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SENATE FORTY-FOURTH DAY Bills introduced. S. B. 137—Act relating to reversals, the setting aside of judgments in civil and criminal cases.—Metzger. Past Second Reading. E. B. 124.—Making it a misdemeanor to use or smoke opium. Second Reading. H. B. 236.—Assigned Promotion. H. B. 71.—Assigned Select Oahu. H. B. 106.—Assigned Judiciary. H. B. 219.—Assigned Select Kaula. H. B. 261.—Assigned Military. First Reading. H. B. 228.—Making appropriation of \$35,000 for agriculture experiment station in Hawaii. H. B. 229.—To facilitate the marketing of fruits and vegetables. S. B. 134.—Act relating to reversals, the setting aside of judgments in civil and criminal cases. Deferred Action. S. B. 105.—Deferred, April 15. Committee Reports. From Judiciary Committee recommending passage of S. B. 124. Adopted. From Ways and Means Committee on H. B. 194, recommending bill be referred to Judiciary Committee. Adopted. Communications. From house reporting that H. B. 149, as amended by senate, passed; that conference committee on S. B. 18 has been appointed; and trans-

mitting H. B. 228, passed in house; and H. B. 229; and reporting S. B. 94 passed with amendments. SENATE NOTES It looks like H. B. 200 has gone by the board. It would make it unlawful to hire—or to be hired—on the island of Hawaii for less than \$2 a day. Senator Rice moved that it be deferred, pointing out at the same time that under the bill both employer and employe would be liable for the fine imposed for violating the proposed law. The bill will probably never be heard of again. So far this session \$258,695.95 has been appropriated by the legislature, according to the figures compiled by the ways and means committee. After beating about the waters to the southward of the islands for twenty-four hours, the schooner Alice Cooke, twenty-two days from Port Townsend with a million feet of lumber consigned to the agency of Lewers & Cooke, arrived this morning and was brought to a berth in the harbor. The vessel is credited with having made a very fair passage to the islands. Burned and charred timber is being removed from the bark S. C. Allen preparatory to the work of making general repairs, following the disastrous fire that occurred on board on Saturday night.

CHICAGO VOTERS' LEAGUE GIVES CORRECT FRANCHISE PRINCIPLES

Platform Sets Forth Manner in Which Public Utility Grants Should Be Handled Anywhere Under the guidance of former Secretary of the Interior Walter L. Fisher, well-known in Hawaii, the Municipal Voters' League is taking an active part in the aldermanic elections in Chicago. Preparing for the elections, the league has issued a platform which contains advice on a number of questions of direct interest to Hawaii at this time. The principle of non-partisanship in city affairs is strongly urged; the city is called upon to support civil service law and to encourage sanitary methods. Perhaps the most interesting part of the platform is its statement of the correct principle of handling public utility grants. On this subject the platform says: "Grants for street railways, subways, tunnels, wharves, docks and other public utilities, including telephone, telegraph, gas and electric

lighting, heating, refrigerating, power and other like services, should be for as short a term as consistent with the best service to the public; provided, no grant for a term exceeding twenty years should become effective unless and until approved on a referendum. All grants to a given corporation or individual should expire at the same time, and no supplemental or collateral grant should run beyond the time when the main grant expires. "No grant should be made for any public utility, without expressly reserving to the city the opportunity for municipal purchase at or before the expiration of such grant, upon fair terms and reasonable notice. "Every grant for a public utility should be expressly subject to the right of the corporate authorities of the city to control the use, improvement and repair of the streets, alleys or other public places granted for that purpose, and to make all necessary or appropriate police regulations concerning the erection, construction, maintenance, use and operation of the property or structure thereby permitted. Such right of regulation should specifically include the power (1) to make reasonable regulations of the charges to be made to the people in the operation of such public utilities, (2) to require adequate service to the public and reasonable extensions of such service and of such public utility works from time to time, (3) to require the use of the most approved appliances and equipment. "All grants for any public utility should provide for uniformity and publicity of accounts and should reserve to the city the power to require properly verified detailed reports, as well as the power to examine from time to time the books, accounts, vouchers and records relating to the conduct of the business and to verify the same by an examination of the actual condition of the property. "All public service corporations are entitled to a fair return on the actual value of the tangible property employed by them in properly conducting such public utilities, over and above all proper and legitimate expenses and charges for depreciation and renewals. The remaining income from such public utilities should be conserved for the people and should be realized by them either in reduced rates or a percentage of the receipts as direct compensation, or both. "In order that the city council may intelligently exercise its right to fix reasonable rates and make reasonable regulations in connection with the operation of public utilities, competent and trustworthy experts should be engaged from time to time to gather and arrange the necessary data, figures and information on which a correct judgment and conclusions may be based; and these should be laid before the council and the public a reasonable length of time before any rate regulation ordinance is adopted. "The application of the referendum to such matters of grave public importance as the issuance of municipal bonds has for years operated with distinct advantage, and the opportunity should be afforded for its application to the settlement of all important policies with reference to public utilities."

