

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
HERE is something that perhaps you did not know: Since the world war, farm production in the United States has increased a half more rapidly than population.

Increase in farm production since the world war has been more rapid than at any time since 1900, and probably more rapid than at any time since 1890. Yet it is since the world war that agriculture has seen its severest depression since the early nineties.

These statements, which to the casual reader will appear to be startling, are vouched for by Dr. O. E. Baker, farm economist in the United States department of agriculture.

"HOW did it happen?" you ask. Well, here are the figures, as vouched for by Dr. Baker:

From a combined acreage of crops and pasture that has remained practically stationary since the war, agricultural production in the United States in the five-year period from 1923 to 1928 was 13.5 per cent greater than in the five-year period from 1917 to 1921. That is to say, each acre produced about one-sixth more.

Why? Largely as a result of better methods, made possible by modern farm machinery.

BUT the story of larger farm production, made possible by more modern farm machinery, isn't told in its entirety by better methods. There is another phase of it.

Take the case of tractors and automobiles, for example. Dr. Baker estimates that from 1920 to 1925 increased use of automobiles and tractors in agriculture released from five million to ten million acres of farm land previously required to feed horses and mules.

In the decade from 1918 to 1928, he thinks, the amount of crop land thus released amounted to at least ten million acres and perhaps to 20 million acres.

LET us analyze that interesting and significant statement a little more carefully, in order to make it perfectly plain.

Ten years ago, according to Dr. Baker, we were using from ten million to 20 million acres of land to grow feed for the horses and mules on the farms that have since been displaced by tractors and automobiles.

Now that we no longer need these 10,000,000 to 20,000,000 acres of land to grow feed for the horses and mules used in farm work, we are employing them to grow food for human consumption.

THAT brings us to another interesting conclusion. Dr. Baker estimates that it will be at least 1940 before there is any economic need to expand the existing net farm area of the United States, and even then, he says, we shall have available more than 100 million acres of plowable pasture land.

There isn't much consolation there for those who are urging the immediate necessity of such vast reclamation enterprises as the Columbia Basin project.

HERE is a brief extract from Dr. Baker's studies: "The tendency will be in the future, as it has been in the past, to bring more land into use for crops than is needed. Unless agricultural settlement is prudently guided, there is grave danger that periods of agricultural depression will recur."

Tell that to the sentimentalists who have been weeping and waiting for years because of the shift of population from the farms to the cities.

Tell it to the cranks who have been proclaiming that the time is approaching when we shall all starve to death because of inability of the land to produce food enough to feed the population.

AND save a special and sly earful of it for whatever short-sighted thinker it was who coined this phrase: "The greatest benefactor of humanity is he who shows us how to make two blades of grass grow where but one grew before."

There was a time when that catchy theory sounded like something hot from headquarters, and for long decades the department of agriculture of the United States, the agricultural colleges of the various states and agricultural leaders generally were guided by it wholly.

They talked nothing but "grow! grow! grow!" and as a result of their efforts the problem of over-

THREE STATES SUFFER DAMAGE FROM STORMS

**Kansas Aviation Industry,
Business Houses, Homes,
Wheat Crop Hit by
Wind and Rain.**

**Missouri Farms Inundated,
Traffic Halts; Floods
in Wyoming Have
Costly Result.**

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
KANSAS CITY, June 3.—Terrorful rains, hail and wind caused damage amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars in Kansas and Missouri yesterday.

A severe rain and wind storm at Wichita, Kans., wrecked several buildings and a dozen airplanes at the municipal and Swallow factory airports, damage approaching the \$200,000 mark. The Western Air express tri-motored plane, bound from Los Angeles to Kansas City, landed five minutes before the storm struck and was demolished. The plane, valued at \$75,000, was on the second flight of the new Kansas City-Los Angeles line.

Windows in buildings in Wichita's business district were shattered and trees were uprooted in the residential section. Scores of persons were injured slightly by glass and limbs falling from trees. Reports received at Wichita indicated heavy rains and hail with strong winds, swept the entire southern half of the state. Near Hardtner a house was blown from its foundation. It was feared the wheat crop may have been damaged considerably.

Floods on Rampage
Flood damage in northwest Missouri already amounting to thousands of dollars, was increased by rains of cloudburst proportion. Many bridges were washed out and railroad and bus service was paralyzed. Thousands of acres of farm land have been flooded by rains totaling 11 inches since last Friday, and are believed to be unfit for cultivation this season.

