Income Tax Won't Lower Personal Taxes, Says Cantor

Usual Number of Names Will Go on Personal List in City's Books, President of the Department Declares

President Jacob A. Cantor of the Department of Taxes and Assessments says the new state income tax law will make little difference with the city's imposition of a tax on personal property, as in former years.

"Everything in the shape of personal property that does not pay an income tax is subject to the personal property tax, the same as before the new state income tax became a law," said President Cantor yesterday. "This means that the department will put the usual number of names on the personal tax lists, send the persons so assessed a notice that they are on the rolls, and inform them that they may correct the assessment, if it is not correct, between October 1 and January 1. Under the law, money on hand in a checking account is taxable; so is money due from a solvent debtor on notes or other evidences of indebtedness. Household goods and merchandise are taxable, and so are assets in the shape of open accounts."

The personal property remaining on the assessment roll, after the swearing off period was completed for the year 1918, was $251,414,875. This sum was a decrease of $167,741,440, as compared with 1917. Much the larger part of this decrease was, however, in the assessments of the personal property of corporations, caused by the enactment of the tax law in relation to the franchise tax on corporations, known as the Emerson law. By the provisions of this law corporations organized for certain purposes were subjected to a tax of 3 per cent on their net income, payable to the state, and exempted from municipal taxation. As the city receives a rebate of one-third of the amount paid by the corporations located within the city, the decrease is more apparent than real, as the city received through this channel $2,339,010.42 for the year 1918.

OBITUARY NOTES

MRS. SUSAN BENEDICT MOTT LANSING, widow of Andrew D. Lansing, of Albany, died Saturday at New Canaan, Conn.

CHARLES E. SEWARDS, forty-three, for many years a manager for Marcus Loew's theatres, died Friday after a short illness at 246 West 129th Street. Mr. Sewards had been manager of Loew's Victoria Theatre since its opening.

HILLARY C. MESSIMER, forty-five, a well known lawyer, is dead at 697 West End Avenue. Mr. Messimer was educated at Stevens Institute of Technology. He was formerly a member of the firm of Messimer & Austin.

SIMON BAER, seventy-five, a retired clothing manufacturer, died at 9 East Ninety-seventh Street. He was a member of Palestine Lodge, I. O. F. S. of I.

JAMES J. LAWLOR, treasurer of the Morgan Grocery Company, Paterson, N. J., is dead at Crystal Lake, N. J. Mr. Lawlor was a member of many Paterson clubs and took great interest in amateur theatricals.

AGNES F. BERNARD, daughter of the late Carl Bernard, an opera singer, died in Mount Sinai Hospital. She was a sister-in-law of the late Colonel Abraham Gruber. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock this morning in the funeral chapel, 851 Amsterdam Avenue.

WILLIAM J. HEAVEY, a retired farmer of St. Joseph, Penn., died in the Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn. He came to Brooklyn last February and made his home with his son at 835 East Twenty-sixth Street.

WALTER C. ROBSON, Sr., sixty-four, a retired furniture dealer, is dead at his home, 1710 Seventy-seventh Street, Brooklyn. He is survived by a son, two daughters and a sister.

Father Schneider Dies At Willemstad, W. I.

Rector of Holy Trinity of Brooklyn Succumbs While on Trip Following Breakdown

News of the death of the Rev. Frederick M. Schneider, for eleven years rector of the Roman Catholic Church of the Most Holy Trinity, Montrose Avenue, Brooklyn, was received Saturday night in the form of a cablegram from Willemstad, West Indies. The Rev. Peter Bernard, acting rector of the church since Father Schneider left for a health trip last January, said Father Schneider had gone to the West Indies on the advice of physicians, who had been treating him for a nervous breakdown.

