

# ONE CENT IS TO BE EXCISE TAX ON SUGAR

### Rate On Coffee and Tea Also To Be Materially Increased Is Decision of Senate Finance Committee Which Is Working On Revision of War Revenue Bill

## INCOME EXEMPTION WILL BE MUCH LOWERED

### New Revenue Producing Measure Will Take in All In Excess of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and Produce More Than Twenty-seven Million Over Estimates

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, August 1—The members of the senate finance committee have practically decided to increase the excise tax on sugar, coffee and tea over those provided in the War Revenue Bill as it was reported to the senate from committee some weeks ago and then regarded as completed. The amount of the increases has not been announced, with the exception of the increase upon sugar, which is to be an additional half cent, bringing the total consumption tax up to one cent a pound.

A material increase in the tax on incomes of corporations and individuals is settled and the developments of the day include the cutting down of the limit for this additional income tax so that it will take in incomes of \$15,000 and over. The plan on Monday was to place the additional levies on incomes from \$20,000 and up.

It is now estimated that the additional tax upon corporation incomes will raise \$162,000,000 over the first estimate of income, while there will be an additional total of \$27,600,000 from the increased levy upon individual incomes.

## Taxes Originally Proposed

The War Revenue Bill as reported to the senate three weeks ago provided excise taxes upon sugar, tea, coffee and cocoa. The clauses dealing with these were:

"Section 900—That there shall be levied, assessed, collected and paid: (a) Upon all coffee or substitutes therefor produced or imported and sold, or removed for consumption or sale, a tax of two cents per pound, to be paid by the producer or importer;

(b) Upon all tea produced or imported, and sold, or removed for consumption or sale (except impure tea, tea waste, tea siftings or sweepings, for manufacturing purposes in bond, pursuant to the provisions of the act of May 16, 1908), a tax of five cents per pound, such taxes to be paid by the producer or importer;

(c) Upon all crude cocoa produced or imported, and sold, or removed for consumption or sale, a tax of three cents per pound, and upon all prepared or manufactured cocoa and chocolate imported and sold, or removed for consumption or sale, a tax of five cents per pound, such taxes to be paid by the producer or importer;

(d) Upon (1) all refined sugar refined or imported, and sold, or removed for consumption as an article of human food without further refining, and sold or removed for consumption or sale, a tax of one-half cent per pound, to be paid by the refiner, manufacturer, or importer;

(e) Upon all saccharine or similar products, glucose, grape sugar, syrup of cane juice, and molasses, produced or imported, and sold, or removed for consumption or sale, a tax of \$2.50 per gallon in the case of saccharine or similar products, one-fourth of a cent per pound in the case of glucose and grape sugar, one cent per gallon in the case of molasses (except beet molasses) and syrup of cane juice, testing by polariscope above forty degrees and not above fifty-six degrees, and two cents per gallon in the case of molasses and syrup of cane juice testing above fifty-six degrees, such taxes to be paid by the producer or importer.

"Only one tax under this section shall be paid with respect to any article, irrespective of change of form by manufacture or other process."

"Section 902—That so much of paragraph 9 of section IV of the Act entitled 'An Act to reduce tariff duties and to provide revenue for the Government, and for other purposes,' approved October third, nineteen hundred and thirteen, as authorizes a drawback upon sugar is hereby repealed."

## CIVIC CONVENTION COMMITTEES NAMED

HILO, July 28—G. H. Vears, president of the Hilo Board of Trade, yesterday appointed the following committees to make arrangements for Hilo's participation in the Honolulu Civic Convention: Stuart, R. T. Moses, chairman; S. S. Rolph and W. H. Smith, Volcano road; E. J. Lyman, C. E. Wright and A. M. Chabrinha, Naies; George Wilfong with power to appoint others.

# SEA AT LAWAI CLAIMS VICTIM

### Charles Dillingham Jr. Drowns While Bathing At Popular Kauai Beach Resort

Charles Dillingham Jr., luna with the McBryde Sugar Company of Kauai, son of Charles Dillingham of Boston and cousin of the Dillinghams of Honolulu, was drowned in the sea at Lawai, Kauai, at about five o'clock last Saturday evening.

The body was brought to Honolulu in the Inter-Island steamer Doris, which arrived yesterday afternoon from the Garden Island. The funeral services will be held at two-thirty this afternoon in the Williams' undertaking parlors, the interment to follow in Nuuanu Cemetery.

A certificate signed by Dr. Albert H. Waterhouse of Koloa and attached to the casket containing the body gives accidental drowning as the cause of the death of the young man. Dillingham was thirty-seven years old. He had been in the islands the past six years, mainly in Kauai. News of the son's death has been cabled to the parents in Boston.

