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DISCUSSING THE RULES

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House was called to order by Speaker Akina. Mr. Gillian gave notice of his intention to introduce a bill entitled "An act to provide for a commission to take evidence concerning injuries to property caused by the action of the Board of Health in connection with the suppression of the bubonic plague in Honolulu and elsewhere in the Territory, and by the conflagration in Honolulu on January 20th, 1900, and to report thereon."

Mr. Robertson of Oahu then offered the following resolution: Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed to furnish each member of this House with one copy each of the Civil Laws (1897), Penal Laws (1897), and of the Session Laws of 1898. Carried.

Speaker Akina then announced the standing committees of the House. Mr. Emmeluth moved the House proceed with the order of business of the day. The rules were taken up.

Mr. Emmeluth then gave notice that he would submit an amendment to the effect that three members instead of five shall constitute the number of each standing committee. In addition to the above, he offered several amendments to the rules of procedure of the House.

Mr. Beckley of Maui also gave notice of his intention to offer several amendments to the rules of procedure of the House. Mr. Dickey moved that a suspension of rule No. 88 be made so that the House could proceed with the corrections and amendments in the rules of procedure of the House. Carried.

Rule 88 reads as follows: No rule of the House shall be altered or rescinded, nor any new standing rule be adopted, without the day's notice being given of the motion therefor.

Several of the members were on their feet and gave notice of their intention to offer special amendments to the rules of procedure. In several instances, Speaker Akina ruled members out of order.

Mr. Emmeluth moved that, under a suspension of rule 88, that a committee on miscellaneous matters be appointed. Carried.

Mr. Dickey took the floor on the Emmeluth motion to change the number of standing committees from five to three, and contended that five was little enough for, as the session progressed, much work would pile upon some of the committees and, in all his experience in legislative bodies, five was the least number that constituted any one committee.

Mr. Makekai arose and took exception to changing the number of members on standing committees, without first giving due notice. Mr. Emmeluth moved that he would withdraw his previous motion until tomorrow.

Mr. Robertson of Oahu raised the question relative to the employment of counsel by standing committees, and stated that, unless some limit was placed that the various committees could employ counsel at any time and upon the most trivial matters.

Mr. Emmeluth stated that no member would employ counsel unnecessarily. Much discussion followed.

Mr. Emmeluth moved that all voting, with the exception of that for officers of the House, be made openly and not by ballot, and courted publicity in all matters connected with proceedings in the House.

Mr. Makekai insisted that the members should have the right to vote secretly on all important questions.

Mr. Emmeluth stated that the language of Mr. Makekai showed that he had been intimidated by statements made by members in the House a few days ago and the only way to do was to vote openly on the questions arising in the House.

Mr. Beckley said that he had understood that remarks had been made that members of the House were being intimidated and accused of voting dishonestly and he approved of the Emmeluth amendment.

After a long trade by Mr. Makekai, Mr. Emmeluth declared his stand. He had been elected on the platform of the Home Rule party and would vote for every measure which, in caucus, had been endorsed. He thought that every Home Ruler was bound by the party principles. Mr. Makekai said that there would be questions raised by Home Rulers in Honolulu opposed to Home Rulers in Hilo. "I am from Hilo," said the speaker, "I will stand by my constituents. Already the Oahu Independents are trying to break agreements with us on Hawaii."

Mr. Ewaliko called for a vote on the question. The amendment carried. This means that there will be no secret balloting in the House.

Mr. Robertson moved to strike out rules 86 and 87, which are as follows: 86. Whenever communications are received from the Governor, or any member shall desire to make known any matter to the House which he deems shall be confidential and private, and shall communicate the same, the speaker shall decide whether the ball of the House shall be cleared. If he so decides, the sergeant-at-arms shall clear the House of all persons but the House and its officers.

The members and officers shall keep the secrets of the House. Emmeluth again moved that rule 50, which reads as follows: "The object of the motion for the previous question is to cut off debate. It shall always be in order. It shall require a three-fifths majority to carry it. Whenever the motion shall be carried the author of the resolution or introducer of the bill, being the main subject under discussion, shall be permitted to close the debate, after which the main question, subject to the order named in rule 47, shall be put: provided, that said author may delegate to another such right to close, be changed so as to strike out the words "three-fifths."

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