

poorer we are the higher the pro-Some sorts of Lane syspody will agree are bacessary. Nobudy objects much to taxation to maintain schools, hospitals and public services such as water supply, paved roads, police and fire de partments. Government must collect money from everybody to maintain an army and navy for

body has yet discovered a national defense. But the tendency of both the to make taxes painless. Polischans make a great point of Federal government and the govwilling the public that the taxes ernments of states and municipalwhich they levy do not come out ities is to impose heavier and of the "little man's" pocket, but heavier taxes for things which we are paid by the rich and the great could get along without.

I saw a careful estimate recentcorporations. Nothing could be further from ly, made by disinterested experts, the truth. We all pay taxes, whe- that more than a fifth of all the ther we know it or not, and the money that passes through the



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An 89-foot brigantine, the Florence C. Robinson, with 11 young adventurers aboard, put out to sea re cently on a 7,706-mile voyage to Tahiti, where the boat will be turned over to a copra trader. Pictured from left to right are Larry O'Toole, Boston artist; Dick Hemminway, Croton, Mass., and Arthur Hanson, Boston. Sterling Hayden (inset) is the 22-year-old skipper, and the youngest man aboard. Dennis, the live pig, will never see land again, for he will be converted into chops and roasts for the crew.

The legislature saw the point,

to the people as a constitutional

That is a fine thing, if the tax

The taxes under the old ' age

Act now run close to a thousand

times a thousand times a thous-

and dollars a year-a billion dol-

lars. If that money were invested

in business enterprises it would

and benefit everybody. As it is

I look for a change in the So-

cial Security tax system before

for the better or not depends on

GOVERNMENT ..... dangers

I am not prepared to bet on.

of increased taxation

hands of everybody goes for tax- \$2 tax would drive them out of es, of one sort or another. That the state, for competing sulphur means that you and I work more mines in Texas only paid a \$1.03 than ten weeks every year for tax. Louisiana production of sulnational, state and local govern- phur was falling off while that of ments. I think that is too high a Texas was increasing. price to pay for what we get.

Many other people are beginning voted to lower the sulphur tax, to ask what they get for their and to clinch it submitted the tax money. I think a change has new tax rate, same as Texas pays, got to come. GASOLINE . . . . . . diversion amendment. Result: the sulphur

One highly improper use of the people are spending half a million dollars on expanding their axing power, which many states plant and putting hundreds of have adopted, is to tax the gasopeople to work, which is worth line consumed by motorists and more to Louisiana than the added then use the funds for other purtax would come to. poses than highway improvement SECURITY . . . . and maintenance. Almost everybody who has a

The gas tax is one of the easjob, and his or her employer, pays iest and surest to collect. Drivers a Social Security tax to the Fedpay it willingly because they want eral government, to insure their roads built better and kept betlivelihoods when they get too old ter. When the money goes to pay to work. for other things they have a right

to be sore. money so collected is handled the My notion is that no special way an insurance company would taxes should be collected except handle it. As it is, it is immedifor special purposes, and that ately borrowed by the Governany public official who diverts ment and spent for all sorts of them to other purposes should go pumposes to jail. provision of the Social Security

There are far too many politicians out of jail who ought to be behind bars, anyway. One of the weaknesses of our democratic form of government is that we have become too tolerant of political graft and corruption. INUISIANA ..... reduction

I take off my hat to the people of Louisiana. When the question was put to them at the November election whether a tax which was murting a big industry should be reduced or continued, they oted ten to one to reduce it. long. Whether it will be a change

That is plain common sense; and when such questions are put up to the people generally they show more common sense than the politicians give them credit

for. Some years ago the state imtle governing as is necessary to posed a tax of \$2 a ton on sulphur enable the people who live under extracted by the Freeport Sulit to govern their own lives and Co from a Louisiana mine.

Benham Honor Roll First Grade: Mildred Carter. Verna Lee Byrd, Willene Luffman. Second Grade: Bobby Black-

burn. Third Grade: Vallie Brown

Conrad Hemric. Fourth Grade: Lois Collins, Alna Burcham, Clara Bell Couch. Fifth Grade: Paul Inman Walker, Leatrice Mildred Phil

lips, Helen Holbrook. Sixth Grade: Virginia Walsie Holbrook, Lillie Carter. Seventh Grade: Annie Sue Walker, Berlene Matthews, Virginia Casey, Clyde Draughn. . . borrowing

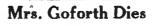


Outside the cold wind whistled and snow was swirling through the darkness. Within the farm home sat a group shrouded in sadness because of the death of

John, the head of the house. Neighbors were trying to offer consolation to the widow, who was apparently grieving her heart away. They talked of casual things to try to divert per mind. from the occasion of sadness but everything seemed to suggest something about her departed husband.

"It's a good fire we have," one neighbor said in a kindly tone. "Yes," said the grieving widow,

make more jobs, increase wages 'John cut that wood with his own hands and he did love to it merely makes it easier for the sit by a good fire. I hope there Government to spend for other is a good fire where he has purposes without the appearance gone!'



Funeral rites were held Thursthe good sense of Congress, which day at Mount Pleasant Baptist church for Mrs. Desa Goforth, wife of D. W. Goforth, who died No Government is a good gov-Wednesday at her home in Lewis ernment unless it does just as lit-Fork township.

> Some people want to twist the law to suit themselves, while oth

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