# Francis' Bill Would Bring \$2,000,000 To State

\$200,000,000 Of The Best Property In State Exempted From Taxation

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ue to balance the budget. For three and undertook to show that their busi-

the needed revenue from some of the sources counted upon to pay public expenses, drastic cuts in governmental to the year in which said dividends are received by the taxpayer."

This provision insures that nobody but the Revenue Commissioner and in versally conceded. all that is said there booms up a stock could not be located. of some character. When returnent considers a sales tax, it makes it possible to form some esti-

wned in this State worth \$196,608,he dividends on the stock reprecentng the property do pay a tax which n the past year reached the amount f \$707,790. If taxed according to all

of such property was small then in omparison to the large value it atrepealed the law taxing property in the stocks of foreign corporations, thus giving a total averaged.

The repeat of the Stota Tay Comgiving a total exemption from It was the one certain way and owners of visible property was go-ong up by leaps and bounds. Those of the dividends received.

inter demanded a repeal of that piece as other property, he would pay \$11 to the city of Raleigh, \$8.80 to Wake equality should be restored and the County and \$6 to the Raleigh Town-News and Observer called attention owns stocks in a foreign corporation on the best-paying property tax he pays is \$3.60. If in Raleigh to the State But these tax and observer called attention owns stocks in a foreign corporation paying 6 per cent. dividends the only tax he pays is \$3.60. If in Raleigh the State But these tax and on the pays is \$3.60. Other property n the State. But these tax evaders he ownes tangible or other property exemptions. However, the agitation was continued from year to year. It be shown to the owner of foreign was so vigorous in 1931 that something had to he downer of a store or thing had to he downer. thing had to be done. The complete a house be mulcted for higher taxes? exemption could no longer be excused some revenue to the State, but stores and personal property of other deny the counties and cities their just character. ight to tax it like other property is

Note-Under the above caption, without exemption or deduction for Raleigh News and Observer ran any cause, except as provided in this section, and upon failure to report by introduced by Senator W. R. introduced by Senator W. R. such income and pay the tax herein and this county. While here event visit Senator Francis told stock shall be liable for the all valuem place to introduce such a bill tax on such stocks at the place of the state more than \$2, poration owning such shares, shall report such income to the Commissioner

of Revenue, at the time required by The members of this General As- this act for reporting other income and in seperate schedule on the inus question of how to raise the reve. come tax blanks to be provided by the the for the France Committee has been purpose, and shall pay the tax herein maring representatives or attorneys imposed at the same time and in the all concerns paying State taxes, and those which the Budget Commission says should pay tax, or whose ax should be increased. "With one cord they began to make excuses" this State on a proportionate part of shares of stock in such corporations. sees would not justify the present tax shall be entitled to deduct from the or any increase. And in many ins- total dividends received an amount tances they proved their case, for in equalling the percentage of the cornost lines of business incomes have poration's income on which it paid an income tax to the State of North Caro-In view of the inability to obtain lina for the year in which said divi-

tal expenses are being made. When these cuts are completed, it will still and who pays the income tax. Sehese cuts are completed, it will still and who pays the income tax. See the necessary to obtain large revenues of crecy presides over favored owners of favored stocks. Favoritism is entrepresally conceded. From what allow of sources shall revenues for ready served two excellent purposes. The sources cities and the State be it increased the income tax receipts stained? For too many years the and it placed such stocks on the record, ognislature antil 1931 has seemed even if that record is as yet a sealed addiferent as to the final situation book in the Revenue Department. Senator Francis, of Haywood, has introduced a bill to tax foreign stocks in the same way as other property in the Cambridge is sweating blood to the State is taxed. If his bill beat the state of th ave to found such sources. Back ing the archaic argument that such The imposition of the 1931 tax also

yield. On page 32 of the budget for In all the search for a new source, the biennium July 1, 1933 to June 30, will hearten the legislature to know 1935, the yield from foreign stock but in the past year there has been dividends paid in 1931, the first year evealed the existence of property of the operation of the new law, is given as \$707,790. This means that 38 which pays no tax at all, though those paying this tax received \$11,-796,500 in dividends on foreign stocks If it be assumed that these dividends epresented an average of 6 per cent. of the value of the stocks, and that the average ad valorem tax rate of sangible property, this untouched prop-erty would bring in a revenue of \$2,-ing in North Carolina would be the 49,995 instead of the \$707,790 re- average for owners of foreign stock, cived in 1931-32, the first year reve- the stocks represented by those divinue has been received from that dends would be placed upon the tax Up to 1923 the law imposed a tax books at \$196,608,333, and would yield a tax of \$2,949,995. This would apupon stock in foreign corporations, the same as upon notes and mortgagen and like property to be assessed stocks, which like most all property and collected in the counties. No ade- in this State, paid little or no return made machinery for the assessment of such property was provided and no serious attempt made to secure its assessment for taxation. The amount of such property was provided and no serious attempt made to secure its assessment for taxation. The amount of such property was provided and no serious attempt made to secure its assessment for taxation. The amount of such property was provided and no serious attempt made to secure its assessment for taxation. The amount of such property was provided and no serious attempt made to secure its assessment for taxation or dividends received, and does not take into consideration the much higher tax rates in most of the sities and towns of the State. For example, the total tax tained in 1923-1929. The Legislature rate paid by a resident of Raleigh is of 1923, in violation of the spirit of the Constitution demanding "equality," provinced by a resident of Raleign is the Constitution demanding "equality," provinced by a resident of Raleign is the tax yield would be appropriately \$5,000,000 instead of the provinced by the law taxing the provinced by a resident of Raleign is

thus giving a total exemption to taxation upon the best paying species axation upon the best paying species of property in the State. What was the result? Seeing ever-mounting of \$22,216,263, of which \$11,814,942 of \$22,216,263, of which \$22,216,263, of w mission shows that individuals alone, taxes on every other species of prop-erty in which they could invest their at the source, and \$10.401,323 were at the source, and \$10,401,323 were taxed at the source, and \$10,401,323 were taxed, the remainder of the taxable dividends on foreign stocks having been taxed, the remainder of the taxable dividends on foreign stocks having been reported by domestic corporations. It was the one certain way through income taxes paid in this to escape taxation. As many of these orperations paid good dividends their stocks were advertised as "sound and untaxable." No wonder these stocks ccame favorites with the investing one-fourth of its total income, the public. In the meantime the tax on owner of stock in the corporation pays

