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THE PRESIDENT CAN ENFORCE THE LAW

We have laws enough, regulations enough, money enough, and men enough to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment—if they had a strong purpose to enforce behind them. Only determination is lacking.

There is but one man who can supply the will to enforce on a Nation-wide scale. That is the President of the United States.

Enforcement is hamstrung by politics. The President alone is strong enough to break the alliance between corrupt politics and the organized business of bootlegging.

Through its permit system, the Government exercises exclusive jurisdiction over the manufacture, storage, distribution, and sale of alcohol in any form. Here is the heart of the problem. Only the President can dominate it.

The Constitution is under attack at the point of the Eighteenth Amendment. The President has taken oath to "preserve, protect, and defend" it. The laws are disregarded. It is his Constitutional duty to "take care that the laws be faithfully executed." Is it unreasonable to expect him to do so?

The President can begin to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act up to the level of other laws by declaring publicly his determination to do so; by announcing that he will refuse to offer an appointment to his Cabinet or to any other office to any one who is not a good enough American to obey the Constitution; by giving public notice that so long as he is President violation of the 18th Amendment by any public servant will carry with it immediate dismissal; and by announcing that Federal enforcement will be wholly divorced from politics.

Having thus notified the people that the Government takes the Constitution seriously, let the President proceed to:

Call together in the White House the heads of the Bureau of Prohibition and other Federal enforcement services, and notify them in open meeting that they and their subordinates must not be inefficient, but efficient, and that unless they begin to produce results within three months better men will take their places.

Call together in the White House all United States district attorneys, and give them also notice to show results within three months or get out.

The known failure of enforcement in the City of Washington has immensely encouraged lawlessness throughout the country. Let the President give the Commissioners for the District of Columbia notice to begin cleaning up at once, and make and keep the District clean under penalty of dismissal.

It will be objected that the President is already too heavily burdened to undertake new tasks. The answer is that he has no duty more essential than to defend the Constitution and enforce the law. If something else must wait, then let it wait.

When a President of the United States makes it his personal business to see that the Eighteenth Amendment is enforced, and sticks to it, it will be enforced. AND NOT UNTIL THEN.

THE PRINCE OF WALES' "AMERICAN FRIENDS"

"American friends of the Prince of Wales" have contributed \$100,000 to the relief of the starving British coal miners.

Good! But, may we ask where those tender-hearted gentlemen were concealed when appeals were being broadcasted for starving miners in American coal fields?

They are represented as "greatly touched" by what the Prince said about conditions in the stricken areas of South Wales and Durham.

How about the "stricken areas" of Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia?

It is a matter of common knowledge that thousands of American miners, their wives and little ones, have been suffering the tortures of the damned in those sections.

Have the "American friends of the Prince of Wales" ever heard of the old adage that "charity begins at home"?

Perhaps, if we could get the names of the Prince's "friends," we would find that at least a part of the money which enabled them to make this "grand gesture" was filched from the pay envelopes of miners in our own "stricken areas." Maybe that is why the contributions are anonymous.

HENRY FORD'S NEW POLICY

The other day Henry Ford announced a new policy which would put 30,000 men to work. He said it would take three months to get things going.

Three days later 25,000 men were gathered around the Ford plant near Detroit, at the opening hour in the morning. They had come from all over the country, drawn by the magnet of a chance to get a job.

They stood there shivering in the snow and cold, stamping their feet to keep from freezing, waiting to be put at hard, monotonous work.

Six hundred of them were taken into the plant that day. More were given jobs later.

We are told constantly that the country is prosperous. So it is, in a way. More of our people have the comforts and even some of the luxuries of life than ever before. By comparison with the rest of the world, American prosperity is very great indeed.

But here are at least 25,000 men IN ONE CITY who have had no share in that prosperity; and in most cases behind each of those men is a woman, and perhaps two or three children, waiting at home to see whether "dad" gets a job.

In the light of these facts, our prosperity would seem somewhat imperfect.

There is unemployment, not merely in the disorganized mining and textile industries, but in other industries as well; and unemployment is a social and economic crime.

Future May Hold Aid For Farmer

That the farmer in Pennsylvania may know months in advance of planting what weather conditions will face his crops is held out as a near possibility by Dr. C. C. Abbott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution. He believes that science is on the eve of a discovery that will enable it to duplicate the feat of Joseph when he predicted seven years of plenty and seven years of famine in ancient Egypt.

