THE CALL

By MORRIS

SENATOR LODGE'S SPEECH

We are met here to take the first, the most decisive step in the political campaign which is to determine the party control of this great government for the next four years. If is a solemn moment, fraught with vast possibilities of either good or will be protected and orderly civilization without which law as possibilities of either good or will be protected and orderly civilization without which law as possibilities of either good or will be protected and orderly civilization without which we planes with the great extended to the control of the protection of the party control of this great government of the people, and nower must there be permitted any government by a single man or by a group of men or by an organized may government by a single man or by a group of men or by an organized may government by a single man or by a group of men or by an organized may government by a single man or by a government by a single man or by a group of men or by an organized or the cambet it is most deciral to the control of the deal of the man or proposed in law of the products. We are also find the great victory a blessing to man truth and the great victory a blessing to man truth and the great victory and that is the great victory and true freedom withers when they copie themselves to make the laws and true freedom withers when they copie themselves to make the laws. The chief magistrate must understand this mental and the great victory and the great victory and true freedom withers when the control of reduct the and true freedom withers when the same the victory and true freedom withers when they copie men or by an organized or freedom withers when the control of the control with which we must cope and cope successfully if we are to rebuild and again move onward. The ruined towns, the broken industries, the desolated farms are there before our eyes wherever the battles were fought. Countless little mounds mark the resting places of the dead in the fields and on the hillsides torn and gashed by shot and shell. Signals of mourning throughout the world tell us of the trreparable losses of all nations, which have swept away such an appalling portion of the youth of every palling portion of the youth of every palling portion whom were garnered up land, those in whom were garnered up the hopes and strength of the future. The splendor of the achievement of our soldiers and sailors, their daunt-less courage and unshrinking service will always remain one of the proudest memories in the history of the republic. But the dead return not and the shadow of the great sorrow for those forever gone will never be lifted from the hearts of the people who sent them forth to battle. The the vast debts and heaped up taxes which have been piled upon our shoulders and upon those of posterity. Great empires have been swept from the earth, ancient monarchies of 1800 we must add a like service in 1920. No larger victory at any time could be won by any political party. We must both earn and deserve it. We did not fail in the Civil war. We shall not, must not fail now. have crumbled in an hour and long-

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perilous conditions of the mode only other organized political force only other organized political force strong enough to grapple with the encircling dangers is the Republican party. If that too fails and breaks down, the Russian descent into barbarism will begin to draw near. Such en end is inconceivable with the American people but they must realize the peril and drive it back into the darkness whence it comes. We, keepers of the Republican faith, must therefore succeed. We must not know defeat when the great responsibility defeat when the great responsibility and all the productive of the service of the service of the service of the service of peace restrict very much the powers of the general government and in helping to increase the productivity of the farms, which must be done through government action, the Republican faith, must be done of the general government and in the productivity of the farms, which must be done through government action, the Republican faith, must be done of the general government and in the productivity of the farms, which must be done through government action, the Republican faith, must therefore succeed. We must not know defeat when the great responsibility when honestly acquired, so largely depend. Already a beginning has been of prices and the high cost of living of prices and the high cost of living the strong through the powers of the severy man and women in every corner of our great land. Keep these principles sacred and untouched and all the rest will follow. The normal limitations of times of the normal limitations of times of the modern of the general government and in the powers of the general government and in the productivity of the farms, which must be done through government and in the powers of the general government and in the productivity of the farms, which must be done through government and in the powers of the general government and in the productivity of the general government and in the powers of the general government and in the powers of the general go for those forever gone with the form the hearts of the people who sent them forth to battle. The therefore succeed. We must not know therefore succeed. We must not know when honestly acquired, so largely demanterial side of war results is, like defeat when the great responsibility when honestly acquired, so largely depend. Already a beginning has been made by a Republican congress, working under all the difficulties and opportant domestic question now benoming the country and the people when honestly acquired, so largely depend. Already a beginning has been made by a Republican congress, working under all the difficulties and opportant domestic question now benoming the country and the people when honestly acquired, so largely depend and the people when honestly acquired and matter pend. Already a beginning has been made by a Republican congress, working under all the difficulties and opportant domestic question now benoming the pend.

