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THE GLUT WHO GETS YOUR TAXES

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UNLESS YOU KNOW THESE THINGS YOU ARE NOT EDUCATED

Would you like to be the glut who gets the taxes? It is a hundred to one shot you don't know who gets the taxes.

You believe that your City gets the taxes. You believe that your State gets the taxes. You believe that the United States of America gets the taxes. But they don't.

"Well," you say, "if our City doesn't get the taxes, and if our State doesn't get the taxes, and if the United States of America doesn't get the taxes, who the devil does get the taxes?"

That's just it. The devil gets the taxes.

"But," you say, "there ain't no devil."

Yes, there is a devil; a real, live devil; and the devil that IS is worse than the devil that AIN'T.

The devil that AIN'T doesn't steal the milk out of your babies' bottles, but the devil that IS does.

The devil that AIN'T doesn't go around among the feeble old people and steal their homes and their beds, but the devil that IS does.

The devil that AIN'T doesn't wait like a hungry vulture for you husbands to die so that he can pounce upon your widows and orphans and take every penny and dollar's worth of property you leave them, but the devil that IS does.

The devil that IS has another name or two. His first name is Alien and his middle name is Financier.

The alien financier has not only stolen the babies' milk and permitted millions of suffering infants to die for the want of it; he has not only robbed the poor old people of their homes and furniture and let them die like rats in the gutter; he not only pounces upon the widows and orphans as soon as you husbands die and takes everything that you leave them; but he is going to take your country—the United States of America—away from you and make of you such degraded slaves as never lived on earth before.

He has got you tied up in a web and is tying you up tighter and tighter. You are now entangled in that web so that with every wiggle on your part the financier ties you up tighter. And you, the once proud Americans whose forefathers fought so valiantly for freedom have now lost it and you don't know it. You are doing as you are told by the alien financier.

Every movement that you make, from the moment you get out of your bed in the morning until you go to your bed at night, is made according to what the alien

financier has told you to do and you don't even know it. You are running along without knowing where you are going. He is driving you into blind alleyways and traps where he can slaughter you like sheep; where he can gas you; where he can do anything he likes with you if you don't crawl to him.

Don't forget that. It is the truth. If ever truth was given the American people before, that is the truth. You are in your last stages of freedom.

The financier has got you fighting among yourselves as he always gets the people to do when he wants to steal what they produce. If he couldn't make the American people fight among themselves, he couldn't steal America.

But you fight among yourselves like cats and dogs. He sets you to fighting in the pit as these dog demons do. He gets you there and says, "Now, go at one another. Chew each other up," and you do. You whip each other and therefore whip yourselves. You must learn to stop whipping each other.

What has the alien financier done to Americans in the last ten years? He has stolen seventy-five per cent of your properties. He has taken away from the American manufacturers over two hundred thousand factories. He has taken away from the American merchants over three million stores. He has taken away from the American farmers over three million farms. He has taken away from the working men over six million homes. He has practically taken away three-quarters of the wealth from the American people, and he is continuing to do it, and you don't stop him. You help him do it. You whip each other and he takes your properties.

He gets a great, big, strong bully who has more physique than brain power, and he says to him, "That weak woman, ninety years old, living over there, has the home I want. Now, go and throw her out of that house."

So the big, overpowering beast puts that poor, old, feeble woman out of her home and says, "This house belongs to the financier. Get out."

That contemptible bully doesn't know that the financier is going to give him a kick in the pants some day. Yes, he kicks them all before he gets through with them. He double-crosses every one of the brutes who do his dirty work for him eventually.

Do you know what you, the American people, have done to

yourselves? You have not only turned over three-quarters of your wealth to the alien financiers during the last ten years for which they gave you absolutely nothing, but you have also signed up in bondage your children for another three hundred billion dollars of interest bearing indebtedness which they will never be able to pay.

Wonderful parents, aren't you? Nice legacy to hand down to your children; three hundred billion dollars of interest-bearing indebtedness.

Do you know that you are paying more than twenty billions of dollars in interest to these financier swindlers each year nowadays?

The financiers pretend that the people only have an interest bearing indebtedness of about Forty Billions of Dollars; they do not point out that that is only the Federal indebtedness. They don't add up for you your State, County, Municipal and private indebtedness which altogether runs over Three Hundred Billions of Dollars.

