

SENATE WILL PASS KITCHEN BILL BUT MAY ADD TO DUTY

Repeal of Free Sugar Clause of Underwood Tariff Measure Will Be Reported Favorably in Same Form Adopted in Lower House

IMPORT TAX LIKELY TO BE RAISED HALF CENT A POUND

Imposition of Internal Tax, Which Has Been Proposed, Would Be Unpopular With People, Therefore Seems To Be Doomed

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 25.—The Kitchin bill, which repeals the free sugar clause of the Underwood Tariff Act, will be reported favorably to the senate in the form in which it has passed in the house. This was virtually decided yesterday when the Democratic members of the senate finance committee refused to be moved by the arguments of Senator Hardwick that a consumption tax be substituted for the tariff as a means of producing the needed additional revenues, while the suggestion of Senator Gore, a member of the committee, that the tariff be raised temporarily beyond the amount of the existing duty was voted down.

It is not improbable that when the measure comes before the senate, however, the duty will not be raised from one cent a pound to a cent and a half. The necessity for greater and greater revenues is pressing and it is the idea of a number of senators that whatever changes in the tariff the matter of preparedness is to bring about ought to be incorporated now in the bill affecting the sugar tariff in order that the tariff may not appear as a subject for legislation twice in the session. A temporary increase in the sugar tariff would probably receive the votes of a majority of the senators, in the opinion of many.

It is estimated that a half cent per pound increase over the existing rate, to be equated, would produce a revenue of seventy million dollars.

The action of the Democratic majority of the finance committee in refusing to consider the consumption tax proposal of Senator Hardwick finds general support among the senators, as it is believed that the house would refuse to agree with any such an amendment to the bill and the general question would have to be reopened. It is believed that the country generally would resent the imposition of an internal tax on sugar.

The suggestion advanced by Senator Gore that the tariff should be placed at a cent and a half a pound for the present, but that this rate of duty should continue only for a period to terminate six months after the conclusion of peace in Europe, after which period the free sugar clause of the Underwood Tariff Act, which was to have come into effect on May 1, would become automatically operative.

Senator Hardwick's suggestion, which found small favor, is that an internal revenue of one cent a pound on all sugars, domestic and foreign alike, should be imposed.

IMMIGRATION BILL NOW BEFORE SOLONS

Representative Hayes of California Urges Oriental Exclusion

ALLIES WILL NOT TAKE GUNS OFF MERCHANTMEN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 25.—The house this afternoon is considering the Burnett immigration bill. Representative Hayes of California explained the provisions restricting the immigration of Asiatic aliens.

TENNIS PLAYER MAKES DAMAGING ADMISSION

Arthur Waite Says He Bought Poison For Peck

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, March 24.—District Attorney Swann announced today a partial confession by Arthur Waite, the dentist, clubman and tennis player, accused of the death of John Peck, multimillionaire of Grand Rapids.

District Attorney Swann says Waite admitted today that he purchased poison for Peck, who wished to commit suicide and asked him to secure the drug.

Kitchin in the day Waite had denied the charge lodged against him. He admitted he had put something in soup taken by Peck but said it was medicine, in accordance with instructions given by Dr. A. A. Moore, Peck's physician. Waite will be removed to Bellevue hospital as a prisoner.

ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION HAS BEEN HEARD FROM

Fate of Sir Ernest Shackleton, However, Not Revealed

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
MELBOURNE, March 25.—The Aurora, one of the auxiliary ships of the Antarctic exploring expedition under Sir Ernest Shackleton, has disappeared here that she broke her moorings at the Ross sea base, and is now en route to New Zealand.

The fate of Sir Ernest and those who were with him is still unknown.

Sir Ernest started for the South Pole in 1914. This is the second expedition into the Antarctic under the command of Sir Ernest, the first one having started in 1904.

FOURTH GERMAN WAR LOAN GREAT SUCCESS

It Has Been Oversubscribed By Six Million Marks

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, March 25.—The fourth German war loan has been a complete success, being oversubscribed to the amount of six million marks. This announcement was made in the Reichstag yesterday by the secretary of the treasury who stated that the total subscriptions to the loan, amounting to 10,000,000,000 marks (\$4,333,300,000).

The controversy which has arisen in the Reichstag over the question of the continuation of the submarine campaign and the policy of unwarlike attacks upon armed merchantmen has resulted in a split in the ranks of the Socialists members.

A radical wing, composed of eighteen Socialists representatives, has split with its party and has decided to form a new party. These members acquiesced yesterday and decided to exclude Deputy Hans from further discussions, accusing him of breach of discipline.

GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATES FOR PULSEN EQUIPMENT

INFANTRY IS RUSHED TO MEXICAN BORDER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
VANCOUVER, Washington, March 24.—Under orders to hurry to the Mexican border, the third battalion of the Twenty-first Infantry, Maj. James T. Deane commanding, left today for El Centro, where it will engage in patrol duty.

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Ship.)
TOKYO, March 25.—Among the passengers on board the Shinyo Maru, when she sailed from Yokohama yesterday, was the newly appointed consul-general in Hawaii, B. Moroi Dr. M. C. Harris, Bishop of the Methodist missions in Korea, and the members of the Waseda University baseball team. Doctor Harris is on his way home for a rest.

GERMANS CLAIM MORE SUCCESS IN VERDON DISTRICT

They Also Attack French in Argonne and Take First-Line Trench

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 25.—The steamer Sussex, en route from Dieppe to Falkenstein, has met with an accident in the British Channel, according to information made public by Lloyds last night. It is believed that the ship was torpedoed, although as yet there is no confirmation of this report.

On board the Sussex there were 249 passengers, some of whom were American, and forty members of her crew. It is declared that all were saved and that the vessel herself is still afloat, although sinking.

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CANE SUPPLANTS PINEAPPLE CROPS

Homestead Lands At Pupukeya Will Be Converted Into Big Sugar Plantation

Three thousand acres of homestead lands at Pupukeya, formerly planted in pineapples, are to be converted into a sugar plantation. The first steps towards the incorporation of the new company were taken yesterday. The incorporators are F. E. Haley, Fred B. Lyman Jr., and Theo. Hannan.

A large area at Pupukeya has been prepared and is now being planted in cane. The intention being to start next September for seed. The three pineapple growers who are now going to pool interests and plant cane instead of pine have been experimenting with cane, in a quiet way, for several years.

F. E. Haley said yesterday that the Pupukeya pineapple lands have produced fifty-four tons per acre, the varieties grown being Yellow Caladonia and DeWerra 1183. The rainfall is sufficient to grow good cane crops without irrigation, and the planters are basing their prospects and future on an average yield of forty to fifty tons per acre. They have contracted to sell their cane to one of the nearby plantations but when in full operation may make other disposal of it. A plantation with 3000 acres of good cane land is large enough to support a small mill. However the future will decide the limits of the enterprise.

The main point is that so far as the Pupukeya homestead lands and homesteaders are concerned, pineapples are going out and sugar cane is coming in. The total capitalization of Pupukeya Sugar Company has not been definitely decided upon.

NUUANU STORES SWEEP BY FIRE

Two Totally Destroyed and Three Others More Or Less Damaged

In a fire which broke out yesterday morning in Nuuanu street, near Paahi, two stores were destroyed and three others more or less damaged. The fire occurred on the Waikiki side of the street and next door to the Pacific Electric station, and gained such headway that for a time it was feared that the entire block between Hotel and Paahi streets would be destroyed.

The origin of the blaze was in a jewelry and watch-repairing store owned by S. Lau. On the same floor was a tailor shop run by Wong Kee. Both establishments were burned out.

Next door to Lau's place Wing Kee had a tailoring and drapery store. This place was damaged by fire and water.

Hop Kee's tailor shop and cigar stand situated next to Wing Kee's shop, was damaged by the flames, as was the Retailing and Supply Company's store at the corner of Nuuanu and Paahi streets.

A window of the Pantheon saloon was broken and an electrical sign smashed. The partition between the saloon and the jewelry store was damaged.

From Lau's store the flames spread to the rear of the other stores and had to be fought from an entrance in Paahi street made by forcing a door.

The building in which the fire started was owned by Heo Fat, a Kala rice planter, and is insured. Lau's loss is estimated at \$2500, including the goods lost by Wong Chee Lau's insurance only amounted to \$200. Wing Kee is estimated to have lost \$700 by the fire. He was fully insured. Hop Kee's loss is estimated at \$100, and the Retailing and Supply Company's damage at something more than \$100.

Chief Thurston of the fire department could give no reason for the fire, last night. Police Officer Abe Kalaas says that just before the fire broke out he saw a Chinese in a suit of underclothes carrying something under one arm running along Hotel street near Maukaea street. The officer gave chase but the Chinaman eluded him.

FIRE IN NEW AUTO CAUSES EXCITEMENT

A fire which created a great deal of excitement among motorists in Fort street yesterday morning and made the fire department turn out, took place in the power plant of a big new touring car the property of A. Lewis, Jr. In some way the carburetor got ablaze and the driver, with great presence of mind raised the hood so that the piece would not be damaged, and shutting off the supply of gasoline calmly waited for the blaze to subside.

