You Cannot Keep the New Deal and Cut Taxes; Americans Must Choose Which They Prefer

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The New Dealers' failure to present the tax problem honestly has done much harm. Particularly noticeable is the "soak-the-rich" program by which the President sought to give the impression that the average man of small means would not have to pay for the New Deal—that the whole cost would be levied on the rich.

The ugly truth is that only by increased taxes of all sorts for everybody will it ever be possible to pay for the New Deal.

The New Dealers, anxious to hide this, have deliberately ignored the fact that the entire New Deal program which rests on enlarging the Federal government's powers and creating new alphabetical agencies with tens of thousands of new bureaucrats, inevitably means larger permanent taxes so as to produce the funds to pay these government employees. By borrowing instead of taxing, the New Dealers have postponed the day of reckoning—financial as well as political. Knowing that not they but their successors in office will have to meet the debts incurred in behalf of the New Deal, they do not care where the money comes from—so long as it doesn't comes from taxes.

They are quite well aware that if they tried to operate the New Deal on a pay-as-you-go basis the tax payers would quickly rise in revolt and throw the New Deal out of the window.

Since the New Deal came into effect, 150,000 new Federal jobs have been created. These cost the taxpayer nearly a half billion dollars a year. These jobs can only be eliminated after a violent political struggle.

The more services the government provides the more taxes it has to raise. The more the government goes into business, controls farming, regulates industry and commerce, the more agents it needs who, in turn, need offices and automobiles and typewriters—and red tape. Each such new agent, each office, each yard of red tape has to be paid for—by you and me. Taxes go almost entirely to support bureaucrats and politicians.

The seriousness of this lies in the fact that the tax burden for most of us is already unbearable. As the New Deal borrowings begin to be paid for, taxes will go up. This is unavoidable.

But what the country wants and needs is to have taxes lowered.

This thought is alarming to the New Dealers because they realize the cold fact that reduced taxes and the New Deal cannot go hand in hand. Continue the New Deal and raise taxes, or reduce taxes and scrap the New Deal. There is no alternative.

As indicated in these columns last month, one of the many painful tasks which the Republicans will have to perform in rectifying the New Deal errors is to cut expenditures and increase revenues so as to balance the budget. Actual reductions in expenditure are indispensible—not alone the cessation of borrowing.

The trouble is two-fold—that increased taxation will be unpopular with the voters, and that cutting government expenditures will be bitterly opposed by the politicians.

It will mean cutting off government bureaus, eliminating government services, ceasing government interference, curtailing government activities. It will also mean putting an end to government subsidies, abandoning loans on commodities which are granted and accepted as gifts from Uncle Sam, taking government out of business—and revamping the whole relief system.

Only by such drastic acts can taxes be reduced—and as each of these acts means cutting politicians or their supporters off the government pay roll, it is easy to see how bitter will be the politicians' fight to continue spending.

Whoever doubts this need only consider the case of the soldiers' bonus. Year by year the veterans have browbeaten the politicians into giving them more and more money. No Congress has dared oppose them. When a President has vetoed a bonus bill he has been hailed for his exceptional courage—courage in resisting an organized racket. Other groups eating out of the government trough will conduct as formidable a campaign as the veterans to keep their feet in the trough.

The Republican party, fortunately, has the tradition of reducing taxes. Presidents Harding and Coolidge not only reduced taxes but paid off a large part of the National Debt. Now, as after the last Democratic administration, the Republicans will have to fight once more for lower Federal taxes, and also in the states do all in their power to reduce local taxation.

But most important of all is to recognize the fact that Senator LaFollette was right when he tried to broaden the base of Mr. Roosevelt's "soak-the-rich" tax program. He had the courage to point out publicly that it was not enough merely to "soak the rich"—that enough money to pay for the New Deal experiments and excesses could only be raised by putting taxes on men and women of small and moderate means, as well as on the very rich.

It was characteristic of Mr. Roosevelt's instinct for doing what is popular that he used all the force in his power to squelch the LaFollette amendments to his tax plan. He knew these would lose votes for the New Deal because they would bring home to the average man and woman the cost of paying for the New Deal, and thus intensify the demand to put an end to experiments and reckless spending.

But the logic of events is inescapable. Keep the New Deal and pay for it in larger taxes, or reduce taxes and drop the New Deal.

