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THE BUYER ON THE OFFENSIVE.

After all due allowance has been made for economic conditions which cause prices to rise, the mental attitude of the people plays an important part in the determination of the price of goods.

SYSTEM IN NATIONAL FINANCE.

One of the first fruits of Senator McCormick's activity in the senate is a pair of budget bills which bear much resemblance to those of Representative Frear.

transportation may decide whether there shall be any profit. So it must be with the manufacturers and their millions of workmen.

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any except absolute necessities. Those whose wages have been raised during the war need to realize that the income is not as apparent as it really is.

When purchasing power of money is considered, two dollars does not now represent much more than one dollar did five years ago.

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occasion for investigation arises a special committee is usually appointed. Although appropriations are made in great detail, they in effect go into a common fund for each department or bureau, the head of which has many millions at his disposal.

Within a year, when the war will have ceased to serve as an excuse, the people will demand relief from taxation. That demand will run counter to the loss of three quarters of a billion in internal revenue taxes on liquor, a billion of 1918 and an orchestra of 50 pieces, made her premier in a speaking role.

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