

TAX BILL IS IN INTEREST OF RICH SAYS SIMMONS

North Carolina Senator Shouts Battle Cry of Democrats in Next Election—He Presents Program Which Asks for Heavy Income Taxes for Wealthy.

Washington, Sept. 30.—Senator F. M. Simmons, ranking Democrat of the Senate finance committee, shouted in the Senate today the chief battle cry of the Democrats in the next congressional campaign. His speech concerned the Republican taxation bill and it was officially understood about the capitol that the Simmons speech would be published by the Democratic national committee as a campaign document. Senator Simmons spoke approximately four hours.

Strike Democratic Keynote

Senator Simmons made one of the Democratic speeches of the extra session. He struck the Democratic keynote on the taxation controversy and was in turn eloquent and vehement.

Afterward Senator McCumber, Republican, of North Dakota, assailed the Simmons speech as one of "partisan spleen and prejudice," but Mr. Simmons thought so little of this attack that he went to his office to attend to his daily correspondence.

Attacking particularly the proposal to repeal the excess profits taxes, to remove the higher bracket taxes on large incomes and at the same time to retain one-half of the transportation taxes for another year, Senator Simmons presented the alternate program sponsored by the Democrats of the senate. It was estimated that every Democrat of the upper chamber will vote against the pending tax bill and on the fight against retention of the transportation taxes the Democrats may gain such Republican-Progressive support that the finance committee bill may be overridden in this respect.

"Thirteen thousand millionaires, many of them made during the war," said Senator Simmons, "who have incomes in excess of \$66,000 annually will be saved 33 cents on every dollar of taxes they now pay. This is due to the fact that the Republican party by this bill proposes to reduce the maximum surtaxes from 65 per cent to 32 per cent. The great body of about 6,000,000 income tax payers will not receive any reduction in the income taxes."

Senator Simmons contended that in the pending bill the Republican party was not even attempting to carry out its promise of taxation reforms. The bill, he said, represented merely a shifting of taxes from the wealthy classes to the backs of those who pay miscellaneous taxes and those of comparatively smaller incomes. The North Carolina Senator presented as substitute tax program the amendments he offered yesterday, with the approval of his Democratic colleagues.

What Simmons Proposed.

These amendments, in brief, propose that the transportation taxes shall be lifted at the end of the present year; that persons having incomes in excess of \$20,000 shall have no exemptions; that the additional \$500 exemption for persons with income of \$5,000 or less shall be retained; that the \$2,000 exemption tax of corporations shall be repealed; that the corporation capital stock tax shall be re-enacted and that there shall be no repeal of the excess profits taxes unless substitute taxes shall be imposed to make equitable levies against large corporations.

Senator Simmons insisted that at the end of this year when the Republicans will have been in control nine months, the average American "will have nothing whatsoever to show in the way of the reduction of taxes except the \$500 additional exemption for the heads of families. The plan will lift more than half a billion annually from the shoulders of corporations and millionaires and shift them to the backs of less fortunate taxpayers," he says.—Theodore Tiller in Greensboro News.

U. S. PAYS HIGHEST TRIBUTE TO DEAD SOLDIERS OF FRANCE

General Pershing Lays Congressional Medal of Honor Upon Tomb of Unknown Poilu Under Arch of Triumph in Paris.

An Associated Press dispatch of the 2nd from Paris gives the following:

The United States today paid its highest tribute to the dead soldiers of France when Gen. John J. Pershing, in the presence of an immense throng, including President Millerand and other high officials of the republic, laid the congressional medal of honor upon the tomb of the unknown poilu under the Arch of Triumph.

The ceremony was the most impressive expression of Franco-American unity since the United States declared war on Germany in April, 1917.

A military review, second in size only to the historic victory parade, followed the ceremony. A picked battalion of American troops, representative of all comprising units comprising the American forces upon the Rhine, led the parade, which was reviewed by President Millerand and General Pershing, Ambassador Herrick and all the marshals of France. The presence of a large body of American troops in Paris for the first time since 1919 caused an outburst of enthusiasm from the thousands of Parisians who lined the Avenue des Champs Elysees and the Place d'Ettoile, where the arch is located.

Before placing the decoration on the unknown soldier's tomb, General Pershing stood before it at salute for several minutes. Then, in a voice shaking with emotion, he declared:

"In the name of the President and of the people of the United States, as a token of our perpetual belief in the righteousness of the cause for which you died, and as a mark of respect and admiration to you and to your countrymen, I place this congressional medal of honor upon your tomb."

The American headquarters band from Coblenz then played the "Marsellaise" and "The Star Spangled Banner."

