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TAX EXEMPTION PARCELS MUST END.

Will Congress adopt Secretary Mellon's program for tax reduction which includes a reduction in income tax and the doing away with future issues of tax-exempt bonds? The president and the people are in favor of tax reduction. The politicians, through their blarney in congress, are pulling and hauling to try to gain personal prestige through delays and log rolling in the tax reduction program.

A constitutional amendment to do away with tax-exempt securities passed house of representatives last winter but died at expiration of congress. It is now necessary to pass it again. This takes valuable time and shows waste and expense resulting where public officials play politics instead of expediting the business of the nation.

At the present time it is estimated that the income from approximately \$80,000,000 of capital invested in government tax-exempt securities escapes all forms of taxation. The fact that cities, counties, states and nation can issue tax-exempt bonds drawing a low rate of interest has caused a reckless increase in public debt and has furnished the loop-hole for billions of dollars to escape taxation.

After an amendment to the United States constitution is passed permitting the taxation of income from future issues of public bonds, it will be necessary for legislatures of the various states to ratify the measure. For this reason, quick action in congress is essential in order that state legislatures which are in session or which will be in session in the near future may be able to act on the measure and put an end to the present obsolete system which is an invitation for the reckless pilfering up of debt on one hand and lawful tax dodging on the other hand.

It would seem as if republicans, democrats and progressives would be on common ground when it comes to a measure of this kind which would assure in the future that every person would pay his share of income tax. Is it not possible for congress to cut out politics and get down to business on this measure?

Wanted the Details.
The wife of a certain bishop had given a long and sympathetic address to a number of women from the East end of London on the question of making the life of the home happy and peaceful—especially peaceful.
After the address one of the women was overheard while making this remark: "I did very well, but why didn't she go into details? For instance, I should like to know what she does when her old man comes home drunk."

Not Envious.
"A self-made man is common enough, my dear, but seldom, if ever, hear of a self-made woman," said the self-made (and self-satisfied) man.
"Well, considering the sort of article the men who are in the self-making business usually turn out you can't expect woman to take up that occupation," replied his wife.

Had Company.
Young Brown did not come straight home to his lodgings. Hence he did not come home straight. The towering form of his landlady loomed above him as he stammering, speechless fear sought the steps. "Drunk again!" he said, caustically. "Hoarse!" he replied, cheerfully. "So'm I."

Social Zoology.
"Did you ever meet a real lounge lizard?"
"Never," answered Miss Cayenne. "Those I've seen who were represented as such had dispositions and appetites that made them seem more like undernourished alligators."

Predetermination.
The question of predetermining sex is still a matter for debate by biologists, but long ago an old physician said: "Boys will be boys"—Hygeia.

THOUGH I DIE
But call to me,
Dear, and I shall come to thee;
In the dusk of the twilight—
If you love me, call to me.
If you need me,
Dear, all my love shall be thine;
If you feel me close to thee,
Perfect is this love of mine.
If you want me,
Sweet, I shall be ever near,
You may seem to be alone,
But I shall be with you, dear.
If you love me,
Dear, and softly call to me,
A spell of love is woven—
Though I die, I'm still with thee,
—Rutha Sheldon, in Kansas City Star.



NATURE PRESERVES BODIES
Can Sometimes Do as Good a Job in Mummification as Expert Embalmer's of "Tutu's" Day.

Nature can sometimes do as good a job in mummification as the expert embalmers of Tut-Ankh-Amen's day. Not long ago the body of an ancient warrior was buried from a Greek temple where he had been buried fifteen hundred years ago without any special effort having been made toward preserving his body. It was so well preserved that the remains which were buried were plainly visible. Within the past few months a perfectly preserved body, buried 221 years ago, was exhumed in Germany, and many such instances have been noted. The explanation is not known, but seems to be connected with the cause of death, the bodies of persons dying from bacterial infection being apparently more prone to decay.

Attendant—This is one of the saddest cases we have, your Reverence. The Parson—What was the cause, income taxes or the Einstein theory?

