

DIRECT SALES TAX SENTIMENT CHAOTIC

Congressmen Have Failed to Make Up Minds.

VARYING OPINIONS HELD

Leaders Declared to Have Decided Only the Order in Which Bills Will Be Taken Up.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.

Copyright by the New York Evening Post, Inc. Published by Arrangement with WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—Away from Washington you hear much about direct sales tax. In Washington, if you want to learn the status of this proposal you must search for it. The business men and others throughout the country who have been advocating this new proposal for more than a year have not made as much progress with congress as they believe. There are many among the leaders who believe thoroughly in the soundness of the proposal, but in every case belief in its soundness is a matter of principle is greatly tempered by timidity about its expediency as a matter of politics.

Plan Is Simple. Stated in its simplest terms, the proposal is to put a flat tax of 1 per cent on everything that is sold. Every merchant, manufacturer and other business man at the end of each month would account up his gross sales for the month, make out a check for 1 per cent of the amount and mail it to the government. This is the proposal in its simplest form.

Among the advocates of it and among the senators and congressmen who are considering it there are a multitude of variations and exemptions. Some would and some would not tax in addition to the sales of commodities, the sales of services also, which means salaries and wages. Some would exempt all farmers. Some would exempt everybody whose gross sales in a year are less than \$5000; some would make the exemption as high as \$20,000.

Opinions Vary Widely. Some would and some would not exempt occasional isolated sales like the sale of houses or a farm. Some would and some would not exempt the sales of securities by brokers. The estimates as to the amount of money this tax would raise vary, of course. With the exemptions even the estimates on the simplest and largest form of the tax vary. Some say it would raise as much as \$6,000,000,000, some as little as \$2,000,000,000. If this tax would raise the minimum estimate of \$2,000,000,000, that would be substantially half the total tax that the government collects and would permit a large scaling down of the present income taxes.

Leaders Still at Sea. What the present status of this proposal is among the 435 congressmen and 96 senators who some time during the summer will vote on it is impossible to say. It is difficult even to say what the present status of it is among the 10 or 12 leaders who presumably will largely dominate the taxation program.

These leaders have not made up their minds yet. They have not thought deeply into the subject at all. They are very far short of that state of decision which alone can put this or any other proposal through any legislative body. They are still in the state where they discuss whether to do anything about the new proposal or whether to ignore it entirely.

Bonus Suggested as Bait. Those who have gone farthest toward making up their minds in favor of it do not in any case at the present date go further than introduce it tentatively or in experimental form. They say they can only get it through by making it palatable to congress. They say one way to get it through would be to pass a bonus bill in favor of the soldiers and have the bonus raised to this new form of

tax, thus making the new tax palatable by means of the appetizer of the bonus.

The fact is the new administration and the republican party do not have a fiscal programme yet, and have not really put their minds on a fiscal programme. The leaders have arrived at a certain amount of decision as to the order in which the various subjects will be considered by congress. They give no organized thought or mutual discussion to the form which the legislation should take.

CHEST DRIVE TO CONTINUE (Continued From First Page.) cases have given more than their employers.

Employees Give Generously. The 55 employees of the Ira F. Power Furniture company gave an average of \$18.80. The 290 employees of the Hazelwood restaurants average \$8 each and the 54 employees of the Bohemian restaurant averaged \$16.43.

The latest tabulated totals, compiled at 6 P. M. last night showed the following results: Previously Reported Thursday Total

Table with 4 columns: Division No., Previously Reported, Thursday, Total. Rows include Division No. 1, Flying squadron, Industrial, Foreign corp, Headquarters, and Total.

Y. M. C. A. Boys to Locate Checks. One of the real thrills that will be injected into the community chest campaign will be a picturesque and adventuresome "treasure hunt" to be conducted Saturday morning by several hundred Y. M. C. A. boys. The lads will attempt to locate two com-

munty chest donation checks for \$1000 each. At 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning the young hunters will line up in front of the Y. M. C. A. building to await the word "go" and the hunt will continue until the two checks have been recovered and handed over to Mayor Baker, campaign director.

