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PLAN LIBERTY DRIVES FOR YEAR'S WAR COST

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Officials would much rather have only one more big solicitation in addition to the fourth campaign to start late next month than before the end of the fiscal year next June 30.

The treasury wishes to avoid floating loans in the Christmas holidays, and the weeks of commercial inactivity following. Another bad time for loans is the spring planting season, when farmers are busy and business men have less time than usual to devote to campaigning. The third period to be avoided is June, when war taxes must be paid.

An example of the fluctuations of expenditures is the fact that with August more than half gone the allies have called for only \$71,000,000 loan payments, a little more than one third the usual rate of borrowings.

BILLIONS NEEDED NOW PUT IN REVENUE BILL

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In that event the committee may resort to a customs tax and a floor tax on tea, coffee and similar products.

Changing conditions also may affect the amount of revenue to be obtained. The committee is watching the outcome of the effort to pass a national war time prohibition measure, which the senate is to take up August 24. If a prohibition measure is enacted revenues to be obtained under the bill will be decreased considerably.

The new tax on liquors is understood to provide a substantial increase on whiskey and other liquors and soft drinks, a total revenue of \$1,000,000,000 or more. The liquor tax rates are being withheld for publication to guard against withdrawals of whiskey from bond.

The committee finally approved the tobacco schedule unchanged from that heretofore announced.

In the ten per cent tax of articles deemed luxuries above a certain price, it made the tax apply to women's wists in excess of \$15, instead of \$10, as previously agreed to, and

to women's hats at \$15 instead of \$25. Motorboats and canoes were added to the 10 per cent tax on yachts and pleasure boats, but exempted motorboats and canoes costing \$20 or less, the exemption being to protect homebuilt craft.

Considerable interest has been manifested in the normal tax on personal incomes, and the committee announced the text as follows:

"Normal taxes: Section 210—That there shall be levied, collected and paid for each taxable year upon the net income of every individual, a normal tax as follows:

"(A) In case of a citizen or resident of the United States, ten per cent of the amount of the net income in excess of the credits provided in Section 216; provided that upon the first \$4000 of this amount the rate shall be 5 per centum.

"(B) In the case of a non-resident alien ten per cent of the amount of the net income in excess of the credits provided in Section 216.

Section 216 as agreed to reads: "Credits allowed: For purposes of normal tax only, there shall be allowed the following credits:

"(A) The amount received as dividends from a corporation which is taxable under the corporation income tax upon its net income.

"(B) Amount received as interest upon obligations of the United States, any state, territory or political sub-division, or the District of Columbia.

"(C) In the case of a single person a personal exemption of \$1000, or in the case of a head of a family, or a married person living with husband or wife, a personal exemption of \$2000. A husband and wife living together shall receive but one personal exemption of \$2000 against their aggregate net income, and in case they make separate returns the personal exemption of \$2000 may be taken by either or divided between them.

"(D) \$200 for each person (other than husband and wife) dependent upon and receiving his chief support from the taxpayer if such dependent person is under 18 years old, or is incapable of self-support, because mentally or physically defective."

Chairman Kitchin tonight ex-

ferred its decision in favor of excess profits tax of 10 to 60 per cent after \$3000 exemption and eight per cent deduction to the treasury for its approval. He said the committee also had communicated to the treasury its action in dividing business into three classes for pre-war earnings deduction.

TO AMUSE GIRLS.

PARIS, Aug. 17.—Providing for the recreation of thousands of American girls in the labor bureau of the American expeditionary forces, for hundreds of French girls and a host of British women the Young Women's Christian association has obtained the use of an island lying between two arms of the river Loire, located at Toure, where the most extensive activities of the labor bureau are congregated.

The island has already been opened for the women and the activities have been placed in charge of Miss Esther Sleight, who before coming to France directed a woman's recreation ground in Charleston, S. C. The Y.M.C.A. is arranging for recreation centers for the women of the army in Lyon, Bourges, St. Etienne and other cities.

MARRIAGE MADE CHEAPER FAIRBANKS, Alaska, July 17.—By Mail)—Beginning with October 1, this year, one can get married more cheaply in Alaska than ever before. Fees set for United States commissioners in Alaska to perform the wedding ceremony have been reduced to \$3 for the first division and \$5.50 for the other divisions.

The new fee supersedes any fees heretofore provided by the Territorial legislature or the U. S. attorney general, according to an opinion from Attorney-General T. W. Gregory.

All-Star Ball Team to Play on Front in France

PARIS, Aug. 17.—It is announced that arrangements have been completed for bringing an all-star baseball team from the United States under the supervision of John J. McGraw to play through a season at the American centers in France against a team selected from former league players now in the army, under the management of "Hank" Gowdy.

MOTHERS' DAY LETTER COMES

Michigan Newspaper Contains Soldier's Letter That Is Worth Reading

S. E. Wolfe has lived in Salem for twelve years. The Wolfe home is at 101 Lincoln street.

The Wolfe family came from Woodlawn, Mich., and during all these years they have taken the weekly paper from their old home town, the Woodlawn News. It is not a great newspaper, but it tells about the doings of the old home folks, and so it is a welcome visitor week after week.

