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TARIFF IN SENATE

Duty on Lumber Increased to \$1.50 Per Thousand and Feet.

PARTY LINES OBLITERATED

South Wanted Protection for Her Product While Treeless Northwest Demanded Cheaper Lumber. Florida Gets Protection.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, June 23.—In unexpectedly short order the Senate today took up and disposed of the lumber schedule and then, entering upon the discussion of pineapples, put behind it the provision regulating the rates of duty on that article. Calling up the tariff bill immediately after convening at 10 o'clock, Mr. Aldrich asked that the lumber schedule should receive first attention. He had no sooner taken his seat than Senator McCumber who, in the interest of the treeless Northwest, has been a persistent advocate of free lumber, arose and presented an amendment reducing the finance committee's rate of \$1.50 per 1,000 on sawed lumber to the House rate of \$1 per 1,000. This was generally recognized as a test proposition, as sawed lumber has been the bone of contention from the beginning. The North Dakota Senator did not find it worth while to enter into any argument in support of his provision but permitted it to go directly to a vote. The result was against him and was another triumph for the Aldrich rates, the vote standing 24 in favor of and 44 against the reduced rate. Party lines were so entirely destroyed on this vote that if one should be called upon to judge from the ballot alone, he would never be able to determine that the tariff is a party issue.

Another test came on the proposition to make a rate of \$1.25 per 1,000 on lumber with a general change in the differentials and on this vote the finance committee was also liberally supported. The entire wood schedule, making reductions of about 25 per cent. from the present law rates, and increasing the House rates of the pending bill to about the same extent, was then agreed to.

The sailing was not so smooth when it came to pineapples. The contention in this connection was for higher rates and came from Democratic sources. The objectors in this case were Senators Taliaferro and Fletcher, of Florida. The House had fixed a duty of 8 cents per cubic foot on pineapples in barrels and of 8 per 1,000, but the Senate committee on finance reduced this rate to 7 cents and 7 respectively, thus restoring the provisions of the Dingley law.

Mr. Taliaferro presented an amendment restoring the House rate of 8 per 1,000, but changing the other portions of the provision so as to require the payment of half a cent a pound for pineapples in bulk. The contention was for and against this increase, and the fight was mainly between the Florida Senators, representing a pineapple producing State, and Senators Smith and Rayner, of Maryland, in whose State there are large pineapple canning establishments. Disavowing all championship of the canners, the Maryland Senators made a strenuous fight on general principles against the increase of the duty. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Rayner charged the Republican party with bad faith in promising to lower tariff duties.

The first vote on the lumber schedule was on an amendment by Senator McCumber proposing the rate of \$1 per 1,000 on sawed lumber instead of the \$1.50 decided upon by the finance committee. The committee was sustained 44 to 24. From the beginning

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OUTLINES.

The Senate yesterday by a majority of 44 to 24 increased the duty on lumber to \$1.50 per 1,000 feet and gave protection to the Florida pineapple industry; in the voting party lines were obliterated.—At Newburgh, N. Y., Marshall Bell went into bankruptcy after losing \$110,000 in a faro game.—Wright Brothers will probably make a trial flight today at Washington, but the government has granted an extension of 30 days to test their flying machine.—The "scout cars" seeking the best route from Atlanta to New York arrived in Washington yesterday and President Taft received the part at the White House, where many officials and prominent men discussed the good roads question.—Before the arbitrators sitting in Atlanta yesterday to consider the strike controversy on the Georgia Railroad it was decided not to allow the introduction of evidence concerning the inflamed state of public opinion along the railroad.—Seventeen miners were killed as the result of an explosion in a Pennsylvania mine yesterday.—New York markets: Money on call easy 1 1/2 to 2 per cent., ruling rate 1 7/8, closing bid 1 3/4, offered at 1 7/8. Spot cotton 15 points higher, closing quiet at 11 7/8. Flour dull and lower to sell. Wheat easy, No. 2 red, old 1.47 elevator. Corn easy, No. 2, old 82 asked in elevator. Oats quiet, mixed 60 1-2 nominal. Turpentine firm. Rosin quiet.

ANGOLA SWAMP LAND

Option by York Parties Confirmed of Education—Oil Tests—None Hearings. National Guard.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., June 23.—Final contracts for an option to John A. Stewart and others of New York, for the Angola Bay Swamp lands in Duplin and Pender counties, was signed by the State Board of Education today, the company to develop the property through drainage for agricultural purposes.

A corps of engineers are now surveying for a railroad to Burgaw or some other advantageous point on the Atlantic Coast Line. Later in the Fall experts as to soil and system of drainage will get the drainage work under way.

