

TARIFF IS BLAMED FOR HIGH SUGAR

Claus A. Spreckels Says, Too, Trust Aided in Advancing Prices.

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Big Refiner Declares That Factories Were Mysteriously Damaged Before Peace Was Made With Havemeyer.

NEW YORK, July 22.—Testifying today before the House committee investigating the Sugar Trust, Claus A. Spreckels, son of the late Claus Spreckels, of California, and president of the Federal Sugar Refining Company of Tonkens, declared himself of the opinion that the removal of or a big reduction in the tariff on sugar would decrease the price of refined sugar in this country two cents a pound.

Without a tariff, he said, the cane and beet sugar refineries could compete with the world and there would be the best thing possible for Louisiana.

Mr. Spreckels read into the record other testimony showing that since the Sugar Trust was formed the price of refined sugar had materially increased.

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Interesting, too, was Mr. Spreckels' testimony regarding the war between the Havemeyer-Searles interests of the American Refining Company and his father, and the trouble that he has had since his opposition to the American company.

In Philadelphia, before the trust got control of the Spreckels plant, he said, the machinery was sold by people that had things in it. This trouble ended when Havemeyer got control.

"In Yonkers we have had much trouble. Mysterious persons have frequently at night drained our liquid sugar out of the vats into the sewers," he said. "On another occasion they put a dead rat in each barrel during a shipment of sugar that was about to go out. I sent certain employees of doing this and discharged them without pay. I wanted them to sue, but they were afraid to."

American Company Suspected.

"Of course, I don't know that the American company had anything to do with any of this, but they were the only ones who would be interested in our not marketing the sugar."

Spreckels said that he had been unable to purchase sugars in Louisiana, although he had offered more than the American.

Speaking of the benefit Louisiana would get from a tariff cut, Mr. Spreckels said:

"The planters down there are antiquated, use ancient methods and make sugar that is not scientific farmers. The reduction in the tariff would wake them up and modernize them like it did Hawaii."

He said that without a tariff the production of sugar would be vastly increased, that the jam and jelly industry could be taken away from England and the chocolate production of this country could be vastly increased.

Books to Be Produced.

"Beet sugar can be made for less than three cents a pound, and if you go down to the American Sugar Refining Company offices I think they will find the records of the beet sugar companies, which will show the cost of beet sugar production."

The company's attorneys promised to produce the records.

The California refineries, said Spreckels, get their raw sugar delivered at San Francisco from Hawaii, at two and one-third cents a pound, while the New York refineries pay about four and three-eighths cents a pound for the same product. He found it costs 6 cents a hundredweight to refine sugar, counting all labor and deductions. Then before the refiner can place a price on the product to the broker and jobber he must add the cost of maintaining the plant, depreciation and interest on the investment.

In the afternoon the discussion of the tariff on sugar occupied much time.

Wits Are Matched.

When Representative Hinds undertook to question Mr. Spreckels, the examination became a matching of wits between the adherents of the high protective tariff and the low or "approximate free trade" tariff. Spreckels held for the low tariff, particularly as it relates to sugar and other food necessities.

Telling of the end of the war between Havemeyer and Claus Spreckels, a fierce contest lasting from 1887 to 1891, Mr. Spreckels said:

"After much parleying, John E. Searles, secretary and treasurer of the American Company, and myself agreed to associate with my father. The result was that the Western Refining Company was formed, embracing the American and Spreckels interests in a \$10,000,000 corporation. The American took \$2,25,000 in the capital stock and I delivered it to H. O. Havemeyer, Theodore E. Havemeyer, The told me they were the purchasers and not the American. They paid me half cash and half in short-time notes, which they later paid."

Stock Sold to American.

"Six months later the Havemeyers and Searles, with my father, sold the stock of the Western Refining Company to the American for \$10,000,000 in preferred stock. Of this, my father received \$5,000,000 and the Havemeyers and Searles got the same for their interest, for which they had paid my father \$1,225,000."

"Then came the settlement of the stock. It was required that 45 per cent interest in the \$2,000,000 Spreckels Philadelphia plant.

"My quarrel with them started when they wanted to limit the output of the Philadelphia plant. Their idea was to reduce the amount of production and force up the price. My plan was to increase the output and decrease the price."

Spreckels told how he was kept from purchasing Hawaiian sugar for his Yonkers refinery.

