

IRRESPONSIBLE TAX REDUCTION An Editorial

Everyone, needless to say, would like to pay less in taxes. But not everyone believes that tax reduction now, in the light of current conditions, makes sense.

President Charles B. Shuman of the American Farm Bureau Federation is among them. Speaking before the Federation's annual convention, he expressed the opinion that tax reduction without a reduction in government spending would be irresponsible.

Attractive as a tax reduction is, this point of view must be given full consideration. It is true that some top officials of the government who are concerned with tax policy, now argue that deficits are not necessarily breeders of inflation.

Perhaps this is the answer if the politicians will listen to it!

Borrowed Editorial — The Hilton Record Know-How Can Cut Tax Waste

The old "public be damned" attitude of American business in this century's early decades cost businessmen, and the average taxpayer, much more than most realized.

With local government activities in the U. S. continuing to reach new expense records this year, the time was never more crucial for the nation's businessmen—equipped with both administrative know-how and an acute dollar-sense—to step in and put public affairs on a truly business basis.

What happens when an industrialist is encouraged to divert his talents from company to community? A very current example is taking place in Illinois where multimillionaire Arnold H. Maremont, head of Maremont Corporation and several other giant firms, recently was persuaded by the governor to help solve one of the state's most chronic problems—the high cost of public aid.

What Maremont saw was a vast relief program tending to the needs of 425,000 recipients whose numbers have been growing at the rate of 17,764 per year, and a biennial cost to the taxpayer that has leaped from \$275,635,000 to \$705,000,000 in the past decade.

To begin the overhaul, he first established a special investigation unit, headed by a former FBI man, to track down fraudulent relief claims, misuse of funds, and other ailments in the system.

Whether his methods are right or wrong, Maremont's positive steps reflect a fresh business-like approach to civic problems. Today across the country, opportunities for new ideas were never wider, and businessmen everywhere should take note.

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Turning Back The Pages of Andover History

50 YEARS AGO

Jan. 3, 1913

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Clark N. Robbins, 86, died at his home on Church Street Wednesday, December 25th. His wife and two brothers survive.

Thompson Richardson, 80, died at his home on Barney Street, Dec. 26th. Two daughters and three brothers survive.

Parcel Post began operation on January 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kemp are the parents of a son born December 30th.

Frank Martin is now night operator for the Erie at Belvidere.

Past Master Robert Mingus is at Hallsport tonight installing the Hallsport Grange Officers.

L. G. Coleman started for Tulsa Okla., today where he is engaged to work for McEwen Bros. & Co., in their new shops.

Mrs. Olive Dimmick, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kemp and Winifred Jones attended the funeral of Mrs. Wilson Jones at Canaseraga.

Jan. 10, 1913

George Webb of Rochester and Miss Ethel Proper of Andover were united in marriage at noon on New Year's Day.

B. B. Hann was installed Master of Andover Masonic Lodge Monday evening. Tuesday evening George H. Beebe was installed as Noble Grand of Andover Odd Fellows Lodge.

T. N. Boyd and George Matteson are in Belmont this week representing Andover as Jurors.

Clarence Cochrane of Painted Post has been the guest of his father, John Cochrane and other Andover relatives the past week.

Henry Corwin is returning to Ohio and Michigan where he will purchase hay.

40 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1923

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Mrs. Aicie Rogers, 63, died January 1 at the home of her son, Hayden Rogers. Two sons survive. Mrs. Rogers worked for years in this area as a practical nurse.

E. J. Kilbane was called to Cleveland, Ohio, Thursday on account of the illness of his brother, Patrick.

Clarence Hardy of Kalamazoo, Mich., is the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Georgiana Hardy.

Miss Anna Courtney left Monday for Port Jervis where she will be employed in the Silk Mill.

Jan. 12, 1923

Fay E. Boyd was installed as Master of Andover Masonic Lodge Monday evening. Tuesday evening F. S. Potter was installed as Noble Grand of the Odd Fellows Lodge.

Mrs. M. A. Fowler has sold the Andover Bargain Store to A. C. McPetridge of Danville who takes possession February 1st.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Miss Stella Eggleston of Boulder, Colo and Carl Armstrong, formerly of Andover. They will reside in Boulder.

Sidney Kaple has purchased the L. L. Pingrey Bakery at Knoxville, Pa., and moved his family to that village.

