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TAX REVISION PASSES IN LOWER HOUSE

Measure Estimated to Cut Nearly Billion Dollars From Nation's Tax Burden by 1923

Washington, Aug. 20.—The tax revision bill of 1921, estimated to cut \$1,000,000,000 from the nation's burden by 1923, was passed today by the House, 224 to 125, on an almost straight party vote.

Three Democrats supported the measure and nine Republicans voted against.

Compared with this number of Republicans were 50 who voted for a Democratic motion to recommit the bill for elimination of the provision repealing the income surtax rates above 32 per cent. This motion was lost, 169 to 230, with one Democrat, Campbell, of Pennsylvania, voting against it.

Goes to Senate.

The bill will be sent Monday to the Senate, where it will be taken up after the end of the recess on September 21. Meantime, the Senate finance committee will hold additional public hearings on the whole tax question and probably revise the measure in a number of details.

As finally passed by the House, with nearly 100 committee amendments, the bill is estimated to produce a total of \$3,347,000,000 in revenue this fiscal year, or \$221,000,000 less than the estimate under the existing law.

As repeal of the excess profits tax and higher income surtax rates would not become effective until next January 1, the full force of the measure will not be reflected in government receipts until the calendar year 1923, but Republican leaders say that through repeal of the transportation and other taxes the reduction in the tax bill in the next calendar year will be approximately \$512,000,000.

Principal Changes.

The principal changes in the present tax levies made by the bill include:

Repeal of the excess profits tax. Increase of the corporation income tax from 10 to 12 1-2 per cent, effective next January 1.

Repeal of the income surtax rates from 32 per cent to 65 per cent, inclusive.

Increased exemptions to heads of families, effective as of last January 1, to \$2,500 for incomes not in excess of \$5,000 and additional exemption for dependents to \$400 from \$200.

Repeal of the transportation taxes, effective next January 1.

Repeal of the tax on life, fire, and marine insurance policies and imposition of the corporation tax of 12 1-2 per cent on all such insurance companies, except fraternal, effective next January 1.

Repeal of the taxes on fountain drinks, ice cream, and other beverages, and the substitution of manufacturers' taxes as follows:

Four cents a gallon on cereal beverages; five cents a pound on carbonic acid gas; two cents a gallon on fruit juices or soft drinks; three cents a gallon on still drinks, exclusive of mineral and table water, and ten cents a gallon on fountain syrup. These changes would go into force on enactment of the law.

Repeal Luxury Taxes.

Repeal of the stamp taxes on perfumes, cosmetics, toilet preparations and proprietary medicines upon enactment of the bill.

Repeal of the 10 per cent tax on baseball, football and basketball equipment, skates, snow shoes and skis and reduction of the ten per cent tax to five on tennis, golf and polo equipment, games, and the like, the whole to come into force on enactment of the bill.

Exemption from the income tax of the first \$500 of income from investments in building and loan associations, effective at passage of the law.

A reduction from five to three per cent in the levy on candy; and of from ten to five per cent in the levies

on fur articles and art and art works, and repeal of the tax on electric fans.

Repeal of all of the so-called luxury taxes now collected by retailers and the substitution of a manufacturers' tax of five per cent on the following articles when sold by the manufacturers at the sums given:

Carpets and rugs: \$3.60 a square yard; trunks, \$30 each; valises, traveling bags, suitcases and hat boxes, \$15 each; purses, pocketbooks, shopping and hand bags, \$4 each; portable lighting fixtures, \$10 each; umbrellas and parasols, \$2.50 each; fans, \$1 each, and house or smoking coats or jackets and bath or lounging robes, \$3 each.

GILES-COX.

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized in Mount Gilead, N. C., on last Thursday morning, August 18th, at 11 o'clock when Miss Effie Elizabeth Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Cox, became the bride of Mr. Charles Henderson Giles, of Marion. The parlor was tastefully decorated with ferns, white roses and yellow magnolias.

Before the ceremony Mrs. Olive, of Mount Gilead, sang "Because." Miss Brownie Giles, sister of the groom, played Lohengrin's Wedding March as the bridal party entered, and during the ceremony Miss Giles played "To a Wild Rose." As the strains of the wedding march were sounded the ribbon girls, little Miss Ruth Cox, sister of the bride, and Lucile Batten entered followed by little Miss Annie Ruth Bruton, carrying the ring in a white rose. The groom was attended by his brother, Isaac Giles, of Marion, as best man. The bride, attired in a beautiful suit of dark tulle with brown accessories and carrying a bridal bouquet of bride's roses, entered on the arm of her father, by whom she was given in marriage. The impressive ring ceremony was used, Rev. Mr. Brown of Mount Gilead officiating.

The ceremony was celebrated in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Price, Misses Ruby and Brownie Giles, Miss Fay Conley, Messrs. Isaac Giles and J. F. Snipes, of Marion; Mrs. Golston of Charlotte.

