

KUIROO MAY GET PLACE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Hawaii's Vital Interest In Matters of Army and Navy Will Be Recognized

NOT A GHOST OF A SHOW FOR HOME RULE BILLS

Delegate Has Number of These Before Congress and Judge Ballou Also At Work

(Mail Special to The Advertiser) By Ernest G. Walker

WASHINGTON, January 15.—Efforts are under way to have Delegate Kainanoo appointed in the next congress as a member of the military affairs committee of the house. Under Rule 12 of the house, it is specified that territorial delegates may be designated to serve on the military affairs committee. For some congresses Delegate Wickersham of Alaska has served there but he has been defeated and because of the interests of Hawaii in the Army it is regarded as quite appropriate the Hawaiian Delegate should have the place.

Hawaii Much Interested

A number of Hawaiian matters are upon the official carpet here, as New Year begins. Though the remainder of the session of congress be short and there be difficulty in getting things done before the close of this administration, friends of the Territory will be very active and get through all they possibly can. The large army and navy appropriations, directly and indirectly, concern Hawaii. There have not altogether taken shape yet but it is assured the totals will be large and that considerable allotments of these appropriations for the respective services will be disbursed eventually in the islands.

Revenues Not Sufficient

The Rivers and Harbors Appropriations Bill is being framed. It seems assured there will be items therein for Honolulu harbor; for Kahului harbor and Kalihi harbor. The Delegate and others are trying to obtain an appropriation for Nawiliwili but it is doubtful whether this will get through. Recent announcements regarding a big treasury deficit will materially affect every considerable new item for appropriations.

There is lots of talk here about ways of raising more revenue and it includes gossip about placing more tax on sugar. The matter has not reached a definite stage yet but a heavier sugar tax is among the possibilities.

Home Rule Bills

The Delegate has introduced a bill to provide for the election of the Governor and Secretary of the Territory of Hawaii. This is one of several home rule bills which the Delegate has recently offered.

Of course none of them has the ghost of a show at this session of congress. They are rather an earnest of the plans to conduct a vigorous home rule campaign during the next congress and to stir up official Washington in favor of statehood for Hawaii. All these bills have been referred to the house committee on Territories.

The bill to elect the Governor provides that he shall be elected for four years from the first Monday in January succeeding his election. Another of the home rule bills would grant to the territorial legislature power to legislate concerning public lands; another would prohibit the importation of intoxicating liquors into the islands; and still another bill would give the legislature "additional powers relative to elections and qualifications of electors."

A bill to be introduced shortly by the Delegate will provide that the postmasters, collector of customs and all federal officials in the islands shall be chosen from the legal residents of the islands.

Judge Ballou At Work

Former Judge Ballou is taking up anew the Judges Retirement Bill, which was intended to afford retirement pay to former Judge Dole. The bill has been favorably reported from the house committee on judiciary and probably has some chance of becoming law at this session.

There is to be a convention here shortly on national parks, at which the attractions of those resorts and also plans for acquiescing the public with recreation features and for inducing a larger patronage will be discussed. Representative Scott Ferris, of Oklahoma, and Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, have been asked to address the convention with reference to Kilauaea. The Delegate and Robert W. Breckons are planning an entertainment here shortly for the members of the congressional party, who were made Chiefs of Hawaii during their sojourn in the islands.

The Delegate has introduced and is using a bill "to relieve the railroads in Porto Rico and Hawaii from the provisions of the Safety-Apppliance Acts requiring the use of power brakes on cars used exclusively for the transportation of sugar cane."

BURGULARS SENTENCED

William Gregory and Lano Gussman were sentenced to two years and six months in Oahu prison and Abel Vasconcelos to two years, by Judge Coke yesterday for first degree burglary. The trio was charged with having committed no less than seventeen thefts, burglaries and robberies. Charles Cash Jr., who pleaded guilty to second degree burglary, was sentenced to not less than three years.

SOLONS GET DOWN TO WORK MUCH LEGISLATION PENDING

President Is Opposing All Pork Measures Before Congress

By ERNEST G. WALKER (Mail Special to The Advertiser)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15.—A certain sense of relief that the holiday season is over will be prevalent at Washington as congress returns, and the departments open their doors for another twelve months.