Soft Wood Timber in U. S.
The largest remaining supply of softwood timber in the United States is in the three states of Washington, Oregon and California, which contain more than half of all the saw timber in the country and more than two-thirds of the nation's entire supply of coniferous woods. Including the coastal forests of southern Alaska, this Pacific coast region is credited with 1,214 billion board feet, nearly half of which is Douglas fir, followed by western yellow pine, western hemlock, the true firs of several species, California redwood, spruce, western cedar and sugar pine. The amount of timber in these three states is small for lumber manufacture probably amounts to 400,000,000 cords.

"OUR SUNDAY SERVICE AT HOME"

Conducted by the Ministers of Farmington for the Sick, Aged and Others Who are "Shut In"

Rev. SIDNEY D. EVA,
First Methodist Episcopal Church
HYMN—

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace!
My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thru all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.
Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

PRAYER—O God, tune our hearts to praise Thee. Thou art worthy to be praised. With each new born morning may a glad song be sung upon our lips. The clouds may hang low, our hearts may be heavy and winter may be in our hearts, but in all these things we may be able to sing. Let it be a song of praise, for thou hast been good. Let it be a song of hope, for in Thee is the fullness of life. Let it be a song of love, for Thou didst love us before we loved Thee.

We know, O Lord, Thou wilt hear our song, and make us to feel the gladness of it when we sing with our spirits. Teach us to be glad in the Lord. In Jesus name Amen.

SCRIPTURE—Psalm 34:1-8.

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make his boast in the Lord; the humble shall bear thereof, and be glad. O magnify his name together. I sought the Lord and he heard me and delivered me from all my troubles. The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. O taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.

SERMON—"THE SOUL THAT SINGS."

Text—"And when they had sung a hymn, they went out into the Mount of Olives."—Matt. 26:30.
Christ created a song to Calvary. The Last Supper was over; the betrayer had gone out to do his deadly deed; the aspers heart was heavy for the shadow of the cross had fallen across his path. He and his disciples had arisen to go out into the night—to a night dark with tragedy, sorrow, pain, and death. While still standing, the Master bids them sing a hymn. The music of it and the joy of it lifted up His soul with new power and hope. They then went out with music in their hearts and an echo of joy in their ears. If Christ could not have sang, how dark and dead would be the world. He has taught us to sing when the way is hard and the clouds hang low. The Bible is full of song.
Singing was born in Heaven.
"God is its author and not man; he laid the key-note of all harmony; he planned all perfect combinations and he made us capable to hear and understand." Carlyle says it is the speech of angels, and an American poet

wrote—"God has sent singing upon the earth that it might touch the hearts of men and win them back to Heaven again."

1. Singing gives hope, courage and strength when life is burdened or confronted with difficult situations and impossible tasks. Many a soul has found new strength and went forth to conquer because of song. The soldiers in the late war delighted in, and found inspiration in "Abide with me, fall falls the eventide." At the close of the Civil war Confederate soldiers listening to the Union men sing the songs of the camp, said, "If we had your songs we would have defeated you. You had the best songs and won." In song many have found inspiration to do difficult things and endure hard experiences. Paul and Silas sang in the dark, damp prison and kept up their courage. Martin Luther in his darkest hour would say to Melancthon, "Come Philip let us sing the 48th Psalm—'God is our Refuge.' And Edgar Guest says, "He started to sing as he tackled the thing that couldn't be done, and he did it."

2. Music is the language of the soul. Christianity is a religion of song. There is hope for the world as long as the church sings. Song is a thing of the spirit. The soul sings when it cannot speak; it sings of the things it most desires; Weariness sings of rest; pain chants a hymn of everlasting peace; sorrow lifts up its voice in hope and death sings its psalm of eternal life. In song many a heart has found new hope and courage, many a soul faltering and full of fear has been rejuvenated, and man sitting alone in the gloom of his despondency has seen a gleam of light. Coverly says, "Sometimes a light surprises the Christian while he sings."

3. Song is the language of joy. Every heart and home would be happier if it sang more, and many a heart would be saved from sorrow and tangled life if it had learned to sing together. When we learn to sing together we have gone half-way to learn to live and work together. The songs that live and inspire are those of the heart; the songs the soul sings, of home, country, nature, God and religion. Cheap music makes cheap people. It is destructive of the best ideals and noblest character. Songs of low meaning, low mentality, sensuality and frivolity drag the life to low levels and are not elevating; they create a jazz mind and a rag soul. The need of the hour is a predication in the great hymns that have proven their right to immortality. They are songs of the soul; they inspire, they cheer and encourage.

