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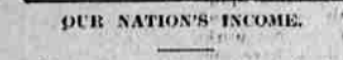
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"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty"

OUR NATION'S INCOME.

Gross personal income of the people of the United States in 1917 was estimated at forty-nine billion seven hundred million dollars on the basis of data in possession of the Federal Reserve Board. In 1916 it must have been forty billions. Gross income reported that year by income-tax payers—by those whose incomes exceeded three thousand a year if single and four thousand a year if married—amounted to eight and a half billion dollars, or round one-fifth of the total, says an Eastern magazine.

After deducting allowable expenses incurred in earning the income, these taxpayers had an aggregate net income of six billion three hundred million dollars. That is the sum that our hopeful Bolsheviks would have had at their disposal if they had seized all incomes above three thousand and four thousand of single and married respectively. It amounts to about fifteen per cent of the country's total personal income.

Of this gross personal income of eight and a half billions considerably more than four billions was derived from personal services and business, while less than four billions was income from property—the latter being roughly the measure of so-called unearned income.

But no one whose information entitles him to speak on the subject will doubt that a great part of this unearned income is received by men who accumulated by their own energy the property from which it is derived. It is very doubtful if as much as half of it comes from inherited wealth.

The government is conducting a vast popular campaign to teach the virtue of saving and investing. The man who does save to invest in a Liberty Bond is regarded as meritorious. But if he has abstained from spending to invest in a railroad bond, our amusing Bolsheviks want him adjudged a public enemy.

There will no doubt be considerable "idealistic" discussion of these 1916 income-tax returns. Four times out of five it will concern itself exclusively with the biggest incomes, without indicating what a comparatively small percentage of the total income this plutocratic income amounts to, or what an inappreciable difference it would make to the mass of the population if these biggest incomes were seized and distributed.

The melancholy fact about idealistic economy is that it is less interested in making poor men rich than in making rich men poor.

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SHERRY'S HAS A GREAT PLAY

LA GRANDE PEOPLE JOIN IN STRONG PRAISE OF IT.
Last Showing is Tonight—All Children Should Be Given An Opportunity to See It.

Manager Trull, of Sherry's Theater, is wearing the smile of satisfaction today over the great reception the people gave "Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp" at his theater last night. Crowded houses at each performance meant something, but according to Mr. Trull's own words, the business end of the picture did not mean as much to me as the marked appreciation of it, which was exemplified by the applause from the audience.
This is the William Fox gorgeous film where money was not spared or considered in its production. The wonderful Fox kiddies, the geni, the lion's cage, all combine to make the film a great masterpiece. Children express open delight and it is recommended that every child who possibly can see this film this afternoon and evening, as it is the last time it will be shown.

FORUM

BOYS STAY IN SCHOOL.

The La Grande High School will open its doors for students September 9, and it seems at this time vital to say a word to all young men who are prepared to enter High School this fall. There is no question that the education of the boys and girls of this republic at the present time is of the utmost importance. The government will have to depend upon the Secondary and Higher Institutions of the country to supply the trained experts in all departments and it would seem to me that every young man for personal as well as for patriotic reasons should avail himself of every opportunity to improve his education.

Those in authority have assured us over and over again that what the government wants at the present time is for the young men to enter school and apply themselves most diligently to their studies in order that there might be a supply of trained men upon which the government might draw in the future. This being the case it seems that a young man who is prepared for High School or College and fails to attend if it is within his power to do so, is not living up to his greatest opportunity for service. If the war should last for a prolonged period it would seem absolutely imperative that every young man who is prepared to continue his education should do so up until the very day that his country calls him, and I most earnestly urge the young men of La Grande, who are prepared to do High School or College work to avail themselves of the opportunity by entering school this fall. I hope that no young man will be tempted by the present abnormal high wages to remain out of school when he could be serving both his country and himself so much more efficiently by continuing his training.

The military drill will be continued by the school this year and this will afford the young men an opportunity to improve their efficiency in a military way. I feel certain that those who have had the drill will have a very decided advantage over those who have had none when the time comes for all to serve in a military way, so the message that the schools of La Grande has for the young men of the city is that their doors are open and that they are here to serve all.
A. C. HAMPTON.

