

# Tax Bill for 1919 Adopted By Committee

### All Changes Are Made on Strict Party Vote of 10 to 7

### Excess War Profits Schedule Eliminated

### Secretary McAdoo Stands Aside, Gives Senator Simmons All Credit

**Tribune Washington Bureau**  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Senator Simmons's plan, whereby the \$6,000,000,000 tax bill for the calendar year 1918 becomes a \$4,000,000,000 tax bill for the calendar year 1919, was adopted by the Senate Finance Committee today by a straight party vote of 10 to 7, all absentees being voted by proxies.

The change is made by the simple expedient of amending nine sections of the former to cover the changes for the supplemental year. By virtue of these amendments the following changes are made:

1. For 1919 the individual income tax will be reduced from 6 per cent on the first \$4,000 and 12 per cent beyond that amount to 4 per cent and 8 per cent, respectively.
2. The normal corporate income tax is to be reduced from 12 per cent for 1918 to 8 per cent for 1919.
3. The 80 per cent war profits provision of the war excess profits tax for 1918 disappears together for 1919 and the excess profits tax paragraph is changed from 30 per cent of the net income in excess of the exemption to 20 per cent up to 20 per cent on the invested capital and from 60 per cent to 40 per cent of the amount of the net income in excess of 20 per cent of the invested capital.

### Other Schedules Stand

The other schedules of the revised \$5,000,000,000 bill stand for 1919 as well as for 1918, the reduction of \$2,000,000,000 being attained entirely through the reduction of the normal income and excess profits taxes and the elimination of the war profits tax. The changes that brought the \$8,000,000,000 House bill down to \$6,000,000,000 have been noted from time to time. They reduce or entirely abolish a host of special, excise and luxury taxes.

Senator Smoot's consumption tax amendment was voted down with only Senators McCumber and Thomas and Smoot voting for it. Senator Smoot's amendment, exempting corporations with an invested capital of a million or less from the war excess profits tax, was also rejected. A number of minor amendments were accepted. A proposition to repeal the floor taxes on tobacco was rejected.

The Republicans may offer some amendments to the 1919 tax plan on Friday, and Senator Simmons begins to hope that they will not determinedly oppose the plan in the Senate.

### Business Men Interested

It is said that the business interests of the country are strongly in favor of the substantial reduction in taxes the measure proposes and also in favor of the idea of being informed at the beginning of the year what their taxes will be. Senator Simmons says that the fact that the same session of Congress that will make the appropriations for 1919 will, by his plan, determine the revenues for the same year knocks out the

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Republican argument that it is too early to know how much money should be raised in that year. A complete reprint of the bill will be ready on Friday, and it is certain that it will be formally reported to the Senate next week.

### Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo

to-day wished the credit and authorship of the plan adopted by the committee on Senator Simmons, and the Senator pleaded guilty.

### McAdoo Wants No Credit

"There is another thing that I would like to say," the Senator said. "Mr. McAdoo does not wish any credit for these amendments. It has been stated that they were suggested and drafted by the Treasury Department. That is not the case. The plan is mine."

"Mr. McAdoo suggested the amount for the second year, \$4,000,000,000, but the plan for attaining it was worked out by me and submitted to the Treasury. As a matter of fact, Mr. McAdoo is opposed to the reduction in the normal income taxes because of his concern for the market prices of Liberty bonds."

Dr. Adams, the Treasury expert, who has been Mr. McAdoo's personal representative at the sessions of the Finance Committee, confirmed Senator Simmons's statement that the reduction was made. Political oracles interpret this action to mean that Mr. McAdoo is taking care not to be credited with anything that might tend to him more like a debit than a credit.

## Recanvass of Void Brooklyn Ballots Ordered by Court

## Justice Callaghan Grants Writ of Mandamus Asked by Governor's Counsel

Justice Callaghan, sitting in the Queens County Supreme Court, yesterday granted the motion for a writ of mandamus asked for by Counsel for Governor Whitman to compel the recanvass of the void and defective ballots cast at the last election.

"I am in favor of granting this motion in the interest of honest elections," said Justice Callaghan. "No candidate's interests can be jeopardized by a correct canvass of the vote cast. I direct that the inspection of the ballots take place before me in Part V of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn on next Monday."

