

## IT COMES HIGH BUT WE WANT IT

army appropriation bill calls for an expenditure of $\$ 362,-$ 214,808 during the coming year. That is nearly four limes
the army bill of 1914 and over three times the amount expend-
ed on the army during 1915 . It is a colossal sum to be paying ed on the army during 1915. It is a colossal sum to be paying
out for the army in time of peace. But the worst feature of the
situation is that the routine situation is that the routine army expense is the least part of our
military burden. The navy also costs a mammoth sum each year, then there are the wounded men to care for, pensions to
pay and war loans to liguidate. All in all about 90 per cent of pay and war loans to liguidate. All in all about 90 per cent of
the federal government's outlay is for expenses of a militaristic nature. But of course the League of Nations is a visionary
scheme and would "enslave America" so what can we do but go on footing the bill.

CHICAGO AND CUBA
SPECIAL election in Chicago has decided that long-term
bonds shall issue to cover $\$ 8,000.000$ of current expenses. Against a proposal politically so dishonest and finan-
eially so ruinous, leading citizens, business men's organizations end most of the newspapers vigorously protested; but the issue
was decided by methods familiar in Mayor Thompson's career. was detided voted under convoy of gunmen; candidates were kidnapped, fist fights and shooting affrays were many, 150 arresta
were made, and the seizure of 300 pounds of dynamite apparwere made, and the seizure of 300 pounds of dynamite appar-
cntly designed for political use added interest to the occasion. peais for civic wisdom and the natural indignation roused by a campaign of frightfulness, 526,700 registered voters out of a to-
tal of 888,681 failed to go to the polls at all. A majority of 11 ,42 votes was cast for Mayor Thompson's ruace proposal; but per cent of the electorate.
When that sort of thing happens in Cuba grave doubts are Whispered of the fitness of the natives for self-government, and
General Crowder is sent down to offer the community his friend--
ty advice. Chicago, like New York, is supposed to be capable y advice, Chicago,
of governing itself, yet she permits a disastrous decision affect-
ing the solvency of the city to be made by less than one-fifth of the people, shepherded at the polls by gunmen and bruisers. Many years ago the Main street of Pendleton was in a conunpaved and there were private wooden cross walks in front of our leading stores. It was a sad state of affairs and if it existed
today Dr. McNary would need a special ward for motorists today Dr. McNary would need a special ward for motorists
whose nerves had broken under the strain. When it was prowhose nerves had pave Main street there was much objection on the part
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of leading property owners on the ground that it would be too of leading property owners on the ground that it would be too
expensive and besides the horses would be unable to stand on expensive and besides the horses would be unable to stand on
the slippery streets. But there were other men who favored the improvment and they had their way. One of these men was
George Darveau, late proprietor of the Hotel St. George. Mr Irarveau believed in improvements and in his prime he was

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