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Preus' Tax Achievement.

The Republican State machine stands upon a shaky leg when it comes to any reduction in taxes for people of the state. Governor Preus in his New Ulm speech Friday evening declared that the people have been relieved of any direct taxes for maintaining the state government. Farmers and business men cannot see any advantage in this for their taxes are now heavier than they ever were before.

Having declared that the people were not paying direct taxes for state support, the Governor immediately passes the buck for tax reduction to counties and municipalities which receive direct taxes.

To clear up the Governor's position we quote from the following editorial of the Minnesota Daily Star which analyzes a statement about taxes prepared by the Republican committee:

"Fortunately, the republican state central campaign committee answers the tax question for the voters of Minnesota in a little pamphlet, entitled 'About Your Taxes,' it is circulating gratis throughout the state. Every voter should get one and read it.

One of the first things that will impress the reader is that, despite the republican campaign statement, the average citizen's total taxes are increasing all the time, and were never higher than now.

This little piece of machine propaganda shows that total tax levy for all purposes in the state of Minnesota in 1920 was \$116,720,461.03, and in 1921, \$115,818,877.98, and the average rate increased from 52.43 mills to 52.67 mills. The tax levy has increased from \$38,631,288.24 to \$115,818,877.98 during the 10 years from 1912 to 1922. During this period, according to this booklet, wealth increased 51.28 per cent, and taxes 199.81. Tax Commissioner Armon says the increase was 220 per cent. The owner of a 160-acre farm paid on his holdings in 1912, \$39.91, and in 1922, \$112.14 says the pamphlet.

Manifestly, the republican machine has not succeeded in modifying the great question of general taxes. They go right on increasing all the time. Then, what has it done?

The booklet explains that this increase comes almost entirely from increases in local taxes of all kinds, and that it is not responsible for that. Just how it manages to whittle down taxes to the point where its responsibilities and 'achievements' begin, is extremely interesting. It consists in segregating and whitening down what it is pleased to class exclusively state taxes which it calls 'the tax for general revenue fund purposes,' and it shows that this is being paid this year as Governor Preus states in his keynote address, as follows:

"The entire cost of state government and state institutions was paid for out of taxes collected from corporations, such as the gross earnings tax on railroads and other public service corporations and departmental fees."

"The entire cost of state government" rolled in the mouth of Preus, the orator on the platform, becomes "the tax for general revenue fund purposes" when it is "explained" in the official literature of the republican campaign committee. When it is explained nearly all away, the microscopic residue is what is left when nearly 10 million dollars for various state purposes, including schools, roads and bridges, forest fire relief, university and seven other state items, are pared from it. After all this is done the magnificent sum of \$1,680,668.07 is left to represent the "entire cost of state government" which will be operated without direct taxes this year.

How this wonderful 'achievement' was put over, is described in the campaign booklet as follows:

"At the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, there was a balance in the general revenue fund of the state of \$7,193,782.91. During the 10 years preceding, the general revenue fund tax levy had brought into the state treasury each year on the average \$2,877,162.85. The 1921 legislature took from the general revenue fund for the payment of the soldiers' bonus \$2,000,000. To care for any possible shortage or overdraft, as a result of its act, the legislature authorized the state treasurer to borrow from other funds without interest, for the benefit of the general revenue fund \$3,000,000. The state, therefore, has as a protection against any shortage resulting from the elimination of the general revenue fund tax levy a \$7,000,000 surplus and

a \$3,000,000 borrowing power. The state auditor, therefore, for the first time in 64 years of statehood found it possible to dispense entirely with the tax for revenue fund purposes."

This boast is followed by the following significant statement:

"The fact that the tax has been eliminated for the present year is not at all conclusive evidence that it can be eliminated next year, or any year, but Minnesota is fortunate indeed that it could be eliminated one year when taxes are so high and money so hard to get."

The immensity of the "achievement," is indicated by this statement which occurs a little further on:

"During his last year as state auditor Governor Preus reduced the state tax levy for general revenue purposes to .8 of one mill."