The Governor was represented by Edgar F. Hazleton, while Philip Frank appeared in behalf of Alfred E. Smith and opposed the granting of the motion. There are 187 of the so-called void and defective ballots in Queens, and it is understood that most of them were intended to be votes for Governor Whitman.

Herbert R. Limburg, of counsel for Governor Whitman, yesterday sent a letter to Justice John Proctor Clarke, of the Appellate Division of the 1st District, stating portions of an alleged newspaper report of the argument had before the Appellate Division last Friday, representing Mr. Limburg as saying that a special session of the Legislature might be called to prevent the issuance of a certificate of election to the Governor-elect.

### No Such Suggestion

"There has been at no time any suggestion which would prevent the issuance of a certificate of election," said Mr. Limburg yesterday. "The only suggestion of legislation has been to amend the code of civil procedure so that the trial of an action of quo warranto could be concluded before the term of office expired."

Messrs. Limburg, Gilbert and Fuchs, for the Governor, and Abram L. Elkus, for Alfred E. Smith, yesterday submitted briefs on the appeal from parts of the order of Justice Philbin, who, while granting the application of the Governor for an examination of the ballots in New York and The Bronx, ordered that such examination should not commence until the day after the issuance of the certificate of election by the Secretary of State.

The order in behalf of the Governor says that he is entitled to examine the ballots as a matter of right; that there are substantial reasons for permitting the examination to commence forthwith; that there are no valid reasons for postponing such examination until after the issuance of the certificate of election; and that in the Delahanty-McIntyre quo warranto case the trial was terminated until six months after McIntyre had assumed his seat upon the bench; that the term of the Governor is only two years.

### Should Not Be Delayed

"Whether the trial of a quo warranto action can be completed within two years or not, it should not be delayed for a single day," says the Governor's counsel. "If Mr. Smith were to occupy the office to which Mr. Whitman had been elected, every day, every hour, every minute that he held on to the office would be an added injury. If Mr. Whitman could lawfully unseat Mr. Smith by quo warranto proceedings, he is entitled to have nothing done which will unnecessarily delay the trial and judgment a single minute."

A decision is expected from the Appellate Division to-morrow, but it may not come until later.

Practically the same points are before the Appellate Division in Brooklyn, appealing from a decision by Justice Fawcett.

## Sims Wins Promotion For Service in War

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Vice-Admiral William S. Sims, commander of American naval forces in Europe since the United States went to war, has been selected for promotion to the rank of admiral when a vacancy in the list occurs next month through the retirement of Admiral Austin M. Knight, now commanding the Asiatic fleet.

Rear Admiral Albert Gleaves, chief of the convoy service which has guarded the American transports going overseas without losing an eastbound ship, will be made vice-admiral to fill the vacancy caused by the advance of Admiral Sims.

Secretary Daniels announced to-day the Navy Department's decision thus to recognize the war services of these two naval commanders.

Rear Admiral W. L. Rodgers succeeds to the command of the Asiatic fleet, relieving Admiral Knight, who already has started for home.

The law contemplates that they shall be filled by commanders in chief of fleets and their seconds in command. This course is followed in peace times, but the navy still is in a war footing, permitting deviation from the regular order. Admiral Rodgers, therefore, retains his rank of rear admiral upon taking command of the Asiatic fleet.

### Owen to Visit Europe

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, chairman of the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency, announced to-day that he plans departing soon for Europe to study the efforts of British and French financial leaders toward reconstruction.

## Ambassador Davis Returns to U. S. to Consult President

## New Representative to Court of St. James's May Go Back on Wilson Ship

## Ends War Prisoner Job

## Henry J. Allen, Mrs. Whitelaw Reid and Others Also Arrive on Espagne

A newly appointed Ambassador and a recently elected Governor were included in the group of notable passengers who reached New York yesterday from Bordeaux on the French liner Espagne.

John W. Davis, designated by President Wilson a short time ago as the American Ambassador to the Court of St. James, and Henry J. Allen, Governor-elect of Kansas, were the new incumbents to arrive here as a preliminary to tackling their tasks.

