

SMOOT PROPOSES TAX ON ALL SALES

Would Levy Assessment of 1 Cent on Each Dollar or Fraction Thereof.

SENATE MAKES HEADWAY Tentative Changes So Far Affect Only the Operation of the Act.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Senator Smoot (Utah) will place before the Senate Finance Committee at an early session amendments looking to the adoption of a direct sales tax to replace by a single item many of the harassing minor impositions of the Kitchen bill. He announced to-night that he had prepared alternative amendments with this end in view.

One of them, the more favored of the two, provides for a direct tax on every transaction in excess of 20 cents, of one cent for every dollar of the amount of the transaction. It is estimated to have a revenue production power of \$1,250,000,000. The other proposal is for a similar tax of one cent on every dollar of commercial transactions, collectible on all sales upon the sale by manufacturer to wholesaler, wholesaler to jobber, jobber to retailer and retailer to consumer. The alternative sales tax, Senator Smoot said to-night, would yield \$1,500,000,000 to the Government. The underlying purpose of the proposed tax is a combination of what the Senate revenue framers believe to be the most desirable method of raising revenue as well as replacement of the revenue certain to be lost to the Treasury when the home-bred law becomes effective on July 1, 1919.

How the Tax Would Work. Senator Smoot made it clear to-day how the proposed tax would be applied in the event that the retail tax scheme should be adopted. A purchaser buying any number of articles at a single purchase would pay one cent on every dollar or fraction thereof of the gross amount. He said the utmost limit of taxation to the person earning but \$1,000 a year would be approximately \$20.

It is believed that the sales tax scheme will prove popular in the Finance Committee. It is recognized there that the Kitchen bill with its manifold tax impositions and the vast ramifications of the proposed law, making collection of so many taxes a great burden on the Treasury, is a cumbersome tax system which must be revised before it can prove an efficient revenue law.

Changes Made in Committee.

The Finance Committee has voted to reduce the penalty for not making a tax return in the prescribed time to 25 per cent of the amount of the tax instead of 50 per cent, as in the Kitchen bill. It also voted to reduce from 100 per cent to 50 per cent of the amount of tax the penalty for falsifying tax returns. The 10 per cent tax on cash registers was stricken out.

Police Department Orders

PENSIENS. The following members of the force are relieved and awarded the following pension: To take effect 12 P. M. October 15: On Police Bureau's certificate: LIEUTENANT. William Bauer, 18th Insp. Div., at \$225 per annum. Appointed November 14, 1891. PATROLMEN. Harry S. Newsham, No. 4565, 21st Prec., at \$225 per annum. Appointed December 31, 1894. Harold A. Lockwood, No. 2337, 22d Prec., at \$225 per annum. Appointed December 31, 1891. John Mulvihill, No. 532, Bridge Div., at \$225 per annum. Appointed August 15, 1891. On his own application: Charles J. Daggit, No. 2441, 33d Prec., at \$225 per annum. Appointed October 18, 1899. TRANSFERS AND ASSIGNMENTS. The following transfers and assignments are ordered. To take effect 8 A. M. October 18. LIEUTENANTS. William G. Withers, 25th Prec., assigned as special duty officer in 24th Prec., in addition to his other duties. George Fennel, 11th Prec., assigned as special duty officer in 12th Prec., in addition to his other duties. To take effect 8 A. M. October 17: Stephen Sullivan, 13th Prec., to 21st Prec. Harris Blate, 1st Prec., to 12th Prec. TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENTS. INSPECTOR. Joseph Conboy, 2d Insp. Div., in charge of 4th Insp. Div., in addition to his other duties, for 8 days from 8 A. M. October 21, during absence of acting inspector on vacation. LIEUTENANT. Camille C. Pierno, 31th Insp. Div., to Headquarters Div. for 10 days from 8 A. M. October 16. PATROLMEN. Joseph A. Brady, 13th Prec., to Headquarters Div., to clerical duty in Special Squad No. 2, for 16 days from 8 A. M. October 16. Benedict Wilkins, 23d Prec., to Headquarters Div., to duty in Division of Reports, for 16 days from 8 A. M. October 16. Martin Walsh, 14th Prec., to Headquarters Div., to clerical duty in Division of Reports, for 16 days from 8 A. M. October 16. John J. Twyler, Headquarters Div., of Police Commissioner, for 16 days from 8 A. M. October 16. From precincts indicated to Headquarters Div., for 16 days from 8 A. M. October 16: Charles Haltenmeyer, 64; Timothy Brown, 49; Henry Baran, 4th Insp. Div. From precincts indicated to 4th Insp. Div., to duty in raised premises, for 16 days from 8 A. M. October 16: Louis Owen, 1st Insp. Div.; Edward Hunsley, 1; John Conway, 1; Michael Fitzgerald, 2; Michael Monahan, 3; Thomas Collins, 3; John Higgins, 3; John Downer, 4; James Black, 5. The following leaves of absence are authorized, with full pay: ACTING INSPECTOR. George C. Lebers, 9th Insp. Div., to be absent from 8 A. M. October 21, to be

