

Doughton Outlines New Tax Program

Talk Clarifies Plan For Levy

Chairman of Ways and Means Committee Says 'Surplus Profits Tax' Is Misnomer

Washington—In explanation of the monster tax bill that the ways and means committee of the House is now drafting in compliance with the President's message, Chairman Robert L. Doughton detailed what the committee proposes to do.

Doughton took the position that the decision of the Supreme Court in invalidating the AAA was largely responsible for the necessity of raising \$500,000,000 for the government to carry on, and added that the payment of the bonus to World War veterans was another reason.

One of the points Doughton stressed was that the proposed "surplus profits tax" was not such a tax in any sense, saying it was a plan to tax earnings before they went into surpluses.

Doughton's speech clarified the somewhat beclouded atmosphere here as to the proposed taxes to be added, owing to the fact that the committee has changed its views at times in an effort to increase revenues on an equitable basis.

"The President has suggested and has asked the Congress to consider certain types of taxes to meet these needs and the committee has been giving very careful study to the President's suggestions and to other suggestions that are before it," said Doughton.

"The President's suggestion as to temporary revenue included the proposal of a 'windfall tax.' Most of us know the homely meaning that attaches to that word. It is a legacy from a distant relative who was all but forgotten or some prize that he hadn't a thought of winning; it is in most cases an unearned enrichment.

"The outlawing of the processing taxes has brought such windfalls—such unearned enrichment into the hands of a few corporations and individuals. They are those persons who, though they had passed the tax burdens on to others, obtained the refund of unexpended processing taxes. The total of the revenue 'the government lost is about \$220,000,000.

"You may ask why the government should seek to recover these sums from these two classes of persons, since the tax has been declared to be unconstitutional and invalid. For two very good reasons. The first is that others paid the tax and did not recover it and therefore have been placed at a

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disadvantage as compared to their competitors who did not pay it. The second and more important reason is that this \$220,000,000 is a true-windfall to those who received it or withheld it. Up to the time of the court's decision processing taxes were in general covered by higher prices charged by the processors for products covered by the tax. The wholesaler paid the amount of the tax to the processor in the higher price of the product. The retailer paid it to the wholesaler. The consumer paid it to the retailer. If processing taxes were to be refunded, they should go to, if possible, the ultimate consumers who really paid the taxes.

"Another form of tax has been proposed by the President as a permanent improvement on our tax structure which also would be designed to correct a serious injustice in our present tax structure."

Doughton then pointed out the "unfair advantage" enjoyed by the stockholders in the high income brackets who have their earnings held as corporate surpluses, while stockholders in other concerns are paid annual dividends commensurate with earnings and in turn pay income tax on such earnings.

He proposed:

"First, to repeal the present corporation income tax, the excess profit tax and the capital stock.

"Second, to make dividends received from corporations subject to the normal 4 per cent tax as well as the surtax;

"Third, to impose a tax on that portion of the net earnings of a corporation which is not distributed to stockholders at such rates as will yield to the government approximately the same revenue as if it had been distributed—rates which would be equivalent to the personal income tax that the stockholders would pay on if it were distributed."

The Woman's Angle

(By Nancy Hart)

Mrs. Huey P. Long, the third woman member of the United States Senate, by her appointment to fill the unexpired term of her late husband, is now a news headliner in her own rights. The late Senator was a door-bell ringer selling a cottonseed oil shortening when he met Mrs. Long. She entered a baking contest sponsored by the shortening company and her "Bride's Loaf Cake" won both the ten dollar prize and the Senator. This is the recipe which she credits with leading her late husband to her door and into matrimony.

