

EXCESS PROFITS TAX TO RAISE BIG SUM

Senate Finance Committee Would Increase Taxation to \$505,000,000.

Washington, June 30.—Graduated war excess profits taxes upon corporations, partnerships and individuals ranging from 12 to 40 per cent and raising \$730,000,000 in revenues, or \$305,000,000 more than under the present law, were approved today by the senate finance committee in revising the war tax bill. With the increased excess profits taxes the revenue bill now totals \$1,655,000,000 and probably will not be reduced. The new excess profits tax would raise \$305,000,000 more than the \$200,000,000 proposed in the house bill and would form nearly one-third of the increased revenue measure. The excess profits levy is designed in lieu of the existing tax of 8 per cent on excess profits, the committee proposing repeal of the present law. The graduated rates proposed by the committee, exempting \$5,000 in each case, are 12 per cent on excess profits less than 15 per cent; 16 per cent upon those between 15 and 25 per cent; 20 per cent on excess between 25 and 50 per cent over normal; 25 per cent taxes on those between 50 and 75 per cent; 30 per cent between 75 and 100 per cent; 35 per cent between 100 and 150 per cent and a maximum levy of 40 per cent upon excess profits exceeding 150 per cent.

The house rates on excess profits was proposed at 16 per cent, double the present rate. The senate committee, in addition to the increase on excess profits, now to be extended to individuals, substituted a new plan of nominal pre-war profits, upon which excess profits levies will be made. The finance committee is disposed to limit the amount of new bonds the bill will authorize to \$500,000,000.

Masonic Grand Officers Visit Dawson County

Lexington, Neb., June 30.—(Special.)—A reception was given by Thistle lodge 61, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, to Grand Master F. L. Temple Wednesday evening. Out-of-town guests who are members of the grand lodge were Past Grand Master Henry Gibbons of Kearney, George G. Ware, grand chaplain; Robert E. French, grand custodian; George Burkett, assistant custodian, all of Kearney, and Charles A. Chapple of Minden, grand senior warden. Members from all the lodges in Dawson county were present. There were about 500 present, and a program was given, consisting of music and speeches.

Metal Corporations Buy New Mexico Coal Lands

New York, June 30.—The extensive coal fields of the Victor American Fuel company, located in the Gallup district of New Mexico, have been sold to Hayden, Stone & Co. for a consideration of approximately \$3,000,000 according to an announcement made here today by the purchasing company. The New Mexico property was purchased, a representative of Hayden, Stone & Co. said, for the account of the Ray Consolidated Copper company, the Chino Copper company and the American Smelting and Refining company. A new company has been formed to operate these properties under the name of the Gallup American Coal company, and it will be owned by the above mentioned corporation.

It is the announced intention of the management to make an extensive increase in production, as the two copper companies and the southwestern division of the smelting company obtain all their coal supply from these properties.

Wilson Asks Funds for More Emergency Hospitals

Washington, June 30.—President Wilson has sent to congress a recommendation by Secretary Daniels for appropriation of \$2,200,000 for additional emergency hospitals. Temporary hospitals are nearing completion at Portsmouth, N. H.; Philadelphia, Newport, Norfolk, Charleston, Pensacola and New Orleans and plans are nearly ready for similar establishments at New York, Annapolis, Jamestown, Quantico, Va.; Key West, Great Lakes, Ill.; Mare Island and Puget Sound.

Turk Leader Would Root Out Allies' Influences

The Hague, June 30.—Djermal Pasha, Turkish commander in Syria, one of the most influential leaders of the Young Turks, stated recently in an interview in a review called "German policy," that all American, English, French and Russian schools, in Syria and Palestine, already had been closed and he would never allow them to reopen after the war. He reported this as an indispensable step toward the rooting out of entente influence in the post bellum period. Jewish colonization, he declared, was equally injurious and he would do his utmost to oppose it.

German Submarine Leaves Spanish Harbor

Paris, June 30.—A Madrid semi-official note says that a German submarine which took refuge at Cadiz left port yesterday morning escorted to the limit of territorial waters by two Spanish torpedo boats. The Spanish government asked and obtained from the Berlin government a formal promise that the submarine would go direct to a German port without attacking enemy ships or performing any other act of war.

Russ Duma Refuses to Demand That It Dissolve

Petrograd, June 30.—The Russian Duma will not abide by the recent resolution of the congress of soldiers and workmen's councils calling for its dissolution, says a resolution adopted at a private meeting of members of the Duma.

Judge Mack Will Draft Compensation Legislation

Washington, June 30.—Samuel Gompers, as chairman of the defense council's labor committee, announced today that he had appointed Judge Julian Mack of Chicago as chairman of the section on compensation for soldiers and sailors.

AMATEUR GOLF STARS PLAY FOR RED CROSS—Left to right: Robert A. Gardner, Charles Evans, Jr., Perry Adair and Bobby Jones, four of the foremost amateur golfers in the country, who played in the match for the benefit of the Red Cross at the Flossmoor Country club, Chicago.