New Year's by no means entails as extensive formalities as of yore, but as a working period for the accomplishment of results in the business of governing the holidays at Washington are a disappointment. This is all the more marked because there is really so much government work to do and such a general desire to get it done within the next sixty days. The government by the Potomac is always punctilious about observing of holidays. Congress in one or both branches may elect to work (as it sometimes does) but elsewhere at Washington all official doors close.

There will probably be a little delay and some confusion in getting down to tasks, but real industry in many quarters may be expected from congress right away. A willingness to slant aside, when possible matters that are vigorously opposed, is shown.

Increase Postal Rates
An illustration rests with the recent decision of the house postoffice committee to increase rates on second class mail matter. That was conjuring up a mighty opposition from magazines and kindred publications. Many of these are already laboring under arrangements in the high cost of print paper, and to add to the cost of postage would be imposing unusual burdens. Members of the house committee were particularly determined but protests became so numerous that it was decided, as already announced, not to press it in congress this winter.

The plain facts were that, even if the provision for zone postage should pass the House, it probably could not be enacted of the postoffice appropriation bill at the short session of congress would be imperiled. The senate would not assent in the face of such opposition, except after a most determined fight that would consume a great deal of time, just when time is one of the most precious of legislative resources.

With such a status, the senate will recede from this time on with enraged solons, rising up to oppose. The measure of their intensity will be taken in order and, according to number and determination, the opposition in a given case will influence the steering committee that has the general program in its keeping.

Eliminate Pork Bill

One group of bills is already being eliminated from consideration on account of opposition—the so-called "pork barrel bills."

The house has a public building bill, said to be full of "pork." Certain representatives have been getting hold of the bill and are threatening to disregard President Wilson and put this "pork bill" through whether or no, but their vocal activities will gradually cease as the hour of congressional industry grows. If any public building bill at all goes through—and one may be determined upon late in the session—it will be a compromise to include urgent projects.

A coterie of senate progressives, who are becoming more and more assertive, promise to defeat the Flood Control Bill, which has passed the house and is now in the senate conference. This is one of the bills that President Wilson favors. He did not include it in the list recommended in his annual message to congress, but he wrote a letter to Senator Williams, of Mississippi, expressing hope that this legislation would get through. Senator Kenyon of Iowa, in later times more active as a progressive than any other senate Republican, announced in a unanimous vote on this bill but reserved the right to oppose it, and is now laying plans to defeat it. He promises, likewise, to await with all his might the forthcoming rivers and harbors bill.

Opposing Pork Bills

President Wilson has been emphatically against "pork" bills and has been waiting with pen in hand to veto more than one vicious measure of this sort the last four years. This Middle Western group of senators and representatives, however, have frequently saved him the necessity of vetoing. There is now the additional necessity of economy, because funds in the federal till are so low and also because military and naval expenditures are running so high.

On the whole congress will probably apply itself steadily to the monotony of grinding out the great volume of routine legislation, which is indispensable to government operations, but there is now impetus to politics. Ticklish prospects about the next house will be featured in every hard fought contest of the session from this time on.

Presumably it will not be as easy after March 4 for the administration to have its way about enactments. It is likely Democrats will organize the next house by electing Spenser Clark again, but control in many minor matters, at least, for the next two years will be with three or four independents. These men are sufficiently smart to know their importance and to make the Democracy bestow upon them proper recognition. A little company of these independents will enjoy the same opportunity that the late Senate Peer of Kansas, enjoyed twenty years ago when he came to the upper legislative branch as a Populist, and found that both equally divided between Democrats and Republicans. Peer had jobs galore for members of his family and, indeed, had a signature for several years after he ceased to be a senator.

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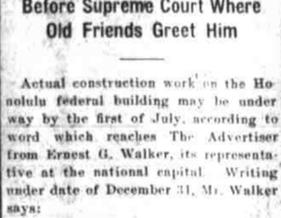
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ISSUED BY THE TERRITORIAL MARKETING DIVISION January 12, 1917.

