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ECONOMY IS

THE SAFEST PLAN:—

The Kokomo Tribune wisely says in a recent issue, editorially:

"An Indianapolis newspaper reports that when a farmers' organization of Marion county, a few days ago, filed with the county commissioners a request that no more contracts be let for hard-surface roads for two years, in order to prevent an increase in the tax burden, members of the board treated the request contemptuously and indicated they would give no heed to it. Whether the request was justified or not, a sneering attitude toward it upon the part of the commissioners was uncalled for and most unbecoming.

"Taxpayers of any county have a right to petition their county commissioners regarding any matter that contemplates expenditures of money such taxpayers are expected to help provide, and they are entitled to have their petitions received and considered respectfully. It is not unlikely that taxpayers of Marion county are entirely warranted in asking their county commissioners to slow up road building until material and labor costs settle to a lower level and the tax burden becomes somewhat eased.

"At a time like this, when business is depressed, money difficult to obtain and the tax burden of studendous proportions, no board of county commissioners has any justification for treating derisively a petition suggesting a policy of retrenchment and economy. It is a good time for county commissioners everywhere to begin safeguarding against expenditures that are not imperatively needed. Private business is being subjected to that process and public business certainly should be.

"Right now a board of county commissioners should not be concerning itself with how much it can spend, but with how much it can save. Rules that are sound for private business during the readjustment period are sound for public business. There are a lot of things in the way of public improvements we would all like to have, but under present conditions we know that the prudent thing and right thing is to wait for them for a while."

TWO PROOFS NOW OFFERED:—

If it is better to be right than to be president, then the Democratic legions and their leaders achieved a brilliant triumph in the campaign that ended on November 2, for they were eternally right and their Republican opponents hopelessly wrong in regard to the meaning of Article 10. The fiercest fight was over the interpretation and effect of that article. The unanimous declaration of the league at Geneva settles that dispute for all time, and settles it by an express repudiation of the construction put

upon Article 10 by the opponents of the treaty in the senate and by distinguished Republican jurists who made speeches for their party's candidate.

The commission, in which all the forty-one member nations were represented, reported that "it can not too emphatically be stated that Article 10 does not guarantee the territorial integrity of any member of the league." Eminent advocates of the election of Senator Harding insisted that Article 10 guaranteed all frontiers as they stand. "All it does," says the commission, "is to condemn external aggression on the territorial integrity and political independence of any member of the league," as was pointed out thousands of times during the campaign.

Again, it was insisted that under Article 10, if the league called for help of American troops, they would have to go whether we liked the business in which they were engaged or not. There was much talk about "our boys" being conscripted to die in Europe. Denmark, requested by the council to furnish a small contingent of troops for the Vilna service, replies that, while the party leaders favor granting the request, their constitution requires that the project have the approval of the Danish parliament. That reply was accepted as satisfactory. Thus again the interpretation put upon the covenant by its friends was authoritatively sustained, that insisted upon by its enemies rejected.—New York Times.

The increased insurance rates in Decatur may be just but we are sure the way it is put over is about as unfair a deal as could be pulled by any profiteer. Without any chance to protect the rate or save overhead at a time when every business man needs it, the rate is slipped on and no notice given until the policy is delivered. It looks rotten to those who have to pay it at least, and the attitude of "you can pay it or do without" doesn't help the feeling

any. If the plan of Rev. Harry Bowly carries and the nation wide movement for sinless Sabbaths becomes law, as proposed there are just two things you can do without violating the law—go to church or stay at home. The campaign taboos everything, newspapers, shining stands, auto riding, concerts, beaches and of course base ball, movies and such terrible things as tennis and golf. Now honestly don't you think the "blue laws" of a hundred years ago, rather overdid it?

The farmers of Adams county will meet Saturday afternoon to discuss proposed legislation. It is their right and privilege and duty. Complaints are useless but organized action will get you somewhere. This community depends absolutely upon the prosperity of the farmer and any thing which helps them helps every one else. Cooperation should therefore be easy and assured.