AMERICAN DOCTORS LEAVING BUCKINGHAM PALACE

MAYOR POTIE SERVES ONE YEAR IN PRISON

Back in France After Having Been Captured by Germans and Made to Learn the Tailor Trade.

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)

Paris, June 5.—Auguste Potie, brick manufacturer, senator from the Department of the Nord and mayor of Haubourdin, has made his first appearance in the senate since the spring of 1914 and announced to his colleagues that he had in the meantime learned the trade of tailor in a German prison.

Senator Potie was sent to prison in July, 1915, for having reminded the commanding officer of the occupying forces, who happened to be a Greek officer in the service of Germany, that article 52 of The Hague convention was contrary to the forced employment of the inhabitants in invaded districts on work of a military nature for the benefit of the invaders.

Loaded Down With Fines. Haubourdin is only three miles from the battlefield and the inhabitants were called upon for all sorts of service, burdened with excessive requisitions and loaded with fines and vexations of all sorts.

Ten young girls in the Saint Augustin orphan asylum at Haubourdin had been ordered by the Germans to make burlap sacks. When they learned that the sacks were to be filled with sand and used as ramps against the French they refused to work. M. Gordinier, director of the flax mill from which was requisitioned the material to make the sacks, was held responsible for the strike, and on his refusal to undertake the manufacture of the sacks was fined 1,000 francs and held as hostage until the work should be resumed.

Refuses to Furnish Sacks. Captain Argyropoulos, the Greek officer in command, then summoned Monsieur Potie to furnish the sacks. He refused. The German commander fined him 1,000 francs while most severe measures were taken against the entire population. Subsequently M. Potie and M. Gordinier were both fined 500 francs by General Krug von Nida, commanding the Twenty-fourth division at Lambrecht. A few days later, after he had posted a letter, invoking The Hague treaty, Senator Potie was arrested. Both he and M. Gordinier were condemned without having appeared before any tribunal to pay fines of 5,000 francs and to serve one year in prison, the terms of prison to be increased eleven months in default of payment of the fines. Confined at Loos, then at Aix-la-Chapelle and Cologne, they were finally taken to the prison of Siegburg. There their heads were shaved; they were clothed in prison garb, and were obliged to set to learning the tailoring trade.

Both were released in September, 1916, and informed that their penalties had been reduced to six weeks. Last year Senator Potie was sent back to Haubourdin without explanation. Senator Potie refused to resume his functions as mayor, replying to the Germans that after having been imprisoned with convicts his dignity as a Frenchman prevented him from resuming the functions of mayor so long as the town was occupied by the Germans.

Germany Erects a Monument in England

Folkestone, England, June 10.—In Folkestone cemetery, where the majority of the victims of the German aeroplane raid of May 25 were buried, there is a large monument over the graves of German sailors buried there thirty-nine years ago. The monument was erected at the expense of the German government. The sailors belonged to the crew of the German ironclad Grosser Kurfurst, which was sunk in collision with the König Wilhelm near Folkestone. The victims were buried in batches, as their bodies were recovered, with full naval and military honors, and tributes paid by the townspeople to the German dead. To show his appreciation for the hospitable treatment accorded the survivors of the disaster, the German emperor, William I, the present emperor's grandfather, sent to the vicar of Folkestone a splendidly bound Bible for use in the parish church.

Italian Advance Posts at Aguello Pass Withdraws

Rome, June 30.—(Via London.—British Admiralty per Wireless Press)—The war office announces that the Italian advance posts were withdrawn last night from Aguello pass on the front below Trent, owing to the prolonged and violent bombardment by the Austrians. The Italians still hold the eastern end of the pass.

High School Girls Volunteer—Twelve high school girls have volunteered to make a card catalog system for the membership certificates at the Red Cross headquarters. "We need even more help from girls who are good, legible writers," said Secretary Ure.

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Cripple Would Go to Prison That Brother May Enlist

Topeka, Kan., June 30.—Appealing to Governor Capper to give him a chance to "show his colors," Arthur B. Cutler of Kansas City, Kan., a cripple, in a letter to the governor asked that he be permitted to serve his brother's prison sentence so that the brother may be freed to join the army or navy.

DUNN CONVICTED OF PLANNING MURDER

St. Paul Man Found Guilty of Instigating Slaying of Wife; Sentenced to Life Imprisonment.

(By Associated Press.)

St. Paul, June 30.—Frank J. Dunn was found guilty yesterday by a Ramsey county court jury, which tried him on a charge of first degree murder as instigator of the killing of his wife, Alice McQuillan Dunn. The jury was out hardly more than two hours. Dunn showed no emotion when the verdict was read.

