



SENATE UPHOLDS COMMITTEE

Long Drawn Out Tariff Question Still the Bone of Contention in United States Senate

LITTLE PROGRESS IS MADE

Entire Day Devoted to a Few Cent Controversy Over Duty on Round Iron and Finance Committee is Again Indorsed by a Good Majority

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Again the committee on finance was upheld when the senate today by a vote of 35 to 42 voted down the amendment introduced by Senator Cummins to lower the duty on round iron and upheld the house rate which was recommended by the senate committee.

Almost the entire day was given up to the profits alleged to be made each year by the United States Steel Corporation. A long debate ensued participated in by a number of senators and towards the close of the debate, many personalities were indulged in. Senator Beveridge proposed an amendment increasing the duty on leaf tobacco and its products. He charged that by the continuance of short weight packages of the Spanish-American war period, the tobacco trust was reaping a harvest of \$21,000,000 a year. It was alleged that advantages were taken of the internal stamp measure during the war, and all packages of tobacco were reduced in weight from which dishonest practice the manufacturers made millions of dollars. At the conclusion of Senator Beveridge's speech the senate adjourned until tomorrow when the continuation of the duty on iron will be discussed.

STRONG CONTENTION.

California Judge Puts It Up To U. S. I. S. C. Commission.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—An appeal from the decision of District Judge Dehaven in favor of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, charged that the violating the Interstate Commerce act in the matting cases tried recently was taken direct to the Supreme Court of the United States yesterday by United States Attorney Robert Devlin. This is the first direct appeal taken from the courts of this district since Congress enacted the law making it possible to appeal directly on points of law.

The steamship company, together with the Southern Pacific Railway Company filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission a tariff schedule on matting from Japan. In hauling matting to Eastern points they were accused of rebating. They intimated that as far as the ocean haul was concerned they were not amenable to the Interstate Commerce Commission and could violate the tariff schedule. This contention was sustained by Judge Dehaven. According to Judge Dehaven, the interstate

SEVERAL MEN ARE SENT TO PRISON

Violated Provisions of Sherman Anti-Trust Law and Receive Fines and Jail Sentences.

SAVANNAH, May 14.—Judge Wm. B. Shepherd sentenced today five men found guilty of having violated the Sherman anti-trust law, in the naval store cases. Spencer E. Shoter, chairman board of directors American naval stores company was sentenced to serve three months in jail and pay a fine of \$5000; Edmund E. Nash, president of the company fined \$3000; J. E. Cooper Myers, president National Telephone & Terminal Co., sentenced to three months in jail and a fine of \$2000; Carl Moller of Jacksonville, Fla., agent of American and general manager of the telephone company, fined \$5000. Each of the defendants through their attorneys gave notice of appeal.

Commerce Commission had no jurisdiction over the ocean and the violation did not commence until the goods were landed in the United States.

ORANGES CHEAPER.

Florida Fruit Will Be Marketed Direct To Wholesalers.

DENVER, May 14.—Henceforth the Florida orange crop will be marketed direct to the wholesale brokers and jobbers according to J. C. Swinling president of the Florida Fruit and Citrus Growers Association, who was in Denver last night. The orange crop of Florida this year he said, "will exceed that of any other year since 1895, and we will produce half as much as the entire crop of California."

"For years we have submitted to the abuses of brokers who practically regulated the market, making big profits and keeping up prices of oranges. From now on we will market the Florida output direct and this will reduce the price of oranges 40 per cent. Before this fight is over oranges will be selling at three for five cents instead of five cents apiece"

EXPLOSION OF HOT AIR IN WASHINGTON

FISH COMMISSIONER PREDICTS IMMENSE RUN OF SOCKEYES THIS YEAR.

SEATTLE, May 14.—The sockeye salmon run this year is expected to break all records, according to a statement made by State Fish Commissioner Kershaw. The removal of the dams in the Fraser river and its tributaries having restored the breeding grounds. Mr. Kershaw says every cannery on the Sound are preparing for a big run and there will not be a plant idle.

LIVED A CHEAT.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Searchers in the home of Mrs. Mary Cleary 90 years of age who died yesterday after living for many years on the charity of her neighbors, found bank books secreted about her Brooklyn home, representing bank deposits of \$12,800. For twenty years Mrs. Cleary's only companions in her little hovel were four cats. When well enough she solicited aid from residents of the neighborhood, who were almost poor as herself, and when she was ill they brought food to her.

