

Farm Senators Pledge Support To Tariff Bill

Senate Measure Declared to Protect Agriculture and Industry Alike and To Be Fair to All Sections

U. S. Valuation Upheld Schedules in Proposed Act Largely Suggested by Agricultural Organizations

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, April 2.—Twenty-five Senators from agricultural states pledged their support to the tariff bill to be reported tomorrow by the Senate Finance Committee in a statement issued tonight by Senator Frank R. Gooding, of Idaho, chairman of the "tariff bloc."

The Senate Finance Committee, after months of the most painstaking study and care, has about completed its work on the first all-American tariff bill in our history," Senator Gooding said. "This measure will protect agriculture and industry alike, not only in the West and South, but in the East and North. Under the leadership of Chairman Mcumber and with the support of the committee I am firmly convinced that the tariff bill, when finally enacted, will be one which every section of this country will gladly support. There never has been such a need for a tariff which recognized all sections alike and as there never has been such a unanimous demand for tariff legislation, I think I may safely say that this Congress will never adjourn until the tariff bill is passed. This is the sentiment of both the Senate and House.

American Valuation Defended

"Furthermore, those interests which have been camouflaging their opposition to any tariff legislation by attacking the principle of American valuation as a basis for ad valorem duties are, in my opinion, not going to succeed with their anti-American propaganda. This tariff bill, when it passes both Houses, is going to be all-American in every respect. It is going to put the American people back to work on the farm, ranch and mine and in the factory by restoring to them an American market for their products, which is the greatest market in the world. And, by adopting some form of American valuation, this bill would do away with fraud and undervaluation and bring much needed revenue to the United States Treasury.

Harding Asked to Name A War Prisoner Board

Civil Liberties Union Wants Commission to Scan the Facts in Each Case

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, April 2.—President Harding was petitioned today to name a special commission to consider the cases of political prisoners with a view to their release. The appeal bore the names of New York and Washington signers representing the American Civil Liberties Union. Among them were the following attorneys: Arthur Garfield Hayes, Alfred Hayes, Osmond K. Frendel, Walter H. Pollak, Walter Nes, Albert De Silver, and L. Hollingsworth Wood, of New York City.

Other signers included Basil M. Manly, former joint chairman of the War Labor Board; John Nevin Sayre, editor of "The World Tomorrow"; Harry F. Ward, professor in Union Theological Seminary, and John Haynes Holmes, of the Community Church, New York.

"The office of the pardon attorney is too limited to make careful examination of each record," the letter said.

As a result, it is urged that a special commission be created to make a complete analysis in the cases of the remaining political prisoners, and that when matters outside of the records are considered the Attorney General be directed to make such matters accessible in sufficient detail to afford the prisoner or his friends an opportunity to investigate and make answer.

Health-Saving Campaign In Negro Homes Begins

The New York Tuberculosis Association in cooperation with the Urban League began yesterday a program calculated to promote attention on the part of the 200,000 negroes here to fresh air, sunshine, clean homes, good food and a proper proportion of work, play, rest and sleep. The offer will last for one week. Each day will have its particular phase of the program and addresses, lectures and demonstrations in cleanliness will be given.

The Rev. Dr. Hinson Emerson addressed his congregation yesterday in Walker Memorial Church in East 132d Street in connection with the purpose of this "Health Week." Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner, will bring the program to a close next Sunday with an address in Salem M. E. Church in West 132d Street.

On Friday 5,000 negro school children will parade starting from public School 89, at 15th Street and Lenox Avenue.

Radicalism on Decrease, Liberties Union Insists

Burns Mised by Agents Hoping to Assure Own Jobs, Chairmen of Union Declares

Harry F. Ward, chairman of the American Civil Liberties Union, in a letter opposing an increase in the appropriation for the Department of Justice Bureau of Investigation, says that radical activity in this country has decreased greatly since 1919. The letter, written to Representative Martin B. Madden, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, was made public yesterday by the union.

