WAR-TAX BILL A BRAIN TWISTER

Sensure Accepted by House Marvel of Complexity

PRIS PROFITS PUZZLE

WARHINGTON, Oct. 2 awoke this morning with At least this description is true bers of the House who, having ety enough yesterday to accept ence report on the war revenue t was adopted and now goes to tried last night to figure out orkings of the excess-profits tax. One not go outside the personnel of the committees themselves to get verdict that the tax is likely to hold record for obscurity, complexity and ral incomprehensibility.

it is a situation which is freely admitted those who drafted the tax, and e inclined to deplore it. They ustify it, however, on the ground that they war-profits taxation. Having adopted as the main theory of war taxation the princountry making most out of the war she heaviest taxes, it was necessary, cay the sponsors of the excess-tax pro-vision, that there should be compileated processes devised to distinguish profits due to the war and those due to normal business. The general idea almed at in this determination was to effect a comparison between present business and business during a three-year prewar period. All de-ductions, allowances and graduated taxes in the scheme are incidental to this theory.

As an example of the intricate compurations required of the firms and corporations coming under the provision and which desire to ascertain the amount of taxes they are to pay, the following example was worked out by one member of the commit-

and has been in busihers ten years. The capitalization, which has been approved by the Government for taxation purposes, represents paid-in cash, but does not include stocks and bonds, the but does not include stocks and bonds, the income from which is not subject to the tax now imposed. It includes, furthermore, the cash value of tangible property paid in or earned surpluses, actual cash value of latents and copyrights, good will, trade marks, franchises and other assets representing definite going values.

First of all, Jones & Co. are allowed a deduction of 7 per cent of this capitaliza-tion, or \$7000, as the average pre-war profits. In addition a statutory deduction of \$3000 is allowed, making a total allowance of \$10,000. These deductions are made before the taxable profits are deter mined. If in 1917, Jones & Co. made profits of \$59,000, the profits subject to taxation, after the \$10,000 deduction is made, are \$40,000. Upon this latter sum five separate and distinct levies are made upon a graduated scale, as follows:

First. A tax of 20 per cent upon 15 per cent of the total capital of \$100,000

Second. A (ax of 25 per cent upon the difference between 15 per cent and 20 per cent of the \$100,000 capital, or 25 per cent upon \$5000-\$1750.

Third. A tax of 35 per cent upon the difference between 20 per cent and 25 per cent of the \$100,000 capital, or 35 per cent upon \$5000-\$1750. A tax of 45 per cent upon the

difference between 35 per cent and 33 per cent of the \$100,000 capital, or 45 per cent upon \$8000-\$3000.

Fifth. A tax of 60 per cent upon n'i net income in excess of 33 per cent of the \$100,000 capital, or 60 per cent upon \$7800-\$4200. Potal taxes on war profits of \$40,900-

If Jones & Co. happen to have made more during the three-year prewar period than they did in 1917, the only difference In the computations would lie in the deductions allowed. Instead of being allowed a deduction of 7 per cent of the total capitalisation plus the statutory deduction of \$3000, Jones & Co. would be allowed a deduction of \$9 per cent of their total canitalization plus the statutory deduction of \$3000. That is, instead of deducting \$10,000 from the profits of \$50,000 for 1917, they would deduct \$12,000, leaving net war profits subject to taxation of \$38,000, instead of \$40,600. Upon this \$38,000, instead of \$40,600. Upon this \$38,000 the five separate levies would be made precisely as in the previous example.

If, again, Jones & Co. is a concern that was not in business before the outbreak of the war, here again the difference of computation would lie only in the deductions plus the statutory

the war, here again the difference of com-putation would he only in the deductions allowed. In this case the deductions would be 8 per cent of the total capitalization of 1100,000, plus the statutory deduction of 30000, or a total deduction of \$11,000. Thus the net war profits subject to the five levies would be \$29,000, and there again the levies would be faid as above.

YORK COUNTY FAIR OPENS WITH ABUNDANT DISPLAY

Keen Rivalry Shown in Competition for \$13,000 Prizes-Large Attendance on First Day

YORK, Pa., Oct. 2.—The nixty-fourth annual exhibition of the York County Agricultural Society opened auspiciously here

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All the departments have record displays and there is keen rivalry for the \$13,000 purses to be awarded. Many persons took advantage of the ideal weather and mingled with the 5000 school children who were guests of the fair managers.

