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## TAXES IN INDIANA

While taxes may seem heavy to the owner of Hoosier real estate and personal property, because of the burden of providing for public expenses is saddled so largely upon those forms of wealth, the average Indiana citizen pays less than the per capita average in taxes. A bulletin recently issued by the government shows comparative figures for 1913, which undoubtedly are not materially different from those of the present year. Indiana spent that year \$8,072,884, or \$2.92 per capita. The average in all states was \$3.95, and the average in the states in which Indiana is grouped, including Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin, was \$3.14. Michigan, with a population of 2,936,618, compared with our 2,760,792, spent \$12,641,650, or \$4.30 per capita. Wisconsin has a third of a million fewer people than Indiana, and spent \$12,741,646 while we were spending \$8,072,884 on our state government in 1913. The Wisconsin expenditures were \$5.27 per capita. The greatest per capita expenditure was reported by Nevada with a total of \$10.45, due largely to the fact that the state is sparsely populated rather than to any extravagance on the part of those in charge of the commonwealth's strong box. California led the way among the great states of the country. With a population total more than 400,000 below our own, it spent \$21,300,545, or \$7.98 for each man, woman and child in the state. Minnesota with two-thirds of a million less population than Indiana spent \$14,525,823, or \$6.66 for each resident. The smallest expenditures per capita were reported by North Carolina and South Carolina with \$1.46 each. Arkansas had a total of \$1.87 and Oklahoma \$1.89.—Indianapolis Star.

The United States has about 50,000 more miles of railroad than all the European countries combined. Somebody has said that our besetting sin as a nation is our tendencies to knock and grumble about hard times and high taxes. As a matter of fact there is not another country on earth that is as prosperous today as is the United States. No other people live as well or spend so much money for the non-essentials of life and when it comes to paying taxes—well, how would you like to help pay the Eu-

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European war debt piled upon taxes already much higher than our own? The trouble seems to be that we are a nation of dissatisfied people not content with the many blessings the Creator has showered upon us that he has not given to other countries.—Portland Sun.

## DOINGS IN SOCIETY

### WEEK'S CLUB CALENDAR

Friday.  
Mite Society—Mrs. D. H. Hunsfeler.  
Christian Aid—Mrs. Noah Mangold.  
Saturday  
Bake Sale—Christian Ladies' Aid—Postponed.

"There's so much good in the worst of us,  
And so much bad in the best of us,  
That it doesn't behoove the most of us  
To say much about the rest of us."

This above all—to thine own self be true,  
And it must follow, as the day, the night,  
Thou canst not then be false to any man.

The name of Miss Vivian Dawson was omitted through error in the list of those present at the Ruth Circle Wednesday evening.

Mrs. George Bright entertained the young people of the Antioch Sunday school class at her home, when the organization was effected. The class has taken the name "The Winners" and the following are the officers: President, Frank Arnold; secretary, Mabel Beery; treasurer, Beauford Capner; organist, Georgia Beery. Following the organization there was a social good time and delicious refreshments served. The class includes the following: Frank and John Arnold, Floyd Buckmaster, Milton Brown, Maurice Mumma, Homer Ginter, Beauford and Vivian Carper, Eva Gault, Mabel Beery, Georgia Kilton, Georgia Beery, Norman Arnold.

The Portland Eastern Star Chapter entertained the Geneva and Albany chapters on Wednesday evening. The Geneva chapter giving the work to one candidate, Mrs. Elida Skinner. The work was followed with a social time and refreshments. Among the guests were two grand officers, Miss Lola E. Wingate, of Albany, the Grand Ruth and Mrs. John Anderson, of Geneva, the Grand Organist. The following were present from Geneva: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harrison, Helen Hale, Mrs. Fred Hale, Masie Glendenning, Mrs. Effie Shewalter, Mrs. Miller, Miss Zoe Liebert, Mrs. Jesse Thorp, Mrs. Shepperd, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley, Mrs. Duck, Mrs. Shiede, Mrs. John Anderson, Mrs. Macklin and Ezra Ruppel.—Portland Sun.

The sewing party and luncheon of yesterday afternoon at the Dan Sprang home was the second of the parties given this week by Mrs. Dan Sprang. Mrs. J. C. Patterson, Mrs. J. B. Patterson and Miss Marie Patterson. Seventy-five invitations were issued and Miss Elizabeth Parker of London, Canada; Mrs. Benjamin Schwartz and Miss Martha Vail of Fort Wayne were out-of-town guests. The decorations of spring flowers prevailed and at 5:30 o'clock the luncheon was served at little tables. The hostesses were assisted in this by the same ones who helped at the first party, being Mrs. Fred Patterson, Mrs. Dan Vail, Mrs. Benjamin Schwartz, Miss Marie Patterson, Mrs. J. B. Patterson and Miss Martha Vail. During the luncheon a shirtwaist contest was given. While the ladies were sewing and enjoying a general social good time, Mrs. C. E. Bell sang and there was also victrola music. The party was a very enjoyable one.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller have received invitation to the commencement of the Massillon, Ohio, high school, their nephew, John Archibald, son of the late Allen Archibald, being a graduate. The young man, who is a former Decatur boy, is president of his class and ranks among the best in scholarship in the very big class of sixty-six. Dr. and Mrs. Miller, who leave Sunday for a western trip, will be unable to attend the commencement, although it had been their former plans to do so.

