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THE WEATHER
Rain; strong southerly winds, reaching gale force on the coast.

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REDUCTION IN REVENUE PLAN FROM M'ADOO

Would Revise Pending Revenue Bill to Yield Six Billions Next Year and Four Billions in 1920.

EXPENDITURES WILL BE MUCH DECREASED

War and Excess Profits May Be Eliminated Save for During War Only

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Revision of the pending revenue bill with a view to yielding \$6,000,000,000 payable during the calendar year of 1919 and no less than \$4,000,000,000 the following year, was recommended by Secretary McAdoo tonight in a letter to Chairman Simmons, of the senate finance committee, setting forth the treasury's financial program for the reconstruction period.

The secretary estimated that the expenditures during the fiscal year ending next June 30 would be \$18,000,000,000 instead of \$24,000,000,000 estimated before there were prospects of peace. He declared for a continuation of the policy of loaning to the allies for a limited time during reconstruction after peace to enable them to purchase foodstuffs, raw materials and manufactured products in this country.

Other recommendations were: That income and profits taxes be payable in four equal quarterly installments on March 15, June 15, September and December 15.

That excess profits tax rates for payments due next year be no higher than those of the existing law.

That necessary safeguards be provided for war and excess profits taxes in the form of adequate provisions for amortization, conservative valuation of inventories and ascertainment of minimum income shall be exempted from the tax to insure the taxpayer against injustice and avoidable injury.

That war and excess profits taxes be eliminated entirely from payments due in 1920 except with respect to profits on contracts negotiated during the war period.

That corporation and individual income tax rates be increased on incomes of 1919, payable in 1920.

That the basis for next year's tax be payable in 1920 be determined now.

The secretary also urged prompt enactment of the pending bill. He estimated the revenue yield from the measure as framed by the senate finance committee at \$6,300,000,000 as compared with the \$8,000,000,000 provided by the bill as passed by the house, which he declared "is more stringent than the changed situation will justify."

"The existing law is not satisfactory in the country nor to the treasury," he added.

Mr. McAdoo did not refer to the fifth war loan which probably will be floated next spring, but his calculations indicated this might be around \$5,000,000,000 to make up

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YANK PRISONERS ARE BEING FREED

Germans Exploding Ammunition Dumps as They Beat It Out for Home

(By The Associated Press) WITH AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Nov. 14, 7:15 p. m.—Twenty Americans taken prisoner by the Germans recently were freed late today and had reached the American lines opposite the first army. More than 500 Italians whom the Germans had employed as road workers crossed the American front. They asserted that the Germans told them they had better start southward immediately if they desired food.

As a further indication that the German withdrawal has begun came reports today from various parts of the front that explosions were being heard. It is believed the Germans are destroying their old shells and ammunition dumps in excess of the ammunition which is to be turned over to the allies according to the armistice.

Allied Troops on March Into Land Left By Heinies

(By The Associated Press) PARIS, Nov. 14.—German troops began to evacuate France and Belgium on Tuesday. The allied troops then moved forward, the Americans advancing in the direction of Metz and Strassburg.

Marshal Foch, commander-in-chief of the allied army, will make solemn entry into these German fortresses on Sunday in the presence of President Poincaré and Premier Clemenceau.

The marshal will ride into the cities on Creosus, his favorite charger.

It is probable that the departments in the re-won territory will resume their old names; namely, Bas Rhin, prefecture of Strassburg; Haut Rhin, prefecture of Colmar, and Moselle, prefecture of Metz. The government already is considering the establishment of provisional administrative arrangements.

The occupation of the territory on the left bank of the Rhine and the bridgeheads will not be undertaken by the allied forces until later.

The liberation of Belgium promises to be rapidly accomplished. On the occasion of the re-entry of the Belgian sovereigns into Brussels the French government has decided to present to the queen the grand cordon of the legion of honor and to the heir apparent the chevalier's cross and the cross of war.

In conformity with the agreement reached between Marshal Foch and the German delegates, a period of five days has been allowed the enemy in which to hand over all the armament material stipulated in the armistice.

The French command asked the Germans for information as to where mines had been laid and was informed that some had been placed in the Ostend station and timed to explode yesterday. The German command

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SPECIAL TAX IS ASKED BY ROAD UNITS

Total Shown by Districts that Have Reported to County Court Far in Excess of Sum for Last Year.

PACIFIC HIGHWAY IS SLATED FOR NEW WORK

Only Two Districts Vote Contrary to Making Special Levy for Year

Although an average smaller road tax is being asked for this year in the road districts of Marion county, so many more are requesting such a levy that the total amount to be raised will probably be much larger than in 1917. Reports just received at the county clerk's office from the annual district meetings held on November 9 show that 28 out of the 79 districts have already requested more funds, as compared with the total of 23 out of 76 last year. To what figure the remainder of the reports not yet turned in will bring the sum cannot be estimated, but it has already reached \$52,132.48. Last year the special tax amounted to \$41,397.63.

