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OUR KEYNOTE:

"If There is Not a Way, Cut a Way."

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SHOUT THE FACTS AT THEM

MR. LEROY E. Jordan has furnished the News with the following timely editorial from the Oil and Gas Journal which is well worth reading. It is time some one stepped in and investigated the investigators who are trying to disgrace a most honorable industry:

"If you discover a fire in the attic you go right to work fighting the fire where it is, in the attic.

"That is exactly what the oil industry should do; it should set to work right in the very states where the agitation against the industry is being fanned into flames by the politicians. It should stamp them out with the heat of truth before they have a chance to spread.

"The opportunity is neglected and politicians are permitted to profit by misleading the public, while governors and office seekers in other states will try to win votes and jobs in the same way.

"If the industry is wading to this situation it will carry it over straight to the people in these states where the agitators are most active, challenging them at once with the truth about the oil business, and stopping the fire where it is started.

"The oil industry, as The Oil and Gas Journal has shown, has an absolutely clear case, a case that needs only to be put before any fair-minded man or woman to win a hearing and win confidence. Then, why let the demand for a recall of the oil business and allow them to get away with it as they have been doing?"

"In the past week oil men have repeatedly told The Oil and Gas Journal that while they, of course, knew the identity of the charges leveled at the industry, they had no idea how good a case it really had until they saw it in black and white.

"This can be easily understood. Oil men are too busy attending to their own business, too closely engaged in the actual refining, production and refining of oil, to have given much thought to combating the political propaganda and setting themselves right with popular opinion.

"It was the recognition of the fact that led The Oil and Gas Journal to undertake the preparation of the industry's answer in a form that would appeal to the public. The work called for not only a technical knowledge of the oil business but experience in the best methods of interesting and instructing the public.

"The only way to fight pernicious propaganda is the plain truth plainly presented. The best case in the world may never get a popular hearing unless offered in a way the people can understand and in a manner that will attract and hold their attention.

"The agitation against the oil industry has never been successfully challenged because oil men have been prone to disdain a reply to charges they knew were contemptibly false.

"Of course, if the public hears only one side and that side is repeated often enough and loudly enough

it is bound to be impressed with it. Especially so, if that side is fostered by long standing prejudice and is at the moment being featured in the news in every newspaper in America.

"But in this enlightened land, public opinion can be changed almost overnight if the other side of an issue is presented and is found to be more convincing. We do not have to go back very far in our history to recall just such reversals of the tide of popular sentiment.

"Americans want to know. They are not afraid to change their minds. They have no foolish sensitiveness about correcting hasty judgments. They would rather be right than merely consistent. And they are ever ready to hear the other side of any issue to confirm or correct their opinions.

"When some politician or governor gets up to make sweeping assertions about a 'conspiracy to gouge the people' in the price of gasoline he should be confronted with the actual facts. He should not be permitted to cover up his lack of knowledge of what he is talking about by a general demand for an 'investigation' at some future date. He should be pinned down, then and there, so the public can judge who is telling the truth.

"These fellows have been having the advantage of a monologue too long. Let us make it a debate and show the people who has the best of the argument.

"Oil men are now in position to talk back to these politicians. The facts about the oil business, as presented in 'The Oil Industry's Answer' cover every angle point in which the public is interested and are a complete rejoinder to all these political attacks.

"Leading advertising agencies are already using this information and it is being sent out by large oil companies to their stockholders as knowledge of value and importance to everyone interested in oil. Associations of oil men can use it to great advantage in combating these agitators within their own states.

"This would be a most effective preliminary in the 'On to Washington' movement. Squelching mistaken or malicious criticism 'back home' would have a timely corrective influence upon the statemen at Washington.

"Prompt exposure of the absurdity of these attacks on the oil business is a duty owed to the public, no less than to the industry itself. The people should be shown the folly of allowing these politicians to use the credit of the state and the taxpayers' cash in a pretense of competition with those who serve the public the year round.

"If the state can put its officials and employees into the gasoline business and trust to its power to tax the people to cover losses what is to prevent it from doing the same in applying shoes, paying rent or furnishing transportation? And where will that policy eventually land the taxpayer whose pocket will have to make good the deficit?

"Things like these do not occur to the ordinary man when he listens to some glib politician telling him how this or that business should be run. He needs to be shown. And the time and the place to show him is right at the moment and on the spot.

"The oil industry now has it within its power to salt these slanders at the point of utterance. When a politician runs amuck shouting for an investigation of the oil business and government control shoot the facts at him.

"Now you have the gun and the ammunition, use it."

Better try something big and fail than sit tight and do nothing at all.

The golden rule always works if given a fair chance.

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ASSETS:

Loans and discounts, including advances on commercial bills	1,000.00
Real estate	20,000.00
Other assets	10,000.00
Total	31,000.00

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in	25,000.00
Surplus fund	2,000.00
Undivided profits	3,000.00
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	(500.00)
Circulating notes outstanding	2,000.00
Certified checks outstanding	100.00
Deposits subject to check	100.00
Individual deposits subject to check	100.00
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)	100.00
Dividends unpaid	100.00
Other demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve	100.00
Liabilities other than those above stated	100.00
Total	31,000.00

STATE OF NEW YORK, ss.
I, John E. Cannon, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JOHN E. CANNON, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of April, 1924.
B. B. HARRIS, Notary Public.

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Everything is to be sold including all small Farming Tools not mentioned above.

Lunch Will be Served at 11:30.

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