The Oil Inspection Committee of the State Board of Agriculture, after a supplementary hearing today, decided to change the method of the inspection of illuminating oils, operative July 1st, from the Elliott Cup system to the method used by the United States government, known as the 110 F. heat test. This concession was secured through the efforts of ex-Governor C. B. Aycock representing the Independent Oil Company, and James H. POU, representing the Standard.

Governor Kitchin issues requisition on the governor of Ohio for Solomon Sheppard, the negro arrested at Columbus, Ohio, for the murder of Engineer Holt at Durham a year ago. Sheriff Harwood, of Durham, has gone for the prisoner.

The Firestone Brick Co., is chartered with \$50,000 capital by S. E. Williams, J. M. Pugh and others for developing a remarkable clay deposit near Lexington.

Friday there will be a hearing before the Corporation Commission on the telephone petition to raise residence rates in Wilmington and Asheville, a number of prominent officials being present. It is not known if there will be any representation of citizens.

FAILED WITH EMPTY POCKETS.

New York Man Lost \$110,000 at Faro Game.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.) New York, June 23.—Marshall Bell, a retired business man of Newburgh, N. Y., filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court today stating his liabilities as \$113,000 with no assets. Mr. Bell, in his petition, declared that on the night of November 13, 1908, he lost \$110,000 at faro in a gambling house in this city. He gave notes to this amount but now repudiates them as a gambling debt.

Fire was discovered shortly before midnight in the five story building at 200 Fulton street, occupied by S. E. Powell & Co., wholesale druggists in New Orleans. A general alarm was responded to by the fire department.

BARACA WORKERS ADJOURN

Officers and District Secretaries Are Elected—World-wide Conference at Asheville Well Attended and Successful.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Asheville, N. C., June 23.—With the election of officers and the hearing of the claims of Omaha, Neb., Jamestown, N. Y., and Birmingham, Ala., for the next convention, the World-wide Baraca Philathea Union, which has been in session here since last Saturday, came to an end today. No choice of meeting place for the next convention was made as this was left to the executive committee.

Marshall A. Hudson, of Syracuse, was re-elected president and the following were elected vice president: R. N. Sims, of Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. Charles McKenzie, of Johnston, N. C.; Rev. H. M. Hamill, D. D., of Nashville; G. E. Winslade, of Omaha; E. H. Conibear, of Dallas. Rev. Frank A. Conibear, of Millville, N. J., was elected treasurer; L. E. Appleby, of San Antonio, general secretary; A. S. Hampton, of Detroit, corresponding secretary; W. G. Monk, of Syracuse, recording secretary; Roland L. Walker, of Kansas City, junior secretary; F. Mitchell Arnold, of Jacksonville, Ill., secretary of secret service.

The district secretaries were elected as follows: First district, B. F. Whitford, of Stamford, Conn.; second, A. S. Hopkins, of Mechanicsville, N. Y.; third, A. B. Caldwell, of Atlanta; fourth, George E. Hayes, of Louisville; fifth, not filled; sixth, Rev. B. F. Fellman, of Omaha; seventh, L. P. Leavell, of Oxford, Miss.; eighth, A. M. Melles, of San Centre, Minn.; ninth, James Edmunds, of McMinnville, Ore.

FIBEMEN CRITICISED

Charged Them With Attempting to Intimidate Arbitrators.

PUBLIC OPINION IS FACTOR

Arbitrators Refused to Hear Evidence Concerning Bitter Feeling Against Negro Firemen—Evidence of Negroes' Incompetence.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Atlanta, Ga., June 23.—Charging that the firemen were trying to intimidate the arbitrators, Major Cummins, representing the Georgia Railroad before the Arbitration Commission, objected strongly this afternoon to the introduction of any testimony as to the condition of public opinion upon the merits of the strike. The firemen had introduced Mayor Brand, of Lithonia. It was at Lithonia that much disorder occurred and several negro firemen were severely whipped. It was proposed to have Mayor Brand tell not only of past assaults upon the negro firemen, but to give it as his opinion that, if the firemen were restored to the cab by the decision of the Board of Arbitration, the people would resort to violence again.

"This is gross contempt of the Commission," said Cummins, trembling with anger. "If such testimony be admitted we had as well close down our courts and let mob violence rule. The contention here now is simply that the firemen in effect say: 'We may be wrong in our contest, but even if we are, and you gentlemen decide against us, the people of Georgia will rise up in mob and overrule you.' I think this is a libel upon the good people of this State. I most seriously object to the admission of such testimony."