Expected To See Service Dillingham was first lieutenant in the Light Company of the Second Infantry, N. G. H., and had recently applied to come to the officers' training camp which will be established in this island shortly by the war department.

A guard of honor, the Kauai militia, stood watch over Lieutenant Dillingham's body day and night until it was taken aboard the Doris for the journey to Honolulu. Flags were at half-mast throughout Kauai and on the Doris when she arrived here yesterday afternoon. A guard of honor of the Honolulu militia will escort the body to its last resting place in Nuuanu Cemetery this afternoon.

A. A. Whelan, stable luna of the McBryde Sugar Company at Wahiawa, Kauai, accompanied the body to Honolulu. He tells the story of the drowning of Dillingham and the miraculous escape of himself and Norman Pilkington, both of whom were with Charles Dillingham bathing in the sea at Lawai.

Story of Drowning The three of us had gone in swimming at Lawai between four and five o'clock Saturday afternoon. Mr. Whelan said yesterday: "We had been in the water about half an hour and were in only waist-deep when an undertow caught and carried the three of us out to sea. All of us struggled against the undertow but for a while we were unable to make any headway."

"Dillingham was a poor swimmer and was easily exhausted, and I noticed that he was in great distress. Pilkington and I placed him between us, each taking one of his arms. We fought the undertow and made slight headway for land. Dillingham grew fainter and heavier and a hard drag on us. He seemed to have swallowed a good deal of water and finally gave up his feeble struggle. Pilkington and I also were becoming exhausted, and Pilkington asked me what to do. I told him to try to get ashore and secure help, which he did."

Whelan Had Close Call "I was about to give up all efforts, but I had presence of mind to turn on my back and float and after that I lost consciousness for a short time. When I came to, the waves had washed me into wading ground, but Dillingham was gone. Pilkington was returning with a ladder and a long rope. He told me to get a hold of the rope, which I did."

"Pilkington then swam out for Dillingham and recovered his body, which he brought ashore, although at great peril to himself for, too, was nearly exhausted. When we finally got Dillingham ashore we worked on him for half an hour, meanwhile having sent for a doctor, who arrived at the end of that time. We tried everything we could to resuscitate the drowned man, but all our efforts were unavailing. When the doctor came he said that Dillingham had died from drowning before we pulled him out."

"As it was I think that Pilkington and myself were fortunate that we escaped the sad fate of poor Dillingham, for we, too, had a mighty narrow call."

# HILO IS RATTLED BY BIG EARTHQUAKE

### Was Severest Experienced In Several Years

An earthquake shook Hilo until the buildings quivered and people ran into the streets Saturday evening shortly after eight o'clock, according to reports reaching here yesterday. The quake began with a long tremble gradually augmenting in force until the windows literally rattled. It was the severest earthquake the city has experienced in years, and was more or less general over the island.

A second quake followed six hours later and again the building shook and people ran into the streets. No damage is reported except near Laupahoehoe where a huge stone rolled from its place into the road between the railroad and station and tore up the road for a few feet.

## ARE YOU GOING ON A JOURNEY?

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy should be packed in your hand luggage when going on a journey. Change of water, diet, and temperature all tend to produce bowel trouble, and this medicine cannot be secured on board the train or steamship. It may save much suffering and inconvenience if you have it handy. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

# FORMOSAN SUGAR IS MARKETED IN JAPAN

### Largest Crop in History Is In Demand From Japanese Refiners To Help Meet Needs

Present indications are that the large sugar crop in Formosa, which is reported by all authorities as the largest in the history of the island and actually in excess of the optimistic estimates made several months ago, will affect the entire sugar business in Hongkong for the current season. The Formosan crop is placed by sugar authorities at about 6,000,000 piculs, or about 440,000 short tons. On this large crop Java draws for much of its domestic supply, and the excess is sold abroad. In this case it is sold largely to Central and North China, and these territories have been peculiarly the field for Hongkong sugar refiners for many years. The result is that Japanese refiners and sugar exporters with their advantage in cheap freights and short hauls are shutting the Hongkong refiners out of the Chinese market. So far the current season the China market, for the Hongkong refiners, is practically dead.

The situation is not promising for the consumption of the large Philippine sugar crop in the East, but the general course of sugar production seems to indicate that there will be a considerable supply available in the Orient for distribution elsewhere if freight accommodations can be had at a reasonable rate. Freight accommodations are working to the advantage of Java sugar so far as the United States is concerned, while they work to the advantage of Formosan and Japanese producers in the trade in China. The Philippines and its big crop suffer disadvantage either way.

