

JOE FERN IS TO BE MAYOR

ASSASSINATION PLOT FOILED AT CARACAS

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

CARACAS, Venezuela, December 22.—A plot to assassinate Vice President Gomez has been frustrated.

BELIEVED END OF TROUBLE

CARACAS, Venezuela, December 22.—The decree prohibiting the transshipment of goods for Venezuela at Willemstad, Dutch West Indies, has been revoked. This is believed to be the end of the trouble between Holland and Venezuela.

GRAFT ARRESTS IN PITTSBURG

PITTSBURG, December 22.—Seven of the Common Councilmen of this city and two bankers have been arrested on charges of graft.

RAILROAD PRESIDENT RESIGNS POSITION

NEW YORK, December 22.—President Newman, of New York Central Railroad, has resigned.

DOLPHIN WILL WATCH SITUATION

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, December 22.—The naval dispatch boat Dolphin has been ordered from this city to Curacao, to await developments in the troubles between Venezuela and the Netherlands.

The Dolphin is commanded by Lieut. Comdr. Thomas Washington and mounts two guns.

NEWELL AT WORK

Acting Governor Mott-Smith received a letter from F. H. Newell, Director of the Federal Reclamation Service, by the Hilonian mail in which the latter states that he reached Washington safely and has been trying to do what he could to assist Hawaii since then. He states that by the aid of maps and photographs he has been able to explain many of the conditions down here, which would otherwise be hard for the Eastern men to understand.

DOLL CONTEST

The doll contest at Sachs' closes Thursday evening at 10 o'clock. Please get in votes before then.

KAUAI RECOUNT CAUSING CHANGES

In the recount of the Lihue precinct lost four. As Baker only won on the official count by four votes, this and George Blake for the auditorship paces Blake in the lead by one vote, of Kauai, which was gone over in the Supreme Court this afternoon. The entire island will be recounted. Blake gained one vote and Baker

LANAI CASE CONTROVERSY NOT DECIDED

Attorney A. G. M. Robertson, counsel in the Lanai land case, this morning received a cable from Washington stating that the decision handed down yesterday in the United States Supreme Court was given, not on the merits of the case, but on a technical question as to the status of McCandless as a plaintiff. It appears that the Supreme Court held that McCandless had no standing in court and therefore dismissed his suit, and did not find it necessary to go into the merits of the case at all. The decision, it is understood from the brief cables that have been received, holds that McCandless as a taxpayer is not a party of interest in the proposed exchange, and is not therefore entitled to sue for an injunction to stop it. McCandless had no direct interest in the transaction, but claimed the right as a taxpayer of the Territory to intervene and stop it. The court holds that he had no such right. The decision, though it does not go into the merits of the controversy, is believed to be final. "I do not know of any way in which the matter can be brought into court for decision on the merits," said Robertson, in answer to a question.

YOUNG MERCURY IS PROBABLY DON JUAN

One choking mystery seems to have been solved, though the stamp of certainty has not yet been put upon the facts.

Madame Lambert, expert constructor of millinery creations, was rudely awakened the other night, as previously reported, to find a mysterious hand upon her throat. Instead of screaming she arose to combat a male intruder who escaped as best he might in hot haste, nor leaving a trail behind him.

The next day, the morning following, the little dressmaker received a beautiful bouquet of floral offerings to which was attached a card, and upon the card was the name of a messenger, a young mercury who knows the city well and has for some time been serving the local messenger systems in carrying parcels, packages, letters, notes, scented and otherwise, to houses, hotels, steamships and elsewhere.

When the young messenger appeared at Madame Lambert's place later with a message, that lady saw something familiar about him and her mind went back to the incident of the night or two previous, which she had reported to the police.

Meanwhile a lady friend of Madame Lambert had told the fashionable dress maker that she, too, had been somewhat bothered by a very youthful chap. So when Madame Lambert saw this particular mercury she asked him to take a note for her to her lady friend. The messenger readily assented and

IT HAS COME.

We have received that large shipment of Tengu Japan rice and we are selling it fast, as the demand is very great. It surpasses all others in flavor and quality. K. Yamamoto, sole agent, Hotel near Nuuanu.

DECORATED XMAS TREE.

Beautifully decorated Christmas trees selling at the Alexander Young Cafe at \$1.25 each. Open evenings till 11.

TEACH YOUNG TO SHOOT

A proposition of Col. J. W. Jones to have schoolboys taught shooting by means of the military sub-target gun was approved by the Board of Education, but it could do nothing this biennial period for want of funds to buy the required munitions of war.

Superintendent Babbitt submitted to the board drafts of teachers' pension and children's medical examination bills.

Miss Marion Bell, teacher of domestic science at the Normal, and Miss Rose Aea, teacher at Waimea, Kauai, resigned.

With the Superintendent were present Mrs. Dowsett, Mrs. Wilcox, J. J. Carden, F. T. P. Waterhouse and A. Perry, commissioners.

