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## RICH AMERICANS WILL TURN BRITISH TO DODGE INCOME TAX Five Per Cent Payment To England Added To That Demanded By United States To Much For Their Peace Of Mind

London, March 6.—A number of wealthy Americans in business abroad have declared they will renounce United States citizenship and become British subjects to avoid the income tax. It was said today.

Already two have done so. They are Isaac Seligman, of Seligman Bros, London bankers, and Frank E. Bliss, a former Standard Oil magnate and ex-president of the American Society of London.

A memorial protesting against the inequalities of the act has been signed by the leading American residents of London and will be forwarded to Secretary of State Bryan through Mr. Page, the American Ambassador.

F. C. Van Duzer, secretary of the American Society and dean of the American colony in London, who is one of the signers of the memorial, said today:

"American residents abroad are penalized, while alien non-residents who are drawing money from the United States are not penalized. It is a grossly unfair tax. There is an income tax of 5 percent in Great Britain and then on top of that a surcharge of 7 per cent in the United States, because the graduated schedule in the American tax will rapidly reach that figure.

"There is no objection on the part

of Americans in London to paying a tax on incomes received from the United States, but there is certainly an objection from business Americans who come abroad and develop new fields of industry to being penalized for increasing American prestige and trade. I confidently prophesy that the memorial is not needed a large number of Americans here will follow the example of Messrs. Seligman and Bliss, and become British subjects, much as we are.

Harry Gordon Selfridge, an American business man, who has just extended his property here with a \$1,250,000 real estate deal, was surprised when he was asked if he was going to pay the income tax. He said:

"My income is derived entirely in England and I am asked to pay not only an income tax here, but another in the United States. I simply won't pay it."

"If you find the tax unavoidable would you become a British subject?"

To this Mr. Selfridge replied: "It would be the simplest thing in the world, but I have no desire to do so. I prefer the tax. There is a considerable doubt in my mind as to whether such provisions of law will be found to be constitutional."

## CO-RESPONDENT'S WIFE IS WITNESS IN BYINGTON CASE

Mrs. Ella Driscoll Recalls  
Elopement of Husband  
With Mrs. Byington.

Mrs. Ella Driscoll of this city whose husband is said to have eloped with Verne Byington, took the stand this morning when the divorce suit of Fred E. Byington of this city was tried before Judge Curtis in the superior court. Byington brought proceedings against Verne Byington on the ground of infidelity and named Robert Driscoll, formerly of this city, as co-respondent.

Mrs. Driscoll admitted she did not come willingly to testify. She told about going to New York and finding her husband in a house on 60th street. He was not living with Mrs. Byington at the time but visited the defendant in the city where he was living. Mrs. Driscoll admitted she made a scene when she saw her husband.

"I suppose I was jealous," she said. Her husband proposed to return to Bridgeport and Mrs. Driscoll left for this city with the understanding that Driscoll would come back to her. He remained in New York, however.

Mrs. Charles Byington, mother of the plaintiff, told about going to 1072 Fox street, New York, and finding the defendant in an apartment with Driscoll. They made no secret of the fact that they were living together. Afterward the defendant wrote to the plaintiff's mother saying she was infatuated with Driscoll, although she respected her husband. She and Driscoll would live together, she said. "I can't live this way, with my heart in my mouth all the time," she wrote, "because it would be just like Ella to have us separated."

Judge Curtis reserved decision. The couple were married in 1906.

Mary M. Lengyel of Norwalk was granted a decree from William Lengyel of Newmark on the ground of habitual intemperance. The couple were married April 26, 1910.

## Identified As Gun Man; Cohen Protests Innocence

Positively identified by John Messina as the man who fired one revolver shot at him Tuesday night in the store at 410 North Washington avenue, a man giving his name as Israel Cohen, coiled himself in a chair and was questioned by Captain of Detectives Arnold at police headquarters this afternoon. He was apprehended by Detective Luke Petruschell on Wallace street today when he was pointed out by Messina.

Cohen denies that he is the man who fired the shot and says that he never saw Messina before.

There have been many telephone calls at headquarters this afternoon protesting against his being accused, alleging that he goes to work and protesting that he is not in the habit of carrying a revolver.

## CIVIL SERVICE ASSO. HOLDING CONVENTION

Washington, March 6.—The National Association of Civil Service Employees began its annual meeting here today. The objects of the organization said to represent 335,000 workers, are the preservation of the civil service system, extension of the merit plan and procuring an equitable retirement rule.