Ambassador Davis left at once for Washington, where he is to be sworn in, while Governor-elect Allen, who was chosen while abroad, and without a personal campaign, went to take up the reins of his state government.

Henry P. Davison, head of the American Red Cross, returning after three months on the French front; Miss Anne Morgan, fresh from the activities of reconstruction, and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, deputy commissioner of the American Red Cross in London and Paris, were also in the ship's company.

### Americans Well Treated

Ambassador Davis, who talked briefly for publication, said that he was a member of the American Commission on the Exchange of Prisoners at Berne, Switzerland, when he was appointed to the diplomatic service. He said that in spite of incessant labor, it was not until a few hours before the armistice was signed that he and his three fellow commissioners were able to effect an agreement on the treatment of prisoners with the eleven German envoys.

Mr. Davis said that, contrary to the general impression, American prisoners had been well treated by the Germans, but that many of the stories of German brutalities toward British prisoners were unfortunately true. Mr. Davis left for Washington, to confer with the President about his new post, and will return to London in a short while, possibly on the same ship bearing the President to the Versailles peace council.

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Henry J. Allen officially relinquished his title of division director of the Y. M. C. A. in France to take up his new duties as Governor of Kansas. He arrived in New York yesterday on the Espagne from France, where he was serving while the gubernatorial campaign that resulted in his election was in progress.

Mr. Allen is one of the few men ever elected to the office of Governor of any state without making a campaign in his own behalf.

"I was on my back in a hospital with diphtheria when the news of my nomination was brought to me," he said. "But I didn't seem to care. In fact, I didn't care about anything right then. I didn't do anything about it. William Allen White appears to have done enough for me in 'The Emporia Gazette'."

"We were in the Argonne Forest on November 9. It was just after a raid and we were checking up the casualties when some one said to me, 'Hello, Governor.' The news that I had been elected came through the Paris office of the Y. M. C. A. and that was the first I heard of it."

"The Thirty-fifth Division, to which I was attached, was blanked by the Seventy-seventh Division of New York and by the Twenty-eighth, and I want to say that our fighting Kansas boys were in good company. Your New York boys surely can fight. They dared anything and went to death or victory with equal good cheer."

Governor-elect Allen will remain in New York two days, after which he will go to his home in Wichita.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—John B. Densmore, director general of the Federal Employment Service, was instructed to-day by Secretary of Labor Wilson to furnish to Governor Stephens of California a copy of his report in the Mooney case. He also was directed to place himself entirely at the Governor's disposal.

In a telegram notifying Governor Stephens of his action Secretary Wilson revealed that the foreman of the grand jury at San Francisco investigating charges of irregularity made in Mr. Densmore's report had asked him to furnish the jury with a copy.

The Labor Secretary's telegram to the Governor criticized the method of investigating the charges made by Mr. Densmore, but said the government would place at Mr. Stephens's disposal all material it has bearing either on the Mooney case or on the charges made in Mr. Densmore's report. Secretary Wilson's telegram follows:

"Am in receipt of wire from foreman of the grand jury of the city and county of San Francisco requesting me to instruct Mr. John B. Densmore, director general of the United States Employment Service, now outside of San Francisco, to return to San Francisco for the purpose of assisting the grand jury in the investigation of certain charges of corruption contained in his report to you published in 'The San Francisco Call' on November 22, 1918."

"The report referred to was intended by me to be submitted to you for such attention as the facts therein revealed made appropriate, and was not intended to have publicity unless you so desired."

"The fact that the report has received unintended and partial publicity should not modify the purposes I had in mind. Any further action in regard to the Mooney case is left entirely with you, and whatever material the Federal government has bearing upon such action should therefore be placed at your disposal. I am instructing Mr. Densmore to put into your hands a complete copy of his report to me, and I am also instructing him to

place himself entirely at your disposal. "Inasmuch as the investigation to which Foreman McCarthy of the grand jury refers concerns the District Attorney, who is the legal adviser of the same grand jury, it does not seem to me that impartial and appropriate instrument of the investigation the situation calls for. "Nevertheless, any means or agencies of investigation in regard to these new charges, or any others growing out of the Mooney case, selected by you will receive the fullest possible cooperation at my hands."