HORSE RUNS AWAY WITH SMALL GIRL

Mail Carrier Holokahiki's wagon was in trouble this morning. He left it outside the residence of F. W. Macfarlane, Walkiki, while he delivered certain letters and when he turned to regain the wagon, the horse had eloped with a little Hawaiian girl who had climbed into the mail-carrier's seat. The horse was stopped before he had gone very far, the little girl having fallen out without sustaining any injury.

SAILOR FALLS DEAD FROM OVERDRINK

Sailor Albert Anderson, ex schooner Ethel Zane, was picked up on Liliha near Kukui street last evening, at 6 o'clock, by Officer Robert Parker, Jr., and found to be dead. Suicide was first thought of an account of the presence in the hip pocket of the remains of a broken bottle of carbolic acid, the contents of which had burned the leg.

Investigation shows that there was no carbolic acid in the stomach.

Chemist Duncan is of the opinion that alcohol did the deadly work. The stomach showed alcoholic ravages. A post mortem will be held this evening.

FISHER AT HAVANA

H. S. Fisher, formerly head luna at Ewa plantation, has written from Havana to William Williamson. He was looking over chances for openings in the sugar industry of Cuba and liked the look of the country. Mr. Fisher says he has met quite a few people from Hawaii in Cuba.

LADIES FOOTWEAR BY HILONIAN

The Popular Regal Shoe Store received last evening by the Hilonian a large shipment of 5,000 pairs of fashionable ladies and misses' footwear. The latest styles were received among which are Colonial ties and pumps in white buckskin smooth dull calf, patent leathers, Russia calf, lace boots in all the latest patterns. Do not wait till they are all gone.

The Norwegian S. S. Mathilda arrived this morning from Newcastle with coal for the Inter-Island Co. She is docked at the Bishop wharf.

Best cups of coffee in the city at New England Bakery.

CONTEST IS OVER

SUPREME COURT VERY QUICKLY DISPOSES OF THE PROPOSED RECOUNT—A RULING THAT THE PETITION IS NOT SUFFICIENTLY SUSTAINED ENDS THE CASE WITHOUT THE COURT UNDERTAKING TO MAKE A RECOUNT OF THE BALLOTS.

COMPLETE TEXT OF THE DECISION

The petition asking for a recount of the votes in the contest against Joe Fern for Mayor, was dismissed this morning in the Supreme Court, the opinion in the case being a verbal one delivered by Chief Justice Hartwell and concurred in by Justice Wilder, Circuit Judge De Bolt, sitting in place of Justice Ballou, dissented. The decision which seems certain to settle the matter and means that Fern will be seated as Mayor next month, dismisses the suit on the ground that there were not thirty signers of the petition, as shown in their examination by the court, who had knowledge of frauds or irregularities in any one precinct.

When the court met this morning verbal opinions were given on three different matters taken up in the petition. The court held that the election had not been invalidated: (1) By the presence of Willie Crawford in the polling booth; (2) By the keeping open of the polling booth after 5 o'clock; (3) On account of the fact that Crawford spoke to Chinese voters in Chinese or Hawaiian voters in Hawaiian.

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HIRED HYADES HERE TO START THE FIGHT

The big freight steamship Hyades, Capt. John Alwen, chartered by the Matson Navigation Company to fight the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company for freight, arrived early this morning, a little over eleven days from Seattle with 5,000 tons of general merchandise for this port, Eleele and Kahului.

The Hyades suffered severe weather en route, otherwise she would have been here a day and a half ago. Out of Seattle for four days she was in the teeth of a heavy southwesterly gale and was practically holed for two days. Her engines behaved well and her steering gear held out nobly. There was nothing suffered as a result of the weather except delay. The Hyades is an oil-burner, having just been so equipped. On her next trip from the coast she will be equipped with wireless.

She brings no passengers. On deck, aft, she brought a number of horses and hogs and on the forward deck she carries a consignment of ples. She docked at the channel wharf about 10 o'clock. From here she goes to Eleele, thence to Kahului where she loads for San Francisco.

Her sister ship, the Pleiades, has been chartered by the American-Hawaiian Company, as a move against the chartering of the Hyades by the Matson

line, and the Pleiades will be here on January 10. A year ago the Hyades was stuck fast for ten days, though without serious damage, in the lee of Bering Sea. That was when she was en route to Nome for the first time.

Officers of the Hyades are: Captain John Alwen, First Officer Thompson, Second Officer Pointdexter, Third Officer Brincker, Chief Engineer C. W. Snyder, First Assistant H. Ryelett, Second Assistant H. Roper, Third Assistant W. Cox and Steward Lilley.

Chief Snyder was here about ten years ago in the Eilhu Thompson, of which Whitney, now chief inspector at Seattle, was captain.

Ryelett is a photo-artist and the ship is largely decorated with enlarged photographs of the Hyades, taken when she was in the Bering Sea, ice-bound.

Captain Alwen has not been here before. He is delighted with the climate.



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