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FINDING FLAWS IN THE PROVISIONS OF TARIFF BILL

Cuban Reciprocity Clause May Cause Complications With Other Nations

WEST IS OPPOSED TO THE DRAWBACK

South In A Flutter Over Importations of Rice From Orient.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON. March 20 .- That the Payne tariff bill would bring about a great international tariff war if enacted, because of the section which continues in operation the Cuban reciprocity treaty is one of the arguments that is being made against the measure. It is urged that foreign countries which would otherwise agree to give the United States the benefits of their most favored nation clause in return from the minimum scale of duties provided in the Payne bill will contend that the Cuban reciprocity provision is the most favored nation clause of the American tariff and will therefore refuse to en-

ter into a low tariff agreement with this country. France is one of the countries that will be most affected by the maximum schedule of the Payne tariff. The duties imposed by the present law on wines, liquors and spirits is increased forty per cent in the maximum provision of the new hill and the ad-vance would seriously affect the importations from France of wines, principally of the low grades. Italy and Spain would also feel the ef-

feets of these dutics. Germany now gives the United States nearly.all the old quarters with his uncle, Judge J. minimum duties of her tariff under C. Bradford. the provisions of the German trade Tonight the father and son retired to the home of Judge J. C. Bradford agreement, but unless she should of-

and discussed the next move in the fer to abrogate the agreement and give this country all of her favorable case. duties, the maximum rates of the Payne tariff would apply. Various and insistent rumors that the jury had agreed were responsible

West Disadsfied. sontatives of the western ing and for the presence of attorney. states are claiming that the new drawback in the Payne tariff bill is on both side long before the usual hour for convening. discriminating against the west in fa-As soon as Judge Hart entered

vor of the east. The revised draw-back section permits manufacturers court and after he removed his cont to secure the regular drawback of he ordered the defendants and the 99 per cent of the duty paid on im- jury brought into court. "I understand they have agreed," he remarked to the press table, "and ported raw material without the ne-

(Continued on page Four) am sending to see.

"GUILTY" VERDICT **OF JURY AGAINST** THE TWO COOPERS Offense Second Degree Murder

And Punishment is Fixed At Twenty Years.

(By Associated Press.) In almost a moment, at 9.25 to be NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 20.- exact, the twelve men entered the Guilty of murder in the second deroom and took the same seats they gree-punishment twenty years im- have occupied for nearly nine weeks. prisonment-this was the unexpected "Have you agreed upon a verdict, verdict rendered by the jury against Col. Duncan B. Cooper and Robin J. gentlemen?" said Judge Hart. "We have," replied Foreman E. M

Cooper when court opened today. The jury yesterday acquitted John D Sharp, indicted with the Coopers for the slaying of former United States Burke hoarsely. "Advance, Mr. Foreman, and read

the verdict." "We, the jury find the defendants Senator E. W. Carmack. / Events moved swiftly from the mo-Duncan B. Cooper and Robin J. Cooper guilty of murder in the second dement the verdict was rendered today. gree, and assess their punishment at Immediately the defense moved to set [confinement in the state penitentiary t aside because of the verdict of disfor a period of twenty years."

"So say you all, gentlemen?" "So say we all," in choruus. agreement of yesterday and asked the court to declare it a mistrial. Judge "I thank you, gentlemen," said the court, "for your patience and devo-Hart said he would listen to argu ments on this motion later, probably tion to the state, and dismiss you to next week. He then fixed the deyour homes and to your personal avo ations.

Although Judge Hart fixed the bond Took It Coolly. at \$25,000 there was a rush to sign it The jurors were tired looking and disheveled, but with the conclusion of on the part of wealthy citizens of this remark the entire twelve sprang from their seats as one man and hur-riedly-left the court room. The ver-

dict, coming as it did upon the heels ties had signed, but the invariable anof Foreman Burke's declaration yesswer was "we want to put our name on that bond too." It seemed as terday that "we are hopelessly tied up as to the Coopers," was a decided surthough every friend of the Coopers considered it incumbent upon him to prise. The defendants took it coolly-