In order to render to our country he service which we desire to render tered, fallen and passed away like a and which we can accomplish in large watch in the night.

All these things stare us in the face, pierce our attention and arrest our thoughts. But this is not all and what remains, perhaps more than anything else, makes incredibly difficult the immense task which lies before us, one not to be escaped but which will strain not to be escaped but which will strain authority. To this end Mr. Wilson and governments and people to the top of their bent if aught that makes life worth living is to survive. The worth living is to survive and the execu watch in the night.

All these things stare us in the face, pierce our attention and arrest our thoughts. But this is not all and what remains, perhaps more than anything tunity can only come through our being a start whether we can accompand in a disinter-ested public spirit, we must have the opportunity for service. That opportunity for service. wrecked towns, the shattered forts, the effaced villages, the sinking ships were not the only victims of the storm of war. Other things, the impalpable possessions of the mind and hear, have in like fashion been wounded and crippled. In the shock of war, through long years of bitter conflict, moral restraints were loosened and states. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. They must be driven from all control, from all influence upon the government of the United States. moral restraints were loosened and stant if indirect assaults upon the all the habits, all the conventions, all the customs of life which more even tions of free government, strike at the than law hold society together, were swept aside. One passion, one purpose—to save the country, to save ways rested. The return of the Demoexcitement and a hunger for change sentative government or that of a cunknown before. One sees the result dictatorship resting on a plebiscite in the restlessness which is every carried by repellent methods. Mr. where; in the mere trifles of life, in Wilson and the autocracy he reprederes, in amusements, in pleasure seeking, in the greed for money and in his doctrines and share his spirit seeking, in the greed for money and the recklessness of expenditure and, what is infinitely more serious, in the control. Bear this well in mind throughout the campaign, for it is the first condition of our ability to

the first condition of our ability to enter upon the path which will carry us forward to true progress and to wiser laws. It is the path of Washington, of Lincoln and of Roosevelt from which Mr. Wilson has sought to drag us. We can only regain it by once and for all condemning the man and his associates who have thus endeavored to turn us from the right road into the dark and devious ways which with all nations lead to de-struction. We therefore make our appeal for support to all who love America, to all, whatever party name they happen to bear, who are true to the faith of the fathers, to join with us in this great work of redemption. The defeat of the present administration and all its present administraion and all it means transcends in tion and all it means transcends in importance every other question and all immediate and dominant issues are bound up with it. Without that defeat every chance of the right settlement of the mighty questions before us, so sorely needed now and not later, will depart.

Our First Duty As Americans.

The ground thus cleared, it is our first duty as Americans to re-establish certain essential principles which have been both shaken and invaded—

been both shaken and invaded— shaken by the shock of war, invaded by those who had their own selfish purposes to serve even in the hour of the country's danger.

The earliest beliefs of men reveal

the trust of mankind in order, as the divine conqueror of chaos and eternal A famous poet tells us that "order is Heaven's first law" and history repeats the same injunction. All the civilization ever built up and treasured by mankind has rested upon the establishment of law rested upon the establishment of law and order. Law and order, the supports of true undone. liberty, the firm foundations of pros- of a gre perity and progress, have always ruled in the United States and have been very dear to the hearts of the American people. They must never be weakened or impaired unless we are ready to see all that we have a carefully built up go down in ruin land men forced once more into the lastruggle against chaos, followed by the glow and tollowed climb out of the the slow and toilsome climb out the darkness of anarchy to the height of freedom and accomplishment. maintain law and order and a stable government where justice rules and

