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## TARIFF MEASURE IS PRESENTED

**TREASURY EXPERTS ESTIMATE  
BILL WILL RAISE \$300,000,000,  
AN INCREASE OF 50 PER CENT  
OVER THE PRESENT TARIFF  
BILL—WILL BE LONG FIGHT**

Washington, April 11.—The administration tariff bill as re-written by senate finance committee republicans on the basis of foreign valuation with provisions for flexible rates and proclaimed American valuation as recommended by President Harding, was presented today to the senate. It was announced that it would be taken up on April 21. A long fight is in prospect with some estimates that it might continue for three months.

Taken as a whole the bill, according to estimates of committee experts averages slightly higher than the Payne-Aldrich law, the last republican protective tariff act. As compared with the house measure, the specific rates generally are higher, but the ad valorem rates generally are lower as such rates in the house bill were based on American valuation.

Treasury experts have estimated roughly that the bill will raise from \$300,000,000 to \$350,000,000 of revenue annually, but they have not yet had time to complete accurate calculations. The house measure was estimated to raise \$300,000,000, while the Underwood law yielded between \$200,000,000 and \$300,000,000.

There is a division of opinion among the farmers as to the probable effect the measure would have on the cost of living. In the official report accompanying the bill it is stated the committee majority had "endeavored to recommend rates that will afford protection to American industry and permit them to pay wages sufficient to enable our workmen to maintain an American standard in living."

With regard to the agricultural schedule, one of the longest in the bill the report said the "committee adopted the policy of giving to agriculture the measure of protection that has been accorded to other industries, with due consideration to the needs of all sections and of all industries." The rates in this schedule generally average higher than those in the house bill and includes a large number of items which were on the free list in the Underwood bill, but placed on the dutiable list in the emergency tariff act now in force.

As a general rule, the rates written into the agriculture schedule are at about the level demanded by the senate republican farm tariff bloc. Committee experts stated, however, that with few exceptions the rates in the agricultural schedule would not exceed 25 per cent. This schedule embraces meats, eggs, vegetables generally, fruits and practically all other products of the farm. The duty on wheat was fixed at 35 cents a bushel, the same as under the emergency act, but five cents above the figure fixed in the house bill. Under the democratic tariff act wheat was free.

### MISS MARY R. MOORE HONORED

Miss Mary Reed Moore has been elected a delegate from Winthrop College to attend the Y. W. C. A. convention to be at Blue Ridge, N. C., from May 31 to June the 12th. About twenty delegates from Winthrop will attend. All of the southern states will be represented at the convention, about 2,000 young ladies being expected to attend.

### BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The County Board of Equalization will meet in the office of Mr. R. C. Somerville, auditor for Abbeville county, next Tuesday the 18th of April.

## FIGHT CONTINUES OVER NAVAL BILL

**MEMBERS INSIST THAT IT DOES  
AND DOES NOT CARRY OUT  
PROVISIONS—RATIO OF  
TREATY BRINGS DISCUSSION**

Washington, April 11.—The fight on the naval appropriation bill began in the house today with members insisting that it did and that it did not actually carry out the 5-5-3 ratio, as fixed by the treaty. All day the discussion centered around this one big question in dispute.

Chairman Kelly of the subcommittee on appropriations, which drafted the measure, and others, including Representative Mondell of Wyoming Republican leader declared an enlisted force of 65,000 plus 2,000 apprentice seamen was adequate to maintain the navy in accordance with the arms conference rating. Others, however, including Representative Padgett of Tennessee, ranking Democrat on the naval committee, which in former times prepared the navy bills, asserted the figures were so low "as to destroy the efficiency of the American navy" and give it a standing the same as or lower than that of Japan.

In all there were seven speeches during the day, three for and four against the measure. Representative Byrnes of South Carolina supported the committee proposals, joining Chairman Kelly and Mr. Mondell in its defense. On the other side the speakers with Mr. Padgett were Representatives Pinkham of Massachusetts, Husted of New York and Vane of Pennsylvania, all Republican members of the appropriations committee who signed a minority report urging a force of 80,000 plus 6,000 and who declared the committee figures disrupted and ignored the treaty.

There will be two full days of general debate with more later when the personnel section is reached.