NOTICE TO ELKS

Special business of importance and initiation Wednesday evening a 7:30 o'clock. Your presence is urged.
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"THE GIFT SUPREME"

The new screen drama, "The Gift Supreme," which will be given its final showing at the Mecca tonight, is said to be one of the finest examples of screen melodrama ever presented to the public. It is claimed that every character and set in this picture is authentic to the last degree. Even the extras have been chosen with the greatest of care. One of the best points of the picture is the all-star cast which features such players as Seena Owen, Tully Marshall, Jack Curtis, Melbourne MacDowell, Lon Chaney, Anna Hernandez and many others. The story of the drama tells

of the adventure of a sophisticated youth who falls in love with a poor girl. When he is about to marry her, his fastidious parents object and it is then that the battle of wits begins. He is even arrayed against a band of hired crooks but his squareness and policy of fair-play win him his coveted prize.
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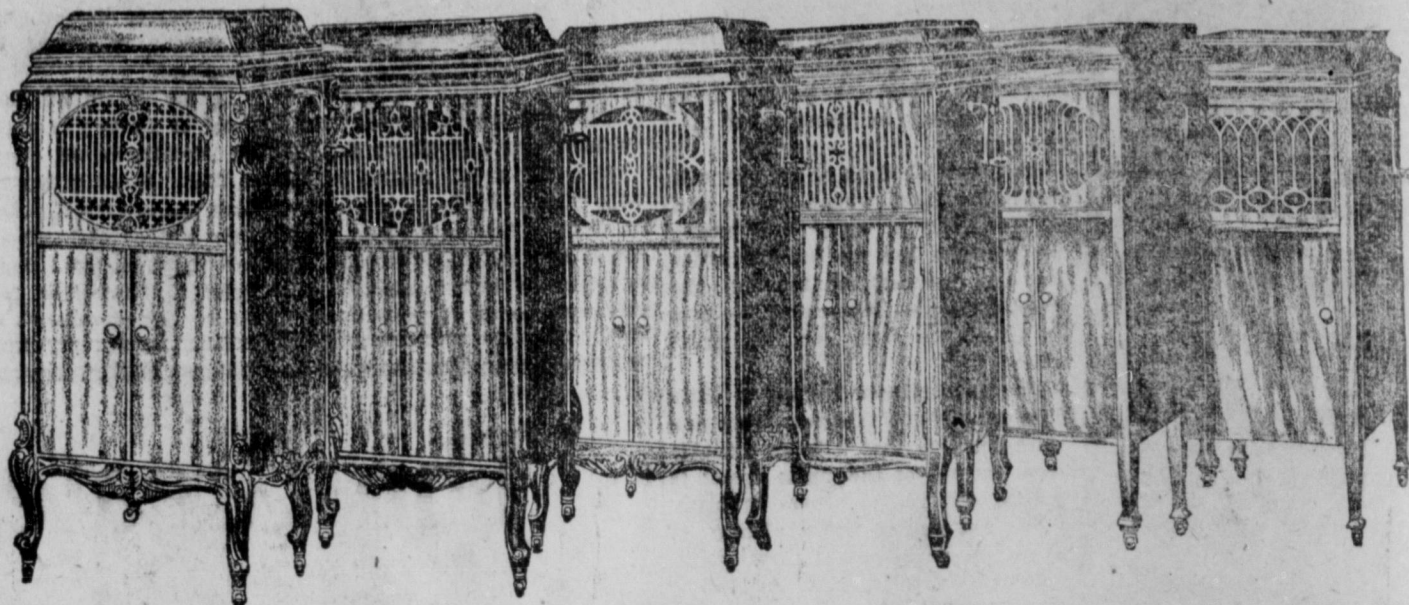
The Home Economics club of Root township will give a box social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gage Friday evening, December 10, at 6:30 o'clock. The public is invited. 288-14

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