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I pledge allegiance to my flag and
the Republic for which it stands, one
Nation, indivisible, with liberty and
justice for all.

THE H. C. L. PROBLEM.

Congress has commenced to wrestle
with the "high cost of living"
problem. It is safe to say a great
deal of noise will be made and but
little if any good will result.

The cost of the things we eat and
wear are very dear. There is no
doubt about that. The food we
must buy and the clothes we must
wear require us to have a very well
filled pocketbook when we go to the
store, and usually a small basket is
sufficient to carry home the things
we purchase; for most of us are cut-
ting out many things we eat and
wear which in bygone days we re-
garded as next door to necessities.

If we compare the cost of things
of today with what it was ten or
fifteen years ago, the comparison
about staggers us. Just think: The
sack of flour which we bought for
\$1 to \$1.25, now costs us from \$2.65
to \$3; the side of bacon we used to
buy at 15 to 18c per pound, now
costs from 40 to 50c; that is to say
if we can buy a side at a time; most
of us just buy a dollar's worth which
is sufficient only to create the old
homelike smell of ham and gravy,
bacon and eggs, etc.

But is it a fact that the cost of
living has gone skyward or that the
money, even gold if you will, has
grown cheaper?

It has been but 23 years since
Bryan made his "cross of gold"
speech in Chicago and 16 to 1 was
the campaign shibboleth. Then there
was but \$13 per capita of money in
circulation; now there is nearly \$54
per capita. \$10 would then buy a
fair suit of clothes; men would
work all day in the harvest field for
\$1, etc. Now the clothes will cost
from \$25 up, and men will laugh at
less than \$5 and \$6 harvest wages.

These are the conditions and this
is the problem which congress will
simply nibble at.

There is but one feature which
congress can attempt to eliminate
and that is excessive profiteering.
When it can be found that the greedy
manufacturer, wholesaler or retailer
is charging an excessive profit, punish
him for it. He is entitled to a fair
profit but not to rob the people.

A news dispatch a few days ago
stated that meat dealers in Wash-
ington, D. C., were charging their
customers 100 per cent profit just
for cutting and wrapping up their
sales. The farmer who produces
and fats the meat cuts, the railroad
which hauls the animal to market,
the meat packer, must all be satis-
fied with just half the price the
Washington retailer charges his cus-

tomers. Certainly there is unjust
profiteering there which should be
regulated in some way.

Years ago competition among
dealers was sufficient to regulate
prices. But meat packers, manu-
facturers and merchants have learned
a thing or two. They have effec-
ted combinations and understand-
ings by which there is no cutthroat-
ing in sales and as a result the con-
sumer pays the penalty.

Of course Washington, D. C., is
an exceptional city. There prices
for everything are gauged on an ex-
travagant scale. The cheapest thing
there is money; without it is the
honor of men. The old fashioned
"live and let live" maxim has been
tossed to the scrap heap; "get all
you can" has replaced it and we are
sorry to say this habit or custom is
reaching out to other cities and
towns. It has reached the fireside
of the farm home. All are after
the "almighty dollar" cheap as it is.

The only remedy The Tribune can
offer is "don't buy" unless you can
buy at reasonable cost; don't eat
eggs when they cost 50 cents per
dozen, or bacon costing 50 cents per
pound. You can't afford it. Time,
however, will probably adjust our
difficulties. The unjust profiteer
will be forced to be reasonable in
his demands else be driven out of
business.

Combinations and trade "gentle-
men agreements" will be controlled
in some way. The people will finally
drive congress to enact such legisla-
tion that unjust greed and selfish-
ness will be largely eliminated. War
conditions, under which we yet linger,
will be replaced by a more
stable and just business arrange-
ment. The old fashioned maxim of
live and let live must again be a
recognized rule of business action.

There are three facts which may
be depended upon to create activity
in our big timber areas in the im-
mediate future—over ripeness of
the timber, our annual forest fires,
and the present lumber demand in all
parts of the world. This timber
cannot be moved without the con-
struction of logging railroads and
to be economic the construction of
large sawmills. One year hence may
bring about such business activity
in this line that the average Scioan
will simply stand and wonder, that
is to say if he has time to do so.

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING.

The young man who last week
thought he would obtain a new tire
for the auto he was driving without
going through the formality of pay-
ing for it is now probably of the
opinion that this getting something
for nothing is a flat failure. He
has had to pay a very dear price in
the end, and besides there is a stigma
attached to his name which will
take him years to live down.

Press dispatches tell of a bright
young business man of Portland
who forged a check for \$5000 and
escaped to Texas. Now he is about
to be brought back and soon will be
an inmate of the penitentiary at Sa-
lem with what might have been a
brilliant business career blasted for-
ever.

It don't pay, boys. In these days
of the telegraph and telephone, with
nearly all manufactured stuff carry-
ing marks for identification, the
chances for detection are becoming
almost a certainty sooner or later.
Anyway a young man should be too
proud to associate with a thief thru
life, which he would do if he should
be the thief.

The Tribune believes that it is be-
coming more fashionable to be hon-
est. The man or woman who is dis-
honest, who cheats his neighbor in a
deal, who misrepresents the stuff he

has for sale or trade, soon becomes
known to be a person who will bear
watching. It is a name no person
can afford to carry.

