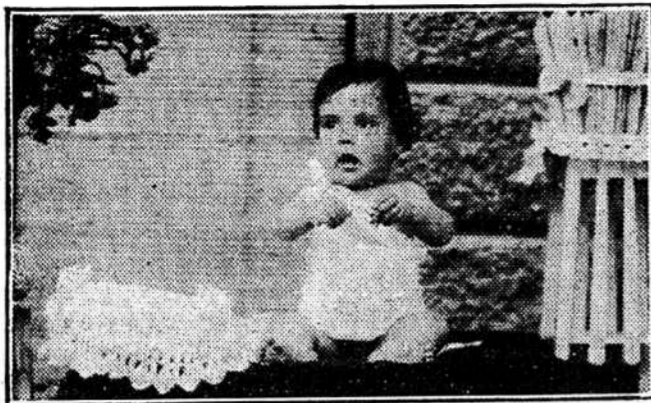


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The people of the United States are the only people who can really keep these children from starving, and we have never failed when called upon in an emergency, and especially we will not fail in an emergency where the lives of millions of Babies are at stake.

During the war and for war's sake we had "Wheatless Days—Meatless Days—Sugarless Days" and many of us probably had days in which we went without many other things, and here is my suggestion:

Let every man, woman and child over three years old in Abbeville County do without one meal on January 5th 1921.

It is estimated that a meal for each person when served at home costs (20) twenty-two cents, let us send to the Abbeville County Chamber of Commerce on this date, January 5th, 1921, twenty-two cents for each member of our family. This money to be sent to those in charge

of the feeding and care of these starving babies, as a contribution from Abbeville County South Carolina.

There are over 27,000 people in this County, and while everyone should take part in this good work, only about 15,000 of this population are white. You can readily see what a nice sum may be realized if we will all make just this little sacrifice. Churches, preachers lodges, teachers, individuals please spread this suggestion and let us have splendid results. The newspapers have done and will continue to do much more than really their share in this great Christian undertaking.

Let's each of us go to bed hungry January 5th, 1921.

Abbeville Co. Chamber Commerce

MEXICAN PLOT IS NIPPED IN THE BUD

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 23.—Two prominent Mexicans were under arrest today and the apprehension of others was expected as the result of federal indictments brought here yesterday charging them with conspiring to set on foot upon United States soil a military expedition against Mexico. Francisco Vasquez Gomez, an associate of Francisco Madero when the latter was a candidate for the presidency, and Leon T. Taurel were arrested last night, Gomez securing his release on \$1,000 bail.

Gomez began his political career in Mexico in 1910, when he became the running mate of Francisco Madero, who was the candidate for the Mexican presidency against Poforio Diaz.

Gomez broke with Madero, however, who favored Pina Suarez, for the vice presidency in the election which followed. From that time Gomez has taken sides with Carranza against Victoriano Huerta and with Francisco Villa against Carranza.

Leon J. Taurel was formerly campaign manager for Ignacio Bonillas, who was a candidate against General Obregon in the Presidential-election held in Mexico last March.

HE LEFT FORTUNE ON TRAIN

Frech Brakeman Gets 50,000 Francs For Finding American's Satchel

Paris, Dec. 27.—Stocks, shares and securities valued at 2 million dollars were absent mindedly left in a satchel in a railroad train by an American named Wessent of New York, who arrived in Paris last night. He noticed his loss only when registering in a hotel and reported it to the police.

Police Commissioner Oudaille of the St. Lazare station returned the satchel with its contents intact to Wessent this morning. A railroad brakeman found the fortune while shunting the car to a siding. Wessent gave the brakeman a reward of 50,000 francs.

The German Government has purchased for cash 22,046,000 pounds of American lard at 24 cents a lb. The wife of a rancher on the Columbia river in British Columbia last year cleared \$1,800 trapping with 60 traps.

Legal Blanks for Sale Here.—The Press and Banner Company.

