

THREE FOURTHS OF BILLION TAX RAISE

Reports Show Increase of Over Five Billions in Five Years

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—America's tax burden was \$755,000,000 heavier in 1923 than in 1922 and in ten years taxation has grown more than \$5,500,000,000, the national industrial conference board announced in a report made public today.

The decline in the volume of taxation noted in 1922 was rather short lived, the report said, predicting an upward tendency in 1924. The report asserted that in 1913 the federal, state and local governments disbursed \$208,000,000 on account of pensions and \$224,000,000 for interest on public indebtedness. In 1923, these totals were, respectively, \$330,000,000 and \$1,447,000,000. The board concluded that the burden of taxation on industry, "using this term in its widest sense, measured in terms of dollars, is three and one-half times as high as before the war and, measured in terms of comparable purchasing power, this burden is two and one-half times as high as it was in 1913."

national income goes toward the support of governmental authorities in this country as compared with one-sixteenth before the war. Because the recession of national income in 1923 is likely to be appreciated as compared with 1923 and in view of the continued rise in the volume of state and local taxation, it is highly probable that the ratio of taxes to income would be higher in 1924 than in the preceding year.

BRYAN BOOSTS FOR DEMOCRATIC TICKET

of progressive. When the progressive wants to go forward the conservative wants to go backward. The conservative is the man who does not want to do anything the first time. The conservative is timid and uniformed. Don't you know that nearly all the ignorance of the country is conservatism? The man who has his hand in the other fellow's pocket is a conservative. The reactionary is the fellow who allows the burglary to go on—who allows the public to be robbed in the dark. The Republican party is the most reactionary of parties.

STANFORD TEAM IS LOOKING UP

Coaches Admit They Have a Good Chance for Coast Championship

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 16.—Leland Stanford, Jr., University of Washington's football eleven is to be a serious contender for Pacific coast football conference honors this fall, stated Backfield Coach Kerr in an article in the Post-Intelligencer printed today. "Only one really difficult hole has to be patched up in the grid-iron machine," said Coach Kerr. "That is the post left vacant by Captain Scotch Campbell, quarterback. Other good men are absent from the eleven this year, but with the appearance of Ernie Nevers as a fullback candidate and a wealth of good halfbacks, the problem of Coach Glenn S. (Pep) Warner is to find the best combination.

INCOME TAX HELD VALID BY COURT

Restraint Lacking The opinion declares that under an amendment to the state constitution as voted by the people in 1917 there is "no restraint upon the power of the legislature in the matter of taxation which was not already enforced upon it by the 14th amendment."

The existing provisions of the state constitution relating to taxation," says the opinion, "do not limit the legislative authority to impose an income tax, and beyond the requirement that such a tax shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects, those provisions place no restraint on the legislative power to classify incomes and levy a graduated tax thereon."

The Fun Shop MAISON MARTIN MARGIELA UNFAIR COMPETITION By Sam McGee I sat me down one evening Some verses to indite; I sold them very promptly To my extreme delight.

The editor had placed them Beside an ad where, lo! Swell ladies were displaying Some clothes they shouldn't show What chance, pray, had my verses When even I must stare In grudging admiration At pretty underwear?

Figured Out Muriel: "Aren't those girls rather old to be on the stage?" Louise: "Not for the kind of work they do. One is a child actress and the other a ballet dancer."

A Wonder Crawford: "From what you say, it must have been a pretty slick fellow who stole your car and managed to get away with it."

The Advantage of Education Mother (to daughter): "I don't see why you want to finish high school. About the time you finish you'll get married and your education won't do you any good."

Nothing To It Mrs. Evans (posing in new gown): "How do you like it, dear? It's the very last word from Paris."

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and upon her return the bird greeted her with: "Oh, Van, I know it's wrong, but I DO love you." "Anything is right when two people love each other like we do, little girl."

So we were waiting to "rag" Van, the old Don Juan. Presently he arrived and the first question: "well, Cassanova, didn't you have sense enough to put the parrot in another room while you were making love?"

"Making love?" Van smiled. "My dear boy, making love is mere child's play compared with the job I had. I worked for three months teaching that silly bird his lines."

First Passenger on Crosstown Car: "Can you tell me if this car is east-bound or west-bound?" Second Passenger: "Neither. Muscle-bound."

Home Influence On Sundays when in church good men Were practicing at sainting, My neighbor stuck around his place And spent his time in painting.

A habit has a sure effect! This neighbor raised a daughter— Now she, too, paints and puts it on Much thicker than she oughter.

Rough Road Duncan: "He's a man with a single track mind."

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WILBUR SUMMONS IS NOT EXPLAINED

Secretary of Navy Forced to Cancel Five Scheduled Speaking Dates

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Summons of Secretary Wilbur back to Washington by President Coolidge at a time when the naval secretary still had at least five definite dates unfilled on his speaking program in the west remained unexplained today beyond the disclosure at the White House that President Coolidge desired to talk with him about several matters "in the navy."

