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Morgan Park, Ill., Dec. 30.—[Editor of The Tribune.]—Where is the justice of the city council's finance committee recommendation that twelve or fourteen police stations be abandoned in order to save \$170,000 toward the city's deficit?

Is police protection the item to economize upon? It is well known that the city is worse than broke; it is bankrupt. In order to help recover from extravagant expense and unwise investments, Chief Schuettler recommends that the city fathers extend a cordial invitation to crime and criminals to enter those twelve or fourteen police districts from which stations are to be removed! Must we talk in dollar terms about everything? Isn't a home worth anything to anybody? Are not the women giving up enough these days to be entitled to at least some feeling of security? Should we be asked to give up police protection in order to cover up incompetent city financing?

If a man's business were conducted by such a false sense of values it would soon perish. If any woman, by purchasing too much fuss and feathers, necessitated the cutting off of heat and light from her home, she would be called a fool. I desire to know if THE TRIBUNE thinks that Morgan Park—nearest neighbor to the notorious village of Burr Oak, near to city, township, county, and state borders, should be left defenseless?

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