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SEEK TO HAVE THE UNITED STATES GROW FIBER FLAX FOR ITS LINENS

"The upside-down condition of things in Russia has produced many unlooked-for results, but none more unexpected to the casual mind than its effect upon the supply of flax fiber. Before the World War Russia produced about 80 per cent of the flax fiber used in making linens. This supply was cut off, while the demand for linen continues as strong as ever.
"In the United States the normal consumption of the flax fiber by the spinning mills before the war was about 10,000 tons a year, most of which was imported. To produce this amount of fiber about 60,000 acres is required. To help in meeting the situation the United States Department of Agriculture, through the office of the fiber investigations, is encouraging the production of flax fiber by experimenting with it in new localities, investigating new methods and machines, and developing improved strains of the fiber flax which are taller, yield more and better fiber, and some of which are resistant to disease. About 6,000 acres of fiber flax was grown in the United States in 1920 but the relatively low price for fiber has resulted in a greatly reduced acreage in 1921, estimated at 3,000 acres."

The above is a dispatch going the rounds under a Washington date line.

This work of our Department of Agriculture is good, as far as it goes. But it does not go far enough, for asy quick results. Most of the flax grown in the United States, outside of the Salem district, is coarse, and suitable for the making only of the coarser fabrics, such as rugs, toweling, etc. The fiber produced in the Salem district is suitable for the finest linens. It is as good as the best the world produces. The heads of the "office of fiber investigations" know this.

The way to get quick action is to make the tariff on linens high; very high. Then it would be entirely within the bounds of good business policy to encourage the manufacturing of linens in this country by furnishing reliable concerns the money with which to build linen mills. The British government does this, in Canada, and in some of her other colonial possessions. Salem is bound to be a flax manufacturing center in time; nature has decreed it. But it could be such in a very short time, if the Department of Agriculture were given power and directed to do something more than investigate, and backed up by tariff regulations that would guarantee the success of manufacturing institutions in this field.

IMPROVEMENT GOES ON

The following are excerpts from the current weekly financial letter of Henry Clews, the Wall Street authority:
"The unemployment conference has plainly developed the fact that the number of men out of work in the country is very much less than has been asserted by government statisticians. Whatever the volume of unemployment may be, it is at all events in process of being relieved through expansion of industrial demands.
"Reports made public by the Federal Reserve Board show a decidedly better productive outlook. Many plants that have heretofore been running on extremely short time have within recent weeks enlarged their activity.
"The growth of export trade within the last few weeks has been decidedly encouraging.
"Many products which have heretofore been nearly unsaleable are beginning to move. Included among them are oil, copper, hemp and leather.
"Progressive improvement of credit conditions continue to be observed.
"Already the high interest rate offerings of the past few months are showing material modification, the cost of money on a given type of security being fully 1 per cent off, as compared with the situation last spring. Prompt absorption of the new Argentine loan shows that the investor is looking with a more favorable eye on foreign securities."

ANNOUNCEMENT

On Account of the
JEWISH HOLIDAYS
(The Day of Atonement)
This Store will remain closed
ALL DAY WEDNESDAY
TODAY
CAPITAL HARDWARE AND
FURNITURE CO.

TAX REVISION STARTS ON WAY

Transportation Tax Repeal on January 1 Has No Dissenting Vote

BIG FIGHTS ARE AHEAD

Harrison Twists Finance Committee Members for Accepting Compromise

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—The Republican compromise tax revision program was started on its way through the senate today with the adoption without a dissenting or record vote of an amendment proposing repeal on next January 1 of the transportation taxes on freight, passenger, Pullman accommodations, express packages and oil by pipe line.
There were increasing evidences, however, in the senate and behind the scenes that some other compromise proposals would not find as easy sailing. Repealing an inquiry from the Democratic side, Senator McCumber of North Dakota, announced the compromise amendments would not be offered on behalf of the Republican membership of the finance committee; that he was against some of them and that he and other committeemen reserved the right to oppose them.

Surtax Rate Fought
Senators in the so-called manufacturing "bloc" supporting the compromise amendments were set to launch their fight against the 50 per cent maximum income surtax rate amendment after its introduction. There were reports that this provision would be materially altered in the conference between the house and senate on the completed bill.
House leaders were understood to have made it plain that they would not recede from the original house maximum rate of 32 per cent. Some senators were of the opinion that the repeal of the 50 per cent surtax was likely to be made by the conferees would not be as great as 18 per cent.

Easterners To Fight
Eastern senators were ready to wage war on the compromise amendments to retain the corporation capital stock tax, but sponsors of the new tax program were confident that this not only would be put through the senate, but would be retained in conference as the house bill did not propose repeal of this section of the existing law.

Democrats generally were expected to support the surtax, estate tax, capital stock tax, corporation exemption repeal and other provisions of the compromise program. Some leaders on that side thought the minority would vote almost solidly against the completed bill unless provisions were made for increased taxes on corporations and reduced taxes on individuals having incomes of \$15,000 a year or less.

Amendments Disposed of
Before adopting the transportation tax repeal amendment, the senate voted down an amendment proposing that the repeal be effective 10 days after the passage of the bill. Disposal of these two amendments constituted all progress made today on the bill itself. Senator Smead, Republican, Utah, used much of today explaining his proposal for a manufacturers sales tax and to a political row over the tax bill between Senators Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, and Watson, Republican, Indiana.