Water was reported to be from five to 10 feet deep in more than 50 homes in Pattonburg, near St. (Continued from page 5)

MURDER, SUICIDE END ROMANCE OF PROMINENT PAIR

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
MOORESTOWN, N. J., June 3.—The deaths of Miss Ruth Mowday Wilson and Horace Roberts, Jr., members of two of South Jersey's wealthiest and most prominent families, were under investigation today. The police theory was that Roberts shot the girl and himself.

Miss Wilson, the daughter of John O. Wilson, Camden financier, attorney and real estate operator, was found lying in her father's home here yesterday. She had been shot twice in the head.

A few feet away on the floor, Roberts, a member of an old Quaker family of Moorestown, was found unconscious. One pistol bullet had entered his right temple and two had taken effect near the back of his head. Both died without regaining consciousness.

Clutched in Roberts' right hand was a pistol. Six bullets had been fired from it.

The pair were found by Miss Wilson's father in the young woman's bedroom. She was lying on the bed. Both were fully clad. There was no evidence of a struggle.

Miss Wilson was graduated from Wilson college, Chambersburg, Pa., in the class of 1925, and Roberts, to whom she was at one time engaged, was graduated from Swarthmore in 1926. They had been sweethearts since childhood days, each was 25 years old.

Police learned from friends that Miss Wilson had broken the engagement two months ago, but that recently she and Roberts had renewed their friendship.

MOUNT VESUVIUS IS BELCHING LAVA

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NAPLES, Italy, June 3.—Mount Vesuvius, scourge of the rich Neapolitan countryside, burst suddenly into eruption again this afternoon.

The lava stream was nearly 40 feet wide and described as copious and lively. No danger was foreseen for new dwellings or the ancient excavated city of Pompeii, since the new lava current thrown from the great crater was pouring into "Hell valley". The interior eruptive cone maintained its normal activity.

STUDENTS DEFY WILLAMETTE EDICT BY SUNDAY DRAMA

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
SALEM, Ore., June 3.—Notwithstanding the protest of President Carl Gregg Doney of Willamette university, and his warning to students and faculty members not to participate in "The Piper," folk play by Josephine Preston Peabody, if the play was given here Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Gerald W. Prescott, a faculty member, withdrew from the cast after arranging for another person to take his place. R. A. McCully, registrar at the university, remained in the cast as did all student members but one.

President Doney's objection was that Willamette university is constitutionally opposed to Sunday amusements for which admission is charged. The play is being put on by the Salem Drama league and is directed by Mrs. Otto K. Paulus, a part-time instructor at the university. It will be repeated tonight. Drastic action is expected from President Doney when he returns from Seattle.

EDUCATOR ADVISES SNOBBISHNESS AND PROVOKES DEBATE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
BOSTON, June 26.—The necessity of snobbishness, a doctrine enunciated by Professor Robert Emmen Rogers of Massachusetts Institute of Technology in an address before the members of the graduating class, was under debate here today.

"Be a snob," Prof. Rogers told the seniors. "You will find it is just as easy to marry the boss' daughter as the stenographer. Dress, speak and act like a gentleman and you will be surprised at the amount of money you can get away with."

"Never buy a suit of clothes unless you get an extra pair of trousers. Keep one suit of clothes pressed every week. Never buy shoes unless you buy shoe trees for them. Keep them shined, shave yourself and never wear the same collar at night which you will wear all day."

Harvard, he declared, has received more publicity and money than any other American university because Harvard has never stopped "putting up a front, never gives in, never argues, blandly going on its way."

Among those who rallied to Prof. Rogers' support was Miss Ada Louise Comstock, president of Radcliffe college. "I believe Prof. Rogers was using the word snob in the better sense, or at least in an unusual sense," she said. "To me it appears that he wishes the young men of technology to cultivate the virtue of snobbishness and if it means self-respect, high standards and dressing neatly, then I quite agree with him."

Former Mayor James M. Curley, asserted Prof. Rogers had advocated "a strange precept, a doctrine against which the colonials fought in 1776—the divine right of certain individuals to constitute themselves a ruling class."

Lieut. Governor William S. Youngman said, "Rogers is all wrong. I have seen lives shipwrecked by too much front. The most valuable thing to a young man is modesty and people who hire and fire young men are keen to look for it."

