

TAX BILL SHORT OF GOAL BY BILLION

Gross Sales Levy Considered as Means of Raising Required Amount.

RESORT TO TARIFF OPPOSED

Impost on Tea, Coffee and Sugar Talked of as Possible Source of Revenue Amounting to Over \$400,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—The House ways and means committee tonight is an even billion dollars short of its \$3,000,000,000 goal in the framing of the tentative draft of the revenue bill.

Chairman Kitchin of the committee expected to confer with Secretary McAdoo next week before the bill is given its final approval and differences between the Treasury and the committee regarding the excess profits tax are expected to be straightened out.

In considering how best to raise the remaining billion dollars the committee today of the feasibility of a gross sales tax.

It was calculated that 1 per cent on every line of business would produce between \$1,500,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000. But it was held that to apply it to every business would be too drastic and that a few industries only should be selected for such a consumption tax.

Tea and Sugar Levy Talked Of. There was also talk of an excise tax on tea, coffee and sugar. A tax of 3 cents a pound on sugar and coffee and 10 or 15 cents a pound on tea, it was stated, would produce between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000.

Some members urged a resort to the tariff, saying an increase in customs duties to produce \$400,000,000 should be adopted, but the committee has been trying to avoid reaching into the tariff.

The whisky and beer tax has practically been agreed on, but to avoid large withdrawals from the bonded warehouses to escape taxation, the figures are withheld. In general it may be said that they will raise \$150,000,000 and soft drinks \$20,000,000.

Lane Intercedes for Mining. Declaring a serious situation exists because of "the effect of the excess-profits taxes on the production of certain minerals essential for carrying on the war," Senator Lane, in a letter made public today, urged Chairman Kitchin of the House Ways and Means Committee in framing the coming revenue bill to use care in assessing taxes which might injure these industries.

"A number of typical cases," the letter said, "have come to my attention in which development is being prevented because of the fact that new mining enterprises of uncertain life are not allowed to amortize their actual investment before subject to the excess-profit tax."

It was indicated that among the industries especially affected were those in Western states producing potash and pyrites.

OREGON CITY BOY WRITES

Dan Finnucane in Hospital, Suffering From Gas Burns. OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special)—Dan Finnucane, son of P. S. Finnucane, of this city, and one of the well-known boys existing with the 162d Infantry, is suffering from gas burns recently received while serving his country in France. A letter was received by the boy's father today telling him that Dan was in the hospital, and written by the boy.

In his letter he says: "I am suffering from gas burns, but getting along O. K. in a hospital, with others, receiving the best of care. How we appreciate the good care we are getting. When I return home, if I ever do, how many stories I will have to relate to you. I want to tell you the pictures you see in the movies are all true."

OLD FRIENDS ARE UNITED

Men Meet in Portland After Separation of 25 Years. Two men who had not seen each other for 25 years had a reunion in Portland last week, when L. M. Howell, Washington's Secretary of State, was here to attend the semi-annual meeting of the Northwest Tourist Association.

GERMANS ARE ON WAY BACK

(Continued From First Page.) of it the Germans are showing every sign of a rapid retreat. The enemy continues to destroy his stores of munitions in various localities along the battlefront, as is the practice of a beaten army.

Further successes east of Montdidier would iron out the whole sector north of Lihons and result in the freeing of a great territory from the Germans and wresting from them much of the gains that resulted from the enemy's Spring offensive. In addition, a forward movement would take from the invaders the bountiful crops that they have been cultivating inside their lines and which now are ready to harvest.

Many More Prisoners Taken. Many more prisoners have been taken during the operations of the last 24 hours, among them troops from at least four new divisions that were hurled in north of the Somme. Apparently the enemy has rushed in new troops from wherever they could be obtained, for among the prisoners are some from reserve battalions of divisions located far to the north. This would indicate that considerable confusion prevails among Crown Prince Rupprecht's forces as a result of the unexpected allied assaults and their continued success.