Father Schneider was placed in the Orphans' Home in Holy Trinity Parish as a boy. He was educated at St. Francis Xavier's College and later was graduated from the Jesuit Seminary at Innsbruck, Austria. He had been a protégé of the late Monsignor Peter Dauffenbach, whom he succeeded. Before taking the post at the Most Holy Trinity Church Father Schneider was rector of the Catholic Church at Winfield, L. I. He had also been attached to St. Leonard's Church. He had been ordained about twenty-five years.

Father Schneider was unable to leave his parish until January. He went to British Guiana, where he was the guest of Bishop Dalton of that diocese. He tried to return several months ago, but was unable to obtain passage until recently, when he wrote to Father Bernard that he was on his way home. According to the cablegram announcing his death, Father Schneider was taken ill suddenly and died shortly afterward.

FARRELL F. O'DOWD

Farrell F. O'Dowd, ninety-four, a reporter of army courts martial and other war news for "The New York Herald" during the Civil War, died Saturday at Freeport, Long Island. Mr. O'Dowd was a court stenographer for more than fifty years.

Mr. O'Dowd was born in County Roscommon, Ireland, and came to this country when he was a young man. At the end of the Civil War he became official stenographer in the Marine Court, and remained in that position until ten years ago, when he retired on a pension.

Mr. O'Dowd was a friend of President Lincoln and knew Supreme Court Justice Charles L. Guy intimately, having taught the justice to write shorthand. He was also a friend of Richard Croker, John Whalen, Morgan J. O'Brien and Andrew Freedman. Mr. O'Dowd was unmarried.

PHILIP CURRY

Philip Curry, forty-five years old, brother of John F. Curry, Commissioner of Records and Tammany leader, was found dead yesterday morning in the doorway of a building at 821 Tenth Avenue. The body was found by Mrs. Margaret Wehr, of the same address, who, on entering the building, stumbled over it. She called Patrolman Van Eatton, of the West Forty-seventh Street station, who in turn summoned Dr. Davis, of Bellevue Hospital. The ambulance surgeon said Mr. Curry had died from heart failure. The body was removed to the home of the widow at 163 West Sixtieth Street. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday in St. Paul's Church, at Fifty-ninth Street and Columbus Avenue, where a solemn requim mass will be celebrated. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Birth, Engagement, Marriage, Death and In Memoriam Notices may be telephoned to The Tribune any time up to midnight for insertion in the next day's paper. Just call Beekman 3000 and send the notice as you wish it inserted. Bill for same will be mailed to you later.

BIRTHS

BANGSER—Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Bangser announce the arrival of a daughter on July 19, 1919.

COHEN—To Mr. and Mrs. Saul Cohen (nee Doris Chosch), a son, at Lying-In Hospital, on July 19.

FRANK—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Frank (nee Elsie Meyer), of 650 West 171st st., announce the birth of a son, on July 19, at the Lenox Hill Hospital.

MARRIAGES

BORELLI—LAUER—On Saturday, July 19, 1919, in the City of New York, Miss Marion Rose Lauer, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Levy, to Mr. Louis Borelli, of Chicago. Buffalo and Chicago papers please copy.

ENGAGEMENTS

SELLS—REQUA—Mr. James M. Requa, of Tarrytown, announces the engagement of his daughter, Helen, to Charles H. Sells, of Yonkers, N. Y.

DEATHS

BERNARD—Suddenly, July 18, 1919, at Mount Sinai Hospital, Agnes F. Bernard, sister of the late Mrs. Abraham Gruber, in the 65th year of her age. Services at 851 Amsterdam av., near 102d st., July 21, at 10 o'clock a. m.

BLYDENBURGH—At her residence, Smithtown, N. Y., on Friday, July 18, 1919, Josephine Mary, widow of the late Jesse Smith Blydenburgh, of Smithtown, N. Y., and daughter of the late Annie Udall Harvey and Wentworth Vail, of Islip, in the 78th year of her age. Funeral private.