Wholesale Only.

VEGETABLE AND PRODUCE

Island butter, lb. cartons	35 to 40	Hens, lb.	26 to 28
Eggs, select, doz.	52	Turkeys, lb.	40
Eggs, No. 1, doz.	55 to 58	Ducks, Musc. lb.	27 to 28
Eggs, Duck, doz.	33 to 40	Ducks, Pekin, lb.	27 to 28
Young rooster	33 to 40	Ducks, Haw. doz.	5.50 to 6.00

FRUIT

Bananas, Chinese, bunch	20 to 50	Pineapples, cwt.	1.25
Bananas, Cooking, bunch	1.00 to 1.25	Roselle, lb.	.04 to .01
Figs, 100	1.00	Papayas, lb.	.02 1/2
Grapes, Isabella, lb.	.08	Strawberries	.25
Limes, 100	.50 to 1.00		

LIVESTOCK

Cattle and sheep are not bought at		Hogs, up to 150 lbs. lb.	.11
live weight. They are slaughtered and		Hogs, 150 lbs. and over, lb.	.08 to .01
paid for on a dressed weight basis.			

HIDES, WET SALTED

Steer, No. 1, lb.	19 1/2	Kips, lb.	19 1/2
Steer, No. 2, lb.	18 1/2	Gon, white, each	10 to 30

DRESSED MEATS

Beef, lb.	11 to 13	Mutton, lb.	14 to 14 1/2
Veal, lb.	12 to 13	Pork, lb.	14 to 11

FEED

The following are quotations on feed,		f. o. b. Honolulu:	
Corn, am. yel. ton	48.00	Oats, ton	54.00
Corn, lg. yel. ton	55.00	Wheat, ton	64.00 to 65.00
Corn, cracked, ton	55.50	Middling, ton	48.00 to 50.00
Bras, ton	38.00	Hay, wheat, ton	28.00 to 32.00
Barley, ton	54.00	Hay, alfalfa, ton	29.00 to 30.00
Scratch food, ton	63.00 to 65.00		

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER

Practically no island butter is being received in Honolulu markets at the present time. At this season of the year, all island butter is consumed in local markets. Eggs dropped slightly during the past week. Since Christmas the supply of island poultry has been very limited. There is now practically none in the market; and now is the time to ship.

From the best information the market can get nearly all of the Maui bean crop has been sold, and prices, from now on until the next crop comes in, will be high.

Hawaiian corn has advanced considerably, with very little coming in. It is reported that corn is selling for \$50.00 a ton on Maui.

Rice has jumped again, and will probably get higher.

Hides are still bringing top prices but there has been a slight drop in the prices of hides in the mainland markets.

Feed prices have advanced on several items during the week.

A. T. LONGLEY, Marketing Superintendent

Record of Shipments Received At Honolulu From Other Islands

Week ending January 11, 1917

Item	Hawaii	Molokai	Kauai	Total
Cattle, head	15	45	0	60
Calves, head	15	0	0	15
Pigs, head	10	16	0	26
Pigs, crates	5	0	0	5
Beef, quarters	31	0	0	31
Pork, halves	6	0	0	6
Chickens, crates	30	68	8	106
Hides, bundles	17	50	0	67
Gon skins, bundles	3	0	0	3
Tallow, barrels	3	0	0	3
Tallow, cases	1	0	0	1
Eggs, crates	5	0	0	5
Wool, bales	5	0	0	5
Honey, cases	0	15	0	15
Taro, bags	5	0	56	61
Awa, bags	5	0	0	5
Coconut, bags	35	35	29	99
Bananas, bunches	50	0	0	50
Molasses feed, bags	0	0	50	50
Rice, bags	0	0	308	308
Watermelons, cases	5	0	0	5
Tomatoes, cases	14	0	0	14
Miscellaneous fruits and vegetables	6	0	0	6
Oranges, cases	4	0	16	20
Oranges, barrels	6	0	0	6
Onions, bags	777	0	0	777
Charcoal, bags	20	100	0	120
Tea, bags	80	0	0	80