Attorney Reuben Arnold argued spiritedly that the board was not a court; that it should permit a wide latitude and in its award, disregarding such testimony as was not considered proper. He claimed, however, that the Commission had a right, nay, a duty, to hear such evidence and to consider it, as it affected the safety of all other employes and even passengers.

Before Major Cummins interrupted, Brand had declared that the people along the line of the Georgia Railroad were only permitting the negro firemen to work now because they were assured that the arbitrators would decide in favor of the white employes. He was confident that if the Commission decided in favor of the negroes, the people would never permit the blacks to run.

The arbitrators, upon the conclusion of Arnold's argument, went into executive session, at the end of which they announced that they would exclude all testimony as to public opinion as not relevant.

"I may say," said Mr. Herbert, "that the decision is by unanimous consent." This was a severe blow to the firemen. But they went on gamely, offering cumulative testimony as to the unfitness of the negro as a fireman. About 15 mayors and peace officers of towns along the Georgia Railroad, who had been summoned, were notified they might go home. The decision probably will shorten the hearing.

Witness after witness swore that negroes were too incompetent and stupid to be safe firemen, and that the Georgia Railroad did not hold them to accountability for the violation of the ordinary rules of safety. The witnesses gave names and dates to substantiate their statements. It also developed that when an engine came in from a run with a negro fireman on the box and was sent out with a white man firing, the white man had to put his clothes in the box used by the negro and had to drink from the same cup which the negro had used.

WRIGHT BROS. FLYING MACHINE

Government Grants Them Thirty Days to Make Test.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.) Washington, June 23.—The Wright brothers were today granted an extension of time of thirty days in which to complete their official trials for the Government, but they are losing no time in completing their flying machine. The first preliminary flight probably will be made on Friday. The motor was installed today and the finishing touches put upon the machine. Tomorrow the starting apparatus will be set up and the motor will be tested.

Tonight is Masonic night at Lumina.

MINE A DEATH TRAP

Seventeen Persons Killed in Fearful Explosion.

HEROIC WORK OF RESCUERS

Sixteen of the Victims Were Foreigners—Occurred at Wehrum, Pa. Bodies Recovered—Sixteen Injured by Explosion.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Wehrum, Pa., June 23.—As the result of an explosion of gas in Mine No. 4, of the Lackawanna Coal & Coke Company shortly after 7 o'clock this morning 17 miners were killed and 16 injured. With the exception of one, those killed were foreigners. With few exceptions those injured were Americans. It was stated all would probably be recovered.

The mine has only been operating two days each week, Tuesday and Friday. Those in the mine today had entered the shaft for their daily allowance of coal for family use.

Grouped at the slope entrance of the mine just before the explosion were several Italians. When the terrible subterranean upheaval of rock and gas spouted skyward these Italians were caught. Terribly burned and maimed they rushed about the settlement crying for aid.

The first man to reach the surface was A. L. Johnson, son of the superintendent. He is one of the very few seriously injured.

Supt. Johnson called for volunteers to enter the mine. In the volunteer ranks stood several women. These were ordered back. With wet handkerchiefs tied over their faces the first squad of the relief party started down the shaft. Of the eight who started four came back with their senses.

The others, overcome with blackdamp, were pulled to the surface with ropes.

A second and a third party entered only to be driven back by the deadly gasses hissing and spouting in the lower levels.

Oxygen, sent by the Cambria Steel Works, aided the searchers and with safety helmets, a fourth rescue party succeeded in bringing 12 bodies to the surface.

Late in the afternoon five more bodies were recovered. They were found huddled together in the lower left heading where they had died in an evident effort to reach the main shaft.

BRUNSWICK MISSION WORK

Sabbath School Convention Meets on the 21st of July.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Phoenix, N. C., June 23.—Rev. Eugene Black Carr, evangelist in charge of Presbyterian work in Brunswick county, is completing arrangements for the annual meeting of the Sabbath School Convention which will be held at New Hope Church on Wednesday, July 21st, and promises to be a gathering of much interest.

Besides a good attendance of Brunswick people it is expected that quite a few from the Wilmington Presbyterian churches will attend the convention and take part in the exercises. In order to provide for the Presbyterians from Wilmington and Southport the steamer Whitlock will make a special trip, leaving Wilmington at 6 A. M. on the 21st. An address will be made by Rev. W. M. Sikes, of Burgaw, N. C., and there will be an interesting programme carried out, featured by talks and reports on home mission work.

The Brunswick people are looking forward to the convention with great pleasure and assure those who attend a most pleasant day. A basket dinner will be served at the church. Delegates from Wilmington and other points who come on the steamer Whitlock will be met at the landing with conveyances. The steamer will make the return trip on the same day.