CALDWELL—At Belleville, N. J., July 19, 1919, John E., beloved husband of the late Christina Caldwell (nee Magovern). Relatives and friends, also members of Masonic Order, Belleville Lodge, No. 108, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services at the residence of his cousin, Mrs. Helen M. Couse, 15 Rosemore Place, on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Interment at convenience of family.

CURTIS—Henry A., of Maplewood and Red Bank, N. J., suddenly, July 18. Funeral Monday at 2 p. m. from First Presbyterian Church, Point Pleasant, N. J.

DREW—At Northern Westchester Hospital, Mount Kisco, N. Y., July 18, 1919, Frank S., husband of Caroline Drew. Funeral Monday, 2:30 p. m., at the residence of Arthur L. Drew, Pleasantville, N. Y.

DODD—At Bloomfield, N. J., on July 19, 1919, Caroline W., wife of the late Henry P. Dodd, aged 75 years. Funeral services from her late residence, 182 Belleville av., Bloomfield, on Wednesday, July 23, 1919, at 3 o'clock. Interment at Rosedale Cemetery.

FENNELL—Members of the Cherokee Club and the Democratic County Committee of the 16th Assembly District are respectfully requested to attend the funeral of their late member, John J. Fennell, on Monday, July 21, at 10 a. m., from his late residence, 176 East 112th st. Eugene McLaughlin, chairman of the County Committee. Stephen Reddy, executive member.

FORD—Elizabeth. Services THE FUNERAL CHURCH, Broadway, 66th st. (Campbell's), Monday, 8 p. m.

HANEY—Daughters of Ohio in New York announce with profound sorrow the death of Mrs. John Dearling Haney. Mrs. Wm. J. Cauthers, President. Mrs. Dudley T. Larimore, Cor. Sec.

KELLY—On July 19, at 5 St. Nicholas Terrace, Peter W., beloved father of Peter W., John M., Raymond A., Gerald F., Mary T., Kathleen I. Kelly. Funeral from his late residence, Staatsburg, N. Y., Monday, 10 a. m.; thence to St. Paul's Church, where a mass of requiem will be offered. Poughkeepsie papers please copy.

DEATHS

KRICKL—Suddenly, at her residence, 140 West 79th st., on Friday, July 18, 1919, Mary J., beloved wife of Charles A. Krickl. Funeral private.

LANSING—July 19, at the residence of Sidney S. Wetmore, New Caanan, Conn., Susan Benedict Nott, daughter of the late Benjamin Nott and Elizabeth Cooper and widow of Andrew Douw, of Albany, N. Y. Interment Albany Rural Cemetery.

LYONS—Suddenly, on July 18, James A. Lyons, beloved son of Anne and the late Michael Lyons and brother of Thomas E., William H., Joseph F., Anna A., Charles A. and the late Maria M. Lyons. A member of Enterprise Association of Steamfitters, New York Camp of Modern Woodmen. Funeral from his late residence, 3298 Cretona av., at 2:30 p. m. Monday, July 21. Interment at Providence, R. I. Funeral private. Please omit flowers.

O'DOWD—Farrell F., on July 19, at Freeport, L. I., in his 94th year, civil war correspondent and stenographer of the City Court. Requiem mass at the Church of the Holy Redeemer, Freeport, on Tuesday, July 22, at 10 o'clock. Train leaves Pennsylvania Station at 8:32. Automobile cortege. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

PIERCE—Entered into rest on July 20, at her residence, 99 Linwood st., Brooklyn, Helen Frances, beloved daughter of the late Henry T. Pierce and Olive Maria Wright, Troy and Watervliet papers please copy.

SHUGARD—Suddenly, at his summer home, 205 Ocean av., Belmar, N. J., on Saturday, July 19, 1919, James Scully, son of the late Samuel and Louise W. Shugard. Funeral services will be held at his summer home, 205 Ocean av., Belmar, on Tuesday, July 22, at 11 a. m. Interment in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Newark.

