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The President As Dictator

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CLEVELAND—To one who has survived all the financial panics of this century, has known all the Presidents and has been privileged to participate in building up American industry and agriculture, the disgrace of the dollar in world financial centers is sobering.

Who has the main responsibility for this economic debacle?

In effect we have a Presidential dictatorship sustained by the greatest propaganda machine in history: nation-wide prime-time television. The President ignores Congress, rarely consults his Cabinet, bypasses the United Nations and announces his decisions over the air to the unsophisticated. In contrast to democracies such as Britain and Canada where members of cabinets must be either Members of Parliament or the Upper House, and where Premiers and their advisers are always available for public questioning by their fellow elected representatives, American enterprises are carried on by our President in secrecy

except for several cronies in the pertinent departments.

The President has determined our disastrous financial policies and international relations. As Commander in Chief of the armed forces, a position of power strangely out of place in a democracy, especially in this nuclear age when one man's fanaticism could end the human race, he carries on illegal foreign wars with the aid of thousands of spies in all nations.

Three Wall Street lawyers, Nixon, Mitchell and Rogers, are spending the taxpayers' money around the world like drunken sailors. Now without warning, advice or consent, let alone consultation, they have overnight adopted sensational policies offensive to all other nations. These lawyers have no inventories to liquidate, they have lucrative Wall Street practices waiting where their services will be especially in demand in view of the recent additions to the Supreme Court. But many American corporations will have to struggle against the crushing burden of taxation, the high cost of

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money, and formidable competition from foreign corporations that have been subsidized by American funds.

The most obvious move to help the dollar is to cut out the expense of maintaining American troops, wives and children in the style to which they have become accustomed all over the world.

Future historians may use such epithets as dictator and demagogue to describe the President. Philosophers may assess his intellectual depth in terms of his association with Billy Graham, for while scientists and astronomers seek an answer to the riddle of the universe, Mr. Nixon apparently accepts—or wishes to give that impression—Dr. Graham's naive

theory on the origin and destiny of man. It, too, lends itself to distribution by television.

No other man I have met has such an accurate and complete understanding of Richard Nixon as Premier Pham Van Dong of North Vietnam. He said to me, "There will be no end to the war in Vietnam while Mr. Nixon is President. He will use many pretexts for renewed military attacks on us. The war will end only when Congress refuses to provide the money for further participation."

The time has come for the Congress to accept its responsibility and to act vigorously through the appropriate committees, bearing in mind in this time of our financial humiliation the injunction of the ancient prophet to "do justly, love mercy and walk humbly."

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