

I would say, if I may be permitted, that there is the most urgent need for this legislation, and it is with great regret that we have concluded to ask for a time so remote. I would also say that the time provided for debate is agreed to by members on both sides of the House, so far as I am advised, and unanimously agreed to by the members of the committee.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Massachusetts asks unanimous consent that April 3, 4, and 5 be set apart for the consideration of the Senate bill on Hawaii; that the first two days be for general debate, the third day for debate under the five-minute rule; that at 4 o'clock the committee will report the bill and amendments back to the House, the previous question being considered as ordered on the bill and amendments to their passage. Is there objection?

Mr. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, this is the first intimation I have had of any such request. I do not know whether the members of the minority of the committee had made any agreement or not.

Mr. KNOX. I will say to the gentleman from Tennessee that he will remember a few days ago I spoke to him in connection with the gentleman from South Carolina, a member of the committee, and he said that any agreement we would make would be satisfactory to him. The gentleman from South Carolina says it is entirely satisfactory to members of committee on that side.

Mr. RICHARDSON. If the minority of the committee agreed to the proposition submitted to the gentleman from Massachusetts, I have no disposition to interfere with any agreement that they have made.

Mr. FINLEY. I will state for the information of the House that this bill has been under consideration by the Committee on Territories—the House bill and Senate bill—and the statements as made by the chairman, the gentleman from Massachusetts, are correct. I think that the request he makes is a reasonable one, and the minority of the committee join him in this request, which I think is entirely satisfactory.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none, and the order is accordingly made.

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By Mr. Flynn: A bill (H. R. 9708) to amend an act to prohibit the passage of special or local laws in the Territories, to limit the Territorial indebtedness, and so forth - to the Committee on the Territories.

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Mr. Ross, from the Committee to Examine the Several Branches of the Civil Service, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2000) regulating appointments to and removals from civil offices in outlying dependencies of the United States, reported it with amendments.

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Mr. Knox, from the Committee on the Territories, to which was referred the joint resolution of the Senate (S. R. 76) withdrawing certain lands on the island of Oahu, Hawaii, from the public domain, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 778); which said joint resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar.

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Mr. Knox, from the Committee on the Territories, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 7091) relating to Hawaiian silver coinage and silver certificates, reported the same with amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 831); which said bill, and report were referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.