The tax is in addition to the general road fund and in the minutes of the meetings attached to the typed forms sent out by the clerk practically all of the districts designate the routes they desire improved. District 27 1/2 goes so far as to ask \$1000 to be used on the Pacific highway and stipulates that it be paid by April, 1919, or else the funds will be put in district roads.

Names of three patrolmen were also suggested in three reports, those mentioned being A. Oeder for district 14, E. A. Dunnigan for 52 and Clarence J. Jones for 53. Only two districts, 27 and 25 have reported they wished for no tax. It is assumed that others of those not yet in are not asking for additional funds.

The following sums are asked:

- District 2, \$1600.
- District 5, \$1500.
- District 9, \$1500.
- District 10, \$2099.53.
- District 11, \$1000.
- District 12, \$3350.
- District 13, \$1590.
- District 27 1/2, \$1000.
- District 28, \$1975.
- District 33, \$655.10.
- District 36, \$3668.73.
- District 40, \$2270.89.
- District 48, \$1945.20.
- District 49, \$3000.
- District 52, \$1500.
- District 53, \$2912.51.
- District 54, \$400.
- District 61, \$500.
- District 66, \$1500.
- District 68, \$3100.
- District 69, \$1000.
- District 70, \$2500.
- District 88, \$1750.

Is this the season that the girls were to wear longer skirts and broader-heeled shoes? Or was it next season? Seems as though we read about it in the papers some time ago.—Exchange.

NINE CHURCHES MAY BE UNITED

Meeting Will Be Held Soon to Outline Plan for Federalizing Them

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Representatives of nine Protestant denominations have accepted an invitation of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to meet in Philadelphia December 2 to 6 to consider a proposal of the Presbyterian general assembly for "organic union of the evangelical churches in America." It was announced here tonight.

The plan calls for an interdenominational council to work out a plan for making one federal church out of all these denominations. The year the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States; Reformed Church in the United States; United Presbyterian Church of North America; Methodist Episcopal Church; Congregational Churches; Disciples of Christ; Evangelical Synod of North America and Moravian Church in America.

Terror of "Flu" Causes Farmers to Use Shotguns

BOISE, Idaho, Nov. 14.—Judge J. F. Cowen of the Custer county district court today telegraphed to the governor an appeal for state troops to help him force his way into Custer county, which is closed by a quarantine regulation designed to bar Spanish influenza.

Citizens of Custer county have barricaded all highways and are on guard with shotguns and rifles. The attorney general has held that the quarantine is legal and that court dates are not of sufficient importance to justify calling state troops to aid the judges and court attaches to enter the county.

THREE LUTHERAN CHURCHES JOIN UNDER ONE HEAD

Big Ecclesiastical Merger Is Perfected at Meeting in New York

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

League of Nations Endorsed at Conference of Synods and Council

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The general synod, general council and united synod south, three separate Lutheran organizations, were officially merged into one ecclesiastical body by the name of the United Lutheran Church in America, at a convention here today. Legal formalities connected with the merger will be completed tomorrow when the church will be incorporated under the laws of New York and permanent officers elected.

The temporary officers elected today were Rev. Dr. Theodore E. Schmauck, of Lebanon, Pa., president, and Rev. William Baum, of New York, secretary.

Sixteen resolutions on the religious and moral issues of the present, endorsing a league of nations, the autonomy of small nations, open diplomacy and just peace, which were read by Rev. Dr. John A. Whanas, president of Muehlenburg college, Allentown, Pa., were unanimously adopted by the delegates. They expressed opposition to "all unlawful and disorderly government and every type of anarchy," to "all oppression of those that toil and all hindrance to their legitimate place and opportunity in human society," as well as to "socialization which disregards and injures the sacred rights and privileges of the single personality."

Disapproval also was expressed of national agrandizement to satisfy greed for expansion and the extension of unbridled commercialism by securing colonies and markets in other lands unjustly and to the detriment of less civilized peoples who are thereby exploited and hindered in their efforts to reach high standards of life.

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CARL DEWING LYTLE, who was the first Y. M. C. A. secretary in France to be captured by the Germans.

Lytle was attached to the French army. Amid a rain of gas shells he went into a burning village to rescue refugees in spite of the fact that thousands of the enemy were rushing into the place. He stuck to the task until captured.



TOTAL OF \$17,965.33 REPORTED FOR DRIVE LATEST FIGURES SHOW

Mrs. Wilson and Jane Addams Get German Appeals

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Appeals addressed to Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Miss Jane Addams of Chicago, on behalf of the women of Germany, asking that the terms of the armistice be modified to prevent "unspeakable disaster," have been sent from the German wireless station at Nauzen. They were picked up at Haulton, Me., and were made public tonight by the war department.