The members of the Wolfe household are especially tender these days on matters that pertain to the boys "over there" in France; especially so on account of the fact that they have a son who, though he is only about 21 now, is in his third year of service with the United States marines. He is Ward Wolfe, now on the Pueblo, with the battle fleet doing convoy work. Ward has traveled about 125,000 miles in this service. He has helped in the safe landing of troops in France, England, Ireland and Italy. Every minute of the day there are ninety-eight marines on gun watch, while the Pueblo is doing convoy work, and Ward takes his turn with the faithful seafighters who are ready at all times to do their utmost to safeguard the Samles going to the fields of war.

Well, the last copy of the Woodlawn News coming to the Wolfe home contained a Mother's Day letter from a Woodlawn, Mich. boy that is worthy to be reproduced in any newspaper.

The Statesman is pleased to reproduce it, as follows:

Somewhere in France, Sunday, May 12, 1918.

Dearest Mother: This is Mother's Day, and duty finds me in a place where no one but soldiers enter and am unable to attend the Mother's day services held by our beloved chaplain, but nevertheless my thoughts are at home with you, although thousands of miles lie between us.

While I am writing, you are yet sleeping or perhaps you are awake in the wee small hours of the morning thinking of me. You can still picture me the same boy who kissed you good-by when we parted, you go home to fight the real battle, and I go to fight my country's battle. I know you trust your boy, as all good mothers do and he is fighting for himself as well as his country, so that he can return home again without a moral blemish and not bring pain and sorrow into the life of the ones who suffered that he might live. I can stand the sight of my comrades "lying still" those who have paid the price for their country's sake, and for humanity, but the thought of mother way back home fighting the real battle, the silent struggle way down deep in her heart, that brings sorrow to my heart.

It is the thought of mother that keeps my course true to the readings of the compass. It is the thought of mother that helps me through the dark hours in the trenches. It's the thought of mother which brings me through the seemly dark ours behind the lines amongst the trials and temptations of this land. In fact the very word, mother, is like unto heaven to me.

Although the Germans are our enemies, and we are destroying them with all the means available, I can not help but think of the sorrow which reigns in the hearts of thousands of mothers in that land, and yet our mothers, through their sacrifice, are making this world a place in which no such sorrow shall reign again.

Each of the sons of Germany, who have fallen before the hail of steel in the battle which is now raging, marched away from a mother as I did. They marched away to try and obtain the greedy ends of a few dozen in human form, who are condemned before the throne of God. We marched away to suppress this wrong wherein lies the comfort for each mother's heart.

I have a little booklet which one of the fellows gave me and in it is this fine little poem:

Arthur weary, tender heart? — Be glad of pain; In sweetest sorrow things will grow As flowers in the rain. God watches and will have sun When clouds their perfect work have done.

Isn't that a beautiful verse? The little booklet is full of such as this. My letter is about long enough as there will be thousands of other mother's letters to be censored and I do not want to cheat any mother out of her letter written on this day. Some time all will be well, and you can scold me for dirtying your kitchen floor with my wireless, or teasing Sis. Remember that? And when I come back more than any honor that may come to me for duty alone, will be that you will find me with clean blood, clear-eyed, and I can look into your face and see the greatest of all satisfaction that can come to a mother, the peace that says within her mother heart: "Thank God, my boy has kept the Faith."

Your loving son, Norman Hood.

ADD BITS 9 . . . General Diaz appears to be wringing both the necks of the Austrian double eagle.

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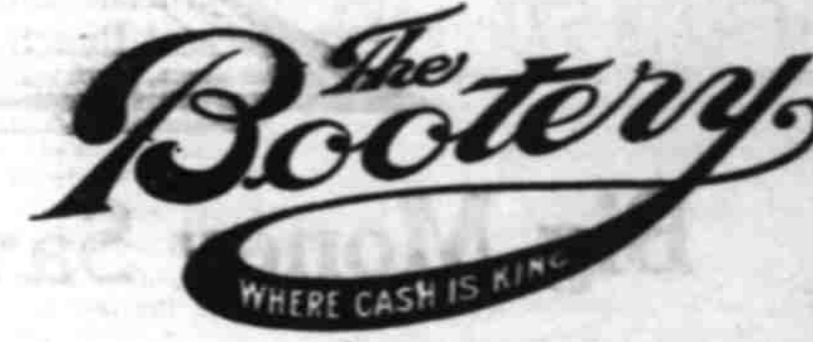
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Shortage of Homes Is Troubling Danish Cities

LONDON, July 2.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—A shortage of homes is adding to the woes of residents of Danish cities. Many brickyards, according to a Dane who has just returned here from Copenhagen, have had to close, with the result that building virtually has ceased and flat hunting had developed into what might be called flat auctions.

If a flat was advertised for rent in the papers, probably a hundred persons would assemble that day outside the building. No one was admitted to the flat, but the caretaker, when he thought a large enough crowd had collected, would throw open his window and say something like this:

"The rent of this flat, ladies and gentlemen, is so much a year. Which of you will pay me most for arranging matters?"

Then a kind of auction would be held, and whoever made the largest bid for the services of the caretaker would secure the flat.

Now the flat famine has developed

to such an extent that the diligent flat seeker studies the death announcements, proceeds immediately to the residence and assails the mourners with questions about their plans with regard to the flat.

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