Thousands Witness Dancing. Several thousand persons gathered at the community chest center, Sixth and Morrison streets, at noon yesterday to witness the symbolical and interpretative dances given by a group of young girls and boys sponsored by the Portland Community Service. Dances portraying the spirit of the ten groups into which the 60 institutions included in the chest plan are divided were given by the children in allegorical costumes and setting.

One of the best reminders to Portland people of their responsibility in the present campaign is the babies being cared for in the windows of the large stores and shops. These babies, who care not for the passing crowds, can be seen in both happy and unhappy moods, and leaders declare that they smile each time a subscription is registered and frown when "immunity buyers" appear.

The latest reports of community chest subscriptions by divisions were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Division No., Amount, Total. Rows include Division No. 1, Colonel, Ball, Long, Pier, Ottenheimer, Vogan, North, Goss, Beveridge, Shemanski, Lepper, and Total.

Hotel Man Fined \$150. PROSSER, Wash., March 31.—(Special)—Mervin J. Taylor, proprietor of the Prosser hotel, was yesterday fined \$150 and costs by Judge Baker as a result of a bottle of moonshine falling from his pocket when he visited the office of the sheriff yesterday to complain about his wife's alleged conduct. A divorce suit is pending.

R. & H. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co. coal and wood. Main 253. 849-21.—Adv.

Phone your want ads to The Oregonian, Main 7676. Automatic 550-55.

GOVERNOR'S RECALL NORTH DAKOTA AIM

Move Launched at State Non-Partisan Session.

OTHER SCALPS SOUGHT

Attorney-General and Commissioner of Agriculture Also Attacked by Convention.

DEVILS LAKE, N. D., March 31.—Political factions opposed to the non-partisan league in North Dakota, in convention here today, ordered that a recall election aimed at certain state officials be held on or before November 8. The recall election as ordered will be directed against Governor Frazier, Attorney-General Lemke and Commissioner of Agriculture Hagan.

The recommendations for the recall were submitted to the convention by several groups which agreed on this programme in caucus early this morning.

Discussion at the outset of today's session had to do largely with provisions making impossible the sale of more bonds.

Amendment Is Proposed. It was proposed to submit to the electorate a constitutional amendment to make the bonds of North Dakota direct obligations on the credit of the entire state instead of on the state owned industries.

After the convention reassembled this afternoon it adopted a resolution providing:

- 1. That a recall election be held early next November, aimed at Governor L. J. Frazier, Attorney-General William Lemke and John N. Hagan, commissioner of agriculture and labor.
- 2. That a constitutional limit of \$7,750,000 be fixed for new state bonds, with exception of real estate bonds.
- 3. That \$5,000,000 bonds be issued to retire the Bank of North Dakota bonds and to pay up its debts.
- 4. That \$2,500,000 of bonds be issued to give the state mill and elevator association programme a fair trial.
- 5. That a constitutional amendment be passed to make the bonds issued by state industries the direct obligation of the state so as to make them salable.
- 6. That bonds of \$500,000 be issued to retire the home building association bonds, pay its debts and wind up its affairs.

Sveinbjorn Johnson, chairman of the state democratic central committee, was nominated as a candidate for attorney-general to oppose William Lemke, incumbent.

E. S. Shipley of Dickinson declined nomination as a candidate for commissioner of agriculture and labor to oppose J. N. Hagan. He insisted it should be given to an American Legion man. The recommendation was left open and the committee of 42 was given power to select a candidate.

R. A. Nestos of Minot was unanimously nominated by the anti-non-partisans as their candidate for governor at the anti-non-partisan league convention here today. He will oppose Governor Frazier at the recall.

Indians to Get Millions. PAWHUSKA, Okla., March 31.—Payment of \$2,897,700 in 2229 shares of the Osage Indian tribe will begin here tomorrow.

Spring Weakness Is Overcome and the blood purified and vitalized by Hood's Sarsaparilla

FRANKLIN 1920 Sale by owner, East 120

Help Fill Up the Community Chest YOU Are Expected to Do Your Share!

Lipman Wolfe & Co. Merchandise of Merit Only

Special Exhibition of Original Water Colors by American and English artists, including some especially charming English gardens. Under the personal direction of Mr. Joseph A. Muller. —Picture Galleries, Seventh Floor.

