

### FINAL ACTION ON WAR TAX MEASURE NEXT WEEK LIKELY

War Profits and Income Tax Features Considered In The Senate

### A STRONG SENTIMENT FOR HIGHER LEVIES

Proposals To That Effect Being Incorporated In Bill By Senator King

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 21.—Senators who have been absent from the capital were arriving today in response to telegraphic notices from the party leaders to be on hand for the voting on the war tax bill's chief features in dispute, the war profits and income taxes, the this may not be reached before the latter part of the week. Final action on the bill itself probably will not come until the coming week.

The senate's program for today called for consideration of the war profits and income tax provisions after Senator LaFollette's speech in favor of higher levies on these two provisions.

Senate sentiment in favor of higher rates on war profits and income taxes, already strong, apparently is gaining strength. Proposals for higher rates on these sources are being incorporated in a substitute bill, to be offered by Senator King.

### BELGIANS ARE IN NEW YORK

War Mission Is Formally Welcomed In The Metropolis By Mayor Mitchel

(By Associated Press) New York, Aug. 21.—The Belgian war mission, the fifth of the foreign missions to visit New York, was formally welcomed here today by Mayor Mitchel. At the request of members of the mission, today's program was simple. A war-time color was given to the public greeting at City Hall by the presence of the Seventh Regiment and 500 sailors and 200 marines from the navy yard as a guard of honor.

During the afternoon the mission will be escorted thru Long Island City and Brooklyn to Coney Island and back to New York by way of the Port Hamilton section.

The mayor's reception committee, acting as individuals, will entertain the mission at dinner tonight. They are expected to leave here late tonight.

### STRANGLES HIMSELF WITH HIS SHOE LACES

(By Associated Press) Paris, Aug. 21.—Miguel Almeyda, editor of the Bonnet Rouge, who had been arrested on a charge of sedition, committed suicide according to the report of three medical experts to Rene Viviani, minister of justice. M. Viviani's inquiry showed that Almeyda had three times tried to kill himself with his shoe laces. The head warden of the prison was degraded and transferred and two assistants were removed for leaving the shoe laces in the cell, contrary to prison regulations.

The prison doctor was placed at the disposal of the military authorities for making a false report while the chief prison doctor was dismissed for accepting his subordinate's report without verification.

Almeyda was found dead in prison last Monday. His friends at first refused to admit the hypothesis of suicide but it gradually became evident that he had strangled himself with a pair of shoe laces.

### GREATEST DEMAND FOR BIBLES EVER KNOWN

(By Associated Press) New York, Aug. 21.—With publishers falling daily further behind in their orders the war has created the greatest demand in the history of the nation for Bibles.

New York publishers are running their presses from fifteen to eighteen hours a day but they are still several weeks behind orders already received.

### AMERICAN AIRMAN WITH FRENCH IS MISSING

(By Associated Press) Paris, Monday, Aug. 20.—Olivier Chadwick, of New York, a promising member of the aerial squadron of Captain George Guynemer, the famous French aviator, has been missing since Tuesday. It is believed he was brought down in an aerial encounter.

Corporal Harold Willis, of Boston, a member of the Lafayette squadron, whose disappearance not far from Verdun on Sunday has already been reported, is believed to be a prisoner.

### LAWN PARTY.

There will be a lawn party Saturday night, August 25, at Bethlehem church, three miles north of Walkertown, on the Pine Hill road. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## SHAM BATTLES BEING FOUGHT BY AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN FRANCE

### RAPIDLY GETTING IN READINESS FOR ACTUAL FIGHTING

Attacks Made on the Trench System Akin To Real Warfare That Is To Come

### MARINES HAVE SOME LIVELY ENGAGEMENTS

Americans Being Taught Great Importance of What Is Known As Liason Work

(By Associated Press) American Training Camp in France, Aug. 21.—Training in some of the battalions has progressed to such a point that sham attacks on the trench systems are being carried out with a degree akin to actual warfare. Thus far artillery fire has been only theoretical but before long the troops expect to have the experience of real artillery upon the trenches.

The marines are having some especially lively engagements this week with their French instructors. French chasseurs, acting as the enemy, have been making attacks upon the marines' trench system with Dewey, Farragut, Porter and Sampson trenches as the battle objectives. The French also have been attempting to block and hold communication trenches known as Ohio, Mississippi, Delaware and Potomac. It will be seen that the marine trench nomenclature is based upon naval heroes and rivers of the United States.

The marines have been making stout resistance and wherever the "enemy" penetrated their lines they organized a counter attack which quickly ejected the intruders. The real object of these preliminary attacks is to get the officers and men acquainted with what is known as the front as operation orders. It is the first step toward learning the rudiments of a highly organized part of modern warfare where every step and every detail is worked out in advance on a pre-arranged plan and must be strictly adhered to.

One great difference from real warfare, however, is the fact that in battles with the marines the "enemy" has accommodatingly allowed a copy of his operation orders to fall into the hands of the defending garrison. This will be changed later and the American trench garrison will be called upon to resist surprise attacks in force.

Another valuable feature in sham battle exercises is in teaching Americans the great importance of what is known as liason work, the maintenance of communication of supporting artillery with flanking forces and information centers. Attacks are accompanied by a live rocket displayed and "S. O. S." signals are sent up for defending the curtain of fire from the artillery and calling reserves from companies in support of the trenches. The rockets are also used in the guise of artillery fire by shortening and lengthening ranges. The evacuation of wounded under theoretical shell fire is another feature of the sham battles which is receiving attention.