Mr. Ward says that statements made by William J. Burns in his testimony in support of an increase of \$425,000 in the \$2,500,000 appropriation are erroneous. Mr. Burns was misled, "due to the efforts of his subordinates to assure their own jobs," he says, when the bureau chief testified that radicalism was on the increase.

"Radical activities in the United States have greatly decreased since 1919," says Mr. ard. "Due to the widespread unemployment and economic depression, to the repressive measures adopted by the Federal and local governments and to the propagandized public opinion which opposes all forms of radicalism, in or out of the labor movement."

Navy Flyers Using Radio to Reduce Risk of Loss at Sea

WASHINGTON, April 2.—That naval aviation regulations governing aircraft in flight are devised to cut the risk to machines and flyers to the lowest point possible was asserted today in an explanation of naval practices made public by Secretary Denby.

The regulations include provisions for enabling the planes to keep constantly in touch by radio with ships or shore stations along the route, insuring prompt assistance in case of disaster and minimizing the danger of losing a plane and its crew at sea.

Rogers Demands 96,000 Men as Navy Personnel

Massachusetts Legislator Asserts 65,000 Enlisted Strength Means U. S. Will Be Third Maritime Power

Could Man 12 Battleships Allowed 18 Under Treaty; Proposal Is to Fix the 1923 Ratio at 2 1/2-5-3

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, April 2.—Representative John Jacob Rogers, of Massachusetts, ranking member on the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, served notice tonight on the House that he will fight for the retention of an adequate enlisted personnel for the navy and will resist the efforts of the House Appropriations Committee to limit the funds to provide for 65,000 enlisted men. He said that the minimum strength to maintain the treaty navy was 96,000 men.

"I wonder if the people of the United States realize what a navy of only 65,000 enlisted men means to the nation," Mr. Rogers said. "It means that we can maintain in commission only twelve capital ships instead of the eighteen authorized the United States by the naval treaty of February 6. I had supposed—and I think it was generally supposed—that when the United States agreed to reduce its capital ship force to eighteen it was making a very considerable sacrifice, which was nationally permissible only because the other world powers also were limiting themselves in proportion. Now, with the ink scarcely dry upon the naval treaty it is proposed to reduce the eighteen capital ships to twelve.

"It means that instead of the 5-5-3 ratio established in the naval treaty we shall have with the new fiscal year a 2 1/2-5-3 ratio, with the United States presenting the 2 1/2, Great Britain the 5 and Japan the 3.

"It means that in point of naval effectiveness the treaty ratio of 5-5-3 is cut exactly in two, so far as the United States is concerned, the other powers, of course, remaining undisturbed.

"It means that the United States automatically becomes the third naval power of the world instead of one of the two powers pre-eminent in naval strength.

"It means that the United States will stand before the world self-convinced of insincerity. The world thought, and this country thought, that we were sincere in proposing a drastic cut in our naval force, far below what we would have contemplated had not the other naval powers agreed to make corresponding reductions. Now we propose to turn about and cut the Hughes irreducible minimum in half, in spite of the fact that our naval rivals are naturally proposing to maintain their navies up to the exact treaty strength.

Cab and Bus Both Ran Over Roosevelt

Mystery in Fatal Accident Cleared by Eyewitness; Say Police Blundered

The mystery which was believed to have surrounded the death of Robert B. Roosevelt Jr. on Friday night was cleared up in part yesterday when Joseph E. Murray, a physical instructor at the Yale Club, gave the first account of the accident to be obtained from an eye witness. According to Murray, Mr. Roosevelt slipped on the wet pavement, falling under a taxicab, and was run over first by a cab and then by a municipal bus which was following.

Murray said that the apparent mystery which seemed to surround the accident was entirely due to the police report. In this report Murray's first name was given as James and not Joseph. Murray said that he did not know the identity of the man who had been run over until he read an account of the accident in Saturday's papers. He was unable to say whether a wheel of either machine passed over the victim's skull.

David Zalkin, of 266 Keap Street, Brooklyn, driver of the bus, who was arrested on Saturday night, was held for the grand jury yesterday in the West Side court on a charge of homicide.