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ing under all the difficulties and opposition imposed by a hostile executive. Many vital economic measures and especially protective tariff legislation to guard our industries are impossible with a Democratic free trader of Socialistic proclivities in the White House. To accomplish such measures as these we must have, as the dealt with as speedily as may we intend to have a Republican party should address itself without delay in every direction where help is possible. There are, of course, as I have said, many other important economic questions to be dealt with as speedily as may

straitened in their old age through the rise in prices, by an increase in their pensions. The civil service retirement law, a long-deferred act of justice to faithful servants of the government, has been passed. We have been obliged to restore the army and navy to a peace footing, a work as difficult as it was necessary. We have met this by two most important measures, the army and navy pay-bill and the law for the reorganization of the army on a peace basis. Two of the most important acts of any pe-riod, the shipping act for the up-building of the American marine and

the settlement of the affairs of the shipping board and the law establishing the budget, a great measure of economy and sound financial admineconomy and sound intancial admin-istration, are conspicuous as our lat-est achievements. The budget bill was vetoed by the president at the last moment on the grounds that it interfered with his power of appointment and removal. The list of beneficial laws, passed under adverse circumstances, might be largely extended did not time for-

bid. But these are enough to show the far-reaching results of the labors of this congress, whose time is but little more than half spent. Some of the master minds of the Democratic party are now chirruping away like incessant little birds that "the Republicans have done nothing." should be glad, omitting the two years of war when both parties worked together, to put the recorded accom-plishment of the five years of complete Democratic control beside that of our eighteen months hampered by an inimical administration. Let me assure you that we do not fear the

comparison.
We have made a remarkable beginning, but we are fully conscious that it is only a beginning. Much has been done, much more remains to do our energies to deal with what is still undone. The wreck and confusion of a great war, in business, finance and all economic conditions, cannot be cleared away and fully readjusted in a year and a half nor indeed in in a year and a half nor indeed in twice that time, Reconstruction must be steady and energetic but it also demands care if it is to be of lasting value. The rise of prices, the high cost of living which reach daily into every home, is the most pressing as it is the most difficult and most essential problem which confronts us. essential problem which confronts us. Some of the sources of this trouble can be reached by legislation, although not all, but everything that can be effected by law should be done at once. Profiteering, the charging of extortionate and unjustified prices, which is stupid as well as unlawful, are subject now to ample punitive laws. Those laws should be enforced, others if neces-

vance steadily, never hurriedly but always in order, toward every reform, every improvement, every form of true progress which will help many and no government can succeed unless they face it bravely, looking facts always in the face and determined to do their best—never promising what they cannot perform and never yielding to the facile temptations of momentary success.

One of our great political parties has failed to meet—nay, is in a considerable measure responsible for, the only other organized political force At the same time it must not be for-gotten that there is a vast difference

resistance in some of the departments and also by habits of waste backed by maladministration, by sacrifice of efficiency to political purposes, never so recklessly induged in before, and in general principles is entirely was a some of high accomplishment are well nigh lost. Let me give a few examples of what has been accomplished.

With cannot be passed over a single der circumstances of great brutality. For these murders no reparation has who is friendly to the United States and determined to establish order and which we in the senate of the United States think should not, be undertaked and which in any period would be more increased and externine to the United States think should not, be undertaked and which in any period would be more made. Decorated by endless to the result of art. It is a plan to get us involved in the senate of the United States think should not, be undertaked been made. Decorated by endless and etermined to establish order and support, and so intricate of problems. There was much serious debate in both sensitions an american citizen, instead of being a protection, as they ought to be, in every corner of the world, were an absolute peril to anyone who was structed to that high distinction.

Mexico teemed with German plots, the world war that the comprehension and apport us in the war but sound, and nothing could be more unfair than to criticise the present owners contending with the legacy of mismanagement, waste and corners. The single and useless notes they have a few will be able to exterminate the shall be then undertaked by endless and determined to establish order and who is friendly to the United States think should not, be undertaked and entermined to establish order and real extended to the United States states think should not, be undertaked and entermined to establish order and extended to the United States states that the left in the sent to the United States states that the left in the sent to the United States states that the left in the sent to the United States and extend pose—to save the country, to save changes of what has been accountry to save changes of the Democratis to power with Mr. Wilson or one of the disciples still the leader and wise. There could not be otherwise to the disciples still the leader and wise. There could not be otherwise to the disciples still the leader and wise. There could not be otherwise to the disciples still the leader and wise. There could not be otherwise to the disciples still the leader and wise. There could not be otherwise to the disciples still the leader and wise. There could not be otherwise. There could not be otherwise. There could not be otherwise. There was not a disciple the disciples the disciples of the disciples still the leader and wise. There could be in that hour but one question asked of men and advent possessed both traditions and a performing the disciples of the disciples the discip over them a large measure of con-trol. The transportation system of the country can no longer be suffered to continue without such supervision and control. But the policy also represents the principle that the govern ment must not assume the ownership of the railroads. Their operation and of the railroads. Their operation and management must be left in private ownership. The phrase "government ownership" means not only that the government shall own the railroads but also, it is to be feared, that those who run the railroads shall own the government. General government ownership under our political system would inevitably bring about the mastery of the government by those who operate the machinery of transportation or of any other industries which come into government possession.
The rights of the general public, for whom all industries exist, would dis-appear under this scheme and noth-ing would be left to the people except the duty of paying taxes to support the roads. That is a very perilous position for a representative democ-

