

ENGLAND'S TAX ON INCOMES IS RECOVERY HELP

Budget Balanced by Boosting Taxes and Cutting Government Expenditures — No One Escapes Levy

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—"Great Britain faced a financial crisis in 1931. She met it by balancing her budget. She balanced her budget both by decreasing expenditures and by increasing taxes. Great Britain's recovery since 1931 has been more rapid and sustained than ours.

"On the contrary, we have tried to spend our way out of the depression and in five years have increased our national debt by over thirteen billion dollars. New and increased taxes are inevitable if our budget is to be balanced and a beginning made on the reduction of the debt. But if new taxes are levied merely to make possible greater expenditures the burden on our national economy will be almost unbearable.

In this way John C. Gebhart, Director of Research of the National Economy League, summarizes a comparison of taxation in Great Britain and the United States, made public today by the League.

E. Roland Harriman, managing chairman of the League, in releasing Mr. Gebhart's paper to the press, pointed out that it represents a wholly impartial study of taxation in the two countries undertaken before congress was urged to consider the pending tax bill. The league has at no time endorsed any specific tax measure.

"Mr. Gebhart's study," said Mr. Harriman, "was undertaken for the sole purpose of uncovering the facts concerning taxation in Great Britain and the United States under existing law. It is now made available to the press in the hope that its publication will give the American people a clearer understanding of taxation in Great Britain, whose budget is in balance, and in the United States, which is going farther and farther into the red. The comparison deeply impressed us and for that reason is now made available to the American public."

Mr. Harriman recalled that on the eve of the convening of the present Congress the National Economy League formally presented to the President and the Congress a carefully prepared and balanced budget for the fiscal year which began July 1 and strongly urged its adoption.

Mr. Gebhart's comparison indicates that our English cousins prefer to take their medicine straight. They "know" they are paying taxes, but are doing so in order to keep their budget in balance. On the other hand, the bulk of the internal revenue now received by the United States treasury is in the form of indirect taxes.

John Bull, the study shows, while placing very heavy taxes on the incomes of those in the upper brackets—somewhat higher than present American rates—did not hesitate to tax incomes in the middle and even the lower brackets. For example, a married Englishman with a net income of \$3,000 pays \$314.42 into the exchequer while an American in the same class pays a modest \$18.80. If a married Englishman without children is fortunate enough to have a net income of \$3,000 he must surrender \$711.52. An American similarly situated pays \$99.90.

The comparison shows that individual income tax collections, including surtax, in the United States fell off 67.8 per cent between 1929 and 1932, while in Great Britain collections for every year except 1934 exceeded collections in 1929.

In 1934 the national government of Great Britain collected \$1,368,198,000 in income and surtax, or \$30.22 per capita. The United States treasury in the same year collected from these sources only \$419,509,000, or \$13.34 per capita.

Now That Huey Runs New Orleans, Louisiana Near Absolute Monarchy

He Makes Other State Bosses Seem Like "Pikers"

Powers For a Dictator
BATON ROUGE, La.—(AP)—Rounding out United States Senator Huey P. Long's dictatorship, the sixth extraordinary session of the Louisiana legislature in the past 12 months gave him the following powers:

1. Absolute control of expenditure of state funds, through the state board of liquidation.
2. Absolute control of local patronage, by placing all non-elective state and municipal officers under the state civil service commission and virtually ending local self-government.
3. Absolute control of the state's 12,000 school teachers, by giving the state budget commission the right to hire and fire teachers.

Collection of municipal tax, control of police, and administrative machinery of city governments in Louisiana are thus placed in Long's hands.

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NEW ORLEANS—(AP)—Under the rule of Huey P. Long, the state of Louisiana has been turned into as near an absolute monarchy as is possible on the soil of the United States.

Long dominates every public function except the church and the press. Ironically, his latest acquisition of powers came on Independence day, when, through his legislature, he took over control of motion pictures through a board of censorship and placed under his jurisdiction all school teachers and every other non-elective employe of the state, parishes and municipalities.

Capture of New Orleans
Before Huey's latest trip to Louisiana, the city of New Orleans, under the leadership of Mayor T. Semmes Walmesley, represented an organized hotbed of anti-Longism. When he left Louisiana July 17 the Walmesley organization was wrecked and control of the city of half a million population was in his grasp.

Walmesley still was mayor in title but Long had stripped him of almost every vestige of power.