What the future holds in the way of accurate long-range forecasting was revealed by Dr. Abbott to a subcommittee on Appropriations when he explained what had already been accomplished in the study of solar radiation, which is held to be the key that will unlock nature's secret.

Although this project has been under way only about eight years, information has been obtained which Dr. Abbott says enabled him to predict well in advance that the early months of last year would be unusually cool and that the fall months would be warm.

If available data should again be verified in the period which has been forecast, there is reason to believe that the practicability of long-range forecasting will be established, says Dr. Abbott.

"There is a very perceptible hope that this sort of thing may lead to forecasting weather conditions, either favorable or unfavorable to the growth of crops, for seasons in advance," Dr. Abbott asserted.

"We are not ready as yet to make public forecasts that such and such will be the condition of the summer or winter, but I said to a few of my friends over a year ago that the weather for the summer and fall of 1928 would be thus and so, and it turned out that these predictions were correct. Whether similar tentative forecasts will be verified another year I do not know."

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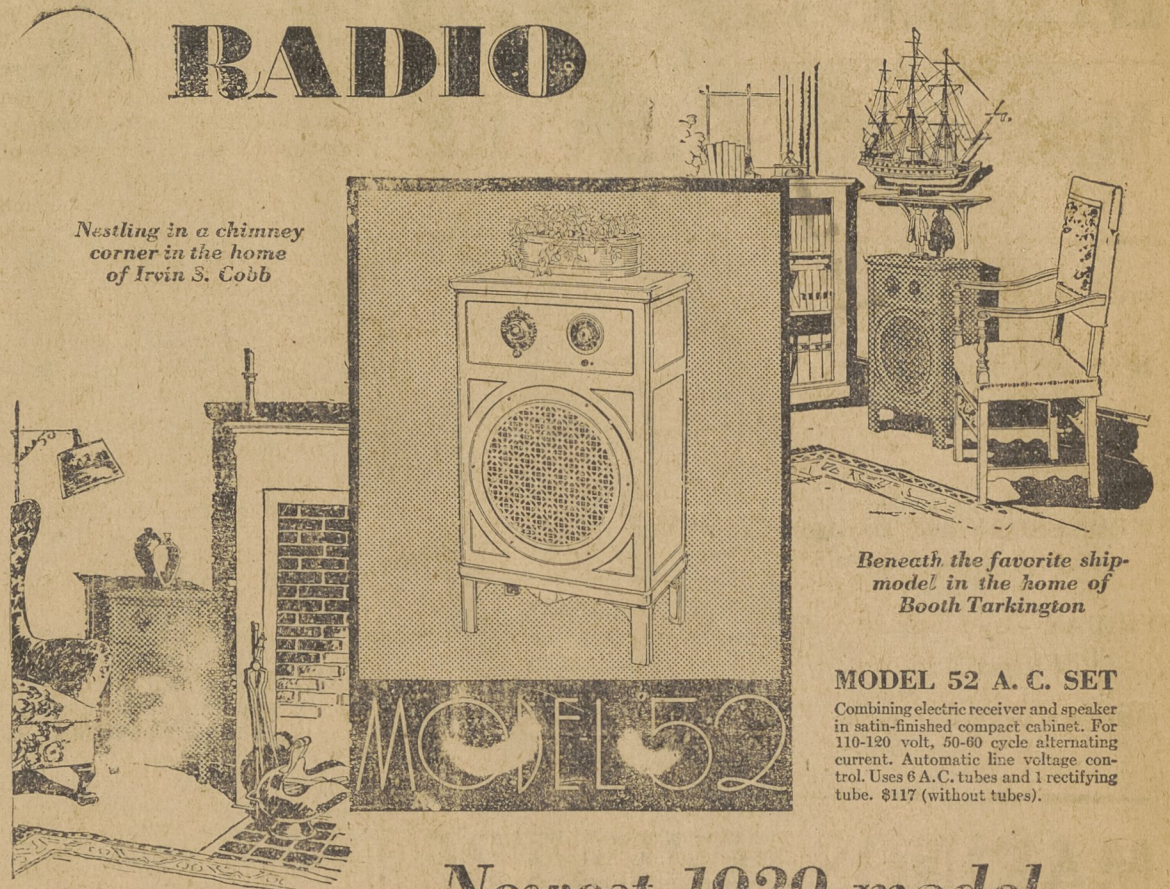
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