EXTENSIVE MANEUVERS.

NEW ORK, May 14.—The largest number of National and state troops which have been engaged in joint maneuvering since the Spanish-American war will take part in the programme announced here last night for the various forts and military grounds in and about Boston in August. Orders were received late today at the headquarters of Major General Roe to hold two regiments of infantry, one of engineers, two companies of the signal corps and three batteries of field artillery in readiness for service.

NAMES MUST BE COUNTED

Judge Bronough Makes Important Decision in Portland on Initiative Petitions.

EXCISE PETITION APPEARS

Legal Voters Who Have Not Registered Have a Right to Sign a Petition and Auditor Cannot Reject Their Names For That Reason.

PORTLAND, May 14.—In the circuit court today Judge Bronough handed down a decision in the mandamus proceedings brought against Auditor Barbour. The decision is an important one and settles disputes as to several initiative petitions now pending. Judge Bronough holds as follows:

A petition is not void because it has 21 names to the sheet instead of 20.

The law does not require a copy of the proposed act to be attached to each sheet of signatures.

Legal voters who are not registered are entitled to sign initiative petitions.

The City Auditor has no right to reject any signature on a petition, either because the voter is not registered or because the signature may be forged.

The proposed charter amendments providing for bonds for a municipal lighting plant and for an excise board must be placed on the ballot by the City Auditor, according to the ruling of Presiding Judge Bronough in the City Court this morning, though determined efforts are being made by City Attorney Kavanaugh and Attorney L. A. McNary to keep the questions off the ballot. Judge Bronough also intimated that he would refuse to enjoin a vote on the Sherman street bridge project and the wiring ordinance, saying he did not believe that a court has power to interfere with an election.

Judge Bronough held in effect this morning that the City Auditor had no power to reject any signatures which appear on petitions filed with him, and that the ceremony of checking up petitions with the registration books is entirely beyond the authority of the Auditor, and would have no effect if it were within his powers.

Attorneys for the plaintiffs asked that Judge Bronough make his mandamus order to the Auditor peremptory, but Attorney McNary asked for time in which to file an answer. This was objected to, and City Attorney Kavanaugh volunteered the statement that if the court refused permission to file an answer, he would take the matter into another court and hold it up anyway. Judge Bronough allowed the attorneys until 2 o'clock to file an answer. It is understood that the answers are already prepared and in the City Attorney's hands.

Another question which will be solved by the amount of delay the attorneys can command is whether the proposed acts can be printed within the 20 days required by the ordinance. Rev. Paul Rader in the suit to compel a vote on the Excise Board act, said that the proposed acts must be published in the city official paper which appears tomorrow morning, and that great haste is necessary to render the publication possible. The paper goes to press this afternoon, and the City Attorney said it was already too late. Attorney Cole insisted on being allowed to make an effort to have the publication made.

NO AGREEMENT YET.

Trunk Line Association Fails To Unite On Import Rates.

NEW YORK, May 14.—No agreement was reached at a meeting of the import rate committee of the Trunk

Line Association, held here yesterday to attempt a settlement of the rate war that has grown out of the cuts made by the Boston & Maine on import traffic and the cuts made by the Philadelphia, Baltimore and other lines to meet these new England regulations. The Baltimore and Philadelphia lines contended they would maintain the differential that previously existed between the Baltimore rate and the Boston rate and that the cuts that these lines have made have had the maintenance of this differential rate as its object. The challenge of the Boston & Maine to Baltimore's right to a differential as compared with Boston led to the conference yesterday and was the cause of the rate war. It is expected that another conference will be held in a few weeks. The rate war has affected the entire West in traffic of imports.

GERMANS TO CHINA.

TSINGLAU, May 14.—Four German teachers, Messrs. Kayper, Letting Haensch and Glatzer, have been engaged by the Chino-German University. All have served several years in Chinese schools at Peking, Tientsin and Wu Chang. Dr. Wirtz, interpreter for the Kiachow government is to assume charge of the translation office. No missionaries will be permitted to serve as educators at the university.

HE GOT HIS KNEEDINGS IN A DOUGH VAT

WOMEN TAKE BAKER FROM BED AND SOUSE HIM IN A TUB OF DOUGH.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Matt Alheim, a baker, who would not close his bakery when the bakers recently went on a strike, was dragged from his bed today and thrown into a vat of dough, after his first being given a sound drubbing by several women raiders. While this was going on others attacked Mrs. Anheim and threw pans full of dough at her. The police dispersed the rioters. Alheim was taken to a hospital.