In a second after Judge Hart ceased sign the bond. When there was no lismissing the jurors, Judge Anderson more room for names at the foot of the document, the new bondamen eqof the defense, was on his feet exdorsed it across the face until it was elaiming:

diffcult to decipher the signatures. "Your honor, we move that the case When filed the bond totalled nearly a be declared a mistrial because of the verdict yesterday; we contend that yesterday's verdict is the only one. The Coopers returned to the jail this afternoon late and removed their perand that it acquitted John Sharp, but sonal effects. For the present Colonel declared a disagreement on the oth-Cooper will make his home with Mrs. er defendants. We also ask that the Burch, and Robin will return to his defendants be admitted to bond at once."

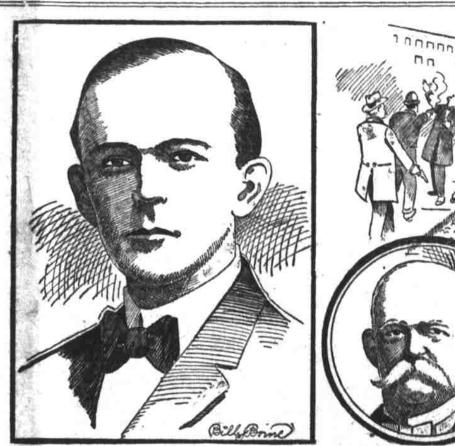
Bailable Case. "The verdict of the jury makes it a

hear arguments." "It is satisfactory to us," "said Attorney General McCarn. "And to us." retorted Judge Ander-

"There seems to be nothing left but or the court to pass sentence," added Judge Hart. 'I do not think that necessary, sale

Judge-Anderson. "We move that judg-ment be suspended and that we be (Continued on page seven.)

(By Associated Press.)



# Coopers, Father and Son, Convicted by Jury Yesterday. STUBBORN FIRE ON SOUTH MAIN ST. WRECKS BEAUMONT CO'S. STORE

Resisted All Efforts of Firemen For Two Hours, and Practically Ruined Stock of Beaumont Furniture Company; Rice Miller Paint Store Next Door Was a Grave Danger Point

Fire, believed to have originated in Indicate that the fire was still burn | At that hour it was stated that the the basement of the Beaumont Furni-ture company on South Main street Much anxiety was exp insurance on the entire stock wa Much anxiety was expressed 101

only \$6,000. the late in the evening, was discovered barning flercely at 11.30 last night when alarms were turned in from va-rious quarters which summoned the entire fire department. Great clouds is for the the fire department. Great clouds is for the fire department. Great clouds

of black smoke were at that hour the flames from this building, keeping pouring from every window in the a steady scam of water constantly Collins, At 2.30 the flames broke through

from the basement to the first floo he city like a pall. The Beaumont building is owned The firemen attacked the flames, by Mr. Frank Loughran and is inand threatened to take on new life The fire department instantly con which were confined to the interior of the building, from the rear, on Lex-ington avenue. Their work was greatly handicapped by the lack of ceived a new stock of furniture and fined its attention to this new danger turning in two heavy streams. WIII ing hands aided, in getting out a much of the shock iss possible. direction appearing to be the little at about \$15,000 with partial insu-Asked by a Cillson representative as to the origin of the fire, Mr. Go lightly a member of the firm, said that he had no idea. He said that about 10.50 he went down to the flash lights of the policemen. The rance, Mr. Loughran complimented rear door of the basemed, was broken the fire department very highly, sayin, and skewise several windows, and ing that it was a credit to the city. At 2 o'clock the basement was still

basement and found the door therete open, an unusual thing. He locked it, seeing no signr of fire at that time

in and skewise several whoo water. At 2 o'clock the basement was through these five streams of water. At 2 o'clock the basement, was at unusually high pressure were burnin, though it was believed that the fire was under control. While the the fire was under control. While the At 1.30 the flames had not broken through the building, but the volume of outpouring smoke was such as to

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Georgia Members Who Blocked Only Chance to Change **Rules Tell Why** 