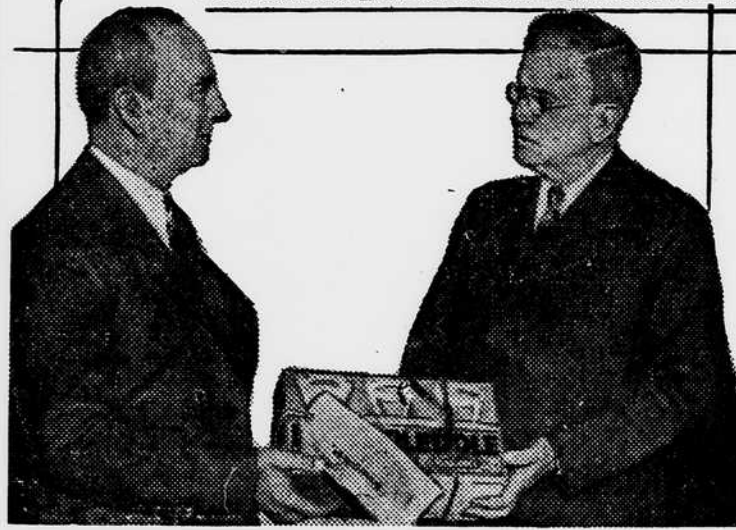
Mrs. Long's Cake: One and three-quarters cups of sugar, two-thirds of a cup of shortening, one cup milk, three cups flour, three teaspoons of baking powder, seven egg whites, two teaspoons of extract. Cream the shortening, add the sugar and cream together, add the dry ingredients and the milk, alternately. Fold in the egg whites, then add the extract. Bake forty-five minutes in a moderate oven.

Old Clothes Heaven: Have you ever wondered about the fate of the millions of old suits, dresses, stockings, hats, and other articles of wearing apparel that are discarded by their owners each year? Of course, many of them are re-sold by the second hand clothes shops and for the cheap export trade to the natives in Africa. But countless garments are too worn and shabby for further use in this way. They

The HEADLINES Say:



YANKEE SPRING TRAINING - McCarthy shows the bats.



HONOLULU SENDS HISTORIC AIR EXPRESS SHIPMENT—Secoy's Lokes (right) receives from Samuel W. King, Congressional Delegate from Hawaii, a large container of pineapple juice sent by Governor Poindexter. (The first air express shipment from the Hawaiian Islands to the mainland left Honolulu on China Clipper March 8. Immediately upon its arrival in San Francisco the package was forwarded by air mail to Delgado King, who received it at the Washington Airport on March 10.) In its fast trip of nearly 5,000 miles, this container of Hawaii's famous juice made air transportation history.



Orses! Orses! Orses! Recruits of an English regiment practice on these wild wooden stallions!

Mr. Lamb and Miss Catt discuss the more abundant life—the price of cat-nip—the woolen market and the weather.

are little more than rags. But even rags are in demand.

Linen and cotton garments are the most valuable, and are sold to the mills for re-making into cloth, or into fine papers. Artificial silk stockings are sorted, processed and re-woven into new. Felt from old hats can also be reclaimed and used again. Old suits are cleaned, disinfected and torn into shreds by machinery, then re-woven. The coarse scraps of disintegrated cloth can be used in the manufacture of upholstery and bedding.

Egg cookery information may be worth trying for those who want to be famed for their tender pancakes and rich, flaky doughnuts or crullers; Yolks of eggs may be substituted for whole eggs, especially where high temperatures are necessary in cooking. High cooking temperature toughens the egg white but not the yolk. In using yolks in this way, three yolks are substituted for each whole egg, and for each extra egg used, one teaspoon of fat is deducted from the amount called for in the recipe. This is done because each egg yolk contains about one teaspoon of fat.

Can you prepare onions without crying? Try this way . . . peel the onions in the sink, allowing a slow stream of cold water to run over them as you work. The water keeps the fumes of the onions from rising and affecting your eyes.

Gray is the favored color this spring. Tailored suits, destined to be popular this year, are predominantly gray. To those of us who have thought gray a difficult color to wear there is a pleasant surprise in following the advice of the make-up specialists. Light, bright shades of rouge and lipstick, they recommend for the gray outfit. And powders with a rose rather than yellow undertone to give light and color to the skin.