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The State Health and Agricultural departments have exhibits for combating contagious and other diseases and crop pests. The Kreutz Creek Valley Farmers' Co-operative Association has an extraordinary display of farm products, and several firms are showing the operation of tractors in the plowing of corn with the use of artificial corn stalks.

The Midway, with its myriads of shows, games of chance, refreshment stands and other booths, is larger than last year, despite the fact that several shows have gone astray in their shipment here. One car-

spite the fact that several shows have gone astray in their shipment here. One carlead of cattle also got lost en route here. The fudging of the exhibits began with a rush this afternoon. The judges in the various classes are as follows: Horses, E. E. Biggs, Baltimors, who is also starting judge for the trials of speed; cattle, R. E. Lindssey, Plainfield, N. J.: cereals, Frank G. Gardner, State College; farm products, Albert L. Williams and S. T. Feeling, York; fruit, Oliver Schock, Hamburg; flowers, H. A. Schroyer, Lancaster; poultry, George W. Webb, Rochester, N. Y., and Charles Nikon, Washington, N. J. The racing program will be one of the features of the big fair with 135 harness and seventy-five running-horse entries.

TOP PRICE FOR PUMPKINS

gro Thieves Compelled to Settle at Valuation Placed by Farmer

DIX MAY BECOME **EMBARKING CAMP**

Transport-Handling Facilities Strengthen Rumor

RECRUITING SPECIALISTS

Bu a Staff Correspondent CAMP DIN, Wrightstown, N. J., Oct. 2.

Indications all point to the possibility if Camp Dix being more than a mere training camp, and the camp will combine the features of an embarkation camp as well, There men from other camps will be con sentrated before going abroad. The proximity of the camp to the coast, the fact that an enormous pier is to be built at a sea coast city within a short distance with facilities for handling many transports and the persistent rumors from well informed persons that the camp is to be enlarged to quarter from 60,000 to \$6,000

nen all give weight to this, If the camp should develop into an em-barkation camp it would not interfere with the training of troops from three States which is now in progress. It would probably result in a number of experimental ably result in a number of experimental features being fraugurated, making Camp Dix a sort of a finishing training camp where men would receive intensive courses h special work, such as gas attacks, bombing, bayonet, mining, supping and other features of modern war. These training courses would be a sort of a connecting ink between the training received in ear tonments in this country and the final training received in France, and actual war conditions will be simulated closely. There is one regiment of regular engineers in camp which has been here for several weeks recruiting specialists, such as well-diggers pipe-fitters, carpenters and others who would be valuable in the work of instailing a water system behind the trenches

othing official about this development of the camps, but the fact that a stricter cen-scrahip exists at this camp than at other camps is an indication that the developments at Camp Dix are closely connected with plans of the General Staff, and that the camp is a strategic point.

HOTEL SETTLES INSURANCE

Mansion House of Reading Arrives at Adjustment With Companies

READING, Pa., Oct. 2 .- The suit of An-W. Christ, landlord, and E. M. Morcity's largest hetels, against the Done gal Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Lancaster County, ended in an adjustment in the civil court here. This was one of nine cases brought by the hotel men against insurance companies on furnishings in the hotel. The building stands next to the Bright Hardware Building in Penn Square. where a \$200,000 fire occurred last Feb ruary. Water and breakages caused the damage to the hotel. A settlement of all the cases has been arrived at, the total nsurance claimed being nearly \$5000

British Envoy Has German Reply

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The Vatican sester-day handed to the British Minister the re-cent German reply to Pope Benedict's peace lote, accompanied, it was reported, by

Resignation of Swedish Ministry Rumor COPENHAGEN, Oct. 2.—Resignation of the Swed'sh Ministry was rumored in a edition of the Berlingske Tidente this afternoon. The Ministry was recently defeated in the elections.

N. Y. Senate Turns Down Perkins ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 2.—Confirmation of the nomination of George W. Perkins as chairman of the New York State Food mission was rejected by the Senate

THIERICHENS UP FOR SMUGGLING

Proximity to Coast and Eitel Friedrich Captain's Lawyer Moves to Quash Indictment

U. S. ATTORNEY OPPOSES

An effort to quash the indictment against Captain Max Thierichens, formerly of the interned German raider Prince Eltel Frederick, who is accused of smuggling ashors ship chronometers, was made by William A. Gray, his attorney, shortly after the case opened before Judge Thomp-son, in the United States District Court.

this morning.