Early in the day it was indicated that budget matters relating to appropriations desired by the navy, particularly for repair and modernization of battleships and for aviation development, had prompted the president's telegram to Mr. Wilbur. Later, however, it was said that Mr. Coolidge had other matters in mind which he wished to talk over with Mr. Wilbur and probably would not have summoned the secretary because of the budget situation alone.

No statement was available as to what these other matters included. During the secretary's absence from Washington, differences of opinion between the navy department and the budget bureau have arisen over estimates to be submitted to congress for the navy during the coming year. While there have been indications that this dispute was in a fair way to be adjusted by a compromise plan satisfactory both to navy and budget officials it appeared possible that matters had developed in the course of the discussion which prompted Mr. Coolidge to request his naval secretary to expedite his return. At an rate it was disclosed at the White House today that Mr. Coolidge had given considerable thought recently to the question of naval expenditures and aviation development due to representations that have been made to him by those who believe that aerial warfare and navigation have progressed to a point where the relative value of airships and battleships must be weighed. It was said to have been pointed out to the president that the success of the army's round the world flight

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"I never call Republicans scoundrels. I simply point out that they are not in position to see or are prejudiced. I'll tell you what I think of Coolidge. I think he is as high minded as any man who ever occupied the White House. I think he is patriotic in his ideals, and clean in his public and private life. I will let the Republicans take the dictionary and put together all the nice adjectives and apply them to Coolidge, and I will accept them all—if you will let me finish the sentence with five words. "In the Bible, in II Kings is the description of a mighty man—Naman. But it concludes with five words: 'But he was a leper.' "And so after saying Coolidge, I would add: 'But he is a reactionary.' "This overcomes all the good we can say for him."

Democrats Given Credit Bryan gave the Democratic party credit for leading the fight for direct election of United States senators, the income tax, the fight against government by injunction and other reformative measures. "The Democratic party has led in every economic reform in this country in thirty years," said Mr. Bryan. "And the Republican party has not led in one."

Sees Chance for Davis "Davis is the only progressive who has a chance to be elected. I opposed Davis' nomination, but I did it because I feared his professional connection as an attorney would be a handicap against him and so it proves to be. And he is handicapped as I feared. The Republicans have the advantage of us in newspapers and I know they would attack Davis because of his clients as a lawyer and they are attacking him on that basis. But the newspapers find nothing against Davis. It is only his clients."

Declared the only remedy offered by the Republican party is "let him help himself" and "work harder."

Discusses Oil Affair Bryan pressed hard on the oil affair at Washington, declaring that enough money had been paid by the Republican party to Sinclair, Doheny and other of its friends to pay the salary of the president for 6500 years. And that enough money is being expended on the tariff to pay the salary of the president for 40,000 years, with only one-sixth of it going into the United States.

White Sox Recall 9 CHICAGO, Sept. 16.—Nine players were recalled today from minor league teams by the Chicago White Sox.

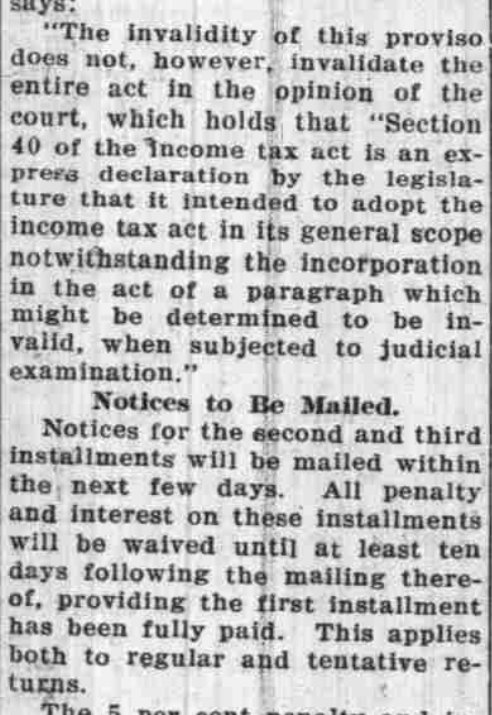
Picked Teams to Play Tomorrow WESTBURY, N. Y., Sept. 16.—(By the Associated Press).—Though it will have no bearing on the international challenge cup, possession of which was clinched by America today, a third game will be played Thursday to complete the international series.

Their "Child!" Ethel: "But I thought they had decided on a divorce?" Clara: "Goodness, yes! Only they cannot agree on the question of who is to have the custody of their French poodle!"

Unnecessary Mother: "Everybody says the baby looks like you." Rich Old Uncle: "But I was going to leave you my money anyway."

Polly Chesty Mrs. Vannel's divorce suit was the one topic which kept even the oldest club members awake just fancy winning a decree with a parrot as chief witness for the plaintiff. Unusual, but it was snappy evidence. Mrs. Vannel had been at the shore for the last months

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