

# DEMAND CONGRESS PROBE OF HAWAIIAN SEX CRIMES

## ISLAND TIGHT IN GRIP OF BITTER RACIAL HATRED

Huge Crowds See Alleged Attacker of Officer's Wife Buried.

## PASTORS FLAY KILLERS

Social Leader, Lieutenant, Two Sailors Facing Murder Charge.

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HONOLULU, Jan. 11.—Probability of congressional investigation into conditions in Hawaii added to excitement here today as the territorial government prepared for the trial of a socially prominent American woman, an American naval lieutenant and two enlisted men, accused of the revenge murder of Joe Kahahawai, young Hawaiian.

News from the mainland that the house naval affairs committee has called on the navy department to supply records of attacks on women, one of which assertedly led to the abduction and slaying of Kahahawai was received with mixed emotions by a community already at fever pitch of hysteria.

The largest crowd that ever attended a civilian funeral on the islands heard Catholic and Protestant rites for Kahahawai, the slain man. Strains of the native songs, "Pono" and "Aloha," stirred their emotions anew at the cemetery.

The Rev. Robert Ahuna, who conducted the native Protestant rites, spoke the native tongue and charged the murder to "revenge," an "appalling crime" perpetrated in front of the Federal building, where the laws are "supposed to be administered and the people judged impartially."

### Rights Are Waived

His comment was typical of that heard from citizens of mixed blood although action of the accused slayers in waiving their rights to naval court-martial was expected to quiet much of the resentment.

Lieutenant Thomas Hedges Massie, United States navy, and J. J. Lord, an enlisted man, waived their rights, and another enlisted man, Albert Jones, was expected to waive his right. Mrs. Grace Hubbard Fortescue, socially prominent New Yorker, would have been tried by civil courts in any event.

Mrs. Fortescue is the mother of Mrs. Massie, accused of five men tried on charges of attacking her.

The trio, charged with first-degree murder, continued to be held aboard the receiving ship Alton, at Pearl harbor. Hundreds of telegrams of sympathy and support were received by Mrs. Fortescue. So many floral offerings were sent to the ship that officers ordered no more brought aboard, as they had no more room for them.

### Throngs at Funeral

The crowd at Kahahawai's funeral, mostly Hawaiians and numbering more than 2,000 persons, was quiet and orderly. Solemn requiem mass was said by Father Patrick Hogan at the Catholic cathedral. Mr. Ahuna, pastor of the old Hawaiian Protestant church, conducted the burial service.

Mr. Ahuna said that Kahahawai went to the courthouse in connection with bail formalities on the charge of attacking Mr. Massie, and ignorant that the visit would cost him his life.

Mr. Ahuna asked his audience what caused the killing, and then replied:

### "It was revenge."

"Better Element" Assailed He expressed surprise that the persons under arrest for the killing should be persons "sworn to uphold the law." He closed by saying he was glad to see such a demonstration in sympathy at the grave.

In other churches congregations were called upon by pastors to observe peace and order. Untoward disturbances in the once peaceful "paradise of the Pacific" were scored by Dr. H. H. Leavitt, pastor of Central Union church, attended by the most prominent and wealthy residents of the island.

Dr. Leavitt criticised the "so-called better element" referring to evidence of a breakdown of law and morality which culminated in Kahahawai's death.

### Admiral Paid Tribute

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Movement for a congressional investigation of conditions in Hawaii gained momentum rapidly today after records of assaults on white women in the islands were submitted to the house naval affairs committee by the navy department.

A resolution was introduced in the house by Representative Mc-Kellar (Dem., Tenn.) and a similar resolution by Senator Bingham (Rep., Conn.), calling on Attorney-General Mitchell to report on criminal law enforcement conditions there was adopted by the senate.

The resolution asked Mitchell to state whether a change in administration of justice in Hawaii is desirable.

As the house naval affairs committee received the reports it demanded, Chairman Vinson paid high tribute to Rear Admiral William V. Pratt, ranking naval officer, for his attitude toward the whole situation.

### "I endorse what you have said."

Vinson said, "especially about such cases where juries absolutely failed to do their duty."

Meanwhile, Victor S. K. Houston, delegate to congress from Hawaii, said he will report to administration officials what he considers "inflammatory statements" made by executive officers regarding conditions at Honolulu.

"We have the case of a naval officer who held up a garage proprietor at the point of a gun and forced him to repair a tire during the night, and another naval man who killed his wife," he said. "They were tried by naval court-martial, and we do not know what happened."