Long took over the purse of New Orleans by placing taxes and licenses under state control. By the same means he obtained control of the city policemen and firemen, the sewerage and water department and he can control all other departments by controlling the money.

Through his legislature he can do the same to any other city.

Long's Duration
How long will he last? His devoted followers say he will grow in power until he dies. His enemies say he will collapse at the next election.

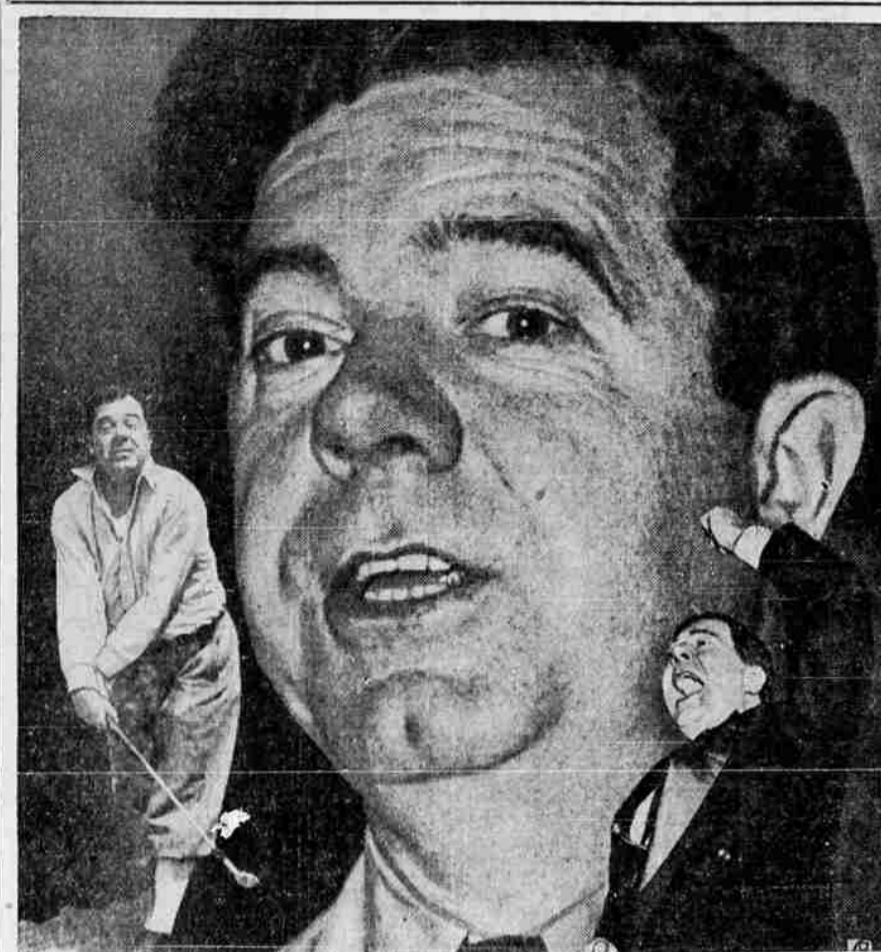
Persons who think in terms of practical politics say it will take a long siege to "break" him. They explain that Long has all that goes to make a strong political organization—money, jobs, control of police and militia, and control of election machinery. He has a ruthless knack of punishing his enemies and holding out a liberal hand to his friends.

Only one organization threatens to stop him—the Square Deal association.

This group, organized in every parish, is working under cover to doze Long's candidates for the state legislature, on the assumption that if he is stripped of legislative control his empire will crumble.

Other Bosses "Pikers"
Another hope of the anti-Longs is in the break between Long and the national administration.

There have been other state bosses, but never did they have Huey's power. If they rise from their graves, Pennrose of Pennsylvania, Tweed of New York, Hannah of Ohio, Sullivan of Illinois, and Taggard of Indiana would cast an eye toward Louisiana and brand themselves "pikers" as bosses.



Putting all other state "dictators" to shame, Huey P. Long has taken into his hands almost every political power that exists in Louisiana. Here is a recent picture of Senator Long. At left, he is seen in a "moment of relaxation" on the golf course; at right, he is pouring forth one of those harangues that has earned him the reputation as a cham-plain stump speaker.

They bossed controlling factions but they had real battles at the polls. Never did they think they could absorb a whole state's activities with only feeble opposition.

Huey Long has done this. With a yawn, he mutters: "It looks like the show is over. Everybody is for Huey Long."