"The planters there have an association," he explained, "which controls all the products. I have been unable to buy any of it, although I have offered to pay them more for it than any one else. They sell all output practically to the California-Hawaiian Refining Company, of which H. O. Havemeyer owned a large interest. He kept the Hawaiian sugar from me."

Linen breeches were worn by man in 1800 B.C. They also at that period were embroidered costly, besides bonnets "for safety and for beauty."

LEADER OF TORIES, MAN WHO MAY SUCCEED HIM IF HE IS DEPOSED BY HIS PARTY, AND CHANCELLOR.



MUCKRAKERS AT SWORDS' POINTS

Controller Bay Incident Has Split Ranks; Inquiry Becomes Fiasco.

SECRETARY IS UPBRAIDED

Some Alleged Conservationists Brown-beating Fisher for His Frank Declaration That He Saw Nothing Wrong in Claims.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 22.—The Controller Bay investigation has apparently "blown up." The committee has adjourned the subject to the call of Chairman Graham. All the principal witnesses, including "Dick" Ryan, Ashmun Brown and Miss Abbott, have been discharged with the understanding that they "may be recalled later," and the muckrakers who instigated this investigation are authority for the statement that the committee will not resume hearings "before October."

They also assert that when the committee meets again it will treat the Controller Bay affair as a mere incident to a greater and broader investigation, which is originally the one which they advertise as being "loaded with more dynamite than the Cunningham case." These muckrakers are also authority for the statement that Miss Abbott never will be called as a witness in the Controller Bay case.

Brandeis Privately Paid.

It was learned from Chairman Graham today that Attorney Brandeis, who is to act as counsel for the committee when it reassembles, is not to be paid by Congress but is to derive his compensation from "outside parties." Their identity Graham would not disclose. A Washington dispatch to the New York Tribune, discussing the collapse of the Controller Bay fiasco, says:

"There are a couple of reasons and a feigned one for the cessation of activity and the explosion of the fiasco."

"Despite the secret, which President Taft has endeavored to guard his answer to the Controller Bay charges, supplying information called for in the Poindexter resolution, it is apparent that the House committee obtained intimation of the conclusive nature of President's refusal of the fake story concerning the alleged Controller Bay grab. The committee suddenly developed an aggravated case of 'cold feet.'

"Those who have watched the desperate efforts of the committee to bolster up the fake story have tried to explain the explosion of the fiasco. The incentive for the sudden abandonment of the investigation doubtless is Secretary Fisher's general but effective hint that the department stands ready to prosecute for perjury any witness who appears falsely in an inquiry. It has been suggested for many years that the committee could not substantiate under oath the reckless charge made.

Brandeis Meets His Match.

"Still another reason for abandonment is the appointment of Representative Burke to the committee, in which keen and alert statesman Chairman Graham, found more than his match.

"Of course, the growing indisposition of Miss M. F. Abbott, the 'star witness,' to swear to the accusation she has made, embarrassed the committee and prompted its Democratic manipulators to halt proceedings for a while."

ALLEGED FAKE SALE HALTS

TACOMA STORE PROPRIETOR ARRESTED FOR WORKING "DEATH GAG."

TACOMA, July 22.—Accused of obtaining money under false pretenses by promoting a fake administrator's sale following the imaginary death of a fictitious owner, John Doe Moore, manager of a Pacific Avenue clothing store, was arrested today.

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knowledge of the fact that these amendments have not the slightest chance of being accepted.

HAYTIAN STATE CRUMPLES

Warship Necessary at Capital, Says Port au Prince Minister.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The Government of President Simon is fast failing before the uninterrupted march of the revolutionary movement in Hayti, according to a cablegram today from American Minister Furniss, speaking for the entire diplomatic corps of Port au Prince, the capital.

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Extremists May Be Pressing Issue in Hope of Ending Leadership. Insurance Bill Makes Ministerial Life Burden.

ALIENS LIKE POSTAL BANKS

TEN ADDITIONAL FIRST-CLASS OFFICES NAMED AS DEPOSITORYES.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Ten first-class postoffices in addition to the four already designated were named today by Postmaster-General Hitchcock as postal savings banks. Among them is Butte, Mont.

Prior to June 20, more than 15,000 persons had opened postal savings accounts in 400 offices. Mr. Hitchcock says that at Bedford, Ind., all of the depositors during the first three days of business were foreign born and 50 per cent of the depositors during the first month's business at Miami, Fla., were other than native Americans.