## Called Revenge Slayer



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Mrs. Granville Roland Fortescue, New York and Washington society woman (shown above), is one of three persons accused of the murder of Joe Kahahawai, native Hawaiian who was tried for an attack on Mrs. Fortescue's daughter.

Others arrested are Naval Lieutenant Thomas N. Massie, husband of the woman attacked, and R. J. Lord, a sailor. They are charged with having kidnapped the Hawaiian, using a fake warrant as a ruse, and shooting him. Kahahawai's trial on the attack ended in a mistrial when the jury failed to agree.

## HIGH COURT TO ACT IN OIL PRORATION

### Votes to Consider Validity of Governor Murray's Curtailment.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The supreme court today decided to consider validity of the Oklahoma oil curtailment act and proration orders under which Governor Willard H. Murray stemmed over-production of crude oil within his state.

The court's ruling was made in a test case brought by the Champion Refining Company against the Oklahoma corporation commission, the state enforcement body.

The right of states to bar women from jury duty was upheld by the court in a test case brought from Massachusetts.

The court denied Geneva Welosky of Boston a review of her conviction on charges of selling a wealthy New Yorker, was sought for questioning today after recovery of his body from Cannes harbor, a state offense.

A jury found a dry law defendant guilty of maintaining a nuisance and not guilty of sale or possession of liquor, the court held today.

The decision was handed down in the case of James Dunn, Eureka, Cal., who was sentenced to a year in jail on a nuisance conviction.

The imposition of an annual tax on life memberships in clubs acquired before the passage of the 1918 law was approved by the court.

### MRS. ANNA JONES DIES

Former Indianapolis Resident Succumbs in California.

Word has been received by Mrs. Mary Pickard, 1824 Southeastern avenue, of the death of Mrs. Anna B. Jones of Daly City, Cal., formerly of Indianapolis. Burial will be in San Francisco.

Mrs. Jones moved to California in 1922. While in this city she lived at the home of Mrs. Pickard.

She was a member of the Eastern Star, No. 393, and Ben-Hur Lodge. She was instructor in the San Francisco branch.

### 14 FLEE BURNING BUS

Short Circuit Causes Blast; All Passengers Escape Safely.

Fourteen passengers of a Greyhound bus, en route to Pittsburgh, fled to safety Sunday night when the vehicle caught fire at Rural and Washington streets. Firemen and Leo Cole, driver, said a short circuit caused the blaze. Damage was estimated at \$500.

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the residence of John Z. Waterman, near Five Points, Saturday night. Damage was estimated at \$4,000.

Alleged Forger Held

Police Charge Man Stole \$10 Check From Mail Box, Cashed It.

Alleged to have stolen a \$10 check from a mail box and cashed it, Radford Brannah, 19, of 554½ Fletcher avenue, was charged with petit larceny and forgery today by police. The check, officers said, had been left for Mrs. Bessie Jones of the same address.

B. H. King, 30, of St. Louis, is held by local detectives for alleged issuance of a \$25 fraudulent check. He is said to have attempted to pass the check in two downtown stores Saturday.

### WOODCUTTERS INJURED

Two Hurt While Employed on "Made Work" Project.

S. D. CAMPBELL IS DEAD

Services to Be Held Tuesday for Pioneer Resident.

Samuel D. Campbell, 77, resident of Indianapolis for thirty years, died at his home, 403 East Morris street, Sunday afternoon.

Services will be held at the Johnson & Montgomery funeral home, 1626 North Meridian street, at 2 Tuesday. Burial will be in Chicago.

Survivors are three sons, Will and Ernest Campbell of Chicago and Harry Campbell of Indianapolis, and the widow.

## FARM BUREAU'S TAX PLEA HELD UP BY PACKER

John R. Kinghan Reported 'Too Busy' to Keep Date With Settle.

The blushing bride left waiting at the church bore a distinct resemblance today to William H. Settle, president of the Indiana Farm Bureau, who at the last report, was in his office waiting and waiting for the arrival of John R. Kinghan, Indianapolis meat packer.

And while Settle was waiting, the staff of the farm bureau was attempting to locate the belated industrialist.

Meanwhile, the farm bureau's campaign for a special session of the legislature to effect tax reform marked time. Settle had to have met with Kinghan today to select a committee to draft the tax program, for presentation to Governor Harry G. Leslie.

Until such a committee meets and agrees to a program of tax equalization, Leslie will be adamant in his refusal to issue the call.

Finally, Settle's secretary located Kinghan, only to learn that the packer was busy in business conference and could not be disturbed.