Has Eye on Presidency
Who is this Huey Long?
He was christened Huey Pierce Long in the Baptist church 42 years ago. His father, grubbed for a living on a pig farm in the red hills section of middle Louisiana. He was poorly educated in the country schools, had one year at college and one year at law school.

He became a book salesman, a lard salesman, a politician, a governor, a United States senator and then boss politician of the state. He is classed as an able lawyer, a champion stump speaker and a cunning political strategist.

He cherishes the presidency of the United States. Failing in that, he hopes to be a President-maker.

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C.C.C. CATERPILLAR FIRST VEHICLE TO MAKE AGNESS TRIP

GRANTS PASS, Aug. 12.—(Sp.)—Pushing trees, rocks and brush out of its way or cutting a path out of the mountain sides where necessary, and taking advantage of ridges and open spaces where possible, a caterpillar road builder was taken to the Agness CCC camp recently—the first time any equipment on wheels has been taken to Agness by land.

Heretofore all heavy equipment has been taken up the Rogue river from Gold Beach by boat. Difficulties experienced on the river, however, made the forest officials try the overland job.

The feat was considered impossible by many officials of the Siskiyou forest, but others were just as staunch in the belief that it could be done. Word of the accomplishment was received at the Siskiyou forestry headquarters here Saturday and announced by A. G. Jackson, assistant forester.

ROXY ANN BLAZE QUENCHED SUNDAY

The 60-horse power machine was taken by three CCC men up Pistol river from the coast highway over the road built last summer to the Wild-horse guard station, a distance of about 25 miles from the highway. From the station the men had to make their own rough trail.

For three days the cumbersome but powerful machine was driven thru 11 miles of trackless forest of the Illinois-Rogue river district. Trees had to be pushed down, rocks moved aside, and trail had to be cut out of steep mountain sides. Wherever possible the machine was driven along ridges where brush was about the only difficulty, or put through natural open meadows.

The Illinois river was forded near the mouth, and the bulldozer was driven across the Agness bridge to the CCC camp. The three men and their machine had opened an entirely new route for taking heavy machinery into the heart of the Rogue river wilderness.

Though the rough trail will not be suitable for taking trucks to Agness as yet, tractors and trail-builders will have much less difficulty in going over the route in the future because most of the "rough spots" were "knocked off," forest officials indicated.

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The grass and brush fire, which Saturday afternoon and night raged over the flanks of Roxy Ann, burning 1000 acres before being brought under control by CCC men and state forest patrol officers, was completely out before 11 o'clock yesterday morning. It was reported today by District Warden Dwight Phillips.

Damage to fences in the neighborhood was estimated at \$50, and a flock of about a dozen turkeys was "trapped" and burned by the blaze. There was no further damage, as the land is not used even for grazing at this time of year.

The fire was brought under control about 10 o'clock Saturday night, but the CCC men were kept on duty for some time later, and 25 remained at the scene all night to prevent a fresh outbreak from smoldering stumps and roots. A small crew was also kept on duty at the scene of a 140-acre blaze near Beagle after the fire was out, to prevent a possible spread. Phillips spiked the rumor that there had been a serious fire in the Crater Lake district over the weekend.

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HIT-AND-RUNNER GOES TO POLICE

PORTLAND, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Alexander H. McKenzie, Jr., was booked for hit-and-run after he had been surrendered to police early today by his father in connection with the death Saturday night of Charles Doss.

Doss, 64, was fatally injured when he was struck by an automobile as he was walking across a street intersection.

Police said McKenzie told them his car struck the man when he averted to avoid two women pedestrians.

The death of Doss brought the traffic toll to 47 here for the police fiscal year.

SHIELDS HUMBLER BY 'BITSY' GRANT

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Bryan M. (Betsy) Grant, the David Jenkins, has added another Goliath to his long list of opponents.

The diminutive Atlanta player administered a startling defeat yesterday to Frank Shields of New York, husky movie actor and third ranking player in the country, to win the Eastern grass courts singles championship.

They battled for five long sets, more than two hours and a half, with Grant having enough left in the last set to lumbie his opponent, 6-8, 6-3, 6-4, 7-9, 6-4.

The Davis cup doubles combination of Wilmer Allison and John Vay Bryn won the doubles championship in a drawn-out match with Wilmer Hines of Columbia, S.C., and Henry M. Cully of Santa Barbara, Calif. The score was 6-1, 6-3, 14-12, 2-6, 6-2.

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