Judge Hanft sentenced Dunn to life imprisonment at hard labor in the state penitentiary at Stillwater. Dunn was the fourth man to be tried in connection with the murder of Mrs. Dunn and Policeman George Connelly in Minneapolis. Joe Redenbaugh, whom the state claims was hired by Dunn to kill his wife confessed both murders and was sentenced to a life term in the penitentiary for slaying Connelly. Frank McCool, his pal, was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment for the same crime. Mike Moore, a St. Paul bartender, charged with having acted as Dunn's agent in arranging the killing of Mrs. Dunn and in paying Redenbaugh and McCool, is serving a life term on conviction of first degree murder.

Mrs. Dunn was shot and killed in her bed early in the morning of April 26. The state cited as motives for Dunn's part in the case that he grew tired of paying the \$70 monthly alimony and that he wanted to marry again, his wife having refused on religious grounds a complete divorce.

U. S. Protests Against Talk of Danish Cabinet Minister

London, June 30.—Reliable information reached London today to the effect that Dr. Maurice Egan, American minister at Copenhagen, has delivered a protest to the Danish foreign office against anti-American utterances of M. Stauning, socialist member of the Danish cabinet, at the Stockholm peace conference.

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GERMANS MAKING DRIVE AT VERDUN

Teutons Capture Salient Northeast of Cerny After Series of Violent and Bloody Assaults.

(Associated Press War Summary.) One of the most interesting sections of the European fighting front just now is the Verdun region, where a series of violent German attacks is taking place.

Whether these assaults are anything more than demonstrations on a large scale, it is difficult to make out from the official reports. Nevertheless, it is clear that the German crown prince, foiled a year ago in his prolonged attempt to take the famous French stronghold, is again delivering blows of force and magnitude on its defenses and has made some impression on the French lines assailed.

Activity on Aisne Front. The offensive tendency of the crown prince is also in evidence on the Aisne front, where they have attacked violently in the vicinity of Cerny and Corbeny. They were driven back with terrific losses in the latter region, but succeeded last night in blowing the French positions to pieces and employing liquid fire in taking a salient in the French position northwest of Cerny.

On the British front in northern France the Germans are still on the back track. The official resume of the fighting yesterday in the Lens region shows the British have carried their line well into the south of the coal city. The Germans are still clinging to the place; itself through the strength of their defenses in the salient immediately to the west, but the flanking movement is making their tenure more and more precarious.

Berlin Official Report. Berlin, June 30.—(Via London.)—German troops yesterday captured several enemy lines south of La Bodelle farm on the Aisne front, army headquarters announced today. A line, 500 meters in length, on the eastern slope of Hill 304, northwest of Verdun, was also captured, the official statement reports.

British Official Report. London, June 30.—A series of strongly organized defensive systems on both banks of the Souchez, covering Lens has been captured by the British, it is announced officially. In their recent operations the British have advanced more than one mile on a front of four miles above Lens.

French Official Report. Paris, June 30.—The Germans resumed their violent attack on the Verdun front west of Dead Man Hill last night, the war office announces. Picked German troops advanced on a sector of one and three-fourths miles and were almost annihilated by the French.

The Germans penetrated the first line over the entire front attacked, but were driven out, excepting on the western slope of Dead Man Hill. The French made a counter attack west of Hill 304 and took back most of the trenches lost Thursday.

On the Aisne front the Germans attacked northeast of Cerny, employing burning liquid. They occupied a salient after the defenses had been leveled by shellfire, but they were repulsed elsewhere.

British Ship Has Running Fight With Two U-Boats

An Atlantic Port, June 30.—A running fight between a British steamship and two German submarines which took place June 8 about thirty miles off the Italian coast near Genoa, in which the steamship succeeded in eluding the U-boats by superior speed, was described by officers of the ship on arrival here today.

The submarine came into sight some distance astern the steamer shortly after it had left an Italian port, one of the officers said, and immediately opened fire with shrapnel from deck guns and the steamer's deck houses and funnel were considerably battered. The gun crew of the steamer returned the fire and soon succeeded in making one of the submarines withdraw.

The second enemy after an hour's chase gave up to go after a smaller vessel that appeared in the distance and soon after a wireless message was heard telling that a steamer had been torpedoed and asking for assistance.

FRENCH ARMORED CRUISER IS SUNK

Warship Kleber, on Way from Africa, Strikes Mine Off Point St. Mathieu; Thirty Eight Men are Lost.

Paris, June 30.—An official announcement was made last night that the armored cruiser Kleber had struck a mine off Point St. Mathieu on Wednesday and sunk. Three officers and thirty-five men were lost. The Kleber had come from Dakar, Africa, and was on its way to Brest.

The cruiser Kleber was built in Bordeaux in 1902, launched in 1903 and cost \$3,651,600. It was 426 1/2 feet long, fifty-eight and one-half feet wide and had a draught of twenty-four and one-half feet. Its displacement was 7,578 tons. Its complement at the time of launching was 500 men.



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