

CUT IN U. S. TAX NOT YET IN SIGHT

Report of Secretary of Treasury Says Government Borrowing Must End

URGES REVENUE REVISION

Washington, Dec. 3.—No appreciable reduction in taxes for the next fiscal year is to be thought of, Secretary Glass declared in his annual report sent today to Congress. Government receipts must be kept at their present figure, he said, in order to bring government borrowing to an end.

Spending expenditures estimated at \$2,029,483,350 for the year ending June 30, 1920, and \$1,477,000,338 for the year ending June 30, 1921, the government must enforce rigid economy, Mr. Glass declared. He placed the deficit for the current year at \$1,905,000,000 and for the year ending June 30, 1921, at approximately \$2,085,000,000.

On this basis, Mr. Glass urged Congress to deny "every appropriation for expenditures in new fields." He said the same policy should obtain in all the government's activities, and that the government had its sinking fund well under way and repayment of the war debt "satisfactorily begun."

Mr. Glass charged that excessive government expenditures were "the most vital factor" in increasing the cost of living and argued that it was necessary to keep down public expenditures for this reason as well as because of the drain on the taxpayers.

Against Excess Profits Tax The present revenue laws need revising to meet new conditions, he said. He referred particularly to the excess profits tax laws as being "objectionable even as a wartime expedient." It would be still more objectionable if it were to be added to "less harmful forms" of deriving funds for the government.

Europe's Needs Exaggerated Relations between conditions in Europe and those in the United States were discussed also by Mr. Glass. He said that, undoubtedly, there is a very great need in Europe for financial assistance, but that the situation had been much exaggerated.

Cardinal Mercier's Story of War Begins Saturday

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Washington, Dec. 3.—The Belgian people in his own story of the German occupation of his beloved country. This tragic story begins next Saturday, December 6, in

Washington, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—Colonel Charles Young, retired, the only negro army officer to attain that rank, has been selected as military attaché to Liberia at the request of the African republic. Some years ago Colonel Young organized the military establishment of Liberia.

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Washington, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—Work of the Federal Trade Commission will require \$1,248,130. Expenditures of the District of Columbia government were estimated at \$21,159,000. Permanent annual appropriations for the year amount to \$1,425,407,752. These included \$1,017,500,000 for interest on the public debt, customs and internal revenue, \$25,205,000 for sinking fund, \$287,500,000 and miscellaneous, \$95,500,000.

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WILSON'S ILLNESS REVIVES GOSSIPS

Failure of Hitchcock to See President Furnishes Fuel for Rumor Factory

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Senator Hitchcock was without significance. Hitchcock's relations with the President are complicated by the contest over the State leadership. Neither he nor Senator Underwood can go to the White House without starting rumors that the White House is favoring one or the other in the Senate contest.

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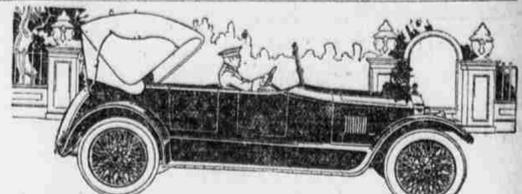
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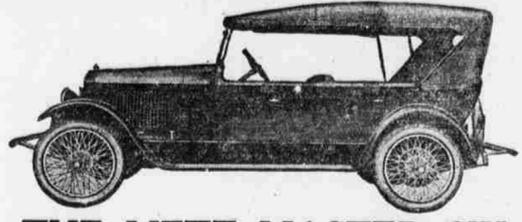
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