HYMN—

Sometimes a light surprises
The Christian while he sings;
It is the Lord who rises
With healing on his wings;
With healing on his wings;
When comforts are declining,
He grants the soul again
A season of clear shining,
To cheer it after rain.
BENEDICTION—May grace, mercy and peace from God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you always. Amen.

WOMAN TO MAKE DEBUT
AS CONCERT SINGER AT 80

Unable to Find Music for Old-Time Melodies.

Mrs. Henry Clay Wright, eighty-year-old grandmother, who has sung old melodies for Austin, Tex., many years, will have new songs on her program when she makes her concert debut in the Wurritzer Auditorium at New York.

That's because back in Austin Mrs. Wright's daughter told "mother" to be sure to learn some new things to sing when she came back. So these are the ones she has been studying



Mrs. Henry Clay Wright.

with Miss Haggerty-Snell, who, when Mrs. Wright came East on a visit, "discovered" the sweet voice in the little old lady she had known many years ago in the West.

"Besides," said Mrs. Wright, "I have never been able to find the music or accompanists who have ever heard the music to some of my favorite old tunes."

Mrs. Wright's program will be a varied one. She will sing, "Song of the South," by F. L. Stanton; Schubert's "Serenade," "Sweetest Lady," by Jack Chidling; Gounod's "Ave Maria," "Fate Morn," by Jesse Mc Glick; a Spanish song, "Las Gaviotas" (The Sea-Gulls); "Out Where the West Begins," by Chapman; and "Life," by Curran. Her accompanist is Miss Mildred Tachar, and Miss Lorett O'Connell will give piano solos.

The musical debut of Mrs. Wright has attracted considerable attention.

TURKS CURB THEIR PRESS

Editors Liable to Imprisonment for Attacks on Executive.
The assembly at Constantinople has voted a modification of the press law, making the responsible editor liable to a period of from three months to three years' imprisonment for publishing any libel on the president of the republic.

KING'S SON SWEDEN PLAYS

Prince William of Sweden Becomes Dramatist.
Prince William of Sweden, second son of King Gustaf V., who has made a reputation as a big game hunter, a poet and a dramatic critic, is now a full-fledged dramatist, his first play having been accepted for production by the Swedish theater in Stockholm, Sweden.

Russia Sues Gotham Bank.

The Russian soviet government has instituted proceedings in the United States District court against the National City bank of New York for an amounting of a bond of \$1,000,000 claimed to have been placed to the credit of the Russian government by the American commercial attaché at Petrograd. The money was to have been used, it was said, for the purchase of motion picture supplies in the United States.

Married Before Death Came.

A girl born before she died, Miss Anna M. Feahley was married in Baltimore, Md., to Michael J. Downs, Jr., in St. Mary's Hall of St. Agnes' hospital.

She had undergone an operation for appendicitis four days before.

Record for Typewriting.

Establishing a new record for typewriting speed, an average of 147 words a minute for one hour, Albert Tansors of Paterson, N. J., won an official contest at the opening session of the National Business show in New York.

Few U. S. Workers See Well.

Fully 25,000,000 gainfully employed Americans are suffering from defective vision. It was announced at New York by the Eyesight, Conservation Council of America, in making public a part report of its survey of eyesight conditions in the nation's industries.

One Question at a Time.
The old lady who was spending the winter in Florida was looking over an "alligator farm." She was much interested in a monster alligator, says the Ameri- Legion Weekly, and demanded of one attendant: "one attendant: "You say you don't have to feed him very often. What kind of food does he like best?"
"Babies, ma'am," replied the manly attendant.
"Why, how horrible! Do you mean to say the law allows you to feed him babies?"
"No, it doesn't, ma'am," replied the attendant. "We feed him fish mostly but you asked what he liked best—YOUTH'S COMPANION."

DETROIT UNITED LINES.

