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THE TAX QUESTION.

You hear lots these days about taxes, and many remedies are suggested. You hear a great deal about poor county government. It is charged that the high taxes are chargeable to county government.

Well, it is this way: The state has been saying what must be done, and the counties were left to raise the money to pay the expenses. The education department made out a budget and the county commissioners were told to levy taxes to meet this, or go to jail. Now don't blame the county commissioners for the high school tax.

The state has been bragging about not levying any ad valorem taxes. But the special taxes drain the resources of the counties as effectually as ad valorem taxes. When money is collected from a community business suffers. To collect taxes in millions lessens the resources of the people.

It will not add to the state's resources to have a commission of tax consumers to meet and consume more tax money while they plan how to get what the state needs. The trouble is, and the only trouble is, the state and county expenses are too high. There are too many people on the payroll of the state in particular, and this suggestion to add to the county payroll as a relief measure is silly. If you want relief, spend less, not more. When you take a man off the earning list and put him on the tax consuming list, he becomes a liability, when he had been an asset while he supported himself and more. Even if he costs no more than the fees of his office, this holds good. While he collects fees he hinders somebody's living chance. Stop a man from earning and you cripple the community.

People see no sin in consuming tax money—that everybody pays. They always claim more than they get if they are being paid from public funds. People are queer—don't want to pay taxes, but they want more for whatever of services they render. In schools and roads we are making large investment in tax money, and from these investments we get indirect returns, that is if there are returns, which is questionable, that is not a justifiable and commensurate return with the cost incurred. It all should be done, but at less cost. The educational thought has been commercialized, and in the overhead expense there is that resembling graft, at least an expense account not justified.

If anybody wants reform, let them advocate doing all they do for LESS. Stop levying so much taxes, and get along with the money raised. Cut everybody's pay, and pay fewer men to do more work. You cannot collect so many millions of taxes, and support a standing army of officials, half of whom are useless, without overdrawing on the state's resources and crippling the state in a business way.

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Y. W. A. Meets.

The Y. W. A. held its regular monthly meeting with Miss Marguerite Freeman on Monday afternoon, March 28. We hope more will take an interest in our organization and come
SUSAN GULLDGE, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Monday, May 2nd, being the time for election of town officers, a mass meeting of the voters of the town of Raeford is hereby called to meet at the court house Tuesday night, April 12th, at eight o'clock for the purpose of nominating Mayor and Commissioners.

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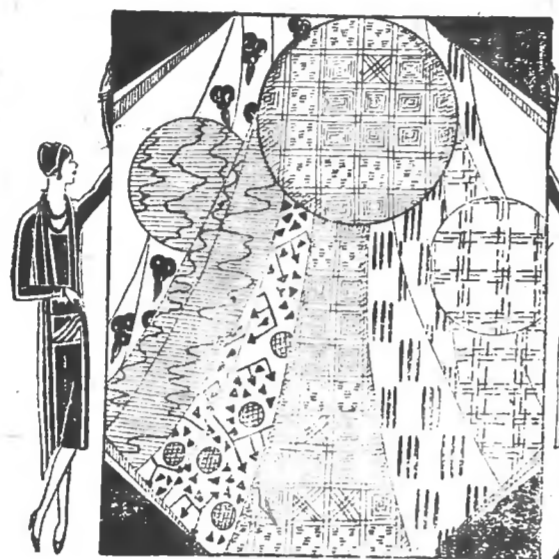
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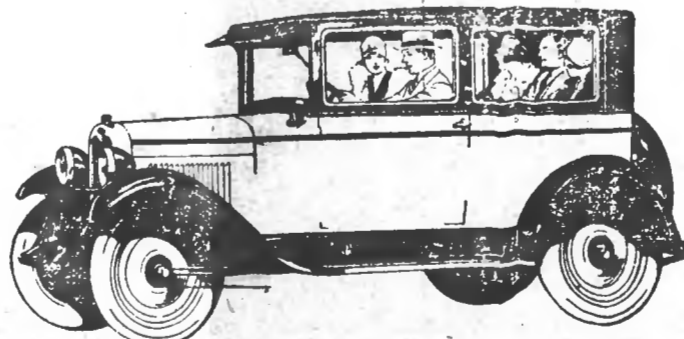
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