The financiers also pretend that the people have on deposit in the banks more than Sixty Billions of dollars in money. That is not so because there never was that much money in America since the country has been in existence. So, of course, they fool the people. They control all avenues of publicity and learning, and can make the people believe anything they tell them.

The Truth is, there is less than Nine Billions of actual money in America today, not counting the Gold which is not money but a hook to catch you with and skin you.

If Gold is money, feel in your pockets and tell me how much money you thousands of people here can scrape up between you. Not a dollar in Gold among you, eh?

The only usable money you have is in paper certificates and silver, nickel and copper coins; and the largest part of that is lying dead in the vaults of the financiers.

It is safe to say that there is not over Four Billions of Dollars in money in the people's pockets right now all over the United States.

Now, how can the people pay Twenty Billions of Dollars in Interest annually when they have only Four Billions of usable dollars in Money? It cannot be done.

So the interest that can't be paid is added to the ever growing principal for your children to

try to pay.

The principal has grown from Two Hundred Billions to Three Hundred Billions of interest bearing indebtedness during the past few years. It must naturally grow to a Thousand Billions of interest bearing indebtedness or more unless we put a stop to the whole infernal game before it smothers us entirely.

But to get back to the Taxes. You think that the Politicians get the taxes, don't you? At least that is the dope that newspapers, magazines and radio cram into your upper-story.

Of course, the newspapers, magazines and radio are controlled by the financiers and there is a good reason why they jam such stuff into your cerebrum and medulla oblongatas.

All that the Politicians get out of the Taxes that the people are forced to pay is the bad smell from them. All the rest of the Taxes go to the financiers to try and take up part of the slack in that Twenty Billions of Dollars Interest that the people cannot pay to the financiers annually.

So the more money and credit the people borrow from the financiers the larger the indebtedness becomes and the more annual interest must be paid, which of course requires more and higher taxes for everybody to pay.

So between the interest that you pay on everything that you buy and the taxes you pay on everything that you buy, the financiers manage to milk you out of four-fifths of your earnings. Yes, they can tax you out of five-fifths of whatever property you think you own in order to pay off that Three Hundred Billions of Interest bearing indebtedness that the people of the United States were foolish enough to allow the financiers to stack up against them.

Now, why do the financier's newspapers, magazines and radio throw slop at the politicians who make laws to force the people to pay Taxes that go to pay interest to the financiers?

Simple enough. The financiers intend to get rid of the politicians and put in a Dictator with sword and gun and gas to butcher the people who do not accept them as their masters.

So the financiers first get the politicians to tax the people to pay their interest, then they get the people sore against the politicians for doing it and finally they double-cross both the politicians and the people and put in their butchering Dictator and thereby do away with our American form

of Government altogether.

That's the Alien financier's game and both the politicians and the people of America are falling head over heels for it.

Now people, suppose you fall for this trickery and agree to throw the politicians out and put in a Dictator, you will still owe the financiers Three Hundred Billions of interest bearing indebtedness; you will still have to pay them Twenty Billions in annual interest, and you will still have to pay the Taxes, to try to meet the interest, and on top of that, without the American form of government and politicians you will have no one to vote for and thus you will lose your voice in the management of your own affairs. You will lose your freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of press, freedom of religion, freedom of everything that is right and holy. You will become abject slaves to swindling alien financiers and you and your children will be forced to crawl to them and be made to worship a dead piece of Gold instead of a living God. You and your descendants will be doped and degraded until you become lower than the beasts of the field and you will not only have lost everything in this life worth struggling for but you will have lost any chance that you might have had to rise to a higher stage in the next life.

Although, right now the alien financiers, through their touts, have control of every influential organization in America except the Direct Credits Society, you still have a chance to voice your disapproval of the way things are being done and you still can assemble together and talk matters over even if a tout of the financiers is the master of ceremonies of your meetings. But, once the alien financier does away with the American form of Government and puts in his personal Dictator, as he has already done in European and Asiatic countries, your freedom of speech and assembly are immediately taken away from you entirely and all of your organizations, whether they are merchants, manufacturers or farmers associations or labor unions are made null and void and you are then merely puppets of slavery to the financiers.

So try and understand that the glut who gets the interest is the glut that gets your taxes; gets your property; gets your earnings; gets your self-respect and even gets your spiritual soul. You get absolutely nothing for upholding such an ungodly system.