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CONVENES TODAY.

Legislature Meets This Morning At 10.

SESSION WILL NOT BE FOR BUSINESS

Akina May Be Speaker of the House and White President of Senate.

THIS morning at 10 o'clock the first Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii will convene in the Capitol building. Everything is in readiness for the opening and all the members are in the City.

In the House of Representatives, which will hold its sessions in the old throne room, twenty-nine desks have been arranged by Secretary of the Territory Cooper with due reference to the comfort of the members. There are two rows on either side of the hall, five desks in a row, and three rows at right angles to these, three desks in a row. The clerk's desk faces these desks and the Speaker's table rests on the old throne platform, surmounted by the gorgeous canopy which once overhung crowned heads. Upon the wall behind the Speaker are oil portraits of Kamehameha, wife of Kamehameha II, and Kalama, wife of Kamehameha III. A small photograph of Princess Kaulani adorns the door leading into the retiring-room behind the platform.

Secretary Cooper has a desk on the left of the Speaker, where he or his deputy will be seated at all times during the legislative sessions. A table for the press has been placed on the right of the Speaker near the door, affording easy ingress and egress.

The Senate will hold its sessions upstairs in the broad hall between the Governor's apartments and the Auditor's offices. The portion has been screened off and makes a room in itself. The Speaker's platform and table are on the Ewa side of the screened-off space and directly between portraits of Queen Liliuokalani and her husband, Governor Robinson.

It is understood that Akina will be the Speaker of the House. He is from Kauai and a half-Chinese. Solomon Meehala will be the clerk of the House. The President of the Senate will be William White in all probabilities. White is from Lahaina and is known as "Oly Bill." Edgar Cayless will be the clerk of the Senate. Governor Dole's message, a bulky document, will be presented to the Legislature probably this morning. The Legislature will not transact any business today outside of organization and the utterance of congratulatory speeches. John Wise and John Bush will be interpreters, it is said.

Washington's Birthday.

Washington's birthday on February 22 may be celebrated in due form in which the Governor and his state and military officers may participate. Business men will generally observe the holiday and close their doors. Col. Jones has issued orders for the First regiment, N. G. H., to assemble at the armory at 2:15 p. m. Friday for parade and review. The principal streets will be taken in by the military parade and a review will be held at the capitol

by Governor Dole. The Sons of the American Revolution will have an active interest in the celebration.

IN POLICE COURT.

Yesterday was very dull in the District Court. There were twenty-one cases on the calendar but they were all of a very simple nature and were rattled off in double-quick time.

Twelve cases of drunkenness met with the usual fate in the shape of \$2 and costs apiece.

Frank Perry and Billy Moore, charged with being drunk, were given the benefit of the doubt and were discharged.

Omura, charged with larceny in the second degree, was discharged. He yearned for light and is said to have stolen a lantern belonging to the Tramway Company. The prosecution appeared to be in the dark and evidently needed several lanterns to make it clear to Judge Wilcox that Omura had misappropriated one of the company's "glims."

Ah Fat, Sigaki and Nagamura pleaded guilty to a charge of gambling and deposited \$5 and costs in the judicial kitty.

Manuel Pedro, arrested for gross cheat, will answer the charge next Friday morning.

Herman Hase, charged with assault and battery on C. Ah Moon, was reprimanded and discharged.

HAWAIIANS WILL PRESENT CLAIMS

Fire Sufferers Hold Meeting at the Orpheum and Appoint Committee.

Hawaiians interested in the fire claims against the Territory through losses sustained during the bubonic plague held a meeting in the Orpheum last evening, which was well attended, and the first steps toward any definite action was taken.

Messrs. Prendergast, Testa and Kaula, of the general committee were present and in spirited speeches presented to the people assembled the purpose of the meeting. It was stated that it was proposed that, inasmuch as the Japanese and Chinese of the City who had suffered losses by the sanitary fires ordered by the Board of Health had taken active measures toward the recovery of their losses, it behooved the Hawaiians to do the same.

J. K. Kaula, acting as chairman, called upon many of those present to talk upon the subject, and many spirited speeches were made.

A motion was made to the effect that a committee of seven be appointed to receive the claims and put them into proper shape for presentation. An amendment was made to the effect that the three members of the committee present, together with five additional men, compose the claim committee, and this was carried.

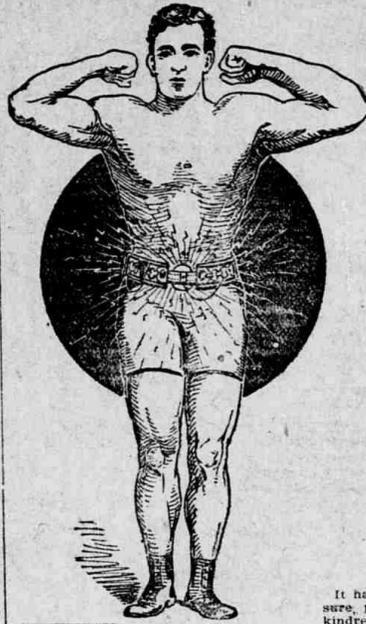
The chair appointed S. K. Fua, E. Johnson, C. H. Rose, J. D. Holt, Jr., and J. M. Kanehuna to act on the committee. It was then explained that all claims for losses incurred must be accompanied by an affidavit when presented to the committee, and all were urged to put in their claims as soon as possible. After a collection had been taken to defray the expenses of renting the hall for the evening the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Were Under Suspicion.

C. A. Jones, a master plumber from Victoria, and a companion were stopped by the Immigration Bureau last Saturday as they attempted to land from the Aorangi, as it was suspected that they were under contract. Immigration Agent J. K. Brown and several other officials held an investigation Monday, and it was finally decided that they had come here on account of letters sent them by friends representing that there were good opportunities here. This was not in violation of the law, hence they were permitted to land.

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