

HAWAII AND SUGAR TRUST

PETTIGREW CHARGES THEIR INTERESTS ARE IDENTICAL

Hawaii's Immense Sugar Production and Its Probable Effect Upon the American Beet Sugar Industry—Speaker Charges the President With Lobbying in Behalf of Annexation.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Today's session of the senate was devoted chiefly to the Hawaiian debate, Senator Pettigrew (Ill. Rep., S. D.) occupying five hours.

An effort was made to secure an agreement to adjourn until Tuesday, but Mr. Davis, in charge of the resolutions, declined to listen to the proposition unless a question was asked the next week upon the resolutions could be entered. This, Mr. White, to whom Mr. Davis addressed himself, said he considered impossible.

Mr. Hoar endeavored to secure consideration of the bill, permitting volunteer soldiers to vote, but Mr. Pettus objected, saying he was determined in his opposition to the measure. Mr. Hoar gave notice that he would move to take it up at the earliest moment after the disposal of the Hawaiian resolutions.

The senate passed with amendment the house bill to increase the force of the ordinance department.

Mr. Davis objected to the transaction of further business, and Mr. Pettigrew resumed his speech on the Hawaiian annexation resolution. Turning to the major question of annexation support he criticised them for their silence, charging them with being "bullheads" into keeping their lips closed when a great question was before the senate.

The administration, he said, had demanded that annexation be accomplished and senators were so open their mouths for fear they would cause delay and incur the president's disapproval.

"I will talk here all next week," he declared, after repeatedly defying the annexationists to talk, "but we do not propose to smoke you out, for fear you may lose the appointment of a brigadier general."

SUGAR TRUST INTERESTS. He said the sugar trust's interest is with annexation. "We all know what senators on this floor have been in the past," he declared, "friends of the sugar trust, and now every one of them is in favor of annexation. That in itself is sufficient answer to their miserable contention."

In reply to the contention that annexation would not affect the American beet sugar industry, Mr. Pettigrew said Hawaii raised enough sugar to supply all the major beet sugar needs of the Mississippi river and would do so for all time to come.

Recurring in this connection to the interest of the sugar trust in annexation, at the suggestion of Mr. Caffery (La.), he pointed out that the more control of raw sugar the trust could command, the more impossible it would be for successful competition to be developed. The trust, he continued, controlled raw sugar and it was to secure greater advantages in this regard that the trust sought annexation.

At this point Mr. Hale (Me.) presented a partial report of the conferees upon the general tariff bill, which was adopted without debate.

Mr. Pettigrew resumed. Discussing the establishment of the present Hawaiian republic, he said that the flag was set up in Hawaii in dishonor, it came down in honor, and if it goes up again now it will go up in infamy and shame. This government will join the robber nations of the world.

Mr. Pettigrew made the statement that the president was lobbying through congress the reduction of annexation and for him it would not enlist any appreciable support.

The senate passed the house bill providing for the enlistment of cooks in the regular and volunteer service.

FISCAL TRADE BALANCE. Larger for the Year Just Closed Than Ever Before.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The ending of one fiscal year and the beginning of another is always a time of more or less interest, but it had unusual significance yesterday, in view of the magnitude of events crowding around it. The past year has been one of extraordinary development and the reduction of our activity. The new year opens auspiciously with promise of large crops, national tranquility and expansion and new opportunities for our foreign commerce. The last fiscal year will be distinguished for its unprecedented balance of foreign commerce in our favor.

The close of the year finds the treasury with a net cash balance of \$20,870,000, an increase, compared with June 1, of nearly \$10,000,000, notwithstanding the fact that the expenditures for the month exceeded receipts by \$14,000,000. This discrepancy is explained by the fact that subscriptions paid for the war bonds are included in cash, although no special credit is shown for this item in any of the published treasury statements. The present net cash balance cannot properly be compared with that of one year ago on account of the receipts for loans.

In comparing the free gold held one year ago with that now held it would be found that there has been an increase of \$26,000,000, the amount of free gold now held being \$167,165,988. During the month just closed, however, there was a loss in net gold of \$1,522,988. The deficit for twelve months just closed was \$38,864,276.

CORNER ON STAMPS. Apparent Effort to Buy Up the Available Supply.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The internal revenue bureau has observed strong symptoms in several cities in the country of an attempt to corner the revenue stamps. The government always a discount of 1 per cent on quantities of \$100,000 or over, which made a sure thing to that extent for speculators with the possibility of a much larger profit if the corner could be made. As the market of the treasury is not so large as that of the printing firm in every city it is authorized to print

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"I thought hunting passed had been stopped," Maxwell said, "but I don't see any interruption from the Matabele warriors, for these were massed to the north with their king, but Hons and large game abounded in the broad rivers over which they had to swim their horses abounded in crocodiles. To defend himself, therefore, Maxwell's rifle and cartridge, although he was under arrest, were not taken from him. He knew his guards but slightly; they were not men of the kind he had chosen to intimate with, of the proud, rudest, least educated class of the company of adventurous young fellows."

Sergeant Wayne first broke the dreary silence. "We are all alone and silent as if we were all going to be hung," he cried, with a loud laugh. "Cheer up, Max, cheer up! There's nothing to be afraid of. The Matabele's nothing in the way of evidence against you. Is there, Roberts?"

"What do I know?" growled the other. "Fshaw! you're as morose as