

SENATE PLANS AMENDMENT TO TARIFF BILL

Senator Simmons Proposes, With Consent of President, to Give Secretary of Treasury Authority to Proclaim Fixed Standards of Value.

Redhot Fight Promised This Afternoon—Louisiana Democrats Announce That They Will Bolt.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—A radical amendment to the democratic tariff bill was proposed to House Majority Leader Underwood today by Senator F. M. Simmons of North Carolina, chairman of the senate finance committee, and it is reported that President Wilson approved the plan.

The amendment proposed would give Secretary of the Treasury McCulloch authority to proclaim fixed standards of value for the assessment of duties irrespective of the price fluctuations of foreign markets. Such standards would be in force on fifteen days' notice and could not be changed without sixty days' notice to importers.

To Avoid Confusion.

The change is designed to avoid confusion in the change to an ad valorem system of assessing values of imports adopted in the Underwood bill from the specific system of the Payne law. It is believed that such action would avoid much litigation and appeals from decisions of customs appraisers.

The plan was suggested by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Curtis.

A redhot fight in the senate on the Underwood tariff bill was promised this afternoon when Senators Ransdell and Thornton (democrats) of Louisiana announced that they would oppose the bill if the free sugar and wool provisions remain intact.

Predicts Amendment.

Senator Poindexter of Washington this afternoon predicted that the bill would pass the senate with the free wool and sugar provisions eliminated. "The senate majority," said Senator Poindexter, "is not for the bill in its present form. As it passes the senate, the bill probably will contain substantial reductions in the present rates on wool and sugar. On the final rollcall I believe that it will be in such form that I and other republicans who are independent will vote for it."

MINING CONGRESS IS TO MEET SOON

The Southern Oregon and Northern California Mining Congress will meet at Redding, Cal., on May 21 and continue in session three days. Much work has been done to make the congress an interesting and instructive session. A number of mining men will visit Redding from Medford. The Oddfellows convention here will keep many at home however.

SWALLOWED TOOTH IN SAUSAGE TO COUGH IT UP YEAR LATER

HOOD RIVER, Ore., May 10.—S. W. Heppner, a wealthy orchardist is today entirely recovered from the effects of severe abdominal pains following an attack of coughing during which he relieved himself of an ivory tooth from a ladies' barette. The tooth had very sharp edges.

Heppner stated that a year ago he had eaten some bologna and had told his wife shortly afterward that he believed he had swallowed some foreign substance.

SUFFRAGETTES BLAMED FOR FARINGTON HALL'S BURNING

DUNDEE, Scotland, May 10.—Suffragettes are blamed here today for the destruction by fire of Farington Hall, notable mansion, with a loss of \$50,000. "Votes for women" literature was found near the burning hall.

BRYAN CONFERS WITH CHINDA O'ERALIEN LAW

Secretary of State and Japanese Ambassador Discuss California's Action—Amicable Adjustment of Difficulty Certain, Says Bryan.

Protest Discussed in Detail—Another Conference is Scheduled for Tonight—Wilson at Mount Vernon.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Secretary Bryan and Viscount Chinda, the Japanese ambassador, held a long conference here today over the Japanese situation in California. The administration is expected this afternoon to publish Japan's protest against the California anti-alien land law and the reply of the federal government to Japan's representations. President Wilson today declared himself, reports that he planned a special meeting of the cabinet to further consider the Japanese situation. Secretary Bryan has told the president that an amicable adjustment of the difficulty is certain and the president has decided to leave the matter in the hands of his secretary of state.

Ambassador Chinda and Secretary Bryan were closeted for fifty minutes. They discussed Japan's protest in detail. Secretary Bryan will see President Wilson when the latter returns from Mount Vernon, and will confer with Ambassador Chinda again tonight. President Wilson is spending the day at Mount Vernon.

CALIFORNIA WINES IN HUGE TRUST

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 10.—Formation of a so-called wine trust is completed here today with the taking over of the Italian-Swiss Wine company at Asti, Cal., by the California Wine association. Actual consummation of the merger it is said will be effected June 23. The absorption marks the passage of the last big independent wine company in the state.

The California association more than a year ago began to absorb independent companies, taking over the California Wineries and Distilleries, the Cooperative company of Lodi and the Mutual company of Victor. It was reported today that M. J. Fontana and Andrea Sharboro, president and secretary respectively will retain a large portion of their holdings and will continue actively in the management of the Asti colony.

The California association, it was said, has acquired outstanding stock consisting largely of shares held by the Italian Swiss Agricultural company, to the value of \$750,000.

APPROPRIATION TO AID PARCELS POST

WASHINGTON, May 10.—To prevent the crippling of the parcel post the house today passed an emergency resolution appropriating \$600,000 for the hire of additional clerks. Postmaster General Burleson had reported that the money was required by May 15 or parcel post operations would have to be curtailed.