"No one traveling in the streets now knows a cab and a Municipal bus,"

Town Facing Extinction To Hear Defense of Plan

Bayonne Speaker Will Tell Oakland, N. J., of Benefits Dam Would Bring It

Charles E. Annett, chairman of the committee appointed by Mayor Asford of Bayonne to recommend a water supply system for that city, will defend the Ramapo dam project, which has aroused the indignation of Bergen County, at a meeting this evening in the Town Hall at Oakland, N. J., a village which would be wiped out by the construction of the dam.

"I believe," said Mr. Annett, "that we shall be able to show the people of Bergen County that instead of being condemned we ought to be lauded for what we are planning to do in the Ramapo Valley. By developing the watershed at the expense of Bayonne we shall give Bergen County municipalities a chance to get water for \$75 a million gallons, when they are now obliged to pay for their water supply to private companies at the excessive rate of \$250 a million gallons. Assemblyman John Y. Dater, of Bergen County, backed up the protest that Senator Mackay lodged against the Bayonne water project before the Senator went to Bermuda, saying, 'a more unjust decision could never have been rendered by the State Board of Conservation and Development than that which now deprives Bergen County of one of her biggest assets for development, a sufficient supply of water that is easily available.'"

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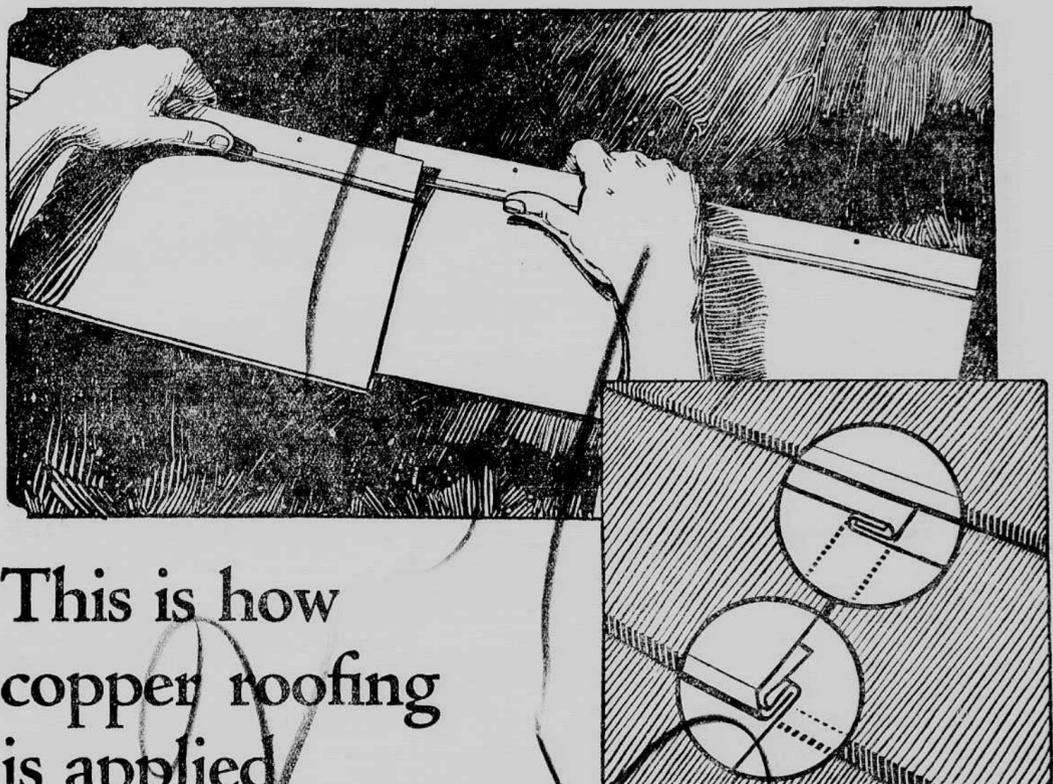
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