Which reminds us that monogrammed cosmetics are the current vogue. Bottles and jars of skin lotion, hand cream and eau de cologne are simple in design and unadorned except for your very own

Dollar Found To Buy More

A Comparison of Wages and Costs Discovers Increase in Buying Power

Minneapolis — A wage-earner's dollar goes further these days, but his wages are still behind the cost of living, according to a survey.

The report of a two-year family buying-power survey recently completed here was based on payroll records of 13,000,000 urban workers.

The average family's \$120 monthly income in 1933 increased only \$2.52 by the last quarter of 1934, while expenses rose \$9.28, leaving a monthly deficit of \$6.76 to be taken out of savings if the same living scale were maintained the report revealed.

A year later, however, the average family's income had risen an additional \$9.24 to \$131.76, while expenses had increased only \$4.80, to leave a deficit of \$2.32.

The drop in food prices since December, 1935, reduces the average householder's food bill nearly \$1 a month, bringing "the average family income still close to its 1933 ratio of buying power, the report said.

The first drop in food costs during the first two months of 1936 meant a saving of approximately \$1,000,000 daily to American consumers, the survey revealed.

A month's supply of food for the average family of four, which cost \$38.63 at peak December prices, could be purchased in February for \$37.66, it reported. Eggs, fats, oils, meats, cereals, and bakery products registered the greatest price

decrease. An equivalent food supply cost \$30 at 1933 average price levels.

Living costs had increased a little faster than income from 1933 through 1935, the index revealed, but the wide lag of income which existed at the end of 1934 has been practically made up.

Other figures from the survey revealed that living quarters which cost \$24 monthly at average housing rates in 1933 had advanced to \$27.46 by the final quarter of 1935 and indicated further increases this year because of the nationwide housing scarcity and gradual recovery in real estate values.

Clothing for which the average family could budget \$20 months in 1933 cost \$22.04 in the final quarter of 1935.

The survey was made by the Northwestern National Life Insurance company.

Charlottean Convicted of Rum Law Violation

Kelly Helms of Charlotte was found guilty in county court here Monday on a charge of violation of the prohibition law and given 14 months on the roads or a \$900 fine. Probable cause was found against him on a charge of smoke screen and, on a count of reckless driving, he received three months on the roads or \$250 and the costs. He appealed the cases to the superior court and the total bonds in the cases were \$2,550.

Helms is alleged to have been the driver of a rum car abandoned on the night of March 22 near Faith which was chased for several miles by officers behind a smoke screen and in which was found 174 gallons of whiskey.

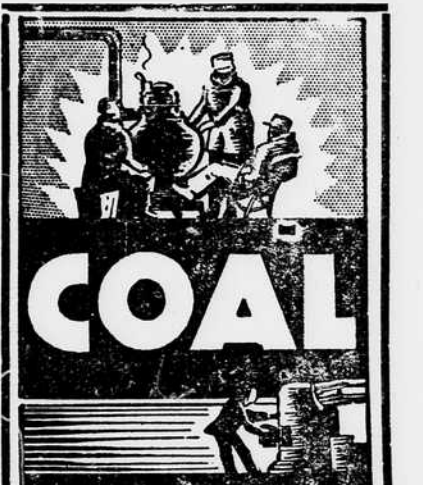
Barium Given \$6,000 In Will

Hickory—Real property with an estimate value of approximately \$6,000 was bequeathed to the regents of the Presbyterian Orphans' home at Barium Springs under the will of the late Mrs. Mary H. Bourbonnais, well-known woman, it was learned when the document was filed for probate.

The bequest to the orphans home comprised the deceased's residence property on South Fourth street and Eighth avenue. The will directs that the regents shall sell the property and use the proceeds for the institution.

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- Parents' Magazine . . . 2 yr
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