

## FATE OF CUBA RESTS IN U.S. COFFEE CUPS

Unless Sugar Can Be Made to Pay Profits, Island Faces Anarchy.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—The fate of Cuba today hangs upon what President Roosevelt decides to do about the sweetening that goes into your cup of coffee.

Cuba is sugar. Unless sugar can be made to pay in the hunger and terror-ridden island across the Florida straits, not only will it be impossible to establish lasting peace or economic stability down there, but the national defense of the United States seriously will be crippled.

President Roosevelt's problem, therefore, is domestic as well as foreign. The people of the United States consume about six million long tons of sugar annually. It produces domestically a little over one-million tons. The other 5,000,000 must come from overseas.

### Sugar Is Indispensable

In war, sugar is indispensable. Not only is it vital to the national diet, but it is essential to the war industries, in chemical compounds and otherwise.

Puerto Rico, producing about 600,000 tons of sugar annually, probably could be defended in war time, and so could be counted upon for supplies.

Hawaii, producing about 800,000 tons a year, is too far away to be certain, while the Philippines, producing a trifle more than Puerto Rico, likely would be cut off entirely.

Cuba, so close by that she would be as safe in war as Florida, yields about 5,000,000 long tons a year. This crop, with the domestic yield and Puerto Rico yield, would make the United States secure in time of conflict as well as in time of peace.

### Puzzle Old as Country

President Roosevelt's quandary is almost as old as the country. It has been the policy of the United States to protect domestic sugar producers ever since 1789. The act of 1890 admitted sugar duty free but paid domestic producers a bounty of 2 cents a pound.

Today, duty on sugar is 25 cents a pound. Cuban sugar, with a 20 per cent differential due to the Cuban-American treaty of reciprocity, pays 2 cents a pound. It is estimated that the tariff adds \$250,000,000 a year to the sugar bill of the American consumer.

It further is calculated that the duty increases the cost of sugar to the American farmer about \$75,000,000 a year and that those raising sugar benefit only \$50,000,000. Thus, the farmer nets a loss of \$25,000,000 a year on the deal.

### Cuba Faces Starvation

Many economists claim it would be less expensive to return to the 2 cents a pound bounty paid to domestic producers 140 years ago and let sugar in duty free. For the United States, including dependencies, produces only about half its normal requirements.

In any event, Cuba today virtually is in a state of starvation because of the American sugar policy.

Unless it is changed, observers admit, anarchy soon will take the place of political disorder, and American intervention will be forced upon this country whether we like it or not.

Cuban cane fields used to pay from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a day for labor. Then there were 2,000 important sugar centrals. Cuba was one of America's best customers.

Today there are about 200 centrals. Hard times have starved out the others, and wages sometimes are as low as 3 cents a day.

Cuban purchasing power has all but completely disappeared.

### COPS DO DOUBLE JOB ON ARREST AND FIRE

Gibbons Squad, Bringing in Couple, Puts Out Flames.

Sergeant Joe Gibbons and his police squad did double duty early today on one trip, arresting a couple on child neglect charges and putting out a fire.

After arresting Purly (Jack) Rowe, 25, and Mrs. Inez Campbell, 31, both of 3410 English avenue, the squad headed toward headquarters.

In the 2900 block English avenue, Patrolman William Gillespie saw flames coming from the roof of the restaurant of Carl Swerz, 2926 English avenue.

Gibbons and patrolmen Peter Mause took their prisoners to a fire box and Gillespie flagged down a truck. Grabbing the fire extinguisher of the truck, Gillespie broke down the door of the restaurant and put out the blaze before arrival of apparatus. Damage to the restaurant was estimated at \$10.

### GOVERNOR CHANGES TERM TO LIFE SENTENCE

Old Parole Revoked to Lengthen Sentence of Missouri Murderer.

By United Press

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Aug. 16.—Governor Guy B. Park has changed the prison sentence of George Price, St. Louis gangster, from twenty-five years to life.

Price was paroled in 1928, after serving eight years of a life sentence for murder.

In 1931, he participated in the abduction of Alexander Berg, wealthy St. Louis fur merchant, and was sentenced to prison for twenty-five years.

The action by Governor Park today consisted of revoking the old parole. It was recommended by the parole board because of his connection in the Berg case.

