

### CONFEREES AGREE ON ALL WAR TAXES

Excess Profits to Pay Billion Dollars.

### INCOME REVENUES TO BE BIG

Measure Will Be in Effect as Soon as Signed.

### POSTAL RATES REVISED

Motor Car Tax Put on Manufacturers and Importers—Levy Put on Sporting Goods—Stamp on Bank Checks Rejected.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—Final agreement on the \$2,700,000,000 war tax bill was reached late today by the Senate and House conferees and the report will be presented to the House Monday. Levies of approximately \$1,800,000,000 on war excess profits and \$842,000,000 on incomes were left unchanged, but a new system of calculating excess profits was adopted.

The conference report provides that the graduate tax of from 20 to 60 per cent on excess profits of corporations, partnerships and individuals shall be levied on a basis of invested capital compared with invested capital of the three pre-war years of 1911, 1912 and 1913. This is a substitute for the Senate taxes of from 15 to 60 per cent, based upon a similar comparison of pre-war and present profits.

### Surtaxes Are Renounced

The income tax section virtually was agreed, except for rearrangement of surtaxes on incomes between \$15,000 and \$40,000. The graduated surtaxes of from 1 to 50 per cent on incomes from \$5000 to those of \$1,000,000 and over were approved.

The Senate increase of from 2 to 4 per cent of the income tax on corporations, joint stock companies and insurance companies was approved, together with the new normal individual tax of 3 per cent on incomes of unmarried persons in excess of \$1000 and of married persons of more than \$2000.

### Excess Profits Taxed

The graduated excess profits rates are 20 per cent of the excess profits not in excess of 15 per cent of the invested capital for the taxable year; 25 per cent on profits in excess of 15 per cent and not over 20 per cent of such capital; 35 per cent on excess over 20 and under 25 per cent of capital; 45 per cent on excess over 25 per cent and under 33 per cent of capital, and a maximum of 60 per cent on profits in excess of 33 per cent of such capital.

In calculating war excess profits the term "invested capital of corporations and partnerships" was declared to include "actual cash paid in, actual cash value of other tangible property paid for stock or shares, at the time of payment, or January 1, 1914, but in no case to exceed the par value of the original securities; paid in or earned surplus and undivided profits used or employed in the business, exclusive of undivided profits earned during the taxable year."

### Second-Class Rates Revised

The allowance for intangible assets include "actual cash value of patents and copyrights paid in for stocks or shares at the time of payment... good will, trademarks, trade brands, franchises... if for bona fide payments not to exceed the cash value." It stipulates that such intangible as—

### COCKTAIL 25 CENTS, BUT WE DONT CARE

H. C. OF L.'S LATEST MOVE NEED NOT DISMAY DRY OREGON.

For Devotees of Nineteenth-Hole Refreshment, News Is Bad; Scotch Highballs Are 30 Cents.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—The 25-cent cocktail made its bow today. The 30-cent Scotch highball unveiled its plutocratic face. The 20-cent pony or liquor appeared upon the wine list. The 25-cent "slug" of rye and Bourbon, the 25-cent shot of native brandy, the 25-cent fizzes and the 20-cent rickys likewise appeared, for the day of reckoning is at hand.

The Government has commanded the saloon men to inventory their stock, to report by Monday and to pay an additional tax of \$2.20 a gallon on all spirituous liquors in their possession. This, on top of the alarms which have almost shattered the booze industry, comes as the crisis, or the beginning of one. With the clamping on of the extra tax begins the last tilt between the "wets" and the "drys."

### SENATOR AVOIDS OPERATION

Mr. Chamberlain Advised to Have Appendicitis Removed Later.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 29.—Senator Chamberlain continued to show improvement today and is thought by his physician to be on the road to recovery. No operation will be performed, but the Senator has been advised that later when he recovers his strength he should have his appendix removed, otherwise he will be liable to a recurrence of appendicitis.

### COLONEL SLADEN LEAVES

War Department Orders High Army Men to Capital for Duty.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 29.—Lieutenant-Colonel Frederick W. Sladen, commander of the reserve officers' training camp at the Presidio, today received orders to proceed to Washington, D. C. for duty. Similar orders were received by Captain Walter H. Johnson, Adjutant, and Major W. C. Potter, artillery instructor at the camp.

### VETERAN FORESTER KILLED

Falling Tree Crushes Skull of Man Who Spent 30 Years in Woods.

TOLEDO, Or., Sept. 29.—(Special.)—Columbus Strong, 56, a timber feller, was instantly killed today while working in the logging camp of Hawkins Bros. near Elk City. A large tree in falling struck a small dead tree, and as the latter rebounded it snag broke off the top, striking Strong on top of the head and crushing his skull. Strong had worked 30 years in the woods.

