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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, April 22.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, .08.
Temperature, Max. 79; Min. 68. Weather, variable.

SUGAR.—96 Degree Test Centrifugals, 3.86c. Per Ton, \$77.20.
88 Analysis Beets, 10s. 4½d. Per Ton, \$83.80.

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BRECKONS AND HIS GOOD LUCK

Gossipy Walker Letter About Local Affairs at Washington.

By Ernest G. Walker.

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 11.—Those two nice Federal plums on the Hawaiian tree of patronage have been dangling in full view. But it seems now that one of them—the District Attorneyship—has been plucked again through some deft reaching by a man who has enjoyed the flavor of the fruit heretofore. In other words, as was cabled to the Advertiser yesterday, Robert W. Breckons has been authorized to withdraw his resignation and warned that he must be careful about his private practise in accepting clients who are continually arrayed against the Federal Government.

This action is making the friends of Hawaii here pause and ponder. To be sure, the order has not been publicly promulgated, but it came out on good authority from Attorney General Wickersham's hermetically-sealed Department of Justice, and one of Mr. Breckons' best friends in Washington cabled the information to him. So apparently there is no doubt about it, any more than there is any doubt about Senator Warren of Wyoming, whose protegee Mr. Breckons is, having pulled the wires to get him back into office. The word from the department is that Mr. Breckons will be allowed to serve out his term, which will be approximately five years.

As intimated, Attorney General Wickersham is running his department on the ideas which New York lawyers entertain with reference to the press, and no one who holds office in the department dares open his mouth. Access to the Attorney General himself is very difficult, except about bimonthly. Therefore it seems impossible to gather very much information about the reversal of the Roosevelt administration in this case. It is taken for granted that the order with reference to Mr. Breckons went forth, at least, with President Taft's knowledge. The President is giving his cabinet officers full swing in attending to the business that comes within their jurisdiction, but in such a case the Attorney General would undoubtedly inform the President of the action that he contemplated taking.

The Judgeship.

Not a word of an authorized character seems forthcoming here about
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APPROPRIATION BILL PAU.

The Conference Committee of the Legislature on the Appropriation Bill finished its work last night, and the bill is ready to be presented to the House and Senate. It will be about \$50,000 over the first bill reported.

PROMOTION APPROPRIATION IS STRICKEN FROM BILL

There will be no appropriation by this Legislature for the support of promotion work. At the sitting of the joint conference committee on the appropriation bill yesterday afternoon, it was agreed that the item of \$6000 inserted by the Senate as the Territory's contribution to advertising the Islands should be stricken out. Senators McCarthy and Makekau were the only members of the committee who expressed themselves as approving the appropriation. McCarthy said that he was strongly in favor of making an appropriation for promotion work, but said he moved to strike it out knowing that it would be a waste of time to attempt to convince the majority of the committee that it had been and would be a profitable investment for the whole Territory.

Another Senate appropriation which it was hoped that the joint conference committee would keep its hands off was the item for the assistance of the Kapiolani Maternity Home, but it was stricken out by the conference

GIFT OF THE COOKE LIBRARY



AUDIENCE ENTERING COOKE LIBRARY.

—Advertiser Photo.

Oahu College Receives a Magnificent Present.

Yesterday was a proud and happy day for Oahu College and its friends, for it witnessed the formal completion and turning over to the trustees, of the Cooke Library, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Cooke. The donors were represented, in the informal ceremony, by wee, winsome Carolene Alexander Cooke, their granddaughter, who handed the keys to Frank W. Damon, chairman of the library committee, who accepted them on behalf of the trustees.

The presentation took place on the front porch of the new library. The porch was occupied by the trustees and their wives, and members of the Cooke family. The College Glee Club was grouped on the wide steps and the audience was on the ground. Promptly at four o'clock, the glee club, led by Miss Rogers, sang a snappy piece in a manner characteristic of Punahou singing since Miss Rogers took charge. Then little Carolene Cooke stepped forward to the top of the stairs, and facing Mr. Damon said in clear sweet tones:

"Grandpa and Grandma Cooke wish me to give to you the keys of this library." At the same time she handed the keys, tied with a bow of blue and gold ribbon almost as big as the little donor, to Mr. Damon. The latter lifted the little girl up onto a piano stool, and gravely thanked her for the gift, saying:

It was very kind of your grandfather and grandmother to ask you, Carolene, to bring to us today the keys of this beautiful library. Will you tell them that the men who take care of this school thank them very much for this splendid present, which we will try to take good care of? We thank you, too.
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WOULD MAKE INCOME TAX DELINQUENCY LIEN ON ALL REAL PROPERTY

Five More Days and House Committee Bring in Proposed Land Bill to Submit to Congress.

