Average Family Pays One Dollar Per Day In Taxes

day as was the 5 1-2 million dollars

But times have changed. Condi-

tions have changed. Sources of in-

come have changed. Governor Reed.

of Kansas, who is making a cour-

Intangible property, which pro-

in the farming state of Kansas

remainder of the 113 million dollars

states, faces the problem of cutting

proper share of the load to income-

itself-that now escapes taxation.

not eat your cake and have it.

other fellow's cake and largely keep

I am sure it is easier to state and

Pumpkin Ice Cream.

(From The Wall St. Journal.)

"pumpkin ice cream" and it has be

be well worth the difference.

burden in Kansas.

their own.

close attention.

America Has Most Expensive Gov | 000. State and local taxes for the ernment System In World, He Says.

(By Sen. Arthur W. Capper.) We Americans are the richest a population of 995,000, state and

people in the world today-and we local taxes were a little more than Also we probably have the most

expensive system of government these days. There are other governments whose peoples are most heavily burdened have had more wars than we have tax burden of 50 years ago, it would had, and are preparing more care-

fully for future wars. A recent report from the industrial conference board shows that in 1922 the people of the United States paid nearly nine and a third billion dollars in taxes to the federal, state and local governments.

The board reports our total tax ing thing in its report, to me, is present bill was 9,289 millions of dollars, to that while the land and tanging put it a little differently.

Yet this huge total does not begin to represent the total of government expenditures. Including expenditures from funds raised by bonds, and from customs duties not included in the taxation report of the board—as I understand that report-the total is more like 12,000 millions of dollars.

But sticking to the lower figures of taxes collected as such, the fact remains that the average family in the United States pays approximately a dollar a day in taxes.

We Americans not only admit we are the richest people in the world; we also believe in our government We believe in it so thoroughly that one in every eleven of our inhabitants, it is figured, is on the public payroll, either part or full time.

In this connection it might be interesting to note that 11 percent of the national incomes goes for

Draw your own conclusions. The comparison is there. Eleven per cent of the national income goes for and I suggest that every man and taxes. Eleven percent of the popula- woman in the land interested in tion is on the payroll. Perhaps we strike a better balance than gen- the country should give it some erally is realized.

Now, if 11 per cent of the national income goes to support the 11 per cent of the population on the government payrolls, this country is rich enough to stand the tax burden, if that tax burden were equit-

ably adjusted. It is not equitably adjusted. Some pay much more than their share of taxation, whether you attempt to measure that share by ability pay or by benefits received from goverment. And some pay much less, measured by the same two yardsticks, in my judgment, should be used in levying and collecting taxes.

It is easier to state the problem than to solve it. Taxes are going to increase, rather than decrease What the government spends the people pay. So when the people demand that the government spend more money, it should not be forgotten that the people must pay.

Schools and highways are not the only government expenditures aside from what used to be included in the cost of government. The federal government contributes funds to assist the business man, through the department of commerce, through the consular and diplomatic services in the state department, through the bureau of standards, through countless other sources.

Through the protective tariff the federal government not only co.lects tariff duties to protect manufacturer and working men against foreign manufacturers and cheap foreign labor-it gives the manufacturer a domestic market in which he can charge higher prices sometimes than the tariff itself would indicate.

Our tremendous natural resources. the energy and genius of our people, are not entirely responsible for American prosperity that is sometimes the despair of the rest of the world. The government has had something to do with it. At least that is what all good protectionists believe, and the results seem to justify their belief.

The farmer has not been the first to demand and receive government aid, not by several jugfuls.

Federal taxes have been slightly reduced, as the tremendous expenses of our latest war are gradually being paid off. But the states have increased their expenditures about 25 per cent and the local tax ing districts, about 20 per cent.