Several questions at law were made by Mr. Gray and objected to by "United States Attorney Francis Fisher Kane, on the ground that a previous motion to quash had been dealed. Judge Thompson. however, allowed Mr. Gray to present his reason because of the fact that he had not been in the case at the time the

uther motion was denied.

Ar. Gray stated as his reasons for the squest that the place of origin of the chrorequest that the place of origin of the chro-nometers had not been given in the bill of particulars of the Government and as required by the smuggling act, and that the Government did not expect to prove the oint of origin. The objections were over-uled, however, Judge Thompson declaring that the question might be submitted later

There were twenty-eight jurors called and challenged before a jury was finally selected. The jury is composed of Jumes B. Hichards, Royersfore, Pa., merchant; Willard P. Strickland, 55 South Ninfo street, faston, Pa., contractor; G. William Riegel Easton, Fa., contractor; G. William Riegel, Bethlehem, Fa., gentleman; Samuel G. Mc-Tague, 1798 Erie avenue, cherk; Joseph Schrott, Jr., 1218 North Randolph street, hatter; Albert Forsler, 4289 Main street, shoe dealer; William M. Korr, Trainer, Fa., chemist; Edward P. Yost, Pottsylle, Pa., salesman; Albert M. Levering, 3812 Stoke-ler street and property of the contract of the hey street, civil engineer: Robert McCorkle, ley street, civil engineer: Robert McCorkle, Upper Darby, salesman; Edward T. Legg, 1429 Chestnut street, broker, and Frederick W. Cansidy, Jr., 4617 Frankford avanue, real estate. Yout was appointed foreman

accused of smuggling are valued at \$1716. On another indictment which will be tried subsequently, there are three codefendants amed. Henry Roiner, wealthy German-American wholesale grocer: Adalbert Fisch-er, a prominent manufacturer, and his wife.

Commander Luby, the first witness, said first saw Captain Thierichens on Octoarrived at the Navy Yard. The Kaiser Prinz Wilhelm was also there. The Navy Yard captain then explained

he system of passes in use at that time with relation to the interned German hips. All personal passes had to be signed y Captain Thierichens, but articles of be sent from the ship if they had the sig-nature of the ship's captain. The passes were turned into Commander Luby's of-

the discretion that the guards at the ship's side and at the many yard gate were allowed to practice in searching the articles that went ashore and passed out of the yard. Thousands of articles and visitors had to be passed for the most part without ninute inspection or too severe questio Frank Garbarino, special agent of the Department of Justice, stated that he found afteen chronometers in boxes on top of . wardrobe in the Flacher bome in German

wardrobe in the Fischer home in German-town with a sheet over them. Rudelph Fischelts, shipping clerk for Rohner's store at Fifth and Racs streets, was called. He told of making deliveries n Rohner's motortruck of cases of ples to be Prince Eltel Friedrich at the navy yard, where they were in each case received Karl Erichsen, a sailor. He testified taking several boxes from the nary yard without passes back to the store, unpack-ing them and finding smaller boxes within which he took to the office of Mr. Rohner at his request.
In answer to Mr. Kane's questions he said he believed the boxes were the ones he

Requested by Mr. Kane to tell when he ok the boxes from the German ship. Fischells replied: "After relations were broken off and war

Karl Erlehsen was called next. He was In a German sallor's uniform and needed an interpreter. When called upon to swear to tell the "truth and nothing but the truth," he refused and it took considerable explanation by Judge Thompson to convince the witness that the custom of this country required a certain form of oath and that his refusal to take it would

Finally Erichsen understood, but would not "swear," agreeing, bowever, to "affirm."

MINE WORKERS REJECT COMPROMISE COAL WAGE

Joint Conference of Bituminous Operators Continues Effort to Reach Satisfactory Adjustment

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 -- A compromise wage advance offered the bituminous coal miners in the joint conference here today was rejected by the United Mine Workers Efforts to reach a satisfactory adjustment

The operators offer and a compatison with the original demands of the niners are as follows: "First-Contract for the period of the

ar." The miners object to being tied up an indefinite contract. They favor a ve-year contract. Second-Advance of five cents per ton ck and machine mining." The miners ask

"Third -Advance of one dollar per day e day laborers, with exception of trappers and other boys, who are to be advanced lifty cents per day." The miners asked 1 30 advance on all day laborers,

dyanced 20 per cent in Ohio and Pennsylania, and an equal amount in cents per light change from the miners' original deands but is satisfactory to them.

