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MR. SPEAKER, every day we in the United States hear statements in reference to the cost of maintaining our various branches of government, local, state and federal. No one can deny that our citizens bear a heavy burden, yet comparative figures indicate that the cost of government in America is relatively low in comparison with the burden of other people throughout the world.

As part of my remarks I include part of a column entitled "Observatorials" from the Coopersville Observer of August 17, 1950. The publisher of the Observer, Mr. L. W. Shears, runs an excellent weekly newspaper in the 5th Congressional District of Michigan and he is to be commended for publishing such important facts as those contained in the following.

