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## THE TAX MEASURE

Emasculated by the lower house, the Mellon tax measure is now before the senate, and unless this body is more actuated by the welfare of the country than by political exigency, the act probably will be further amended and rendered less effective by the upper house. By students of economics everywhere the Mellon bill in the original form is regarded as the best tax measure ever presented to congress, and if the country is to be benefited by this product of the careful thought and investigation of the nation's best tax experts, who have thoroughly studied the conditions which it is framed to meet, it is time to urge upon senators action in support of the original Mellon bill. Every voter who wants to see taxes reduced in the proper manner and at the same time to insure continued and increased prosperity for everybody, should write the two senators from Illinois requesting them to restore the Mellon bill to its original form and work for its passage in conference.

## GIVE THE RAILROADS A CHANCE

Congress will have before it soon a bill to amend and distort the present transportation act which was passed to give the railroads of the country a basis upon which to recover from the disastrous effects of government control during the war. The transportation act is regarded as a good law and is working out fairly well, but sufficient time has not elapsed since it went into force to give the railroads an opportunity to test it fully or to enable the country to determine absolutely whether or not it is best fitted to transportation needs. Anything that handicaps transportation in a great country like ours hampers business and hinders prosperity. It is believed that congress by political juggling with the transportation act is likely to cause such results as have been caused heretofore when the railroads have been made political playthings. Many a demagogue has sought office or re-election by insistent persecution of the railroads and other big interests. It looks like history was about to repeat in this connection, and it is time to call a halt. National transportation and national prosperity have too long been batted about for political effect by this type of office-seeker and office-holder. It is time to give the other side an inning. Let the railroads have a chance to give the transportation act a fair trial, so that the country may determine accurately the effect of its operation on business prosperity.

## A PATRIOTIC DUTY

Annual township and city elections are held next month in most communities, and in April also comes the primary election to nominate county and state candidates. Next fall the country elects a president and many congressmen and senators. It is a busy year in political circles, and every citizen who wants good government should interest himself and herself in the issues of the day. It is a patriotic duty not only to vote, but to inform oneself upon the existing political issues and conditions, so that we may vote intelligently.

If every citizen fully understood the inside history of every "movement" that appeals for his support, he would be astounded at the amount of dangerous propaganda concealed behind many of them; if every citizen knew just what was back of every so-called "scandal" in government, he would realize that political jealousy and political and financial aspirations too often have more to do with the alleged "sensation" than any desire to benefit the country or save it from disgrace.

The more our citizens inform themselves upon governmental and political questions, the more familiar they become with the inside workings of this thing we call politics, the better able they will be to form their own opinions and the more intelligently they will be able to vote upon candidates and issues. Don't take anybody's or any newspaper's opinion on these things; have opinions of your own, but before acting upon them be sure that they are well founded and logically developed. Educate yourself on these things, for only by education can a democratic form of government improve and endure. Study, learn and form your own opinions and then vote those opinions. This course followed by a majority of voters would soon establish the cleanest and most beneficial government the world has ever seen.

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## TOBACCO ALONE IS REMINDER OF YANKS

### LEFT BEHIND AT COBLENZ

Germans do not care for Brands of Weed Used by American Soldiers; History Is Quoted

The last of the American troops left Coblenz, Germany, something like a year ago, and today about the only visible reminders of them are packages of stale American pipe tobacco and cigarets on the shelves of the little shops of the city, waiting for the purchaser who probably never will appear. For Germans do not care for the American brands.

These gaily colored little boxes, once eagerly sought by the boy from Kansas but now neglected and dust covered, have moved a local writer to speculate on the part tobacco has played in warfare. He finds that the weed has always been one of the soldiers' best friends, and that men in the field have consumed it in great quantities. This was doubtless due in large measure to the open air life. European soldiers always have been heavy smokers, in the last war as well as in the conflicts of olden times. Napoleon used snuff, lots of it when on the march; the life of Frederick the Great was once saved when a bullet flattened out against a snuff box in his pocket, and Seydlitz, one of the famous cavalry generals of history was a slave to his pipe.

**Soldiers Always Smokers**  
Back in 1794 the records show that German officers, campaigning with the Duke of York in Holland, were inveterate smokers, and in the French army in 1688 there was an issue of one pound a month of tobacco to every soldier.

But nevertheless there have been famous soldiers who disliked tobacco as much as the duke of Wellington who smoked but once, after dining with the duke of Cumberland at Portsmouth, and then more to oblige the duke than anything else. It is related also that General Blucher, in 1807, noted with horror that many of his officers were in the habit of smoking in the streets and other public places even though in uniform. So he issued an order in which the practice was denounced, and forbidden to all Prussian officers, under his command.

