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TO PREVENT ADULTERATION AND MISBRANDING OF NAVAL STORES.

Full Text of Bills Introduced in Congress by Senator Taliaferro and Congressman Sparkman.

We print herewith for the information of our readers the full text of the Naval Stores bill introduced in Congress by Senator Taliaferro:

The measure has been drawn to meet the views of the producers of naval stores, who charge that while their products are sent out in an absolutely pure condition, they are subsequently so adulterated and otherwise sophisticated that the reputation of American naval stores has suffered greatly, both at home and abroad. The text of the bill, which has been referred to the Committees on Interstate Commerce of the two houses, is as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That this act shall be known and referred to as the "Naval Stores inspection law."

Sec. 2. That for the purposes of this act the term "naval stores" shall be taken to include and mean all gum spirits of turpentine, all wood spirits of turpentine, and all kinds of rosin. That for the purposes of this act the term "pure gum spirits of turpentine" shall be taken to mean pure spirits of turpentine distilled from the natural gum, dip or scrape of pine trees unmixed and unadulterated with oil or any other foreign substance or substances whatsoever:—that the term "pure wood spirits of turpentine" shall be taken to mean all distillates and spirits manufactured or prepared directly from or by the distillation of the wood of pine trees not containing any adulterant or adulterants or other foreign substance or substances whatsoever.

Pure gum spirits of turpentine adulterated or mixed in any proportions with any other or foreign substance or adulterant whatsoever, or with wood spirits of turpentine, shall be known as "adulterated spirits of turpentine."

Wood spirits of turpentine adulterated or mixed in any proportions with any other or foreign substance or adulterant whatsoever shall be known as "adulterated wood spirits of turpentine."

That the terms "barrel," "package," or "container," as used in this act, shall include any kind of package, vessel, tank, or receptacle in which spirits of turpentine, rosin, or naval stores shall be placed or kept, whether for shipment, sale, consignment or delivery.

That the word "corporation," as used in this act, shall be taken to mean and include all officers, agents, and employes of such corporation.

That the word "territory," as used in this act, shall include the insular possessions of the United States.

Sec. 3. That the Secretary of Agriculture shall appoint and fix the salaries of a supervising inspector of naval stores and a sufficient number of district inspectors and local inspectors of naval stores,

who shall have and perform the duties prescribed by this act and the rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture. No person shall be appointed to any such office who shall not be experienced and skilled in the inspection of turpentine and rosin and qualified to detect adulterations and to determine the quality, quantity, grade and character of naval stores under the regulations provided therefor by the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary of Agriculture shall from time to time make such rules and regulations as are necessary for the efficient execution of the provisions of this act, and all inspections made under this act shall be such and made in such manner as prescribed in the rules and regulations provided by the said Secretary of Agriculture not inconsistent with the provisions of this act. The Secretary of Agriculture shall provide that a sufficient number of local inspectors of naval stores shall be appointed and employed and so located as may be necessary to inspect all naval stores subject to the provisions of this act with convenience and dispatch and without unreasonable and unnecessary discrimination between persons and places.

Sec. 4. That it shall be the duty of the local inspectors of naval stores to inspect every package, barrel, or container of spirits of turpentine and rosin which shall be manufactured or sold or offered for sale in any Territory or possession of the United States or in the District of Columbia, or which shall be shipped or transported from any State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to any other State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, or to or received from any foreign country; and such local inspectors of naval stores shall by such inspection determine the quality and quantity of spirits of turpentine in each such barrel, package, or container of the turpentine and the weight and grade of every such barrel, package or container of rosin. Such local inspectors of naval stores shall likewise by such inspection, ascertain and determine whether the spirits of turpentine so inspected is pure gum spirits of turpentine or pure wood spirits of turpentine or adulterated gum or wood spirits of turpentine. Every such local inspector of naval stores, upon completing such inspection, shall securely attach or affix to or mark or brand upon every such barrel, package, or container of spirits of turpentine or rosin a certificate showing the grade and weight of the contents of each barrel, package or container of rosin and the character, quality and quantity of the contents of each such barrel, package or container of spirits of turpentine in accordance with the provis-

ions of this act and the rules and regulations prescribed therefor by the Secretary of Agriculture. The Secretary of Agriculture shall provide, by rules, for appeals from or review of any inspection of local inspectors to the district inspectors and from them to the supervising inspector.