Kinghan led the fight in the 1931 general assembly against any measure smacking of reform or relief, and especially as opposed to a tax on corporation incomes.

Settle continued waiting in his office this afternoon in the hope that Kinghan would be able to appear and discuss the committee personnel.

## CONFISCATE 'BOMBS'

Packages Mailed to King and II Duce Held Up.

By United Press

NAPLES, Jan. 11.—Three packages addressed to King Victor Emmanuel and Premier Benito Mussolini and believed to contain bombs were found in the mail bags of the liner Excalibur when it docked from New York today.

Two of the packages were addressed to the king, and one to the premier.

The ship left New York soon after bombing outrages killing three in Easton, Pa., and endangering others elsewhere. American authorities received information that bombs mailed to Italian officials were aboard the Excalibur.

The ship's hold was sealed when it docked at Marseilles.

Police took off the three packages and took them to experts at the laboratory of the local artillery barracks for careful examination.

## RUN BROKER'S OFFICE TO CATCH FORGERS

N. Y. Cops Hold Eight Charged With Sale of Fake Stocks.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Eight men were in the police lineup today charged with the forgery and sale of stock certificates with a face value of \$5,000,000, as the result of ingenious work by detectives, who opened a brokerage office to track the men.

The men are charged specifically with negotiating a loan of \$50,000 on spurious General Motors Corporation common stock, with a face value of \$80,000, from the brokerage firm of Cusick, Kent & Co. of 39 Broadway.

Police, however, estimate the eight disposed of stock certificates with an indicative value of \$5,000,000, at about 25 per cent of their face value of \$1,250,000.

## PAPAL RULE ASSAILED

Protestants Can Not Accept Roman Church, Say Episcopal Bishop.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The Roman Catholic church never can be accepted by Protestants as the basis of Christian unity, the Rt. Rev. James Dewolf Perry, presiding bishop of the Episcopal church in the United States, stated in his sermon yesterday.

Bishop Perry, speaking at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, accepted the latest encyclical of Pope Pius XI, which appealed for Christian unity under papal sovereignty.

## MRS. SUSAN CRAIG DIES

Services to Be Held at Home of Niece for City Woman.

Mrs. Susan Jane Craig, 83, died Sunday at the home of her niece, Mrs. Hannah Boyer, 1033 North Rural street.

Mrs. Craig, who was born in Jefferson county near Madison, had lived in Indianapolis ten years.

Services will be held at the Boyer home Tuesday at 10, with burial in the afternoon at Craig cemetery near Madison.

## HERRLICH RITES SLATED

Funeral Services to Be Held at Residence and Church.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Herrlich, who died Sunday at her home on the Brookville road near New Palestine, will be held at 1:30 Tuesday at the residence, and at 2 in the Zion's Evangelical church. Burial will be in the New Palestine cemetery.

Mrs. Herrlich was born and lived all her life in this vicinity. Her father, John D. Deckert, was a pioneer dairyman.

## FOREIGN LEGION VETERAN TO TALK

Frank Hamilton, who served with the French Foreign Legion in the World war, will recount some of his experiences at the Lions Club luncheon Wednesday at the Wash-

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## BUILDING TRADE GROUPS ACCEPT WAGE SLASHES

Cuts of 20 Per Cent From 1929 Scale Announced by Council.

The blushing bride left waiting at the church bore a distinct resemblance today to William H. Settle, president of the Marion County Building Trades Council, composed of the building unions.

The cut from the 1929 wage scale will go into effect Friday morning, and will prevail until July 1, when a 5 per cent advance is agreed upon, according to a statement signed by C. E. Hammond, president of the council, and Clyde Pierce, secretary.

"The cut was made to help in the unemployment situation," the statement says.

"The men realize that an adjustment in the scale will help stimulate building, thus relieving to some extent the unemployment condition," it continues.

## INVITATION TO BUILDERS

"If the building public realizes the opportunities that now exist for low building costs and efficient skilled craftsmen are greater than for many years past and probably for many years to come, they will lose no time in getting into the market now and bidding low."

"There is plenty of money available and waiting to go into sound building projects where there is sufficient equity for protection and sufficient need for the building."

"The speculative and fly-by-night promoter is a thing of the past. Efficient planning and design, sound construction and close supervision is the future demand of financiers before furnishing funds for building."

"The building industry acts as a barometer more or less for general business. Since 1927, the building industry has been declining in volume. From 1925 to 1927 it ran at the rate of more than \$6,000,000 annually in the United States."

"It now has dropped to about \$3,500,000, a decline of about 40 per cent."