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SOME SOUND SENSE:

If the state and local governments of Indiana continue to function during the year 1933 there will need to be a special session of the legislature to meet conditions. The regular appraisal of real estate will be made this spring. It is safe to assume that valuations will be 25 to 35 per cent lower than when the last valuation was made four years ago. Railroads and factories will likewise show a big slump. These classes of property make up more than 40 per cent of our taxables.

Total taxes collected in Indiana amounted to more than \$150,000,000 last year. If tax collection in 1933 slump in proportion to valuations, the decrease in revenue would be between \$35,000,000 and \$40,000,000 next year. To say that all this can be raised from new forms of taxation is worse than folly. There must be cuts in the cost of government. One of the first duties of a legislature would be to cut off \$25,000,000 of expenditures. Even at that we should not be retrenching very much. During the year 1920 all the taxes collected in Indiana for all purposes amounted to \$75,000,000, while ten years later, in 1930, the amount was just double, or \$150,000,000 in taxes. Since we added \$75,000,000 the last ten years, surely we can cut off one-third that amount and still have government as efficient as we had in 1920. The legislature's big job will be to cut expenses and not to add new forms of taxation. — Senator Walter S. Chambers.

There is much truth in Senator Chamber's views, and if a session was called with these things in view, every one would favor it. What the people fear is a conglomeration of tax laws that will make things worse than now and that could happen.

Now comes the news that the value of American exports for the first nine months of 1931 was approximately a billion dollars less than for the corresponding period of 1930. Comes too the familiar and unconvincing cry that the responsibility must be placed on the depression alone. As a matter of fact, if the principal culprit is the depression, it has been materially aided and abetted. The latest evidence of the fact appears in word from Madrid that Spain has just raised her tariff walls to the skies.

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so high as practically to exclude important American exports like automobiles, electrical goods and telephone equipment. Traced back, Spain's action leads to the madness at Washington embodied in our Hawley-Smoot tariff law of 1930. This measure increased our rates on 65 per cent of Spain's exports to the United States. Spain, having protested without success, raised her own tariffs that summer, particularly those on American exports. So did other countries hit by our tariffs, notably France and Italy. Then so did still others—for example, Canada, Australia and Argentina, each forcing others to raise their tariffs in retaliation until finally even free-trade Britain erected walls of her own. And that is the way the vicious circle has gone. Each reprisal, whatever its direct or indirect motive, has been a blow at American trade. Each new one will be another, until finally the nations, particularly the United States, regain their scattered senses. — Outlook Magazine.

The New York Herald call attention to the unusual fact that five Presidents of the United States whose names began with the letter "H" were not elected to second terms and says they are: William Henry Harrison, Rutherford B. Hayes, Benjamin Harrison, Warren G. Harding and Herbert C. Hoover. That's a dirty crack from a republican newspaper so far as the President is concerned. The first Harrison and Harding died during first terms, Hayes was not renominated and the second Harrison lost in the election. What will happen this year with the last Mr. "H"?

Renew your subscription to the Daily Democrat. You will want to know the news—local, state and national this year for there is much doing. There will be the elections, county, state and national, there will be numerous court items of particular interest, there will be the matters of great public interest, besides social, general and sport news. You get it all for less than a penny a day, which is one thing that has always been cheap enough.

Please do not feel that if you haven't signed a pledge to raise heels you are out. A couple of thousand acres are still needed and we hope every one who desires to get into this game will do so at once, for the matter of taking pledges will conclude soon.

It is unusual to have so fine a weather in January but the entire fall and winter season so far has been unusual, breaking all records in this section for mildness, which helps the coal pile a lot.

Gosh-all-fishhooks, the State of Indiana now is getting in style by running up a deficit. There is one way to stop that—quit spending the money.

Modern Etiquette

—by—
ROBERTA LEE

Q. Who issues the invitations for a second marriage?

A. The parents of the bride.

Q. What should one do in the theater when someone behind him insists on talking?

A. Tell him in an amiable way that you cannot hear anything while he talks.

Q. Where should a woman take her meals when staying in a hotel alone?

A. She should go to the dining room or the smaller tea room, never to the grill.

Lessons In English

Words often misused: Do not say "Stand right here." Say, "Stand just here," or merely, "Stand here."

Often mispronounced. Addict. Pronounce a-dikt, a unstressed, i as in "it," accent last syllable.

Often misspelled: Giraffe. Observe the ffe.

Synonyms: Conquest, triumph, master, subjection, subjugation.

Word study: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: Abrade; to rub off; wear away by friction. "In time the stones became abraded."

—and the Worst is Yet to Come



Cell No. 6

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WJZ, NBC network, 3 p.m.—CST

—U. S. Army Band.

WABC, CBS network, 7:45 p. m.

—Modern Male Chorus.

WJZ, NBC network, 8:30 p. m.—

Great Personalities.

WEAF, NBC network, 9 p. m.—

Dance Hour with Walter Winchell.

WABC, CBS network, 10:15 p. m.

—Columbia Symphony Orchestra.

Wednesday's 5 Best Radio Features

WABC, CBS network, 6:15 p. m.

—Bing Crosby.

WABC, CBS network, 6:30 p. m.

—Boswell Sisters.

WEAF, NBC network, 7:30 p. m.

—Sonsa's Band.

WJZ, NBC network, 9 p. m.—Russ

Columbia and Orchestra.

WEAF, NBC network, 9:30 p. m.

—Gulon Orchestra.

MAGLEY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Fruchte

and Edward Scherry entertained

for supper Tuesday evening Rev.

and Mrs. Otto Scherry and daughter

of New Bavaria Ohio, Rev. and

Mrs. David Grether and family.

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Charles Dettinger and Mr. and Mrs.

Ernest Dettinger New Years day.

Miss Ida Belle Worthman visited

Miss Marcella Scherry Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Ginter and

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Mrs. Edward Kolter and son Rob-

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hower of

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Dettinger and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jaberg en-

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