DONT LIKE STRANGERS.

Abalone Seizes On Hand Of A Man And Imprisons Him For Hours.

LONG BEACH, Cal., May 14.—Roy Sprattley, a visitor from Wyoming, is confined to his bed with nervous collapse, the result of a terrific experience yesterday. Sprattley went over to White's Point to gather shells and reaching under a rock to gather what he supposed was a turtle shell, found his fingers caught in a vice by a big abalone. After trying to extricate himself, he used his pocketknife to pry open the shell, but broke both blades in the attempt. To add to his terror the tide began to creep up and soon was up to his knees. For two hours he was held prisoner, until, finally, his cries were heard by a Japanese fisherman who succeeded in releasing him. He was not injured but the shock to his nerves sent him to bed.

OUR ELECTRIC SPARK.

To Perform Several Important Functions For A. Y. P. Expo.

SEATTLE, May 14.—When President W. H. Taft presses the golden key in the Whitehouse at Washington which will flash across the continent the signal that the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition is officially opened, the electric impulse will open the shutter of a camera focused on Exposition President J. E. Chilberg and the group on the platform at the exposition. The same current will unfurl a giant flag. As the camera takes a snapshot of the head of the exposition and the group of notables, an electric circuit will start whistles blowing. These whistles will indicate that President Taft has opened the Fair and other whistles will join in the noisy chorus.

President Taft will press the key at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of June 1, Eastern time which will be 12 o'clock noon Seattle time.

STRIKERS APPEAL TO UNIONS.

Mass Meeting of Postal Employees Held in Paris and Resolutions Adopted.

THREATS PRODUCE A SCARE

Rank and File of Laboring Men Are Convinced That Strikers Are Acting For Their Personal Ends and Will Not Co-operate With Them.

PARIS, May 14.—The striking postal employees adopted resolutions at a meeting today appealing to all workingmen's organizations to make common cause with them. The meeting was attended by representatives of workmen who delivered inflammatory speeches. They promised the postal employees immediate support and threatened if necessary to place themselves under the direction of the revolutionary general federation of labor. These threats produced a big scare, but there is a strong suspicion here that the leaders of the movement are bluffing.

The strike of the postmen itself has apparently lost ground. The rank and file of the men are seemingly convinced that the agitators are acting for their personal end and as tools of the revolutionary proletariat organizations and they hesitate to lose their permanent situations and pensions. At Chartiers and Dijon today the strikers, in view of the attitude taken by parliament voted to return to work. The government officials say that the movement is collapsing and point out that only 48,000 of the 300,000 railway men whose support was pledged are mostly trackmen and artisans employed in the shops. It is reported tonight that the strikers are cutting wires.

RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION TO COMMENCE

OREGON RAILWAY & NAVIGATION CO. TO COMMENCE WORK OF CUT-OFF.

PORTLAND, May 14.—Announcement that the construction of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company of the cut-off between Spokane and Coeur d'Alene Lake would be commenced at once was made today by General Manager O'Brien. Bids have been called for specifications stating that work would be commenced June 1st and the first eight miles completed by August 1st. The expectation is to complete the cut off in four months. The next road is to branch off from the present line at Lockwood and extend for 13 miles to the shore of the lake. It will shorten the distance to the lake about 25 miles and make a difference in the running time of about two hours.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL.

Northwest League.
Portland 7, Tacoma 2.
Spokane 3, Seattle 2.
Aberdeen 1, Vancouver 0.
Coast League.
Vernon 2, Portland 1.
Sacramento 4, Los Angeles 0.
San Francisco 1, Oakland 2.
American League.
Chicago-Philadelphia—Rain.
Detroit-Boston—Rain.
St. Louis 5, Washington 4.
Cleveland-New York—Rain.
National League.
Boston 4, Cincinnati 7.
New York 0, Chicago 6.
Brooklyn 10, St. Louis 4.
Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 0.

COMMISSION THE NEW YORK.

BOSTON, Mass., May 14.—The armored cruiser New York, which has been undergoing general repairs at the Charlestown Navy Yard for the past two years, will be placed in commission tomorrow. She is under orders to proceed at once to Turkish waters to join the cruisers Montana and North Carolina. The first captain of the rebuilt ship will be Commander Spencer S. Wood, U. S. N.