TYLER—Suddenly, July 19, 1919, at Tenafly, N. J., Grace, wife of Byron M. Tyler, in her 40th year. Funeral services at her late residence, Park st., Tenafly, N. J., Tuesday, July 22, at 4:15 p. m.

TYLER—On July 19, 1919, Albert E. Tyler, of 28 East 28th st., New York City. Funeral services will be held at 86 Lefferts pl., near Grand av., Brooklyn, on Tuesday, July 22, 1919, at 2:30 p. m.

VERNON—On July 18, 1919, at Twilight Park, Haines Falls, New York, Philip Harwood Vernon, in his 86th year, son of Philip and Vernon and Mary Clark. Funeral private. Burial at Newport, Rhode Island.

WALSH—Maria, suddenly, at Yonkers, N. Y., July 18, 1919, a faithful friend and member of the household of Mrs. Charles Finney Cox for nearly thirty years.

WHARTON—Mrs. Frances, July 19, mother of Leo and Theodore Wharton, of Ithaca, N. Y., and Mrs. J. Whitworth Buck, of New York City. Funeral private.

IN MEMORIAM

COOKE—Requiem mass in memory of Sara Louise Cooke, Monday, July 21, at 10:45 a. m., at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 139 West 46th st.

YOUNG—In sad and loving memory of our son and brother, Lieutenant Townsend Young, 18th Infantry, killed in action July 21, 1918, in France.

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Where Are the Great Preachers?

Rev. Dr. Charles Lewis Slattery Favored by Many for Bishopric, One of Leaders in Episcopal Church

Is Son of a Clergyman

His Sermon at Columbia in 1918 One of Best Examples of Fine Pulpit Method

Rev. Dr. Charles Lewis Slattery

No gallery of New York's noted preachers would be complete without a portrait of the Rev. Dr. Charles Lewis Slattery, rector of Grace Church. He is the "dark horse" in the campaign for the Bishopric. By many of his colleagues in the ministry he is looked upon as the only rector upon whom the convention can agree, in view of the sharply defined lines in churchmanship that are being drawn.

One of the clergy, discussing Dr. Slattery in connection with the episcopacy, said: "If Dr. Slattery fails of election it will be because he has kept so peculiarly within his own parish."

As a preacher he is seldom heard anywhere but in Grace Church or one of its affiliated chapels. Yet he reaches a tremendous congregation, for his sermons and addresses are collated and published. Nearly every year finds a new book of his authorship.

Dr. Slattery was born in Pittsburgh in 1867. His father was a clergyman, and the finest tribute to his ministry is that his son never thought of any other profession. He was graduated from Harvard in 1891 and from the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge three years later. He was made deacon in the year of his graduation from Cambridge and ordained priest the next year. He was master at Groton School from 1894 to 1896, and served in the same period as rector of St. Andrew's, Ayer, Mass.

Went to Work in West

From Groton he went to the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour at Faribault, Minn., as dean. He remained there until 1907, when he returned to Massachusetts, becoming rector of Grace Church at Springfield.

In May, 1910, he was elected rector of Grace Church, New York. His election to the historic old New York parish came as a complete surprise. To most New Yorkers Dr. Slattery was unknown. So far as the membership of the church was concerned it had seldom heard his name.

Dr. Karl Reiland, present rector of St. George's, had been mentioned frequently in connection with the Grace Church rectorship because of his success in building up the evening congregations. Crowds had attended these services, and, considering the downtown location of the church, this was considered remarkable. But Dr. Reiland's candidacy was seen to be impossible at the time and he had gone to a church in Yonkers. Then followed the resignation of Dr. Hugh Birckhead from St. George's and the election of Dr. Reiland to that pulpit. So it happened that Dr. Slattery's coming was almost coincident with the return of Dr. Reiland to New York.

The work of the two clergymen has been cast in neighboring parishes, but there has been no rivalry. Each has found his own particular work.

Before coming to New York Dr. Slattery had made a marked success of his ministry to young men. He had been a popular lecturer in the Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn., and later at the Berkeley Divinity School.

