

Senate May Amend Repeal of Excess Tax to Jan. 1, 1921

Sentiment to Make Action of House Retroactive to First Of Year - Other Changes Planned.

Washington, Sept. 7.—That the senate will amend the house revenue bill to make retroactive to January 1, 1921, the repeal of the excess profits tax and the brackets for the individual income surtax above 32 per cent was indicated in a statement by Senator Penrose, chairman of the senate finance committee.

Following study of the tax schedule by the senate committee, Senator Penrose made this statement: "There is a strong impression that this committee will favor the repeal of the excess profits tax and the higher brackets of the surtax as of January 1, 1921. Our information is that the secretary of the treasury will recommend this and there is a strong impression that the people were promised that this would be done."

As the tax bill was written by the house ways and means committee, repeal of these taxes was made retroactive to January 1, last, but by a narrow margin, something like 10 votes, the house republican caucus overrode the committee and directed it to amend the bill to postpone the repeal until January 1, 1922.

A very serious phase of the matter is that such repeal would leave the house bill something like \$1,000,000,000 short of providing the revenue a majority of members of the senate finance committee believe the government must have to meet its obligations during the next year. In its present form, the house bill will, it is estimated, produce about \$3,000,000,000 from internal taxes.

Resuming work after the Labor day recess, the senate committee continued to study the provisions of the bill with the assistance of Dr. T. S. Adams, Treasury department expert. This part of the work will be concluded tomorrow, Senator Penrose said, and then on Thursday after hearing Secretary Mellon the committee expects to be ready to begin the constructive work of redrafting the house bill.

Governor to Make Address At Emancipation Celebration Elaborate plans have been made for emancipation celebration at Krug park next Monday under the auspices of St. Johns African Methodist Episcopal church. The program includes an automobile street parade, concert by Desjardes' band, an athletic carnival and an old-fashioned barbecue.

Speaking exercises will take place at 4:30 p. m. Gov. S. R. McKelvie and Attorney Eugene J. Marshall of Chicago will make addresses. Short talks also will be given by Bishop H. Blanton Parks and Dr. W. W. Peckles, commander of Roosevelt post of the American Legion. St. Johns male quartet will sing.

Invitations to attend the celebration have been sent to city commissioners and the governors of Arkansas.

Governor McKelvie will be the guest of Gould Dietz while in the city.

Portland Man Admits Part In Robbery of Beach Resort Salt Lake City, Sept. 7.—Harry Hamilton, 23, who gives his address as Portland, Ore., but who admits that he is traveling under an assumed name, admitted to the police and newspaper men here that he was one of a party of five which Monday night held up and robbed more than 100 patrons of a bathing resort about two miles from the city.

The loot of the robbers is estimated at from \$1,000 to \$2,000, and much jewelry taken from envelopes deposited with the resort management. The police are holding several other suspects in connection with the robbery. An effort is being made to connect them with the holdup of a Union Pacific passenger train between this city and Ogden last week.

Fuel Alcohol Is Distilled For Eight Cents a Gallon Honolulu, Sept. 7.—Due to the lack of wood fuel available for use in stoves in its employees' houses, combined with the low market price of refined molasses, the Maui Agricultural company, one of the largest Hawaiian sugar companies, is making extensive experiments in the production of fuel alcohol from molasses, and officials of the company report that the experiments are successful.

Making use of the new type of still, it is found that about 55 gallons of alcohol can be produced per ton of molasses. At an estimated price of \$4 per ton for molasses, the cost of fuel alcohol is brought down to less than 8 cents per gallon.

Syracuse University Co-Eds Succumb to "Lure of Road" Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 7.—Two co-eds of Syracuse university have responded to the "lure of the road." One of the girls, Winifred Hoyt, hailed from Yonkers, N. Y.; the other, Marion Clifford, is claimed by Newark, N. J.

Both are sorority girls. They recently met Beatrice Rollens of New York City, who, tanned and dressed in khaki, had "hiked" the highways for 1,000 miles or more, and from her learned the lesson of "the road and simple life." They decided to try it.

Arrests Expected Soon In Texas Postal Robbery Texarkana, Tex., Sept. 7.—Arrests were expected in connection with the robbery of Kansas City Southern northbound mail train No. 2 last night seven miles south of this city. The officers claiming to have information which they consider sufficient to warrant arrest in the event they can locate four well known young men. Postal officials have not made an estimate of the loot, but said the holdup men obtained "everything of value in the mail car."

Fatal Fall of World's Largest Airship



UPPER—THE ZR-2 AS IT APPEARED AN INSTANT AFTER ITS FALL INTO THE HUMBER RIVER.

For an instant after striking the water the ZR-2 held the shape shown. Then it began to go to pieces. Buried in the veritable shrouds were the bodies of the dead and dying. It can be seen why the efforts of rescuers, who had to tackle such a bulky mass, were not more successful. The picture shows the ZR-2 immediately before the smoke of smouldering and burning wreckage began to surround it.