There is, however, so little American tobacco left in Coblenz that the argument of this German observer seems to be justified; gathered all together and issued to a couple of companies of American doughboys, it probably would last them not more than one day.

## WHAT TO TEACH OUR DAUGHTERS

The following advice with regard to the education of girls is worth many readings:  
Teach them self-reliance.  
Teach them to make bread.  
Teach them to make shirts.  
Teach them to foot up store bills.  
Teach them how to cook a good meal.  
Teach them to wear thick, warm shoes.  
Teach them how to wash and iron clothes.  
Bring them up in the way they should go.  
Teach them how to make their own dresses.  
Teach them that a dollar is only one hundred cents.  
Teach them how to darn stockings and sew on buttons.  
Teach them to wear calico dresses, and to do it like queens.  
Give them a good, substantial, common-school education.  
Teach them, every day, hard, practical common sense.  
Teach them to say No, and mean it; or Yes, and stick to it.  
Teach them to have nothing to do with intemperate young men.  
Teach them that a good, rosy romp is worth fifty consumptives.  
Teach them to regard the morals and not the money of their suitors.  
Teach them all the mysteries of the kitchen, the dining room, and the parlor.  
Teach them that the more one lives within his income, the more he will save.

Rely upon it that upon your teaching depends, in a measure, the weal or woe of their after-life.  
Teach them that a good, steady mechanic without a cent is worth a dozen loafers in broadcloth.  
Teach them that the farther one lives beyond his income, the nearer he gets to the poorhouse.  
Teach them the accomplishments—music, painting, drawing—if you have time and money to do it with.  
Be careful, mother, that you do not ruin that smart, pretty girl of yours, by doing all the work while she is "getting an education." That is the way many a fond, silly mother has done, and then been cursed for it the rest of her life.

Compulsory military training is advocated, and anyway some of the boys are showing interest in marksmanship by practising with their air rifles on their neighbors' hens.

## PRINCE OF JAPAN POPULAR FIGURE

### HIROHITO IS WELL LIKED

Progressive, Democratic and of Simple Habits; Adopting Western Methods in Daily Life

The personal popularity of Hirohito, Prince Regent of Japan, among his people is a new thing in that island empire of the Far East. For many centuries the Emperor and the imperial family have been objects of veneration and awe in the eyes of the Japanese, but they have remained veiled in the obscurity of mysticism and ceremonial. The Emperor Meiji broke through ancient tradition to a considerable degree, but it has remained for his grandson, the present Prince Regent, to convince the masses of the Nation that he is a man in a human world.

**A Democratic Prince**  
His visit to England three years ago was the turning point in his career. There he saw at first hand how it is possible for a monarch to maintain his dignity and at the same time gain a genuine popularity with his subjects. Unquestionably the Prince of Wales is the hero-model of the Prince Regent of Japan. That this is true was again in evidence when the English heir to the throne visited Japan. Much that the Prince Regent has done can be traced to the influence of the Prince of Wales.

This gradual turning toward democratic ways and to fashions followed in the western world is certain to have—in fact, is already having—a tremendous effect on the Japanese nation.

At the palace, each day, the Cabinet ministers submit reports to His Imperial Highness to read and decide upon, the ministers sometimes accompanying their written reports with personal explanations. The Prince Regent often questions them as to details, and then gives his advice and recommendations.

**Progressive Characteristics**  
The informality of his relations with his friends is one of his most striking characteristics. They address him as Denka (Your Highness), while he uses their surnames with the customary suffix of San, that is used throughout Japan for all alike. Often he invites young men of "advanced thought" with whom he frankly discusses problems of social welfare and kindred topics, in which he is very much interested.

The Prince Regent is very progressive, but lives quite simply. His trip to Europe marked a turning point in many of his personal habits and his mode of life, quite as much as it did in his outlook on world affairs. He has studied French for a number of years, but has given less attention to English, although he intends to give it more study in the future. During his visit to London he talked in English with King George for half an hour, probably the longest conversation he has ever held in that language.

**Wears Western Garb**  
He seldom wears Japanese clothes, but usually appears in a morning coat, although he often wears an ordinary sack coat when transacting the affairs of state. Breakfast is nearly always foreign style, as is dinner, although lunch is after the Japanese fashion. He has never tasted liquor, nor does he smoke. When proposing or drinking a toast he merely touches the glass of champagne to his lips.

Books dealing with political history and especially those treating on the French Revolution, are his favorites. He keeps a diary. His memory is regarded as exceptionally good.

For the last few years the Prince Regent had seen Princess Nagako who became his bride recently, from time to time, usually rather informally. She also studies French and English, and is regarded as "typical of all that is best in Japanese womanhood."