In the year following his election as rector of Grace Church he was chosen as Paddock lecturer at the General Theological Seminary. To a clergyman the mere mention of his designation as Paddock lecturer would be construed as one of the highest honors within the gift of the Episcopal Church. In 1915 Dr. Slattery was nominated as West lecturer in Stanford University.

So it is seen that his experience has been of a broad nature, and his selection as lecturer in Stanford University indicates that his fame had spread to the continental limits.

In view of this, it seems strange that there should be any question of his election, "because he has kept so peculiarly within his own parish." Yet the point made by his colleague was well taken. During the busy season for the churches Dr. Slattery is first and foremost rector of Grace Church. Other clergymen of his eminence are being heard in all parts of the city.

He regards his rectorship as one of the great opportunities of the Church, and few outside of the parish realize how farreaching it is. The average New Yorker looks upon Grace Church as a fabulously rich parish, in the downtown section, that would succeed under any one's leadership because of its endowments and because of the sentimental interest in its continuance.

Evening Services Are Popular

Grace Church is one of the busiest parishes in the city. Its congregation has moved to all parts of the city and suburbs; but there is no empty pew problem. Before the coming of Dr. Reiland the evening services were a difficulty; but it was seen that the crowds would come. in season now the evening services are popular.

Dr. Slattery, at fifty-two, is a serious, studious clergyman who is something of a combination of the new and the old. His training at Cambridge Theological School would indicate that his thought does not run in the channels of the old orthodoxy. Yet he is not so ultra-radical in his theology as to be classed with the leaders of the modernistic movement. No old member of Grace Church is offended by his pulpit utterances. His position is somewhere between the old orthodoxy and the newer movements. His pulpit manner is quiet and yet authoritative. He speaks to his people much as a teacher speaks to his pupils. Perhaps his early experience at Groton and his later days at the divinity schools and at Stanford University have left their impress upon him.

In appearance he is a typical Church of England clergyman. This is quite in keeping with his environment at Grace Church, where every prospect reminds one of an English parish church and where the English style of spelling is still used. Official documents of Grace Church spell "neighbourhood" as the English custom is to spell it. So with other words from which American custom has dropped the "u."

Serves on Few Committees

His gestures are few. His voice is never loud, and his emphases are produced by logical sequences rather than by force of delivery.

In very few church movements has Dr. Slattery taken the lead by serving on committees. His method has been the method of the student. When he wants to convey his views generally he spends many hours in his study and then produces a book upon the subject or preaches from his own pulpit. His faith in the doctrine of the "little leaven" is sublime.

In 1918 he delivered the baccalaureate address at Columbia University. For some time he had been pondering the problem of church unity. It seemed to him that the occasion was a rare one. If he could say some fitting word on the subject that would cause the young men of Columbia to do their own thinking it would be an opportunity for the "little leaven" to a great work.

So he took as his keynote the unification of the Allied armies by the selection of General Foch as supreme commander. He said:

"Now that the beginning of a world federation is made, one can indulge in the beautiful dream of a world safe for the little self-governing peoples, with rights sacredly guarded by the united power of the strong. Had this beginning not been made in the heated days of war, I suspect that, in the later days of peace, the nations would have fallen back into their strange selfishnesses and jealousies, and the dreams of federation would have been mere vapors, to be blown out to sea with the first breeze of the bargains of peace.

Visions of United Christianity

"It is quite the same with the visions which good men are having of a united Christianity. Stirred by the tales of Christian fellowship in the trenches, bishops, moderators and elders are saying, 'When the victory is won we must plan to get together in the name of Christ and dwell in love in one church, which shall know Him indeed.'

"It is a hazy, hopeful dream. If it is to be more than that, it must begin to be transmuted into Christian statesmanship during the war. Men's hearts are tender now, fellowship among Christian workers in our camps is evident. We are all inclined to look eagerly upon the virtues of our neighbors. We are humble about our own lack of devotion. We want the contributions of all scattered organizations that the church of the whole may be filled with the fulness of Christ."

