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Democratic Efficiency.

Jefferson City, Mo., January 19.—Some more democratic efficiency is emphatically demonstrated by the 1919 contributions of Secretary of State John L. Sullivan to the state treasury, totaling \$1,987,945.85, a gain of \$392,680 over the collections of 1918 when the total aggregated \$1,595,265, and fully \$937,858 over the collections of 1917 when the total reached \$1,050,087. All previous high achievements in annual collections of past years were broken by this financial coup d'état. It is a record the citizens of Missouri have reasons to be proud of especially since \$1,725,076.70, representing the collections of the State Automobile Department, will be divided for good road work among the 114 counties of the state and the city of St. Louis. The gain over the total derived from this source during 1918, which was \$1,394,762.19, is fully \$330,314. The gain over the collection of 1917 which totaled \$617,942, was \$1,107,134, a gain of nearly twice the size of the sum collected that year. In three years Secretary Sullivan, through the licensing of automobiles, has substantially furthered the building of good roads in Missouri by turning over for distribution among the counties a total of \$3,737,780, derived solely from this source. In the same three years all revenue and good road funds collections of Secretary of State Sullivan have totaled \$4,633,321.63. Besides the huge and record-breaking 1919 collections of the automobile department there was derived that year from the good road corporations fund an additional \$78,075.40; semi-annual fund, \$4,178.60; incorporation taxes, \$152,361.25; notary commissions, \$15,080; Secretary of State fees \$10,570.85; from the sale of law volumes, \$1,566.65; and from Land Department fees, \$1,036.40. These sums, with the \$1,725,076.70 from the automobile licensing department added, bring the total 1919 collections of Secretary Sullivan up to \$1,987,945.85.

This 1919 record-breaking financial accomplishment of Secretary of State Sullivan, and the additional one of Governor Frederick D. Gardner in paying off in two years a deficit of \$2,250,000, dating back many years, but which indebtedness assumed large and alarming proportions during the four year period, commencing with 1909 when Republican officials were in power and ran the affairs of the state with a high hand, are two achievements in finances which go to establish the efficiency of these two state officials and constitute ample reasons why Democratic rule is highly beneficial to the people of Missouri.

The year 1920 opened for Missouri with all regular state government obligations of past years paid and a surplus in the State Treasury of over \$870,000 with which to favorably commence the new epoch in the financial history of the state, a condition chiefly due to efficiency and business administration of the affairs of the State on the part of Missouri's government, F. D. Gardner, Secretary of State John L. Sullivan, and State Treasurer George A. Middlekamp, three democratic officials elected in 1916 to accomplish the very task they have just completed, but it was done in three years instead of four, and therefore a year ahead of the time really allotted by the people to perfect this tremendous coup de grace.

Federal Income Tax.

The Federal Income Tax season opens today, with the distribution of the forms for personal returns from the offices of Collector of Internal Revenue George H. Moore. From now on until the bell rings on the night of March 15th, the annual returns covering income for 1919 will be figured out and filed by citizens and residents, together with payments of tax due.

The burden of fulfilling this obligation is laid by law squarely on the shoulders of those who are American citizens or residents. Every person must determine for himself whether his net income for 1919, figured according to the Revenue Law, was sufficient to in amount to require a return.

If he is single, a return is required if his net income for 1919 was \$1000 or over. A widow or widower is classed as a single person. A man or woman living apart from his wife or husband is classed as a single person. If he was married and living with his wife on December 31, a return is required if his net income for 1919 was \$2000 or more. In his net income he must include that of his wife and minor children, if any.

If a tax is due on his income, he must make payment with his return.

This payment may be made in whole or in part of the tax due. At least one quarter of the tax must accompany the return. The filing and paying must be done before midnight of March 15th, or he is classed as a delinquent and is subject to severe penalties.

Two forms are being distributed for personal returns. Form 1040A is intended for use by a person whose net income does not exceed \$5000. A larger form, 1040, is intended for each person having a net income in excess of \$5000. Both of these forms are now obtainable at Internal Revenue Offices and at some banks and post-offices.