"Fifth-4"outract to contain rigid provi-one for its enforcement." This demand riginated with the operators, but probably vill be accepted by the miners.
"Sixth—Contract to be tentative subject of the approval of the Federal Fuel Admin-

tration, and if not so approved to be null Both sales are confident of obtaining

lovernment approval. The figures are alendy being collected to cover any advance is wages by an increase in the price of soal at the mines, which advance will be sed down to the public

DANIELS COMMENDS SAILOR

Praises A. O. Radcliffe, Who Rescued Boy From Drowning

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 .- Secretary Dan els has commended Arthur Otla Radeliffe, caman on board the United States steamip Wadsworth, for gallantry in rescuing tug alongside and who had drifted away

ent James Robertson McClregor, fireman, third clare, attached to the training station at Newport, R. I. McGregor rescued an apprentice seaman who was in the water in an unconscious condition.

New Yorkers Beef at Beeffless Day NEW YORK, 6kt. 2.—New York today bserved its first beefless Tuesday and Pork lamb and countless other dishes were o be had, but beef-well, even the beef tow had disappeared from the hotel menus. In another month, food conservers say, beef Tuesday will be either ancient or medic

Pastor's Resignation Refused

MEIFORD N. J., Oct. 2.—Although the Rev. William Thompson has resigned as paster of the Medford Baptist Church, his congregation has twice refused to accept his resignation and has asked him to re-consider his action. He has held the local pasterate for five and a half years,

ARTILLERY CHIEF **BACK AT HANCOCK**

Colonel Turner Resumes Command of 109th With Health Restored

NONCOMS STUDY RIFLE BUSY TIMES MOVING DAY

CAMP HANCOCK, Augusta, Ga., Oct. 2. Colonel Hamilton D. Turner, of the 169th Colone Hamilton D. Turker, of the Field Artillery, who was compelled by illness to go to his home in Philadelphia on a fifteen days' leave of absence, has returned to his regiment. His health has been restored and the colone is in fine fettle. During his absence the Philadelphia phin artillerymen were under Lieutenant Colonel Thomas J. Ross. In civil life Colonel Ross is chief inspector of customs in Philadelphia.

Pew changes will be entailed in the physical layout of Camp Hancock as the result of the reorganization of the divi-sion. General Price says that no additions are now capable of accommodating 240 men

concommissioned officers as instructors in the operation and employment of the Lewis rifle began this marning. Upon the completion of the course, the men will return to their squade or platoons and intor the enlisted men in the art of handling the

Company A, of the 112th Infantry, a western Pennsylvania regiment. quarantined because of a case of scarle fever having been discovered in thei camp. Private Clinton McClain, of Corry is the patient, none of the other men is ill. The cuse was the first contagious dis-cuse reported in camp, and the quickness with which it was detected and isolated evidences the afficiency of the medical

Private Affred Edwards, of the Fifty third Artillery, who was sent to the hos-pital suffering from concussion of the brain following a collision between an automo proved, and it is now believed that he will recover.

Officers of the 155th Infantry, of Philadelphia (formerly the First), are chatting by telegraph these nights. Their tents are connected by a telegraph system, and the officers are tuning up on the code. The learning of telegraphy is a part of their training for the duties that will devolve A large number of officers and enlisted for motortrack units because of their trainmag, graduates or former students of the ing in mechanical lines. The band of the University of Pennsylvania are planning to go to Atlanta Saturday to witness the Pennsylvania-Georgia Tech football game.

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Wilson's Son-in-Law Back From Europe Wadsworth, for galiantry in rescuing drowning on September I s lad of years, who had fallen overboard from galongside and who had drifted away the ship about seventy-five yards.

AN ATLANTIC FORT, Oct. 2—Francis continuation of the passurages arriving to any on a steamship from a British port. There the detectives to be auto thieves, led a mob that had collected in an attack against A letter of commendation has also been said to include some returning gun crews.