Perhaps there is no better example of his preaching method than that of the Columbia University address. Quiet, repressed, yet far visioned, he lifts his people to his own point of vantage and leads them into larger places.

His vision of the during-the-war-movement for unity is taking definite form in the Inter-Church World movement, a programme outlined at this time as a direct result of the closer fellowship achieved in the common service of the men in the service of the colors.

Red Cross Finds Lost U. S. Children in Russia

Brooklyn Pastor Rejoices at News Youngsters Are Safe After Years of Terror

After several years of worry about his two children, who had been suffering great hardship at the hands of the Bolsheviki, the Rev. John F. Kedrovsky, pastor of the Greek Orthodox Church, Pennsylvania and Glenmore Avenues, Brooklyn, has received word from the American Red Cross that his children are alive in Rumania.

In 1913 Mrs. Kedrovsky took her sixteen-year-old son, Nicholas, and her daughter, Valentina, fifteen years old, to Russia to complete their education. She placed them in the hands of her sister, Mrs. Constantin Romanoff, whose husband was a lineal descendant of the Czar. Nicholas attended school at a Russian seminary and Valentina went to a conservatory in Petrograd. The children were safe in Petrograd until the Bolshevik régime began, when their uncle and aunt were both murdered.

The first word the parents received from their children was in February, 1918, when two postcards arrived. One read: "Papa, save us from hunger and death," and it revealed that they were living on grass and leaves. The other read: "If you have anything to spare, save it and send us food. All the people are starving." Unfortunately the postcards carried no address.

Two weeks ago Nicholas and Valentina were found in Dalatz, Rumania, by Miss Elizabeth M. Bond, of the Rumanian branch of the American Red Cross, who cabled the American Red Cross office at 353 Fourth Avenue that the two children had been located, and that they were living with another sister of Mrs. Kedrovsky, Mrs. Nicholas Hrtirfsa, who was destitute.

Dr. George Caleb Moor Succeeds Dr. C. A. Eaton

The Rev. Dr. George Caleb Moor, who has occupied the pulpit of the Baptist Temple, Third Avenue and Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, since October, 1914, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, it was announced yesterday.

Dr. Moor succeeds the Rev. Dr. Charles A. Eaton, who resigned to devote his attention to labor problems.

The call to Dr. Moor was extended officially on July 9. It was accepted in a letter addressed to the pulpit committee of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church, which was read at services yesterday.

Three years ago Dr. Moor greeted his Easter Sunday congregation with a printed circular, distributed at the church door, which read:

"If you have any fine clothes, please do not wear them to church. The house of God is not the place for the exhibition of drygoods."

Christianity Has Not Failed, Says Minister

President W. O. Thompson of Ohio State University preached in the Fourth Presbyterian Church, West End Avenue and Ninety-first Street, yesterday morning. He said there has been much wild talk about the church not being what it ought to be, during the war and before.

"Christian men and women, asked as individuals, will tell you that the Christian experience, to them, has not failed," he said. "They will tell you, and tell you honestly, that Christianity met the demands upon it, even in war time, in so far as their own personal experiences went.

"Wherever Christianity has gotten into the lives of any people, into the government of any nation, it has improved conditions of people and nations. Some of the treaties which John Hay inspired had more of the Sermon on the Mount in them than any treaties ever drawn up before. There is greater inclination toward international relations than ever before.

"I speak of what I know in Ohio when I say that churches are getting together, that they are organizing their forces, that they are forgetting their differences, that they are serving their communities and not merely their members, and that in our four large Ohio cities—Cleveland, Cincinnati, Columbus and Toledo—leadership in coöperation for the whole country is being shown. Business and professional men are coming forward to work and not, as formerly, just talk about it."