CUPID'S LAND BILL BEFORE CONGRESS

Measure Introduced By Delegate Would Give Legislature Full Power Over Land Sales

Delegate Kuroki has introduced a house bill, which if it becomes a law will grant to the legislature of the Territory the power to legislate concerning the public lands of the Territory. The bill text of the measure, which is but a short one, follows:

"Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, that in addition to the powers already vested in it by law the legislature of the Territory of Hawaii is hereby granted full power to legislate concerning the disposition of the public lands of the Territory of Hawaii, including the lease, sale, and other disposition thereof, and all provisions of the Organic Act of the Territory of Hawaii by which the power relative to the sale and disposition of said lands is placed in congress are hereby repealed.

"That all proceeds from the sale, leasing, or disposition of said public lands are hereby declared to be the property of the Territory of Hawaii."

CURE THAT COUGH

When you have a troublesome cough, it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened, and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

SILK INDUSTRY IN HAWAII DREAM OF EASTERN WEAVER

J. W. Stewart Practically Ready To Purchase Mill Site For New Enterprise

CONTROLLING OWNER OF BIG PLANT ALREADY

Believes Silk Weaving Would Give Employment To Many Who Require Work

If J. W. Stewart, head of the Stewart Silk Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, succeeds in establishing a large silk industry in this city it will be nothing more nor less than the realization of a dream that the Eastern manufacturer has entertained for a number of years. And, if he could secure a suitable site he would purchase it immediately and bring his dream nearer realization.

The firm of which Mr. Stewart is the head, specializes in the manufacture of crepe de chine and among his friends is known as the "Ford of the Silk Industry." Despite the fact that his firm produces only the one article and that his large plant is kept busy day and night, the factory is unable to fill its orders.

According to Mr. Stewart, who is now in Honolulu looking over the labor conditions, orders for the silk fabric are growing in so fast that it is impossible for the factory to keep pace with the demand. Much of the material fabricated in Pennsylvania is shipped to all parts of the United States. The raw material is shipped across the Pacific from the Orient and by train to the plant in the East. After it is made up it is necessary to ship it back again to points west of the Rocky mountains.

Natural Manufacturing Point
With a large factory in Honolulu most of this reshipping will be done away with. The raw material will come into this port and after it is made up will be shipped direct to the Pacific coast and distributed to western points. During the past week Mr. Stewart has been in all parts of the city looking for a possible site for his factory, and from the encouragement he has received it is not unlikely that the work at the plant will be started before the end of the year. One of the advantages of Hawaii, according to Mr. Stewart, is the labor conditions here. Contrary to expectation he has not found any opposition from the big interest in his project as a possible competitor in the labor market, and it is understood that the chamber of commerce would welcome the industry here.

labor Conditions Good
"The labor conditions here," said Mr. Stewart, "are peculiarly adapted to the silk industry. You are now saving a second and third generation of people originally brought here to labor on the plantations. Naturally, with their education, they do not want to take up the labor of their fathers, it will be necessary to find work for them. My factory will supply this want. It will not be possible to stem the development of the silk arm here for the reason that the industry has reached such perfect proportions in the Orient that it is quite impossible to compete with them. But here is no reason why a silk factory or the manufacture of crepe de chine should not be a success here. Our plants are working overtime and with a factory located in Honolulu we would be at a strategic point for supplying his material to the western part of the United States."

"I believe that I will have no trouble in obtaining a suitable site and upon my return in March it is not unlikely that a site will have been selected. Of course, I shall have to take the proposition up with other officials of the company, but I feel satisfied that the spot that I make to them will decide where to establish a plant in this city."

Accompanied by Mrs. Stewart, the eastern manufacturer will leave tomorrow on the Ventura for a tour of Australia and New Zealand. They will return in March.

Mrs. Stewart, who is the national founder of the Needlework Guild, a branch of which was established in this city last week, is so in love with Honolulu, that she is planning to build a home here.

WIDOW OF OFFICER DENIED COMPENSATION

Claiming that her husband died of fatty degeneration of the heart and not through any activities due to his duties as an officer, Mrs. Huibui, widow of Policeman John Huibui, who died while making an arrest at Kaim