MARRIAGE AT CLINTON

Mr. Faison and Miss Pigford Parties. Pretty Nuptial Event.

(Special Star Telegram.) Clinton, N. C., June 23.—An interesting social event was the marriage here this evening, in the Presbyterian church, of Miss Isabelle Pigford to Mr. Isham F. Faison. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. L. Clark at 5:30 o'clock and was witnessed by a large gathering of local and visiting friends. Mr. I. M. Lane, of Faison, was best man, and Miss Lovell Pigford, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Mrs. Ernest Warren, of Edenton, was dame of honor, Miss Mary Medearis, of Winston-Salem, sang "I Love You Truly" and the wedding march was played by Miss Eliza Pearl.

Supper was served to the bridal party immediately after the marriage at the home of Mrs. Virginia Pigford, mother of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Faison went to Wrightsville Beach where they will spend several days. The bride is one of Clinton's most lovable and highly accomplished young women and the groom is a successful young business man, of Faison, N. C.

Tonight is Masonic night at Lumina.

GOULD TRIAL NEARING END

Session Lasted Until 11 O'clock Last Night—More Evidence Favorable to Mrs. Gould—Farnum's Deposition.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, June 23.—Counsel for Katherine Clemmons Gould, who is suing Howard Gould for separation and \$250,000 a year alimony, labored long and late today and it was 11 o'clock tonight when court adjourned. This, the first nocturnal session since the trial began more than three weeks ago, was granted by Justice Dowling in order to clear up the remaining testimony in rebuttal by the plaintiff's witnesses, excepting perhaps Mrs. Gould herself, if she should so desire to testify. But after tonight's session Clarence J. Shearn announced that he still has two witnesses to call. The case will go on tomorrow when a deposition of Dustin Farnum, the actor, who has figured so prominently in the case, will be submitted in Mrs. Gould's behalf.

The testimony submitted and depositions read for Mrs. Gould today and tonight, taken as a whole, cover in rebuttal all the incidents of the various motor trips that she is alleged to have taken to cities in which Dustin Farnum was playing. Also it was sought to prove that Mrs. Gould drank moderately, principally with her meals, that her language was never other than what it should have been; that she saw Dustin Farnum only in the company of others and that there was nothing out of the ordinary in her attitude toward him.

Mary Conlin, a maid to Mrs. Elijah Sells, Mrs. Gould's cousin, by marriage and one of her guests on the motor trip to Philadelphia, swore that none of the party wore dust coats. Witnesses for Mrs. Gould had previously testified that a man's linen dust coat had been found in Mrs. Gould's room at the Bellevue-Stratford.

Thirty-six witnesses in rebuttal have thus far been called and it is expected that Mrs. Gould will again take the stand tomorrow in the hope of weakening her husband's counter charges. With the exception of Mrs. Sells, who testified during the day and the deposition of her daughter, Marjorie, which was read at night the testimony for the most part was that of servants and employes of various shops.

Miss Sells' narrative bore out that of her mother, favoring Mrs. Gould as to her association with Dustin Farnum and testifying as to her sobriety at all times.

TAFT PLEDGES HELP.

Favors the American Merchant Marine—Bill to Congress Soon.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.) Washington, June 23.—Indicating his presence and sympathy with the cause of the Merchant Marine League espoused, Mr. Taft evoked loud applause and much enthusiasm at a dinner given tonight by officials and members of the League, when he declared he would do all in his power to assist in the rehabilitation of the American Merchant Marine.

The President declared that something must be done and that immediately to establish an American Merchant Marine and that he would do everything he could to bring this about. A new bill has been prepared and will be introduced in the House on Thursday by Representative Humphrey, of Washington, and in the Senate by some friend of ship subsidy, probably by Senator Gallinger.

SCOUT CARS AT WASHINGTON

Party Seeking Best Route Between New York and Atlanta Cotton President—Good Roads Subject Discussed.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, June 23.—Many prominent officials and other prominent men were present today at a meeting in this city to consider the subject of good roads. The occasion was the reception tendered to two "scout" cars which are seeking the best route for a long distance endurance run next Fall between New York and Atlanta, Ga. At 1 o'clock the "scouting" party was received at the White House by President Taft. The good roads meeting followed.

One of the principal speakers was President W. W. Finley, of the Southern Railway, who declared that the development of the motor vehicle had given a great incentive to the good roads movement throughout the United States. Aside from the importance of good roads to the automobile lists, Mr. Finley said, they have a highly important social aspect for the farmer as well as for the owner of the automobile.