So far the current season the Hongkong refiners have imported about 600,000 piculs, or about 40,000 short tons, of raw sugar, which is considerably below the usual purchases. All sugar imports substantially one-half have come from Java and the remainder from the Philippines and Formosa in about equal amounts. Formosa sugar has been coming into this market in greater quantities than ever. Imports of sugar by Chinese dealers from all sources have been much below normal, but of these imports those from Formosa have been larger than usual. All sugar authorities in the Far East, however, report slight movement in the trade compared with what the large crops demand. So far as China is concerned the present range of prices is too high for normal consumption. It is probable that a considerable outlet for the surplus stocks will be found in European countries.—Consular Advice, May 2.

# NEW LIBERTY LOAN TO BE OFFERED SOON

### Plans To Float Second Installment Being Made

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, August 1—In order to cover current indebtedness of the government, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has offered three hundred million dollars of treasury certificates to the financial world.

Simultaneously the treasury department is working on the plans to float the second installment of the five-billion-dollar bond issue authorized by the congress, the first installment of which aroused the enthusiasm of the world under the title of the "Liberty Loan."

The date for the closing of subscriptions to the second Liberty Loan will be announced shortly.

# STEEL CORPORATION TO PAY HUGE TAX

### Will Be Assessed Two Hundred Millions This Year

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

NEW YORK, August 1—The United States Steel Corporation expects to pay over into the United States treasury \$23,918,872 in taxes for the second quarter of the year, representing thirty-seven per cent of its earnings.

This year, in taxes and super-taxes, the corporation expects to be assessed two hundred million dollars.

# MAX WEBER BROUGHT TO CITY FROM HILO

### Business Houses At Hilo Didn't Close

Max Weber, timekeeper for the Pioneer Mill Company, at Lahaina, who was arrested as an alien enemy and a suspicious person by the Hilo authorities, reached this city yesterday in charge of Deputy Marshal Silva, who was sent to fetch the prisoner by Marshal Smiddy. The bottle of poison, which at one time was believed might contain anthrax germs, turns out to be an alleged medicine. He was committed to the Onu prison as a "person dangerous to the public safety and peace," and probably will remain there for some time to come.

# TRYING TO RETAIN MATSON STEAMERS

### Hilo Committee Instructed To Use Every Effort To Keep Them On Big Island Route

HILO, July 28—Continuing their effort to keep the ocean going passenger boats in the Hilo route, the board of trade yesterday went on record as being decidedly opposed to the elimination of the Matson Navigation Company's steamers from calling at this port. The committee appointed by the board some time back to follow up this important question were instructed to use every endeavor in securing their objective.

H. B. Mariner, treasurer and manager of the First Trust Company, strongly urged the desirability of keeping this matter before the Matson people. "If we had sufficient money, I would favor the sending of a man who was thoroughly conversant with the conditions to San Francisco to endeavor to arrange something with the officials there," said Mr. Mariner. "I would favor the sending of a man who was thoroughly conversant with the conditions to San Francisco to endeavor to arrange something with the officials there."

D. Lycurgus, manager of the Volcano Hotel, said the future of Hawaii rests in the proper transportation of visitors to Hilo. Some people would not travel on the small Inter-Island boats, he said, and he strongly urged the institution of efforts to secure a continuation of the Matson service.

President G. H. Vears added words in a similar strain. "Let them give us some hope. They could at least say that in one or two or three months we would have the boats calling here again."

"If that be the case," declared Mr. Lycurgus, "let them give us some hope. They could at least say that in one or two or three months we would have the boats calling here again."

# AIRMEN REAP RICH HARVEST OF LIVES

### Hundreds Murdered In London Since War Began

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, Eng., July 31—Since the war began, three years ago, 366 people have been killed and 1092 injured by German airplane raids on London. During the same period 2412 were killed and 7863 injured in ordinary street accidents, according to a report made in the house of commons by Sir George Cave, secretary for the home department.

The heavy increase in street accidents is attributed in large part to the darkening of the streets as a precautionary measure against raiding Teuton airplanes.

# MANY DYING FROM HEAT ON MAINLAND

### Coastwise Laws May Be Suspended

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 31—The heat wave sweeping over the East, Middle West and the Western States is reported one of the worst in history. Many deaths and prostrations are reported. Eighteen deaths from heat during the past twenty-four hours are reported from Chicago; six in Milwaukee, thirteen in Cleveland and four in Philadelphia.