It is urged by the Internal Revenue Bureau that taxpayers obtain their blanks at once. Failure to have a blank form at hand for an eleventh hour return will not relieve a person of penalty for failure to comply with the law. Each form contains instructions for preparing and filing the return and these should be carefully and strictly observed.

There is also provided a "work sheet" which should be used for making the original computations, and which should be retained and preserved by the taxpayer.

Any person who is in doubt on points affecting his particular case, should bring such matters to the attention of the nearest Deputy Collector or Revenue Agent who will render every necessary aid without charge. When the return is completed it should be properly executed and immediately filed. Any Internal Revenue Officer will administer the necessary oath without charge. It is pointed out that accuracy in compiling the return is absolutely necessary, mere guesses and estimates as to income and deductions should be avoided, and actual facts and amounts should be set forth. And this is equally important in considering the question of whether a return is required.

Early Potatoes a Money Crop.

Many growers in Missouri are finding that early Irish potatoes are a profitable crop to grow for the local market or to ship. Growers should remember that a large part of the success of the potato crop depends on getting an early start, so that the crop is well along toward maturity before hot weather, according to J. T. Ross Jr., of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture. The Missouri early potato crop should be ready to go to market by July first, thus following up the shipments of early or "new" potatoes from the South, and preceding the crop in more Northern sections.

The latter part of March is the ideal planting time. Early Ohio and Irish Cobbler have been found the best varieties in our Experiment Station tests, while most strains of the Bliss Triumph have proved unsatisfactory. Commercial fertilizers have also proved to be an important means of increasing potato yields. A complete fertilizer will probably produce the greatest increase in yields, but acid phosphate alone produces very marked results. Plenty of seed should be used, it pays to cut the seed pieces so that the individual piece weighs at least one ounce or more. Small whole tubers, taken from otherwise healthy Northern grown seed, or from fall home-grown seed, have been found to produce a good crop if planted early.

In Memoriam.

The Angel of Death took a mother away when on December 25th, 1919, Mrs. Wm. Lewis passed to the Great Beyond, aged 79 years, 10 months and 11 days. She had been ailing for a great while, the death of her son, some months previous, was a shock to the frail body. She continued to grow weaker, and in the Evening of Life, she was ready.

She was a member of the Baptist church for many years and her Christian faith was manifested to do His bidding.

Besides her husband and three children, who have preceded her in death, she is survived by seven sons, two daughters, fifty-one grandchildren, twenty-seven great grandchildren, and a host of friends to mourn her departure. Our earthly loss is her heavenly gain.

Dear mother, how we shall miss you when we return to the vacant home, made brighter by your presence, for she always greeted us at the door, but she has traveled to that land from which no traveler returns.

All her children were with her when the Holy Hand of Death took from them a priceless treasure, Mother. She was of a quiet, lovable disposi-

tion and devoted herself to her home.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Fulton, and she was laid to rest in the Des Arc cemetery to await the Resurrection Morn.

A noble life, but written not
In any book of fame;
Among the list of noted ones
None saw her name;
For only her household knew
The victories she had won,
And none but them can testify
How well her work was done.

She always made home happy,
What a beautiful record left
A legacy of memory sweet,
To those she left bereft;
And what testimony given
By those who knew her best
Engraven on memory's stone
That mark'd dear mother's rest.

Not now, but in coming years
We'll read the meaning of our tears,
And there, sometime, we'll understand,
God knows the way, He holds the

key,
He guides us with unerring hand,
Sometimes, with tearless eyes, we'll
see.

Yes, there, up there, we'll understand!
A GRANDDAUGHTER.

MR. HOTSON COMES TO THE FRONT

Tells His Friends and Neighbors of His Experience.

Every Ironton resident should read what Mr. Hotson says and follow his example. He has used Doan's Kidney Pills and speaks from experience. Is there any need to experiment with imitations or untried kidney medicines?