The first annual mite box opening of the Queen Esther band was held last evening at the Methodist church. This was in the nature of a social and friends of the circle were invited, the attendance numbering sixty-five. Hostesses were the Misses Ireta and Esther Butler, Helen and Florence Kinzie, Agnes Eady and Naomi Meyer. The Misses Muriel Leonard and Florence Myers presided and the program opened with a song service. Mrs. F. V. Mills of the missionary society, told of the meaning of the mite

boxes, which this band had for the first time this year, and also gave a reading. Songs were given by the Misses Ruth Hubbard and Abbie Bligham, and instrumental numbers by the Misses Bereneta Reynolds and Celia Andrews. Rev. D. T. Stephenson also gave an address along missionary lines. Dainty refreshments of ice cream, cake, coffee and minis were served during the social period by the hostesses. The circle is planning to give a play within the next two weeks, entitled, "America's Reception to the Nations." This will be given to raise the apportionment of the circle for the support of the mission schools, the society having been apportioned the sum of \$35. They will also send a delegate to the convention at Gary, June 15-16.

Mrs. Joe Lose entertained the Wednesday Afternoon 500 club at a delightful party last evening. Other guests were Mrs. Will Berling, Bluffton; Mrs. Charles Cole, Hamilton, O.; the Misses Lydia Miller, Ode and Letta Fullenkamp, Louise Braile, Amelia Weber. There were five tables for the players and prizes were taken by the following: Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Arthur Mangold, Mrs. Herman Gillig, guests' prize, Mrs. Will Berling; tally keeper's prize, Mrs. Charles Cole. Mrs. Henry Meyers assisted her daughter, Mrs. Joe Lose, in serving the tempting two course luncheon.

Mrs. C. A. Dugan and daughter, Helen, returned last evening from Evanston, Ill., where they visited a week with Miss Naomi Dugan, a student at Northwestern university. They were guests at a large number of social affairs. One musical event that was especially fine was a musical festival given by the North Shore Musical Company. There were 100 voices in the company, most of them being Northwestern students. There were also five soloists being five Metropolitan opera singers among whom was Pasquale Amato, the baritone singer. They also attended a play. This was entitled "The Celebrities" and was written by the young men of the university dramatic club. The parts were all taken by the young men, including the women's parts. Miss Dugan will not be home until June, remaining for the commencement week which will be unusually full of festivity this year.

There were fifty-two at the Evangelical Ladies' Aid society meeting with Mrs. Arthur Hooten yesterday afternoon. Mrs. J. H. Rilling conducted the devotional service and during the meeting, the sum of \$46.15 for the month was turned into the treasury. This was made by the action of which Mrs. Fred Linn is the chairman. Other members of this section are Mrs. Hooten, Mrs. Leonard Meryman, Mrs. Charles Knodie, Mrs. Will Chronister, Mrs. Sol Linn. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served.

## COURT HOUSE NEWS.

In the estate of August Girod, Joseph L. Loye, administrator, filed final report which was approved. It was found that there is no inheritance tax due from the estate. The funds now in the hands of the administrator were ordered turned over to the widow, Cecile M. Miller. The distribution was reported and approved, and was the final report and the administrator discharged.

Peterson & Moran are attorneys for Homer Raudebush, in a suit against David O. Rice, on note, demand, \$75.

In the Edward Johnson estate, Lulu Johnson, administratrix, reported sale of the house and lot in Monroe to O. T. Burk for \$1,100. Deed was ordered, reported and approved. The sale was held yesterday. The house and lot on North Second street is still in the market for sale, and may be purchased at any time.

The final report of Paul Baumgartner, executor of the estate of Daniel Baumgartner, was approved and the executor discharged. There was no inheritance tax found to be due.

The report of sale of personal property made by Eugene Lindsey, administrator of the estate of Festus A. W. Lindsey, was approved.

Real estate transfers: Winifred J. Russell to George Adler, lot 84, Decatur, \$225; Fred Reppert et al. to EM W. Steele, 36.85 acres, Root tp., \$5000; Susan T. Ward to EM W. Steele, 10 acres, Root tp., \$1500.

## BIRTH OF SON.

A nine-pound boy was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hagarty, residing on the John Everett farm southwest of the city.