CARRIER PIGEONS FLY TWO THOUSAND MILES

PENDLETON, Ore., May 10.—From Whitesville, Mo., to Pendleton, over 2000 miles is the record flight today established by four homing pigeons owned by Mrs. L. G. Pell of this city. Mrs. Pell sent the pigeons to N. G. Rodecker of Whitesville, who, after keeping them penned for a while, released them. They disappeared.

He then wrote Mrs. Pell, who upon investigation found the birds in her dovecote. They were identified by tags attached to their legs.

FAIR DIVORCEE CLEARS O'HARA OF IMMORALITY

Woman in Case on Stand Asserts Relations With Lieutenant Governor not Improper—Affidavit Made at Request of Employer.

Mrs. Maude Robinson Tells of Meeting O'Hara on Train and Seeing Him in Chicago Afterwards.

CHICAGO, May 10.—Complete exoneration for Lieutenant Governor O'Hara, against whom an affidavit charging immoral conduct was filed with the state senate, was made here today before an investigating committee of that body by Mrs. Maude Robinson, who signed an affidavit that O'Hara had been her companion during a stay at the Sherman House here.

Mrs. Robinson, pretty, beautifully gowned and very much alive to her prominence, was escorted today to the senate committee's room in the LaSalle Hotel here and freely admitted signing an affidavit against O'Hara, which, she was told was not to be published but was to be used to silence O'Hara and prevent his summoning before the starvation wages committee employers of girls who disliked to testify.

On examination Mrs. Robinson first testified that she lived in Springfield and that she met O'Hara on a Chicago and Alton train en route to Chicago on January 17. Thomas Vredenburg, a millionaire, was with her. On arriving at the LaSalle Hotel here, she, Vredenburg and O'Hara met Tom Gibbons and a Mrs. Imbusch of Madison, Wis. Mrs. Robinson said:

"At no time were my relations with O'Hara improper. We did not occupy the same room and we were not alone together in any room at any time.

"I signed that affidavit at the urgent request of Mr. Davis. I was told that the affidavit would not be published and that it was to be used only to silence O'Hara."

The Davis mentioned in Mrs. Robinson's story is Samuel Davis of the firm of Davis, Ensel and Company of Springfield. Davis bitterly fought a subpoena to testify before the vice probers headed by O'Hara and is said to have secured the Robinson affidavit for revenge.

O'Hara on Stand.

Lieutenant Governor O'Hara himself took the stand this afternoon and detailed all his movements on the night mentioned by Mrs. Robinson's affidavit. He admitted he had met Vredenburg and Mrs. Robinson on the train en route here. He said he dined that night with Senator Lewis and John Burke, now treasurer of the United States. Later he attended the theater and after the show accompanied Vredenburg and the two women to the Sherman House. He added:

"Vredenburg explained that the girls registered there because they wanted to entertain gentlemen friends. I did not register as man and wife with Mrs. Robinson. I never stopped at the Sherman House in my life. Certainly not with any woman."

Plot to Blackmail.

O'Hara said the first he heard of the whole matter was a rumor in Springfield about an affidavit and learned that it related to a subpoena for Davis, who he alleged, "is reputed to be the owner of segregated houses in Springfield." He added:

"County Treasurer O'Connell of Springfield told me Deputy Sheriff Sullivan informed him of the plot to 'get' me. I denounced the whole thing as a frame-up. I am surprised that these other affidavits have not been produced. I demand an investigation which will make these plotters show their hand."

FLAGLER'S ILLNESS CAUSING MUCH ALARM TO FRIENDS

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., May 10.—The illness of Henry M. Flagler, the railroad magnate, is causing much alarm to his friends here today. Flagler is growing weaker daily and his business associates have been summoned to his bedside.

Huerta Reported to Have Repudiated Ambassador Wilson



GENERAL VICTORIANO HUERTA

PINCHOT BLAMED FOR ALASKA TIE-UP

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Testifying before the senate territories hearing on the Alaskan railroad bill today James Gallbreath, secretary of the American Mining congress, declared that the order issued by former President Roosevelt withdrawing Alaskan coal lands from private entry was "sufficient to have caused a revolution." He blamed present conditions in Alaska to former Chief Forester Gifford Pinchot's policy. Gallbreath said he favored government owned railroads in Alaska but did not think the government should attempt to control coal lands, regulate prices and arbitrate labor disputes.

GOVERNMENT SUITS DEPRESS MARKET

NEW YORK, May 10.—Announcement of the government's decision to institute further proceedings against certain members of the group had a depressing effect on the stocks of coal carrying roads at the opening of the stock market today. Jersey Central dropped three points. Reading and Delaware & Hudson fell 1 1/2 and Erie a point. Prices everywhere were shaded but no significance was attached to the dealings because the sellings were so light. The market closed dull. Bonds were steady.