COL REED FINED \$100 AND GIVEN 10 DAYS IN CO. JAIL

Col Reed, recently arrested on a charge of sale of intoxicating liquor, appeared in the justice court today and changed his plea from not guilty to guilty and was fined \$100 and given 10 days in jail. Reed's case offers a grave problem to the local authorities. By the terms of the law his convictions for liquor law violation justify a penitentiary term, and, in fact, sentence was suspended in one previous case because of the necessity of imposing such a penalty. Physicians, however, have declared that imprisonment for any extended period will prove fatal, so that the officers hesitate to enforce such a penalty, while, on the other hand, a fine is a hardship upon relatives, so that disposition of his case entails a great problem.

\$30,000,000 AUTO DEAL BETWEEN FORD AND SOVIET GOVT.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, June 3.—Details of a nine-year contract between the Ford Motor company and the Soviet government, calling for the purchase of about \$30,000,000 worth of Ford cars and parts in the next four years and the construction in Russia of a factory where Ford autos will be turned out, were made public today at the offices of the Amtorg Trading corporation, Soviet trade organization.

CRAZED BOY SHOTS PARENTS, BROTHER THEN KILLS SELF

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
MOOSEMIN, Sask., June 3.—Believed to have gone violently insane, Ernest Startin, 21, of the Iowa district, near here, killed his mother and seriously wounded his father and brother, Philip. He then ended his own life by firing a bullet through his brain. The father is not expected to recover but the son may survive.

WOMAN ONCE NEAR GALLOWS ACCUSED AGAIN

**Mrs. Gassler Is Believed
Murderer of Husband's
Lady Friend; Corpse
Found in Swamp.**

**Threats, Blood Stains in
Home, Taunting Words
Items of Evidence
Basing Case.**

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
CHICAGO, June 3.—Mrs. Catherine Cassler, who spent 27 months in jail for murder, part of the time close in the shadow of the scaffold, was back here today with new murder accusations flying about her graying head.

A mesh of circumstances which began forming even before her release from jail April 30 has involved her in the inquiry into the death of Camillea Soutar, the 24-year-old divorcee whose body, a bullet through the heart, was found deep in a swamp near Hebron, Ind., last Friday.

In the face of police charges, Mrs. Cassler has maintained a calm denial of any knowledge concerning Miss Soutar's death. She said she knew her husband, Truman, had employed the young woman as housekeeper during part of the time she was in jail, and that she had heard other things involving the two. "Camille," as Miss Soutar was called, was said to have called on Mrs. Cassler in jail several months ago, taunting her with a story that she and Mrs. Cassler's husband were to be married. Mrs. Cassler, however, said she "wasn't mad at her for it—I don't get jealous."

There were several circumstances that police at Valparaiso, Ind., where Mrs. Cassler is held, were unable to get the 40-year-old woman to explain. Mrs. Cassler's husband provided the most damaging information. He said that three days after his wife's release from jail she had confronted Miss Soutar and himself, threatening them with a revolver.

Mrs. Cassler said she had not been near Hebron, Ind., for three years; but police pointed out that Hebron was her old home town, and they had three witnesses who claimed to have seen Mrs. Cassler there Tuesday.

Edward Cassler, the woman's 19-year-old son, said he had had his mother driving last Tuesday, but that they had not gone outside Chicago. He said he saw a revolver in her possession, but he (Continued on page 5)

OFFICERS DIVIDED IN THEORIES OVER TEACHER'S DEATH

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
DETROIT, June 3.—Police and the coroner's office were at loggerheads today in theories accounting for the death in a hotel room Saturday of Miss Mary Bayle Lee, 27-year-old daughter of wealthy New York parents, and formerly a teacher in fashionable schools there.

Dr. James E. Burgess, coroner, believes a broken neck, battered face and chest, scratched hands and arms sufficient evidence that the young woman was slain after a struggle.

Inspector Fred W. Frahm, head of the police homicide squad, announced he was satisfied Miss Lee died of heart disease and that her neck was broken while the body was being taken to the county morgue.

The body of the girl was found last night reclining in a neatly made hotel bed in a position simulating sleep.

Frahm said he learned from Miss Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lee, that she suffered five years ago from an inflammation of the brain covering, an aftermath of influenza, and subsequently was afflicted by convulsions. He suggested the vertebrae fracture might have occurred during such a spasm.

GARDEN CLUB TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING TONIGHT

An important meeting of the Roseburg Garden club is to be held tonight at the Parish house and an effort is being made to secure a large attendance. It is planned to hold a rose show during the present week, either on Saturday or on Friday and Saturday as a feature of carnival week. Heretofore this show has been conducted entirely by the Women's club, but it is believed by many of the Garden club members that this latter organization should assist, and the meeting tonight is to be largely devoted to plans for cooperating with the Women's club in presenting the rose show.