racy. Our government must not be dominated by any one man or any class or any selected body of men who represent a part of the people and not the whole people. Moreover, in the United States, government own-ership wherever applied to an indus-try, whether it involves transporta-tion or telegraphic and telephone tion or telegraphic and telephone communication or shipbuilding or manufacturing, is a very inefficient and wasteful system, badly managed and certain to be intolerably burdensome to the tarpayers. This point it is not necessary to argue because the country through the demands of war turned the railroads over to the government and we have had the painful privilege of observing the performance which followed. The government management which ensued was inefficient, the railroads were wretchedly conducted and money was spent and wasted with a prodigality which nothing can de-fend. During the time in which the government undertook to manage the railroads they sustained despite a generous increase in freight rates and the total payments out of the treas-ury to support the railroads have reached the enormous sum of one and three quarters billions of dollars. There was universal dissatisfaction with the government management and it was a just dissatisfaction. The experiment failed and should not be

From domestic affairs, which I have only touched upon hriefly, let us turn to foreign questions, to our relations with the world of other done at once. Profiteering, the charging of extortionate and unjustified prices, which is stupid as well as unlawful, are subject now to ample punitive laws. Those laws should be enforced, others if necessary added, and the offenders both great and small should be pursued and punished, not in the headlines of newspapers after the manner of the present attorney general but quiet. Thoroughly and efficiently, in the courts of the United States. Something more in this direction can be accomplished by the proper regulation of cold storage, and a bill for that purpose has passed both houses and is now in conference.

Another deep-seated cause of the rise of prices, more effective in its results although less obvious than profiteering, is the abnormal increase per capita of the circulation medium. This has doubled since the war began and if in the space of a few years the amount of the circulating medium is doubled thas a most profound effect in stimulating and advancing, prices. During the war credits have been engrmously inflated and there have been large addi-

der circumstances of great brutality. dent some strong and upright man indefinite time.

Still nothing was done and we watched and waited. Naturally we lost our influence in Mexico and what was far more important we lost the respect of the Mexican people by the manner in which we submitted

to every sort of insult and outrage.
We have watched and waited long enough. It is time that this condition disgraceful to us and ruinous to Mexi-co, should cease. We need a firm hand at the helm. We need a man who will think not only of the rights of the think not only of the rights of the United States but of the welfare of Mexico. The Mexican people would not resent the influence or intervention of the United States if it would only help to bring them peace under a president of their own choosing. The great mass of the Mexican people wish to work and earn money. They long to be able to sleep in peace and not be subject to pillage and outrage. Thought of them look to us for help. Let the Mexicans choose as their president of their own choosing. The great mass of the Mexican people wish to work and earn money. They long to be able to sleep in peace and not be subject to pillage and outrage. Thought of them look to us for help. Let the Mexicans choose as their president of the look to us for help. Let the Mexicans choose as their president of the president of the president of the president of the propersident of the propersi

ing an army there for an indefinite time and which would cost including the army and civil expenditures 275 tangling us in all the quarrels and intrigues of Asia Minor and the sur-rounding countries. Mexico lies at our doors. It is a primary duty for us to deal with it under the Monroe doctrine, but nothing has been done and yet we are asked to take a mandate for Armenia. The American people have a deep sympathy for Armenia.

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