R. Hotson, Russell st., Ironton, says: "I suffered severely from kidney four years ago. When the kidney secretions were passing, they pained terribly and I had aches through my sides, hips and over my kidneys. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they relieved the aches and pains."

Nearly five years later Mr. Hotson added: "Doan's Kidney Pills always help me when my kidneys get out of order and they are the best kidney medicine I have ever taken. I am always glad to recommend them."

Price, 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Hotson had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

Weather Report.

Meteorological Report of Cooperative Observer at Ironton, Iron County, Mo., for the week ending Monday, January 19, 1920:

Days of Week.	Temperature		Precipitation
	Highest	Lowest	
Tuesday.....	13	47	12
Wednesday.....	14	49	17
Thursday.....	15	50	19
Friday.....	16	53	33
Saturday.....	17	37	24
Sunday.....	18	43	20
Monday.....	19	57	21

NOTE.—The precipitation includes rain, hail, sleet and melted snow, and is recorded in inches and hundredths. Ten inches of snow equal one inch of rain. "T" indicates trace of precipitation. ARCADIA COLLEGE Observer.

Getting Over the Difficulty.

Two little boys, James, 5, and Alex, 4, went to their aunt's house and she had always given them something to eat. This time, however, she had forgotten and as they were leaving Alex said to James: "Ask me if I am hungry?"

Revolutionary Congress.

There was no United States government until after the adoption of the federal Constitution in 1789, and the congress in existence during the Revolutionary war was the continental congress of the colonies.

Hog Island.

Hog Island was a swamp of waste land when the great war came. The name has been attached to it since early days when it was occupied by Indians, but the exact reason for its naming is obscure.

Most Valuable Building.

The Equitable Life Insurance building of New York city has an assessed value of \$25,000,000, which is the largest tax value placed on any building.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Hall's Catarrh Medicine has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts thru the Blood on the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison from the Blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Medicine for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Medicine at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Advertisement.

SPECIAL SALE

—AT—

Gay & Kindell Mercantile Company

—OF—

The Lucy Stock

6 DAYS From Feb. 2d 6 DAYS To Feb. 7th 6 DAYS

- Three lb. Can of Hominy, per Can, 8 1-3
- Two lb. Can Baked Beans, per Can, 10
- Baking Powder, Two Cans, 15
- Arm and Hammer Soda, Two lbs., 15
- Rumford's Calumet and Rizon B. P., 2 lbs for.. 55
- Apple Butter, per Can, 05
- Best Tomato Catsup, per Bottle, 10
- Canned Corn, or Peas, per Can, 15
- Canned Milk, Large Size, per Can, 15
- Two lb. Can Red Kidney Beans, per Can, 10
- Gallon Cans Sorghum Molasses, per Can, 75
- Gallon Cans Dark Syrup, per Can, 85
- Gallon Cans White Syrup, per Can, 90

"SOAPS SPECIALLY PRICED."

- Palm Olive Soap, 3 Bars for 25
- Coco Castile Soap, 2 Bars for 05
- Lenox Soap, per Bar, 05
- Crystal White Soap, per Bar, 07
- Search Light Matches, per Box, 05
- Navy Beans, per lb., 10
- Pinto Beans, per lb., 05
- Our 40 Cent Coffee, 3 lbs. for \$1.00
- Our 30 Cent Coffee, 4 lbs. for \$1.00
- PURE LARD 27¹/₂¢ PER LB., BY CAN OR TUB.
- "Aristo" Hard Wheat Flour, per 100 lbs., \$7.25
- "Extra" Good Soft Wheat Flour, per 100 lbs., \$6.25
- Bran, per 100 lbs., \$2.50
- Shiptstuff, per 100 lbs., \$3.25

Remember the Time--From Feb. 2 to Feb. 7, 1920

HOT-TIME

Minstrels

Friday, February 6

DANCE AFTER THE SHOW