"BOOZE" WARNING ISSUED AT MEADE

Those Bringing in Liquor Will Be Prosecuted, Declares Colonel Ross

By a Staff Correspondent CAMP MEADE, Admiral, Md., Oct. 2. An emphatic warning to friends and relaives of selected men at Little Penn that they must not bring "booze" into the reservation was issued today by Lieutenant Culmel Lenny, General Kuhn's chief of staff.

"I want to make it emphatic," said Colonel Ross, "that civilians given permission to visit the cantonment must not abuse the privilege by fetching 'booze' within the lines. Persons who violate this rule will be turned over to the civil authorities and dealt

The warning, in view of Sunday's big owd of visitors, caused considerable spec ulation at the camp, but Colonel Ross de-nied that there had been infractions of the

rule on Sunday.
"I am simply trying to impress upon the relatives and friends of the men that they must not endeavor to entertain the soldiers must not endeavor to entertain the soldiers. giving them liquor," said Colonel

Today was maving day at Little Penn and saveral hundred men packed their be-longings and moved into permanent barempanies of Philade phians, moved from Section Q to Section P. moved from Section C to Section W and the immunition train changed from the machine-gun units that have been cattered over the camp moved into Sec

That there will be a big slinke-up in the various units was intimated by Colonet Ross, who asserted that the classification of men would necessitate many changes. This work, he said, was progressing, but added that it will take considerable time

Each selected man, according to the plans taid down by General Kuhn and his staff officers, will eventually find himself in an organization for which he is best fitted. not only by training, but temperament.

Many of the Philadelphians now in in fantry and artiflery organizations are slated or motortruck units because of their train-

Sleuths Mistaken for Auto Thieves NORRISTOWN, Pa., Oct. 2 .- When D

TWO WORKMEN INJURED WHEN GIRDERS GIVE WAY

Three Steel Beams in New Boild. ing at Tenth and Chestnut Streets Fall

Two men were injured and several others arrowly escaped being crushed today when three steel girders fell from the second to the first floor of the new addition to the Philadelphia Electric Company's building in the course of erection at Tenth and Chestnut streets.

The crash of girders and lumber which had been piled on them attracted two store of workmen from other parts of the operation. They found the injured men bing on the ground with heaps of lumber piled about them.

It was thought at first that both had een killed. They were dug out and hurried to the Jefferson Hospital. They are Joseph Lamonde, of 736 Fitzwater str and James Sullivan, of 1438 South Beulah

Each suffered numerous bruises and cuts our their injuries were not serious.

Columbia to Drop Pacifist Teachers

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Henry W. Dana and Dr. J. McKeen Cattell, Columbia Uniersity professors, must leave their po cause of pacifist inclinations. sked by the trustees today to resign. Catof antidraft agitation last summe



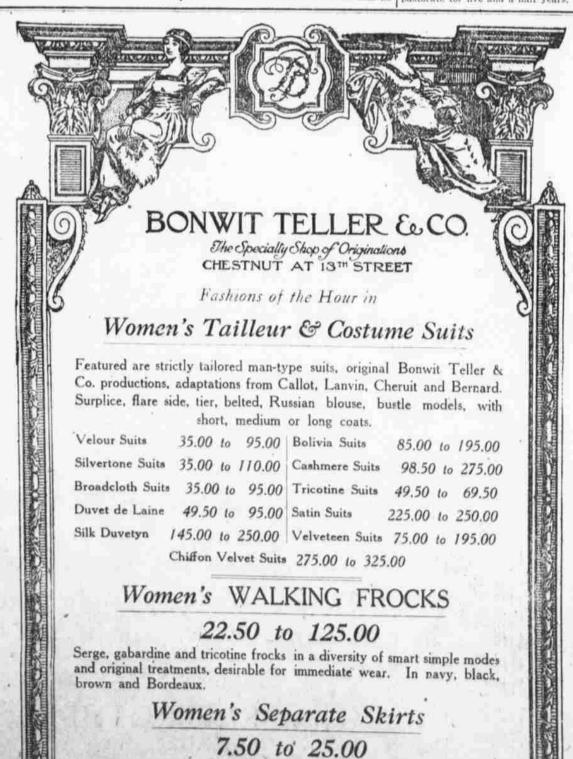
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