

***Y*ou and I have no right to object to taxes**

until we object to the way taxes are spent. People are always writing their congressmen demanding a price support or a pension or a harbor dredging, or a new plant or something else they want in their area. But when have you written your congressmen *refusing* such "gifts"?

Every one of these things which may be very pleasant when we *get* it, is most unpleasant when we *pay* for it—and we always pay for it, usually in hidden taxes, hundreds of them every day of our lives.

The government cannot *give* you anything because it *has* nothing—it first must take it away from you and then pretend to give some of it back (and a lot is wasted in the handling).

"Write your congressman"—certainly. But if we believe in ourselves and our country—if we have self-respect and American independence—we should write him to *stop spending money on us*. Thrift, like charity, begins at home, and we'd better hurry up and begin to practice it, before it's too late.



*Gradall at work*



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