The Republicans' choice is obvious. They must restore the government to a "pay-as-you-go" basis.

In his article next week Mr. Roosevelt will discuss the farm policy.

Worton Events

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Newsome were given a variety shower last Friday evening at their home near here. Many pretty and useful gifts were received. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Newsome, Sr., and daughter, Mary Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Carter, Mrs. Charles Joiner, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Williams, Mrs. R. A. Loud, Mrs. B. F. Rash, Mrs. Barney Cooper, Miss Addie Cooper, Mrs. Edgar Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rasin, Messrs. Dorothy Ivens, Helen Christopher, Anna Williams, Harriett Clark, Mrs. E. Skirven and son, Messrs. Elwood Fowler, Harry Silcox, Robert Loud, Price Rolph, Jr., Edmond Derringer, Carter Rash, Miss Louise Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Coleman and son Jimmie, Mrs. H. M. Matthews, Mr. James Matthews, Miss Mary Beulah Hadaway.

Miss Louise Wolf, of Baltimore, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Marion Rash and family last week end.

Mr. Marvin Nichols, of Selbyville, Del., visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crowding last week.

Mr. William Copper, of Wilmington, is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey E. Smith are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a fine son, born Thursday evening, November 14.

Mrs. Thomas Van Dyke and daughter, Miss Lula, of near Kennedyville, are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. George T. Williams.

Mr. George N. Cooper was given a surprise birthday party at his home in Chestertown Saturday evening.

Mrs. H. T. Williams taught school at Pomona Tuesday as substitute for Mrs. Edna Faulkner. Mrs. Williams also spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

Miss Olive Seward and Mr. James Kohlermas will be married in Baltimore Sunday, November 24. Friends here have received announcements.

KENNEDYVILLE HAPPENINGS

The Ladies' Aid Society will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cleaver on Friday of this week, at their home.

The Mite Society of Grace Presbyterian Church will be on Wednesday evening, tonight, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Groves, Jr.

Mrs. E. L. Redmile on Thursday will entertain the Woman's Club at her home.

Thursday night "Six Wives on a Rampage" will be in the School Auditorium here for the benefit of Ladies Aid of M. P. Church, Still Pond, talent will present the play.

A large crowd attended the card party on Monday evening for the benefit of the P. T. A.

Mrs. W. S. Hurlock had a bad fall onFriday and is now in bed suffering very much from it. Her sister-in-law Mrs. Mollie H. Archibald is with her.

Mrs. D. C. Kelley visited relatives in Annapolis on Wednesday, and her mother, Mrs. Jesse Wilson returned home with her for a visit.

Mrs. W. T. Jewell and Mrs. Harry J. Hill accompanied Mrs. Kelley to Annapolis and visited friends there for the day.

Mrs. Warner George, Sr., visited friends in Wilmington over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geary and daughter Lena, were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Leonard Price, of Betterton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Redmile on Saturday visited friends in Baltimore.

Billy Anthony, Jr., visited Sara and Betty Scotton last week end.

Mr. C. Howell Crew and mother, and Miss Lula VanDyke and neice, spent Friday in Wilmington.

Miss Gladys S. Archibald, of Wilmington, visited her parents over the week end. Her mother Mrs. James Archibald returned home with her for a week's visit.

Mr. James Webb and cousin Miss Louise Groves, spent Sunday with her cousins and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harper Webb in Wilmington.

Mrs. Katie V. Crew and daughter Helen spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. C. Howell Crew and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. James Weer and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston and son, Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnston, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Johnston, of Middletown, on Sunday.

Mrs. Caldwell returned to Wilmington on Saturday.

The supper was well attended on last Friday night. About ninety-six dollars were the door receipts.

Mrs. Walter S. Hurlock and daughters Margaret Ann and Mrs. Kenneth Porter and Kenneth, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. William S. Hurlock last week, and Saturday they spent the day with Mrs. Norman Hitch, of Queenstown, returning to their home on Sunday.

Mr. Jim Lewis was sick last Monday from heavy cold and did not get to his place of business until Tuesday.

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Mt. Mitchell, altitude 6,711 feet, in the western part of North Carolina, is the highest peak east of the Rocky mountains.

In The Schools

CHESTERTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

by James Crouch

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

Can you imagine a turtle, that was fed on sweetwater and beef steak, straying away. That's what happened to "Slow-Poke." Well, I guess he got tired of the Second Grade, and decided to go to the water. Anyhow, he's gone, and the children are very sorry.

