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FIRST THINGS FIRST；FEED THE HUNGRY
＂Every man is entitled to the right to work so as to sup－ undoubted truth．
＂When a man is idle he is apt to be discontented，espe
cially when such idleness is not of his own seeking or faul but due entirely to our economic laws． ＂Such a man is liable to feel resentful tow
＂That is one great reason why President Harding＇ ceived seven million majority of votes at the last election．It
is true that the unemployment was not so serious then as
it is now，but it was easy to tell what was coming，already on the way，in fact．
their families are not the only ones to suffer．The entire community suffers．The butcher，the baker，the grocer，the
dry goods merchant all suffer because these idle people have not their usual means with which to buy．＂

Thie above paragraph are not from a Socialist organ－
They are from the American Economist of last week；the official organ of the American Protective Tariff League，
representing the chief manufactures of the United States representing the chlef manufactures of the United States．
That paper goes on to say in another paragraph of the same article：
＂First feed the hungry！The way to do that is
and to give them employment．They are not hungry be－
cause of any inequities in the internal revenue laws， but because we have practically discharged them
and hired foreigners to work in place of them．That and hired foreigners to work in place of them．That
is exactly the result of our free trade tariff which is exactly the resuit of our free trade tariff which
has perritted the importation of over five billion
dollars＇worth of foreign merchandise which has dollars＇worth of foreign merchandise which has crowded out domestic products．The importers hav instead of buying goods produced at home．They have imported over $\$ 5,279,000,000$ worth of foreign goods during the calendar year，the largest part o
which should have been produced and consumed a which should have been produced and consumed a home．Had that been done，there would be no idle
would have been at work earning a livelihood fo
themselves and families．＂ The American Fconomi The American Economist，in the article quoted，is de
randing that the tariff bill be taken up first－before the in ternal revenue bill，or any other legis
And this will no doubt be done．

Our Congressman，W．C．Hawley，is the fourth ranking member of the House Ways and Means Committee．William
R．Green and Nicholis Longworth are ahead of him；but in R．Green and Nichois Longworth are ahead of him；but in Foraney himself．These men are committed to the program
of getting the main tariff bill onto the federal statutes in April if possible；and not later than May－
And then the $3,000,000$ men whom we discharged，and employed foreigners in their place，will have
work－And our agrieultural products will be protected against ruinous foreign competition；and，with the team work di
reeted by Mr．Hoover，the United States will enter a perio of the greatest prosperity known in the history of this coun－ try，or any other county．
When Mrs．W．P．Lord of Salem appeared before the House
Ways and Means Committee in the latter part Ways and Means Committee in the latter part of January，
to plead for a protective duty on flax and hemp，Congressman to plead for a protective duty on flax and hemp，Congressman
Joseph W．Fordney of Michigan，chairman of the commit－
tee，came down to congratulate her and thank her．Mr．Ford－ tee，came down to congratulate her and thank her．Mr．Ford
ney said he worked flax when he was a boy；broke and scutched it，and his mother spun the fiser．Mrs．Lord told
him she hoped the would remember this when the him she hoped he would remember this when the question
came of putting a duty on fiber．Mr．Fordney answered，＂In－ deed I will．＂And no doubt he has done so，with the full
cooperation of Congressman Hawley．Mrs．Lord is still in Bal－ timore．

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