

SENATOR OVERMAN

SHOWS INCREASED EXPENSES UNDER HARDING.

Three years after the war it is costing over a half billion dollars more— or \$536,000,000 more— to be exact— for the legitimate expenses of the government under President Harding than it cost three years before the war for the legitimate expenses of the government under President Wilson.

This fact is set forth in minute detail by Senator Lee Overman (Dem. N. C.) in a public statement. Senator Overman is the ranking minority member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and his purpose in issuing the statement is to refute the distorted and untruthful statements sent out by Republican propagandists of alleged great savings and economies of the Harding administration. These statements are wilfully mendacious and are designed not to inform the public, but to deceive it, to fool it, to try to make a monkey of the average citizen who has not the time or inclination to study or analyze government finances.

What Senator Overman means by legitimate expenses of the government is the expenditures after eliminating all expenditures resulting from the war. In order to be perfectly fair to the Harding administration, Senator Overman deducts two billion hundred odd million from the appropriations for 1923, as follows: The Emergency Fleet Corporation, \$100,000,000; Veterans Bureau, \$48,000,000; U. S. Housing Corporation, \$1,000,000; Alien Property Custodian, \$370,000; Internal Revenue and Public Debt Service, \$3,000,000; Bonus to employees, \$38,000,000; Public Debt funds, \$1,350,000,000; Federal Reserve Bank franchise tax and Debt retirement, \$30,000,000. This totals \$1,329,423,000 for legitimate expenses of the government for 1923, as against \$793,064,000 for 1915 under the Wilson administration, a difference of \$536,000,000 in favor of Wilson administration economy.

Senator Warren (Rep., Wyo.) Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, has stated that the total appropriations for 1923 are \$319,000,000 less than for 1922 but the Republican Chairman did not add that greater part of it was on account of decreasing the army and navy and by charging the appropriation for good roads to the Postal appropriations which are not included in the list of appropriations, but which are paid out of the postal revenue. Senator Overman's statement, however, gives the explanation which Senator Warren's statement lacks.

If Democratic spokesmen followed the same method of deceiving the people used by Republicans, they could assert with literal truth that the appropriations for 1915 under the Wilson administration were \$1,369,000,000, and the appropriations for 1923 were \$3,747,985,382.64 thus showing that the Harding administration has increased the cost of government \$2,378,985,382.64.

The true truth, however, is when these figures are explained that the Harding administration has increased the legitimate expenses of running the government after deducting expenditures made necessary by the war, \$536,000,000, while the Republican party spokesmen and the republican press are trying to make it appear that it is economizing and reducing expenses.

TROUBLE OF OUR OWN MAKING

Simple precautions would avert most of the railroad crossing horrors. Here are a few rules, which, if followed, would save many lives:

Never approach railroad tracks that cross at grade, without this in mind: "Here is the place where I must stay safe!" Have your car under control then you will be prepared for any emergency. You know the importance of having good brake on your car. Look them over, from time to time.

Probably nine out of ten times there will not be a train near enough to check your progress over the track. Make no effort to go across, until, by careful use of both eyes and ears you have sized up the situation.

All must agree that a little time spent in trying to protect life and limbs is a good investment. We use up some time hunting bargains in stores. Better plan to hold onto the life you possess. No bargain counter has another to offer you. When your end comes, you will be a long time dead.

Maybe, when you get near the railroad tracks, you see a train coming and the thought pops into your mind, "I can beat it across." That thought is a mere whim. Your judgment is not speaking. In such a case wait for your sober second thought. Remember that a fast train can run the quarter mile from the whistling post to the crossing in fifteen

seconds. Do you know just exactly how far you can make your car go in one-fourth of a minute? Most of us fail to do our best in emergency.

Do you admire a man who tries to beat a train over a crossing, when he has his family or friends in the car with him, depending upon him for protection. If such a man were to run his business so carelessly as that we greatly fear that the balance would show up on the wrong side of his ledger. Most of us are very weary of reading newspaper accounts of death and destruction.

Let's be rooters for safety at the crossing!

THE FARM CITY.

A few weeks ago The Observer told of the enterprise in which Mr. Hugh MacRae is embarking with the determination of populating some of the waste lands in New Hanover with thrifty people and putting them in the way of establishing prosperity and independence. The ground work for Mr. MacRae's initial venture is located in the rich black lands of the pine woods between Wilmington and the sound where a suburban city has sprung up. But the enlarged scope of his enterprise gives a family a farm home, instead of a suburban lot, with ground around it sufficient to produce paying crops. Mr. MacRae's scheme and its practical possibilities naturally enough enlisted the interest of some of the more alert publications abroad. His proposition looked so attractive to Collier's Weekly, for instance, that this periodical sent a no less noted writer than Miss Ida M. Tarbell to the scene, and she proved enthusiastically appreciative of Mr. MacRae's original idea, embellishing her article with illustrations of what is going on. The Observer gave description of the farm homes laid out by Mr. MacRae in the suburban town, these homes being surrounded by four and five-acre tracts, but his larger project takes in some of the richest land in New Hanover and Pender counties. On these he is to develop the Farm City. Two or three hundred farms of 20 acres each will be laid out and will be sold to selected people—country-minded men and women of some money and cultivation who are weary of office or the schoolroom, anxious for an independent farm home, but not willing to put themselves off from the society of their kind. They are people who want not only certified land, but certified neighbors.

