipping season is fairly under way, although the moving of the fruit is not very brisk. J. A. Whitman loaded and shipped from here last week seven carloads, three of which were from Grant's Pass. The first of this week he shipped one car each of Newtowns and Spitznbergs to New York and one car of Jonathans to Chicago. Mr. Whitman expects to ship from thirty to thirty-five cars from Medford, and from fifteen to twenty from other points. The crop will be about an average one, not as large as was expected earlier in the season. The quality is excellent.

MAY SUE FOREST GROVE.

FOREST GROVE, Nov. 14.—Attorney Bump, of Hillsboro, was here today examining the city docket with a view of suing the city for damages for confining Dr. O. C. Hiatt, a dentist, in the city jail, Tuesday night, for being drunk. It is claimed by Dr. Hiatt that his health is poor, and that the jail is not in a suitable condition for a sick man to remain overnight, hence he has secured the services of an attorney to investigate the matter.

DUN'S WEEKLY REPORT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Dun's Review says: Failures for the week 241, against 215 last year.

GOVERNMENT STEALS MARCH

Upon Canadian Government But Recently

APPROPRIATES TERRITORY

In British Domain—Canadian Prospectors Make Startling Discovery

THOUSANDS OF SQUARE MILES INVOLVED IN THE MATTER—NO CHEAP RATES PROBABLE IN 1923—PACIFIC CABLE IS A SUCCESS.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 14.—The Province, this evening, says: "In the quietest possible manner and with every precaution to secure secrecy the United States encroached on Canadian territory to the northeast of Cape Fox and appropriated to itself thousands of square miles of land lying within the boundaries of British Columbia to the westward of the Portland Canal." "Large stone huts have been erected comparatively recently on the western shores of the Portland Canal, and from the headwaters of the canal, a line has been surveyed along mountain ridges and across divides in a northeasterly direction toward Iskut river, where it joins the Stikine." "Such is the sensational information just brought to light through the wanderings of some Canadian prospectors through the territory in question."

To Abolish Cheap Rates.

Chicago, Nov. 14.—A strong probability exists that cheap passenger rates will not be put in effect in the territory west of Chicago during 1923. A movement is on foot to abrogate all cheap rates conventions and gatherings to which they have usually been accorded, rates for excursionists and reduced rates for colonists. The movement is due to a determination motion made by the so-called Northern lines, Canadian Pacific, Great Northern and the Northern Pacific. The Northern lines complain that the cheap rates which are employed by the Western lines during the summer months destroy the Northern harvest of tourist travel during the summer.

Gathering Agricultural Data.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 14.—The steamer Mlowra, which sailed for Australia tonight, has among her passengers a party of Boer delegates who have been visiting Canada to observe the agricultural methods in use here and acquire information along this line which will profit their countrymen in South Africa.

A Successful Service.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 14.—Reports from the Bamfield cable station say the expectations of the engineers of the Pacific Cable Board are being realized in every particular. A speed of 100 meters per minute has been attained. The insulation has been found perfect, no leaks having developed.

DIED TO SAVE FLAG.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14.—John Nystrom, a Swedish sailor on the United States army transport Sumner, sacrificed his life while attempting to save an American flag which had been torn by a gust of wind from the stern of the vessel's steam launch. He plunged into the water and secured the banner, but was caught by the strong ebb tide and drowned before he could be reached by a boat.

FUMIGATOR BURNS RESIDENCE.

EUGENE, Nov. 14.—The residence of I. L. Simpson was burned to the ground this forenoon. The fire originated while the house was being fumigated, the family having recently recovered from a siege of smallpox. The loss is about \$1,200.

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