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Income And Taxes

Taxes are undoubtedly high in the United States, but it must be remembered that taxes in recent years have been accompanied by an increasing income. It is a fact seldom mentioned, but according to figures recently released by the Department of Commerce the income increase has been far greater than the added taxes.

On an average, income for 1937 was greater by \$46 per individual than it was the year before. After hearing all that has been said about a balanced budget or one that isn't balanced, one is almost certain to believe that we are in worse condition financially now than we were in 1932 or early 1933. It is an actual fact that the increased income since 1932 would pay all the tax levies and still there would be a considerable sum left.

Take Time To Live

A twelfth grade is being considered for the schools of North Carolina, and there can be offered little opposition to the proposed action to increase the educational advantages. It is agreed that the problems facing the country and world today are calling for trained minds in greater numbers than ever before. The added grade can do much toward solving the problems in this town, county and State. But before much good will result, the trainers must apply some of the fundamental principles that never grow old.

There's little to be gained by better training youth how to figure interest on investments or how to get the most money from the least work. That added grade, if it is to prove of any great value, must point out to every youth that the world does not owe him a living, that cash inheritances are not to be valued above honesty and righteousness, and that, one must take time out to live and let others live.

The banks are advertising money in plentiful amounts for financing new industrial plants, plants to make additional merchandise for an already burdened market. We wonder if the schools aren't turning out more candidates for jobs that are non-existent than the number they are turning out to lead respectful and useful lives, lives that are not choked by the impressed desire to get ahead in life regardless of the fate that might befall others.

If the added grade can instill in the minds of youth that a bit of character and honesty is needed as well as cold learning, it will be worth

At one time a plain note was all that the lender required of a borrower. The value of honesty was prized then. Today, the business world recognizes everyone as a "dead-beat" or thief, and it prepares its papers with an iron grip on the holdings of the borrower. Honesty is not considered any more. We have wandered away from those old principles, and a look around us will reveal what a mess we are in. Possibly that added grade might find time to teach the value of honesty and righteousness.

On Un-American Activities Christian Science Monitor.

No true American wishes Communism or Fascism to creep over the United States under cover of the citizen's ignorance. Possibly continuous operation of such agencies as the Dies committee is needed to expose the methods and activities of groups who seek to overthrow American ideals and institutions. While very little preventive legislation has resulted from the several congressional investigations made in the last twenty years, the best prevention is the alertness of the people. To the extent that they promote genuine alertness these committees are useful.

Yet in considering the request of the Dies committee for continued authority and more funds, Congress will do well to demand that radically better methods shall be used. If such investigations are to do more good than harm, they must avoid even the appearance of being used for political or class purposes. And they must eschew the un-American methods of hearsay evidence and the reckless blasting of reputations and discredited witnesses.

But even more important is the need for Americans to recognize that mere exposure of un-American activities is a small part of preserving their heritage. That must be done primarily by the positive every-day practice of genuine Americanism-freedom, tolerance, good will, justice, independence, self-control, selfrespect, and respect for others.

Of Which To Be Ashamed Charlotte Observer.

While North Carolina is basking itself among the manifold achievements which justly stimulate its pride and make it throw its chest out, it might intelligently pause to consider the statement of Mrs. W. T. Bost, Public Welfare Commissioner, that the State last year illegally jailed 1,000 of its youthful delinquents.

Jailed them illegally because, of course, the State has no other means established or institutions set up by which such immature delinquents can be accommodated except in the common jails.

And common jails in North Carolina are commonly rather pathetically common.

These statistics stab.

North Carolina ought to cover its face with shame or something or other, so long as this unholy record is being written.

of land: One certain tract or parcel of land situated in Hamilton Township con-

undersigned on or before the 12th day of January, 1940, or this no-tice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make im

Under and by virtue of the power of record in the Register of Deeds office of Martin County in Book P-3, page 210, to secure certain note of even date therewith, and the stip-ulations in said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of said



We wish to announce that we have purchased the stock, good will and interest of C.O. Moore's Store ... And will continue to do business in the same store and give the same courteous, efficient and prompt service as we have in the past. We hope we may have the pleasure of serving you with a complete stock of both staple and fancy groceries.

