Calvin Coolidge Says:

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NORTHAMPTON, Mass., April 7.—It will do no harm to have a reminder that when the Congress passes laws requiring the expenditure of money the people will have to pay it. When a deficit exists it must be met. Temporary borrowing by the Treasury may take care of it for the present, but finally the taxpayers will come to a day of reckoning.

Raising tax rates does not now seem popular. Imposing a new levy on small incomes is anathema to those who vote large appropriations. Some legislators even boast of supporting all appropriation bills and opposing all tax bills. But people with small incomes will pay indirectly in all they buy or use even if they pay no direct tax. They are the ones who suffer most from government extravagance.

The present high rate of taxes, especially state and local assessments, is one of the main reasons small concerns are closing up and their business is going to chain stores and other large corporations. The overhead of taxes is so large that a small business is at a serious disadvantage. From present appearances it will be a long time before the country will get the encouragement of national tax reduction.

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New York, April 8.—One of the greatest men in our country in the realm of pure science is Dr. Albert A. Michelson. Yet few of us could recall his accomplishments. If he held a similar place in applied science he would be as well known as Edison. He is the world authority on light.

Graduating at the United States Naval Academy in 1873, where he taught for a short time before studying abroad, his investigations have continued through nearly half a century. His success brought him many prizes and medals, among which was the Nobel Prize for Physics, awarded in 1907. For the past thirty-nine years he has been connected with the University of Chicago.

Now at the age of seventy-nine he is making new experiments to check his former estimate of the velocity of light. The labor involved has left him exhausted and ill, but still courageously directing the work through assistants. The greater the mind of a man the more it seeks for the exact truth. The kind of service such men give not only affects our daily lives through useful inventions, but by increasing the sum of human knowledge raises humanity to a higher plane.

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