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PLOT TO DEFEAT THE INCOME TAX

Opponents Getting Ready a Substitute

BACKED BY TAFT INFLUENCE

Senator Bailey and His Followers Will Endeavor to Get a Direct Vote in the Senate Next Friday on the Income Tax Amendment—Conference Yesterday

Washington, D. C., June 14.—When the income tax question comes before the Senate for a vote next Friday the plan of its opponents, backed by the influence of President Taft, to circumvent the adoption of such a measure will be fully outlined. Already the opponents express confidence in their inability to substitute for the income tax amendment a provision for a tax on net earnings of corporations, available for dividend purposes, coupled with a provision for the submission to the Legislatures of the several States a constitutional amendment giving Congress the power to lay and collect direct taxes on incomes.

For several days it has been recognized by the opponents of the income tax question that the only way they could make certain the defeat of the proposition would be to offer something in its stead which would be acceptable to the country. Taxes on the earnings of corporations, gross receipts of corporations, dividends of corporations, and other forms of corporation taxes were brought forward one after another only to meet rejection from advocates of the income tax. It is believed that President Taft disagreed with the supporters of a tax on incomes and would lend the administration's influence to bring about their defeat.

Senator Aldrich discussed with the President the proposition for a tax of two per cent on the undistributed net earnings of corporations, available for dividend purposes, with a provision submitting to the States the question of adopting an amendment to the constitution giving to Congress the right to collect taxes on incomes. The chairman of the finance committee agreed with the President that such a plan would be wise. It is understood that the President believes the income tax question should not again be submitted to the Supreme Court, but at the same time he takes the position, it is said, that Congress should be given the power to levy taxes on incomes. It is his theory, according to members of the Senate who have talked with him, that the right of Congress to levy such a tax should be determined as soon as possible in order that this method of raising revenues should be accessible in time of war or emergency of any character.

Every effort will be made by Senators Borah, Cummins and Bailey, and their followers among the progressive Republican and Democratic Senators to get a direct vote in the Senate next Friday on the income tax amendment. A conference on that subject today was attended by Messrs. Borah, LaFollette, Bailey and Clay. They sought to meet the changing sentiment in the Senate by deciding to amend the Bailey-Cummins amendment to provide for a tax on the undistributed earnings of corporations and excluding taxation dividends of corporations which are paid to individuals. This is simply another form of providing against double taxation in an income tax law.

DESTRUCTION BY STORMS

ALEXANDER AND YADKIN COUNTIES SUFFER—LIGHTNING STRIKES SCHOOL

Statesville, June 14.—Reports are still coming in from various sections of this and adjoining counties telling of the damage done by the excessive rains and storms of the past week. Citizens from Alexander and Yadkin counties say that considerable damage to growing crops has been done in these counties, the lands being washed and streams flooded. A gentleman from Scotts, a little village on the Taylorville road, twelve miles north of Statesville, tells your correspondent of a very severe storm which visited Scotts and surrounding country last Thursday afternoon. The heavy rain was accompanied by hail and wind and such damage was done by the combination. Great trees and timber were blown down, land was badly washed and growing crops were damaged by the hail. The Scotts High School building was struck by lightning and slightly damaged and a small frame office building at Scotts was blown off its foundations. Two men who were in the office at the time were badly frightened, but escaped injury. The frame work of the building was twisted in such a manner by the wind that the door could not be opened, and fearing that the building would collapse, the occupants burst through the door and fled through the raging storm to the quarters.

GLINN TALKS ON "REDBUCK" STORY

Enjoys a Hearty Laugh at The Canard

HE IS NOT OUT OF POLITICS

Says He is Not Seeking Office, But Just Simply Calling Attention to Party Pledges—Must Stand Line to Democratic Pledges—On Lecture Tour

Washington, D. C., June 14.—Ex-Governor R. B. Glenn will leave next Monday for High Bridge, Ky., to resume his lectures in behalf of home missions for the South. From there he will go on an extended tour through the West. The ex-governor's attention was today called to some of the newspaper comments anent his recent criticism of the acts of certain North Carolina representatives in Congress and "Red Buck" story to the effect that ex-Governor Glenn and Editor Joseph Daniels, of the Raleigh News and Observer, are in training with the view of being elected to seats in the upper branch of Congress, the plan as outlined being for the editor to succeed Senator Simmons and the ex-governor to take Senator Overman's job. The ex-governor went on to say that some of the papers talk like he is endeavoring to get back in politics.

