

LEAGUE FOR INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ACTION



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Dear Miss Tarbell:

Americans or scavengers, which shall it be? Over thirty million children, women and men, families of the unemployed in our nation, through no fault of their own, are being placed upon the most degrading, cruel dole system. Our large cities are giving on the average one dollar per week, per person, for relief. A large majority of cities give nothing for rent, light and heat.

Self-respecting Americans are taking the place of rats as they scavenge from garbage cans to live. Only misery is being shared by the "share-the-work" campaign. Wages are being cut everywhere, the total loss to workers being over forty billion dollars during the depression.

Farmers are losing their farms by the tens of thousands and as a result peasantry is being established in the United States. Cities and states are going bankrupt. Nothing adequate to meet this desperate situation is being proposed by either of the old parties. Are you going to stand for these conditions?

The L.I.P.A. proposes to do something about it. In May the League will assemble a national congress in Washington, D. C. to organize a united New Party. You are aware of the tremendous significance of this step.

Earnestly, I invite you to join us. The national situation calls for action, now, by courageous and clear thinking citizens. Our spring congress will necessitate funds and the strengthening of our membership. We cannot carry this through unless we have the means. We urgently beg of you to send us a contribution whatever its size.

To create and distribute wealth so as to make it a stable and continuous blessing for the whole people is the corner stone of our program. As a member you will help shape our action, and share in the greatest task of this generation. Won't you send us your membership application today?

Faithfully yours,

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