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WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The war profits plan adopted by the house, broadly, for a levy of 80 per cent on corporate profits exceeding 10 per cent on invested capital, plus a flat exemption of \$3000 over profits of a pre-war period.

With little discussion the estate or inheritance tax rates, graduated and ranging from three per cent on \$50,000 estates to forty per cent on those exceeding \$10,000,000 were adopted.

In as quick time the house adopted the taxes on transportation and communication. These include three per cent on freight, one cent for each twenty cents on express, eight per cent on passenger tickets, the reduction from 10 to 8 per cent on Pullman accommodations, the increase from 5 to 6 per cent on oil pipe line transportation and slightly increased taxes on telephone, telegraph and similar messages.

The new tax of ten per cent on private leased wires, except for press service, also was approved without discussion.

MORE AMERICAN REFUGEES FROM RUSSIA REACH SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Another party of refugees from Russia, numbering 500 persons, and including 60 American and British civilians, arrived yesterday at Haparanda. In the party were 400 Italian officers and soldiers.

"What has become of the mean cuss who used to say that Great Britain would win the war if she had to sacrifice every Frenchman to do it?" asks the Webster City Freeman-Journal. "He is probably out behind the barn holding communion with the equally mean cuss who insisted that England and France would save their own men by putting American soldiers in the front line trenches before they were ready."

Coughed Fifteen Years: Coughs that hang on and grow worse in the night and weaken the sufferer are relieved by Foley's Honey and Tar oftener than by any other remedy. R. F. Hall, Mabe, Va., writes: "For 15 years I was afflicted with a troublesome bronchial cough and irritation of the throat. Foley's Honey and Tar relieved me; after taking one bottle the cough ceased and has not returned."

CLAXTON SHOULD GO.

THE patriotic nation-wide movement to bar the German language from American schools and colleges had its origin in the discovery that the teaching of German in the United States was part and parcel of the plan to Germanize America and spread the ideals of "kultur" among Americans—to keep the Germans in this country from becoming assimilated, to keep them Germans and subjects of the kaiser and secret enemies of the land of their adoption.

The German propaganda as disclosed in the exposure of the activities of the German-American alliance, is responsible for the maintenance of German language schools in German population centers and for the vogue German has had in our public school system. In many districts it has gone so far that only German is taught and English is barred—in others the two tongues are on an equal basis.

The German government planned to make parts of America a German colony and sought by clandestine methods, the cultivation of pro-German sentiment—for in no way could the kaiser's purposes be carried out better than by keeping the German language alive and increasing public knowledge of it, so that the infernal doctrines of kultur would permeate through German literature and poison the minds of German-Americans as they have the people of Germany.

As an effective protest against this insidious Germanizing of America, the teaching of German has been largely stopped, and should cease altogether. There is no reason why public funds should be expended in promulgating an enemy language used as an instrument to advance ideals abhorrent to civilization. People who want to speak German should return to Germany. There is no reason why the language of America is not good enough for those who live in America.

The teaching of German has however, found an advocate in the person of Philander P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education, who thinks the movement to bar German is a "form of emotional hysteria." He believes that all American school children should study German and be able to speak it. He opposes further raids on the lying, false, misleading German text books and hopes that they will be restored after the war is over. He says:

"I consider the nation-wide movement to eliminate the German language from public schools and ordinary affairs of social and commercial life, a form of emotional hysteria and oppose such a course."

"I oppose the elimination of the German language because when this world war is over and the nations settle back to peaceful pursuits we will have to deal with 130,000,000 people of the German type. Commercially, in the future, Americans will have more to do with the Germans than ever, also, we are not fighting the German language, which is so rich in literary association."

Claxton was born in Tennessee, received his early education in the public schools, but was a student two years in Germany, returning to teach German in this country. He became professor of German at the North Carolina State Normal college and is an ardent admirer of German literature. He has been commissioner of education since 1911—but in the minds of patriotic Americans has served quite long enough.

Germans will have to learn to speak English after the war if they wish to trade with America. They had no difficulty in acquiring it before the war. Besides no true American ever wants to buy anything made in Germany hereafter—not at least until the German people become civilized.

As for literature, there is just as much need to learn French, Russian, Italian and Spanish as German. Most of recent kultur permeated, kaiser canting modern German literature is not fit to read anyway.

It is more important for Americans to learn French than any other language. No people are closer to American hearts than the French people. No other nation will be closer associated, commercially, industrially and socially than France, for America must aid in repairing the ruin of the Hun. The ties with Italy will also be close and no literature or art is richer than the Italian.

From a strictly commercial viewpoint, Spanish and Russian are far more important than German. Spanish is spoken from the American border to Cape Horn and in the Philippines, while Russia, sprawling over nearly half the globe, will be the scene of the greatest development of the future.

It appears now that the kaiser has an ally in carrying out his propaganda in Professor Claxton, vice president of a peace league, and a member of two peace societies than any other high government official. There ought to be no room on Uncle Sam's payroll for the distinguished pacifist and advocate of the German language in America.