DEFICIENCY BILL OVER SIX BILLIONS

Continued from First Page. productivity of the nation's industry could not match the intended outlay of cash. It was proposed until recently that this productivity as measured by the Treasury outgo would increase at the rate of about \$100,000,000 a month and that the high point of productivity and monthly expenditures become definitely fixed about December. It was on this supposition that the fiscal policy was largely laid.

However, the productivity of industry is increasing so fast that expenditures are increasing at the rate of \$200,000,000 a month. No attempt is now made to estimate when the high point of productivity and of expenditures to match it will be reached.

In the bill now before the House all of the authorizations are for the military establishment. These authorizations amount to \$3,838,474,877. The cash appropriations in the bill are generally distributed as follows: For the military establishment, \$2,397,372,228; For the naval establishment, \$1,441,102,649; For the civil establishment, \$1,000,000,000.

Quartermaster Corps. The Quartermaster Corps alone requires an enormous amount of the great deficiency appropriation. Cash appropriations, pay of the enlarged army, transportation and other expenses are distributed as follows: Pay of army, mileage and commutation of quarters, \$779,740,245; Subsistence of army, \$184,303,987; Incidentals, \$100,000,000; Corps, \$6,979,770; Transportation of army, \$41,594,317; Clothing and camp andarrison equipment, \$50,128,428; Horses and mules, \$20,612,331; Water and sewers at military posts, \$1,413,207; Military hospitals, \$1,413,207; Construction and repair of hospitals, barracks and quarters, \$4,469,520; Disiplinary barracks, Leavenworth, \$4,000,000; Ohio State rifle range, purchase of Fayetteville, N. C., acquisition of West Point, Ky., requisition of articles, \$1,600,000; Disposition of arms of officers, soldiers and civilian employees, \$75,274; In addition to this amount there is an authorization for \$1,750,000 for construction and repair of hospitals.

The greatest cash appropriations were asked by the Ordnance Department, but a very large portion of the estimates submitted was granted through authorizations which need not be paid for out of the Treasury during the fiscal year. The only actual cash appropriations provided follow: For sea-coast cannon, ammunition, \$5,900,000; For field artillery (acquisition and maintenance of former appropriations), \$20,000,000; Sea-coast cannon ammunition (Panama Canal), \$20,000,000; Artillery and armaments, \$1,200,000; Mines and nets (Panama Canal), \$1,800,000.

Ordnance Contracts. Contract authorizations for the Ordnance Department make up by far the bulk of the huge bill. They are distributed as follows: Ordnance stores, ammunition, \$410,829,529; Small arms, target practice, \$90,787,523; Manufacture of arms, \$5,136,762; Ordnance stores and supplies, \$9,000,000; Automatic machine rifle, \$194,000,000; Ordnance stores, \$1,212,200; Field artillery acquisition, \$20,377,837; Field artillery ammunition, \$1,322,400,445; Field artillery practice ammunition, \$1,000,000.

For the Signal Service of the army an authorization of \$45,000,000 is included in the bill. These cash appropriations are also made: Contingencies of the army, \$100,000; Military information division, \$50,000; Coast artillery school, Fort Monmouth, \$4,500; Signal Service of the army, \$5,000,000; Division of military aeronautics, \$2,000,000; Office of Provost Marshal General, expenses of selection of registrars, \$20,000,000.

Navy Establishment.