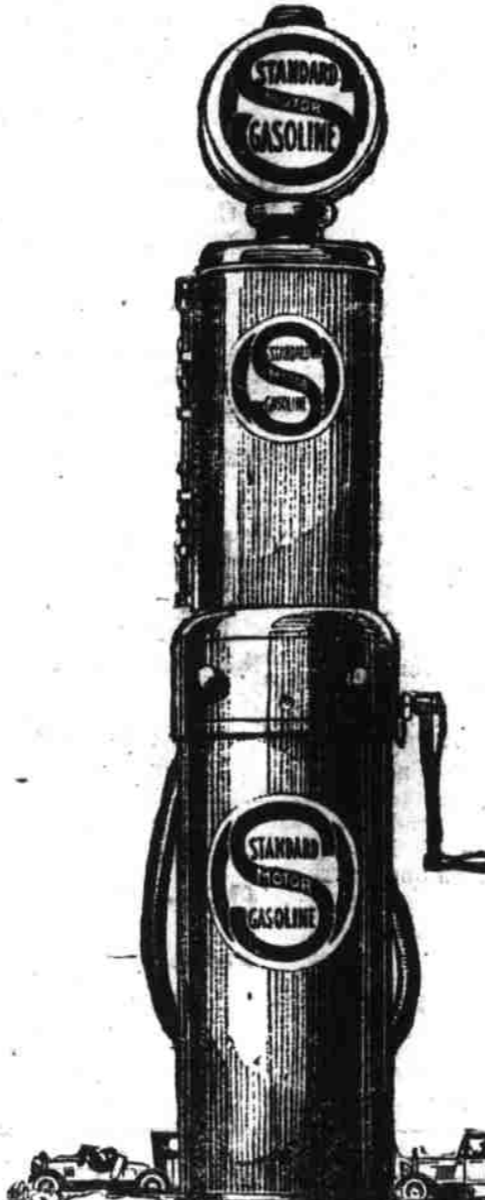
General Pershing's speech made a profound impression upon the assembly and brought tears to many eyes. Referring to the unknown as "soldier of France, dear friend and my comrade," the general said:

"I salute you! In your noble life and in your tragic death you have become to the world an immortal symbol of devotion to the highest ideals of mankind. Your valor on many fields will ever remain an inspiration to living mothers who weep over your grave as they recall the heroism of their own brave sons.

"Your allied comrades remember with deep emotion how you cheered them as you fell. They praise your gallant deeds while they renew their vows of allegiance to the principles for which you fought. Dear friend, your battle is over. You sleep quietly amid the noisy traffic of a great city. For you, the victory is won. You gave your last drop of your life's blood for liberty and in the glorious sacrifice of your youth was born the hope of those you left behind. In your heart there is malice toward none, but charity for all. It is this spirit and this alone which will establish confidence among nations.

"You fought against the calamity of war, but your work will not be completed until the burdens which the preparations for war impose are lifted from the shoulders of all peoples. You gave your all for peace, but your gift will be barren unless a generous spirit of unselfish co-operation arises to take the place of hatred. Unknown soldier, to you of whom thousands of mothers ask, 'Is it my son?' to your tomb, which is for France the altar of the country, I bring the love and affection of the American soldiers who fought beside you and the valiant soldiers of France."

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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority conferred in a certain deed of trust by Hattie Lewis, Gurney Lewis and wife, Irent Lewis Nellie Huggins and husband, Joe Sparrow, to E. M. Johnson, trustee for Thos. L. Johnson, which said deed of trust is duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Robeson County, in Book "50", page 88, (default having been made in the payment of the note secured thereby), the undersigned trustee will on Monday, the 7th day of November 1921, at twelve o'clock M., at the court house door in the town of Lumberton, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described lands and premises to wit: Beginning at a stake in A. J. Floyd's line, Alex Rowland's southwest corner, and run with A. J. Floyd's line S. 50 W. 35.28 chains to Willie Plimen's line; thence N. 1/2 E. N. 23.50 chains to a corner on north side Wateringhole swamp, Pitman's corner and Prevatt's line; thence S. 76 E. 3.17 chains to a stake in the run of said swamp; thence down and with the run of the swamp to about 150 yards below the north of Deep Branch to a ditch, Lewis' line; thence southward with H. Lewis and Alex Rowland's line to the beginning, and contains 66 acres, more or less. Being the same tract conveyed by A. J. Floyd and wife, to Darryl Lewis by deed recorded in Book 4-X, page 416, Registry of Robeson County, North Carolina. This September 20, 1921.

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