PAPER WORKERS CALL OFF STRIKE

OREGON CITY, Ore., Sept. 19.—Striking paper mill workers who went out last October in a strike affecting Camas, West Linn, Lebanon and Oregon City mills, have voted to call off the strike. The mills were able to secure enough employees to operate, which had the effect of prolonging the strike. President Wilson's labor mediation commission, on its transcontinental tour some months ago, investigated the strike and in the report issued from Washington, scored the employers.

A conference recently held in San Francisco between officials of the Crown-Willamette Paper company and the Hawley Pulp & Paper company, the two employing interests affected, is said to have resulted in the strike settlement. It was announced that the non-union agreement which workers previously were forced to sign, had been done away with and that strikers would not be discriminated against. Other union demands were refused. On this basis a settlement was reached.

HUNS SOLD SERB PRISONERS TO TURKS

PARIS, Wednesday, Sept. 18.—The Serbian government is in possession of documents proving beyond question that thousands of Serbian prisoners have been sold as slaves for a specified period to Turkey by Bulgaria, Austro-Hungary and Germany, according to a Balkan agency dispatch from Corfu. The prisoners, it is said, were subjected to terrible treatment and thousands have died from typhus, cholera and hunger.

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BETRAYAL OF RUMANIANS BY GERMAN TOOLS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The betrayal of Rumania, and elaborate advance plans of Germany and her Russian Bolshevik tools for suppressing and murdering loyal Rumanians, Russians and Poles, are exposed in detail by today's chapters of the astounding secret Russian documents which the American government is giving to the public.

Other installments of the series have described how the Bolshevik leaders, Lenin and Trotsky and their associates, were bought by the Germans for millions in gold and engineered their bloody overthrow of Russia for the benefit of their masters. Now the story is told of how, while the Brest-Litovsk conference farce still was in progress, the Bolsheviks were sending hired agents into Rumania to disorganize the armies of Russia's ally, dethrone the Rumanian king and turn loose the German armies occupied there for service in a great offensive on the western front.

The second phase of the latest disclosure shows the Bolsheviks, at German direction, undertaking not only to kill refractory Russian generals, but to shoot individually and wholesale Polish soldiers who were refusing to be sold to the Germans and patriotically keeping the field against their enemies. One of the documents transmits orders from the German intelligence service to "take most decisive measures, up to shooting en masse against Polish troops" and to institute surveillance of institutions and persons including the Roman Catholic Polish clergy.

Explanatory notes by Edgar Sisson who obtained the documents, and many details lacking in the papers themselves, include a story of how the Rumanian minister barely escaped assassination after being arrested by the Bolsheviks and released thru the efforts of Ambassador Francis and other diplomats.

GERMANS FIRE UPON BELGIAN RELIEF SHIPS

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 19.—The Norwegian steamship Bjornstjerne-Bornsen, in the service of the Belgian Relief Commission, has arrived at a Norwegian port for repairs, having been fired on outside the war zone by a German submarine.

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The following casualties are reported by the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces: Killed in action, 59; missing in action, 68; wounded severely, 52; died of wounds, 22; died from accidents, 4; wounded, degree undetermined, 8; died of disease, 17; prisoners, 3. Total, 263. Marine corps casualties: Killed in action, 3; died of wounds received in action, 4; wounded in action (severely), 2. Total, 9. The following are from Pacific coast states: Killed in action: Privates Dominick Bartolero, Seattle; Eric J. Oslin, Seattle. Died of disease: Private Sidney S. Etter, Portland, Ore. Died from airplane accident: Lieut. C. L. Kohlmeier, Los Angeles. Wounded severely: Privates Conrad C. Cockerline, Estacada, Ore.; Frank Kelly, San Francisco; Latney Y. Montagne, San Diego; Emery W. Jibble, Tacoma, Wash.; Victor Morcan, North Yakima. Wounded, degree undetermined: Private Roy J. Hall, St. John, Wash. Missing in action: Privates Joseph N. Busse, Seattle; Orlo E. Elfers, Auburn, Wash.; Wendell W. Holm, Chetoharbor, Wash.; Sylvain Hourcle, San Francisco; John Lauter, Walla Walla, Wash. Marine corps casualties—Killed in action: Corp. Manuel Souza, Jr., Cambrai, Cal.

FRENCH REBUILDING AMIENS FROM RUINS

PARIS, Sept. 15.—The French government is supervising the return of French citizens to their homes in Amiens, which were abandoned after the German offensive last March. The first to be admitted were artisans organized to repair houses and buildings damaged by shell fire. The works of art and sculpture in the cathedral were not harmed. One house in every 25 has been found damaged.

FAKE ARTILLERY TRICK OF GERMANS

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE LORRAINE FRONT, Sept. 18.—(By the Associated Press). A German trick designed to deceive the allies has been discovered in the St. Mihiel salient, where the Germans abandoned large quantities of decoy artillery, big guns, little guns, mortars and even machine guns, made of wood and sheets of iron and tin. This

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