Lipman, Wolfe & Co. Will Offer Friday

110 Women's Lovely New Spring Dresses

At an Exceptionally Low Price

\$32.50

—Three window displays will quickly show you exactly, how decidedly handsome they are and what a splendid value each one is at the price—and we are quite sure that every woman will enthuse over them the minute she sees them.

Every dress is one of this season's BEST models!

—Purchased just a week ago in New York by our buyer, who obtained them from one of the best makers of women's dresses in this country at a most gratifying concession.

Fabrics Colors Canton Crepes and Navy, Brown, Gray and Black Taffetas

Some of the New Features

—Beaded and embroidered. Applique of contrasting colors. Some made with deep tucks and tunics trimmed with fringed ribbons.

—NOTE—Sizes 16 to 42 BUT not all sizes in all models. Many only one of a kind.

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—Third Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.



Actual Reproductions



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SHIRTS A SALE!

—Think of the prices you paid for SILK SHIRTS a year or so ago—then come here and get the same kind at \$5.50

—Made of such luxurious silks as Empire king cloth, Empire satin broadcloth, Empire in-laid broadcloth and Eagle crepe de chine

at \$37.50

—All-wool fabrics, such as splendid cassimeres, homespuns, unfinished worsted and pure worsted.

An Event That Has Benefited by Comparison --Acknowledged the Best Sale of Its Kind to Be Held in Years!

Leading at all stages—in fabrics, styles, colorings, designs, workmanship, quality and in VALUE-GIVING

Corded madras, rep, crepe and Jap crepe Shirts at \$1.35

Shirts of finely woven Lorraine madras in beautiful colorings \$2.69

Shirts made of Galley & Lord fiber silks and others at \$3.65

Remember, every Shirt was personally and carefully selected for this sale!

—Street Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

The Finest Group of Men's and Young Men's Suits We Have Ever Had

Every New Spring Style and Pattern

at \$37.50

—Two and three-button, single and double-breasted models—every Suit tailored to fit perfectly in smart style for young men and conservative and semi-conservative styles for men. We guarantee each Suit to give satisfaction.

—Fifth Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

—Smart Mixtures, checks, plaids, stripes and herringbones.

THIS STORE USES NO COMPARATIVE PRICES—THEY ARE MISLEADING AND OFTEN UNTRUE

"Joylettes," No. 4



The Greatest Factor in Success

By Robert Greeley

The greatest quality any man can have is that of making people like him; to cause people to say after he has gone, "He looks good to me." Arthur Lansing represented a wholesale firm, selling goods to retailers in small towns, sleeping in third-class hotels and putting up with the hardships that go with such a life. His associates assumed that he would never rise above the job.

Then, one day, the unexpected happened. Arthur Lansing became popular; people went out of their way to do things for him. From that day he began to go up in business. Now he is sales manager for his firm.

Everyone can be classed in two general types—those who have an attractive personal appearance and those who have not. If one's appearance is careless it unfavorably affects all one's good qualities. That was Arthur's situation. He had many good qualities, but—

One day Arthur overheard a friend talking about how easily he kept himself looking his best all the time—how much easier and better it is to have tailored clothes—how easy it is to pay for it in small amounts—how wise it is to always keep some cash in reserve—how Joy, the Tailor, makes all this possible through his system of extending credit at cash prices—how Joy has doubled his business in 2 years simply because every new customer not only stays with him, but brings in or sends in his friends.

Arthur made a few inquiries and the next day went to see Mr. Joy. In a week Arthur looked and acted like a different man. His changed appearance gave him more confidence and the changed attitude of the acquaintances gave him assurance. This, naturally, stimulated his pride, and his whole appearance was favorably affected. As a result, Arthur developed the power and influence which was rightfully his and which anyone can have who takes advantage of the opportunity that Joy, the Tailor, offers to all men to always look their best—on one's own terms within reason; without costing any more or noticeably affecting one's financial resources.

Joy, the Tailor, is one of Portland's old established and most favorably known tailors. He is located at 104 Stark street; and has four branch stores.