The great Preus tax achievement consists in the fact that Preus, the governor, eliminated this .8 of a mill from the state taxes by reaching his hands down into a surplus that had accumulated for 10 years and taking from it. Upon this slender issue he asks that he and his machine be re-elected."

Preus Would Abridge Liberty.

Led by Chief Justice Calvin Brown of the state supreme court, guiding spirit in Governor Preus' handpicked crime commission created for the purpose of foisting on this state a Cossack police force, a drive is on foot to remove some of the century-old safeguards about persons accused of crime, and to make convictions more certain.

This drive is symptomatic of what is taking place throughout the country; what is transpiring in Minnesota, is happening in practically every state of the union. The old, fundamental American principle that it is better that 100 guilty men escape than one innocent man be made to suffer is being reversed.

This growing attitude and impatience with persons accused of crime, whether rightly or wrongly, is a psychological outgrowth of present-day conditions. With the sharpening of the economic struggle, with wealth becoming more and more concentrated in the hands of a few people, opportunity for success and advancement for the average individual is becoming correspondingly less. This naturally and inevitably results in an increase in crime, since a greater number lose confidence in their abilities to reach the positions in life desired.

The defenders of the status quo, those who believe in the relationships in the economic world as they exist, either because they are afraid or do not want to analyze conditions from the standpoint of cause and defect, or because of lack of intelligence—pure ignorance—are dealing with sophistries when they give their reasons for increase in crime. Their cures, based on false premises, cannot possibly solve the situation. It is a form of hysteria based on intolerance, but a hysteria, if it succeeds in accomplishing its purposes, which will seriously abridge the liberties of all the people.

It is refreshing to note that some officials rise above the hypocrisy of Preus, Justice Brown and that clique, and are raising their voices of protest against removing the safeguards thrown about a person accused of crime, despite the loud mouthings of these reactionary politicians.

Referring to some of the changes recommended by Justice Brown, who, in the matter, appears to be acting in concert with Preus, Floyd B. Olson, county attorney of Hennepin county, recently said:

"These changes might be all right if they worked against the professional criminal alone. Too many safeguards cannot be thrown about a person accused of crime to prevent a possible miscarriage of justice. The state, with its great wealth and resources, has an advantage anyway over the person accused of crime, which more than overcomes the safeguards the law supplies the defendant. I believe that the man accused of crime is entitled to the 'edge.'"

It is rather significant that Governor Preus did not include either Mr. Olson or the prosecuting attorney of Ramsey county, the prosecutors of the two largest counties in the state from a criminal standpoint, on his so-called crime commission. Can it possibly be because both of these prosecutors have expressed themselves as opposed to Preus' state constabulary hobby.

Shipstead Scores McAdoo.

William G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury and director general of railroads, has been in Minnesota urging progressives to support the Democratic candidates. In view of the fact that the Democratic party received but 80,000 votes out of 780,000 in the state at the last election, and that the really progressive Farmer-Labor candidates secured 281,000 votes, Mr. McAdoo's advice is preposterous. It is evident that the Republican machine can never be defeated by the small faction which constitutes the Democratic party. To vote for the Democrats in an effort to overthrow Republicans is but throwing votes away and aiding the machine to continue its control of Minnesota.

Dr. Henrik Shipstead, Farmer-

Labor candidate for United States senator, scored Mr. McAdoo in an open letter last week for his attempts to secure progressive support for the Democrats. Dr. Shipstead's letter follows:

"I note press reports of your statement that progressives should vote for Mrs. Olesen because she is backed by an old party organization. Old party affiliation is not an asset in this campaign. The progressive forces who have been fighting the battles of the people against the forces of privilege in Minnesota have no more confidence in the Democratic party than in the Republican party as at present controlled. The government was not sold on the election block for the first time in the election of Newberry. The Democrats sold it to the war grafters and profiteers during the war. Both the Republican and Democratic parties sold the government and the people to the Esch-Cummings railroad law.