Someone more excited than the driver turned in an alarm and the chemical engine and the engine from Palama responded with the fire chief and assistant. Several handfuls of earth gathered from a nearby catch basin by Willie Sam Peters subdued the flame and it went out after the fire apparatus had arrived. No damage was done to the car.

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WASHINGTON GETS LITTLE INFORMATION FROM MEXICO

Wires To Capital Are Burdened With Reports That Are Contradictory Regarding Progress of Pershing's Campaign in South

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 25.—The wires to the capital yesterday were burdened with reports from Mexico, each one contradicting all the others, until even the officials admitted that save the despatch from the south of the border have not been officially disseminated. It is as much impossible to form a clear idea of what is going forward behind the veil of dust clouds that shroud the country through which American troops are chasing Villa and his bandits.

Even the exact whereabouts of General Pershing and his men is not known to the public, although this is due to the official censorship that is being imposed rather than to any lack of reports from the commanding officer of the punitive expedition. The nearest approach to definite knowledge comes in a despatch from General Funston transmitting information received from General Pershing.

American Four Nampique
Funston reports that the Americans are near Nampique, and have established a temporary base at Valle, thirty-five miles south of Casas Grandes. Two American columns, according to this report, are operating in that vicinity, and he said he is closing upon Villa.

Carranza troops are said to be operating with General Pershing, and General Gavira, the Carranza commander at Juarez, announced that he has been informed that the Americans are preparing to attack the bandit chief immediately.

It is further reported that acting with the Americans, the Carrancistas have succeeded in closing all the roads by which the bandit leader might have fled, and that the jaws of the trap are closing in upon him fast.

Villa Cannot Hide Pursuers
Civil Governor Enriquez of Chihuahua telegraphs the news that Villa cannot escape from the pursuers.

Enriquez also asserts that the reports that Gen. Luis Herrera, the military commander of Chihuahua, was in revolt against President Carranza are false, and were started by radicals in an effort to cause trouble with the United States.

Other sources also sent contradiction of the reports that Herrera contemplated leaving the Carranza cause and alighting himself with Villa and the White House, and the war department officials last night expressed themselves as satisfied with the way things are shaping themselves in Mexico, and insisted that there is no cause for alarm, or for taking additional precautions on the border against possible attack by roving Mexican bandit bands.

General Fuentes Sanguino
The war department also asserted that there is no positive confirmation that Villa is surrounded, although despatches from Funston at San Antonio intimated that he is putting some evidence in the unofficial report that General Pershing's men have come in touch with the Villistas, and has engaged some of them.

If the officials in Washington are reassured the people in the border towns are not, and scores of requests for additional protection came into the war department yesterday. Sheriff Edwards of El Paso telegraphed to the Governor of Texas demanding that the state militia be called out to guard the boundary-line against the threatened attacks of Mexican bandits.

The most startling reports continue to flood into El Paso and San Antonio, but so far have proved baseless when traced.

Cabinet Discusses Militia
The question of calling upon the militia was taken up at a special meeting of the cabinet yesterday afternoon. It was suggested that the guardsmen would do excellent service in protecting the border-line towns and patrolling the border, and that they could and would release regularly for service in Mexico. Nothing definite was determined at the session and it was said last night that there is no immediate prospect that the guard will be called out for this cause.

The first of the "waitings" of the campaign reached the hospital at El Paso yesterday afternoon. One hundred troops arrived at the base hospital, thirty-five of them seriously ill. One and all reported that Americans have been undergoing great hardships on the march after Villa.

Marching Is Torturous
The country is of the roughest, and the men and animals have been suffering from swollen feet and throat. The heat has been terrific, say these men, and the work of the cavalry has been hindered by the great dust clouds raised by the horses, and the transports.

YUAN HAS RENOUNCED AMBITION TO THRONE

As President Calls Upon People To Save Republic

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 25.—The mandate issued by Yuan Shih-kai, renouncing his intention of becoming emperor, was made public by the Chinese legation yesterday afternoon. In it the president of the republic declares that he consented to accept the emperorship only after the heaviest kind of pressure from the state council and the popular convention.

He insists that he "felt a violation of my oath of office as president of the republic to accept the proposals made to me, but I met with irresistible insistence upon that point from many quarters."

Yuan takes the blame for the step, although he adds that the country should have more vigorously opposed the movement. He calls upon the people of China to "unite to save the nation which is now rushing to perdition as fast as intertidal dunes can drive it."