Highways and schools have taken a large share of the increase. Both doubtless good investments, though costing much money. Also and naturally, there has been much extravagance. Economy is hard to practice with one's own money. And public officials spend other folks'

money, not their own. Furthermore, so long as 72 per cent of the federal government's expenditures must go to pay for wars past and future, I can see little hope of any great retrenchment in fed eral expenses. Nor do I look for decrease by states and local taxing units. These are more likely to in crease for reasons already given. But the people do have it in their power to compel state and local governments to distribute the tax bur-

den more equitably. I believe my own state of Kansas is typical of a number of states. Cansas has a population of 1,840,

Late News Mention W. M. U. to Hold Its First Meeting. Two on Sick List. Monthly

current fiscal year were more than (Special to The Star.) 113 million dollars. A tax of \$60 per Trinity, Mar. 13.-Those on the

sick list at this writing are Evie Fifty years ago when Kansas had Lookadoo and Clifford Jolley. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lovelace visited Mrs. Clara Wilson Sunday after-1-2 millions, or \$5.72 per capita

Personally, I believe it worth noon Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence \$54.18 a year more to live in Kansas Bailey, Monday, a fine son. Mrs. J. A. Hollifield is spending If the 113 million dollar state and this week with her mother-in-law local tax burden of Kansas were as

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equitably distributed among the of Chesnee. Mr. and Mrs. K. D. N Jolley, Mr. people and property of Kansas toand Mrs. Clifford Jolley and Miss Malina Jolley visited Mr. and Mrs. Amos Jolley of near Forest City.

Sunday afternoon. The W. M. U. will hold its first meeting Sunday afternoon at 6:30. All members or prospective members are urged to be present.

ageous attempt to solve the tax Our regular monthly singing will problem in that state, recently apbe held Sunday night at 7:30 pointed a tax code commission to o'clock All singers are urged to be study the problem. The most stri :-

Mr. Clarence Boyles of Shelby visited at the home of Mrs. W. W property of Kansas produces not Bridges Tuesday night. more than half of the income of

Trinity Honor Roll the people of Kansas, it pays this First grade: Lucille Alexander. year 84.1 per cent of the total tax Rosa Lee Alexander, Mildred Bostic Clyde Bostic, Claude Bostic, jr. duces nearly half of the income even Marion Callahan, Mae Harris, Wil-Jeanette Beasem, Roy Bridges bur Hollifield, Pansy Pope, Estelle pays a very small fraction of the Vonnie Lee Lovelace, Aileen Bridges, Alton Dixon.

Kansas, and most of the other Second grade: Worth Bridges Roy Bridges, Helen Callahan, Mar, down the burden on the land and Sue Harris, Frances Bridges. tangible property, and shifting a Third grade: Eleanor Bridges

Marjorie Callahan, Alleen Harris, been beaten to death with a hammer. "Princess Lila" Jimerson, producing property-or to income Frances Dixon. Fourth grade: Mildred Harris, Nancy Bowen, accuse each other of the crime. The Indian girl It is an old saying that you can-Anita McClunney, Charles Dobbins,

Evie Lookadoo. might say that by our taxation Fifth grade: Hayward Hollifield, systems we are allowing those of Nell Bostic, Floyd Bridges, Eugene our citizens who get their income Dobbins from intangible property to eat the

Sixth grade: J. D. Callahan Howard Wall. Seventh grade: Lois Bridges.

declare the tax problem than to solve it. But it is a worthwhile job Miss Roberts Music Class Honor Roll the future of their children and of

The following pupils of Miss Mary Adelaide Roberts made the music honor roll during the past month:

Ethel Alexander, Lillian Crow, Sarah Esther Dover, Margaret Ford, Germaine Gold, Earle Hamrick jr., Rebecca Hopper, Sarah Lee Hopper, The Idaho canneries recently Anna Beth Jones, Louise Jones, found that they had a surplus of Marjorie Lutz, Virginia McNeely canned pumpkin on hand. An en-Margaret Louis McNeely, Mary terprising ice cream man invented Margaret Mull, Jeannette Post, Esther Ann Quinn, Edith Reid Ramcome very popular in the Pacific saur, Lalage Sperling, Sarah Thomp Northwest and has apparently come son, Jean Moore Thompson, Fave to stay. It is a golden yellow color Weathers, Ola Weathers, Pantha and those who have eaten it say Weathers, Alleen Webb, Catherine that it is delicate and delicious in Wellmon, Lucille Whisnant, Sarah Harris, Mary Sue Thompson

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written a pleading letter from her jail cell asking for his help.