The money for the navy establishment is all provided for in cash appropriations. In detail they follow: Navy Department, payment of temporary employees, \$554,162; Navy Department, contingent expenses, \$200,000; Claims on account collision damage, \$57; Bureau of Navigation, \$40,000; Recreation of enlisted men, \$50,000; Gifts on first enlistment, \$5,000,000; Gunners and engineering school, \$2,000,000; Signal Service of the army, \$5,000,000; Division of military aeronautics, \$2,000,000; Office of Provost Marshal General, expenses of selection of registrars, \$20,000,000.

SPECIAL PATROLMEN.

The following resignations are accepted: William H. Smith, No. 2504, 57th Prec. (14th Div.), to take effect 12 P. M. September 18. John Smith, No. 823, 22d Prec. (14th Div.), to take effect 12 P. M. October 16. Louis L. Buttant, No. 2421, Bridge Prec. to take effect 4 P. M. October 11. Edward P. Barry, No. 2369, 4th Prec. (7th Div.), to take effect 4 P. M. October 12. Charles Tracy, No. 1474, 24th Prec. (6th Div.), to take effect 8 A. M. October 14. To take effect 12 P. M. October 14: Abraham Goldsmith, No. 5795, Bridge Prec. John T. Clabby, No. 1222, Bridge Prec. Michael Gaine, No. 2404, Bridge Prec. John E. Knight, No. 1407, 124d Prec. (14th Div.). To take effect 12 P. M. October 12: Albert Prete, No. 2341, 34th Prec. (6th Div.). Patrick J. Galligan, No. 1663, Bridge Prec. Denis J. Walsh, No. 1222, Bridge Prec. Appointed as special patrolmen: Patrick J. Monahan, No. 164, with Department of Public Charities, October 16; Patrick Farrelly, No. 730, with American Sugar Refining Company, October 9; William D. Bruhn, No. 112, with Mayer Bureau of Weights and Measures, October 9. To take effect October 11, with United States Shipping Board: Michael Hagedorn, No. 825; Bernard J. Ciancy, No. 815; Patrick F. Scully, No. 418; Harry M. Reed, No. 747; Bernard Morgan, No. 790. To take effect October 10, with New York Consolidated Railroad Company: Joseph Lawler, No. 237; Harry Steckman, No. 44. To take effect October 11, with American Sugar Refining Company: Patrick McCarbide, No. 215; Michael McHugh, No. 810; William Coyne, No. 821. Resignations accepted: Maurice Sheehan, No. 824, with Fordham University, October 7. F. A. Chapman, No. 411, with United Fruit Company, October 7. Thomas G. Cedar, No. 814, with American Bales Corporation, October 9. Emil E. Frank, No. 489, with Standard Shipbuilding Corporation, October 16. To take effect October 7, with Standard Shipbuilding Corporation: Hugh McDougall, No. 483; E. Davidson, No. 699; Bert Stone, No. 694. Resignations from suspension and restored to duty: PATROLMAN. Walter Sanders, No. 1217, Traffic Div., Sub-div. A, to take effect 5:30 A. M. October 15. Suspended from duty without pay: Walter Sanders, No. 5797, Traffic Div., Sub-div. A, to take effect 10:31 A. M. October 15.

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In addition to making appropriations and authorizations the bill amended a number of existing war laws. The bill provides that the fund given the United States Shipping Board in the last deficiency bill to "requisition" plants for the construction of ships may now be used not only to requisition plants but to establish, construct or extend any such plant and to purchase, requisition or acquire land in any other manner necessary for shipbuilding purposes. The board is also authorized to make advance payments of loans to companies operating under its direction if this is deemed necessary to the more rapid production of ships.

The bill also makes it impossible now for the Shipping Board to collect from the War Department for the charter of ships furnished since July 1 last or to be furnished in the future when the vessels are owned by the Government. This estimate covers the three counties of Aitkin, Carlton and St. Louis. Mr. Nettleton was not prepared to make a statement as to the origin of the fire. Returning automobile parties reported much property loss in West Duluth and the fire districts.

MINNESOTA FOREST FIRES LAID TO I. W. W.

Six Men Are Under Arrest for Incendiarism. Special Despatch to The Sun. ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 16.—Special agents of the Department of Justice are working here on the theory that the Minnesota forest fires were started as I. W. W. propaganda for the recent wholesale convictions at Chicago. Six men are under arrest on suspicion of starting fires.