### FAVORS IMMEDIATE MEASURES FOR RELIEF OF THE RUSSIANS

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 21.—Elihu Root and other members of the American mission, which visited Russia recently, have returned to Washington to close up the affairs of the mission. Formal reports by Mr. Root for the commission as a whole, and of the individual members upon the subjects which they were especially charged to investigate, already have been submitted to Secretary Lansing and have been referred to the state, war and navy departments. It is not the present intention to make any of them

### GO TO ATLANTA PRISON SOON

Members of New York Exemption Board Have Week To Wind Up Business

New York, Aug. 21.—Dr. A. S. Bernfield and Louis I. Cherry, the two members of exemption board No. 99, under two years' sentence in the federal penitentiary, following their pleas of guilty for accepting bribes for granting exemptions to men liable for duty under the selective draft law, will be allowed a week to wind up their business affairs before being taken to the Atlanta prison. Meanwhile, they will be confined to the Tombs.

When the trial of Kalman Gruher was resumed here in federal court it was expected in the hands of the jury by noon. Gruher, who was indicted with Bernfield and Cherry, declined to enter a plea of guilty and elected to stand trial. He is accused of being the "go between" for the convicted men.

The usual long list of applicants for exemption came up today before the district board. Revised figures for the week of the board yesterday show that but twenty cases of exemption were allowed out of 175 called. A number of new and rare diseases are being discovered daily by those who seek exemption. One man told the board yesterday he would like to serve in the army, but felt that he should claim exemption because of a "mental rupture" which he said would be an obstacle to carrying a gun. The board ruled otherwise.

### RUSS ENVOYS VISIT BOSTON

Are Given Cordial Welcome—An Address By Ambassador—Informal Reception

(By Associated Press) Boston, Aug. 21.—Russian Ambassador Bakmieteef and members of the special mission, who accompanied him to this country, were welcomed here today. After being welcomed they were escorted to a hotel for breakfast.

Fifteen minutes before the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, the mission were taken in automobiles over the same route. Mayor Curley accompanied the party with an escort, which included two companies of the state guard.

The program for the remainder of the day called for an address by Ambassador Bakmieteef to the constitutional convention and an informal reception at the state house, followed by motor trips to the North Shore, Concord, Lexington and Cambridge.

Tonight the ambassador will address the Grand Army at Faneuil Hall and the envoys will attend a mass meeting on the common.

### 54 KILLED BY AUTO IN NEW YORK DURING JULY

(By Associated Press) New York, Aug. 21.—Fifty-four persons were killed and 1,856 injured in Greater New York by automobiles during the month of July, according to a report on traffic violations made public today.

There were 1,227 speed violations in the Greater City during July as against 1,096 in June.

## PROTEST IS MADE BY GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Thinks Training of the Colored Troops In That State Would Be Much Objection

### SOME CONSIDER SOUTH BEST TRAINING PLACE

Number of Southern Senators Do Not Think There Would Be Much Objection

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 21.—Gov. Manning of South Carolina, accompanied by Senators Tillman and Smith, with the remainder of the state delegation in congress, protested to the war department today against the encampment of negro troops in the state.

The Carolinians protested against the assembling of thousands of negro troops at Columbia and particularly against the encampment of several thousand from Porto Rico.

Porto Rican negroes, the delegation contended, were unused to the Southern view of the negro question and should be mobilized elsewhere. Senator Tillman asked that, in view of the fact that Cuba has offered the United States a training ground on the island, the Porto Rican troops be encamped there.

Southern senators said they felt confident the racial problem in the training of negro troops would be solved without friction. Some surprise was shown at the protests, while other senators believed the South is the best place for training the negro.

"It certainly would be a mistake to send negroes from Northern states into the South for training," said Senator McKellar, of Tennessee, of the military affairs committee. "Of course, the negro and white troops should, and I understand will, be trained separately. I think there are many communities in the South which would not object to selection as camps for training the negro contingents."

Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, said negroes from other states should not be sent to any community which objects.

"It might cause serious trouble in some cases to send in large numbers of strange negroes," he said. "Many are to be trained near Atlanta, however, and I have not heard of any serious objection."

Senator Bankhead, of Alabama, declaring separate training camps should be established for white and negro troops, said he did not believe much objection would come from the South against negro training camps here.

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PHONES 14 AND 15

**Declare Advance Unwarranted.**  
(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 21.—The advance in prices of book paper last year was excessive and unwarranted, the federal trade commission reported today to the senate. As a result of its investigation the commission has authorized proceedings against certain lines of manufacturers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Ellington and children, of Greensboro, have returned to their home after a few days' visit to the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Ellington.

### ARE TO DECIDE AS TO STRIKE

Matter of Calling Out Shipyard Strikers Over U. S. To Be Considered

(By Associated Press) New York, Aug. 21.—The shipyard strikers in this district, who are said to number nearly 12,000, expect no opposition to their mass meeting in Tammany Hall this afternoon when a vote probably will be taken to decide whether or not a general strike of shipyard workers in the United States is to be called. Such action, it was said, would affect 25,000 men throughout the country. The men demand a wage of \$4.50 a day.

### Seeking Reduced Freight Rates.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 21.—Reduction in freight rates of all classes between Macon, Ga., and Jacksonville, Fla., is sought by the Macon freight bureau in a complaint filed today with the interstate commerce commission, alleged that since January, 1916, rates have been advanced from 27 to 30 per cent.

### ESTIMATE ON COPPER COST

That and the Steel Production Prices Are Submitted To The President

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 21.—Federal trade commission estimates on copper and steel production costs, go to President Wilson today for use in fixing prices for the government's war needs. Figures called for by the President on the costs of other materials soon will be completed.

Under the present arrangements all government purchases are made at tentative prices, with the final figure to be determined after a study of production costs.

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