### STRIKE FACTIONS BROUGHT TOGETHER

Men and Bosses May Confer Today.

### HOPE HIGH FOR SETTLEMENT

Eugene Smith, City Mediator, Gets Results.

### EMPLOYERS APPOINT FIVE

Sudden Turn for Better in Shipyards Trouble Comes When Federal and Municipal Arbiters Get Together.

### DEVELOPMENTS IN LOCAL SHIPYARDS STRIKE.

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Outlook Is Bright. This puts the most optimistic face on the situation that has been seen since the strike was ordered and indicates that, in all probability, an end will be had of the tieup of the shipbuilding industry. At least, that is what all parties concerned are hoping for and the meetings of the opposing forces may bring just such a thing to pass.

Messrs. Harry and Smith last night issued this statement: "Saturday afternoon, as a result of solicitations by Federal Mediator Harry, the shipbuilders of the Columbia River district appointed from their number a committee of five members

### INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 70 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees. TODAY'S—Rain; winds becoming southerly.

U-boat captain overcomes qualms of conscience and glories in butchery.

German planes again raid London.

Kerensky answers challenge of Democratic Congress.

Conferees agree on war tax provisions.

Demands for impeachment of La Follette reach Senate.

C. B. Atchison named on Commerce Commission.

Japan's "Monroe Doctrine of Far East" is unveiled at New York banquet.

Hoover reiterates appeal to conserve food.

U. S. Treasury officials announce appropriation of \$20,000,000 for loan fund issue.

Cocktails are 25 cents, but who cares?

Student officers at San Francisco innocently against typhoid and paratyphoid.

Ten thousand crimes laid to I. W. W.

Allen Eaton, whose dismissal from University of Oregon is demanded, returns to face accusers.

State Fair closes most successful week.

Ten thousand steel mill workers in Seattle strike.

Methodists in session at Springfield have busy day.

Pacific Northwest. Eugene E. Smith, ex-president of Central Labor Council, named city mediator.

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### JAPAN'S MONROE DOCTRINE UNVEILED

Ishii Warns Nations to Keep Hands Off China.

### INTEGRITY TO BE RESPECTED

German Intrigue Blamed for Rumors From Far East.

### DOOR OPEN TO AMERICANS

Full and Fair Competition for Trade Welcomed—Envoy Recalls Pact Regarding Territorial Rights on Shores of Pacific.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Proclaiming a Monroe doctrine of the Far East, Viscount Ishii, head of the Japanese mission to the United States, warned the nations of the world tonight that his country will not tolerate aggression against the territory or independence of China.

Speaking at a formal dinner in honor of the imperial envoy's visit to New York, the Ambassador of Emperor Yoshihito outlined publicly for the first time since he set foot on American soil the policy of his government in relation to China.

"Circumstances for which we were in no sense responsible gave us certain rights to Chinese territory," Viscount Ishii said, "but at no time in the past and at no time in the future do we or will we seek to take territory from China or to despoil China of her rights."

Then with dramatic earnestness he expounded the "hands off" policy of his government.

Japan Stands as Defender. "We wish to be and always to continue to be," he declared, "the sincere friend and helper of our neighbor, for we are more interested than anyone else, except China, in good government there. Only we must at all times, for self-protection, prevent other nations from doing what we have no right to do."

"We not only will not seek to assault the integrity or the sovereignty of China, but will eventually be prepared to defend and maintain the integrity and independence of China against any aggressor. For we know that our own landmarks would be threatened by any outside invasion or interference in China."

Trade Not to Be Hindered. While he boldly warned the world against any attempt to invade the rights of the republic of the Far East, Viscount Ishii promised with great earnestness that the door to legitimate trade in China never would be closed by Japan. This declaration was cheered by the 1000 public men, bankers, merchants and captains of industry who heard him.

"The door is always open; it always has been open; it always must remain open," he said, "to representatives of these vast commercial interests represented so well in this great gathering of kings of commerce."

Advantage Given by Nature. "We went to China, where the door was open to us as to you, and we always have realized that there nature gave us an advantage. There was no need—there is no need—to close that door on you, because we welcome your fair and honest competition in the markets everywhere. We are trading there where we have a natural advantage

### SENATE ASKED TO OUST LA FOLLETTE

MINNESOTA GOVERNOR SIGNS ONE PETITION.

### Senator Is Branded as "Teacher of Disloyalty and Sedition" by Public Safety Body.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—A communication from the Governor of Minnesota and the State Public Safety Commission requesting the expulsion from the Senate of Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, was presented in the Senate today by Senator Kellogg, of Minnesota, and referred by Vice-President Marshall to the Senate privileges and elections committee.