SONORA REBELS WIN VICTORY OVER FEDERALS

DOUGLAS, Ariz., May 10.—Officers at the Agua Prieta headquarters of the Sonora constitutionalists announced today that they have received confirmation of a reported rebel victory over a superior force of federals near Maytorena. Sixty federals were killed and eight officers and two hundred men taken prisoners, it was stated. The rebel loss is said to have been heavy.

ASK NATIONAL PARKS FOR STOCK RANGES

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 10.—The California senate today passed a resolution calling upon the secretary of the interior and the commissioner of the land office to use their influence to allow livestock in California to be turned into the national parks to grave. The stock is in danger of perishing because of the drought, according to the resolution.



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BILL TO MAKE PURE CLOTHING IS INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—Charging that 75 per cent of the clothing sold in America is adulterated, Representative Lindquist of Michigan today introduced a "pure fabric and leather bill" in the house. It provides that articles of wearing apparel must bear labels stating the quality of the material and would compel manufacturers to fumigate goods before marketing. "There is no conception," said Representative Lindquist, "of the great percentage of commodity manufacturers adulterate for no other purpose than to make an unjust profit."

EVELYN THAW TO GO UPON THE STAGE

PLYMOUTH, England, May 10.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, wife of Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White is to return to the stage, according to announcement here today. It was said she would tour England at a salary close to \$5000 a week. Mrs. Thaw's first appearance will be at a London music hall and within a few weeks.

USURPER SEEKS TO FORCE RECOGNITION BY UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The state department has received no confirmation of a report that Provisional President Huerta has repudiated American Ambassador Henry Lane Wilson in retaliation for America's failure to recognize the Huerta government. Secretary of State Bryan this afternoon said he had received no report on the matter. "As a personal friend," Huerta is quoted as saying, "I would be glad to treat with Wilson but diplomatically he has not standing." Representative Hamilton of Michigan has appealed to the state department to demand adequate protection for Americans in Mexico. A Michigan man, now in Mexico, wrote Hamilton that Americans "now are on the same footing with the Chinese in Mexico."

NATURE BEATS TURTLE SERUM AS A REMEDY

Tuberculosis Sufferers Told to Doctor With Food, Air, Sunshine and Proper Living and not With Patent Panaceas Like Freidmann's.

Dr. Rucker, Surgeon of Health Service, Sends out Message—Secret of Turtle Serum Learned.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 10.—Through the United Press Dr. D. C. Rucker, assistant surgeon general of the United States, today sent a message to tuberculosis sufferers throughout the country who have been looking to the Freidmann cure for salvation. He said: "Food, air, sunshine, proper living, and not those panaceas which are widely heralded or are recommended by some willing 'friend'—these may effect a cure for tuberculosis."

Dr. Rucker displayed a letter from a Michigan woman asking him to send Freidmann's cure for her son. "This letter," said Rucker, "would make a wooden Indian weep. I wrote her what I am telling all tuberculosis sufferers, use the remedies nature has provided. The government cannot tell tuberculosis victims not to use the Freidmann remedy, nor can the government recommend until its curative powers are proved—or disproved. We are investigating its merits in an absolutely impartial way."

It has become positively known that the public health service has learned the secret of Freidmann's entire treatment. Freidmann gave the service only the culture which forms the basis of the compound for his treatment, but did not give the secret of preparing the culture. The government has learned, however, that this culture is merely virulent bacilli killed by heat.

Dr. Rucker refused to comment on this matter but another service surgeon declared this fact had been discovered in Germany.

TOU VELLE GETS TONGUE LASHING

Mrs. William Welsh, appealed to County Judge F. L. Tou Velle Saturday for protection against her husband, more familiarly known as "Windy Bill," who, she says, has threatened her life. When Judge Tou Velle was not emphatic enough in his reply that he would, Mrs. Welsh proceeded to read the riot act to him. Her tongue lashing of Judge Tou Velle attracted a great crowd in the corridor of the court house.

When Mrs. Welsh first made her appeal to the judge she demanded that Bill be locked up at once. Judge Tou Velle stated that he would see what he could do. The reply was evidently not entirely satisfactory and the judge "got his."

Mrs. Welsh is known in the city as "Galloping Sal." On several occasions she has "bawled out" officials in the city, her wrath the last time being directed at Officer Cingade, whom she blamed for allowing some one to steal a few pictures from her daughter.

BEE STING KILLS WOMAN IN OHIO

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 10.—Mrs. James Thomasson is dead here today from a bee sting suffered a week ago. Fifteen minutes after being stung she lost consciousness and never regained her senses.

BLenheim PALACE CLOSED TO PUBLIC ACCOUNT THREATS

LONDON, May 10.—Following the receipt of an anonymous letter revealing an alleged plot to destroy the mansion, the Duke of Marlborough has closed Blenheim Palace to the public.

FREEZING WEATHER IN MIDDLE WEST

CHICAGO, May 10.—Chicago and the middle west are recovering today from an unexpected cold wave. Freezing temperatures prevailed in scores of cities and towns.