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Trinity Community Bereaved in Buffale Tragedy UPPER CLEVELAND

Winnie Whisnant Entertains. Personals.

There are several on the sick list. We hope them speedy recovery.

teresting games were enjoyed own little valley. The possessor of a fine tenor voice, he was known

Those present were: Misses Marie throughout the mountains as "the and Dophine Hunt, Lucile, Nina and Singing Elder." Preston Mull, Clem and John Hunt, The application was refused. jr., Allen and Woodrow White, Decatur Pruett, John, Elija and Guy from his pastor, the Rev. Rosier this course were pursued all over Waters, Winze Turner. Everyone Pyle, he appealed against the de- the yarn territory, we would soon present reported a good time. Miss Nevia Lowery spent Tues-

day night with Winnie Whisnant. Miss Jessie Pearl Whisnaut, Lucile and Nina Self attended the singing at Moriah Sunday. Mr. P. M. Whisnant spent Mon-

day night with friends in the Golden Valley section. Mrs. A. A. Whisnant is still im-

proving.

nesday night.

Miss Dophine Hunt and Winnie Whisnant attended the ball game at Shelby Wednesday night. Miss Jessie Pearl Whisnant and Marie Hunt attended a party at the nome of Miss Georgia Bridges Wed-

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Sergeant York Didn't Want To

Lawndale R-1. -Due to the incle- the late Marshal Foch, is recorded went to camp. But it took months ment weather the farmers have as a conscientious objector in the of arguing and reading from the been delayed with their plowing archives of the war department. In his youth he was, to use his go overseas and fight. There was an old time singing denly he abandoned this wild life "Good heavens, if, as a conscienat Moriah Sunday afternoon which completely and forever. Since 1912 tious objector, he whipped a whole a large crowd attended. Miss Winnie Whisnant delight- or even lost his temper. When war would he have done had his heart fully entertained a large crowd of broke out he was working on a farm been in it?" friends Tuesday evening. Many in- and doing Sunday school work in his

Frank Self, Leola and Tilford Price, Then came the war. The big fel-combed yarn spinners of this coun-Clayton, Ophus and Horace Deven- low was not interested. He applied ty when they resolved to adopt the ney, Nevia Towery, Gillie Devenney to the local board for exemption on 55-hour week for daylight work and Jessie Pearl Whisnant, Edith White, the grounds that he was a member the 50-hour week for night work. A. B. Roberson, Marvin Brittain, in good standing of a church which This step, in addition to being more Clarence Parker, John, Hubert and was opposed to war and fighting satisfactory for the labor, will re-

cision. The appeal was denied. For hear less of over-production.

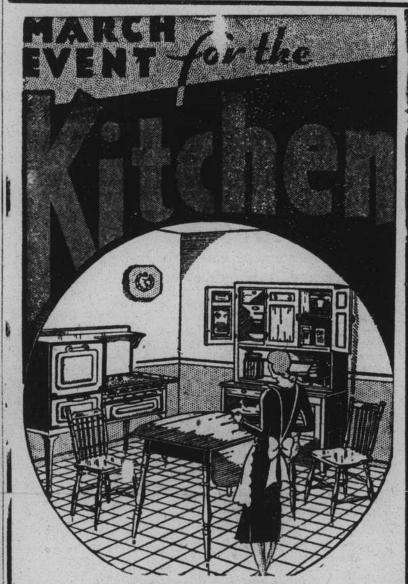
Richmond, Va.,-Sergt. Alvin C | the third time he appealed, and for York, rated as the greatest individ- the third time he was ordered to ual here of the World war, accord- camp. Then Pastor Pyle wrote to ing to Gen. John J. Pershing and President Wilson. In vain. So York Bible to convince him that he should

Fight: Germans Didn't Know It

own words, "hog wild." Then sud- Said one who heard his story: he has never tasted liquor, gambled German machine-gun squad, what

Headed Right.

(From The Gastonia Gazette.) One of the most significant moves. made in many days was that of the duce the amount of yarns on the Armed with two affidavits, one market from 13 to 15 per cent. If



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