8 CONTRACT SHIPS DELIVERED IN WEEK

All Built on Fleet Corporation Specifications. Special Despatch to The Sun. WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Every ship delivered to the Shipping Board by the Emergency Fleet Corporation during the week ended October 11 was a contract vessel built according to Fleet Corporation specifications. This is the first time since ship construction to meet the war emergency began that at least a majority of deliveries have not been vessels requisitioned by the Shipping Board in the old established shipyards.

FRENCH DEMAND REPARATION.

Senate Adopts Resolution for Government Action. PARIS, Oct. 16.—The French Senate has unanimously passed a resolution proposed by the Government permitting the Government to proceed actively in cooperation with the Allies with plans to obtain reparation for damage committed by the Germans.

FOREST FIRE LOSS IS \$100,000,000

Flames in Northern Minnesota Continue, Fanned by High Wind. MOORE LAKE, Minn., Oct. 16.—While State officials and representatives of relief organizations conferred to-day over plans for rehabilitating the fire devastated region of northern Minnesota, easterly winds of increasing velocity fanned fresh conflagrations into threatening proportions.

FORCE SURRENDER, SAY IMPLEMENT MEN

Report Shows 23,000,000 Acres Increase in Crops. CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—War until Germany unconditionally surrenders was demanded in resolutions adopted by the National Implement and Vehicle Dealers Association at its twenty-fifth annual convention to-day.

RAILROAD BAGGAGE RULES ARE UNIFIED

Dogs, Corpes and Invalid Chairs Checked Free. Special Despatch to The Sun. WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Director-General of Railroads McAdoo issued orders to-day establishing uniform baggage

ARMYMAN SAVED TNT FROM FIRE

Prevented Explosion of 8,000,000 Pounds at Morgan Disaster. WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Eight million pounds of TNT were saved from destruction in the recent fire at the Gillespie shell loading plant at Morgan, N. J., by an army airplane which flew over the wrecked works at an altitude of 1,000 feet and directed the fight against the flames.

GIFF FOR CARDINAL GIBBONS.

New Apostolic Delegate Brings Crucifix From Pope. ROME, Oct. 16.—The Right Rev. Pietro di Maria, new apostolic delegate in Washington, has been entrusted by the Pope to convey a special gift of the pontiff to Cardinal Gibbons.

ALLEN VIOLATES PAROLE; ARRESTED.

PORTLAND, Me., Oct. 15.—Ernest Stille, registered as an enemy alien at Hartford county, to-day charged with having violated his parole.

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SOCIAL DEMOCRATS TO MEET

Conference to Indorse Certain Candidates Throughout Country. The Social Democratic League, composed of pro-war Socialists, of which Dr. John Spargo is the head, has issued a call for a national conference to be held in this city on October 26 and 27. It is the intention of the league to indorse certain candidates who are running for office in various parts of the country, and the conference will discuss those matters.

FORD ANXIOUS TO BE SENATOR.

Tells Supporters He Wants to Help Solve After War Problems. Special Despatch to The Sun. DETROIT, Oct. 16.—Henry Ford is anxious to be elected to the United States Senate. He made this known to-day in a reply to letters from supporters asking him to make it clear that he really desires election.

BINGHAMTON STOPS MEETING.

Smith May Change Itinerary Because of Epidemic. STAMFORD, Oct. 16.—The influenza epidemic is spreading havoc with the gathering of Al Smith, Democratic candidate for Governor, Jeremiah Connor, in charge of the speaker's bureau, received word to-day that Binghamton had cancelled the meeting for October 21, which was to be the opening date of the campaign.

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Other towns in the southern tier, Elmira, Ithaca and Corning, where Mr. Smith was to speak, also have placed a ban on public meetings and it is highly probable that the entire tour will have to be cancelled. Officials at headquarters are trying to arrange a trip through the cities where the epidemic is not so bad. Kingston will be substituted for Binghamton.

Stephen Pichon, the Foreign Minister, declared that he should have power to insist on the just claims against Germany. The atrocities which Germany had committed, he added, will have other statements than moral condemnation. The Germans must be punished sufficiently to prevent forever the possible recurrence of such crimes as the world recently has witnessed.

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