HEINRICH RETURNS TO BERKELEY WHERE HE WILL MAKE TESTS

E. O. Heinrich, consulting criminologist from Berkeley, California, returned to his home yesterday after doing his preliminary work here in connection with the Hess murder case. Mr. Heinrich made a thorough inspection at the Hess home, and also surveyed the surrounding territory, securing as much information as he could find in connection with the slaying. He secured a number of articles that he believes may have some bearing on the crime, and is taking these with him to his laboratory at Berkeley where he will submit them to chemical and optical tests to ascertain the facts that they may contain.

He expresses confidence that the case will eventually be solved, but states that it will probably be considerable time before sufficient evidence can be secured to warrant an arrest.

AUTO COLLISION KILLS 2 PERSONS; 2 OTHERS MAY DIE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
LONG BEACH, Calif., June 3.—Two were dead and two others not expected to live as the result of an automobile collision here last night. The dead are: Mrs. Howie Ellsworth, 32, St. Paul, Minn.; Harry Christian, Fargo, N. Dak.

Mrs. Ellsworth and her husband, together with Christian and Dr. Frank Darrow, were guests of Edward Elliot of Glendale, Calif., in the latter's machine on a sight-seeing trip. The guests were here to attend the Shrine convention.

Elliot's car collided head-on with another driven by James Johnson of Signal Hill, Calif. In the latter vehicle were Johnson, his wife and three children. Johnson and his youngest child, Carl, 4, sustained fractured skulls and were not expected to recover, according to hospital reports. Mrs. Johnson sustained a broken collar bone, while Leona, 12-year-old daughter, child, James Jr., 9, escaped unhurt, suffered a broken arm. The third child killed in Oregon.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 3.—Automobile accidents took a toll of three lives in Oregon Sunday. Mrs. Ethel Alexander, 38, wife of James F. Alexander, prominent Portland attorney, was killed when crushed under the family automobile as it backed over an embankment and overturned on the road near Cannon beach and Slid. The Alexanders were celebrating their seventh wedding anniversary at the beach resort.

Daniel B. Putman, 73, and Mrs. Lucinda Putman, 74, of Springfield, Ore., lost their lives when the machine in which they were riding was struck by a southbound Southern Pacific electric train on a blind crossing near Newberg.

SLIDES 2,500 FEET ON MT. HOOD, DROPS OVER 75-FT. CLIFF

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
HOOD RIVER, Ore., June 3.—William Meaney, junior in Grant high school in Portland, was in a serious condition in a hospital here today, although able to tell of his 2500-foot slide down the side of a Mount Hood glacier, ending in a sheer fall of 75 feet into a crevasse. The accident occurred yesterday as young Meaney and four other boys were climbing the mountain. He suffered no broken bones, but hospital attendants said his body was as severely burned as though he had been in a fire. Friction caused the burns.

The party had reached the top of a glacier and had turned down the other side. His companions saw Meaney slip. He fell headlong and plunged down the side of the glacier, his body rolling sideways, overturning and spinning as he slid along the ice. After going about 2500 feet Meaney dropped over a 75-foot cliff into a crevasse. The fact that the crevasse contained loose snow saved his life, rescuers declared. He was carried to Hood River on a stretcher.

MACDONALD AGAIN TO BE PREMIER OF BRITISH EMPIRE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
LONDON, June 3.—Stanley Baldwin, prime minister of England and head of the conservative government which has guided the nation since October 1924, decided today to tender the resignation of his ministry to the king.

His action, caused by the defeat of the conservative party in the general elections Thursday, is in agreement with constitutional usage and with the advice of powerful conservative leaders and most of the conservative press.

J. Ramsay MacDonald, premier of the first labor government in the history of England, is now considered certain to assume control of his majesty's government.

Thus for the second time within five years, the labor party, which 30 years ago held not a single seat in the house of commons, will come into power. It will rule as a coalition with the conservative party, and not as a stable majority government. Labor held only 287 seats out of 388 necessary for a majority after the general election.

JUSTICE AGAIN DEALS BLOW TO H. F. SINCLAIR

**U. S. Supreme Court Puts
O. K. on Penalty Meted
for Jury Stalking
in Oil Case.**

**Two Co-Defendants Also
Affected by Decision;
Disapproval as to
Wm. J. Burns.**

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, June 3.—Leo A. Rover, United States attorney who prosecuted Sinclair, said the oil man would start serving the six months' sentence for criminal contempt as soon as he completed the present three months' sentence for refusing to answer questions asked by the senate committee.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The sentences imposed upon Harry F. Sinclair, Henry Mason Day and W. Sherman Burns for having the Fall-Sinclair Teapot Dome jury shadowed, were upheld today by the supreme court, but the fifteen day sentence on William J. Burns was disapproved.