Twitting the Republicans on the finance committee for accepting the compromise measure, Senator Harrison said he had never known the "old guard" in the senate to be put to such utter rout and surrendering without giving battle. He said it was singularly strange that Senator Lodge, the Republican leader, attended the meeting of the agricultural "bloc" and assisted "in suborning the finance committee."

Promises Suspected
Charging that "certain promises" were made to the "Wall Street interests" by the Republicans in the last campaign, the Mississippi senator declared those interests came to Washington last May to hear the "promises" fulfilled referring to the White House dinner of May 25, attended by prominent eastern bankers.
Senator Watson said that in the compromise plan the senate Republicans had gone back practically to the house bill; that the Democrats on the finance committee had made no proposals for improving the measure while it was before the committee, and that there was evidence of a filibuster by the Democrats against this and other measures in an effort to force the tariff bill over into next year as close to election time as possible.

Profits Tax Target
Senator Watson said the Republicans had kept always in mind "the one great thing promised in the last election—repeal of the excess profits tax and it was for that thing we made some concessions."

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Now the Y campaign.
It starts off very well.
If the pace can be continued, a big work and a new building are in sight.
Down at the dehydration plant, they are calling for more women. They are putting through a lot of carrots just now. Enough to
FUTURE DATES
November 21, 22 and 23—Merion comes to Teachers Institute.

make the complexions of all the east look better.
It is well to be a slave driver if the slave you drive is yourself.
It doesn't matter if hair is bobbed so long as her mind isn't.

The Salem public school buildings are overcrowded, and still the students come. The school board is up against providing more room, more desks, more supplies, and more teachers, and without any extra money to pay the costs.

The school housing problem in Salem, like the rest of the housing problem, is likely to grow worse before it grows better. Salem is not going to stop growing for a generation, if ever.

Were you ever involved in a violent argument that made you feel better afterward? Neither was anybody.

Many a man is clamoring loudly for world peace who would be willing to compromise for peace at home.

TRAFFIC CHIEF MAKES REPORT

Raffety Shows Aggregate of Fines and Violations During September

Fines assessed by Oregon courts for violation of the motor vehicle traffic laws for the month of September aggregated \$6216.50 according to a report of T. A. Raffety, chief inspector of the motor vehicle department, to Secretary of State Kozer.
Multnomah county led in the number of violations and the amount of fines, with 546 violations and \$2242 in fines. Columbia county was second with 139 violations reported and \$1503 in fines.
Counties in which violations were reported and the total amount for each in fines assessed, were:
Baker, three violations, \$40;
Benton, seven violations, \$40;
Clackamas, 52 violations, \$432.20;
Clatsop, 13 violations, \$110;
Columbia, 139 violations, \$1503;
Douglas, two violations, \$15;

Harney, three violations, \$8;
Hood River, 19 violations, \$143;
Jackson, seven violations, \$63;
Klamath, 23 violations, \$102;
Lane, 30 violations, \$221;
Linn, five violations, \$65;
Marion, 32 violations, \$280;
Multnomah, 546 violations, \$2242;
Polk, 11 violations, \$82.50;
Tillamook, 19 violations, \$169;
Umatilla, one violation, license revoked;
Union, three violations, \$27;
Washington, 32 violations, \$274.
Total in fines, \$6216.50.

The report speaks at length of travels of the state of inspectors about the state and of improvement of the traffic regulations of the state. Loadometers recently have been out into use with considerable effectiveness in apprehending truck operators who have had a tendency to overload.
Work of the inspectors in Pendleton during the Roundup, at McMinnville during the American legion convention and in Salem during the state fair is recited in the report.

Joseph Schiedler Deeds Land to His Children

Joseph Schiedler, living close to Scotts Mills, is dividing much of his property to his children. Five deeds of gift were filed for record yesterday.
To his son, George Schiedler, the father deeded 200 acres of land in section 21 and 22, T 6 S R 1 E. This land is in the section just west and adjoining the town of Scotts Mills.
To his son Frank Schiedler there is deeded 165 acres. This also is located adjoining Scotts Mills.
To Adolph S. Schiedler, the father deeded 200 acres adjoining that given his other sons.
To his son Joseph Schiedler, Jr. there is given a tract of 100 acres.
To his daughters Barbara and Catherine, there is deeded a tract of 68 acres adjoining other lands deeded to his sons. However, in the deed to his daughters, he reserves a life interest.
On the five deeds, the consideration is given as "natural love and affection." A total of 523 acres was deeded by Schiedler to his children.

UTAH AGGIES WIN

LOGAN, Utah, Oct. 11.—The Utah Agricultural college football eleven today defeated the University of Wyoming 14 to 3.

PEOPLE'S CASH STORE

STORE CLOSED WEDNESDAY

On Account of a Jewish Holiday.

For Thursday—A Selling Event You Cannot Afford to Miss

Look

For Our **Big List** of **Money Savers**

In Tomorrow's Paper

"Shop Where the Crowds Buy"

WAIT!
and see the big bargain offerings in tomorrow's paper for Thursday's selling.

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Vacuum packed
rare fine
coffee

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