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## SWIFT CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATE

### WOULD SUCCEED HIMSELF

Lake County Statesman With Long Record in Upper House Again Asking People's Votes

State Senator Rodney B. Swift of Lake county has served two terms and asks for re-nomination.

The late A. J. Olson of McHenry county was senator for two terms and was re-nominated. Senator Dunlap of Champaign has served twenty-four years and is again a candidate and is recognized as the most valuable legislator of Illinois.

The record of some of the state senators is worthy of study. Senator Rodney B. Swift is never absent



**Senator R. B. Swift**  
nor tardy—always in his seat and watching legislation. His protection of the dairy interests is particularly noticeable. He has protested the conspiracy laws and prevented their being framed to hit farmers who would get together that they might obtain a better price for their products and he has urged legislation to exempt them and plainly set forth their rights to organize and co-operate. A new co-operative law now protects them in this fundamental necessity. He passed the bill giving the county commissioners the right to appropriate money to hire veterinarians to clean out tuberculosis in the dairy herds and joined with others to make the state appropriation one million dollars to go with a like sum from the federal government.

**Work Commended**  
The Milk Producers' association commended his work by a special resolution. Only a man who knew how to do legislative work could have saved these milk producers.

In the appropriation committee and on the floor of the senate Senator Swift is recognized as being a bitter foe to waste and extravagance. His work in preventing useless commissions, in knocking out fat measures and insisting that no wages be paid to those who don't work has been commended all over the state.

That band of public spirited men, the Legislative Voters' league, who hire an able secretary to report the legislative work in Springfield has this to say of Senator Swift:

"Rodney B. Swift, senator (Rep.); farmer, Lake Forest. Ending his second term, during which he made a highly creditable record; was one of the most steadfast members of the Senate in opposing the objectionable schemes of Governor Small; during the last session he made a close study of appropriation bills and presented amendments to such bills in committee and on the floor which saved the public a great deal of money."

**For Good Roads**  
Always for roads, his farm teams drew his road drag back and forth before there was any cement and he was the first president of the Lake County Good Roads association. No man has tried harder to protect the taxpayer from the greed of the material contractors and from direct taxation for roads. Let the roads be paid by license fees of those who use them and see that they are built honestly and between towns where there is enough traffic to justify them and not where influential citizens and bodies of citizens will agree to pay for them with votes. More traffic goes over certain roads in the Eighth District in one day than over some roads in remote districts in a whole year.

The 100 million dollar road bill will be voted on next November. When that bill was put before the senate it gave the Eighth District far less mileage than our auto fees called for and Senator Swift in open fight before the committee and on the floor of the senate forced amendments adding nearly 75 miles additional roads for this district. Only a man who could fight and who knew what he was doing had any business trying to add to the mileage that had been set aside for the county.

Senator Swift helped pass the hard road bill under which all the hard roads the county has laid are built. He helped write the names of the towns into this bill while

Frank Lowden was yet governor without which there would have been unforeseen changes.

**Well Trained**  
Now, a few words personal,—he worked as a boy to earn the money to send himself through a first class college and to get a degree of B. S. and through a good law school to a degree and an admission to practice in the Supreme court. He has been able to take a decided hand in school legislation and to give school measures constructive thought. He introduced the bill to help the state normal schools and was chairman of the committee to visit the educational institutions of the state. He is one of the advisory committee appointed by the board of the state university.

Senator Swift is the chairman also of that important committee on community welfare, and having been a worker all his life with his hands and brain, he knows what it is to work and what the laboring men need. He introduced and it became a law, the measure to rehabilitate the crippled in industry. He introduced and passed the bill for schools for crippled children.

But this could go on and on. He has a family, wife and three children,—one nine and ten years old. His home farm that he still owns just west of the village of Libertyville is one of the most productive in Illinois. He owns more than one thousand acres of land. He is and has been a success and has traveled in all countries and knows the world and the problems that are before the state as well as the problems of the farm. For 25 years he was a manufacturer and finally after selling the business of which he was a one-third owner to the International Harvester company, he went to a farm which he made into one of the best and most productive in America.

If the Eighth District wants the services of Senator Swift for another term it must get its voters to the polls. He has stopped certain practices and money grabs that have made him enemies and if he goes back he will stop more. There are those who don't want him in Springfield. If the honest taxpayers do they now have the chance.

## ADJUDICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the Subscriber Executor of the last Will and Testament of Minna Donner deceased will attend the Probate Court of Lake County, at a term thereof to be held at the Court House in Waukegan, in said County, on the first Monday of May, next, 1924, when and where all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to present the same to said Court for adjudication.

CHARLES A. DONNER, Executor.  
Waukegan, Ill., March 8, 1924.

E. S. Gail, Attorney. 1-3rd

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