

CHRISTIANSTED THEATRE

8.15. MONDAY EVENING 8.15.

Bethlehem Theatre Sunday 7.30

"The Last Days of Napoleon"

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A D M I S S I O N

Reserved Seats.....25c.
Children.....15c.

General Entrance.....15c.
Children.....10c.

(Alexander): Mr. Vice-Chairman. It is to be regretted that a good many members are not present. What I want to ask is whether the recommendation of the sub-Committee of the Whole House is still in vogue.

The Vice-Chairman: Yes it is. The Government Secretary has just referred to it.

3rd Member for Christiansted Town (Alexander) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. If this bill holds good in this new Council I think it unfair to the newly elected members. I took objection to the motion made at the last meeting that 1st discussion should be closed for the reason that there are two new members in this assembly who have not had the opportunity of discussing the ordinance in its entirety.

With reference to personal tax I can say that I will not vote for it for several reasons. The first is, it has been pointed out that this island is not in a prosperous state. Even when there was a fair price for sugar the island could not produce sufficient to ensure prosperity for any length of time. There is a prohibition act which prevents the manufacture of the by-product of the sugar cane. In other words, at present all our eggs are in one basket, and under these circumstances this island has been very hard hit. Everybody seems to be in debt and I think it very unfair to try to impose a new tax of this sort on this community. Certain careful persons have

managed to put by a few dollars for "wet days", and to have to fall back upon this meagre saving to pay taxes, will tend to discourage thrifty habits. The Marine Barracks is now conducting a post exchange and is competing with the merchants of the island; many of our sons and daughters are emigrating from their homes as a result of all these hardships which are now confronting us. If such conditions are allowed to continue you certainly will "kill the goose that laid the golden egg."

Government Secretary (Gaffney) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. I rise to correct the statement made by the Honorable 3rd Member for Christiansted Town. He stated that we are introducing a new Tax Law. This is not a new tax law, and in support of this statement I wish to quote from a memorandum made to the Governor under date of September 23, 1921:

"Prior to adjournment, I made a special plea that the Committee recognize the fact that this tax code had been pending for a considerable period of time, and that the Governor would appreciate definite action before the next regular meeting. The Chairman of the Committee promised that they would hold weekly meetings and would prepare in writing a list of the amendments that would satisfy the Municipal Committee and asked that I meet with the Committee before the next regular meeting of the Colonial

Council, 17 October, to clarify all views. The Committee adjourned about 6 p. m. until Monday 26 September." Continuing, Government Secretary said: You can hardly call new legislation something that has been pending for over 2 years.

2nd Member for Frederiksted Country District [Curry] remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. I cannot understand the attitude of Members of this Council on this matter. When the ordinance came up at the last meeting, if I remember correctly, nearly every member, including the Honorable 1st Member for Christiansted Country District, who has been a bitter opponent of the bill, said he would vote for it.

3rd Member for Christiansted Town (Alexander) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. With reference to the remark made by the last speaker touching the Honorable 1st Member for Christiansted Country District as being a bitter opponent to the tax ordinance, I don't think he really means him, nor is he referring to me.

3rd Member for Frederiksted Country District (M. M. Skeoch) moved that the meeting be adjourned.

1st Member for Christiansted Town [Abramson] seconded the member's proposal.

The motion was carried and the Vice-Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.15 p. m.

OFFICIAL NOTES.

Administration Building,
Saint Thomas.

16 July, 1923.

Lieutenant Commander John J. Gaffney Supply Corps, U. S. Navy, and family sailed on the U. S. S. Grebe for San Juan, Porto Rico, last night. They will proceed to New York via Panama on the U. S. Army Transport Saint Mihiel, from San Juan, either tonight or tomorrow morning.

Lieutenant Commander William S. Zane, Supply Corps, U. S. Navy, has this date assumed the duties of Government Secretary of the Virgin Islands of the United States.

BASEBALL AND FOOTBALL

On the Holger Danske Ground tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, the Hero Baseball Club of Frederiksted will line up against the Blue Bird Baseball Club of this town. Also in the afternoon said Clubs will meet in a football contest at 4.30

All interested in both games are invited to the Ground at the time mentioned.
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