

why the Tokio government continues to regard the Webb law as discriminatory against Japanese, in derogation of the qualities of treatment prescribed by international law and a violation of the treaty of 1911.

Nothing in the nature of an ultimatum is contained in the note. Its general tone is to invite further discussion of the controverted points, and it contains nothing tending to make up a final issue.

at this time by a public discussion of the delicate question, and, therefore, both officials gave notice that any attempt to publish what might purport to be even the substance of the three communications which have now passed between the two governments must be based entirely upon speculation.

It is known, however, that the whole tone of the rejoinder is that of a dignified and orderly presentation of Japan's view on the case, concluding with an invitation to further negotiations.

The senate committee has had all members of the senate before it giving testimony in respect to their holdings and as the names of persons who have approached them in respect to the proposed legislation. Senator James of Kentucky told the committee that there was a lobby and that 300 or 400 persons had approached him in efforts to have the duty retained on various articles. He declared the manufacturers acted in concert and that their arguments all were the same.

A Washington dispatch to the Louisville Courier-Journal says: Shoe manufacturers testifying in the government suit to dissolve the United Shoe Machinery company said competition in shoe machinery had practically disappeared.

A Louisville Courier-Journal dispatch says: A defect in the date from which the income tax was to be computed for 1913 was discovered in that section of the tariff bill which would have rendered the measure unconstitutional. An amendment correcting the measure will be offered in the senate.

A dispatch to the Louisville Courier-Journal says: A sliding internal revenue tax on tobacco manufactured by companies whose output is more than 80,000,000 pounds a year was proposed to the United States senate in a bill introduced by Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, as an amendment to the Underwood tariff bill.

An Associated Press dispatch says: Thirty-one employes of the weather bureau have been reduced for connection with the alleged political activity which resulted in the recent dismissal of former Chief Willis E. Moore, Henry L. Heiskell, professor of meteorology, and D. J. Carroll, chief clerk, have been suspended without pay, pending an investigation. Charges have been preferred against fifty employes in all, alleging that they procured increases in salary or promotions in grade in return for promoting Moore's candidacy for secretary of agriculture in President Wilson's cabinet.

Representative Gillette of Massachusetts offered a constitutional amendment empowering congress to prohibit polygamy in all states and territories.

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