The name of the president was brought into the debate and there were many verbal clashes as a result. Mr. Mondell questioned the propriety of the inclusion in minority views of a statement that the president had urged 86,000 men or 10,000 less than the number requested by Secretary Denby.

Asserting that 65,000 men would not accomplish the aims of the treaty, Mr. Padgett suggested to the committee that if it was unwilling to accept the solemn judgment of the secretary of the navy somebody ought to be put in his place whose advice would be accepted.

### CAROLINA SYNCOPATORS

The Carolina Syncopators will go to Laurens tomorrow to play for a dance at the country club there tomorrow night. Friday they will go to Clinton and will furnish music for the Junior-Senior banquet at the Presbyterian College. They will also play for a dance in Clinton Saturday night.

### BACK TO TENNESSEE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Hunter left this morning for Greenville, Tenn., to spend the summer months. They went through the country and Franklin Nickles will act as chauffeur on the trip. Franklin was enthused over the prospects of the trip and told the boys in town that he was to get the trip out, his railroad fare paid back home and Mr. Hunter was to pay him ten dollars in addition to this. Franklin left some envious boys in Abbeville.

### DISTRICT AGENT HERE

Miss Blanche Tarrant, District Agent of the Home Demonstration Work with headquarters in Greenwood, is in Abbeville today to consult with Mrs. Alma C. Gibbons about the work in this county.

## ISSUE DEPENDS ON COMPETITION

**SUPREME COURT DECIDES  
STANDARD FASHION CASE.  
NOT OF AGENCY OR JOINT  
VENTURE, SAYS JUSTICE DAY  
IN OPINION**

Washington, April 11.—Contracts of sale made by manufacturers, requiring retail dealers exclusively to handle their products, which may have the effect to lessen competition substantially were today held to be invalid by the supreme court.

The opinion delivered by Justice Day in a case brought by the Standard Fashion company, a New York corporation, against the Magrane Houston company of Boston, and sought to compel the retail company to observe the terms of a contract that the supreme court declared was one of sale and not of agency or joint venture.

Being a contract of sale, Justice Day stated, the only question which remained for the court to determine was whether the facts established that it would substantially lessen competition.

Adopting the findings of the circuit court of appeals for the first circuit of the results obtained through the contract, the supreme court reached the conclusion "that the contract, properly interpreted, with its restrictive covenant, brings it fairly within the section of the Clayton act under consideration." It therefore affirmed the decision of the circuit court which held the contract invalid.

Under its contract the Standard Fashion Company agreed to sell its standard patterns at a discount of 50 per cent from retail prices and to allow certain return privileges when between certain dates semi-annually it would receive in exchange at nine-tenths cost discarded patterns. In July, 1917, the Magrane Houston company decided to discontinue the sale of the Standard Fashion company patterns and placed on sale in its store patterns of a rival pattern company. It was to enforce its contract that the fashion company brought suit.

### MODEL FARM.

E. F. Arnold, who sells cars in Abbeville for Mr. Henry Ford, has set up a miniature model farm in his show window. A shallow box about six feet long and three feet wide has been filled with rich earth and grass planted. A good stand of grass makes the surface green and on this has been placed a model farm house with fancy fences made of toothpicks, barns, chickens and even a pig pen.

In the fields will be seen the tractors and machinery that make a model farm practicable in real life. It is an attractive window exhibit.

### IN CONSULTATION

Dr. J. E. Edwards of Spartanburg was called in consultation by Dr. G. A. Neuffer, the attending physician, with regard to the condition of Dr. C. C. Gambrell, who has been quite sick for several days. Dr. Edwards agreed with the diagnosis of Dr. Neuffer and was pleased with the progress of the case. Dr. Gambrell's condition is satisfactory but he will have to remain in bed for some days.

### CALHOUN FALLS vs ABBEVILLE

Calhoun Falls' team will play the Abbeville Cotton Mill team on the Abbeville mill field Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p. m. All of the baseball fans are expected to be present.

### MEDICAL SOCIETY TO MEET

The Abbeville County Medical Society will meet Friday night at 8 p. m. in the office of Dr. C. C. Gambrell.