TAX INCREASE ON SMALLER INCOMES MAY BE DITCHED

If a General Protest is Heard Congress Will Drop Secretary Houston's Proposal in Matter.

Washington, Dec 16—Congress has received "with an open mind" the suggestion of Secretary of the Treasury Houston that revision of tax laws include a 50 per cent increase of income tax rates on incomes of \$5000 and less.

If Houston can convince members of the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committee that such an increase will yield a desirable sum to the treasury with a minimum of evasion and difficulty in collection, they are ready to shove up the rates.

But if the public, generally, thru protest against the further adding of taxation upon the wage earner and small salaried man, convinces committees that the loss in public support and confidence, at this time, would not be justified by the amount of revenue produced, these proposed increases will be side-tracked.

Public Not Asked.

Secretary Houston has been invited to appear before the committee to tell why such increases are necessary.

The general public, to date, has not been invited to show how the higher tax on small incomes is not only unnecessary but impossible without the maximum of hardship. It will have to speak up of its own accord, and speak quickly.

It is interesting and perhaps significant that out of six members of the Senate Finance Committee interviewed not one was prepared to object to Houston's proposal.

The estimated revenue that would be derived from the proposed increase on incomes is \$150,940,000, or less than four per cent of the revenue Uncle Sam would raise next year. But no other four per cent would be imposed over so great a percentage of the population as a direct levy in which the person taxed would have no choice in the matter.

Total Small.

By increasing the rate on taxable incomes up to \$5,000 from 4 to 6 per cent, only \$46,060,000 would be secured. The increase on incomes over \$5,000 from 8 to 12 per cent would yield an additional \$103,090,000.

In comparison, an additional 5 per cent tax on automobiles and accessories, it is estimated, would bring in \$100,000,000 and a federal license tax on automobiles of 50 cents per horse power would bring in another \$100,000,000.

In the latter cases, it would be optional with the individual whether he subject himself to the tax. If he could afford the auto he could afford the tax. In the former case every wage earner and salaried man would be subject to the 50 per cent increase whether he could afford it or not.

A Year to Go.

Whatever the outcome may be Mr. Taxpayer has a whole year yet before he can begin to figure his payments under any new tax law. It is on 1920 incomes that 1921 payments are made.

No revenue legislation will be enacted by the present short session of congress. Republicans will come into power March 4, but the earliest the special session of congress can be convened will be March 14, with March 2' more probable.

And all returns on 1920 incomes must be completed and in the hands of revenue collectors by March 15.

FLOYD McCULLOUGH KILLED IN IVA

Otto Nelson Charged With Shooting Man Under Automobile

Anderson, Dec. 27.—Floyd McCullough was shot and killed by Otto Nelson on Christmas eve in Iva. The wounded man was brought to a local hospital and died the next morning. It seems that bad blood had been between the two men for more than a year and when they met a fight ensued. Nelson, it is said, crawled up under an automobile to get out of the way, McCullough following him and the fight continuing under the automobile. Application for bail was made for Nelson before Judge George E. Prince. This was granted in the sum of \$1,500.

Canada, during the last 12 months, bought goods from her neighbors to the value of \$919,000,000.

PREDICTS NORMAL BUSINESS IN 1921

Notwithstanding Talk of Hard Times Expert Declares United States is in Prosperous Condition

Notwithstanding a lot of talk about hard times, the business of the United States is in an exceedingly prosperous condition. There is a latent buying power in the country that is difficult to estimate. The stage of transformation through which we are passing is a good omen and an assurance of satisfactory business progress throughout next year.

Those organizations that have withstood the test are now reorganizing, re-establishing for the volume of business that will be in the open market for competitive companies in various lines of our business on an equal competitive basis. When the ball of business begins to roll its speed and volume will increase also and it will only be those who are physically, mentally and financially fit who will be able to keep pace with it.