"They broaden his range of vision," he said, "and bring him into closer touch with the world at large. They facilitate the rural free delivery, bringing him his letters promptly and placing on his table the weekly newspaper from the nearby town and the daily from the nearest city."

Shirt Waists at Cost. 200 ladies' handsome shirt waists at cost next week for cash. A. D. Brown, 5t.

LOST STILL ANOTHER

Wilson Made Three Straights From Sailors Lads Yesterday.

FORFEITED GAME IN RALEIGH

Manager and Catcher Put Out of the Game, Highlanders Refused to Play—Rocky Mount Loses to Goldsboro.

Results Yesterday.

Wilmington 1, Wilson 3. Fayetteville 0, Raleigh 9. (Forfeited.) Rocky Mount 0, Goldsboro 2.

Games Today.

Goldsboro at Wilmington. Wilson at Fayetteville. Raleigh at Rocky Mount. Standing of the Clubs.

Table with columns: Club, W, L, Pct. Wilmington 19 13 .594, Raleigh 18 13 .581, Wilmington 15 18 .455, Rocky Mount 11 18 .367, Fayetteville 10 18 .357

(Special Star Telegram.)

Wilson, N. C., June 23.—In a well played game this afternoon the Sailors for the third time in succession went down in defeat before the Tobaccoists. Big Chief Ferrall was in fine form, striking out nine men and allowing only six hits.

Armstrong's timely single in the 8th which turned out to be a three-bagger broke up the game as Holt and Miller came trotting home, making a total of three runs. Features, Cooper's running catch in the seventh and the batting of Ferrall, Sutor and Hemp with snappy playing by both teams.

Hemp, the very first Sailor lad to face Mr. Ferrall, whipped out a single to right and was sacrificed by Nichols, but Brodie flew out to catcher and Hemp was caught trying third. Sutor led his team with a single to centre and was sacrificed by Cooper and scored on Yerkes' hit past short. Miller then singled to centre, but Byrd and Holt flew to centre and left.

In the second session Sharp singled to centre after Smith was out second to first and Levy had fanned. Hayes followed with a clean hit to centre and Sharp went to third, Hayes taking second on throw home to catch Sharp. Conn was up and about out when Sharp was caught attempting a squeeze play. Armstrong and Mills were out second to first and Ferrell hit to short who threw wild to first, but Ferrell was out with designs on second.

In the third Conn and Kite fanned, Hemp flew out to centre. Sutor led Wilson's third with a single to centre and was sacrificed by Cooper, Yerkes being given transportation, but Miller's hit to third was turned into a pretty double retiring Sutor and Yerkes.

In the fourth Nichols, Brodie and Smith were out from the infield, the latter fanning. It was the same for Wilson except a pass to Holt in the fourth. In the fifth, Levy was out, short to first; Sharp fanned; Hayes drew a pass and stole second but Conn was out at first unassisted. Wilson got a near-score in the fifth when Ferrell led off with a double to left and was sacrificed by Sutor. Cooper hit to Smith who threw the "Big Chief" out at home. Cooper stole second and Yerkes was given a pass but Miller forced him at second.

In the sixth Wilmington saved herself a shut-out when Kite and Hemp led off with singles to right and centre and after Nichols had fanned Brodie hit past short, Kite being thrown out at home; Smith was out and Hemp scored on a wild pitch. Brodie taking up on second, Smith ended the hope by going out third to first. He got a single with one down in the sixth but Armstrong and Mills flew to left. In the seventh Hayes singled to right after Levy had fanned and Sharp flew to centre, but Conn retired the side by flying to right. For Wilson Ferrell fanned and Sutor flew to short. Cooper drew a pass but was caught trying second.

Miller made the trouble for Wilmington in the eighth when after Yerkes was out short to first, he pealed the hide off one of Levy's finest for an extra base to centre and went to third on Byrd's long fly to centre; Holt walked and Armstrong was made enough to the Sailor guests of the Tobacco town to lace one to left garden for three cushions, scoring Miller and Holt. Mills stopped the procession by flying to third.

Wilmington only figured in the ninth. Brodie was out, short to first and Smith and Levy fanned.

The Tabulated Score. Wilson AB R H O A E, Sutor 2b 3 1 2 1 3 0, Cooper, cf. 1 0 2 0 0, Yerkes, rf 2 0 1 1 4 0, Miller, ss 4 1 2 1 0 0, Byrd, 3b 3 0 0 0 2 0, Holt, c 2 1 1 1 1 0, Armstrong, lf 3 0 1 0 0 0, Mills, 1b 4 0 0 11 0 1, Ferrall, p 3 0 1 0 2 0

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