DEATH OF MR. ALFRED POPE

Statesville, N. C., June 14.—Mr. Alfred Pope, one of Catawba county's oldest citizens, who had been living at Cherryville, Gaston county, about four months, died there Friday. Mr. Pope suffered a stroke of paralysis just one week prior to his death and lay in a semi-conscious condition since. The remains were taken to Newton Saturday and the funeral services and interment took place there. Mr. Pope was a member of the Methodist denomination and the services were conducted by a Methodist minister of Newton. Mr. Pope was a native of Catawba county and had passed his 94th mile post.

House in Session Ten Minutes

Washington, D. C., June 14.—After a session of ten minutes today the House adjourned until Thursday.

DURHAM COURT NEXT WEEK

THERE ARE FOUR CAPITAL CASES ON THE DOCKET. County Commissioners Adopt New Rules About Road Work—War on Disreputable Characters—Negroes Up.

Durham, June 14.—Next week will be court day in Durham, that is, it will be Superior court. A special term was called in order to clear the docket, as there are four persons on the docket who are charged with murder. It is not supposed that even the murder cases will be decided, but several of these will go off the docket and some the smaller cases will be tried. Judge J. Crawford Biggs will preside over this court, his first in Durham county. The most important of the cases to come up will be that of Reuben Barbee, charged with deliberately killing Engineer Holt. If guilty he is a murderer of the worst character in the State and the fight for his life will be a hard one. He has a counsel to defend him, and the State has assistance in the prosecution. It is expected that his case will be the first called and that it will last for three and probably four days. This is a matter of supposition.

Wesley Rays is also in jail charged with the killing of old man Jack Robinson. The case against him is very strong, and the fight for his life will be based on firm foundation by the Solicitor for the State. His case may be called, but it will be late in the week.

Mansion Ray and Lizzie Mangum, accessories in the murder of Lorenz Bumpass by Van Ray, are also in jail awaiting trial. It is hardly probable that the latter cases will be tried.

New Road Rules

The County Commissioners have made a new rule in regard to repairing the country roads. It has been decided that in the future the repair work on the roads of the various townships shall be done by the contract labor. With this end in view the commissioners have appointed three squads of twelve men each of convicts, one cook and one guard, to go into the townships to make the necessary repairs. The State had on the witness stand two young girls, one who said she was fifteen years of age and came here from Reidsville, and the other a young married woman, who said she was about twenty years old and came here from Henderson. They both swore that they had been to the house of a negro woman by the name of Viola Hicks and that there was prostitution. The negro woman was sent to the work house. One of the girls, the oldest one, was charged with vagrancy and the court has now this case under consideration. It is a sad case of young women being lost in hell unless there is help. The police are going after this class of offenders and say they will wage a war that is relentless until it is all cleared up.

Roddy Negroes Up

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THE PHILIPPINES INVOLVED

Senator Bristow Criticized the Provisions, Contending That They Were Intended to Promote the Interests of the Sugar Trust—Amendment for Philippine Independence in 15 Years. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, June 14.—Sugar was the stirring subject before the Senate today. It was brought to the front in connection with the consideration of the finance committee substitute for the House provision of the tariff bill regulating the admission of Philippine articles into the United States and it continued to receive practically the undivided attention of the Senate throughout the day. During the first hour that the amendment was before the Senate there was some discussion of the effect of the provision on the tobacco interests of Connecticut, but an amendment looking to the introduction of Connecticut tobacco into the Philippines for wrappers had the effect of relieving the situation in that quarter. Immediate attention was then directed to the clauses providing a duty on sugar admitted into the Philippines equal to that on sugar brought into the United States exempting 300,000 tons of Philippine sugar from duty when brought into the United States. Senator Bristow criticized the provision and his criticisms opened the way for a general debate which was participated in on the one side by Messrs. Bristow and Clapp, and on the other by Senators Aldrich and Lodge. It was contended on the one hand that the two provisions combined were intended to promote the interests of the American Sugar Trust and not to benefit the Philippine producers. On the other hand it was contended that the sugar porters of the provision that to admit sugar into the islands free of duty would be to open the way for its free admission into this country. It was also argued that the sugar producers of the Philippines would be directly benefited by the admission of their sugar into the United States without requiring the payment of a duty on it. The only vote taken during the day session was on an amendment by Mr. Bristow admitting sugar into the Philippines free of duty. It was lost 11 to 49. Senator Stone, of Missouri, gave notice that he would soon offer an amendment declaring for the independence of the Philippine islands within 15 years, an agreement having been meanwhile arrived at with the producers of the islands. Mr. Bristow admitted sugar into the Philippines free of duty. It was lost 11 to 49. Senator Stone, of Missouri, gave notice that he would soon offer an amendment declaring for the independence of the Philippine islands within 15 years, an agreement having been meanwhile arrived at with the producers of the islands. Mr. Bristow admitted sugar into the Philippines free of duty. It was lost 11 to 49. Senator Stone, of Missouri, gave notice that he would soon offer an amendment declaring for the independence of the Philippine islands within 15 years, an agreement having been meanwhile arrived at with the producers of the islands. Mr. Bristow admitted sugar into the Philippines free of duty. It was lost 11 to 49.

