

NAVAL MILITIA WILL GET SHIP

Senator Coke, Father of Organization, Says Cruiser West Virginia Is Vessel

The naval militia of Hawaii has been promised the use of the cruiser West Virginia when she is sent here as station ship, which is expected to be in a short time. This was the statement made by Senator James L. Coke at the smoker of the organization held at the armory last evening.

It was the first smoker under the auspices of the newest branch of the service and was a success from soup to nuts. The evening was spent in listening to good music and speeches, the music being furnished by John Anderson's quartette and Carlos Casceras; the speeches by Admiral Boush, Senator Coke, R. E. Lambert and Brig-Gen. Samuel I. Johnson. The speeches were on the past history and prospects of the militia here and the immediate start of a recruiting campaign to get 120 men enlisted.

After the intellectual part of the entertainment was over there were three clever and interesting boxing bouts in which the contestants showed much vim. The crowd was pleased.

A light lunch followed the program which was enjoyed by all. About two hundred were present who voted the first smoker of the Hawaii naval militia one of the best they had ever attended.