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## THE HARDING ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

f) ${ }^{\mathrm{N} \text { HIS acceptance speech Senator Harding said some }}$ splendid things. The address as a whole bears out his reputation as a gifted orator. Like President Wilson and
ike his competitor, Governor Cox, the republican nominee elected we are going to have a man in the white house who knows how to express himself well.
On numerous industrial and economic subjects there can be nd questioning the soundness of the senator's views. We need
more production and we need deflation. He does not lay suffimore production and we need deflation. He does not lay suffi-
cient stress on steps the present administration is taking towards
deflation. The deflating proces is on alren to say that it is business where the country must move with arr involving gigantic expenditures and only time a colossal On the railroad issue Harding lays too much blame on al leged failure of govermmental operation. He minimizes the fact that private operation broke down under the war strain and
that the government had to assume control. He likewise over looks the fact that private control even with unprecedented governmental aid is not fully answering the nation's need. "Regarding Mexico Mr. Harding uses the words "friendship" and "sympathy." Those words smack more of the San Francis
co platform than of the Chicago platform. just the same. The senator criticises the Wilson polily towards Mexico yet comes very near advising that very policy.
As to the dry amendment he gives a law enforcement pledge which is right and proper. He says the enforcement law may victions of his own on this point. He was not expected to do so es his platform is silent upon that topic and the candidate should stand upon his platform.
The weak spot in the Harding attitude is his opposition $t$
the League of Nations, He sustains the Chicago platform's pudiation of the league and advises a world court instead. H would have peace by justice, not by force. You can logicalh uphold his stand if you believe a police judge can successfully
maintain the peace of his community without any police force to back him. You can accept the Harding viewpoint if you be-
twithout the aid of governor, sheriff or militia. Likewise you can acclaim the senator's attitude if you believe that the Hague not have a great world wa
cant preserve peace is fundamentally wrong. It defies human nature, it runs counter to history and to evolution. Whereve peace or disarmament have occurred they have always com
because a higher power or alliance used force or stood ready to use lforce in defending the smaller or weaker unit of society. This has been true from the stone age to the present day and no Theodore Roosevelt turn over in his grave. The colonel did no The Harding view that the league covenant would deatroy The Harding view that the league covenant would destroy
American independence wont stand scrutiny. The league would nat infringe upon our rights but instead would give our govern-
ment and our institutions a protection greater than ever before. Alf the allied and neutral powers, each as jealous as we on the subfect of nationalism, have joined the league and their action
refutes the Harding theory with a force that cannot be matched with words.
Senator Harding if president would try to have the world give up or the covenant. He would go back to the pre war stat us by establishing something very much like we had at Th
Hague. Was it for that we poured out our gold, was it for that Hague. Wasit four milion soldiers fought, would such a goal suffice fo the sorrowing mother who having lost a son is consoled and in spired by the thought that he died in a war to end war thereom makes his elfection an impossibility. thereom makes his election an impossibility

Whatever the outcome of the yacht
they cannot say we did not win one race.
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