EDITORS DANCE ON OCEAN BEACH

Coos Bay Entertainment Includes Luncheon in Spruce Logging Camp. FOREST PRIMEVAL VISITED. L. J. Simpson Throws Open His Home at Shoreacres and Makes Welcome Men and Women of Press Association.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special)—The visiting editors of the state association are closing their Coos Bay entertainment with a big open-air dance at Sunset Bay, 15 miles from Marshfield, this evening. Every member of the outside contingent and their families are at the beach enjoying the finale. They came from L. J. Simpson's Shoreacres home, a mile distant, where they had been entertained during the afternoon and where the official session for business and election of officers was held.

The first affair of the day was an automobile ride over the Camman Highway, one of the oldest roads in the county, which traverses the peninsula from north to south, the northern terminus at Empire. This highway passes through primitive areas of the finest timber in the county.

The party reached Tarheel logging camp, the largest spruce and white cedar logging camp in the county, for two hours' entertainment and luncheon at 10 o'clock and first viewed the cutting, bucking and loading of the aeroplane spruce and white cedar.

The luncheon was exactly as the men are fed at camp, but those participating said it was much superior to the usual hotel or restaurant menu.

The logging operations were instructive, many having never witnessed them before.

L. J. Simpson threw open his fine home on the cliffs above the ocean beach for the afternoon and the editorial party enjoyed hugely the various points of interest about the place.

The flower gardens were almost at their best and these were a marvel to the assembled press. Mrs. Simpson entertained the ladies, while Mr. Simpson guided the men folks about and set out especially his fine Holstein-Friesian herd of cattle for admiring. Secretary Lloyd Riches, in speaking of the day's events, said: "The entertainment could not be excelled."

Send Editor Fails to Arrive. Some of the editors who were expected to arrive. The experience of Archie Whisnant, of Bend, may account for the absence. Mr. Whisnant, who failed to show up, sent Mr. Simpson the following telegram from Bend:

"We are coming, five in party, three women, two men. Starting via Hornbrook, we will get there, don't know when."

The association chose the following officers for the ensuing year: President, C. E. Ingalls, of the Corvallis (Gazette-Times); vice-president, Edgar McDaniel, North Bend; secretary, treasurer, Lloyd Riches, Oregon City; Bruce Dennis, La Grande, executive committee member four years; E. L. Scott, Forest Grove, executive committee member for one year.

Tomorrow morning the association finishes the 1918 season with a visit through the Coquille Valley, at Myrtle Point, Coullville and Bandon, returning to Marshfield over the scenic Seven Devils County Highway.

At a munitions factory several hundred workmen overturned a car. In the downtown district policemen with drawn revolvers were called out to prevent threatened violence.

GLENCOE BABIES MEASURED

One Hundred and 28 Infants Put Under Federal Tests. One hundred and twenty-eight babies were weighed and measured at the Glencoe School Wednesday, with Mrs. W. H. Buxton acting as chairman.

In the various schools the weighing and measuring is done at the request of the State Council of Defense.

Headed by Miss Janet Sternermacher a number of young girls canvassed the neighborhood and urged the mothers to bring in their babies. A number of graduate nurses from the Glencoe district assisted during the afternoon.

YANKS WIN IN AIR FIGHT

In Battle With 12 Hun Planes, Two Germans Are Downed. WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE VESLE, Aug. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—In a battle in the air between 12 German and five American airplanes, Lieutenants Walter Avery, of Columbus, Ohio, and Harold Buckley, of Agawam, Mass., each brought down a German.

There were no casualties among the Americans.

TWO PORTLAND BOYS DIE

M. G. DeWolfe and C. A. Jensen Are Victims of War in France.

CONVICTS TRY TO ESCAPE

MULTNOMAH COUNTY FORGER GOES OUT UNDER FLAX. Prison Officials Find Fugitive Hiding in Cellar of Vacant House, Armed with a Long Dick.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special)—Two efforts at escape from the State Penitentiary were frustrated this morning. The men were Robert Burns, serving from Multnomah County, and J. R. Rogers, colored, serving from one to 10 years from Umatilla for assault with a dangerous weapon.