ACTED ACCORDING TO THEIR JUDGMENT

Ingenuous Excuses for Their **Defection From the Caucus** Decision Given.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 20 .- For first time since their democra brethren in the house began to criticize them for voting in opposition to minority leader Clark during the of sideration of the Fitzgerald ame ments to the rules of the house inst Monday the six Georgia members to-

Monday the six Georgia members to-night made an explanation of their course. They are Livingston, Howard, Brantley, Edwards, Lee and Griggs, These Georgians say they differed from some of the other den.ocrats on a question of policy, not of principle. "We believe it more in keeping with democracy and the plank of the Den-ver platform declaring for a revision of the subs " they say "to present of the rules," they say, "to present a democratic proposal for such revision, rather than create a committee com-posed of nine republicans and six democrats to carry out the democratic nistform " platform,"

the time to revise, the rules-not months hence, when the republic insurgents and regulars will doubtless have patched up their differences. Their votes were cast, they point out, for amendments prepared by a democrat and prepared in strict secon ance with the democratic platform.

An Ingenuous Pica. "We could not understand how i could be democratic on the one hand," It is sinted, "for democrats to vote for a resolution dictated by republicant, creating a republican committee to recreating a republican committee h undemocratic to vote for an by a democrat, simply because the amondments met with support fro some republicans. If it is democrat for some democrats to affiliate and vote with some repuphlicans, it can't be undemocratic to permit the re-maining republicans to follow the lead of the remaining democrats. We no only voted for amendments in strict accord with the Denver platform, but we ylolated no caucus pledge in doing

For twelve years, it is claimed, no democratic caucus has been binding. The statement is made that Representative Howard during the caucus of democrats on Monday just before the house met, obtained permission of the minority leader Clark to present and vote for amendments other than those Clark was to pr



Nashville which fairly swamped the clerk of the criminal court. In vain he protested over and over again that more than enough sure-

fendants' bonds at \$25,000 each.

million and a half.

Bond · For Over Million.

almost without emotion.

bailable case," was the court's retort. "Hence I will fix the bond of each iefendant at \$25,000 unless there be some objection. In that event I will

Atlanta Woman Arrested Mr. Roosevelt Admits That Reports However are Vague and Nothing Definite for Theft Gives Plausi-He Authorized Use of Has Been Learned ble Account Article in Paper

Verdict Delivered.

#### CLUES PROVE FALSE ALSO MANY PICTURES MEANT TO REPORT IT

NEWARK, N. J., March 20 .- Mrs Frances J. Ridley of Atlanta, Ga., who was arrested on Thursday charged with having retained a hand-bag containing valuable jewelry belonging to Mrs. Andrew Albright, which she found on a train, issued a statement today showing how she came into possession of the bag and what were her intentions regarding it.

Mrs. Ridley states that she saw the bag hanging from a hook in the ladies' retiring room shortly before the train reached Washington. Her attention was called to it by some ladies and she informed them that it did not belong to her.

"I cannot furnish the names of these ladies," Mrs. Ridley said, "but one of them stated that she intended to stop in Washington to see a relative who had married a congress man. I think she stated she was from northern New York. The other lady stated that she resided in Syracuse.

#### **Did Make Inquiries.**

"The takin was two hours in Wash ington, and when I again entered the retiring room, three hours after I had seen the bag, it was still hanging there. I put it on my arm, walked back to my seat and put in my portmanteau. I have been asked why why I did not immediately report the find. It was because I once lost jewelry on a train which was turned over to the porter and never recovered. About two hours after I found the bag, I casually asked the porter if anything had been lost on the train. An hour later I asked the conductor where missing articles were usually reported. He said at the information bureau in Jersey City. I made up my mind to report to Jersey City."

Mrs. Ridley states she cannot understand how her berth check came to be in the bag, as alleged, and she calls attention to the fact that no one told her who had lost the bag until she reached Newark, though her baggage was searched in her absence. Of the reported loss of a diamond

ring, she says:

(By Associated Press.)