This is the keynote of optimism struck by J. F. Bowman, General Sales Manager of the Garford Motor Truck Co., of Lima, Ohio, in an interview a few days ago on business conditions as he has seen them in a country-wide investigation made with the aid of his force.

"History has repeated itself down through the ages," said Mr. Bowman. "Every international war and national disturbance has been followed by hard times. We cannot expect conditions to resume a pre-war basis in an unbroken line of price cutting events in any short space of time. As a nation, we have been remarkably fortunate. Statistical records unfold to us the weird fact that it required thirteen years for prices to resume or decline to the point from which they started to soar after the Civil War. Encouraging, isn't it? Again, after the Napoleonic Wars it took ten years for commodity prices to return to a normal level.

"To many it may be surprising that financial wizards, who have studied deflationary phenomena following in the wake of wars, revealed to us the pessimistic news that the decline thus far over which we have all become so elated anticipating further declines has reached its temporary logical limit.

"Generally the re-adjustment of the nation's business to the normal basis has proceeded in an orderly manner. Undoubtedly, small organizations have been compelled to

put up the shutters but organizations with the rock bottom foundations have withstood the mighty tempest. The fact that the strain has been released considerably is sufficient.

"Another indication of the country's prosperity lies in the fact that labor is quiescent; Radicalism is on the wane; collapse of the Soviet government is momentarily expected. All in to indicate the condition of national affairs.

"The steel business is characterized as the biggest industry in America. Other businesses revolve and evolve around it. Mr. Charles M. Schab recently pointed out that the railroads of the country in normal times and under normal conditions consume about one-third of all the steel produced; that during the past five years, the railroads have reached no such proportion. This deficiency alone added to their usual consumption will keep the steel industry on an even keel. These same conditions, apply to building requirements and other lines of business.

"Yes, there is latent buying power in the country that is difficult to estimate.

"It is a buyer's market. Then what is the prospect buying? In most instances he is buying service—honest service. Yes, and a prospect rightly demands an assurance that service ere he buys.

"In the Good Book is written: 'By their deeds ye shall know them. Promises will be of no avail; the prospect will demand performance of past records.

"Motor truck manufacturers are living in the age of 'buyers' market—with something to sell—but do not forget the prospective buyer is only interested in a company whose cooperation is a reality and not an idealism."

Another Royal Suggestion MUFFINS and COFFEE CAKE

From the NEW ROYAL COOK BOOK

BREAKFAST is too often eaten as a duty rather than a joy. The Royal Educational Department presents here some breakfast dishes that will stimulate the most critical appetite.

Muffins

2 cups flour
3 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1 tablespoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup milk
2 eggs
1 tablespoon shortening
Sift together, flour, baking powder, sugar and salt; add milk, well-beaten eggs and melted shortening; mix well. Grease muffin tins and put two tablespoons of batter into each. Bake in hot oven 20 to 25 minutes.

Coffee Cake

2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon sugar
4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
2 tablespoons shortening
1/2 cup milk
Mix and sift dry ingredients; add melted shortening and enough milk to make very stiff batter. Spread 1/2-inch thick in greased pan; add top mixture. Bake about 30 minutes in moderate oven.

Top Mixture

2 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon cinnamon
3 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons shortening
Mix dry ingredients; rub in shortening and spread thickly over top of dough before baking.

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Cardui "Did Wonders for Me," Declares This Lady.

"I suffered for a long time with womanly weakness," says Mrs. J. R. Simpson, of 57 Spruce St., Asheville, N. C. "I finally got to the place where it was an effort for me to go. I would have bearing-down pains in my side and back—especially severe across my back, and down in my side there was a great deal of soreness. I was nervous and easily upset."

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"I heard of Cardui and decided to use it," continues Mrs. Simpson. "I saw shortly it was benefiting me, so I kept it up and it did wonders for me. And since then I have been glad to best Cardui. It is the best woman's tonic made." Weak women need a tonic. Thousands and thousands, like Mrs. Simpson, have found Cardui of benefit to them. Try Cardui for your trouble.

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