Four other communications, one from the Washburn Loyalty League of Washburn, Wis., and three from individuals, demanding the impeachment of Senator La Follette were received by Vice-President Marshall and presented to the Senate in the usual routine way.

Characterizing La Follette's speech in St. Paul on September 20 before the Nonpartisan League as "disloyal and seditious," the resolution declares the utterances already have served to create treacherous sentiment in Minnesota, and petitions the Senate to begin proceedings to expel La Follette as "a teacher of disloyalty and sedition, giving aid and comfort to our enemies and hindering the Government in the conduct of the war."

### U. S. FOREIGN TRADE JUMPS

August Gold Exports Nearly Three Times as Great as Imports.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—American foreign trade increased during August, the Department of Commerce announced today, approximately \$160,000,000 over July.

Exports increased \$115,500,000 and imports \$45,000,000. Gold exports, \$46,049,506, were nearly three times the volume of imports in August.

### BLOCKADE TO BE TIGHTER

England Prohibits Exportation of Certain Articles to Neutrals.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—A still more vigorous blockade of Germany is to be enforced by the entente allies as a result of the conference of Lord Robert Cecil, British Minister of Blockade, with the French Minister of Blockade. Today the King signed a proclamation prohibiting the exportation of certain articles to Sweden and Holland.

### ARABS IN SYRIA HANGED

Nationalists Are Ordered Executed by Turkish Commander.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 29.—Reports from Turkey show that Djemal Pasha, commander of the Turkish forces in Syria, has caused to be hanged all the members of the committee of Arabs in Syria who before the war were engaged in directing the Arab national movement.

### FAIR WEATHER PROMISED

Only Rain of Week on Pacific Slope to Be Along Northern Coast.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—Weather predictions for the week, beginning Sunday, announced by the Weather Bureau today, are:

Pacific states—Fair weather, except that there will be occasional rains on the northern coast.

### BILL GOES TO PRESIDENT

Trading With Enemy Measure Soon to Become Law.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—The trading with the enemy bill passed through the final stage in Congress today. It went to President Wilson, to become a law with his signature.

### COST OF OPERATING CITY IS DECREASED

Budget Is Cut Despite Salary Increases.

### POLICE WILL GET MORE PAY

Advance in Price of Supplies Makes Reduction Difficult.

### 1500 MORE LIGHTS LISTED

Saving Promised in Police, Municipal Court and Incinerator Bureau—Much New Work in Water Bureau Is Necessary.

Material decreases in the cost of operating some of the principal branches of the city service next year in spite of salary increases and the increased costs of supplies, are proposed by some of the City Commissioners in their 1918 budgets which will be filed with City Auditor Funk tomorrow.

Not all the budgets are complete, but will be by tomorrow, Mayor Baker has his figures completed.

In the police bureau a decrease of \$8053 is shown in the salary roll as compared with that for the present year. Supplies will cost \$4723 more, making a net reduction of \$3330 in the police cost for next year.

Increased Pay Proposed. Mayor Baker proposes to grant increases to policemen in the ranks. All men with salaries ranging around \$100 a month will be entitled to a 10 per cent increase, according to the Mayor's plan.

In the park bureau the budget shows an increase owing to the cost of supplies, materials and equipment as well as additional money next year for laborers and other workmen for park improvements. In addition to his regular park budget the Mayor is presenting a supplementary budget of \$172,000 to care for appropriations voted for by the people at the last election and asked for by the City Council.

The supplemental budget includes \$114,000 for the South Portland or Marquam Gulch playground; \$40,000 for the paving of the north half of Terwilliger boulevard; \$10,000 for lighting Mount Tabor Park and \$8000 for comfort station purposes.

Auditorium Fund Desired. The Mayor proposes an appropriation of \$27,000 for the public auditorium, which will cover all operating costs. This amount the Mayor wants appropriated, but it does not represent the cost to the taxpayers because a large amount will be taken in from rental of the building, which will reduce the amount the taxpayers will have to provide. In his own office the Mayor is proposing no increases. A reduction is shown in the cost of conducting the Municipal Court. The city's legal bureau shows a slight increase.

Commissioner Mann proposes a material increase in the cost of street lighting, owing to the request he is to make for 1500 additional street arc lights. He has about 2400 applications for lights on file.

Water Bureau to Raise Pay. In the Water Bureau Mr. Mann is proposing a material list of wage and salary increases, but still is asking for \$800 less than the cost for employees during the present year. A material increase is shown in the request for supplies, materials, etc., because of the plan to do considerable development work next year. Among other things, request is made for considerable new pumping machinery, money to complete improvements at Bull Run Lake; money for a new trunk main to St. Johns

SOME EVENTS OF OUTSTANDING INTEREST IN THE WEEK'S NEWS ARE ILLUMINED BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS.