Following the ceremony cake and cream were served, after which the happy couple left for the western part of the state before returning to Marion where they will make their home.

The bride is a graduate of the State Normal and for the past two years has been a member of the Marion graded school faculty. By her charming personality she has made a host of friends here.

The groom is a son of Mr. A. H. Giles of this place and is a young man of sterling qualities.

MCCALL-LYON.

Friends throughout the state will be interested in the announcement of the marriage of Miss Lora Lee Lyon, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lyon, of Burnsville, formerly of Greenville, Tenn., and Dr. L. C. McCall, of Spruce Pine, formerly of Marion. The ceremony took place at Burnsville, at the home of the bride on August 13. Immediately following the wedding, Dr. and Mrs. McCall left for Lake Towaway where they will spend several weeks before going to Spruce Pine to make their future home.

PIE SUPPER.

A Pie Supper will be given at Siloam school house Saturday evening, August 27. Everybody invited. The money obtained will be used for furnishing the building with patent desks.

WEATHER REPORT.

Thos. McGuire, local government weather bureau observer, reports the temperature and rainfall at Marion for the week as follows:

Maximum, 89 degrees; minimum, 62 degrees; rain, 6.21 of an inch; sunshine, per cent, 64.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COUNTY

Brief Mention of Some of the Happenings in McDowell—Items About Home People.

CROOKED CREEK

Old Fort, Rt. 2, Aug. 24.—Rev. C. P. Holland is holding a series of revival services at Cherry Springs this week.

L. A. Westmoreland of Glenwood is threshing the grain on the creek. The crop is turning out better than was expected, but is not as good as usual.

Claud Erwin, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. A. W. Lavender, left Tuesday for Knoxville, Tenn., to enter the University.

Frank Condry of Marfa, Texas, is at home from the U. S. army.

Misses Sue Conley and Bula Karpis of the Bethlehem school enjoyed a watermelon feast at J. S. Lavender's home Tuesday afternoon.

Misses Annie and Nora Belle Bradley of Marion have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bradley.

Miss Janie Parker is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Lytle in Catawba valley.

Lee Lavender spent the week-end in Salisbury and Spencer at the home of L. D. Earnhart.

Mrs. Alonzo Davis and little daughter, Pauline, visited Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Davis last week.

The Memorial services at Bethel and Cherry Springs Saturday was well attended, the largest crowd in years being present.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Davis, a son.

Tom Stacy spent the week-end at his home at Nebo.

Misses Carmel and Fanny Melton returned to Marion last week after spending their vacation with home-folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gilliam and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brown of Buck Creek spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bradley and family, Misses Annie, Nora Belle and Ora Bradley were visitors at the home of C. P. Lytle Sunday.

Rev. R. L. Foster is holding a series of revival services at Bethlehem this week.

MONTFORDS COVE

Union Mills, Rt. 1, Aug. 23.—Misses Nell and Annie Sue Harris entered school at Round Hill yesterday.

Miss Nan Hall is spending the week with her niece, Mrs. Curtis Williams, of Rutherfordton.

The Union Mills boys met with the Cove boys at the Cove school house Friday and played a game of ball. Score 11 to 2 in favor of Cove boys.

Mrs. Curtis Williams has returned to her home at Rutherfordton.

Jones Harris and brothers visited the lake at Bridgewater last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris spent Sunday at William Ledbetter's.

Miss Goodloe Haney spent the week-end with home-folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Brown motored to the Cove Sunday.

The children and friends of D. C. Brown gathered at his home last Thursday and gave him a surprise supper. He is 78 years old and has 14 children, all of whom are living.

A revival meeting has been in progress the past week, conducted by the pastor, Rev. James Brown. Much interest was shown and about 22 new members have been annexed to the church.

Roy Morris has returned to school at Round Hill.

Mrs. Hattie Flack has returned to her home in Knoxville.

The Green River Baptist Association will meet with Montford's Cove Baptist church Sept. 28 and continue three days.

HANKINS

Marion, Rt. 3, Aug. 23.—A pie and

cake supper will be given at Hankins school house on Saturday night, Sept. 3. Proceeds will be used for equipping the school building with patent desks. Everybody invited.

Miss Mae Allison spent the week-end with home-folks at Old Fort.

Virgil Morgan, formerly of this place, is very sick in Rutherford Hospital.

Miss Gertrude Barnes, of Morganton, visited her parents here last Sunday.

Our school is progressing nicely with an enrollment of fifty-four. Teachers and pupils are taking an active interest in many ways and are hoping to make this the best term we have ever had.

Miss Annie Wall spent the week-end at her home near Greenlee.

Quite a number of our folks strained their eyes all day Sunday, and anxiously awaited the arrival of the aeroplane which was scheduled to alight near here, but met with bitter disappointment when it failed to appear.