Fifty additional second-class postoffices today were designated as postal savings banks. They will begin to receive deposits August 21.

TOGA IRKS CHAMBERLAIN

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self a candidate for re-election. But so long as he feels like retiring from the Senate at the close of his term he is not likely to become an active candidate for the Vice-Presidential nomination.

Of course Senator Chamberlain also believes that the next Presidential campaign is to be a hot one, and that the two conventions will pick the strongest possible tickets, or try to. They will name men whose names nomination will add strength to the ticket, and this being the case, they will go to the bigger state for their candidates, and particularly will they select a Vice-Presidential candidate if the head of the ticket is chosen from a smaller state, as might be the case if Governor Wilson should be nominated.

This is not without reason, for the chapter of accidents is always playing strange tricks in political life. A situation may be changed in a day, in an hour, in a moment, and even the most powerful cause and the strongest administration may go down on the very evening of the day when it appeared able to conquer the fate.

This is perhaps the reason why the members of the House of Lords have continued their fight against the veto bill with such apparently blind and stupid obstinacy. Night after night they have prepared and carried amendments to the veto bill, in spite of their

astoria gets torpedo fleet only.

WASHINGTON, July 22.—Senators Chamberlain and Bonner have failed to persuade the Navy Department to send a battleship to Astoria for the Centennial celebration. The department advised them today, however, that the torpedo fleet would be sent in time to participate in the opening exercises and remain throughout the celebration, as previously planned.

HEAT SLIGHTLY HURTS WHEAT.

SHERIDAN, Or., July 22.—(Special.)—Last week was the hottest that this city and section have known for more than 20 years. The highest recorded temperature here was 102 degrees in the shade. A small amount of wheat was damaged by heat, but aside from this, nothing is known to have suffered.

Don't Miss the

Semi-Annual Clearance

Schloss Baltimore Clothes

An important event because of the character of clothes offered. They are all our regular 1911 "Schloss" Baltimore make. The models mean fabric and colors are a reflection of the world's best clothes makers. They are the best to be had in America. Every suit sold carries our guarantee of satisfaction.

\$15.00 Suits at \$10.00

\$18.00 Suits at \$12.00

\$20.00 Suits at \$13.35

\$22.50 Suits at \$15.00

\$25.00 Suits at \$16.65

\$30.00 Suits at \$20.00

\$35.00 Suits at \$23.65

\$40.00 Suits at \$26.65

Hawes Hats \$3.00 \$3.00

Hawes Baltimore Clothes

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Blues and Blacks Except Contract Goods Reduced One-Fourth

Salem Woolen Mills
Clothing Co.

Grant Phegley, Manager

Schloss Baltimore Clothes Schloss Baltimore Clothes Schloss Baltimore Clothes

FAULT IS TWO-FOLD

Roosevelt Believes Alaska Should Be Developed.

VIEWS TOLD IN OUTLOOK

Blame Placed on Great Capitalists Defiant of Laws and Congressmen Who Will Not Enact Reasonable Rules.

NEW YORK, July 22.—Blame for retarding progress in Alaska is divided between the "captains" and Congressmen who refuse to enact laws to enable reasonable development, by Colonel Roosevelt in an article in the Outlook, issued today. The Colonel says "wished to develop Alaska by making enormous fortunes for themselves out of side of and in defiance of laws, and that is what the 'captains' do." Considering "under pretense of hostility to the corporations, decline to permit the passage of legislation which will enable them to do their work honestly and to develop the coal fields with a fair profit to themselves while doing justice to others."

Referring specifically to the Controller Bay case, Mr. Roosevelt says:

"In this connection, I wish also to call attention to the essential fact as regards the Controller Bay situation. Controller Bay, under actual conditions, offers the only chance, or at any rate, very much the best chance for a free outlet from the great Bering River coalfields. It was the intention of the Government to keep this outlet free and not to impose it to the proper development of our waterways within the United States, and it is

sentient to the proper development of the Alaskan coalfields."

Hay Crop Particularly Good.

ELLENBURG, Wash., July 22.—(Special)—A. F. Hitt, traveling crop inspector for the United States Department of Agriculture, was a visitor in the city today. He said that the crops in the three Northwest states were the best in the United States and that the hay crop of this section was particularly good. Hay in other sections of the country has fallen off 20 per cent, he said.

Season in Alaska Late.

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