HOME ECONOMICS

- #### Sugar-Saving Sweets.
- Candied Fruits and Vegetables.
- 1.—Select products of uniform size and ripeness.
 - 2.—Wash.
 - 3.—Cut fruits in halves, quarters, or smaller sections; cut vegetables into narrow strips about 2 1/2 inches in length.
 - 4.—Droy in a syrup cooked until it spins a thread. To prepare a spiced syrup, boil whole cloves and whole cinnamon in three-fourths cup of water 15 minutes. Strain out spices. Add to strained spiced water one cup corn syrup and two teaspoonsful of vinegar. Cook until it spins a thread. To prepare ginger syrup add a few pieces of dried ginger root, which can be purchased from a grocery or a drug store, to the syrup in which the fruit is cooked.
 - 5.—Allow to cook until transparent.
 - 6.—Drain.
 - 7.—Dry in slow oven; finish drying over kitchen range.
 - 8.—Roll in minimum amount of granulated sugar. (May be omitted for fruits.)

Daily Thought.
Where there is no hope there can be no eddies.—Samuel Johnson.

GILBERT C. CLOSE



Gilbert C. Close, personal secretary to President Wilson when the latter was president of Princeton university, has been made personal stenographer to the president, succeeding Charles Swen, who resigned to go into the army. Last year Mr. Close came to Washington as one of Secretary Daniels' personal secretaries.

"HIS TREATMENT IS REMARKABLE," HE SAYS

Capt. F. S. Patty, Ex-Passenger Agent Northern Pacific, Discusses Former Troubles.

Nearly everybody in Knoxville, Tenn., especially railroad people, know Captain F. S. Patty, for 12 years district passenger agent for the Northern Pacific railroad, with local offices in Chattanooga and general offices in St. Paul, Minn.

On account of generally failing health Capt. Patty was forced to discontinue active work and for the past few years has been making his home in Knoxville, where he numbers his friends by his acquaintances. He is a kind, genial gentleman of the old school and is beloved by all who know him. The following interesting statement was made by him in person to the Tanlac representative:

"I am 62 years old and always enjoyed good health up to about six years ago, when I suffered a nervous breakdown and my general health gradually failed me. My principal trouble was indigestion and catarrh, but my whole system seemed to be out of shape. My condition finally got so bad I couldn't sleep at night and always felt just like there was a coal of fire in my stomach. My hearing and vision were also affected. I consulted several doctors here in Knoxville and other cities and they helped me considerably and I finally got so I could go around, but somehow I just couldn't feel right and could not sleep at night, which made me awfully nervous and nothing I would eat seemed to agree with me.

"I began reading about this Tanlac when you first came here, but did not decide to try the medicine until I talked with a friend of mine who had actually used it. He said it was the best thing he had ever taken, and that was sufficient proof for me.

"I have just finished the first bottle and came here this morning, not only to buy the second bottle, but to tell you just what it has done for me. I began enjoying my meals from the first drops. My nervousness is gone and I can sleep like a child and always wake up in the morning ready for breakfast and feeling refreshed. I am very fond of onions, but was almost afraid to eat them because they always disagreed with me so I could taste them for hours afterwards. I ate one for dinner the other day and it agreed with me perfectly and I felt no bad after effects whatsoever. I tell you I am beginning to feel like a different man and am always going to keep this Tanlac on hand. It has done me more good than anything else in the medicine line I have ever taken. I certainly do recommend it to my friends. It is really remarkable."

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WIDOW CRIES FOR JOY.

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WITH THE COLORS

Victor E. Neiderer, of the First Corps Schools American Expeditionary Forces, writes his father, Conrad Neiderer, under date of July 19th, stating that the time is going very swiftly, although he has had very little mail from home. "I know everything over there is all right," says Victor, he says he has met a man born in Switzerland and they are planning to make a trip into that country after the war. "While he was born in Switzerland, he is a splendid American citizen and holds the same love for the United States that I do and is fervently proud to be under the American colors. There are many in Germany who wish they were under the old flag of Uncle Sam right now. I hope great returns for the farmers, to get a furlough in August or September, which is the hottest years in the past but this is a season here, and go to Aix les Bains fairly their innings."

"Bill" Bamfield, of the Fairbanks Morse Co., who handles Eastern Oregon and makes a trip into Wallowa county every month, arrived in La Grande last evening from that county very much excited over the heavy crops, which the people of Wallowa are about to harvest. "I have never seen such crops," said Mr. Bamfield, "the wheat is simply excellent and every nook and corner of that valley and the hills as well are going to yield of Uncle Sam right now. I hope great returns for the farmers, to get a furlough in August or September, which is the hottest years in the past but this is a season here, and go to Aix les Bains fairly their innings."

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