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"Give Light and the People Will Find Their Own Way."

In Dry Indiana

How long will Indiana keep up the pretense of being in favor of prohibition?

How long will timid politicians, who control both parties, refuse to recognize facts and apply sensible methods of obtaining temperance instead of sending its population along the paths to bootleg hell?

How long will the night shirt of the old Ku-Klux and the professional reformers of the Anti-Saloon League continue to make a mockery of all law?

How long will hypocrisy continue to rule?

If there were needed any illuminating evidence for those who are not too blind, it was furnished at the American Legion state convention at Anderson.

The mayor of that city, a Democrat, whose wisdom had taught him that other officials had been "framed" in courts by use of the Volstead conspiracy, refused to accept responsibility. He wired the prohibition officers in Indianapolis, the political arm of the present administration, to send in their men as his small police force was entirely "inadequate" to cope with the situation.

There came not a man nor the offer of a man. The prohibition officers do not interfere with the pastimes of Legionnaires nor any other large groups.

At the convention were congressmen, one senator, high court judges, federal appointees, county officials.

If any one doubts the "situation," this description may have little effect on that contradiction.

This city was quiet and exhausted tonight after four days of bacchanal. The largest crowd ever to attend an Indiana America Legion state convention has been keeping the air permanently waved with the many-versed "Hinky Dinky Parley Voo."

The heroes of the Argonne a decade ago have romped the streets here, well loaded with post-Volstead substituted for good French wine. Not only, say those who saw them, have they drunk long themselves; they have demanded that all around them quaff. This has all happened in legally bone-dry Indiana, technically the most arid of the forty-eight states.

Here was a gathering of those who fought the war, dedicated, now as then, to the preservation of this country and its safety against capture or cataclysm.

If they disregarded the law, it is because they do not believe the law is binding upon them.

Had any one of these men stolen a car, attacked a girl, robbed a bank or committed any other crime, the entire legion would have turned upon him. The dry law is different.

Had any one of these men violated any other law, the high dignitaries of the state and nation would have helped to prosecute him.

The one reason these officials did not even protest against violations of the dry law is because they, too, do not believe its violation a real crime or against conscience.

Well, the senator, the congressmen, the legislators will go back to their halls and continue to vote for more drastic laws.

Other state officials will go to church and in snug hypocrisy again dedicate themselves to the noble experiment.

The sheriffs will go back home and catch an occasional bootlegger. The courts will jail him. The higher courts will affirm the sentence.

They will do these things until the people prefer men of courage who will not sell their political souls for pottage. They, themselves, furnish the mess.

The DO-X and After

The DO-X is in New York at last—proving very little.

When the world's most prominent airplane takes ten months to complete a flight from Europe to North America, it doesn't help us convince ourselves that a trans-Atlantic air service really is in the offing.

But the DO-X is recognized among aeronautical men as a freak. Its lumbering journey across the ocean is not taken by them as any gauge of the ability of big airplanes to negotiate the Atlantic.

A regular, dependable, time-saving trans-Atlantic air service probably is not as far away as the halting flight of the DO-X would indicate. Also, it is not as near as some of our optimists would have us believe.

It is somewhere in between, and its date will be determined largely by the wise selection of a good weather route, and by the development of a flying boat that can carry a load from New York to Europe in less than three days.

The first problem is being tackled commendably by the Thompson Aeronautical Corporation in its northern route survey—a survey on which Parker Cranner and his radio man recently lost their lives.

The solution of the second is being brought nearer by the building of such flying boats as the forty-passenger Sikorsky, recently completed for the Caribbean service of Pan-American Airways.

Thunder on the Left

The new British government seems to be making radicals out of moderate Laborites. The government must find \$600,000,000 to balance the budget. It proposes, in effect, to take this out of the skins of the poorest citizens. No Labor party can stand for that and keep its voters.

Prime Minister MacDonald's failure to carry more than a corporal's guard of the Labor party over into the coalition is indicative of the sharp left wing of the rank and file.

The twenty-one members of the Labor cabinet only four followed MacDonald, and of the 286 Labor members of the parliament only about thirty or less are believed to be loyal to their old middle-of-the-road leader.

The number that has gone over to the radical position thus is seen to be so great that it hardly can be described as a party split, but really is an expulsion from the party of the very small MacDonald minority.

In that sense, the trade union organization and parliamentary Labor party leaders are accurate in denying that MacDonald represents them or that labor is included in the coalition government.

Although the moderate Arthur Henderson, late foreign minister, succeeds to the nominal leadership of the Labor party, he already has been forced by events to side with the left wing. If Henderson should swing back to a moderate position, he probably would be read out of the party like MacDonald and be succeeded by a younger radical.

Apart from the social effect of cutting unemployment insurance benefits 10 per cent, reducing teachers' salaries 20 per cent, and curtailing educational and health services, world experts will be interested in the economic effects.

