

DIAL AMENDMENT TO CAUSE FIGHT

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Washington, May 19.—The ease with which the Tinscher bill, regulating grain exchanges, pushed its way through the house last week, indicates the little favor which mediums, used in the main for gambling purposes, will receive at the hands of this congress. As result the cotton exchanges are busier than ever before in their recent history.

There are two measures which the cotton exchanges are preparing to fight. The first is the amendment of Senator Dial of South Carolina, requiring the exchanges to give purchasers an even break as to the grades of cotton delivered. The second is the bill of Senator Caraway of Arkansas, putting the exchanges entirely out of business.

There is very little prospect of the latter becoming law. But the amendment of Senator Dial is regarded as reasonably certain of passage.

The South Carolina senator will aggressively push his amendment the concluding days of the current week. It would provide legislation whereupon a purchaser could select one-half of his purchase in two grades to be selected by him; the remaining half to be delivered in two grades to be nominated by the exchanges.

Last week, Senator Dial attempted to state his case before the agricultural committee of the senate. Senator Ransdell of Louisiana, asked that he grant delay in order that the exchanges of New Orleans might be given an opportunity to hear his statement, and make a statement of their own. Senator Dial acquiesced with the understanding that Senator Ransdell quickly bring the representative of the exchanges to Washington.

The Louisiana senator got in touch with the exchanges, which made reply in a lengthy telegram, but indicated no time certain for their appearance before the committee.

Senator Dial therefore concluded to delay no longer. He will be granted a hearing this week. In the meantime, he is elated at the contents of the telegram from President Thompson of the New Orleans exchanges.

Mr. Thompson wrote that the Dial amendment, though seemingly fair to both the purchaser and the exchanges, was not workable. That was his principle criticism, and Senator Dial holds that inasmuch as the exchanges themselves admit this amendment, no other

agency or individual can bring a case of unfairness against it. He holds that Mr. Thompson has made the most notable contribution to his case.

The Dial amendment follows the Comer amendment introduced in the preceding session of congress. Its changes make it more acceptable to congress, Senator Dial believes. The Comer amendment passed the senate but died in the house.

"My amendment," said Senator Dial, "would rectify the greatest evil that works financial loss to the producer of cotton. As it is at present, the producer has nothing to say as to the price. The exchanges can cause the fluctuation in price of \$5 per bale within the space of a minute. They have the whip hand, because when a producer demands delivery, they give him the lowest of the ten legal grades."

"If the cotton mill, which buys cotton, can rest assured that one-half of its purchase will be first rate cotton, it will have no care as to how high the price goes. It can buy in cotton, pay the high price, and hedge on the exchange knowing that his hedge will bring, if exercised, that which really it purchased."

"The amendment would confer an infinite boon on the South, and the prospects for its passage seem unusually good."

FEDERAL POSTAGE CLEARLY DEFINED

Will Transfer Ships if Not Protected Telegram From Dial.

Washington, May 19.—The department of navy backs with such disfavor on the petition of the governor of South Carolina that federal troops be sent to Charleston to protect government vessels against violence on the part of striking seamen, that it has informed Senator Dial that unless the city of Charleston and the state of South Carolina do not protect such vessels, they will be transferred to a jurisdiction wherein they will be protected.

According to Senator Dial, the federal government thus puts on trial South Carolina's ability to solve the problem within its own borders. He holds, also, that the honor of the state and in part the property of the state are in jeopardy.

In the following telegram the senator apprises Governor Cooper and the mayor of Charleston of the situation and his opinion thereof:

"Am informed that you have given orders to withdraw state troops

from Charleston after 6 o'clock today. Am also informed that the mayor of Charleston can protect life and property on shore, but that there is danger of ships being raided. I have been requested to ask the United States government to furnish troops to help preserve the peace. I had this matter up with the proper officials and they inform me that it is the duty of the mayor of Charleston and the governor of the state to preserve order, protect life and property within their respective jurisdictions and that if this is not done the national government will withdraw these vessels to some jurisdiction where they will be protected. It would be a very severe blow to the future prosperity of Charleston and of our state and a great stigma upon the law abiding reputation of our people, if violence should be committed. I strongly urge you and the mayor of Charleston to employ all means at your command to preserve peace and protect life and property at all hazard. The national government informs me that you have jurisdiction over adjoining waters. Please handle the situation judiciously, yet firmly and promptly, as I know you will, for the good name of South Carolina and of the nation. Evil minded people should be sternly made to keep the peace and respect the law."

FROM NEWS

Ekron, May 23.—The farmers are somewhat blue over the poor stand of cotton. Some are planting over this week.