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY COMMITTEE UPHOLDS M'CAUNDLESS'S CHARACTER

The Democratic county committee meeting last night resolved itself into a fight for and against indorsement of L. L. McCandless, candidate for governor, and the supporters of McCandless who wished to answer the recent attacks made on him won with several votes to spare. The following resolution was passed by a vote of fifteen to eight: Whereas, B. G. Rivenburgh, chairman of the Democratic county committee, City and County of Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, did appear before Honorable Franklin K. Lane, secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. C., on or about March 14, 1913, and filed with him charges affecting the moral character of Hon. L. L. McCandless; and, whereas, said charges are manifestly false and made only for malicious persecution of said McCandless having been made by Republican ministers of Honolulu, evidently for the purpose of continuing in the gubernatorial chair, W. F. Frear, the present Republican incumbent; and

is now and has been a candidate presented to the president at Washington for preferment for governor of Hawaii by this county committee as well as by all the Democratic party committees in the Territory. "Therefore, be it resolved, we the county committee as above condemn such underhand methods and contemptible actions whether by our own or by any members of any political party, firmly believing that an honorable course of attack best subserves the permanency of our party, the welfare of all the people and the good name of this Territory, and be it further: "Resolved, That we repudiate the actions of B. G. Rivenburgh as above to affirm our knowledge of and absolute faith in the sterling character, integrity, high moral principles and purposes of L. L. McCandless and bear witness to his many sacrifices for the cause of Democracy on these islands, and be it further: "Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to B. G. Rivenburgh, the secretary of the interior and president of the United States.

HONORS PAID TO HOUSE MEMBER WHO DIES

Sudden Demise of Representative Poepeo Shocks His Colleagues of Legislature "Resolved, That the house has heard with deep regret and profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable Joseph Mokuohal Poepeo, a representative from the Fifth district, territory of Hawaii. "Resolved, That a committee of three members of the house and such members of the senate as may be joined, be appointed to attend the funeral as pallbearers and that the necessary expenses attending the execution of this order be paid out of the contingent fund of the house. "Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms of the house be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for properly carrying out the provisions of this resolution. "Resolved, That the clerk communicate these resolutions to the senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased. "Resolved, That as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Representative Poepeo this house do now adjourn." "Honolulu, T. H., "April 11th, 1913."

formality the memorial resolution was introduced and read. Senate to Show Respect. The senate will rise at adjournment this afternoon out of respect to the memory of Representative J. M. Poepeo, who died at his home in this city late yesterday afternoon. Senator Judd will make such a motion, when the committee of the whole reports on the compensation bill, which will be taken up at 2 o'clock. It is possible that the report of the select Oahu committee on the franchise bill, which the committee last night agreed to favorably report, will also be made. Senator Cecil Brown has the report written and ready to be submitted, and the only thing which is expected to prevent it from being handed in is the early adjournment due to the death of Representative Poepeo. Representative Joseph Mokuohal Poepeo was stricken early in his sixty-second year of life. He was born at Kohala, Hawaii, March 27, 1852, and up to last Tuesday afternoon he had apparently enjoyed excellent health, being sturdy and rugged in appearance and a hard worker. During the present legislature he had accompanied his brother lawmakers on their junkets and taken an interest in all legislative activities. He was considered one of the best educated Hawaiians in the territory, evidence of this being shown in the fact that he was selected to deliver the speech of welcome, presenting Hawaii's token of esteem to former Attorney General Wickersham when that dignitary addressed the legislature on Saturday, March 29. As a member of the Democratic minority in the house of representatives Poepeo had the misfortune to see virtually all his bills defeated. Possessing a deep sense of humor, in presenting a measure a few days ago he remarked: "Mr. Speaker, I wish herewith to offer another lamb for the slaughter." He had been in politics for more than thirty years, but was serving his first term in the legislature, elected from the Fifth district, Oahu. He had been a close friend of King Kalakaua and the other members of the royal Hawaiian family. He received his education at the old Royal school and at Iulimama, the first location of St. Louis College. He then taught school two years at Kohala, and later removed to Honolulu, entering the law practice, which profession he followed to the time of his death. He was taken ill late Tuesday afternoon and his seat in the house remained vacant Wednesday and yesterday. Other members have been detained at home by illness at various times during the present session and there was no suspicion that this case was serious, even up to the adjournment of the house at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. In fact, it is understood Poepeo was on his feet and moving about his home just a short time before the final and fatal attack, which came shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. This is the second time in the history of the legislature, also the second time this session, that a member has passed away during the active progress of the lawmaking body. The other death was that of Senator Hewitt, a few weeks ago. Surviving Representative Poepeo are his wife, residing at the family home, 28 School street, and four daughters, Mrs. E. N. Voeller, Mrs. Cecilia Sharp, Mrs. Palkai and Miss Elizabeth Poepeo. The body of late Representative J. M. Poepeo will be taken to the Henry Silva undertaking parlors tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock where it will remain until 6 o'clock in the evening. At that time it will be taken to the hall of the representatives, and at 3 o'clock Sunday the funeral will take place from there. Rear Admiral and Mrs. Robert Peary are now in Rome. Peary will read some technical papers on his polar trips before European societies.



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A New York Central passenger train was thrown into the Mohawk river when the railroad track became undermined through rains. Three coaches went into the river. Six people were injured. It is thought the Mojave desert may become a new Holland, ways having been found to get water cheaply all over the desert, which will enable thousands of farmers to utilize hitherto uncultivated lands. The engagement has been announced in London of Percy Wyndham of the Coldstream Guards and the Hon. Diana Lister, only unmarried daughter of Lord Ribblesdale.