

Senate Retains Provision In Tariff Bill Allowing Hoover to Change Board

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The house proposal to authorize President Hoover to re-appoint the tariff commission by appointing new members without waiting for the terms of the commissioners serving to expire has been retained in the tariff bill as revised by the republican members of the senate finance committee.

The president recommended in his message to the special session that legislation be enacted providing for a reorganization of the commission, and the text of the reformed tariff measure made public today disclosed that the way had been opened for the executive to bring this about.

Three From Same Party Is Maximum

The house provision authorizing the executive to appoint new members without regard to party affiliations, however, was stricken out and the existing language provided that not more than three commissioners shall be of the same political party was restored. The house had provided for a commission of seven, designed to prevent deadlocks of important decisions, with terms of seven years, as against six members at present with terms of 12 years, but the finance committee majority bill calls for six members to serve six years each. Their salaries would be \$12,000 a year as compared with \$7,500 under existing law.

Each Incumbent would serve until his successor was nominated, confirmed and assumed office. The president, however, could retain any member he desired.

Florida Man's Term Expires Next Year

Under present law the term of Commissioner Frank Clark, of Florida, expires September 7, 1930; that of Edgar B. Brossard, Utah, the same date in 1932; Chairman Thomas O. Marvin, of Massachusetts, 1934; vice chairman Alfred P. Dennis, Maryland, 1936; Lincoln Dixon, Indiana, 1938, and Sherman J. Lowell, New York, 1940.

All rates previously made public as having been tentatively agreed upon were made permanent as far as the committee is concerned in the printed text.

SENATOR NYE, shetchemfwyn Senator Nye, republican, North Dakota, said it would be better to have no tariff bill at all than the pending measure. Senator Harrison, democrat, Mississippi, described the bill as "even worse than when it was passed by the house."

Majority Report Is Slightly Delayed

Chairman Smoot of the committee announced that the majority report on the bill which he had planned to make public tomorrow or Friday would not be ready until next Tuesday.

The committee republicans headed the protest of Buffalo millers and struck out a new house provision subjecting Canadian wheat imported and milled in bond for export to Cuba to a tariff equal to the amount of duty preference which Cuba grants American flour, which is 30 per cent. Southwestern millers had sponsored the new clause.

The text also disclosed the elimination of the house proposal to deny the 99 per cent duty drawback on export flour made from imported wheat, and restoration of existing provisions making the refund apply in cases where imported wheat was mixed with not less than 30 per cent American wheat.

While most of the important changes previously had been made public, the text revealed a new provision authorizing Porto Rico to impose a tariff on coffee, including coffee imported from the United States.

While the same duties levied by the United States are collected on imports to Porto Rico, coffee is now on the American free list, and the duty authorization, to apply only on coffee imported by Porto Rico was regarded as a step toward assisting in the rehabilitation of the island's coffee planters, who suffered heavy losses during last year's hurricane.

Another new provision would forbid the secretary of agriculture to bar importation of nursery stock, fruits, vegetables, roots, bulbs, seeds, or other plant products unless they are infected with disease or injurious insects. Existing law is much more stringent and department of agriculture officials said they would fight for elimination of the clause.

Organized Labor Representative Recognized

The bill would change the present law to permit a representative of organized labor to appear in reappraisement cases and to inspect documents of consignees and importers, together with manufacturers, producers, and wholesalers, and make unlawful the importation of any merchandise of foreign manufacture if marked patented in the United States.

BORAH REPEATS HIS PLEA FOR BARLOW

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Chairman Borah of the senate foreign relations committee re-again today to intercede with the Cuban government in behalf of Joseph E. Barlow, an American citizen arrested there.

Borah told the department he had received an urgent cablegram from Mrs. Barlow, in which she asked the senator to take steps to secure Barlow's release, but Borah said he did not know what action the department would take.

Meanwhile Secretary Stimson revealed tonight that he had sent a special envoy to Cuba to study the claims of Barlow against the Cuban government for alleged seizure of his land. While he declined to disclose any further details, Stimson added that he had devoted more personal attention to Barlow's case than that of any other American investor in foreign lands.

Barlow wired Mr. Stimson today telling of his arrest and said the charges against him were false.

Secretary Stimson, before reports were received in Washington of Barlow's release, instructed Charles B. Curtis, American charge d'affaires in Havana, to investigate the allegations that the American had been arrested on false charges and to take up the matter with the Cuban foreign office.

Borah recalled that the senate foreign relations subcommittee investigated the Barlow case last year and was unanimous in declaring that Barlow's claims on property in Cuba were just and that he had been defrauded.

Recent claims totaling \$131,700 have been paid to holders of Oregon Statesman, North American Accident Insurance Co., policies.

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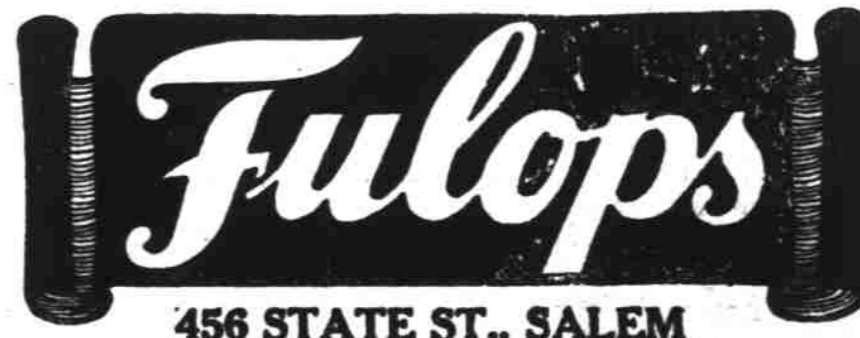
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