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SECOND CLASS RATES MAY BE REDUCED

The house committee on post-offices is holding hearings upon a bill introduced by Representative Clyde Kelley, republican of Pennsylvania, which would give relief to newspapers by reducing postal rates which were imposed upon second class mail matter under the war revenue act of 1917. In speaking of his bill which would repeal the last five of four increases in postal rates made under the war revenue act of 1917, Representative Kelley says:

The present postage rates on newspapers and publications were fixed in the war revenue law passed in 1917 and are 75 per cent higher than the 1916 rates. Every one of the items named in that war measure, with the exception of the tax on second class mail matter, has been modified or repealed.

The old rate was one cent a pound on second class matter. The new system divided the country into zones and fixed the postage rate on advertising portion of a newspaper or other periodical as high as 10 cents a pound to the eighth zone. These high rates tend to break up the country into sections and to encourage provincialism and discourage nationalism.

Abstract inconsistencies have followed in the train of this arbitrary and unscientific classification. For instance, an individual may send a newspaper in separate wrapper as third class mail more cheaply than the publisher can mail it himself in a large shipment. A ten-pound package of feathers occupying a large space can be sent fourth class at about half the cost of sending a 10-pound package of newspapers which requires very little space.

ECONOMY PROGRAM

"The economy program," Secretary of Labor Davis announces, "which is being carried out in other government departments is also in full force in the department of labor." As an example of the economies which are being effected in the labor department, Secretary Davis calls attention to the fact that in the bureau of immigration alone there will be a saving this year over last year of approximately \$625,000. This saving is on the basis of a \$4,000,000 appropriation and it represents a reduction in expenses of this one bureau of more than 16 per cent.

BONANZA ACKNOWLEDGES MECHANICAL ERROR

There is an iron-clad rule in existence by the Associated Press that only articles prepared by the association shall carry the A. P. credit line. Recently there appeared in the Bonanza an article with a Washington date line giving Senator Oldie credit for certain accomplishments. This news item was sent out from Washington and the Associated Press was not responsible, although through an error in the mechanical department of this office, the Associated Press was given credit. We hasten to make the correction that all our readers may be advised that the article was furnished by our special representative in the nation's capital.

LABOR CONDITIONS

Reports from every section of the country agree that there is a decided improvement in industrial conditions. According to reports of the department of labor the average monthly earnings of steel workers has increased more than 5 per cent during the past month and that of automobile workers has also increased 5 per cent. The report covered 113 steel plants and 50 automobile plants. The increases are the result of longer operation of plants and more days put in by workers rather than because of any increase in rate of pay. The longer operations are due necessarily to an increase in business.

RENTS REDUCED

The public building commission, composed of members of the senate and the house of representatives, issued a report which shows a reduction in public expenditures for rentals of office space in the District of Columbia from \$1,113,897 to \$496,373, an annual saving of \$617,524. The commission announces that contemplated transfers of government buildings from privately owned buildings where they are now housed to buildings owned by the government will result in an additional annual saving of approximately \$100,000. This will bring the annual expenditures of the federal government for rental charges for private buildings in the District of Columbia well under \$400,000 a year. It is the purpose of the government to house all of its agencies in public owned buildings in the District of Columbia and a housing program having that in view is now being worked out.

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PUBLIC EXPENSES BEING REDUCED

A comparative analysis of government expenditures for the last few years shows that under the present administration the expenses of the government are getting back to normal. This analysis has been made by Representative Martin B. Madden, chairman of the house committee on appropriations who probably is the best informed man in the country regarding public expenditures.

The analysis shows the routine expenses of the government in 1919 were \$19,040,000,000. These expenses were appropriated by a democratic congress upon estimates submitted to it by the democratic administrative officers.

The cost of running the government in 1920 was reduced to \$6,150,000,000. A very large percentage of this drop in running was due to the fact that the republican congress elected in 1918 mercilessly slashed the requests for appropriations submitted to it in December, 1919 by the democratic cabinet officers and other democratic executives. For the year 1921 there was a further reduction in government expenses to five billion five hundred million. For the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, the routine expenses of the government will approximate \$3,947,000,000. This reduction is credited to the action of the republican executives and the republican congress working together to effect a program of economy in public expenditures.

For the fiscal year beginning July 1 next, it is estimated the expenses of the government will approximate \$3,650,000,000. This will be about the minimum of public expenditures for a period of years. Before the war, as for example the year 1916, the annual expenses of the government were about a billion two hundred fifty million. The war period added approximately two billion to the annual fixed charges of the government. These fixed charges include the billion annual interest on the twenty-three billion public debt, which the democratic administration piled up during the war. It also includes the expenses connected with the care of ex-service men, cost of hospitalization, vocational training, etc. It also includes the money raised by taxation which is set by as a sinking fund to repay the liberty and victory bonds when they become due. It is impossible to dispense with any of this two billion extra cost until the public debt is so materially reduced that the interest charges will be appreciably lower.

FIGHTING ORGANIZATION

Pinchot's primary expenses in the recent Pennsylvania election for the nomination to the governorship ran to more than \$93,000. It is a huge sum but there is no suggestion that any of it was improperly or illegally spent. Pinchot was making a fight against the organization. He had to get in touch with the individual. It cost a great deal of money to conduct such a campaign, too much money, Pinchot had it to spend. He spent it. The conclusion of the Public Ledger and of such newspapers is that he spent it in be-

half of good government and for the popular rule.

In the late presidential campaign for the republican nomination the heavy spenders lost. Wood's and Lowden's expense bills were enormous. Johnson's ran beyond the \$200,000 mark. Yet none of them were successful.

But to make an uphill primary fight requires heavy expenditures usually. The mailing list that should send one letter to every voter in Iowa would at a 5-cent cost run into \$30,000 or more. Halls to be hired, traveling expenses, all that go with a hard primary fight make it easy to spend \$50,000—Marshalltown, Iowa Times-Republican.

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