## FIND RUNAWAY GIRL HERE.

Following a telephone communication from Sheriff John Convey of Torrville, Detective George F. Simon today located 17-year-old Josephine Perpersky of that place working in a West End home as a domestic. Her relatives complain that she is a runaway girl. Her sister is expected to arrive in Bridgeport today to take her home.

## REPORT FAVORS REPEAL OF THE TOLLS CLAUSE

House Committee Puts Wilson's Argument Up to Parent Body.

## HARD FIGHT EXPECTED ON FLOOR OF CONGRESS

Poin Dexter Calls on President To Explain Reference to Other Matters.

Washington, March 6.—The Sims bill to repeal the Panama tolls exemption was favorably reported by the House commerce committee today by a vote of seven to four. Representatives Doremus, of Michigan, Democrat; Knowland, of California, Republican; O'Shaunnessy, of Rhode Island, Democrat; and LaFolery, of Washington, Progressive, voted against it.

Whether Congress will reverse itself and repeal the clause in the Panama Canal act granting American coastwise vessels free passage through the Panama Canal is the principal topic of discussion today.

Chairman Adamson, of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce upon whom the duty of responding to the President's request devolves in the House, lost no time today in preparing for the fight confronting him and his committee.

In both the Senate and House it was freely predicted that more than a sufficient number of votes would be assured in favor of the repeal when the members were brought face to face with the issue.

It was admitted, however, that there would be vigorous opposition in both Houses and that a bitterly contested battle was certain.

Senator Poin Dexter, today introduced a resolution calling on President Wilson to explain what matters "of even greater delicacy and nearer consequence" he referred to in his address to Congress yesterday as depending on the repeal of the Panama tolls exemption.

## SPEAKER SAYS HE'LL STICK TO BOSTON RED SOX

New York, March 6.—When the steamer Lusitania, carrying the world touring ball players reached the harbor today nearly every player received some sort of offer from the Federals by wireless. None, however, announced any intention of signing. Dick Egan, the Cincinnati shortstop recently added to Brooklyn, promptly signed up with Ebbetts. Tris Speaker said he would sign up with the Boston and Doolan made some promise to Baker of Philadelphia.

Ean Johnson of the American league was one of the first to greet John McGraw and Charles Comiskey on board the Lusitania. Comiskey looked well considering his siege of illness aboard.

## HEAD OF PRINCETON IS TO SPEAK HERE

Will Address Contemporary Club on "The American University in Modern Life."

John Grier Hibben, Ph. D., LL.D., president of Princeton University will address the Contemporary club on Friday evening, March 13th, at the home of Judge and Mrs. George W. Wheeler, 115 Park avenue. His subject will be "The American University in Modern Life."

Mr. Hibben has held his present position as president of Princeton University since 1912. Previous to that time he was for many years a professor of Logic and Psychology at that seat of learning.

Among his publications are: Inductive Logic, The Problems of Philosophy, The Logic of Logic, Logic and Inductive, The Philosophy of Enlightenment, A Defence of Prejudice, and other essays. He was also editor of Epochs of Philosophy, a 12 volume work by authors in this country and Great Britain.

## WANTS \$10,000 FOR DEATH OF TOT UNDER FALLING BARN DOOR

To recover damages for the death of his three-year-old son Harold, who was crushed to death under a falling barn door, George Gustafson of Danbury has brought suit against Minna Manthey of Danbury for \$10,000. Papers in the action were filed today in the superior court. It is alleged that children in the neighborhood played about the barn, which was in the rear of the defendant's property, and she is accused of negligence in not keeping the door in proper repair. The action is returnable to the March term of court.

## MRS. HOTCHKISS DEAD.

Anna M., widow of Charles A. Hotchkiss, died today at the family home, 528 Clinton avenue. She is survived by one son, Edward S. Hotchkiss, president and treasurer of the Hotchkiss-Prentiss Mfg. Co.

## VIENNA—The Lower House of the Austrian Imperial Parliament, whose sessions were suspended January 30

owing to its turbulence, reassembled, but owing to the tumult the Speaker once more suspended the sessions.

## \$23,000 IN GOLD AND BILLS FOUND IN "HUMP" OF BEGGAR, AGED 70

San Francisco, March 6.—For 20 years William Kapler, aged 70, has been a beggar, eating food taken from ash cans and sleeping wherever he could find shelter. Last night Kapler was arrested so that he might have a comfortable mattress and blankets.