LOST—A bunch of silk violets. Please return to Mrs. E. G. Coverdale, 12413

## BARN IS RAISED.

The big barn on the Miss Helen Mailand farm north of the city was raised yesterday and a cement foundation put down. Albert Scheumann, bookkeeper at the Old Adams County bank, spent the day assisting in raising the barn and "bossing" the job as well as possible.

## KING ELECTED COMMANDER.

Marion, Ind., May 28—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The Rev. Lewis King of Franklin, Ind., was today elected commander for the department of Indiana G. A. R. He is a Methodist minister and was a member of the 27th Indiana regiment. He received 241 votes. W. W. Daugherty of Indianapolis received 171 and W. L. Brown of Indianapolis received 42. Other officials are: Senior vice commander, J. H. Chase; junior vice commander, Dr. John Ogde of Fort Wayne; medical director, Dr. C. W. Burkett of Warsaw; department chaplain, Captain M. A. Chamberlain of Otterbom.

## EXPLAINS DITCH LAWS.

At a session of the trustees of Adams county held today at the office of Ed L. Augenbaugh, trustee of Washington township, the ditch laws were thoroughly discussed and explained by County Attorney Henry B. Heller. All of the trustees with the exception of E. W. France of Ft. Mary's township were present at the morning session. This meeting will prove very beneficial to the trustees, as the many different phases of the law makes it very hard to decipher. After the dinner hour the trustees again met for a short business session.

## SHIP HORSES TO FORT WAYNE.

Two special freight cars of horses were shipped over the interurban to Fort Wayne this afternoon, the same being purchased at the horse sale held here.

## PUBLIC SALE.

Mrs. R. D. Clem, at her residence, on South Mercer avenue, on Saturday, May 29, 1915, beginning at 1 o'clock, p. m., standard time, offer the following property for sale:

Dining room table, kitchen table, 5 dining room chairs, 6 kitchen chairs, kitchen cabinet, sideboard, 2 sewing rockers, 3-burner Revonoc oil stove, dishes, cooking utensils, 11 dozen fruit jars, 2 bedsteads, 2 sets springs, 2 mattresses, dresser, 2 rugs 9x12, 25 yards rag carpet good as new, 15 yards bed room carpet, few old pieces, Edison phonograph, 40 records, Simplicity incubator, set but twice, holds 100 eggs; a few chickens, set of double carriage harness, closed medicine wagon, 2-shovel plow. Many other articles not here mentioned.

MRS. R. D. CLEM, Owner.  
John Spiller, Auct.  
Wes Hoffman, Clerk.  
Located in the Brodbeck property.

## FOR SALE.

The Geary home on West Madison street can be bought for a very low price, if taken soon. Nice large lot, eight room house; buildings for coal, wood, chickens, and cow stable. Good drove well, cistern. Plenty of fruit. Nice shade trees. Cement walks. Close to churches and school. If interested see Simeon J. Hain at the City meat market. 105m-w-51f

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## NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS.

State of Indiana, County of Adams, ss: In the Adams circuit court, April Term, 1915.

Zarah O. Lowellen vs. Michael Huff et al. Cause No. 8990. To quiet title.

Comes now the plaintiff by Dore B. Erwin, his attorney, and files his complaint herein together with an affidavit of a competent person that the residences, upon diligent inquiry, is unknown of the defendants:

Michael Huff, if he be living; Huff, widow of Michael Huff, if he be dead, whose christian name is unknown; Peter Steiner, if he be living; Steiner, widow of Peter Steiner, if he be dead, whose christian name is unknown; Mary Eby, if she be living; Eby, widow of Mary Eby, if she be dead, whose christian name is unknown; Mary Boegly, Boegly, her husband, whose christian name is unknown; Frederick Bauman, if he be living; Bauman, widow of Frederick Bauman, if he be dead, whose christian name is unknown; The children, the descendants, the heirs at law, the surviving spouses, the creditors, the administrators of the estates, the devisees, the legatees, the executors of the last wills and testaments, respectively of all or any of the above named or described defendants who may be dead and of their deceased spouses, the names of whom are wholly unknown to the plaintiff, the spouses of the persons above named or described as defendants to this suit who are married and whose spouses are not named as defendants, the names of all of whom are unknown to the plaintiff.

That said action is for the purpose of quieting title to real estate in Adams county, in the state of Indiana; that a cause of action exists against all of said defendants; that all of said defendants are necessary parties to said action and that they are believed to be non-residents of the state of Indiana.

Notice is therefore, hereby given said defendants, that unless they be and appear on the 1st day of the September term, 1915, of the Adams Circuit Court, being the 6th day of September, 1915, to be held on the 6th day of September, 1915, at the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county and state and answer or demur to said complaint, the same will be heard and determined in their absence.

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PHILADELPHIA.

Dore B. Erwin, Attorney for Plaintiff.  
In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said court at the office of the clerk thereof in the city of Decatur, Indiana, this 20th day of May, 1915.  
FERDINAND BLEEKE,  
Clerk of Adams Circuit Court.  
(Seal)

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