

### 3. American Liberty League Vigorously Opposes the New Deal, 1936

#### 28 Facts about The New Deal

1. IT DELIBERATELY has increased the cost of living.
2. IT SPENDS \$1.74 for every dollar it receives.
3. IT HAS SOUGHT to give the President the powers of a dictator.
4. IT HAS ADDED more than \$10,000,000,000 to the public debt.
5. IT HAS MADE no effort to keep outgo within income.
6. IT REPUDIATED the Nation's contracts to pay off bonds in gold.
7. IT MADE a scrap of paper of the 1932 platform, after a solemn pledge to uphold it.
8. IT HAS SOUGHT to create class prejudice.
9. IT HAS USED WPA as a political football.
10. IT HAS ASSASSINATED the merit system and built up the most flagrant spoils system in history.
11. IT HAS BROKEN all peace-time records in collecting taxes, but at the same time has spent more, thus creating new deficits.
12. IT WITHHOLDS from the people the truth about the tremendous tax burden made necessary by its orgy of extravagance.
13. IT HAS SOUGHT to conceal huge increases in the "regular" costs of Government by the pretense that they have been due to relief costs.
14. IT HAS ILLEGALLY taxed groups of citizens to raise "benefit funds" for other groups.
15. IT HAS REDUCED Congress to the status of a servile instrument of the Executive department.
16. IT HAS FORCED enactment of legislation violative of the rights of the people as guaranteed in five of the ten articles of the Bill of Rights.
17. IT HAS PARADED its contempt of the Constitution.
18. IT HAS MADE vicious charges against the Supreme Court, meanwhile forcing through Congress legislation admittedly of doubtful legality.
19. ITS STANDARD BEARER has publicly boasted that he has centralized the powers of the Government in Washington, in contempt of the 48 States and their sovereign rights.
20. ITS STANDARD BEARER has publicly boasted that he has "built up new instruments of power;" which would be—in his opinion—dangerous to the liberties of the people if placed in the hands of some one other than the present New Deal leader.
21. IT HAS REDUCED production of food while millions are in want.
22. IT HAS SPENT billions for work-relief, but, after three years, there are still more than 12,000,000 persons unemployed.

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23. IT HAS INVENTED boondoggling as a method of making it easy for political payrollers to spend the taxpayers' money.
24. IT HAS PLOWED under the Constitutional right and duty of the United States Senate to give advice and consent to the Executive on international treaties.
25. IT HAS MADE a tragic joke of the national budget, confusing ordinary and emergency items in such manner as to obscure the true financial situation of the country.
26. IT HAS ADDED more than 225,000 loyal New Dealers to the Executive payroll on the plea of emergency. While claiming the emergency has passed, the New Deal refuses to break up this giant political bureaucracy.
27. IT HAS CLIMAXED its monetary policy by a disastrous experiment in buying huge stores of silver.
28. ITS FOUR-YEAR SPENDING PROGRAM is costing more than the entire costs of Federal Government from the administration of President Washington to the administration of President Taft, inclusive—a period of 125 years.