DEATH OF MR. TOREANCE MONTGOMERY SUNDAY

Young Man Passed Away at His Home in Salisbury. (Special to News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., June 14.—Following a short illness from typhoid fever Torrence Montgomery, aged about 20 years, died at his home in Salisbury Sunday night. His condition had been serious for several days. A father and mother survive.

BIGGERS TRIAL STARTS

TWO HUNDRED VENTUREMEN SWORN IN YESTERDAY. Case Brings Together a Brilliant Array of Attorneys—Temporary Insanity Will Be the Plea of the Defendant. (Special to News and Observer.) Charlotte, N. C., June 14.—Two hundred venturemen were today drawn and will report Wednesday morning in the case of the defendant, W. S. Biggers, charged with the murder of Mr. J. G. Hood on the night of February, in this city. This is an unusually large venire, but Solicitor Clarkson stated that by calling for his unusual number the county might be saved expense in conducting the trial later on. The case has brought together a brilliant array of attorneys, the defendant being represented by Judge F. I. Osborne, and the other members of his firm, Lucius and Keenan. Mr. Herbert McClammy, of Wilmington, who is here for the trial, and by Stewart and McRae and Shannon and Jones, making eleven attorneys all told, appearing in the case. The special term of court for the trial of this case was opened this morning at ten-thirty o'clock. There was some discussion as to whether there should be issued an order for a special venire to be executed by the sheriff, who would be required to go and bring in two hundred true and good men or whether the two hundred names should be drawn from the jury box, which had been prepared, the matter being optional with the court. The latter form was decided upon and the two hundred men are now being sought out in every section of the county by the sheriff and his deputies. As it will require two days to summon this venire, the court will not take up the case until Wednesday morning. It is now very generally believed that temporary mental aberration will be the plea of the defendant, Biggers, who seemed to utterly collapse mentally and physically following the slaying of Mr. Hood on the streets here, appeared in court today with bright eye and apparently in full possession of his faculties, although his physical condition is not so good as when he was incarcerated. The trial will prove the most interesting ever held in Charlotte. Judge W. B. Council is presiding.

MR. PETER FRECKS DEAD

Passed Away at Salisbury at Advanced Age of 84 Years. (Special to News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., June 14.—Peter A. Frecks, aged 84 years, one of Salisbury's oldest and best known citizens, died at his home here yesterday afternoon, following a severe illness. He suffered a relapse from fever and the end was unexpected. He was formerly engaged in the hotel business here and was widely known. He leaves a wife.

KILLED BY FREIGHT TRAIN

Walter Doby Lost His Life at Salisbury Sunday Night. (Special to News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C., June 14.—Walter Doby, aged 30 years, of this place, was killed by a freight train near Salisbury last night, his body being badly mangled. The body was found near the main line of the Southern, and it is thought never heard the approaching train which killed him. He leaves a wife and several young children.

SOME PERTINENT REMARKS ON SOME FEATURES OF THE TARIFF BY SENATOR CLAY

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., June 14.—Senator Clay, of Georgia, today said that Congress would be in session until August 1, and probably until September 1, in its struggle with tariff revision. Referring to some portions of the tariff bill that has not been acted on by the Senate, he said: "I observed that a tariff had been placed on hides and also on cotton bagging and cotton ties. We of the South are not so much concerned about the duty on hides as such, but New England need not think that she can tax our people on ties and bagging without hearing from us. The duty on bagging will cost our people five million dollars a year and we will not submit without a protest."

SERIOUS RIOTING FEARED

Result of a Street Duel in Which Three Men Were Killed. (By the Associated Press.) Brookhaven, Miss., June 14.—It being feared that serious rioting would result in Meadville, county seat of Franklin county, Mississippi, as the result of a bloody street duel, there today in which three men were killed and others reported injured, the Brookhaven company of militia left at six o'clock for the scene by order of Gen. Wood.