When he was searched, a hump on his back, supposed to be a deformity, proved to be a tin box packed with gold coin and paper money. Various false pockets in Kapler's clothes were emptied of additional money.

In all he had \$23,000.

## STEAMER BRIDGEPORT IS SOLD

Had Been In Local Service  
for Almost Fourteen  
Years

## BEAT THE "PECK" IN EXCITING RACE

Going Into the Excursion  
Business Between N. Y.  
and Glen Island

The steamer Bridgeport, that has carried thousands of residents of this city on day trips between Bridgeport and New York has been sold to the McAllister Steamboat Co. The latter company has recently bought the Staria fleet of 27 steamboats and barges which the Staria line formerly operated on excursions from various sound points and New York, to Glen Island. It is understood that the Bridgeport which is particularly adapted for summer excursion parties will be used on Glen Island trips.

The steamer Bridgeport came to Bridgeport for its first trip on May 23, 1902, succeeding the old steamer Rosedale, that had been the day boat between New York and Bridgeport for more than 26 years before. The Bridgeport was built at Wilmington, Del., by the firm of Harland & Hollingsworth. The designers were Gardner & Cox.

Capt. William Withers, now deceased, was the first commander of the steamer. He was the father of Capt. Thorsen Withers, present commander of the night steamer "Nauvauk."

When James H. Jenkins was president of the Bridgeport Steamboat Co. he had been captain of the Bridgeport service he offered to wage Commander J. W. Miller of the steamer Richard E. Peck \$5,000 that the Bridgeport could beat the Peck in a race between Montauk Point and Execution light. "If you win the bet the money is yours to do with as you like; but if we win we will give it to Bridgeport charities."

The Newport had demonstrated in a jaunt up the Sound one day that she had nothing to fear in an encounter with the Peck.

For the last two seasons Joseph Hancock, head of the New England Navigation Co. said today that while he understood the steamer had been sold he was not familiar enough with the details to discuss the sale in any way.

## VOLLMER TAKES 18 PRISONERS.

County Sheriff Vollmer has taken 18 prisoners in the new Chesapeake Reformatory since the present term of the criminal superior court opened. There are 190 inmates at the reformatory but as the institution is prepared to take work by authors in this country and Great Britain.

## NEW ENGLAND BOX CO. PRESIDENT IS DEAD

Boston, March 6.—Benjamin Warren Porter, president of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and head of the New England Box Company, died suddenly at a hotel here today.

## TAUNTON BANK CASHIER INDICTED AS EMBEZZLER

Boston, March 6.—Among several indictments returned by the federal grand jury today was one against Charles P. Foster of Taunton, teller of the Bristol County National Bank, charged with embezzlement.

## MRS. MAGEE DEAD.

Catherine Colby, wife of Arthur Magee, died this morning at her home, 851 Hancock avenue, after a brief illness. Besides her husband, she is survived by one brother, John F. Colby. The body will be taken to Scranon, Pa., for burial.

Mike—Do you believe in the recall of judges, Pat?  
Pat—That I do not. The last time I was up before his honor he sez: "I recall that fact. Sixty days." I'm agin the recall of judges.—Life.

## VILLA DELAYS EXECUTION OF RICH CAPTIVE

Terrazas' Father Ordered to Collect \$250,000 For Ransom.

## HALF MILLION ALREADY PAID FOR PROTECTION

Carranza Promises to Probe Disappearance of American Citizen.

El Paso, Tex., March 6.—General Terrazas has until next Sunday to pay the 500,000 pesos ransom for his son, Luis, who is held by the rebel general, Francis Villa, at Chihuahua. This sum is equal to \$250,000 gold but the exact bill-million of 200 pesos has not that much money left, according to his friends.

The letter demanding the money was dated March 3 and stated that, if the ransom were not paid within five days, Luis would be "taken south" with Villa. This threat, Terrazas construed in only one way and that is that his son will fall a victim to the notorious fugitive law if the money is not forthcoming.

Under the conventional provisions of "Ley Fuga" the prisoner is always held "while trying to escape."

General Terrazas is 80 years old and greatly shaken by the peril to his son. The latter has been a prisoner for several months and has already paid \$60,000 gold to save his life.

It is probable that George C. Carothers, special agent of the department of state at Washington will be sent to his return to the states tonight to use his good offices with Villa, whom he has known intimately for many years.

## CARRANZA TO ASCERTAIN FATE OF GUSTAV BAUCH

Washington, March 6.—Secretary Bryan received today a note from General Carranza signed by Senor Pabala, acting secretary for foreign affairs of the state department of the Constitution assuring the American government that the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Gustav Bauch would be promptly investigated.