"I am in receipt of your favor en-

losing proof of article, which I re-

turn to you with h few slight ad-

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., March 20.- SHARON, Pa., March 20.-One of Ex-President Robsevelt's testimony the three members of the Pennsylva-SHARON, Pa., March 20 .- One of in the suit of a protographer who his state constabulary who has been sucks to recover \$5,000 from The in and about Sharon for the past two Town Toples Publishing company for days assisting the search for the kid-Town Topics Publishing company for the publication of three protographs of the ex-president in the book, "Fads and Fancies" was taken by deposition here today. Mr. Roosevelt said that when pub-is attention was first attracted to the

ic attention was first attracted to the lice in securing the arrest of the wo-

lic attention was first attracted to the lice in securing the arrest of the wo-publication in question he did not re-call that he had ever given permis-sion for the use of the pictures. He thereupon discussed the matter with was kidnapped from the second ward Secretary Loeb, he said, and as the school here on Thursday morning, latter also had ho recollection that stated tonight that there were no new developments in the search for his

permission had been granted, he al-lowed a statement to this effect to be published. Some time afterwards, however, the ex-president said, Mr. Loeb came across the letter in which from Cleveland where he went last he had authorized the publication of night to investigate saveral reports the nictures.

"We are caught, not in a faischood, been captured in that city said that but in a forgetfulness," Mr. Roose-velt told Secretary Loeb, according Mr. Buhl said that th Mr. Buhi said that the boy he saw

o his testimony today. Mr. Roosevelt, adding, according o counsel for the publishing compa-stated also that the investigation of to his testimony today.

"I had no knowledge, of course; other clews emanating in Cleveland that these photographs had been given had proved futile. The police and a squad of their mounts this afternoon are scouring until Mr. Loeb had found the letter. Of course, in giving out any pictures

or other matter pertaining to me he the country about here, in the hope of acted with my full authorization." securing evidence that will lead to the The letter referred to was from capture of the perpetrators of the Loob, in part as follows: crime.

MURDERER A SUICIDE.

ditions. It is all right to use it; but RICHMOND, Va., March 20.-Hen of course, please do not have it apry C. Wheatley, the confessed wife musderer and incendiary, committed pear as in any way indorsed by the president or myself. You will under-

and my reasons for this. "I send you the following pictures, hanging himself with a towel. The stand my reasons for this. which are all that I have on hand suitable for the purpose: the pres-ever known in Virginia. Wheatley, ident's house at Sagamore Hill; the for spite, set fire to a tenant's house tennis court and Theodore, jr.; the and then killed his wife with an axe. president on the lawn; the president nearly severing her head from her on his jumper Bleistien," on his jumper Bleistien."

Minister to Argentine Are Decided Upon

building, and hung over the center of playing on it.

the city like a pall.

#### (By Associated Press-)

WASHINGTON, March 20 .- The vice were announced following a con- afternoont ference between the president and

Secretary Knox tonight. Ambassador Leishman, now at Constantinople to go to Rome; Charles II. Sherrill ' New York to be minister to the Argentine republic.

hanges in the embaasies for several shaft of the mine when the explosion Hondurean frontier belonging to the nonths, and probably not until au- occurred, within an income of altumn.

ters have been agreed upon by the covered suffic president and Mr. Knox. Their hames shaft unaided. will be made public as soon as the

countries to which they are to be accredited announce that they are persona grata, which is largely a formal matter in most cases. Mr. Sher-rill, who coes to the Argentine re-

public is a lawyer of New York city, about forty-five years old and speaks Spanish and French fluently, Mr Ide, who will be minister to Spain, has been governor general of the Philippin-

Neither Ambassador Leishman at Constantinople, nor Mr. Griscom, at abom he succeeds, will relin-Rome guish their respective offices for some

# werks.

#### (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON. March 29 .- Forecast for North Carolina: Rain Sunday; Monday fair, increasing cast to Hammand street today causing a loss of \$100,000 southeast winds.

Wind by Explosion and Many Injured.