# RUSSIAN SITUATION LOOKS MORE HOPEFUL

### Panics Are Now Being Ruthlessly Suppressed

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

LONDON, July 31—Military observers here declare the Russian situation is assuming a more hopeful aspect. Panics are being ruthlessly suppressed, and deserters and spies are being shot in batches.

# AN IMPROVED QUININE DOES NOT AFFECT THE HEAD

Because of its tonic and laxative effects, NATATIVE BROMO QUININE will be found better than ordinary Quinine. Does not cause nervousness. No ringing in the head. Resister, there is only one "Bromo Quinine." The signature of H. W. Graves is on each.

# NURSE MEETS DEATH STEELDING A MAN

### Criminal Operation Ends Life of Girl Who Refuses To Betray Her Deserter

Miss Florence Berg, a young and attractive nurse until recently on the staff of the Queen's Hospital, died at the Beretania Sanitarium yesterday morning after an illness of nine days following a criminal operation.

Stoically suffering alone in a dark room of a Vineyard Street rooming house, Miss Berg drew her last breath still shielding the man who was responsible for her condition, and the name of the physician, a physician there was, who performed the operation while in a very serious stage of her illness, were made, in one way and another, by the local police department to induce her to reveal the name of the man who had deserted her when she was forced to resign from the Queen's Hospital, but all efforts failed to move her to disclose his identity, nor would she admit that a physician had performed a fatal operation.

As first she denied there was a man but when the material evidence of the operation was found, she took refuge in a silence which the investigators could not break.

Refused To Go To Hospital Three days ago the proprietor of the rooming house sent word to Superintendent Koehl of the Queen's Hospital informing him that Miss Berg was apparently in a very serious condition. Later in the day two physicians visited her and urged that she allow them to move her to the Queen's Hospital but she refused. Sunday she consented to go to the Beretania Sanitarium.

The time elapsing between her refusal to go to the hospital and her consent to go to the sanitarium, were the critical hours in her illness, it was said yesterday, and she reduced her chances of recovery to the smallest.

Miss Berg's many friends among the Honolulu nurses were deeply shocked yesterday to learn of her death. Even from her most intimate friends, it was said, she kept the secret of her condition. She had the confidence and respect of the physicians practicing at the hospital, and several of them are reported to have protested two weeks ago when she was forced to resign.

Miss Berg's resignation was called for July 16, and at the same time two other nurses were asked to resign, including Mrs. William Moe, formerly Miss Agnes Collins and head nurse of the hospital. Superintendent Koehl said yesterday that he had requested Miss Berg's resignation on account of "unrest concerning her condition which had reached him."

A thorough investigation is now under way by the detective department to discover the man primarily responsible for Miss Berg's death, and also the name of the physician, who performed the operation. Friends of the unfortunate nurse have become interested in the investigation and are co-operating with the detectives, feeling the potent honor of the girl and the injustice in allowing the guilty man to escape punishment of the law.

The father of Miss Berg has been communicated with. The body has been placed in Williams' undertaking parlors where it will remain until word is received from him. In the meantime an inquest will be held.

# HOUSE COMMITTEE BACKS PRESIDENT ON FOOD CONTROL

### On Food Control

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, August 1—The members of the house conference committee having the Food Control Bill under consideration are steadfastly holding out against their senate colleagues over the establishment of a war expenditures committee, providing for which a senate amendment to the bill was passed. The house conferees refuse to listen to any modifications of the clause and declare that the committee as provided for by the senate or in any other way is not required.

In this the house members are standing squarely by the president, who has written that he cannot but look upon this amendment as evidencing a lack of confidence in him on the part of the senate. He urges that this clause be stricken out of the bill in conference.

# STORE IN HILO IS ROBBED BY BURGLARS

### Robbed by Burglars

HILO, July 29—The first burglary reported in Hilo for some time was committed Friday night when midnight marauders broke into T. O. Drang's store on Front Street. They got \$5 in coin and eight watches.

That the night prowlers were amateurs is evident by the fact that in the very next drawer to where the money was taken were two bags containing \$100 in silver. To open this drawer, however, it is necessary to use a pair of pinners, the knob having been lost.

In a nearby case there was also a quantity of diamond and gold rings together with a large assortment of valuable jewelry. None of these was taken, nor any clothing.

# HILO STILL GROWING

HILO, July 28—According to a business census just completed by Maj. D. S. Bowman, chief sanitary inspector for this island, there are 448 business houses in the city of Hilo. The completion of figures gives the various nationalities engaged in business as follows: Hawaiian and others, 21; Portuguese, 28; American, British and German, 57; Chinese, 98; Japanese, 274.