"The period of inflation which has ruined the commerce of the country and bankrupted 75 per cent of the farmers was started under the Democratic administration and is being finished under a Republican administration and both must be held responsible. The criminal looting of the federal treasury by the war grafters while you were its secretary is one of the blackest pages in American history. Progressives, irrespective of party, can see no difference in the recent performances of the two old parties. They have worked for the same master. They work in different shifts except in case of emergency when they combine their efforts in behalf of Wall street. The Democrats worked the war shifts. The Republicans are now working the reconstruction shift. Both mean destruction to the country.

"This fight is not a party fight; it is a fight to preserve the last vestige of what we consider American ideals from destruction by the old party machines who have been selling the government and people to the large corporations, war grafters and profiteers. The paramount issue is to restore business and disintegrate America from the terrible European mess that both Republican and Democratic administrations have gotten us into. The best way to accomplish this is to vote for a candidate who has pledged himself to that end.

"Yours truly,
"Henrik Shipstead."

Leaders Are Frightened.

Startled by the realization that the defeat of Senator Kellogg is not only a possibility but a probability, Republican machine politicians, who, a few weeks ago said there was "nothing to it but Kellogg," have instituted an intensive campaign to put their candidates for senator and governor across.

Senator Kellogg himself, who proved a disappointment from the standpoint of attracting crowds, despite the assistance of brass bands and jazz as well as martial and patriotic music, has returned to the platform after announcing withdrawal from active campaigning "to help the farmers market their potatoes," which he did not accomplish even at present ruinous prices created by the very people he represents.

In this new burst of campaigning, Kellogg has the support of such men as the somersaulting Senator Capper, the man who can come into Minnesota and urge election of Colonel Brookhart, and also Senator Lenroot, who assisted Senator Robert LaFollette obtain the majority of 220,000 by appearing against him on the public platform.

A defense of the Harding administration, with praise for the notorious Esch-Cummings bill and the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill, both passed in the interest of big business at the expense of the great mass of people, is the recommendation these gentlemen give to Minnesota's junior senator. They also tell what a great friend of the farmer Kellogg is and the wonderful things that Kellogg has done to "put the farmer on his feet." The farmers know what Kellogg and the discredited Republican administration have done to them. Mortgaged farms tell the story.

Of special significance is the fact that these speakers spend their energy attacking Henrik Shipstead, the Farmer-Labor candidate, using the same old smoke screen of calling him "the radical candidate." Little if any attention is paid to the Democratic candidate.

This bears out the contention that the Republican machine politicians know that Shipstead is the only candidate that Kellogg need fear, and brings to bold relief the hypocrisy and willful campaign of misrepresentation to create the impression that the fight is between Kellogg and Mrs. Olesen. But this campaign has proven a hoax and is being dropped.

The chances for a progressive victory in the senatorial campaign are becoming brighter daily. This fact is seen not only in the restlessness of machine politicians, but in the sentiment of the great mass of people themselves, as expressed on street corners and at political meetings.

Never in the history of a Republican campaign in Minnesota have the machine candidates been received with such "coldness" by the audiences.

Progressive meetings, on the contrary, have been spirited and enthusiastic. It begins to look very much like the people are getting wise to the old line of bunk, hypocrisy and prevarication peddled by demagogues like Kellogg, Preus and the "gang."

Steel Trust Aids Its Party.

The United States Steel Corporation, commonly and accurately known as the "Steel Trust," has actively entered the present Congressional campaign in behalf of the Republican party by reprinting and broadcasting a speech by Representative Will R. Wood of Indiana, Chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee. The subject of Republican Chairman Wood's speech is: "United States Steel: A Corporation with a Soul."