CATAWBA VALLEY

Old Fort, Rt. 1, Aug. 22.—T. A. Porter made a business trip to Marion, yesterday.

Miss Lola Allison, who is teaching school on Curtis Creek, spent the week-end with home-folks.

Tate, Armon and Walker Parker spent the week-end on Crooked Creek.

Logan Bradley of Swannanoa spent Sunday with his father, J. W. Bradley.

Mrs. F. O. Lytle is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

Wm. Porter and son, Charles, of Swannanoa were here last week on business.

We are still having plenty of rain. A large number of our people attended the box supper on Mill creek last Friday night.

Mrs. Wm. Hicks was on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Griffin visited their daughter on Curtis creek last Friday.

Mrs. J. A. Moody was in Marion last Saturday on business.

ARMSTRONG

Sevier, Aug. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hollifield of Three-Mile spent Sunday with Miss Elizabeth Hopper.

John Bradshaw was a visitor here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Byrd and children of Clear Creek visited relatives here last week.

Miss Mary Clay spent the week-end with home-folks at Glenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGee were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd last week.

Miss Ruby Boyd spent the week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. McKinney at Little Switzerland.

Ebon Hopper, Jr., has returned from a brief visit in Virginia.

School is still progressing nicely with Miss Clay as teacher. The enrollment is very good.

NEBO.

Nebo, Aug. 23.—Misses Lottie and Helen Wilson and brother, Watson, who have been attending the summer school at Boone, returned home last week.

Walter Gilbert of Charlotte spent last week here with friends.

Misses Maggie and Vivian Parks spent the week-end here with home-folks.

Messrs. Rhodes and Sneed, who have been spending two weeks here with Mr. and Mrs. Finch, returned to their home in Columbia, Monday.

Miss Sudie Alexander of Marion spent the week-end in Nebo.

A crowd of folks from here motored to Black Mountain Sunday on a picnic.

Mrs. John Sigmon and daughter, Georgia, will leave Wednesday for Ohio, where they will spend a few days with relatives.

Miss Tracy Sigmon is visiting friends in Erwin, Tenn.

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NEWS ITEMS FROM OVER THE STATE

Items Concerning Events of Interest and Importance Throughout the State.

Brownlow Jackson, of Hendersonville, was nominated for United States marshal Tuesday to succeed Chas. A. Webb.

Governor Cameron Morrison Monday afternoon named Mrs. G. L. McKee of Sylva as a member of the board of directors of the Cullowhee Normal school.

All of the mills in Cabarrus county with the exception of the Buffalo yarn mill have opened for work following the general strike called June 1. All troops have been withdrawn from Concord.

The doors of the bank of Thomasville were closed Monday by order of State Bank Examiner Newbold. Inability to collect on paper held to secure loans, is assigned by officials of the bank as the reason for the failure.

The program of the North Carolina Farmers' and Farm Women's convention to be held at Raleigh, August 30 to September, has been completed and includes community sings, stunts, band concert, barbecue and other amusements as well as discussion of livestock farming, plant breeding and seed selection, co-operation and marketing and home-making.

REV. J. E. GAY DIES AT HOME IN MADISON

Kernersville, Aug. 23.—Rev. J. E. Gay, pastor M. E. Church at Madison, died at 8 o'clock this morning of heart failure after an hour's illness. He was one of the best known members of the Western North Carolina conference and had been presiding elder of Morganton and other districts. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and one son. The body will be sent to Hillsboro Thursday for interment.

Former Resident of Marion.

Rev. J. E. Gay, who died suddenly at his home in Madison Tuesday morning, was presiding elder of this district four years and during his stay in Marion made many friends who will learn of his death with sorrow.

Rev. Mr. Gay was 67 years of age and married Margaret Brown, of Hillsboro. In addition to his widow, he is survived by three children, James E. Gay, law student in Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. G. W. Hickerson, of Houston, Texas, and Miss Mary Douglas Gay, who attended Greensboro college last year.

OVER SCORE WOUNDED AT JAIL AT KNOXVILLE

Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 19.—More than 27 persons were wounded, two seriously, at 9:30 tonight when deputies guarding the Knox county jail fired on a crowd which had crossed a "dead line" in approaching the jail with the avowed purpose of demanding Frank Martin, a negro held as a suspect in a criminal assault upon a county school teacher Thursday.

All of the wounded are white, and it is thought that all will recover. Two are women. Most of the wounded were curiosity seekers who were standing to one side upon the courthouse lawn, which is 30 feet above the street level at the corner, where the jail stands. One officer, Deputy Sheriff Charles Lewis, was wounded in the arm by return fire from the crowd.

Although the machine gun company of the 117th infantry, Tennessee national guard, was on duty at the jail, the soldiers did not open fire.

BOX SUPPER.

A box supper will be given at the Sandy Flat school building on Saturday night, Sept. 3. Everybody invited. The proceeds will be used to purchase patent desks for the school.