INDIVIDUAL DEPOSITS IN BANKS ARE ENORMOUS

As President Calls Upon People To Save Republic

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—The individual bank deposits of the state are enormously increased over the sum banked last year. This is shown by the annual statement of the state superintendent of banks, which gives the deposits on March 4. A per capita increase of twenty-five dollars and a gross increase of more than \$30,000,000 are two features of the superintendent's figures.

WOULD STOP ALL TRADING BY AMERICANS WITH VILLA

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WASHINGTON, March 24.—Senator James Hamilton Lewis introduced a resolution this afternoon calling upon the authorities to secure information as to the supplies and money being furnished General Villa from foreign countries and the United States. The resolution proposes to brand Americans as "guilty of actual treason" who furnish any aid to Villa. The resolution went over and Senator Lewis will speak on it later.

ORIENTALS MUST DOFF DUDS FOR DOCTOR NOW

As President Calls Upon People To Save Republic

(Special Telegram to Shingo)
SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—In future all Japanese and Chinese steerage passengers entering this port will be compelled to submit to an examination in the "altogether." Off must come their clothes when the doctor comes round, for Uncle Sam is taking no chances. The order has aroused a storm of protest among the Orientals and the Japanese consulate and the Japanese association have announced that the order will be "investigated."

MCANDLESS INTERESTS WILL CONSTRUCT HOTEL

The McCandless brothers are planning the construction of a six or eight-story hotel to stand upon their property at Nuuanu and Paahi streets. The building, upon the plans for which a local architect is at work, is to be modern in every respect, with room for stores in the lower floor and with the offices and rooms above. The hotel is to have a large number of rooms, although nothing definite has been decided upon as yet.

AMERICAN-HAWAIIAN FREIGHTERS GET PROFITABLE CONTRACTS AS COAL AND ORE CARRIERS

CHARTERS CALL FOR SERVICE TO BRAZIL

Prices Range From \$90,000 To \$146,000 In Case of Arizonan

Details of future charters for its vessels incident to the withdrawal of the American-Hawaiian freighters from the Hawaiian-Atlantic coast route, have just reached Honolulu from New York.

On charters placed with the United States and Brazil Line, many of the excellent Hawaiian vessels now stand original costs, if not even more than that. The steamer Iowa has been chartered to the steamship subsidiary of the Steel Corporation at a rate of about \$90,000 a month. Within successive periods of ten days each, the American-Hawaiian line has likewise chartered its steamer Columbian, Arizonan, Oregonian, Californian, Montanan, Pennsylvania and Hawaiian, and with each new charter the rates stipulated have been increasing. Thus the Columbian has been chartered out for approximately \$123,000 a month, the Oregonian and Californian are believed to have brought even higher charter prices, while the Arizonan has been let out for a two-trip charter to Brazil for the net sum of \$146,000 per month.

South American Charters Attractive
Charters for the American-Hawaiian vessels have been practically limited to the South American route. This is due to the fact that on those routes the vessels are not exposed to the war hazards which they would meet in the European zone, and operation costs are also not as high as present in the South American trade. Furthermore, the steamer can be turned over more readily at South American ports than they can at European ports.

The United States Steel Corporation has been practically the sole charterer of the American-Hawaiian ships, working through various steamship agencies. While many independent steel companies have been and are now experiencing difficulties, owing to the shortage of ferro-manganese and the consequent advance in the price of spiegeleisen and ferro-alloy, the Steel Corporation has been able to place itself in a strong position because of the far-sightedness of its policy.

Manganese Ore From Brazil
Shortly after the war had been started, the Steel Corporation, which had secured most of its manganese ore from India, withdrew from that country and centered its activities in Brazil. More than a dozen large steamers are now being continuously employed by the Steel Corporation in carrying manganese ore from Brazil to this country, and the corporation has three large making ferro-manganese and two turning out spiegeleisen. With the charter prices paid by the American-Hawaiian vessels which have been called into such service are so mitted high, the great need for the manganese ore, it is believed, has warranted the expenditure and the advance in steel prices is said to have practically made up the difference.

How the small steel companies have been affected by the shortage of English ferro-manganese is shown by the advance in prices. Sales of spot and April delivery of ferro-manganese could be made today at \$300 per ton seaboard, as compared with a normal price of \$45 per ton, existing before the war. Shipping men, therefore, are not greatly supported at the willingness of the Steel Corporation to pay almost any charter price for tonnage such as taken from the American-Hawaiian line.

Carrying Coal To Brazil
One of the problems which the Steel Corporation has met with, however, in the operation of the steamers which it has chartered is the booking of downward cargo for Brazilian ports. To some extent the ships have been utilized in the carriage of steel