CENTER, LEFT—TAKING EVERYTHING MOVABLE FROM THE ZR-2 WRECK BEFORE IT WENT TO PIECES. Hardly had the ZR-2 hit the water when it began to break up. Rescuers are shown making frantic efforts to take everything movable, whether living or dead, from the wreck just before it finally lost all shape. The inset shows Captain Wann as he lay on his cot in the hospital after the explosion. Captain Wann was in charge of the airship when the wreck occurred.

CENTER, RIGHT—ONLY AMERICAN SURVIVOR OF ZR-2 WRECK. Norman Walker of Commerce, Tex., is the only American alive of the 17 who were aboard the ZR-2 on its last voyage.

LOWER, LEFT—CLAMBER OVER WRECK OF ZR-2 TO FIND TRACE OF SURVIVORS. Over the still-inflated portions of the fallen gas bag numerous rescue workers crawled. Slowly the gas escaped and the heavier portions of the airship settled to the bottom of the river. The photograph shows some of the first frantic efforts to get from beneath the clumsy bulk any who might be alive.

LOWER, LEFT—NORMAN WALKER, SOLE AMERICAN SURVIVOR, TELLS OF NARROW ESCAPE. Of the 17 Americans on board the ZR-2 when it exploded, only Norman Walker survives. Thankful for his escape, he is telling the Britishers how it happened. Walker lives in Commerce, Tex.

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Hard Fight Expected On Tax Bill in Senate

(Continued From Page One.) as of January 1, last, the corporation normal tax rate should be increased from 10 to 15 per cent, effective at the same time. The house bill fixes the corporation tax at 12 1/2 per cent, effective January 1, 1922. Secretary Mellon suggested repeal of the \$2,000 exemption allowed corporations. The house bill continues this exemption. Serious consideration of this proposed repeal will be given by the senate committee, if it does what it now appears likely it will do, makes the excess profits tax repeal retroactive. Making this repeal retroactive to January 1, last, would lose to the treasury about \$540,000,000, it is estimated.

Would Increase Revenue

Increasing the corporation tax to 15 per cent would make up about \$222,000,000 of this loss, it is estimated, leaving a net loss of more than \$300,000,000 under the revenue the house bill is designed to produce. On how to make up this loss, and something like \$300,000,000 additional the senate committee is now awaiting suggestions from Secretary Mellon, who will appear before the committee tomorrow.

Mr. Mellon estimated that increasing the first-class postage rate by 1 cent would net about \$72,000,000 annually; the 2 cent tax on bank checks about \$45,000,000, increased documentary stamp taxes an additional \$70,000,000, increased cigarette and tobacco taxes another \$57,000,000 annually and about \$100,000,000 from the proposed automobile license tax or nearly \$350,000,000 from these new or additional taxes. Together with the increased corporation tax, there will be an offset by the loss in revenue from retroactive repeal of the excess profits tax and higher surtax rates. However, these suggestions were all flatly rejected by the house and should the senate put them in the bill it is regarded as doubtful that the house could be persuaded to accept them, particularly the stamp taxes, which house members generally regard as obnoxious and to be imposed only as a last resort.

Pet Feline Denied Last Resting Place In \$10,000 Mausoleum

Elizabeth, N. J., Sept. 7.—"Tiger," the pet cat of Edward G. Haskell, was denied a final resting place in the \$10,000 mausoleum owned by Haskell and which contains the body of his wife. It was the wish of his wife and himself that their cat might be buried there, but the cemetery officials were adamant regarding the burial of animals in the grounds. So "Tiger" reposes in a grave under a large oak tree in the front yard of the Haskell home. Piled high over the grave are masses of costly roses, contributed by Haskell and neighbors' children, who shared his love for the old cat. Haskell is 75 years of age, and the death of the cat has shaken his feeble hold on life perceptibly.

Fire Causes \$150,000 Loss at Atlantic City

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 7.—Fire early today destroyed the "Fun House" of the Rendezvous park, injuring several firemen and threatening the entire so-called Bovey section of the city, and was not extinguished for several hours. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

No Decision Given in Grand Island Hotel Case

Grand Island, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Doggett, landlady of the Savoy hotel, the recent raid on which led to a shooting affray between the ex-chief of police and a present officer, was given a hearing on the charge of being the keeper of an ill-governed house. The defense first moved that the case be dismissed on the ground that the district court had dismissed the injunction suit under the Albert law against her and the owners, and the defendant could not continually be harassed for the same alleged offense.

St. Louis Police Probe Murder of Boy Years Ago

St. Louis, Sept. 7.—The police homicide squad today began an official investigation of the death seven years ago of Jacob Silverman, 15-year-old son of Mrs. Minnie Silverman. The body was taken from the Potter's field in East St. Louis, Ill., Friday and returned yesterday after Mrs. Silverman, a doctor and a dentist, had identified it as that of the long sought lad. The detectives did not doubt that the boy was murdered, they said, as the hands were strapped across the back when duck hunters found the body in a lake. The detectives will begin working with a survey of the circumstances incident to the boy's departure from the union station where he last was seen alive waiting for a man who was to take him to get some pigeons.

