

## GREATEST TAX COLLECTION IN U. S. HISTORY

Amounted to Five Billions in Last Fiscal Year—Report of Internal Revenue Commissioner.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Collection of \$5,407,860,231 in taxes, and efforts to control the liquor traffic in the United States under the prohibition act formed the principal work of the Internal Revenue Bureau during the last fiscal year, according to the annual report of Commissioner Williams, just made public.

The tax collection was the greatest in the history of the country, he added, while in prohibition enforcement the bureau was faced with the creation of an organization which embraced all states and Hawaii, Porto Rico and Alaska.

Total income and profits taxes made up the bulk of the revenue obtained by the government, with \$3,855,536,000, but the report shows that an additional \$225,509,535 came from tobacco taxes. The levy on distilled and fermented liquors produced \$139,401,149, and miscellaneous and war excise taxes brought in \$883,363,871. The remainder of the revenue was from capital stock, stamp and special taxation.

Total expenditure of the bureau was \$29,647,439, including \$2,009,774 for enforcement of prohibition.

Mr. Williams shows that 44,868,745 gallons of distilled liquors were held in bonded warehouses in the United States June 30, a reduction of 16,464,405 gallons during the year. The reports show also that 99,015,152 taxable gallons of distilled liquor were produced during the twelve months, and withdrawals from bonded warehouses were reported at 26,260,609 gallons. The highest marks shown for production and withdrawals were in 1919, when production reached \$49,123,221 gallons and withdrawals were 160,740,210 gallons. The largest amount of liquor ever held in storage was in 1914, with a total of 282,965,460 gallons.

Mr. Williams said the United States government had employed the permit system as one of its chief methods of controlling the liquor traffic at its sources. He added that 62,750 of the various classes of permits were issued between January 16, when constitutional prohibition became effective, and the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1919, were for the use of alcoholic liquors for other than beverage purposes and included 11,501 permits to prescribe. The bureau revoked 294 permits of various kinds between the dates mentioned, and 895 applications for permits were not allowed.

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### WILL ERADICATE MARITIME PROS.

A. W. Covey to Endeavor to Make Players in These Provinces Eligible For Allan Cup.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—The Canadian Hockey Association will in fact become dominion-wide in scope and jurisdiction, if plans mooted at an informal meeting held here Saturday materialize. The Ottawa district, which had been admitted as a branch of the A. A. U. of C. and which had applied for affiliation with the C. A. H. A. under the cognomen, Central Canada Amateur Hockey Association, will be admitted to membership, but not under the name cited in the application. This will bring back into Allan cup competition a group of teams which was connected with the earlier history of the trophy, but which had gradually broken away since the cup came under the jurisdiction of the C. A. H. A. A strong endeavor will be made in the maritime provinces to get the Blues to adopt amateurism in hockey and renounce the present "mixed" species played there. A. W. Covey, of St. John, when told that the provinces would be admitted to membership of the C. A. H. A. and allowed to participate in Allan cup playdowns, if they adopted the amateur laws as laid down in the handbook, assured the meeting that, armed with this promise, he would go back and work toward the desired end. Mr. Covey was urged by the officials to make a strong stand for amateurism to eradicate the pros who were keeping the maritime provinces out of the Canadian championship series to organize on amateur basis, and then seek affiliation with the C. A. H. A.

### WORLD'S AIR RECORD.

Paris, Dec. 12.—Sadié Lecomte, the aviator, today broke the world's airspeed record for four kilometers. Flying at Villacoublay, Lecomte negotiated the distance in forty-six seconds, or at the rate of 194.8 miles per hour.

### FOR U. S. EMBASSY.

Santiago, Nov. 17.—(A. P. Correspondence.)—Joseph H. Shea, American ambassador to Chile, is seeking a permanent residence for the embassy here, the congress at Washington having appropriated \$100,000 for the purchase. It will be the first government-owned embassy building in South America.

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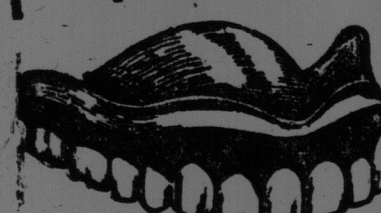
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