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TIME TO HALT EXTRAVAGANCE.

Chairman Kitchin of the house ways and means committee, referring to the \$6,000,000,000 revenue bill just passed, says the only fault he can find in it is that it does not raise enough money. Taxes will have to be higher instead of lower for the next few years in his cheerful message to the public.

Fixing the Price of Wheat.

When the price of wheat was fixed by the government in the late spring of 1917, The Bee approved the act because it relieved the public from tremendous pressure then being exerted by the grain gamblers.

Reforms in the United States Senate.

Republican senators in caucus have agreed on certain reforms for the organization of the next congress. Most important of these will be the demolition of the so-called "big ten," a peculiar outgrowth of senatorial tradition, which had the effect of putting the business of that body into the hands of the chairmen of the ten principal committees.

Confusion More and More Confounded.

With agents of the Department of Labor besieging congress and state and city authorities to get started on public work that unemployment may be met, we find various organized and unorganized bodies of workmen going on strike.

Germany and a Just Peace

David Jayne Hill in North American Review.

Will the German people, whose sense of justice, honor and moral obligation is soon to be put to a crucial test, voluntarily accept the burdens which a just peace will impose upon them? If not, what confidence can be placed in the proposal to make the world safe for democracy, and what will be the world's judgment upon the ethical standards of democracy itself?

Wayne Herald: Sunday's Omaha Bee contrasts the present legislature and other legislatures of late years with lawmakers of the old days. The old days were frequently employed by lobbyists to gain advantage.

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What the unspeakable Turk did to Armenian Christians was not so revolting or so cruel in some respects as what German brutes did to innocent, helpless women and girls in those parts of Belgium and France they overran.

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Tips for Lawmakers

Beatrice Express: Nebraska municipalities are up in arms against the bill now before the state placing the control of public utilities in the hands of the state railway commission.

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When you have traced to seventy-two Anland will perform for you. Draw from one to two and so on to the end.

"No," cried Peggy, her sharp eyes instantly recognizing the newcomers. "It's Circus Mike, and with him are Countess Alice, Nanny Goat and Boston Bull."

most emphatically and decidedly, that I vote "No" on the proposition with a clear, loud voice.

We have trouble enough keeping the "gangs" from slipping one over on us when we start things ourselves, and have all we can do to pay our taxes under present conditions without giving a bunch who care nothing for us, except at election time, the power to wish new taxes on us at their own will.

Incidentally, I might mention that most of us are fully capable of deciding what we want ourselves, and don't need the assistance of city planners or reformers to show us our needs. CHAS. THIESSEN. 2042 Stone avenue.



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WHY NOT... MUSTEROLE WILL NOT BLISTER

The Bee's Letter Box

Would Taboo Tobacco in Any Form. Omaha, Feb. 6.—To the Editor of The Bee: I notice you are advocating the passage of the McLeod cigar bill. You ought not to do this.

We are living in an age of reform and it is wrong to use tobacco in any form. We have a law that forbids the sale and use of cigars in Nebraska and I hope the day will soon come when the legislature will pass a law forbidding the sale and use of tobacco in any form. Cigarettes are no more harmful than cigars, but they are both demoralizing and do much to promote disease and crime.

The state is a leader in progressive laws and your paper should promote legislation that will keep the state in the lead as to reform measures. The United States government made a great mistake when it encouraged the use of cigars by our soldiers and the Red Cross and Knights of Columbus associations should be ashamed of their conduct in teaching our boys to smoke. It will take us some time to break these boys of the habit and I hope that your paper will do nothing to hinder us in this good cause. HENRY MILLER.

Baths at the Parks. Omaha, Feb. 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: In the silence of the night time, when deep sleep falleth upon men I have been thinking of the grass in Jefferson square waiting their turns for one of the 10 cold shower baths which the city commissioners had built there at a cost of thousands of dollars. Some were cursing because there was not a thousand instead of 10 baths, while others reasoned if the money had been put in 2,000 tubs each scrubbing brush they could have their own hot baths at home and not have to come from two to three hours for a chance here. There were some silence and I heard a voice saying: "Gentlemen, in the little city of San Jose, Cal., there is the most perfect bath house I have ever seen in the United States. It has a swimming pool 45 feet long, 43 marble tubs with hot and cold mineral waters with about a dozen cold shower baths, which cost the city \$90,000. But, men, your commissioners had spent \$100,000. For a few cold showers I say that the parks. For you, tired workmen? No, but for a few hot baths laying round killing time. But, men, the city commissioners had built there a monument to keep your commissioners from ever being re-elected. This little square was the only breathing place the city Arabs had without making a car. May shame ever rest upon your commissioners' heads for disgracing this hallowed spot with one-horse cold shower baths." The men all stood up and said, "Amen." Then I awoke and it was a dream. C. SPURDY.

Home Owners Awake! Omaha, Feb. 7.—To the Editor of The Bee: I think I am safely within bounds of truth when I say that I think the home owners of Omaha, big and little, are very much pleased with your editorial on H. R. 434, by Eugene C. Burns of Omaha.

You ask whether such a sweeping change will be approved by the citizens. Bless your heart, Mr. Editor, you put us next. It is strange I have heard of it. This is the vital point at issue, namely: Should any bill so drastic in effect be introduced by or at the request of a city official without taking the home owners into his confidence? This bill has never been up before the public for discussion, consequently the public has had no opportunity of finding out whether the bill is good or bad.

This is the kind of democracy that hurls the public into the sea at no time we called a halt from our public servants in this respect? Who are these men in reality serving?

Who has asked for such a radical change in our charter? Surely not the taxpayers at large, as they have just turned their attention called to it by our good friend, The Omaha Bee. Of course we home owners may be preoccupied with thinking we should be taken into consideration and just about the time we get our feet on the ground, the Omaha Bee. Let the home owners read up on H. R. 434 and write to The Bee and back this paper up in its fight for us. TOM E. OWEN.

Favors the Charter Change. South Side, Omaha, Feb. 8.—To the Editor of The Bee: The writer has been a resident of Omaha for 18 years and a reader of The Bee during that time, and has in mind

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