

# MILLIONAIRES ASK INCOMES BE CONSCRIPTED

Rich Men Appear Before Ways and Means Committee of House and Request a Graduated Increase on the Super-Tax on Incomes and a Taking Over by the Government of All Income Over \$100,000.

BY GILSON GARDNER.  
WASHINGTON, May 7.—A marked impression evidently was made of the ways and means committee by the testimony of several millionaires who asked the committee that their incomes be conscripted for war purposes. Among those who appeared were Sumner Gerard, Amos Pinchot and Robert Scripps. They asked for a graduated increase on the super-tax on incomes and taking over by the government of all incomes over \$100,000.

**A New Experience.**  
"You have helped the committee very much, gentlemen," said Chairman Claude Kitchin. "It is a new experience to listen to men who are not trying to get us to tax the other fellow."  
"We have on our hands the problem of raising \$1,600,000,000 of new revenue by taxation.  
Many people come here and a lot of these have plans for raising money. They all say they know how to levy taxes to raise all the money we need.  
"I tell them to give me the figures on raising \$1,600,000,000. Most any of them can show \$600,000,000.  
"I think there is much to be said in favor of your proposition, and I am glad to have the members of my committee hear it."

The revenue bill is being drawn by a sub-committee of the ways and means committee, made up of Chairman Kitchin, Representatives Lincoln Dixon of Indiana and Rainey of Illinois, democrats, with the two republicans, Joseph Fordney of Michigan and Nicholas Longworth of Ohio.  
**Approved in Ohio.**  
The democrats have indicated their approval of the plan to take all or nearly all incomes above \$100,000. Fordney is frankly opposed to it; Longworth favors the principle, but leans toward the plan to take only about 60 per cent of incomes above \$100,000.  
"What would you think of a plan," asked Longworth, "to take about \$45,000 from every income of \$200,000? That would be about four times what we are taking now."  
Pinchot thought this would be letting the rich off easy.  
"I am no more anxious to get rid of my income than other people are," he said.

"I like money and what it will buy, but I realize war is not a pink tea, and that when we are asking other people to give their lives—the rich should not hesitate to deny themselves a little and get along on a pittance like \$100,000 a year."

**Give Up Pink Teas.**  
"It might involve hardships such as dispensing with some servants, giving up a city house or two, but it seems only right that the rich should do their bit."  
Sumner Gerard said he knew many rich people in New York who were imbued with patriotism enough to be willing to accept government conscription of incomes of over \$100,000. He said he personally knew a half dozen families who had laid off at least a dozen servants apiece and had put their living on a basis of almost the bare necessities.

This, if remedied by many rich people, he said, might have a tendency to reduce the cost of living for the poor by increasing the amount of food available for people of smaller incomes and forcing into productive industry men and women who have been more ornamental than useful.

## NATIONAL GUARDSMEN GIVEN PREFERENCE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—Enlisted men of National Guard organizations who have taken the oath for federal service are to be selected for training in the officers' reserve corps. It was announced here today by the western department of the United States army. Under the ruling of the war department, the regimental commanders of the National Guard in nine western states may designate the quotas for immediate training. The states affected and the number of men to be selected are as follows: California, 146; Washington, 56; Oregon, 54; Idaho, 25; Montana, 27; Wyoming, 18; Utah, 20; New Mexico, 27; Arizona, 25.  
Preference is to be given the enlisted men of the National Guard,

# BOMB TRIAL "FRAME-UP" SINISTER EFFORT TO THROTTLE LABOR FEDERAL COURT HOLDS FIRST TERM IN NEW QUARTERS

Tremendous Stakes at Issue in Western Bomb Murder Cases—Noose About Unionists' Necks in Labor's Greatest Stronghold—Powerful Forces Backing District Attorney Accused of Diabolical Plot.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—The preparedness parade bomb murder cases here, with their recent sensational developments, are today the focal point in a momentous contest between labor and its organized enemies.  
The fate of Tom Mooney, sentenced to be hanged May 17, involves tremendous issues in the greatest organized labor stronghold in America.  
On the eve of the trials of Mrs. Rena Mooney and Israel Weinberg, other defendants, and Mooney's scheduled execution, the charge of framed evidence and a diabolical plot to swear away innocent lives has been hurled against District Attorney Charles Fickert and those who have backed him.

