"If the nation is living within its income, its credit is good.

If in some crisis it lives beyond its income for a year or two,

it can usually borrow temporarily on reasonable terms.

But if, like the spendthrift, it throws discretion to the winds,

is willing to make no sacrifice at all in spending,

extends its taxing up to the limit of the people's power to pay,

and continues to pile up deficits,

it is on the road to bankruptcy."

-Franklin D. Roosevelt-