Farmington Time Table.
(Eastern Standard Time)
(Effective September 24, 1923)

Cars leave Farmington for Detroit at 6:08 a. m., 8:38 a. m., limited at 6:54 a. m., 7:48 a. m., 8:48 a. m., 9:48 a. m., and hourly to 3:48 p. m., 4:48 p. m., 5:48 p. m., then hourly to 8:48 p. m., also 9:53 p. m., 10:53 p. m., (to Junction only 11:48 p. m., and 1:03 a. m.)

Cars leave Farmington Junction for Orchard Lake and Pontiac at 5:40 a. m., 6:40 a. m., 7:10 a. m., 7:55 a. m., and hourly to 10:55 p. m., also 6:10 p. m. and 12:20 a. m.

First car leaves Farmington for Northville at 6:05 a. m., 7:00 a. m., hourly to 11:00 p. m., also 6:15 p. m. and 12:22 a. m.

Cars connect at Northville with those for Plymouth and Wayne over the D. J. & C. Hourly limited service to Ann Arbor.

Order for Publication—Sale or Mortgage of Real Estate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac in said County, on the 22nd day of December A. D. 1923. Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of MARTHA COX, Deceased.
George Bingham, administrator of said estate having filed in said court a petition praying for license

to sell at private sale the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is ordered, that the 21st day of January A. D. 1924, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Farmington Enterprise a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ROSS STOCKWELL,
Judge of Probate.
A true copy. Dan A. McGaffey, Register of Probate. 28Dec11Jan

Order for Publication—General.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 21st day of December A. D. 1923. Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of HENRY SCHROEDER, Deceased.
Louis Schroeder, administrator of said estate having filed in said court, a petition praying for the examination and allowance of his final account, determination of the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the residue of said estate and the discharge of said administrator;

It is ordered, that the 21st day of January A. D. 1924 at eight o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition;

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Farmington Enterprise a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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Judge of Probate.
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Report of the Condition of the
PEOPLES STATE BANK OF FARMINGTON
at Farmington, Michigan, at the close of business Dec. 31, 1923, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

RESOURCES

Commercial Savings
Loans and discounts, viz:
Secured by collateral..... \$ 59,516.08
Unsecured..... \$106,869.01

Totals..... \$106,869.01 \$ 59,516.08 \$166,385.09

Bonds, Mortgages, Securities, viz:
Real Estate Mortgages..... \$ 8,200.00 \$155,014.97
Other Bonds..... 63,608.17 \$19,493.75

Totals..... \$ 71,808.17 \$174,508.72 \$246,316.89

Reserves, viz:
Due from B'ks in Reserve Cities \$ 5,366.47
U. S. Bonds and Certificates of Indebtedness carried as legal reserve in Savings Dept. only..... \$ 35,350.00
Exchanges for clearing houses..... 1,179.15
Total cash on hand..... \$ 11,607.57

Totals..... \$ 18,152.99 \$ 35,350.00 \$ 53,502.99

Combined Accounts, viz:

Overdrafts..... \$ 18.55
Banking House..... 32,483.00
Furniture and Fixtures..... 9,827.24
Customer's Bonds Deposited with Bank for Safekeeping..... 20,850.00

Total..... \$527,983.76

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in..... \$50,000.00
Surplus Fund..... 15,000.00
Undivided Profits, net..... 1,456.11
Dividends Unpaid..... 20.00
Reserved for Taxes, Interest, etc..... 2,000.00

Commercial Deposits, viz:
Commercial Deposits Subject to Check..... \$ 65,987.16
Demand Certificates of Deposit..... 76,964.21
Cashier's Checks..... 1,515.05

Totals..... \$144,466.42 \$144,466.42

Savings Deposits, viz:
Book Accounts—Subject to Savings By Law..... \$262,381.26
Club Savings Deposits (Xmas, Trift, etc.)..... 305.97

Totals..... \$262,687.23 \$262,687.23

Bills Payable..... \$32,000.00
Customer's Bonds Deposited with Bank for Safekeeping..... 20,850.00

Total..... \$527,983.76

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Oakland, ss.

I, James L. Hogle, President of the above named bank do solemnly swear, that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.

JAMES L. HOGLE, President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of Jan., 1924.

GEO. C. GILDEMEISTER, Notary Public. My commission expires May 31, 1926.

Correct Attest:
ERNEST W. BLANCHARD,
EMIL ROOS,
JAMES A. MILLER,
Directors.