### REFUSES TO RESIGN

Kansas State Treasury Facing Fire in Bond Forgery Probe.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 16.—State Treasurer Tom Boyd, charged with embezzlement in connection with the alleged forger of more than a million dollars worth of bonds, refused to resign today.

In a letter to Governor Alf M. Landon, who had demanded his resignation, Boyd said he was not guilty of the charges against him and saw no reason why he should leave his office.

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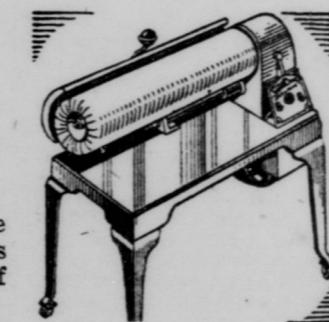
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5  
Lbs.

**19c**

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**25c**

Lower  
Chuck Cuts

**6 1/2c**

Lower  
Chuck Cuts

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Size

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Lbs.

**25c**

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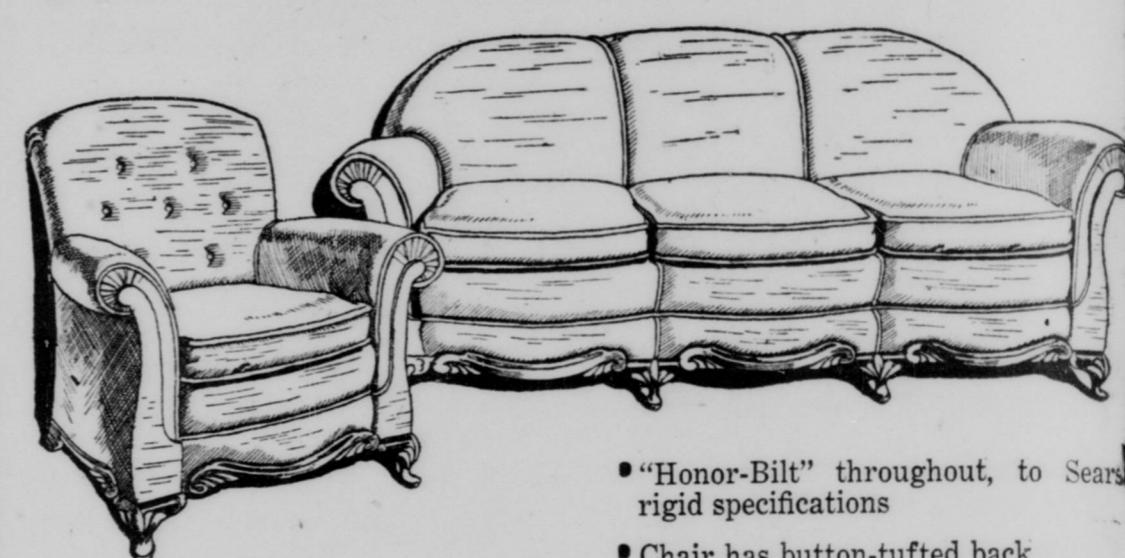
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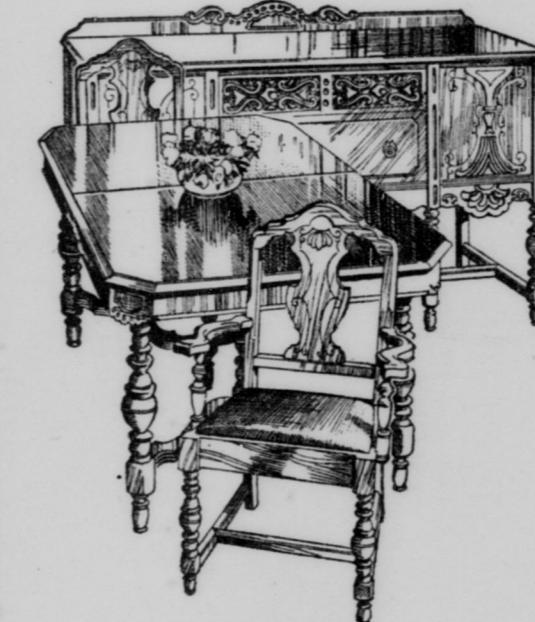


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