Drys to Open Fight In House To-day to Ban Liquor in Home

Many Prohibitionists Oppose Restrictions Which Would Increase Public Clamor Against Enforcing Bill

WASHINGTON, July 20.—A fight to strike from the prohibition amendment bill the clause that "it shall not be unlawful to possess liquors in one's own dwelling" will be made to-morrow in the House by the prohibition forces.

This was made known to-day by members who declared the bill as now framed would permit wholesale hoarding by persons reported to have put away enough wines and liquors to last them the rest of their lives. There was no statement from Chairman Volstead of the Judiciary Committee, in charge of the "dry" fight on the floor, as to whether he would accept an amendment to this effect. The radicals said they had little hope of changing the bill in this respect without the consent of the committee chairman.

The general view, however, was that the House had gone about as far as conservatives thought wise with drastic provisions. For the last week many prohibitionists have been urging elimination of certain severe restrictions without success. Some of them said today that if the right of home possession was stricken out it would simply add to the public clamor against certain features of the bill by persons eager to see strict enforcement of all prohibition laws, wartime and constitutional.

There were indications that some members were inclined to kick over the traces at the attempt to race through with the bill in ten-hour sittings, when it may be a week or ten days yet before the Senate Judiciary Committee concludes hearings. The occasion for such great haste was not explained by dry leaders beyond the statement that they wanted to get the bill out of the way and forget it. Republican Leader Mondell said the measure would be taken up to-morrow and kept before the House until passed, but members said they had quit predicting when a vote might be reached.

Drys Spurn Debate on Liquor Issue, Say Wets

Proposed Argument Between Bryan and Anti-Prohibitionist Unlikely, Is Association View

Opponents of prohibition are anxious to meet in verbal combat the greatest orator the drys can produce. They insist that they have vast stores of logic which, if brought to bear upon prohibition defences, would reduce them in record time.

But, according to their latest bulletin on the subject, the men who succeeded in putting Demon Rum down for the count are not ready to meet all comers. In fact the anti-prohibitionists insist that they have not been able to find a single advocate of a dry nation who is willing to back his opinion by appearing upon a platform against a wet orator.

If the wet leaders have their way they will place a speaker of national prominence upon a platform—at Madison Square Garden if possible—to argue the fine points of the present issue with William Jennings Bryan.

As evidence of the unwillingness of their prohibition antagonists to appear for a finish debate, the Association Opposed to National Prohibition issued a statement yesterday in which it was said that a week ago the Community Councils of National Defence announced a prohibition debate and called upon both sides to furnish speakers.

According to the statement, the wet leaders were ready. They asked that some big meeting be arranged and that Mr. Bryan be given an opportunity to appear for the drys. But, in spite of repeated efforts of Solon Fieldman, conductor of the forums, it has been impossible to find a speaker who will act for the prohibition forces.

Representatives of the Soda Fountain Association of New York made public a statement yesterday in which they called upon opponents of the tax on soft drinks to communicate with their representatives in Congress asking for immediate action. It is pointed out that a dozen bills calling for the repeal of the tax already have been introduced in both houses, and it is suggested that a united attack upon the measure by the public would result in the passage of one.

The soda water tax is called an unjust burden on poor children, whose greatest pleasure is an ice cream cone or dish of ice cream. It is a tax on the lunches of thousands of women workers who take their midday meal at the soda fountain. It is called clumsy, unfair and discriminatory, as well as offering a temptation to some dealers to collect the tax and then not turn it over to the government.

Commander Read Guest Of Mr. and Mrs. James

Also Entertained by Members of Naval Party While in Newport With Mrs. Read

NEWPORT, July 20.—Commander and Mrs. Albert C. Read, who spent the week end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Curtiss James, returned to New York to-night after being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. James and by members of the naval colony.

Miss Marian K. Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frederick Hoffman, is to be presented in New York during the coming winter season.

Mrs. William S. Sims has gone to Marion, Mass., to visit her sister.