## STEAMSHIP TRAFFIC TO CHANGE ROUTE

**CHANGE ADDS FORTY MILES TO  
THE DISTANCE BETWEEN  
AMERICA AND EUROPE.  
MOVE 60 MILES SOUTH OF  
PRESENT STEAMSHIP LANE**

Washington, April 11.—Steamship traffic in the North Atlantic will be moved sixty miles south of the present double steamship lane through the ice danger zone of the Grand Banks under advisory instructions sent out by the hydrographic office. The east-bound traffic to Europe made the change, effective last Saturday. The westbound lane will move April 15.

Action of the hydrographic office was based upon the desire of the steamship companies associated in the trans-Atlantic track agreement, organized in London, which decided last Saturday that the shift would be desirable at this time, although there has been as yet no menace of icebergs in the steamship lanes. The season when the bergs break loose and sometimes force their way into the ordinary lanes of steamship travel is near at hand, however, and the hydrographic office welcomes the decision of the London Association of Steamship companies and promptly communicated with all the remainder of the 50 lines operating in the North Atlantic routes.

The coast guard cutter Tampa is on international ice patrol duty off the Grand Banks at present and has not reported the presence of more than one berg in the vicinity of the steamship lanes within the last ten days. That berg apparently broke up and disappeared, although shipping was routed around the obstruction for several days by radio messages from the cutter.

The berg which sank the Titanic made its appearance in the ship's tracks on April 12, the disaster occurring on the night of that date. Navy officials generally were pleased at the attitude of the steamship lines this year in deciding to switch to the safe routes sixty miles south of the ordinary spring track without awaiting for the ice to compel such action.

### REAMES' NICE CATCH

Another Abbeville boy came into the limelight when Truman Reames made a sensational catch in the game at Athens, Ga. last Friday between Georgia Tech and Clemson. Abbeville is proud of her baseball celebrities.

The following press notice is by W. C. Munday, Jr., and is taken from The Atlanta Journal:

"From a sensational standpoint the game was featured by a neat running catch of a fly ball by Reames in right for the South Carolinians. In the fifth Pearce caught one by the trademark and drove it on a line over the first baseman's head, it looked good for three bases, but Reames came tearing in on it, running sideways and seeing that he couldn't flag it by mere running, took a long jump, spearing the ball while in space. It was one of the prettiest catches seen here so far this year."

### MRS. WRIGHT ARRIVES

Mrs. Parker O. Wright of Pasadena, Cal., arrived in the city today to visit her father, Dr. James L. Martin, on Wardlaw street. Mrs. Wright will be remembered here as Miss Nora Martin. She is the only child of Dr. Martin and will be welcomed by her girlhood friends.

### ELIZA WARDLAW AUSTIN SICK

Little Eliza Wardlaw Austin is very sick at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Austin on North Main street. She was taken ill last night, but is considered better today.

## BANDIT ACTIVITY IN MEXICAN REPUBLIC

**GOVERNMENT FORCES IN VERA  
CRUZ DEFEATED BY REBELS  
SALES OF ARMS AND MUNI-  
TIONS SUSPENDED—IN OPEN  
REBELLION**

Washington, April 11.—Official advices received here today indicate increased revolutionary and bandit activity in the states of Vera Cruz, Jalisco and Nayarit in Mexico. The rebels in Nayarit were reported to number from 200 to 300 men under the leadership of Pablo Gonzales. In Jalisco, six separate bands were reported in the field in open rebellion against the central government, although their strength thus far is regarded as insignificant.

The activity in Vera Cruz was reported to have assumed considerable importance in view of the defeat which the rebel leader, General Miguel Aleman, with a band estimated at 800 men, recently administered to the federal forces. The federal commander in Vera Cruz, it was said, has reported that the rebels are better armed and equipped than his own forces and requested authority to suspend the sales of arms and munitions of all kinds.

Noticeable decline in bandit movements in the northern states of Mexico as reported in the dispatches, despite sporadic uprisings in the state of Coahuila and in southern Chihuahua and Durango.

The spread of radicalism, it was reported, continues unabated, with impetus being given to the movement by emissaries from various countries, including the United States. Those emissaries, it was said, are organized and assisted through the agency of various radical organizations and have the support of some Mexican officials.

Control of the federal army, regarded as loyal to President Obregon, and development of the government's finances, however, were declared to be the chief factors in the present Mexican situation.