The speech is a fulsome eulogy of the Steel Trust delivered by Mr. Wood in the House of Representatives on June 23 last, in which he compares the Steel Trust organization to that of the government of the United States. He might have gone further and stated that sometimes the Steel Trust in its exercise of power exceeds that of the United States, certainly with respect to the Clayton law and the Sherman law concerning unfair competition and monopoly.

Since Mr. Wood's eulogy was delivered the Federal Trade Commission has declared that the proposed steel merger would be a violation of law, constituting an unfair method of competition and tending to create a monopoly. This followed the passage of a Senate resolution for an inquiry into the proposed merger.

Since Republican Chairman Wood's eulogy, the Steel Trust has advanced prices of rails \$3 to \$43 a ton, while the average price of fourteen leading steel products has advanced more than \$8 a ton since last February.

This beneficent, philanthropic Trust is one of 1,000 corporations which made more than \$19,000,000,000 during the war after paying excess profits taxes. The Republican Congress of which Chairman Wood is a shining light, has since relieved these corporations and others, which made all told \$30,000,000,000 during the war, of their excess profits tax. Fifty representatives of the steel industry have also had the high honor of dining at the White House to discuss the question of why they work their employees twelve hours per day.

It should be remembered that Chairman Wood represents a Congressional district, in which the main plant of the Steel Trust is located. Whether the circulation of Chairman Wood's speech by the Steel Trust is to further the proposed steel merger, which Mr. Wood highly approves, or whether it is to express gratitude for the relief of its excess profits taxes, or whether it wishes to continue in Congress such a powerful friend and advocate as the Chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee, is a matter of opinion.

Cat Creeps Out Of Bag.

Every once in a while the cat creeps out of the bag and the truth is made known.

Now comes Frank A. Munsey, prominent New York publisher, and says that the Republican and Democratic parties should unite into one political party "because there is not a great deal of difference between these parties anyway these days," and that, after all, the country divides on the issue of conservatism versus progressivism—radicalism he calls it.

That the Republican and Democratic parties are tarred with the same stick has been known to most of us—except before election time—for a considerable time. Wherever and whenever a third progressive party becomes powerful enough to seriously threaten the dominance of the old parties, or even where a progressive element obtains control of either of the old parties, the Republican and Democratic standpatters unite against the "common enemy."

There is no great imminent "danger" that the two parties nationally will formally combine into one organization to clarify the issue for the benefit of the people of the United States. It is still politically advantageous to the reactionaries to maintain the two parties as separate political entities to confuse the voters by throwing up a smoke screen. It is only when defeat threatens both by their common enemy, the progressives, that a combination is deemed expedient.

An inventor has combined a calendar and savings bank in such a way that the dates can be changed only by the insertion of coins.

15ct.

Saturday, October 28, is Chocolate Drop day.

These Chocolates are cream centers. You will like them.

You know the quality of our candy.

Saturday on Sale per Pound 15c.

Wonder Store

WHO'S WHO AMONG THE POLITICIANS.

About the last of the political candidates announce their intentions this week for there is but a short time left before the date that will settle the question of who's going to be who. If you will turn to page 7 of this paper you will see presented there the names and many of the faces of those who are asking your support.

Among the new ones shown there this week, we mention first the one and only lady candidate for office in this county, Mrs. Jennie Frederickson, who is asking the voters to elect her to the office of Superintendent of schools. Mrs. Frederickson is the widow of the late Adolph Frederickson, formerly County Attorney of Brown County. She is quite well known among the women who take an interest in problems outside of their homes as she has been an active church and Sunday school worker. Quite a number of counties have elected women superintendents of schools and Mrs. Frederickson feels that she can successfully handle the work that will be required of her. She is opposing Robert Bruce Kennedy, the present incumbent, who also makes his announcement this week.

Mr. Kennedy needs no introduction to the voters for he is probably as well known to all of them as any man in public life in this county. Mr. Kennedy has been a very good official and has given, so far as we know, entire satisfaction. Those who decide to give their vote to the opposing candidate will do so, not from dissatisfaction with Mr. Kennedy's record, but rather from a desire to give Mrs. Frederickson their friendly support. To us it looks as tho the votes would be cast in this contest chiefly as friendship dictates.