Burns was employed loading flax on wagons in the flax plant inside the walls and slipped into the flax, being covered by his companions, and went out under the flax. He was seen running along D street eastward and the prison authorities notified.

Guards Dorman and Putnam started on a chase, followed by Warden Murphy and Parole Officer Keller. Burns was dragged from the cellar of a vacant building. He was armed with a long dirk.

Rogers, who has been working about one of the gates, was told by Guard Sam Worrell to oil the hinges. As the gates opened for him he ran. Worrell opened fire with his rifle and Rogers dodged behind a pillar, where he was kept at bay until Warden Murphy came into the prison.

This was the third effort at escape for Burns in a year.

WAR PICTURES GRIPPING

Scenes of Devastated Lands Exhibited by Ypres Veteran. Gripping pictures of needless havoc wrought by the Hun on the western front were shown at the Armory last night by Sergeant J. R. Hathaway, of the Canadian army, who saw long serv-

ice on the Ypres and Somme fronts in the early years of the war. A big audience gathered to see the views and hear Sergeant Hathaway's address.

Patriotic songs opened and closed the programme. The situation along the Ypres front was first discussed by Sergeant Hathaway, and during a 10-minute intermission Dr. Tremaine, of the Shipping Board of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, made a stirring talk.

Lieutenant George Snyder, a Spanish-American War veteran, pleasingly rendered a patriotic vocal number and an encore. The second section of Sergeant Hathaway's address was taken up with a description of the battle of

the Somme.

SCENIC TRAILS PLANNED

Columbia Highlands Company Decides on Development Work. Following the annual meeting of the Columbia Highlands Company, held yesterday, it is announced that the directors have decided to carry forward a plan of development of their property through which the Columbia River highway runs for nearly three miles.

Trails will be developed to various scenic points, including the hanging gardens on Dalton creek and numerous attractions of exceptional scenic beauty.

Attention will be given to lands adjacent to the highway, and steps will be taken to protect the shrubs, trees and forest growth from the vandalism of thoughtless visitors.

The officers of the company, elected at the annual meeting, are: Judge Thomas P. Ryan, president; Dr. A. W. Moore, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Coopey, treasurer; Charles E. Coopey, secretary. These, with W. I. Masters, form the board of directors.

ASTORIA CHINESE HELD

Lum Yen, Chinese, was seized before United States Commissioner Carney this afternoon on a charge of having opium in his possession. He waived examination, and was held under \$1000 cash bail to await the action of the Federal grand jury.

To Our 40,000 Ship Builders in Portland this is important: You men who have come to Portland to help build ships for Uncle Sam will have a lot of invitations to buy clothes. You'll find good clothes here, and we have a special message on values in fine clothes at this time.

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Last Week of Our Summer Shoe Sale Both men and women will profit in buying this good Summer footwear at these reductions. Hundreds of pairs to be sold during this week. Come! Men's Shoes Women's Shoes Men's Hanan's and Boyden's Oxfords in black or tan; to close \$6.95 Women's Kid or Patent Spat Pumps; Louis XV heels, now \$4.95 Men's Hanan's and Boyden's Russia Calf Button Shoes, now, pair \$8.95 Women's Hanan & Son's Patent or Gunmetal Pumps; welt soles, military heels, priced now, pair \$5.95 Men's Dr. A. Reed's Cushion Sole Shoes in broken lines reduced \$7.95 to, pair Women's Laird, Schober & Co.'s Bucko Calf Pumps with cork quarters, pair \$6.95 Fall Stocks Arriving Rosenthal's PORTLAND'S BEST SHOE STORE Watch for Opening 129 Tenth St., Bet. Washington and Alder.