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The other thing I want to say is this. People have been going around this State, including the Governor of this State, telling you things about the Leage of Nations that neither the people who drew up the league nor any other people believe. The Governor of this State was quoted to say that if we go into the League of Nations that we have to send an army in case of war between the King of Siam and the Emperor of Timbucktu. I am going to send a school geography to my friend, Gov. Morrow.

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If there is any question about the famous article 10, I want to tell you one simple thing. Governor Cox and I have been going around the Country telling the people **ibstificients** that we are willing, if elected, to have it put down in Back and white that not one single American soldier will have to leave the United States without the full approval of the people of the United States and the Congress of the United States. That certainly ought invite to make it furtherman perfectly fool-proof.

I hope that this year you will realize that the big issues are between reactionary on the one side and going back to an old theory of government, the going back and putting into the hands of men who were reactionary 8 years ago, and on the other side choosing men who believe in a future, men who are willing to go forward, men who have records in public life, such as the great Governor of Ohio, who has lifted that State from the reactionary States, lifted it up until today/is a model for every other State. That man is going to be the next President of the U.S. and his name is James M. COX.

I do not want to sling any mud at the other fellow, but as a Roosevelt I can never forget that in 1912 when another Roosevelt old same/gang with his coat off to safe the Republican Party from that old same/gang that now has it by the throat, it was Mr. Harding, of Ohio, who at that time called Theo. Roosevelt first a Benedict Arnold and Then and Aaron Burr. That is something we will not forget, but you can tell a man by the company he keeps. During the past six years down in the Senate of the U.S. Mr. Harding, an amiable Gentleman - Yes - has been associated with the Penroses, the Lodges, the Smoots, the Brandegees and all the other people in Washington that have a different theory of government from that which I have, and I am glad they have. I would not trade with them, and they would not trade with me.

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