While the New York now is not to be compared with the newly built, larger and more powerful cruisers, still she is a fast ship and one not to be ignored by any enemy she may come in contact with. She has been fitted with new guns that are far more formidable than those in place when she served as Admiral Sampson's flagship off Santiago.

SPEAKER CANNON NOT AFRAID OF OSLER

SAYS HE HAS REACHED AGE OF 61 AND SHAKE PIST IN OSLER'S FACE.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Speaker Cannon is not a bit afraid of Dr. Osler and his old age theory. He told Osler so today during an address before the National Association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis. "Dr. Osler, I have reached the age of 61 years and I shake my fist in your face," he said. Osler laughed heartily at this deft. The speaker harkened back to the days of his childhood when bath tubs were almost unheard of and the snow would drift in and cover those lying in bed. He said they had plenty of fresh air then. Cannot favored more play ground for children, but urged that legislators be dealt with gently if he did not do everything wanted of him. Osler in his address said that tuberculosis was no longer a problem of the doctors and that it would take but two or three generations to reduce its ravages to the present rate of typhoid.

FIRST OF AFTERNOON GARDEN PARTIES

INNOVATION INTRODUCED BY MRS. TAFT AS TO WEARING APPAREL OF THE MEN.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Diplomatic, official and social Washington gathered in large numbers between 5 and 7 o'clock this evening under the big trees in the rear of the white house to attend the second of four Friday afternoon garden parties arranged by Mrs. Taft. Buffet luncheon was served from a tent. A marine band was seated near the east entrance. An innovation was introduced by Mrs. Taft who invited the men to wear short coats, flannel trousers and straw hats.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT MEMORIAL DAY

Confederate Soldiers Meet at Norfolk for The Annual Memorial Observance.

NORFOLK, May 14.—Today's Confederate memorial day observance here was marked by an address by former Secretary Herbert of the navy. He said in part: "We all agree it is best that there be but one flag. We finally triumphed in all our states over the carpet bag and negro rule. I honestly believe now we have reached the solution in the main outlines of the negro problem." There was unusually large attendance, representatives being present from nearly every southern state, many of who were old soldiers who fought in the war of the rebellion, but who shed lustily for old glory when speaker referred to one flag, show animosities heretofore existing had died out.

MORE TORNADOS IN KANSAS

Train Wrecked, Five Killed, Fifteen Wounded Is the Result of the Terrific Storm.

DEATH LIST MAY BE GREATER

Tornado Swept Over a Large Area Destroying Thousands of Dollars Worth of Property and Causing Devastation in Its Path.

KANSAS CITY, May 14.—A series of tornadoes in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma late today killed at least five persons, injured 55 and laid waste one town, wrecked a train and did great damage to property. Twenty five were injured by a storm that swept over Mount Washington at Fairmount Park suburbs of Kansas City. At least two of these are thought to be fatally injured. The town of Hollis near Concordia was swept entirely away and three were killed, ten injured.

Near Great Bend the tornado killed two and injured 20. All wires are down in that vicinity and it is feared the death list may be greater. The tornado wrecked a work train and blew it into a ditch. Several members of the crew were blown a distance of 100 feet or more. Most of the victims at Great Bend were members of the crew of the work train wrecked by the wind. The wind spread over a great area however, and injured many whose names could not be obtained tonight. Many conflicting reports have been received, one being that 10 had been killed.

At Hoisington, Kansas, the tornado injured a large number and great damaged farm property. It was as severe, however, as that which passed over other portions of the state. At Pond Creek, Okla., a severe storm slightly injured four persons and unroofed several houses. blinding hail and rainstorm accompanied by a severe wind in all the states. Many washouts have demoralized the railroad traffic. Electrical disturbances crippled the telegraph and telephone wires and on meager reports from the storm district could be obtained. A heavy wind accompanied by rain and hail prevailed in Kansas City. Minor damage was done to traffic, all kinds which were seriously interfered with.

RYAN COMES BACK.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 14.—Word has been received from Tommy Ryan of Benton Harbor, Mich., the former middleweight champion will again enter the ring and that his first challenge will be to Stanley Kachel. Ryan is sending word. South Bend stated that he would be ready to take on a match before October, but by that time would be in excellent condition.