The important question as to whether delinquencies in the payment of income tax should be considered as a lien on real property, was before the Territorial Senate yesterday. The bill embodies a recommendation made in the report of the tax commission, and was reported favorably by the Judiciary Committee.

Senator W. O. Smith opposed the passage of the measure, claiming that it was not fair to include income tax delinquency as a lien on real estate, declaring that it would work a hardship upon the purchasers of real estate by causing needless complication. Senator Knudsen said that the bill was drawn in accordance with the recommendations of the tax commission and gave, as his opinion, that it would prevent successful shirking of the income tax by holders of real estate.

The sentiment of the Senate is inclined to be against the bill, and Senator Smith's argument against it yesterday resulted in a postponement, with
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Today is the last day in which bills may be presented either to the House or Senate with any hope of their becoming law at this session, and the last day for the presentation of new matter requiring three readings. This reminder was given the House yesterday by Vice-Speaker Rice, who called busily for the members to come forward now or forever hold their peace.

Yesterday was not a busy one in the House, although the members took time off to call at the Governor's office to pay their respects to ex-Vice President Fairbanks. There was some difficulty in the presentations at the reception, owing to the length of the names of some of the members, but Mr. Fairbanks gave them cordial greeting, name or no name.

The long expected report from the special committee named to consider the proposed amendments to the Organic Act as affecting the land laws of Hawaii was presented in the afternoon. The report stated that after all
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THE SULTAN MAY REIGN FOR AWHILE, BUT THE MINISTERS WILL RULE

Blasts Cut Narrow Way Through Niagara's Ice Gorge—Important Interstate Commerce Decision—Manila Bonds for Sale.

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 23.—The Sultan's retention on the throne is indefinite. The ministers who will control the government are subjects of debate. The members of the present cabinet have offered their resignations, which have been refused by the Grand Vizier.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 22.—At a consultation between the Sultan and the chiefs of the constitutional party held today it was agreed that Abdul should remain on the throne but that his powers will be curtailed.

The reports show that fanaticism is spreading throughout the empire. It is estimated that 15,000 have been killed at Aleppo. The entire population of Kirikan have been massacred, even babes and children being killed without mercy.

MANILA BIDS INVITED.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Bids on the remaining \$1,000,000 worth of bonds of the \$4,000,000 authorized for the building of the Manila sewer and water-works system have been invited.

NIAGARA CHANNEL OPENED.

NIAGARA FALLS, April 23.—Blasts have opened a narrow channel through the ice which, it is believed, will extend itself and break the blockade.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—The U. S. Court holds that the Interstate Commerce law does not apply to ocean carriers.

MRS. BRANDT POISONED.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—The autopsy held on the body of Mrs. Annie Brandt, whose body was found on Tuesday, has shown that death resulted from the taking of carbolic acid.

THE WOODBURY CONDEMNED.

OTTAWA, Canada, April 22.—Condemnation proceedings will be instituted against the schooner Charles Levi Woodbury, which was captured while fishing within Canadian waters.

The seizure of the vessel is the subject of investigation in Washington.

ROOSEVELT HUNT BEGINS.

LOMBASA, April 22.—Ex-President Roosevelt departed from this city today for the Kapiti plains on his hunting trip.

JAPAN ON HER GUARD.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 22.—It is reported here that Japan is sending reinforcements to Manchuria.

FAIRBANKS TO VISIT OTHER ISLANDS

He Will Leave on a Trip to Maui and Hawaii Next Week.

Hon. Charles Warren Fairbanks, ex-Vice President of the United States; Mrs. Fairbanks and their daughter, Mrs. J. W. Timmons, who arrived here yesterday morning from the Coast on the Chiyo Maru, leave for the pineapple regions of Wahiawa at nine o'clock this morning as the guests of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Fairbanks has already expressed himself as being highly pleased with what he has seen of Hawaii and Honolulu, but a number of trips to the other islands have been arranged for him and his wife and daughter so that he will not go away from here without seeing the major portion of the group.

Mr. Fairbanks is making a hard and fast rule not to talk politics, notwithstanding the fact that one of the mainland papers stated that he was going to the Orient on a study of industrial conditions and problems of interest to the government.

Yesterday morning Mr. Fairbanks received with Governor Frear in the Executive chambers, members of the
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MR. FAIRBANKS MEETING THE PUBLIC.

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