#### (By Associated Press.)

EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 20 .following contemplated changes and Five men were killed and a score infollowing contemplated changes and jured in an explosion at the Sunny-appointments in the diplomatic ser-alde coal mines near this city this

The explosion was caused by a disturbances in Central America. Ac-windy shot due to an overcharge of cording to the correspondence that powder said to have been placed by

and Henry C. Ide to be minister to Spain. There are to be no further to occurred. Within an hour after the army of President Zelaya of Nicaragua

The announcement was made of, though the first rescuers were almost The announcement was made of-ficially that Thomas J. O'Brien, now ambassador to Japan, would remain at that post. A number of additional at that post. A number of additional tions of the west shaft. Many re-selections for appointments as minis- tions of the west shaft. Many re-racy was to have superseded General ters have been surficiently to crawl to the

As the news of the disaster spread, The Nicauraguan gunboats in the har-a lirge crowd gathered in which bor of Corinto were being held in were scores of persons who had rela- readiness to act as convoys for sailing vessels, carving Nicaraguan soldiers tives in the mine. who were to land at some point along

### CHRISTIAN REID GETS THE LAETARE MEDAL

NOTRE DAME, Ind., March 29. The Lastare medal, symbolical of the fight between the Presidente and the Golden Rose which has been con-Nicaraguan guaboats the naval pro-

ferred by the popes of Rome since the gram was abandoned. March 15 was the date planned for thirteenth century upon members of the laity that have performed signal the coup but the shrewdness of the service to religion and humanity, is American charge d'affaires, Mr. Gregto be given by Notre Dame universi-ty this year to Christian Reid, a nov-and who informed the Washington list, whose home is at Salisbury, N. C. state department, rendered Zelaya's Christian Reid is the pen name of plans unfeasible. According to the Francis Christine Fisher Tiernan. She letter the American diplomat has realhas published forty novels since 1871. It prevented a general Central Ameri-

#### PRESIDENT BACK HOME.

WASHINGTON, March 20 .- Presi dent Taft arrived in Washington from New York early today. The party was immediately driven to the white house in the Taft automobile.

#### FIREMEN HURT.

# riously, in a fire which destroyed the plant of the Wright Wire company on

vented a General Central American War

(By Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, March 20 .- A let-

ter mailed from Acajutia over a fort-

tends to give the inner history of the

cording to the correspondence the

it is alleged, were being held in read-

Figueroa as president of Salvador

ZELAYA'S WAR PLO

While it is stated that the Georgians are not criticising any one, it is urged that they were not invited into any of (Continued on page Six.)

SPARTANS GIVE ELIOT KEY TO CITY GATES IN **EXCHANGE FOR WISDOM** 

Aged President of Wofford Presents Him to an Audience of Educators

# FELICITOUS ADDRESS

SPARTANBURG, S. C., March 29,-Dr. Charles W. Ellot was the guest of Wofford college and the citizens of Spartanburg today. He spent soven ours here on his way to Asheville, the Salvadorean coast. A spy carried He addressed a large crowd of reprethe information to Figueroa who sent sentative citizens in the auditorium at the college his theme being public the Salvadorean gunboat Presidente to capture the sailing vessels carying Nipirit and its best manifestation, which araguan troops. In the subesquent he said, was an endowed college, The presidents of female colleges of the arolinas who are holding their coninnual convention were in the audiend.

> President H. N. Snyder, of Wofford college, introduced Dr. Ellet, remarkanniversary of his birth and as en of regard presented him with a handsome bouquet.

Dr. Ellot was presented with the "key to the city" in a beautiful floral design by the city officials of Spartanburg.

At Wofford chapel, Dr. James H. Carlisle, a distinguished South Carolinian now in his eighty-fourth year, and for fifty years president of Waf-

ford college, paid a tribute to Da Eliot. Dr. Carlisle is one of two sur-viving signers of the declaration of secession. Dr. Carlisie, addressing Dr. Ellot, said "if figures do not lie I Francisco Bartole then plunged a must have been a youth in the dis whife into Dijolio's body, killing him mal swamps of the multiplication table when the speaker was a babe in

RATON, N. M., March 29 .- Thre ersons are dead as the result of a fight last night between two cousins, Antonio Dijulio. a coke worker, and a man named Bartole. Dijulio shot

Bartole, who took refuge in the home of his brother, Francisco Bartole. instantly. Francisco's brother died later in a hospital.

his mother's rms.