Lincoln Sheriff Must Take Finger Prints

Lincoln, Sept. 7.—(Special.)—Chief Matson, Lancaster county attorney, in a letter to the Lancaster county commissioners stated that Sheriff Ire Miller of Lincoln was the only sheriff in the state who had failed to take advantage of the finger print system inaugurated by the state. The finger prints of every one of the nine prisoners who escaped from the county jail were not available, Matson charged. The county commissioners have notified Miller to take the finger prints of all prisoners in the future. Four of the nine who escaped are still at large.

Blind Beggar Says His Business Is on the Bum; Wants Good Chauffeur

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Peter Snider, a blind violinist, says that the bottom has dropped out of the begging business and until some of the millions of loafers go to work professional men like himself are going to have a hard time. "As soon as I can get a chauffeur I am going to hit for the west and south," said Snider. "I am willing to pay \$40 a week, but I want a driver who will not be in too much of a hurry. Unemployment in this section of the country has ruined the begging business. Akron is the best town in the country, but you couldn't pry a nickel loose there with a twisted arm, club feet, broken neck and hair lip combined. Until some of these 6,000,000 loafers go to work professional men like myself are going to have a hard time marketing their personality."

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Landis Cuts Building Trade Workers' Wages Slightly

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Building trades workers were given slight wage decreases and new working rules were set up in the arbitration decision Judge Landis handed down today. The decision opened the Chicago territory to all contracting firms and, according to contractors and union men, opened the way to renewal of millions of dollars worth of construction. A top wage of \$1.12 1/2 for fire proofers and \$1.10 for bricklayers against the former hourly rate of \$1.25 was fixed by the decision, which affects about 50,000 workers.

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(Continued From Page One.) yesterday morning over what he considers good news. He explained that Miss Munson is mistaken in placing his age at 21. He is 23 years old, height is five feet and seven and one-half inches, weighs 165 pounds and asserts that he is "every inch a man" and is ready and willing to prove it to the world's most beautiful model. Delacroix was a "blue devil" for France during the world war, entering the service at 18 in Paris, his native city. He won the ski jumping championship of France and Switzerland and achieved honors at ducous throwing.

Engaged Six Times. Miss Munson's last letter to the Omaha Apollo reads in part: "I have never met but three Frenchmen in my life and one was a god married to a daughter of J. P. Morgan. So, you see, I will have much in store to the credit of France in meeting you. I shall be happy to send you my photograph when I get into my trunks in the city. Isn't it a scream the way things go? I'll have to be careful of yourself and me. I have been engaged to in order to give you a mental study of how far off I get from the ideal of pure race."

To Marry Seventh. Then Miss Munson referred by names to the son of a minister who was arrested by heart disease, a railroad telegrapher, the owner of a Providence cotton mill and a wealthy Englishman in California. "When I was a girl," she added, "a Gypsy fortune teller told me that I would be engaged six times and married seven times. I have been engaged to a man who was only 19. I was born on June 8, 1891. Your views of home life are clean and wholesome and your ideals as they should be. Do be careful of yourself and if not too dangerous try to win. (She refers to the international ski jumping contests at Minneapolis next February, in which contests Delacroix has entered).

Stop, Look and Listen. Miss Munson, in a recent statement, asserted that she may have placed herself open to the charge of seeking "cheap notoriety" in seeking a "perfect man" to be the father of her children. She made the statement a few months ago while in conversation with a group of Syracuse friends. A newspaper man chanced to hear her words and asked permission to give them publicity. Many answers followed. Miss Munson insists that it is the privilege of every woman to "stop, look and listen" before deciding on the man she will wed.

Firing at Colorado Mine. Trinidad, Colo., Sept. 7.—Several shots were fired this morning in the vicinity of the Ideal mine of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company near Walsenburg. D. A. Stout, manager of the fuel department of the company announced here. He said that no one was injured and that reports from the superintendent of the Ideal mine were that the shots had probably been fired to intimidate miners who were planning to go to work this morning. None went to work, Mr. Stout said.

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Illinois Miners, 500 Strong, Hold An Encampment

Farmer Reports Armed Men Control Road and Search All Corners Near Village of Elizabethtown.

Elizabethtown, Ill., Sept. 7.—Five hundred armed miners are encamped on the head waters of Big Creek of Karber Ridge, 12 miles north of Elizabethtown, according to word brought in last midnight by a farmer boy. All telephone wires leading north through the ridge for considerable distance were cut before 8 o'clock last night.

Scouts after covering the roads and hills for eight miles returned this morning without finding any trace of strikers. A farmer who reached Elizabethtown at the same time reported nearly 200 strikers, commanded by three armed men in control of the road six miles north of here. They stopped all corners, he said.

Vigilantes Stationed On Duty. Vigilantes stationed watchers on all hills north of Elizabethtown and Rosiclare. No one was allowed to enter or leave after sundown without search.

The farmer boy told officials that the miners expected several hundred reinforcements today and planned to march on the Fluorspar mine at Rosiclare. If the march is made, county officials do not expect it before tomorrow, when they believe the miners may attempt to go to Rosiclare in force to draw the weekly rations which have been issued there every Thursday by the strike committee.

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