The difference between the two people who were developing the state the difference between the two differences between the two differen bads and government were having from dividends on foreign stocks— could not obtain the listing, but with the information in his office or available. The part of the information in his office or available to had been foresighted enough to put his foreign corporation and receiving er can easily see that it goes upon noney in foreign stocks was living therefrom a dividend of \$60 a year the tax book There were those in North Carolina who opposed the 1923 act of favoritism to owners of foreign stock, and who ad the research of the state upon that dividend. Nothing to the county or city in which he lives. If he lived in Raleigh and listicely in the county of the research of the state upon that dividend. Nothing to the county or city in which he lives. If he lived in Raleigh and listicely in the money important as that Easy Street, paying no taxes what would pay an income tax of \$3.60 to The main thing is that every species o owners of foreign stock, and who ed the property for ad valorem taxes wners of tangible property would not ship Graded School District, or a to-gutterly crushed. Bi-ennially The tal of \$25.80. In other words if a man omehow managed to hold on to their except foreign stocks, he pays \$25.80.

Whether this tax money goes direcondened. That Legislature, being rectly into the State Treasury or into the county and city treasures is not taxed like other property would not so important as that it be placed on the "feasible." undertack to impose a "feasible," undertook to impose a the taxbooks and tax collected on the haracter of taxation that would bring same rate as upon factories, farms, budget,

The bill introduced by Senator Franaxed. It, therefore, incorporated the cis would include in personal proper-"Income from stock in foreign cor"Income from stock in foreign corporations, the legal or beneficial ownership of, and title to which is in any
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AN ACT FIXING THE SITUS AND PROVIDING FOR THE TAXATION OF SHARES OF STOCK IN FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA DO ENACT:

Section 1. Personal property, taxable under the laws of this State, shall in addition to all other such property as defined by the revenue and machinery acts. or other statue, be held and deemed to mean and include all shares of stock in foreign corporations, the legal and, or beneficial ownership of, and title to, which is in any resident of this State, and the situs for ad valorem taxation of such shares of stock in foreign corporations shall be at the residence of such legal or beneficial owner.

Section 2. That all such shares of stock in foreign corporations shall be listed for, and subject to, ad valorem taxation in the local sub-division of government in which such legal or beneficial owner resides. Returns and listing of such shares of stock in foreign corporations shall be made by such owners to the Commissioner of Revenue, as of the date, and during the period fixed by law for the listing of other personal property.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Revenue, his deputies, and all other subordinates and employees in the Department of Revenue, to use every endeavor to procure and enforce the provisions of this act for the return and listing of shares of stock in foreign corporations so owned by residents of this State. The Commissioner of Revenue shall prescribe and provide forms for the return and listing of such shares of stock, and on or before the time fixed for the listing of other personal property, shall send two copies of such forms to all residents of the State who, he has reason to believe, either from an examination of the records of his office, or from any other source of information, or such owners of such shares of stock. The forms for such returns shall be sufficient to show the number of such shares of stock so owned, the corporation issuing the same, and the par value thereof, as of the date fixed by law for listing other personal property. And it shall be the duty of all residents of this State so owning such shares of stock in foreign corporations, to make request and application to the Commissioner of Revenue, on or before the date fixed for the listing of personal property, for copies of such forms, and to make the returns and listing thereof in the form so prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue, under the same oath as required by law for the listing of other personal property for taxation.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Commisssioner of Revenue, upon the information contained in such returns, and such other information as he may have, to assess, for taxation at its par value, all such shares of stock so returned to him, and to certify copies of such returns, with the assessment of the value of such shares of stock so made by him, to the Register of Deeds of the county of the residence of each such owner of such shares of stock. And it shall then be the duty of the county supervisor of taxation, or other county officials having similar power or authority, to enter the said shares of stock and the valuation thereof, as so fixed by the Commissioner of Revenue, upon the tax list for said county, and for the appropriate sub-divisions thereof, and, or municipality therein, of which such owner of such shares of stock shall be a resident. And the said shares of stock shall be subject to taxation, and the levy of ad valorem taxes thereon, by the Board of Commissioners of such county. and the tax levying authorities of any sub-division thereof, or municipality therein, in the usual way and manner with respect to other personal property.

Section 5. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

axation. All the while the man who A man owning \$1,000 in stock in a ble to him, the Revenue Commission-

ceiving the money, important as that is in these days of dire need.

To show the iniquity and injustice of the Act of 1923 repealing the tax on foreign stocks owned in this State, let us suppose that the 1931 tax provission, under which \$707,790 was collected during the past year, had been enacted in 1923. Even if the divi-dends on the foreign stocks in those boom years had not been greater than in the lean year of 1931-32, the State Treasury would have received from ers of foreign stocks. That \$6,370,-110 would go far toward balancing the

Senator Francis wrote his bill aloting this money to the counties and ities because he doubted the constiutionality of taxing personal proper y for State purposes. His main ob-

ginning in The American Weekly, the and Fifteen (215) (g) of this act, ed 6 per cent. is worth nearly\$200,- Magazine Distributed with Next Sun-

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