### FOOD COSTS LOWER

**Decrease Noted in Retail Prices  
Of March**

Washington, April 11.—A decrease in the retail cost of food to the average family in March, as compared with February, was reported today by the bureau of labor statistics of the department of labor. Prices as of 43 food articles in 51 important cities were considered. Seventeen of these articles showed decrease ranging from less than five-tenths of 1 per cent on butter and tea to 34 per cent on strictly fresh butter, 21 articles increased from less than five-tenths of 1 per cent on cheese to 11 per cent on oranges and six articles remained unchanged.

During the year March 15, 1921 to March 15, 1922 the bureau added the average decrease in the retail prices of these foods was 11 per cent, 35 articles declining and eight increasing. In the nine year period ending March 15, the average of increase was placed at 43 per cent.

### LUNACY WRITS

Jim McQuerns was taken in charge under a writ of lunacy by Sheriff McLane yesterday and turned over to the county of Greenwood for commitment.

Wilbur R. Stafford of Lowndesville presented himself to Sheriff McLane April 11th and asked to be sent to the asylum. He was lodged in jail and will be held until his papers can be completed and returned to Judge of Probate, J. F. Miller, when he will be taken to Columbia. The applicant has been confined in the asylum before.

### COTTON MARKET

The best price for cotton on the local market today was 17 3-4 cents.

## NEW CITY COUNCIL SWORN IN OFFICE

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN ELECTED,  
SWORN IN—OFFICERS FOR  
NEW YEAR ELECTED—NUM-  
BER OF POLICEMEN CUT, J. J.  
NASH NEW MAN ON FORCE**

Yesterday was general election day for city officers. Mayor Mars was re-elected as Mayor for two years; Messrs. E. R. Thomson and M. B. Syfan were re-elected as councilmen, and Messrs. J. S. Cochran and J. M. Gambrell were elected as new councilmen. All these newly elected officers were sworn in at a meeting last night.

The matter of most importance before the council last night was the matter of electing officers for the city. All elections were by secret ballot. The results were as follows:

J. L. Johnson, re-elected Chief of Police.

James Schroeder, Clarence Crawford and J. J. Nash as policemen. The two former being re-elected while Mr. Nash is a newly elected officer.

Messrs. Stevenson and Bonds were not re-elected. Council decided to reduce the force from five to four men, including the chief.

Geo. C. Douglass was re-elected as City Treasurer, an office he has filled for the past year with great satisfaction.

C. P. Townsend, another of the city officers making good, was re-elected as manager of the water and light plants.

M. B. Reese was elected by the council as mayor pro tem. and in the absence of the Mayor will hand out a stern brand of justice to unfortunate law-breakers.

Mr. W. C. Haddon was re-elected street foreman and will continue to build good streets.

Col. E. F. Arnold was re-elected as Chief of the Fire Department at the same salary, which is glory only, and G. S. Wilson was re-elected as engineer, with W. T. Mundy as assistant.

J. Howard Moore was named as City attorney.

The following constitute the City Board of Health: Dr. J. R. Power, chairman; Drs. J. C. Hill, J. E. Pressly, Joel S. Morse and C. A. Haigler.

The committees of council for the year are as follows:

Streets—Langley, chairman; Evans, Reese, and Thomson.

Finance—Evans, chairman; Syfan, Miller and Cochran.

Police—Miller, chairman; Reese, Langley, and Gambrell.

Fire Department—Syfan, chairman; Thomson, Cochran and Gambrell.

Light and Water—Reese, chairman; Evans, Langley and Miller.

Buildings and Grounds—Thomson, chairman; Syfan, Cochran and Gambrell.

### SPECIAL LENTEN SERVICES

In addition to the regular mid-week Lenten service today there will be a special service tomorrow evening, being Maundy Thursday, at 8 o'clock in Trinity Episcopal church. This service will have especial significance in the fact that the Holy Communion will be celebrated at night—the only time this is possible in the Episcopal church at such an hour—and is in commemoration of the institution of the Lord's Supper by Our Lord Himself. A special sermon relative to this fact will be preached at the service tomorrow night, and an invitation is extended to the members of the other churches in town to be present.

On Easter Sunday morning there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8:30 a. m. in Trinity church in order to leave time for Rev. Mr. Derbyshire to reach Wilmington where he has another similar service and Baptism at 11:15 a. m.