If a large part of the \$600,000,000 government savings is taken away from the laboring and lower professional classes, will not that amount in turn be withdrawn from business circulation?

Virtually all the admittedly low incomes of the insurance beneficiaries, government teachers, doctors

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

M. E. Tracy SAYS:

You Don't Have to Be an Expert to Guess That the Troubles of Our Police Are Not in the Ranks, but at the Top.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Those who have been following New York's sprightly mayor in his whirlwind tour of central Europe will not deny that miracles still occur.

One would go far to find the record of a more amazing recovery. It seems only yesterday that his honor was so all in, played out, and overburdened by the burdens of public business that he couldn't sit up later than 9 o'clock, or smoke more than two cigarettes between breakfast and bedtime.

Now he is going so fast that his dress suit can't keep up with him. Some say it's entirely due to the waters of Karlsbad.

Oh, yeah!

Taking a Big Bite

A MIRACLE has occurred out west, where John J. Lynch, sometimes referred to as "wealthy Chicago turban," and sometimes as "prominent Chicago gambler," has reached home in excellent spirits after a week's whirl with kidnapers.

Americans, who do not care how many kings any foreign country chooses to support, always are surprised by the sharp contrast of luxury and poverty which European royalty manages to advertise somehow every time there is a hunger crisis.

Of course the British Labor party long has presented the paradox of virtually 100 per cent Socialism and 100 per cent monarchism. But the present emergency may have little effect on that contradiction.

Trailing Bigotry

The senate's dreary investigation of Virginia's political-minded bishop, which has dragged on for so many months, still is interesting in one important aspect.

Until the country knows how much or how little the Republican national committee had to do with Bishop Cannon's campaign of bigotry in 1928, the subject should not be dropped.

There is no question that religious bigotry played a prominent part in the presidential campaign. The question is how much of it was inspired, sponsored, or condoned by the party managers.

It is interesting to know that C. Bascom Slemp, Republican national committeeman from Virginia, helped Bishop Cannon obtain \$65,000 from Edwin C. Jameson for the anti-Smith fight, and that Mr. Jameson thereafter was recommended by Slemp and others for appointment to the Hoover cabinet. Likewise interesting is the discovery of a \$10,000 check given Cannon by former Senator Frelinghuysen.

But the most important facts still are unknown—how Bishop Cannon spent the money, why he seeks to keep secret all his 1928 operations, and who actually was responsible for him.

Back to Barter

THREE cases of kidnaping, or, more accurately perhaps, of disappearance, have occurred in the New York City neighborhood during the last ten days.

First, there was the rich Japanese importer who vanished from the steamship Belgenland.

Second, there was Charles Marvin Rosenthal, prosperous broker, who has been reported as held by blackmailers for a ransom of \$100,000.

Third, there is young Hazleton.

Yet Captain John H. Ayres, head of the missing persons bureau, tells a World-Telegram staff writer that the average New Yorker is quite safe from abduction, even though he, or she, might bring a good ransom.

What Is This?

WE are great on averages, whether with regard to kidnaping or infantile paralysis.

The trouble is that averages mean nothing to the individual who gets hurt.

You can prove by the law of averages that only one in so many persons will be killed by an auto, but what good is that to the one who gets killed?

Both have collapsed miserably, leaving wheat growers and coffee raisers worse off than they ever have been. Similarly Britain's corner in rubber and Canada's wheat pools were failures.

Logically, if we can trade wheat for coffee, we can swap cotton for nitrates or manganese, wheat for olive oil, and so on. It is not to be expected, however, that the barter system will be extended widely. Rather, the present arrangement is a makeshift designed to meet an emergency, and as such may be practically useful.

Solution of the problem of world surpluses and the revival of international trade can not be accomplished by such middle age methods.

Industrial planning, elimination of prohibitive tariffs and other trade barriers, readjustment of international debts and reparations payments, and reduction of excessive armaments, are among measures needed for permanent correction of the situation.

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Something Is Wrong

WENTY thousand police in and around New York, but Mr. Rosenthal's mother appears to think that she can find a better job than they can in finding and negotiating with their kidnappers.

Half as many police in and around Chicago, but Al Capone is reported to have engineered the release of Lynch.

No one doubts the sincerity, or courage, of average policemen, but something has evidently gone wrong with them when it comes to organized effort.

It's at the Top

THE general run of cops, whether in New York, Chicago or anywhere else, are willing to work, willing to take chances, willing to die, as they have proved on innumerable occasions.

If you are not a good sport in business, you will not be a good sport in the home. If you are incapable of straight thinking, you probably will rear mentally warped children. On the other hand, if you are a loyal wife or a good household manager, you are likely to be a loyal friend and worker and will probably be a good manager for any other business.

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You don't have to be an expert in police matters to guess that this is the fault of the management, that things are wrong, not at the bottom, but at the top, and that reorganization of the system is indicated.

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