Sinclair is now serving a three months' sentence in the District of Columbia jail for contempt of the senate. He refused to answer questions before the senate oil committee in connection with the oil investigation.

In the case decided today the government charged that Sinclair through Day, had employed the Burns detectives to shadow the jury. Sinclair contended the government had failed to produce evidence showing that the shadowing and obstructed the trial and all defendants joined in appeal.

The court of appeals of the District of Columbia called on the supreme court for instructions on points of law and Owen J. Roberts, government counsel, asked the highest court to have the whole controversy sent to it. Such an order was issued, and the supreme court today disposed of the whole controversy instead of merely answering the questions and sending the case back for action by the court of appeals.

Similar action was taken by the supreme court when the circuit court of appeals asked it for instructions in the case against Sinclair. (Continued on page 3)

CONVICTIONS AND FINES UNDER DRY LAW DECREASED

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Although about 1000 more prohibition cases were brought into the federal courts in the latter half of 1928 than in the same period of 1927, the department of justice finds that 2400 fewer individual convictions resulted and \$200,000 less was assessed in fines.

The 1928 figures are placed at 27,575 cases tried, 23,687 convictions, \$2,222,146 assessed in fines, and 3,295 fines imposed in prison sentences. The sentence figures compared with 3,473 years in the last six months of 1927.

In the corresponding periods of 1925 and 1926, the statistics show that 5,000 and 9,000 fewer cases, respectively, were brought into the courts than in 1928. The total of fines in the 1928 period was \$20,000 less than that in 1925, but \$600,000 more than in 1926.

ROSEBURG GOLFERS DROP TOURNAMENT TWO CORVALLIS TEAM

An 18-man team of the Roseburg Country Club had an enjoyable time at Corvallis Sunday, meeting the team of the club there in a tournament which resulted in a victory for Corvallis 423 to 1063. Corvallis has one of the best teams of the state, and last year was undefeated. A team from Albany also played against Corvallis yesterday. The weather was excellent, the golfers report, and all present had a most enjoyable time. In the afternoon an opportunity was afforded to witness the air circus and derby staged at the new Corvallis airport.

Pastor Resigns In Preference To Mouth Lock

DETROIT, June 3.—The opposition of a church vestry to a pastor who denounced its members and his congregation from the pulpit was believed today to have forced the resignation of the Very Rev. Herbert L. Johnson, dean of St. Paul's Episcopal cathedral.

Dean Johnson announced his resignation yesterday from his pulpit and left with Mrs. Johnson in the afternoon for New York from where he will sail for a year of study abroad. The vestry, after a special meeting, announced acceptance of the resignation "in order that Dean Johnson might be given this 'opportunity' to go abroad."

Several weeks ago Dean Johnson, who came to Detroit in 1926, from Phoenix, Ariz., publicly denounced his vestry as of "capitalistic character," at the church congress of the Protestant Episcopal church at Ann Arbor, Mich. He charged that he had been ordered not to sermonize on sex, nor to preach prohibition "when I know six of my nine vestrymen have cellars," and was prevented from inviting a speaker of the American Federation of Labor to address the cathedral congregation.

In his sermons since then he has dealt with dissemination of birth control and while declaring himself self-opposed to prohibition said "Any man whose hobby it was to preach prohibition from this pulpit would find the pressure so strong that he would be forced to close his mouth or leave."

BABY PARADE TO BE BIG FEATURE COMING CARNIVAL

The Hildebrand United Shows, to be featured this week as a carnival attraction, arrived at Roseburg last night and were set up today preparatory to a week's stand, which will start tonight. Considerable difficulty was had in securing a suitable location. The Catholic grounds, usually used, were not obtainable this year, and the committee was not able to secure an up-town site. Definite arrangements were made to locate the attractions on South Stephens street, but due to the illness of Harvey Brown, whose home is in close proximity, it was decided at the last minute to change to some other location.

After considerable effort the committee secured the East property in North Roseburg, just a short distance north of the city auto camp on Winchester street. While this site is not as desirable for the purpose as it might be, yet it is easily accessible and can be quickly reached, and also has the advantage of being on the highway.

The shows come well recommended to Roseburg, and present some excellent entertainment, according to those who have seen them. They will be in operation tonight.