Catherine O'Donnell fell on the sidewalk Tuesday, fracturing her wrist.

Mrs. Ellen Walsh left this morning for Utica, where she will visit her daughter, Miss Marie.

30 YEARS AGO

Jan. 6, 1933

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Word came to Andover relatives Thursday of the sudden death of

P. L. Lynch at his home in Hackensack, N. J.

Miss Rose Elizabeth Greene and Milton P. Emerson were united in marriage December 24th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Garvin of Pittsburgh, Pa., are visiting Andover relatives.

Prof. and Mrs. J. Oliver Sanders of Cattaraugus and Mrs. Jessamine Holden of Ithaca were holiday guests of their mother, Mrs. Jesse Baker.

Fred Snyder returned Tuesday to his home in Kansas City, Kan., after visiting his sister, Miss Mary Snyder and other relatives.

Jan. 13, 1933

Mrs. Elton L. Greene, 30, died Wednesday morning, January 11, at the Jones Memorial Hospital. Surviving are her husband, three daughters, her parents, two sisters and a brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Laven are the parents of a son, born January 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Briggs attended the funeral of her brother at Angelica Wednesday.

Albert Rogers of Rochester passed the week-end with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Baker.

Rev. W. L. Greene has been in Atlantic City the first of the week in attendance at a meeting of the Church Boards of Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Trowbridge and family of Syracuse spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Trowbridge.

World War I Veterans Plan Legislative Program

An effort to increase and expand the pension program for veterans of the First World War was the major objective of the Veterans of World War I, Inc., when the new Congress convened January 7th.

Edward J. Neron, of San Diego, California, National Commander of the Veterans of World War I, urges all eligible veterans to contact the National Headquarters of the VWWI, at 40 G Street, N. E., Washington 2, D. C., in order to be included in the program.

Being made for the proposals which will be presented to the new Congress. Neron asks that all men who served in 1917 and 1918 forward their names, addresses and serial numbers to the headquarters and in return they will be supplied with complete and specific information concerning the legislative program of the Veterans of World War I.

The latter organization is a comparatively new veterans group but on December 31 had enrolled over 225,000 members. It was given a Congressional charter by the Congress in 1958 and now ranks as the third largest veterans organization in the country.

Hay Biscuits may replace loose forage for cows, reports Pennsylvania State University. The most satisfactory shape for the compressed hay is a pyramid.

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Albany Report By Barber B. Conable, Jr. State Senator, 53rd District

Every year, we are treated to the news photograph of a pretty girl sitting on top of a mountain of bills introduced in the Legislature. This year's mountain will include 10,000 or more, although few more than a thousand will survive to become law.

The obvious question for most of us in how all these bills can be considered and acted upon in a legislative session that lasts only three months. The answer is the committee system.

The Senate and the Assembly each is divided into standing committees covering the various fields of government. Each bill is turned over to the appropriate committee for screening and recommendation. Since the committee system is at the heart of our legislative process, a process that has worked well for many generations, committee assignments are important to a legislator.

An effort is made to appoint men to committees in fields of particular interest or experience. As a member of the majority party in the Senate, I have some advantage on this score. The majority party has the majority on each committee, too, so there is more room to find appropriate committee spots for its members.

I am most pleased with my four committee assignments—Agriculture, Banking, Penal Institutions and Public Health. Each one is of real interest to our district or fits in with my own experience.

Of great importance to me is the assignment to the Committee on Agriculture. Farming, of course is a major industry in all of our five counties, and I feel that any opportunity I have to work in this field will be of particular value to the district.

The Committee on Penal Institutions interests me because I live only a short distance from Attica State Prison; because the Albion State Training School and Western Reformatory for Women is in our district, and because as a lawyer I am interested in prisons as a part of our law enforcement problem. Banking interests me because private banks are the economic centers of our communities, and in Public Health I have the experience of serving on the Genesee Memorial Hospital Board and the Western New York Hospital Review and Planning Council. There was an effort at the first working session of the Legislature this year to change the rules of the Senate so as to lessen the importance of committees. The proposal would have made it possible for a handful of self-interested senators to force every bill to action on the floor of the Senate and to require a public hearing on any bill, regardless of its limited interest and application.

I think it is fortunate the attempt was voted down. It would have lengthened the legislative session, consumed time and money in procedures of scant interest to most of our citizens and increased the cost of operating the legislature by an un-told amount of money.

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