Adjoining these farms it is proposed that there be creameries, canneries, machine shops, basket and crate-making factories, fine milleries (you can get enough resin from the pine stumps on the land to clear to pay for uprooting the stumps) storage houses, grading houses for vegetables and fruits. This Farm City will be equipped to take care of what it grows and to supply many of its own essential wants.

There will also be a training farm, an agricultural station for local cooperative experiment, a community center with a pleasant inn, shops, a library schools, place of amusement.

The plan is to be financed and managed from the start for benefit of the settlers. The profit of those who provide the initial capital will be strictly limited and democratic principles of management will be applied as rapidly as the settlement gets on its feet.

The Farm City will be developed with the knowledge and experience of the best men MacRae knows: Dr. H. H. Newell, the former chief of the United States Reclamation Service; John Nolente the leader of the movement for city and rural planning; Thomas Adams, the adviser of the Dominion of Canada in its town planning; Dr. J. A. Bonsteel the soil expert.

Miss Tarbell tells Collier's readers that from such a plan may grow a city that will fulfill the vision of Samuel Ramek, the far-seeing librarian of Grand Rapids: "The ideal city of the future will be the city where every man will be willing to have every other man in the city as his next-door neighbor—willing because every other man will be worthy—worthy in intelligence, in healthfulness, in cleanliness, and in character."

"Too many of us," writes Miss Tarbell, "are occupied in making things that among a people adore discriminating, keener for quality, would never be made. Millions more are caught in our hollidaily intricate system of distribution and trading, and in the often demoralizing web of speculation. For the man, woman or girl who feels this, and sighs for self-reliant, independent living, for making a job instead of taking one, produces instead of manipulating production—colonies and farm cities built on the MacRae plan offer a new world of opportunity." Charlotte Observer.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

MARY GRAHAM BONNER

QUEEN ANNE'S LACE

"I'm going to give a party," said the Fairy Queen, "in honor of another queen."



"Oh, tell us about her, and tell us about the party you plan to give," shouted the Fairies.

"Yes, do tell us," said the Brownies.

"Well, we'd not mind hearing, you know," smiled the Gnomes.

"Could we come to the party? I mean, may we come to the party?" asked Billie Brownie.

"Indeed, yes," said the Fairy Queen, "you may come."

"And may we?" asked Peter Gnome.

"Indeed, yes," said the Fairy Queen. "And may we?" asked the Elves.

"Of course, of course," said the Fairy Queen. "I most certainly want you all."

"And may we also?" asked the Bogy family.

"To be sure, to be sure," said the Fairy Queen.

"How about us? Will we be asked?" the Oaf family inquired.

"Yes, yes indeed," said the Fairy Queen.

"Are you going to invite me?" asked old Witty Witch.

"It wouldn't be a party without you," said the Fairy Queen.

"And may I come in, too?" asked old Mr. Giant.

"It wouldn't be a party without you, either," the Fairy Queen answered.

"But, oh dear, oh dear," said the Elves, "we have all been so busy asking if we could come to the party that you haven't told us yet about the queen for whom you are giving the party."

"We want to know about that," "Oh, yes," everyone shouted. "We want to hear about the queen."

"We haven't given you the chance to tell us," they all laughed.

"I'm going to give a party in honor of Queen Anne."

"Queen Anne?" they all asked.

"Yes, Queen Anne, one of the loveliest of flowers."

"Flowers?" they questioned.

"She is better known," said the Fairy Queen, "by the name of Queen Anne's Lace."

"She is a gorgeous summer wild flower. And I am going to give my party in honor of her and of her whole family, and every little creature of Fairyland is going to be invited to the Meadow at Dawn on Tuesday next."

"I must tell you more about my queen, though."

"She always wears a white dress. When you examine it carefully you see it is like flower lace, and oh, so very beautiful."

"Though Queen Anne has such a royal value she is quite willing to go anywhere, on waste ground, by roadsides, in fields—anywhere at all."

"She is hardy and strong and she's not a snob."

"It is true she often drives other flowers away by her great strength in growing."

"She is helped in this work by the flies and bees who accept her charming hospitality and who, in turn, carry her seeds all over the land so that more of her family grow up and flourish."

"It is for this dainty, pretty flower queen and all of her family that I am giving this party, as I said."

"And I want all of you to come. We are going to have dew-drop water to drink, dew-drop ice cream and dew-drop sandwiches and the Dew-Drop brothers are going to prepare the banquet."

"Then we must all sing and dance and give a play in honor of my queen and her family."

"The Breeze brothers are going to do a low whistling song of theirs and the Dawn Fairies are going to do a shadow dance."

"I have been thinking of the party for some time and now it is arranged and I hope you will all come."

"We will all come, never fear," Fairy Queen, they all shouted.

"So the great day of the party came. And in the meadow the Fairies and the Fairyland creatures gave the party in honor of Queen Anne's Lace and her Flower family."

And when the party was all over the Fairy Queen bent down and kissed the exquisitely faced face of Queen Anne and Queen Anne kissed the Fairy Queen and said:

"I have kissed the Fairy Queen. And the Fairy Queen has kissed me. I am a happy flower. I am a proud flower and I am a grateful flower!"

"One of the Loveliest."



PEGGY: WHERE NECESSITY PINCHES, BOLDNESS IS PRUDENCE.



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