The carnival this year is being limited to one day of celebration, Saturday, June 8, although the shows will be in operation all week.

Strawberry booths will be operated by the Umpqua Squaws Friday and Saturday, while plans are being made for a rose show to be held either one or two days.

The chief entertainment Saturday will be the annual baby parade, which is being arranged by the Umpqua Squaws. Five sections are provided and prizes will be awarded as follows:

Section 1
Best decorated baby carriage or go-cart—1st \$5, 2nd \$2, 3rd \$1.
Section 2
Best decorated tricycle or wagon—1st \$2, 2nd \$2, 3rd \$1.
Section 3
Bathing Beauties, must have regulation dress or suit—1st \$5, 2nd \$2, 3rd \$1.
Section 4
Best Indian character—1st \$5, 2nd \$2, 3rd \$1.
Section 5
Best feature not included in above classifications—1st \$5, 2nd \$2, 3rd \$1.

TAX PETITIONS TO BE ON TIME, SAYS PORTLAND LAWYER

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PORTLAND, Ore., June 3.—Erskine Wood, Portland attorney, said today there is no doubt that the complete petitions in the referendum of the excise tax bill would be filed with the secretary of state today.

Wood said he was aware that it would be necessary to have the petitions in Salem by midnight tonight, but said he anticipated no difficulty in so filling them.

Unless by midnight tonight the completed petitions are filed with the secretary of state, the referendum will fail and there will be no special election June 25.

PRESBYTERIANS FAVOR WAR BAN

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PITTSBURGH, June 3.—The federal council of churches' stand against war was approved in a resolution adopted today by the commissioners of the 71st United Presbyterian general assembly. Some debate preceded approval of the resolution. The Rev. Dr. Charles Gilmore, Cadiz, Ohio, in opposing the council's stand, said that "war is a necessity of the time."

GIVE DRY LAW HONEST TRIAL, BUSINESS ASKS

**Industrial Leaders, Among
Them Ford, Penney and
Edison, Appeal to
People of U. S.**

**Prohibition Held Foremost
of Nation's Problems;
Modification Plan
Wins \$25,000.**

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, June 3.—A message "to the American people" urging that "prohibition should be given an honest trial" and bearing the signatures of Henry Ford, Thomas A. Edison, Captain Robert Dollar, J. C. Penney and 20 other men prominent in business and industry, was published today.

The message quoted the plea for law observance in President Hoover's inaugural address and invited Americans, "whatever their previous opinions and social practices, and particularly those in business and professional life, to join with us in following the president. Let us unite to give the eighteenth amendment an honest chance for complete enforcement."

The signers were: Ralph H. Burnside, lumber, Portland, Ore.; Colonel Patrick Henry Callahan, varnish, Louisville, Ky.; Frederick S. Chase, metals, Waterbury, Conn.; W. H. Crosby, metals, Buffalo; R. Fulton Cutting, financier, New York; Capt. Robert Dollar, steamships, San Francisco; Thomas A. Edison, inventor, West Orange, N. J.; Henry Ford, automobiles, Detroit; Charles B. Cook, typewriters, Hartford, Conn.; J. C. Penney, merchant, New York; Geo. A. Plimpton, publisher, New York; Alfred C. Fuller, brushes, Hartford, Conn.; A. A. Hyde, drugs, Wichita, Kans.; James N. Jarvis, sugar, New York; Clarence H. Kelsey, banker, New York; R. A. Long, lumber, Kansas City; George F. Milton, publisher, New York; Jas. H. Post, sugar, New York; Fred W. Ransay, motor, Cleveland; Win. Ross Russell, insurance, Hartford, Conn.; Dr. William Jay Schofield, drugs, New York; Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., automobiles, New York; Ambrose Swasey, machine tools, Cleveland; A. A. Welch, insurance, Hartford, Conn.

Choate Answers Wets

A letter, expressing disapproval of the recently organized voluntary committee of lawyers opposed to the eighteenth amendment, and an answer to it by Joseph H. Choate, Jr. member of the board of managers of the committee, were also published.

Marshall Stimson, Los Angeles attorney, asked that the committee refrain from using the word "lawyers" to avoid "bringing the legal profession further into disrepute." He asked whether any members of the committee were retained by interested parties seeking repeal of the amendment.

Mr. Choate replied that honest belief is the sole mainspring of the movement, adding "We believe that prohibition is the most serious remediable evil from which the country now suffers."

The message to the American people and the lawyers' letters (Continued on page 3)