The joint commission of American and British representatives, it became known today, will get no further instructions until after the board of inquiry reports its findings. The appointment of Luis Cabrera as special adviser to the Mexican commission was formally received by officials here who have a high regard for Cabrera's knowledge of diplomacy and his sense of value of an impartial investigation.

"That the body of Benton may not be exhumed by the Mexican commission is not at all unlikely for it is believed the commission will be able to learn just what were the facts of his death from eye witnesses."

Meanwhile, state department officials are giving their attention to the reported murder of Clemente Vergara, an American citizen. John Bassett Moore, former counsel of the state department, who is finishing up some work before finally severing his connection with the department, was at work on the complicated question of extradition involved.

Telegrams prepared by Mr. Moore for Secretary Bryan to be sent to Governor Colquitt were expected to be made public later in the day.

## M'CARTHY ALIVE IN NEW ORLEANS

Alleged Victim of Mexican Bandits Located By U. S. Authorities.

Painville, O., March 6.—George William McCarthy, missing Painville railroad engineer, believed to have been killed by bandits of Mexico, Mexico for whom the state department at Washington was conducting a search, is alive and well.

This announcement came from New Orleans, where McCarthy has been located. It gave details of his serious injury and narrow escape from death in Mexico. Mr. McCarthy has relatives in Bridgeport, Conn.

When notified today of the escape of his brother Albert and Thomas, McCarthy, 1173 Stratford avenue, said they had heard nothing to indicate the details of his escape. They live with two sisters who are also anxiously awaiting news.

## NEW PAMPHLET ON INCOME TAX HERE.

A carefully indexed pamphlet upon the law regulations relative to the tax on income of individuals, corporations, joint stock companies, associations and insurance companies has been issued by the department of internal revenue, at Washington. A number of these have been sent to the local office and will be distributed to those interested upon application. It is the intention of the local officers to send them to all lawyers, factors, mercantile establishments, etc. Copies may be had upon application to a person at the office in the Federal building.

## BRIDGEPORT DEALERS THREATEN TO ENJOIN AWARD OF SPRINKLER CONTRACT BY BOARD OF SUPPLY

New York Concern Gets Order For A Five Ton Truck And Tank, Though Local Dealers Enter Lower Bids

## Claim That Specifications Were Uncertain, That Board Demanded No Test And Declined To Inspect Competitive Trucks

Local automobile dealers are considering an application for an injunction to prevent the award of a contract for an auto water sprinkler to Charles Hyvas & Co., 511 E. 18th street, New York, at \$4,350.

The local dealers assert that Hyvas was not a low bidder, and that trucks equal or superior, were offered for less money.

They also complain that the board of contract and supply was unfair in dealing with the local bidders. It is alleged that the board did not cause a test of the trucks to be made, and that it declined to look over trucks offered for inspection.

Among the competing concerns were the Locomobile Company of America, Elm Auto Company, E. M. Jennings, The General Motors Service & Truck Company, Harry M. Ford, J. L. Carpenter, Blue Ribbon Garage, and Consolidated Motor Company.

Five of the bidders were lower than the successful concern. And several of the bidders offered equipment which was in every way equal to that which the board accepted.

The announcement of the award left the Bridgeport dealers very indignant and determined to resist the treatment which they had received.

## GLYNN URGES STATE LABOR DEPARTMENT FOR ECONOMY PLAN

Governor of New York Plans Aid for "Army of Unemployed"

Albany, March 6.—Governor Glynn, in a special message today, asked the legislature to enact a measure he has prepared for the aid of the unemployed. The project is for the creation of a new bureau of employment in the state department of labor.

The scheme contemplates the establishment of public employment bureaus at various points, the supreme director to be chosen by a civil service examination. An advisory committee composed of prominent employers and representatives of labor would be appointed by the labor commissioner for each office.

It is specified that no applicant for work shall be deprived of the bureau's assistance because of his refusal to work in an establishment where the practice of law today by the appellate division of the supreme court, would have us believe, is a civil service enough to demand our consideration. Whatever the state as a state can do to provide work for the unemployed it is morally bound to do."

## THAW'S LAWYER IN FIRST TRIAL IS DEBARRED BY COURT

New York, March 6.—Clifford W. Hartridge, counsel for Harry K. Thaw at his first trial for the killing of Stanford White, was debarred from the practice of law today by the appellate division of the supreme court. The court found that Hartridge had squandered \$39,000 to induce women witnesses who might have testified against Thaw to leave the city.