# GERMAN FINANCIAL SYSTEM CRUMBLING

### Teuton Gold Reserve In Banking Centers of Neutral Countries Shrinking Rapidly

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, August 1—Reports that have reached the treasury department from abroad show that the German gold reserve held in the banking centers of the neutral countries is shrinking rapidly, an indication, in the opinion of the administration financiers, of the crumbling of the German financial system.

The inroads into the German gold reserves are not as yet necessarily fatal, but they are unexplainable except on the theory that the exports of German gold to maintain the foreign balance have been curtailed through the refusal of the neutral exporters to export to Germany, and the Bulgarians and Turks, to accept German paper in payments, to accept German gold in payments.

A large amount of gold has also been used by the German government, it is known, in financing its separate peace propaganda throughout Russia and lately in financing the movement among the Russian radicals.

# Brides of Slackers Face Prosecution For Aiding Cowards

### Government Is Determined Altar Shall Not Be Made Easy Road For Disloyal Citizens

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, August 1—Brides of slackers face prosecution as aiding the avoidance of the draft act, announced Brigadier-General Crowder, provost marshal general and in charge of draft and registration.

The siege of marriage license bureaus in many cities by anti-conscriptors has now reached such proportions that General Crowder has announced that marriages since July 20 will constitute no grounds for exemption from the draft unless it is proved that the wife is absolutely dependent upon the husband for support. Under those circumstances she is liable to draft act prosecution.

All hastily performed marriages states General Crowder, will be most carefully scrutinized, as the government is determined that the altar shall not be made the road of cowardice and disloyalty.

# CHINA READY TO DECLARE WAR ON HUNS

### Foreign Minister Wang Urges That Republic Follow Brave Example Set By Siam and Join Nations That Are Fighting For The Cause of Humanity

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PEKING, August 1—The newly reorganized cabinet has taken up in earnest the question of issuing a formal declaration of war against Germany, thus to bring all Asia in on the side of the Entente in the world's struggle. The matter of when to launch the Republic into the war is being debated and this appears to be practically the only point at issue. That war should be declared appears to be the majority opinion of the ministers.

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The matter of the presidency is yet to be settled. President Li, who was forced to resign, has been offered his post again, as a strong man, acceptable to the factions, but he has declined to consider a return to power. Efforts to induce Feng Kwe Chang to accept the highest post in the government have likewise failed.

The cabinet is now considering the organization of a national council to take up the matter of a complete re-drafting of the constitution for the republic. Vice-President Wang of the senate is urging that this be done at once. He points to the numerous examples from which a proper constitution could be drawn. China, he argues, must have a real representative body, such as the congress of the United States, the parliament of Great Britain, the chamber of Deputies of France, or such a parliament as Peking has had, which represents, he says, only the military oligarchy.

The question of a large foreign loan for China is being considered by Minister of Finance Chao.

# HILO MAY HAVE PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Chief Thurston To Be Called In As Expert

HILO, July 28—If the board of supervisors act on the suggestion made by C. C. Castenylke to the Board of Trade yesterday, Hilo will probably have a paid fire department within a very short time. Mr. Castenylke's report, as chairman of a committee to investigate this question, has been forwarded to the board of supervisors for consideration at their next meeting.

Briefly, the report urges the local supervisors to appropriate sufficient funds not only to have two paid fire fighters permanently stationed here, but to ask that Fire Chief Thurston of Honolulu come here to advise on the best procedure to adopt.

It was pointed out at yesterday's meeting that Samuel Kaunaloa, chairman of the board of supervisors, would back Mr. Castenylke's recommendation when the matter came up for discussion with his colleagues.

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# ALL ASIA WILL BE ON SIDE OF ENTENTE

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# WANT ARMED GUARD TO PROTECT SUGAR ON WHARF AT HILO

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HILO, July 28—To avoid any possible loss of sugar from wharf damage the Hilo board of trade yesterday decided to ask Captain McNabb, officer commanding Company B, Twenty-fifth Infantry, to place an armed guard on the Kuhio Wharf.

H. B. Mariner in bringing the matter before the attention of the board said there was between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 worth of sugar lying on the wharf unguarded, and urged that action be taken for its protection.

President G. H. Vears read a letter from General Treat in Honolulu stating that as there appeared little necessity for a military body to be stationed in Hilo, it was contemplated taking the moon away.

Hope was expressed by members of the board that the request for an armed guard on Kuhio Wharf would be sufficient inducement for the men to remain here for some time to come.