

Anti-Suffrage Ad from The Iowa Homestead, May 25, 1916

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To The Iowa Farmer! – Remember! Woman Suffrage Means High Taxes *TAX RATE IS BOUND TO INCREASE*

The History of Equal Suffrage States is the Story of Taxpayers' Money Wasted---Money Thrown Away in Hysterical Legislation, Useless Commissions, Uncalled for Bond Issues, Increased Election Costs---Taxes are Squandered Because of a Catering of Legislative Interests to the Irresponsible Elements Among Voters. Compare this Government Report:

Non-Suffrage States	Tax per	Equal Suffrage States	Tax per
_	\$1,000		\$1,000
Wisconsin	\$11.80	Washington	\$31(??)
New Hampshire	16.00	Colorado	40(??)
Vermont	18.83	Utah	32(??)
Missouri	19.00	Wyoming	3(??)
Massachusetts	17.30	California	(???)
IOWA	12.04	Idaho	(???)

("Vol. 1, p. 751 - Taxation Statistics Census Report.")

Tax Ridden California

During the first four years of Woman Suffrage in California, 1911 to 1915, state taxes were increased from 18 to 36 millions, or 100 per-cent increase. The cost of county government is the highest of any state in the Union. Los Angeles alone cost the taxpayers 42 millions. Los Angeles Times says: "10 millions is political plunder."

Do You Want This In Iowa?

Colorado's Experience

Denver has the highest tax rate of any city of its size in the world - \$26.00 for every man, woman and child in the city. Colorado has the highest state tax in the Union. The Denver Post protests that "Public funds are notoriously wasted through useless commissions, and loose political methods." *Do You Want This In Iowa?*

Tax Crisis In Iowa

Taxpayers of Iowa today are entering a Protest against the Squandering of Public Funds. The Cost of running the State of Iowa has been for the Biennial Periods: Ending June 30, 1895, \$3,624,000. Ending June 30, 1914, \$11,996,000. Note this Enormous Increase in Taxes with no Increase in

Population. Facing this Critical Situation It Is No Time to Increase State Expenses by adopting Woman Suffrage and assuming Additional Election Expenses of a Million Dollars.

Vote "No" on June 5

The Farmers of Iowa should remember that the granting of Woman suffrage means the doubling of the city vote in Iowa which has no thought of their interests and does not materially increase the farm vote. "It is not your wife and daughter who will vote, but the women of towns and cities who have easy access to the polls and axes to grind."

You, Mr. Farmer, must pay the bill. Can you afford this experiment at this time?

Iowa Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage; Des Moines, Iowa

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