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TARIFF LAW EFFECTS COAST

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 28.—(Special)—While the Atlantic seaboard is waxing fat on its tremendous war order business and the democratic party is seeking to make political capital out of the "blood-stained prosperity" that must end with the restoration of peace in Europe, the far west, and particularly the Pacific Coast, is feeling the full force and effect of the democratic free trade law. And while thus forced to meet unrestrained competition from Canada and the Orient, the Pacific Coast enjoys scarcely any share of the war prosperity, for it does not manufacture arms, ammunition or explosives.

Taking advantage of the fact that the Underwood law has let down the tariff bars, Japan, China, the British Indies, Australia and New Zealand, along with Canada have been crowding out American products in the markets of the Pacific Coast to such an extent that their exports to the United States today are nearly double what they were under the last Republican tariff law.

In 1913, under the Republican protective tariff, the four big countries of the Orient (listing Australia and New Zealand as of the Orient) exported to the United States products worth \$262,000,000. During the fiscal year 1916 the exports from those countries were worth \$461,000,000, a gain in three years of \$200,000,000. While the democracy has been standing at our eastern door gloating over war order business, these four countries of the Far East have been gum-shoeing through our western door, and appropriating 21 per cent of the entire import trade for the fiscal year 1916.

Japan has increased her exports to the United States from \$91,633,240 in 1913 to \$147,644,228 in 1916; exports from China to the United States have grown in that period from \$39,010,800 to \$71,655,945; Australia and New

Zealand which three years ago shipped \$15,341,362 worth of goods to the United States, last year increased those shipments to \$64,553,441, and the imports into the United States from the British West Indies grew from \$116,220,591 in 1913 to \$177,446,346 in the year ending June 30, 1916.

In all these countries, save Australia and New Zealand, the lowest known wage scale prevails, an average not greater than one-tenth the American scale of wages, while in the "kangaroo countries" the scale is materially lower than that in the United States.

Australia and New Zealand in the past three years succeeded in boosting their shipments to the United States 327 per cent, despite the fact that Great Britain has placed a rigid embargo on many products of Australia which otherwise would enter into competition with American products; these consist chiefly of meats, wool, agricultural and dairy products. And as the embargo has operated to prevent the shipment of those commodities to any save British ports, so have the war prices of Europe attracted similar products from Argentina, New Zealand and the other agricultural countries of South America and the Orient.

While Asia has been flooding our west coast with the products of her cheap labor, Canada has lost no time. Canada's total exports to the United States in 1913 were valued at \$120,000,000; two years later they had jumped to \$160,000,000, and last year amounted to \$204,000,000, a jump of 70 per cent, in three years, and this in the face of the fact that Great Britain has placed an embargo on many of the products of Canada, and forbidden their shipment to any country save England.

Under the Republican protective law 53 per cent of our imports from Canada were on the free list; under the Democratic law 86 per cent came in free in 1915, and nearly 90 per cent in 1916. The Underwood law swelled the free list by adding farm products, and when Canada ceases shipping her surplus of food stuffs to England, she will take advantage of the Underwood law to unload onto the free and closer markets of the United States. As matters stand now our markets are open to Canada, but American goods seeking the Canadian market pay a duty. Thus the American farmer in the border states is hit "both going and coming," and will be still harder hit when Canada is at full liberty to sell in the United States.

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Mr. Palmer was unable to state just when the city commissioners would meet with City Attorney McCulloch, to determine the provisions of the proposed ordinance, but intimated that time would be given to gain a good impression of public opinion on the question.



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