**Amazing Developments.**  
Investigation of these accusations were begun both by grand jury and before the courts where Frank C. Oxman, star witness against Mooney, was haled on a charge of subornation of perjury.  
These amazing developments came with the publication of letters sent by Oxman, a millionaire Oregon cattleman, to Frank E. Rigall, a Grayville, Ill., hotel man.  
The Oxman letters sought to induce Rigall to testify that he had been with the former at the scene of the San Francisco bomb explosion when ten persons were killed and 50 injured, although Rigall was then in the East.

These letters were regarded of such importance that Superior Judge Frank Griffin said, in laying the case before the attorney general's office: "Granted New Trial."  
"Had they been presented before I sentenced Mooney I should have granted him a new trial."

District Attorney Fickert, who acknowledges the validity of the Oxman letters to Rigall, knew of them during Mooney's trial. The defense did not.

This is but one link in an astounding chain of alleged frame-up to hang men and a woman, avowing their innocence, who are identified prominently with labor organizations.  
And for that reason only, asserted the defense.

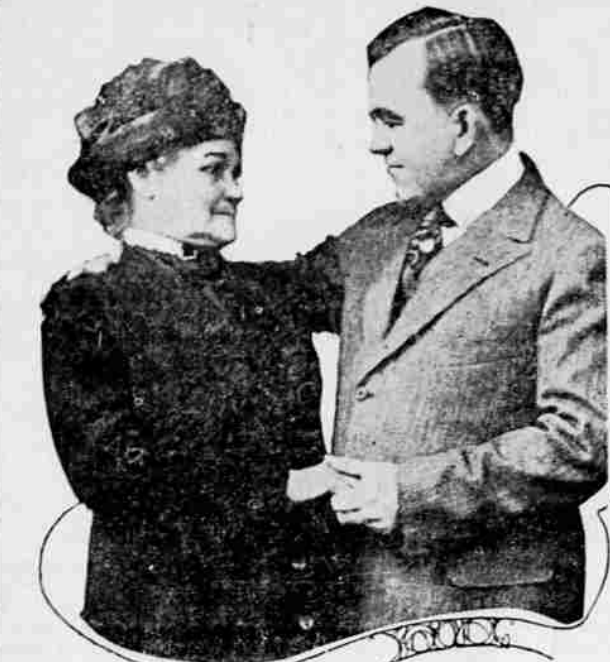
**Indicting Labor.**  
In putting the noose around Mooney's neck and Warren K. Billings in prison for life, the forces behind the prosecution believed they were indicting labor with the neutral public and were setting to work forces that would shatter its organized strength.  
The trials began at a time when powerful antagonists of labor in California had raised a million-dollar fund to break up unionism and were extremely active politically toward that end.

Potential witnesses whose information did not jibe with District Attorney Fickert's case against the Mooneys, Billings, Weinberg and Nolan were turned away, and clues they had given as to the identity of the real bomb murderers were not even investigated.

Defense attorneys have substantiated these claims.  
**Fickert on Defensive.**  
The Rigall developments have put Fickert and his star witness Oxman on the defensive in the courts and before the public. The entire fabric of Oxman's testimony in the cases already tried and those still to come has been attacked because of the light in which he placed himself in the Rigall letters.

The chamber of commerce, through a "law and order" committee, has rushed to the defense of Fickert and has offered attorney's services and other aid while leaders of organized labor and prominent citizens have as strongly arrayed themselves behind the defense in demanding a new trial for Mooney.

So important has become the "background" in the bomb cases that the principals, the actual defendants, seem today the least important figures in this tense drama of political and industrial forces.  
**YOUNG MOTHERS**  
The young expectant mother has the right to know more about those secret processes of nature which mean so much to her and her child. The discomfort which precedes the birth of the child is due to a great extent to the tension on the drawn skin of the abdomen.  
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Thomas J. Mooney and his mother. Mooney is sentenced to be hanged on May 17. Following frame-up charges, the judge who sentenced him immediately asked the attorney general of California for a confession of error and a new trial in the Mooney case.

## BREWERS USING SMALL QUANTITY OF NATION'S GRAIN 3000 EGGS OFFERED FOR INCUBATING AT FEDERAL BUILDING

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Headed by Gustave Pabst, a delegation representing the brewers of the United States was heard today by the senate agricultural committee on Senator Gronna's bill to forbid the manufacture of grain into alcoholic liquors during the war. The delegation declared that the brewing interests are ready to cooperate with the government in any way and did not ask consideration from any standpoint other than of fair dealing and public policy.  
The actual amount of grain used in brewing, principally barley, they told the committee, represents less than three-quarters of one per cent of all the grain produced in the United States.  
From these figures the brewers argued that the brewing industry was too small a factor to be considered in food conservation.