The young man or woman whose
pride it is to establish a name for
honesty and fair dealing is sure to
succeed in life, while he or she who
is always scheming to get something
for nothing usually makes life a
failure. Always remember that you
cannot have the good will and respec-
t of your neighbors unless you
merit their confidence. You may
think it is inconvenient at times to
be honest, but in the end it pays.

Senator Lodge and Shantung.

Republican "strong men" in the
senate and particularly Senator
Lodge, long noted for his familiarity
with and interest in foreign affairs,
are moved to tears over "the crime
of Shantung." Because of Japan's
acquisition of the territory that Ger-
many grabbed from China, Senator
Lodge and others would reject the
peace treaty and throw the league
of nations covenant into the bone-
yard.

It is more than passing strange
that Senator Lodge should suddenly
develop so deep an interest in China
territorial integrity after the lapse
of twenty-one years during which
he was silent and stone cold on that
subject.

It was in 1897-8 that the interna-
tional robbery was committed and
Shantung passed to the possession
of Germany. Senator Lodge was
then in the senate, President Mc-
Kinley was in the White House, the
republicans were in control every-
where. Senator Teller and some
leaders of the opposition party de-
nounced the dismemberment of
China and declared it to be Ameri-
ca's duty to "join with Great Britain
in a notice to Russia and Germany
that dismemberment will not be
permitted."

Did Senator Lodge define a similar
attitude for himself? Not until the
lapse of twenty-one years; then to
suddenly burst into tears, to be
moved to intense indignation by the
transfer of a bit of territory from
one international robber to another
strong arm nation whose title is at
least no worse than was that of the
imperialistic country Senator Lodge
saw commit the original robbery
without so much as lifting his voice
in protest. Verily, the years have
softened the Massachusetts senator's
heart, but have failed to make con-
sistency his jewel.

Thomas Jefferson through the de-
claration of independence helped set
the new world free, says Chairman
Cummings, "while today Woodrow
Wilson is the primal force in pre-
paring a document of liberty that is
destined to set the whole world
free." But there are certain "non
partisan" republicans who strenu-
ously decry a universal freedom be-
cause a democratic president has
made it possible.

If Senator Borah really wants a
referendum on the league of nations
and does "represent a very intelli-
gent and patriotic constituency," he
can obtain a quick answer by resign-
ing his toga and returning to Idaho
for vindication. Perhaps his reluc-
tance is due to a recollection of what
happened to Senators Roscoe Con-
kling and Thomas C. Platt in 1881.

Had it not been for the veto of a
democratic president and the insist-
ence of democratic senators and rep-
resentatives, the disabled American
soldiers of the world war would
have gone a begging as regards ad-
equate vocational training, but the
republican party could have pointed
to another example of party efficien-
cy in saving the nation's money.

Senator Sherman agrees that war
is what General Sherman says it
was, especially when it was fought
under a democratic administration
and when a democratic president
negotiates the greatest pact of peace
ever written and is instrumental in
forming a society of nations that
will give the world its first promise
that there will be no more wars.

"The abundant capacity of republic-
an leadership to make mistakes,"
No, the quotation is not from a
democrat. It is from Senator Ken-
yon of Iowa. Surely the senator
did not have Senator Lodge or chair-
man Hays in mind?

Senator Borah's threat to quit the
republican party if the league of
nations covenant is ratified, is an-
other reason why many republicans
favor ratification.

Notice—Danger

The dry season is now here and
there is great danger of forest fires
resulting from unextinguished camp
fires, carelessly thrown cigarettes
and cigar stubs, and the setting of
any fire without taking proper pre-
caution to prevent spreading.

For the protection of your own
property and your neighbor's prop-
erty, be careful with fire!

Do not burn your slashing during
the dry season without securing a
burning permit. The state law re-
quires you to secure a permit to
burn during the period between
June 1 and October 1.

There is a fire warden in your
district who is experienced in hand-
ling fires who will issue you a per-
mit to burn when safe, advise you
how to handle the fire, and if neces-
sary oversee your slash burning. To
avoid criminal prosecution and for
the protection of your own property
and your neighbor's property see
one of the following fire wardens
before burning your slashing:

Tel. Central, Mail Address
W. L. Burton, Lebanon, Lacombe
W. E. Downing, Lebanon, Lacombe
F. Cooper, Lebanon, Berlin
Fred Pepperling, Jordan, Scio, R. 1
Thurston Thomas, Jordan, Scio, R. 1
James Giebler, Mill City, Mill City
G. A. W. Russell, Gates, Gates

If you discover a fire kindly re-
port it to one of the above wardens.

HUGH MENDENHALL,
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Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all persons
concerned that the undersigned admin-
istratrix of the estate of Ardee T.
Powell, deceased, has filed her final ac-
count with the County Clerk of Linn
County, Oregon, and the court has fixed
Monday, the 21 day of September, 1919,
at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. for the
hearing of objections, if any, to said
estate, and for the final settlement
thereof. HAZEL POWELL,
Administratrix.

Weatherford & Wyatt, Attorneys for
Administratrix.

Executors Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned have been duly appointed
executor and executrix of the last will
and testament of W. R. Eay, deceased,
by the county court of Linn county, Or-
egon. All persons having claims against
said estate are hereby required to pre-
sent the same properly verified as by
law required, at either residence of the
undersigned in Linn county, Oregon,
within six months from the first publi-
cation of this notice.

Dated and first publication hereof is
July 24, 1919.

Mary Edith McKnight, Executrix,
Benjamin Lewis Ray, Executor,
C. C. Bryant, Attorney.

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