## Governor to Consider Mooney Case Carefully

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Nov. 27.—Assurance that the case of Thomas J. Mooney, sentenced to hang, would be given "careful consideration" was given to-day by Governor William D. Stephens to members of a committee of the San Francisco Labor Council who called to ask the executive to open the way for a retrial of the case.

This statement was made by D. C. Murphy, president of the California State Federation of Labor, who headed the committee.

Mooney was sentenced to be hanged for the murder of one of the victims of the preparedness day bomb explosion in San Francisco July 22, 1916.

## British Sailors To Be Hosts to Americans

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The British Admiralty has sent instructions to all bases directing that United States naval units be entertained on Thanksgiving Day. Crews of the five ships in the American battle squadron will be the guests of the men of the five British squadrons.

In London Thanksgiving services will be held at St. Martin's Church, Trafalgar Square, and in Westminster Cathedral. Four hundred men from American units will have lunch at Albert Hall, an equal number of British seamen acting as hosts.

PARIS, Nov. 27.—Cardinal Mercier of Belgium, will assist at the American Thanksgiving Day service at the Church of the Madeleine, according to the "Croix." The service was organized by the Knights of Columbus. Other Church dignitaries who will take part will be the Archbishops of Rheims and Cambrai and the Bishops of Amiens, Lille and Soissons.

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## Newsdealers' Fight On Hearst Indorsed By Cement Masons

## Another Union Votes Moral Aid to Boys Seeking Little More Money

## Resolution Is Adopted Vendors' Struggle Against Dictation by Publisher's Agents Is Reviewed

## The United Cement Masons, Union No. 1, Has Joined the Newsboys of New York City in their Campaign Against the Hearst Papers for Fairer Financial and Working Arrangements

The organization went on record at a meeting, at 1551 Second Avenue, following a recital of the vendors' struggles against domination by Hearst agents by Andrew Stanton, the Newsboys' Union president. A resolution was adopted indorsing the boys' fight and pledging the assistance of the 1,000 members of the body.

Leonard Dore, the masons' chairman, in taking up the vendors' strike stated that the efforts of the newsboys to obtain a little more money and liberate themselves from the dictatorial methods of "The New York American" and "Evening Journal" managers merited the support of every loyal laboring man, and urged his associates to give them their full moral backing.

"Whereas, the newsboys of the City of New York, in their worthy desire to improve their living and working conditions, have asked the publishers of the daily papers of the city to grant them a larger profit, and

"Whereas, the newsboys contend that their request was refused them because of the influence of the publisher of 'The New York American' and 'Evening Journal,' which papers, they further claim, they are being

## Stoned by Chileans, Many Peruvians Flee

## Homes Looted and Burned in Iquique

## LIMA, Peru, Nov. 26.—Peruvian men and women were pursued through the streets of Iquique last Saturday and stoned by Chileans, according to reports from Iquique who arrived Mollendo to-day on the steamer Palena. Among the refugees was Señor L. Hosa, the Peruvian Consul at Iquique.

The mobs in Iquique, it is declared, were led by prominent Chileans and there was virtually no interference from the Chilean authorities. Many of the Peruvians had narrow escapes. Peruvian homes in Iquique were looted and burned.

The strict censorship on all press and official dispatches from Chile to Peru apparently is still being maintained.

There have been no demonstrations in Peru, and Chilean consular officials appear publicly without the slightest sign of hostility being made by Peruvians. Señor Bunker, the Chilean Consul General, had a long conference last night with the Argentine Chargé d'Affaires.

BUENOS AYRES, Nov. 26.—The Peruvian Foreign Office, according to reports received here, on Monday formally protested against anti-Peruvian riots in Chile and attacks on Peruvian consuls.

In reply the Chilean Foreign Office declared that the Peruvian complaint was unjustifiable and was based on false information.

The Argentine Foreign Office has authorized the Argentine Legation at Lima to deny that President Irigoyen promised Señor Bunker, the special Chilean Ambassador to Argentina, that Argentine would join Chile and Mexico in opposing any intervention by the United States or the European countries in South America.

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