

There is nothing in this universe so destructive of public or private prosperity as debt - encumbrance debt. It paralyzes hope and enslaves the debtor.

We owe in this town now \$854,000. Its interest will be ~~over~~ one million more.

This is appalling and ought to afford every thoughtful man reason for withholding his vote on any increase of the hideous debt.

It matters not what sort of bond you call it nor what immediate locality pays it it is a Coffeyville incumbrance and every foot of real estate in the city