The appeal to Mrs. Wilson said "that the women and children of Germany" "have been starving for years," and that they will die from hunger by the "millions" unless the terms of the armistice are changed so that sufficient rolling stock will be available for moving food from the farms. It was dated at Berlin and signed by "Gertrud Baumer and Alice Solomon for the national council of women in Germany."

The appeal to Miss Addams was from Anita Aughburg at Poz under date of yesterday. It said that the German women "foreseeing entire famishment and mutiny for their country" urged their American sisters "to intercede to have the armistice terms modified."

"We are all free voters of a free republic now, greeting you heartily," the appeal said.

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ROBINSON TO AID IN NAMING NAVAL TERMS

(By The Associated Press) PARIS, Nov. 14.—Rear-Admiral S. S. Robinson has been appointed American member of the naval commission to arrange for the execution of the naval terms of the German armistice.

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PEACE TABLE TO WAIT ON BRITISH VOTE

Expected Congress That Will Determine World's Fate Will Meet Promptly After English Elections.

SUCH ELECTIONS ARE SLATED FOR DECEMBER

Parliament to Be Prorogued Wednesday or Thursday of Coming Week

LONDON, Nov. 14.—Vienna newspapers announce that the German-Austrian republic will be proclaimed tomorrow and that Emperor Charles' request to be permitted to reside in Vienna as a private citizen has been refused, according to an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

(By The Associated Press) PARIS, Nov. 14.—It is probable that the first meeting of the peace congress will be held after the English parliamentary elections, and at a time which will give ample opportunity for the American and other delegates to arrive. A meeting to be held shortly of the inter-allied conference will finally determine the details of these questions.

Premier David Lloyd, George and Foreign Minister Balfour of Great Britain; Premier Orlando and Foreign Minister Sonnino of Italy; Premier Venizelos of Greece, and Foreign Minister Pachitch of Serbia, are on their way here for a resumption of the conference at the home of Colonel Edward M. House, special representative of the United States government, and the sessions at Versailles.

Besides outlining the general program of the congress, the question of meeting the food situation in Germany and Austria probably will be considered.

BRITISH ELECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 14

LONDON, Nov. 14.—(British Wireless Service)—A proclamation will be issued November 25, summoning a new parliament, Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, and government spokesman, announced in the house of commons today. Nominations will be made on December 4 and polling will take place on December 14.

Prorogation of parliament will take place Wednesday or Thursday of next week at the latest. On Monday an address will be presented to the king and moved in both houses of parliament in regard to the war and after the house assembles on Tuesday an adjournment will be made to the royal gallery, where the king will receive the members of both houses.

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NICE QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED BY CHRISTMAS PARCEL COMMITTEE

All Manner of Delicacies and Necessities Are Sent to Lads in France—Big Rush Now on at Local Gift Office

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Extension to November 30 of the time in which Christmas parcels will be accepted for mailing to members of the American expeditionary forces in France was announced tonight by the postoffice and war departments. The extension was due, it was said, to the fact that the men of several American divisions which were in combat recently, have only lately been able to fill out the parcel labels without which packages from relatives and friends in this country will not be accepted by the postal authorities.

The postoffice department announced, however, that to insure delivery by Christmas parcels should be mailed as soon as possible.

How to get all the gifts from a devoted family to their daddy or brother in France in a box 3 by 4 by 9 inches in size is the main problem the Christmas package committee of the Red Cross is trying to solve this week, as the parcels come into their headquarters in the Portland Railway, Light & Power company office.

The rush is now on, labels coming in daily until 119 have been signed for. Yesterday the postman took away

22 boxes in one load that had been stacked up a little over a day.

A different question comes up daily for answer. For instance yesterday a girl brought in a label she had received from a soldier who had neglected to address it, as the rules require. The proud possessor of the sticker, however, was not denied the privilege of sending a box of candy so filled in the blanks herself.

"What's a person to do who isn't going to get any label?" one anxious man demanded a few days ago. "My brothers won't send me any because it is too much like asking for a present. I know how they feel about such things."

The committee members had an answer ready; they suggested a crisp \$10 bill in a registered letter.

Candy and tobacco seem the most popular gifts despite warning against shipping such articles already sent out. It is understood by many of the letters that the boys are now well supplied with tobacco. One man who was so careful to put Bull Durham in his box should have remembered that

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Barnes Cash Store
ET. BARNES, PROPRIETOR

SLICKERS

Tower's Fish Brand, army standard, olive drab short slicker coats

\$2.60

Slicker Pants, same color and price.

Tower's highest grade Dreadnaught Slickers, full ankle length, black \$8.50

Corduroy Suits, \$15.75

Men's two-piece—Coat and trousers—corduroy suits of excellent quality and high grade tailoring in good shades of brown. By all odds the best value in utility clothes today.

Give Quick—United War Work