Sec. 5. That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of Agriculture to provide and keep in his office samples or types of each grade of rosin known to or used in commerce, and such types shall be the standards by which all of the inspections of rosin shall be conducted under this act.

Sec. 6. That it shall be the duty of each such local inspector of naval stores to make and deliver to the owner, custodian, or other person in possession or charge of each package, barrel or container of naval stores so inspected a certificate signed by him showing the results of such inspection, and in addition thereto such other facts as may be required by the rules of the Secretary of Agriculture. It shall be the duty of each local inspector and district inspector of naval stores to make such reports and at such times to the supervising inspector of naval stores, and the supervising inspector of naval stores shall likewise make such reports to the Secretary of Agriculture as may be prescribed by the rules of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Sec. 7. That there shall be paid, by the owner or party for whom the inspection is made, the following fees for such inspection, to-wit: For inspecting rosin, including grading, weighing, and cooperage, 6 cents per barrel, and for inspecting turpentine, including gauging, bunging and cooperage, 9 cents per barrel, and no more; and such fees shall be paid in such manner as may be prescribed in the rules and regulations provided by the Secretary of Agriculture and converted into the Treasury of the United States, to be used to pay the expenses incurred under this act. In case spirits of turpentine or rosin shall be contained in packages or receptacles other than barrels, the inspection fees shall be reckoned upon a basis of barrels or fractions thereof.

Sec. 8. That the supervising inspector, district inspectors, and local inspectors of naval stores shall have supervision of all naval stores, plants, yards, warehouses and other places where naval stores are kept or stored for sale or shipment in interstate or foreign commerce and in the District of Columbia and any Territory of the United States; and it shall be their duty to investigate any adulterations or false grading of naval stores committed in the District of Columbia or in any Territory of the United States or in any such plant, yard or warehouse, or other place where naval stores are kept or stored for sale or shipment in interstate or foreign commerce

and to collect evidence of any such adulterations which may come to their knowledge or be reported to them, and to make such reports of such examination as may be provided for by the rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Agriculture. It shall be the duty of all commercial agents, consuls, vice-consuls, and consuls-general of the United States in foreign countries to report to the Secretary of Agriculture all adulterations of naval stores imported into such country from the United States which may come to their knowledge, and likewise to report to the said Secretary of Agriculture all alterations, defacements or forgeries of certificates of inspection of naval stores hereunder, in or upon any naval stores so imported from the United States, and any other violations of this act, and to render to the Secretary of Agriculture such aid as is possible in the enforcement of this act.

Sec. 9. That the supervising inspector or any other inspector of naval stores, if he shall have reason to believe that any spirits of turpentine or wood spirits of turpentine subject to the provisions of this act has been or is adulterated, or upon which the certificate of inspection has been altered, forged, defaced or changed in any manner, shall have the right to enter the place or places where the same is stored or kept or found and to open any barrels, packages or containers in which the same may be, and to take therefrom a sufficient quantity, not exceeding a pint from each barrel, as a sample for analysis and inspection, which such sample shall be sealed by the inspector taking the same, who shall at the same time mark the same in such manner as to indicate the time and place of taking same and the owner or possessor of the barrel, package or container from which it was taken, as well as any other facts necessary to identify the sample so taken with the original. The owner, claimant or custodian of such spirits of turpentine shall have the right to be present, if he desires, in person or by agent, at such sampling, and to demand and receive of such inspector a sample in all respects like that taken by such inspector. The analysis of any such samples so taken by such inspector and sworn to by any witness competent to make such analysis shall be admissible in evidence in any action wherein the grade or quality of the original from which the sample shall have been taken shall be in issue, and a certificate of the result of any analysis thereof made and certified to under the rules of the Secretary of Agriculture shall be prima facie evidence of the nature, composition and quality of the contents of the barrel, package or container from which such sample was taken and of the correctness of such analysis and for such purpose admissible