
MAX HAGEDORN

APRIL 27, 1926.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

Mr. WINTER, from the Committee on War Claims, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 10424]

The Committee on War Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 10424) entitled "A bill to ratify the action of a local board of sales control in respect of a contract between the United States and Max Hagedorn, of La Grange, Ga.," having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it do pass without amendment.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

On November 15, 1921, the claimant purchased 10,000 pairs of marching shoes under sales contract S. E.-4462 from the United States Government. These shoes were stored in the Candler warehouse in Atlanta, Ga., and owing to the fact that they were carefully stored in boxes and bundles, the bids were submitted based on samples shown by the Government representatives. The claimant bought the shoes at a price of \$1.59 per pair. After examining the goods he found them very inferior to the samples shown. The local board of sales control of the War Department took the sale under consideration and reduced the price to \$1 per pair.

The proposed legislation is merely to ratify the action of the local board of sales control in reducing the price of these shoes and has the recommendation of the War Department as is evidenced by a letter from the Secretary of War under date of April 2, 1926, which is appended hereto and made a part of this report.

APRIL 2, 1926.

HON. CHARLES L. UNDERHILL,
*Chairman Committee on Claims,
House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. UNDERHILL: In compliance with your request of March 22, 1926, I am pleased to submit the following report on H. R. 10424:

The subject of the proposed legislation is H. R. 10424, to ratify the action of a local board of sales control in respect of a contract between the United States and Max Hagedorn, of La Grange, Ga.

The applicable provisions of existing law on this subject are sale of war supplies (Public, 193, 65th Cong., approved July 9, 1918, 40 Stat. 850).

No changes will be brought about in existing law by the proposed legislation.

The proposed legislation should be enacted into law for the reason that in my opinion, the Atlanta local board of sales control acted entirely within the scope of its authority.

If any additional information from the War Department is desired, I shall be pleased to furnish it.

If the Committee on War Claims wishes to have hearings upon the proposed legislation, the following-named officers are designated to appear before your committee: M. Gray Zalinski, Brigadier General, Quartermaster Corps, Quartermaster General's Office, Washington, D. C.; Anton Zeman, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, Selfridge Field, Mich.; C. T. Browning, warrant officer, United States Army, Fort Benning, Ga.

Sincerely yours,

DWIGHT F. DAVIS, *Secretary of War.*

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