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## AN ASTOUNDING RECORD OF HIGH TAXES AND OFFICIAL EXTRAVAGANCE NOTED UNDER REPUBLICAN RULE

The following comparison shows the annual cost of the offices in departments mentioned for the year 1907 under the administration of Governor Hanly, Republican, and the year 1894, under the administration of Governor Matthews, a Democrat:

REPUBLICAN.		DEMOCRATIC.	
Governor's Office.....	\$ 58,550	Governor's Office.....	\$ 12,020
Auditor's Office.....	64,620	Auditor's Office.....	12,800
Secretary of State.....	15,390	Secretary of State.....	8,250
Attorney General (Regular).....	20,050	Attorney General.....	4,800
Attorney General (Special).....	20,000		
Treasurer of State.....	12,880	Treasurer of State.....	5,820
Supreme Court.....	46,203	Supreme Court.....	26,900
Appellate Court.....	43,404	Appellate Court.....	20,470
Reporter Supreme Court.....	10,330	Reporter Supreme Court.....	5,700
Supt. Public Instruction.....	10,420	Supt. Public Instruction.....	6,600
Circuit Judges.....	218,700	Circuit Judges.....	145,000
Superior Judges.....	52,400	Superior Judges.....	7,000
Prosecuting Attorneys.....	30,500	Prosecuting Attorneys.....	28,000
Bureau of Statistics.....	15,160	Bureau of Statistics.....	9,800
Adjutant General's Dept.....	85,253	Adjutant General's Dept.....	39,500
Bureau of Printing.....	87,650	Bureau of Printing.....	55,200
State Library.....	15,220	State Library.....	5,720
Department of Geology, etc.....	21,040	Department of Geology, etc.....	9,100
Fish Commissioner.....	9,500	Fish Commissioner.....	800
Deputies and Expenses.....	20,710		
Board of Health.....	28,500	Board of Health.....	5,000
Board of Tax Commissioner.....	12,000	Board of Tax Commissioners.....	6,000
Care of State House.....	27,340	Care of State House.....	18,500
Total.....	\$925,470	Total.....	\$431,900
Cost under Republican administration.....	\$925,470		
Cost under Democratic administration.....	431,900		
		INCREASE UNDER REPUBLICANS.....	\$493,570
		BEING AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 100 PER CENT UNDER REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION.	

A comparison of the receipts and disbursements and taxes levied for the years 1907 and 1894 shows the following result, all figures being official:

Total taxable property in Indiana in 1894.....	\$1,295,106,415
Total taxable property in Indiana in 1907.....	1,767,815,487
Total state and local taxes in 1894.....	18,891,581
Total state and local taxes in 1907.....	36,050,275
Total state tax in 1894 (including sinking fund).....	4,463,899
Total state tax in 1907 (no sinking fund).....	6,174,413
State general fund disbursements 1894 (including \$647,088 on account of state debt).....	2,787,267
State general fund disbursements 1906 (no payment on state debt).....	5,093,255

The state auditor's report for 1905 sets out the total receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1905, as follows:

Receipts.....	\$9,260,827.07
Disbursements.....	9,127,866.35

The report of the state treasurer for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1906, sets out the total receipts and disbursements as follows:

Receipts.....	\$9,782,867.76
Disbursements.....	9,099,212.32

(The disbursements included nothing on the state debt.)

The report of the treasurer for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1907 (only eleven months, due to a change in the law as to the ending of the fiscal year), shows the following as to total receipts and disbursements:

Receipts.....	\$9,159,625.83
Disbursements.....	8,067,001.71

(The disbursements included nothing on the state debt.)

It will be remembered that the heavy receipts and disbursements for the month of October are not included in the 1907 statement because of the shortening of the fiscal year. No full comparison, therefore, can be made of 1907 with other years.

In marked contrast with the above reports of Republican management is the report of the fiscal year ending October 31, 1894, the last year the state offices were occupied by Democrats. The financial statement for the year 1894 is as follows:

Receipts.....	\$6,848,967.65
Disbursements (including \$647,088 on account of state debt).....	6,458,406.85
Excess of disbursements 1905 over 1894.....	2,669,412.00

Excess of disbursements 1906 over 1894.....
 2,640,766.96 |

This enormous increase in annual expenditures is out of all proportion to the real increase in the cost of administering the state's affairs. The multiplication of needless offices, boards and commissions, the increase in official salaries and reckless appropriations of money in all directions are some of the reasons for the growing burdens that have been put upon the taxpayers.

Under the last Democratic administration of the state the tax levy for all state purposes was 32 cents on the \$100. This included 3 cents levied for the state debt sinking fund, which left the levy for all other purposes at 29 cents.

The levy made by the last Republican legislature is 33.35 cents on the \$100.

This includes nothing for the state debt sinking fund until 1908, and represents an increase of 4.35 cents on the \$100 for general state expenses. The assessment of property for taxation has been enormously increased. The 4.35 cents increase in rate and the increase in assessed value will show the taxpayer where some of the extra tax burden comes from. It is merely his contribution to the Republican variety of "business administration" in state affairs.

### NATIONAL EXTRAVAGANCE.

A comparison of the cost of the national government under the last Democratic administration and the present Republican administration, as shown by the Congressional Record, Vol. 42, No. 38, pp. 7613-19:

Total expenditures for four years ending 1897.....	\$1,758,902,462
Average per year.....	429,725,615

Total expenditures for four years ending 1909.....	3,428,809,371
Average per year.....	857,202,343

The appropriations made by the last session of congress for one year alone were.....

1,008,804,894
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Total expenditures for army and navy, 1892-1897.....

484,299,699
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Total expenditures for army and navy, 1903-1908.....

1,328,679,524
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An increase for these two purposes in the last six-year period over the first of.....

844,279,825
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Number of new offices created in the six-year period, 1893-1898.....

10,279
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Cost of these new offices.....

\$ 6,918,417
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Number of new offices created in the six-year period, 1903-1908.....

98,319
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Cost of these new offices.....

\$ 69,643,506
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Total expenditures for last four years Roosevelt administration.....

3,428,809,371
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Total expenditures Civil War, years 1862-1865.....

3,394,830,931
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Excess of Roosevelt expenditures over Civil War period.....

33,978,440
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### RUNNING WILD.

Speaking of the enormous expenditures of the Republican party, the Indianapolis News (Republican) at the close of the late session of congress, referring to the appropriation of more than a billion dollars for one year,