The two candidates for the office of county commissioner in the third district, Rudolph Marti and Theo. Mueller, both make their announcements this week. The office they seek is the one left vacant by the death of the late Henry J. Meyer. Mr. Mueller was the candidate chosen by Mayor Fritzsche but was opposed by the chairman of the town board of Millard. Mr. Mueller won out in the primaries against a number of other candidates. Mr. Marti is a member of the firm of Eastman, Marti & Brandl, who was also chosen at the primaries to make the race.

Fred Christiansen, present register of deeds, announces this week his desire to retain the office. Altogether in making the announcement, Mr. Christiansen has been making an active campaign against his opponent, Mr. Smaul. It is expected that the contest will be close for this office.

C. W. Hose of Lenmon, S. D., son of our townsmen, Martin Hose, sends the Review a copy of the Lenmon Tribune, which tells of exciting times in that vicinity. The excitement is about oil, and it seems that large development companies are again at work drilling for oil after months of inactivity. Two locations in the vicinity of Lenmon are the scene of feverish haste as new machinery is being installed and rumors are thick as flies in summer time. Confidence in the possibilities which the land holds has returned as the crews get ready for work and no doubt there will be another oil rush. Interest is keen all over the country in the findings of this section.

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AT

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Eleven members of the Brown County Chester White Breeders Association have consigned their choice offering to this sale which will be one of the best of its kind. Now is your chance to get a good herd boar.

DON'T FORGET THE DATE

Tuesday, October 31st.

Overcoat Sale

AT

Emil Metzinger & Co.

All Wool Heavy
Overcoats
at only
\$13.75
and upwards

Fur Collared
Overcoats
and Leather Lined
Overcoats at only
\$16.75
and upwards

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The Greatest Fun Producing Entertainment Ever Shown in New Ulm.

NEW ULM ARMORY OCT. 31 and NOV. 1

Committee In Charge Has Wonderful Program of Entertainments

The most gorgeous and elaborate carnival decorations ever attempted, will be seen at the American Legion Hi Jinks, when they open their second annual indoor carnival, October 31 and November 1, at the New Ulm Armory. No expense has been spared and for those artistically inclined, the decorations will be worth many times the small price asked for admission. Japanese lanterns, thousands of balloons, streamers and special confetti arrangements, will add color and amusement. Lerchen's orchestra will furnish the music. Those, whose eyes are sore, and whose necks are craned, will find relaxation in Monte Carlo. This carnival is mostly local talent and run for pleasure only. Don't feel ashamed if you get ten times your money's worth.

Popularity Contest One Of Big Features At Legion Carnival

A \$50.00 Ladies White Gold Wrist Watch will be given to the Lady receiving the largest number of votes of all candidates.

Two group prizes of a Pearl Necklace each will also be given away free.

The first group prize will be given to the Lady receiving the largest number of votes outside of the CITY OF NEW ULM, MINN.

The second group prize will be given to the lady receiving the second largest number of votes of all candidates.

NO TWO PRIZES TO GO TO THE SAME CANDIDATE.

How to Become a Winner in This Contest

At the bottom of this "ad" will be found two coupons. One is the nomination blank and entitles the candidate to 100 FREE VOTES. ONLY ONE BLANK TO EACH CANDIDATE.

The other coupon with 1,000 entitles candidates to 500 VOTES.

Tickets will be sold by the contestants at \$1.00 which are good for 100 votes and in addition admit purchaser free to the carnival and entitle purchaser to \$1.00 worth of coupons for the various Carnival attractions.

Further information and tickets may be had by applying to Waldemar Jankke, chairman of committee on arrangements.

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Miss _____

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Is hereby Nominated as a Candidate in the Popularity Contest.

THIS COUPON AND \$1.00 GOOD FOR 500 VOTES.

Name _____

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