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TO COMMUNISM—VIA MAJORITY VOTE

THE American Petroleum Industry, with vital interests dispersed in all parts of the world, must be concerned about current trends in forms and procedures of government everywhere but, most particularly, in our own country. Therefore, I am glad to have this invitation to speak to you today. Because it gives me the opportunity to discuss with you what I consider to be the most vital problem of our times. It is this: "How can you and I best fight communism?"

I believe that communism is an evil thing, every trace of which should be rooted out of American life. Most Americans are of the same mind. In fact, the American people are now aroused against communism as they have seldom been aroused before. They fear the danger to our freedoms. And they want to do something about it.

As one who has spent most of his adult life in our military service, I want to enlist for this battle, too. So, over the past few years I have been studying our enemy—communism—in order to prepare myself for the struggle. During the course of those studies I made a shocking dis-