## MOTORMAN TESTIFIES IN ROGERS INQUEST

Angevine Thomas Rogers, a motorman for the Connecticut Company, living at 61 Park street, appeared before Coroner John Phelan, this morning, to give what information he possessed on the death of Charles H. Rogers on the night of March 2. The motorman testified that the accident occurred when his car was some distance away and that he had no definite knowledge of the manner of death. Coroner Phelan, before making a finding will ascertain whether another car passed the spot before that operated by Motorman Rogers.

## DECISION IN MELLEEN CASE EXPECTED TUESDAY

It is expected that Judge Tuttle of the superior court will give his decision next Tuesday on the demurrer filed by counsel for former President Charles S. Mellen of the New Haven road, who is accused of criminal responsibility for the Westport wreck. The criminal superior court will not convene again until Tuesday.

The specifications offered by the board were indefinite. They called for a five ton auto truck, equipped with a 1,200 gallon steel tank and efficient means of distributing the water.

The tank is to be used for streets not sprinkled with oil.

On the Hyvas bid the kind of tank equipment is not specified according to the bids as asked by the board of contract and supply. The sprinkler equipment is a special "Hyvas" arrangement specified only by the name mentioned.

Harry M. Ford, proprietor of the Columbus garage, submitted one of the lowest and most comprehensive bids for the sprinkler truck, but the board disqualified it because the bid claimed it was unsigned. Nevertheless, Mr. Ford's bid was accompanied by a certified check of \$187.75, which was 5 per cent of his bid, and Mr. Ford lives in Bridgeport and conducts a business here.

Mr. Ford's bid was \$3,975 on a 1,200 gal. 5-ton Kelly truck. He had specified what is known as "Hyvas" plates in the water tank. These plates are designed so that if the truck is brought to a quick stop the momentum brought on by the quick shift of the water tank will not drive the vehicle forward at risk to it.

## GOVERNOR PRAISED FOR ECONOMY PLAN

Litchfield Decries "Excessive Expenditure" of State's Money.

Hartford, March 6.—There has been forwarded to Governor Baldwin by George H. Huxford, town clerk of Litchfield, a copy of a resolution passed at the adjourned town meeting in Litchfield on March 2, as follows:

"Resolved—That it is the sense of the inhabitants of the town of Litchfield that a stop should be put to the excessive expenditure of the state's money until its former satisfactory condition of practical freedom from indebtedness is resumed.

"That the representatives from this town to the next general assembly and the Senator from this district should oppose all wasteful expenditures of the people's money.

"That we extend our thanks to the governor for the firm stand which he has taken in favor of economical expenditure of the people's money and against illegal uses of the same as well as for his veto of appropriation bills whereby large sums of money were saved to the state and to the town clerk is directed to send a copy of this vote to His Excellency, Governor Baldwin."

## INVALID, INSANE, SHOOTS HER NURSE

Mystic, Conn., Woman Dangerously Wounded in Fight With Patient.

Worcester, Mass., March 6.—Mrs. Elizabeth J. Powers, 57 years old, wife of Lorenzo J. Powers, shot and dangerously wounded Miss Susan F. Sisson, 58 years old, housekeeper in the Powers' home, during a fit of insanity today.

Miss Sisson came to Worcester from Mystic, Conn., last May to care for the Powers home because Mrs. Powers had been an invalid for the past eight years and had become unable to care for herself. While Miss Sisson was preparing breakfast for her mistress about 10 o'clock, Mrs. Powers entered the kitchen clad only in a bath robe and began to fire a revolver at Miss Sisson.

The latter grappled with Mrs. Powers and fought for the possession of the revolver but Mrs. Powers pulled the trigger while they were struggling and then Mrs. Sisson tried to escape by running from the kitchen. Mrs. Powers fired a third shot at her and this struck her in the back, entering the right lung and inflicting a dangerous wound.

Miss Sisson was hurried to the city hospital and Mrs. Powers, after being placed under arrest, was also taken to the hospital for observation regarding her mental condition.

The funeral of Charles F. Rogers, the former horse trainer who was killed by an automobile driven by Francis H. Derby, chauffeur for the Whiting Mfg. Co., on Tuesday night, was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of Cullinan & Mullins. Rev. Henry C. Woodruff, pastor of the Black Rock Congregational church conducted the services. There were a number of beautiful floral tributes. The burial was in Lakewood cemetery.