## FRENCH GAIN NEW POINTS

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ions streamed out of Elan Wood to attack Froimout Farm which stands mid-way between Chevregny and Hill 185. They were practically annihilated.

It would seem difficult for the Germans to prevent the French from reaching the Oise canal and Aisne river on this part of the front. The famous Chemin-Des-Dames, the key of the whole section, is now in great part in possession of the French, in several places they have even gone beyond it. It was the possession of this road which enabled the Germans to hold up the French advance for so long. Its capture alone shows the importance of the success gained by General Nivelle in the battles of Saturday and Sunday.

**Germans Report Victory.**  
BERLIN, May 7.—All the German positions between the Soissons-Laon road and Aisles and north of Laon have been maintained, says the statement issued today by the German army headquarters staff. The Germans, it is added, also were successful in the Aisne battle. The Germans have captured 728 men since Saturday. Four British and French airplanes were brought down yesterday on the western front.

The German announcement says: "We still hold the village of Chevregny."  
The staff headquarters announcement says that the battle is spreading to the east of the village of Bullecourt.

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**MOTHER'S FRIEND**

## HOLDS FIRST TERM IN NEW QUARTERS

The splendid court room in the new federal building was used for the first time Monday when at 2 o'clock this afternoon the special term of federal court for southern Oregon was convened, with United States Judge C. E. Wolverton of Portland, presiding, and with District Attorney Clarence L. Reames and Assistant District Attorney Burnett H. Goldstein looking after the government's side of the cases to be tried. United States Marshal John Montague and Deputy Marshal McSwain, also of Portland, are in attendance, as is Assistant Clerk of the United States Court Kenneth Frazer.

All the officials expressed their admiration for the fine court room and its arrangements. Judge Wolverton being especially pleased with the private offices for the judge immediately in the rear of the court room. The court room and its appointments surpass any other court room in Oregon.

**Selecting Jurors.**  
Most of the afternoon was spent in selecting a jury from the venire of fifty well known men summoned from Jackson, Klamath and other southern Oregon counties. So far as was known Monday noon but three cases were to be tried at this session of the court, and all three are bootlegging or liquor cases from the Indian reservation in Klamath county. As is usual in such cases many Klamath Indians are in the city either as witnesses, sightseers or principals.

The first case to be tried is that of the United States government against three Klamath Indians, Bidwell Riddle, Foster Barkeley and Harry Brown. They are accused of having introduced liquor on the reservation on August 18 last. It is charged that in automobiles they gathered up a quantity of liquor which they had concealed in the bushes some distance from Ft. Klamath, and took it back to the reservation, turning the occasion into an hilarious joy ride, and precipitating a small sized riot when they reached their destination. They are being defended by Attorney Everett Johnson of Portland.

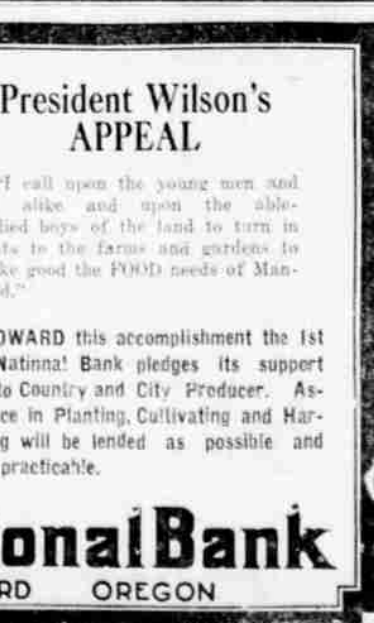
**Sold Indians Liquor.**  
The second case to be tried is that of the government against Tom Bartel, who claims to be a horse trader, who is charged with selling liquor on January 3 to Reynold Mose, a Klamath Indian. It has been expected that he would be represented at the trial by A. W. Lafferty, former member of congress from Portland, but there were rumors Monday that Lafferty might not be able to come here from Portland and that Judge Wolverton might have to appoint a local attorney to defend Bartel.

The third case to be tried is that of the government against Buck Anderson and A. W. Saunders, who are charged with bringing liquor onto the Klamath reservation on January 13. They will be defended by ex-Judge Webster of Portland, who is a former circuit judge of Klamath county.

his desperate efforts to arrest our offensive.

"Among the prisoners taken from the two divisions in the earlier stages of the present fighting, fifty percent were boys of 19. Their morale was very poor, which is attributed to the fact that they have a clearer conception of conditions in Germany than their older comrades and realize the hopelessness of the struggle."

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