Countess di Cellero, of Italy, is expected to be a Newport visitor before the end of the month. She is the wife of the Italian Ambassador at Washington.

George Peabody Eustis celebrated his birthday at his summer home to-day.

Mrs. R. Livingston Beeckman was a luncheon hostess to-day, and a dinner was given by Mrs. Paul D. Mills this evening. Mrs. Joseph E. Widener is giving a dinner and dance on the evening of August 8 in honor of her son, P. A. B. Widener.

League Names Confusing

National League for Woman's Service Explains

The following statement has been issued by the National League for Woman's Service, of which Miss Maude Wetmore is the national chairman:

"The National League for Woman's Service desires to draw attention to the fact that it is in no way connected with the Woman's National League of Washington, D. C. The similarity in the names of the two organizations is causing confusion and embarrassment among the branches of the National League for Woman's Service throughout the country.

"The National League for Woman's Service is a volunteer organization and during the war and at the present time, its women members are giving volunteer service in the motor corps, canteen, social and welfare work, Americanization, home economics, agriculture, hospitals, and a diversity of other mediums.

"It does not 'seek to get in touch with women interested in literary and club work,' offering them 'an attractive salary,' as is stated, is the purpose of the Woman's National League."

Minister Predicts Many Reservations In Accepted League

Dr. Barton Finds Bitter Hatred on Both Sides of Senate and Is Himself Distressed Over Shantung

The Rev. Dr. William E. Barton, pastor of the Congregational Church at Oak Park, Chicago, preached yesterday in the Broadway Tabernacle, Broadway and Fifty-sixth Street. Following his sermon he was asked what ministers of the Middle West think of reservations on the league of nations covenant and what he as a Congregationalist thinks of Church unity. He had remarked in his sermon that he had spent several days in Washington, doing so in part to ascertain the feeling on the league and the effect of that feeling upon Christian plans in the immediate future.

"Intense and bitter hatred," he said, "I found on both sides of the Senate toward President Wilson and his plans and deep and unyielding resentment over his course since last November. I am not myself employing these terms. They were the terms used by a certain Senator, whose name I prefer not to give without his consent. This was not the description of Republican sentiment, but of Democratic sentiment, with perhaps an exception or two. The situation is grave, and it seems to be the opinion in Washington that it is almost wholly of Mr. Wilson's making.

Distressed Over Shantung

"Speaking for myself, I may say that I am like the man of my church's Bible class—divided. These men, numbering 120, debated the league for four Sundays, and found themselves hopelessly of several minds. I am grievously distressed over the Shantung decision, and believe America must guard herself well to avoid falling into grave moral, or rather immoral, complicity.

"It seems to be the judgment of Washington, at least the judgment given to Christian leaders, that the league covenant will be adopted eventually. It will have to be. But there will be many reservations.

"As may be known, there is just now under discussion an agreement between Episcopalians and some Congregationalists about ordaining a second time some Congregational ministers that they may serve in Episcopal churches. Asked concerning the proposition, Dr. Barton said:

"There is certainly a growing tendency among most Protestants to get together and stop the waste of past years. All mentioned as leaders in the movement I believe to be honest in their convictions, but some are wofully wrong in their method.

Method Delays Union

"I mean nothing personal, but I do not hesitate to say that gentlemen who are falling over each other to get the Roman Catholic Church to recognize them are doing more than anybody else, more than all others together, to prevent the union they seek to further.

"Either Earl Taylor and those Methodists who are acting with him are hopelessly crazy or else there is just ahead of the Christian Church the greatest achievements in all her history. And the way Methodists are putting things across I do not believe they are quite insane. I find that what they do affects helpfully the big business men of Chicago who are not Methodists. These men are not frightened by big plans. They like and commend them. And so I say that it is a thousand pities that a league of nations, with a tremendous moral issue at stake, and a church unity, with kinks in its leadership, are more to be deplored at this time than one can witness without real distress."

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