They have turned their interest to the home and have gotten the whole family posted around the room. Now they are going to discuss what kind of clothing they wear to protect themselves in all weather.

As we look in on the Third Grade we find them studying about animals and making riddles. Here are some the children made.

I live mostly in the water. I am green with black spots. I do not drink with my mouth but soak water through my stomach. When I am hungry I stick my tongue out and gather a good dinner. In winter you cannot find me because I am buried in the mud. What am I? Mr. Toulson had to tell me, so I'm going to tell you. It's a leopard frog.

Here is another.

I am a very small inscet, with six strong legs. I can see very well with my five eyes. In the evening I play you a tune by rubbing my legs against my wings. I am a funny looking fellow when I eat, for my jaws go from side to side. What am I? A grasshopper.

In discussing the kinds of fish caught in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries the class had quite an interesting argument on whether a hard-head was the same thing as a croaker. Some of the children thought that a croaker was not a food fish. Another fish named was the yellow-ned. Some said that it was a perch, and that yellow-ned was just a nickname. They also discussed how these fish are caught. Many children knew about gill net, drift net, hand sciene and pound net.

Their next unit, which they started, not long ago, was about the gunning season. and about prized games and animals, such as rabbit, squirrel, and wild fowl.

The Seventh Grade of 1934-35 class earned enough money by selling candy to buy books, bookcases and a bronze plate for the library. It is our desire to do the same this year.

Last Thursday the J. H. R. Club of this year, started the "candy fund" in which they raised $1.46. We have set the goal at ten dollars. The candy is made by various pupils of the Seventh Grade, but can be sold to anyone in the school; so save your nickels and dimes if you want some delicious candy.

Talk about good music! The Seventh Grade is improving so swiftly that the birds have decided we are ahead of them. One brave sparrow flew in from the window and perched upon the light chain and remained there until the song was finished.

When our song was finished the bird flew away. We don't know whether it was because he didn't like our chatter or that he didn't want to hear another song. Anyway we hope to charm him again some day soon.

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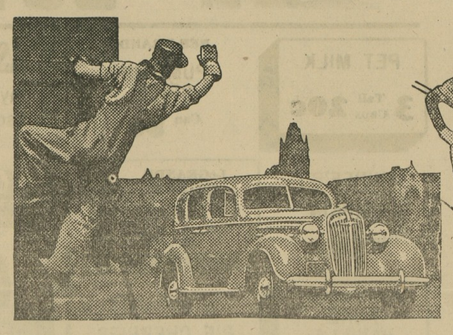

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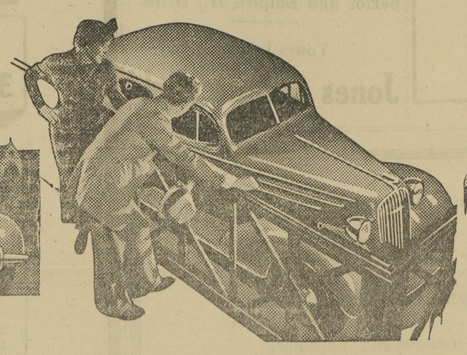

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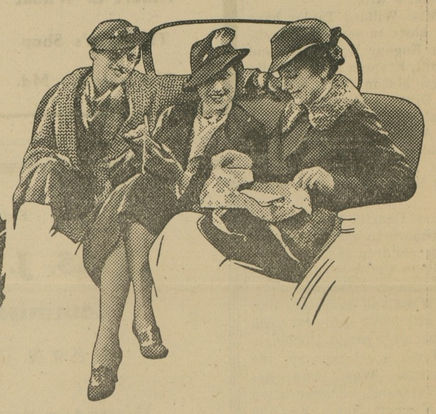

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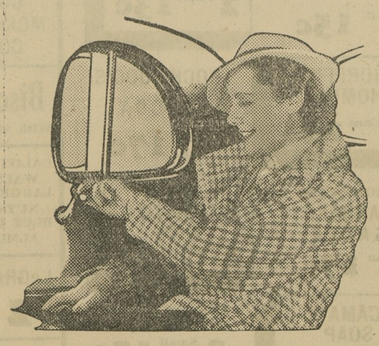

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