WHEN TO INVESTIGATE OUR RIGHTS

In this majority opinion recently handed down by the Supreme Court on the question of the authority of the S. E. C., investigating committee to form the offering in evidence of a statement prepared by it from the files of the Commission, it was stated in no uncertain terms that any blanked investigations by the government "with the end in view of obtaining a true and just view of the facts" so-called, are inimical to Americanism. Such a stand is necessary on any argument likely to be raised by its adversaries. The fact that it should at all times be such that they will hear investigation, but the bother and innovations of its financial and political value, is not to be endured. Indigation against investigation does not necessarily mean science. It might very well be an exhibition of a perfectly sincere feeling against imposition and unnecessary antagonism. The function of government, broadly speaking, is to provide security for the governed. This cannot well be accomplished by inquisitorial and high-handed taxation. That investigation with a definite purpose in mind has value is true. In order to form any sensible neutrality legislation a clear concept of the actions of munitions makers is necessary. The danger of investigations of this sort is, as has been shown by experience, that they enable their scope and become instruments of personal aggrandisement for those in power. Nor is the New interest in the manipulation of the market, it also Governor Hofmann's attitude toward the late Bruno Hauptmann, are examples in evidence. But there is another side to this question which cannot be overlooked. Our modern corporate law is hopelessly abstruse. It was formulated at a time when the business as we now know it was unknown. Its purpose as then formulated is unimportant in view of the fact that at present it is a source of much injustice. In a corporation the stockholder supplies the capital. Actually he has no control or trusts to the management the running of the enterprise. Yet our laws at present make it impossible for him to effectuate the acts of his employees. Stockholders have no access to the books of the corporation, not even to determine who쇄 behalf. themselves are stockholders, unless they can show just cause, and they cannot show that cause unless they see the books. It is truly a vicious circle which excludes the investor from his rightful place. As a result of this situation, the only way for the poor investor to find out what is being done with his money is by means of a "fishing expedition" as has recently been criticized by the Supreme Court. There is but one thing to do, and that is to prevent the corporation laws so that exploitation could be exposed. Up to now the only way adequate procedures have been set up, and this is not by the bankruptcy of the corporation.

THEY SAY

PEACE

Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding.
—Albert Einstein

The wolf shall also dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid.
—Old Testament

The battlefield as a place of settlement of disputes is gradually yielding to arbitral courts of justice.
—William Howard Taft

War will never yield but to the principles of universal justice and love, and these have no sure root but in the religion of Jesus Christ.
—William Ellery Channing

To make peace in Europe possible, the last representative of the pre-war generation must die and take his pro-war mentality into the grave with him.
—Edward R. Kos

OPEN FORUM

In opening this issue to feature a country's major offering, the editors do not guarantee publications on any such occasion. Only signal announcements will be made. Once the name of the writer or desirer, only the initials will appear on publications.

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Editor of the Tech.
M. F. T.

Dear Tech,

Upon request to the various railroad companies the writer makes the following statement: Those tickets which now bear the not

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—阿尔伯特·爱因斯坦

狼也要与羊同居，斑马也要与鹿共眠。

—旧约

解决争议的战场逐渐让位于国际仲裁法庭。

—威廉·霍华德·塔夫特

战争将永远不会结束，除非我们根据普遍正义的原则和爱，这没有任何稳固的根基，而只能在耶稣基督的宗教中找到。

—威廉·埃利·钱宁

为了在欧洲实现和平，必须有代表战前一代的人死，连带着他"对战争"的意识形态一起埋葬。

—爱德华·雷·康