There was a good crowd at church Sunday. Pastor Coleman was not able to fill his appointment and Mr. Kelly Cooper conducted the service.

The school at this place closed last week with an exhibition on Thursday night and was to have had a picnic on Friday, but the rain prevented.

Several from this section attended the exhibition at Mt. Olive Saturday night.

We are sorry to report Mr. Lonnie Culbertson's baby right sick.

We had another surprise marriage in our community Sunday night. Miss Laura Frissey and Mr. Floyd Cooper were married at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. J. O. Martin. Their friends wish them a prosperous and happy life.

Miss Mary Madden, our efficient teacher, left this morning for her home near Narrie.

Mrs. T. J. Cooper was called to Whitmire last week on account of the serious illness of her father.

Mrs. Mattie Burts and children spent last Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cooper.

Mr. L. C. Culbertson and family were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Culbertson.

Messrs. J. W. Thome and G. Y. Moore are at home for the summer. They have had a good school year at Tigersville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerne Cheek visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cooper Sunday.

Misses Mildred Begera and Merl Donnan spent the week-end with Miss Bertha Cooper.

Messrs. Bob Lee Cooper and Henry Cooper were visitors in our town Sunday afternoon.

Miss Adah Frantham spent Sunday afternoon with Misses Evelyn and Dollie Culbertson.

Mr. Roy Culbertson and wife spent Saturday night with their aunt, Mrs. Lou Culbertson, and daughter.

Mrs. J. N. O'Dell and son were callers at the home of Dr. J. G. Cooper Sunday, Mrs. O'Dell being under medical treatment from Dr. Cooper.

RESOLUTIONS

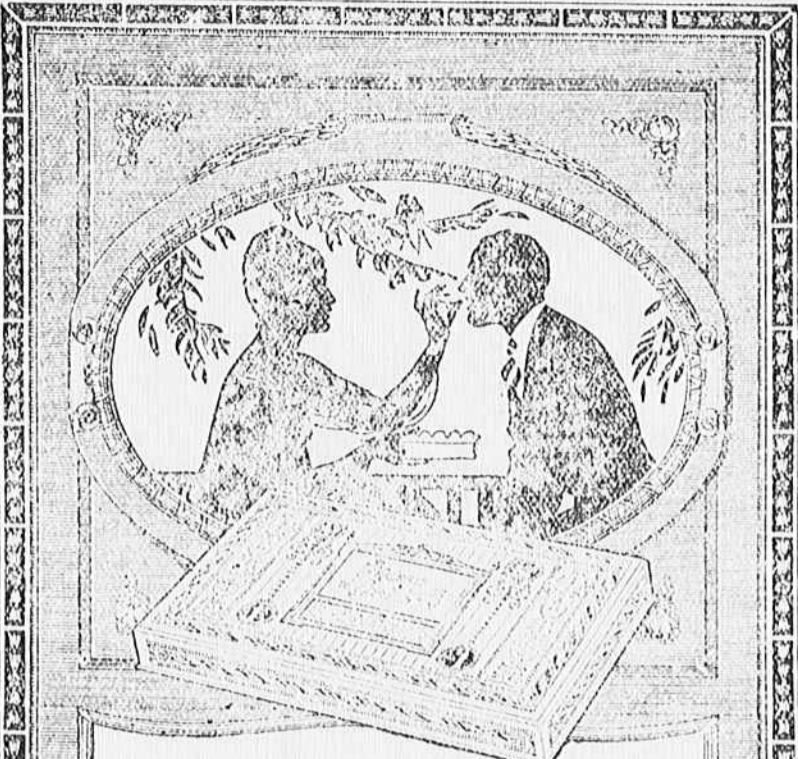
We, the Confederate Veterans, this day assembled at Ware Shoals, S. C., miss the presence of our comrades, Capt. J. B. Humbert, John Davis and J. B. Roberts, who are not able to be with us on this Memorial day. They have our deepest sympathy in their confinement and we wish God's richest blessings to be and remain with them.

(Signed): W. B. Cox, W. D. Sullivan, W. S. Fleming, G. B. Dunlap, J. M. Dunlap, Wm. Dodson, B. S. Henderson, M. L. Latimer, Warren Ballentine, J. T. Rook, H. R. Donald, R. B. Arnold, J. F. Last, J. P. Elledge, Jack Elgin, W. Y. Watkins, J. S. Smith, G. W. Davis, J. S. Ragsdale, S. J. Burts, Ware Shoals, S. C., May 10, 1921.

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