The Clerk, proceeding with the reading of the bill, reads as follows:

All persons holding office in the Hawaiian Islands at the time this act takes effect shall, except as herein otherwise provided, continue to hold their respective offices until the close of the first session of the senate of the Territory of Hawaii unless reappointed as herein provided.

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment which I wish to offer.

The CHAIRMAN. The Clerk will report the amendment.

The Clerk reads as follows:

Amend by striking out lines 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13, on page 58, and insert:

"All persons holding office in the Hawaiian Islands at the time that this act takes effect shall, except as herein otherwise provided, continue to hold their respective offices until the close of the first session of the senate of the Territory of Hawaii unless reappointed as herein provided."

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. The only purpose of the amendment is to provide that the officers shall hold until the expiration of the first term of the senate, and, as I think, is in better language and less open to misinterpretation than the language of the bill.

Mr. KNOX. I think that is already covered by the language of the bill.

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. But the chairman of the committee will see that the language used in the section might be open to some misinterpretation, and it is only to prevent that that this amendment is proposed.

Mr. MONDELL. I offer the amendment which I send to the desk.

The Clerk reads as follows:

Amend section 89 by adding:

The amendment was adopted by the gentleman from Arkansas could not be heard at the desk.

Mr. McRAE. The whole section?

Mr. SHAFROTH. All except the last paragraph, and in lieu thereof the Senate section has been adopted.

Mr. KNOX. That was done last night.

Mr. McRAE. Did the amendment of the gentleman from Colorado cover all of the section?

Mr. SHAFROTH. It took in all of section 89 down to the eighth line of page 86, and in lieu thereof it inserted the Senate section.

Mr. McRAE. Then, Mr. Chairman, I withdraw my amendment.

Mr. MONDELL. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment to offer.

The CHAIRMAN. The Clerk will report the amendment.

The Clerk reads as follows:

"All officers appointed under the provisions of this section shall be citizens of the Territory of Hawaii."

Mr. MONDELL. Mr. Chairman, the proposed amendment follows the amendment made last evening on motion of the gentleman from Colorado for the appointment of certain officers, and provides in effect that the judges of the supreme court, the circuit courts, the attorney-general, the treasurer, the commissioner of public lands, the superintendent of agriculture, the superintendent of public works, the superintendent of public construction, auditor, deputy auditor, surveyor, high sheriff, members of the board of health, commissioner of public instruction, board of prison inspectors, board of registration, inspectors of election, and other boards shall be citizens of the Territory of Hawaii.

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. Does it provide that the circuit court judges shall be citizens of Hawaii?

Mr. MONDELL. It does. It provides that all the officers mentioned in the amendment adopted yesterday afternoon shall be citizens of the Territory of Hawaii.

Mr. KNOX. Mr. Chairman, I will state that the committee has no objection to that amendment.

The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the gentleman from Wyoming (Mr. MONDELL). The amendment was agreed to.