

### URGE OPPOSITION OF FEDERAL AUTO TAXES

#### IS RELIC OF WORLD WAR

President of Automobile Club of Illinois Wants Illinois Congressmen to Vote Against

Members of congress from Illinois are asked to go on record against the three per cent federal tax on automobiles in a communication from Si Mayer, president of the Automobile club of Illinois. The tax is relic of the World War, has outlived its usefulness and should be abolished by the next congress, says Mr. Mayer.

Every member of congress from Illinois is urgently requested to use his influence in having this burden removed from automobile owners, in this communication. An effort will be made to get it before the ways and means committee which meets in November and Representative G. M. Hudson of Michigan will lodge the protest of the automotive interests before that body.

#### Redraft Bill

If the ways and means committee fails to eliminate the tax in the drafting of the new revenue bill, Mr. Hudson has redrafted his bill introduced in the last session of the 69th Congress for the repeal of the tax and will, in that event, introduce it on the first day of the approaching session.

Mr. Mayer asks every member of Congress from Illinois to support Hudson in his program for the removal of this tax. Mr. Mayer is vice president of the American Motorists association which he represents in the middle west.

This national body of motorists recently went on record in Washington against a continuance of the federal war tax on automobiles and delegated Mr. Mayer to wage the fight for the removal of the excise among members of congress in the middle west. "This three per cent tax on automobiles is the last of the excise war levies and is discriminatory and unfair," declared Mr. Mayer. "It was passed as a means of raising revenue in war time under the dire stress of the times. However, the war is over and we believe the government no longer needs to resort to this extreme measure to bolster up its budget.

#### False Assumption

"The false assumption seems to have existed that the automobile manufacturer paid this tax. Every automobile owner should know that he is paying this tax and it is to his interest as well as that of the manufacturer of his car that the burden should be removed, as it averages a little more than \$18 per car buyer. "Automobile owners are heavily even if the federal excise levy is removed. Motorists pay real estate taxes, income tax, direct tax, corporation tax, personal property tax, the federal war tax, state registration tax, gasoline tax, and, in many cases, city wheel tax and drivers' license. "The federal automobile tax singles out and penalizes one product as compared to all other and is therefore unjust and discriminatory and should be removed."

#### SHOULD BE THANKFUL WE LIVE IN AMERICA

President Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Points Out Many Reasons

Americans should never cease to be grateful that they are living in a country whose government is not operating the railroads, telephone and electric light services, according to Phillip H. Gadsden, president of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, who recently returned from Stockholm, where he represented the United States Chamber of Commerce at the meeting of the International Chamber of Commerce.

When asked how these services compared with the services rendered in the United States, he said that the contrast between rates and services of government-owned utilities on the Continent and in England with rates and services rendered by privately-owned and operated companies in America was very striking, and all in favor of Our Country.

#### Telephone Facilities

"As an illustration," Mr. Gadsden said, "the report of the committee of the International Chamber of Commerce on international telephony, shows that of the 19 principal cities in Europe, London has telephonic communication with five, Paris with nine, and Berlin with 13. The average delays during the busy hours on long distance lines between Berlin and Paris is 68 minutes; between London and Amsterdam, 34 minutes; between Paris and Brussels, 180 minutes. The time by rail between Paris and Brussels is 217 minutes. In other words, you could send a messenger from Paris to Brussels in just about the time that you could complete a long distance call between these two cities."

Mr. Gadsden also called attention to the superiority of the electric light and power services in the United States over similar services abroad.

"In London, for instance," he said, "practically every political subdivision has its own separate and independent electric system, and these systems are not standardized but differ from each other in voltage and other characteristics, the result being that if a household moved from one political subdivision to another, the electrical appliances such as vacuum-cleaners, electric irons, and so forth, which he had purchased, could not be used in the new location.

#### Should Be Grateful

"The citizens of the United States should be very grateful to the founders of this republic that they set up a government designed to encourage individual initiative and private enterprise, and on the theory that government should be confined to seeing that every citizen has a fair and free field in which to work out his own future, free from unnecessary governmental interference.

"After what I have seen abroad, it seems to me that it is the duty of every thinking American to be vigilant in resisting any and all efforts to extend the operations of government, whether Federal or State, into the field of business."

#### HIGHWOOD IMPROVEMENT ASSN. PLANS OPEN NIGHT

First Meeting Nov. 15 and Others Monthly; Prominent Speaker; Public Invited

The Highwood Civic Improvement association plans an open night once a month, the first to be held November 15, and others throughout the winter. Prominent speakers will be invited to attend these meetings to which the public is cordially invited.

At the first meeting November 15 the speakers invited are Frank Fowler, secretary of the Waukegan Chamber of Commerce, and Julius Biding, publisher of the Waukegan News. The meeting will be held at the Oak Terrace auditorium, and it is hoped that the meetings will attract a large representation of the citizens of Highwood.

Much political apathy is reported, but one must reflect that it is not considered good form to spend much money on politics now.

We occasionally read in the newspapers about great explosions, and anyway many wives are blowing up their husbands every day.

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Objections may be filed to said application on or before the hour of ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon of said day.  
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Dated Highland Park, Illinois, November 3, 1927.

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**NOTICE OF LETTING CONTRACT**  
ASSESSMENT NO. 309  
BOARD OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids will be received for the construction of a concrete system for water mains in Forest Avenue, Golf View Avenue, Melvin Drive, Northmoor Drive and Linden Avenue, all in the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois, as a whole in accordance with the ordinance therefor.

Said bids will be received by the Board of Local Improvements at its office in the City Hall, Highland Park, Illinois, until 7:15 o'clock p.m. on the 21st day of November, 1927, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read.

The specifications and blank proposals will be furnished at the office of the Board of Local Improvements in the City Hall of said City.

The contractor will be paid in bonds, which bonds will draw interest at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum.

The successful bidder for the construction of said improvement will be required to enter into bond in a sum equal to one-third of the amount of his or their bid with sureties to be approved by the President of the Board of Local Improvements when entering into the contract for the construction of said improvement.

All proposals or bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the President of the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park for the sum of not less than ten (10) per cent of the aggregate of the proposals.

Said proposal must be delivered to the President of the Board of Local Improvements in open session of said Board at the time and place fixed herein for the opening of the same.

No proposal or bid will be considered unless accompanied by check herein provided.

The Board of Local Improvements reserves the right to reject any or all bids if they deem it best for the public good.

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