President Has Taken Up Law Enforcement Problem

And Is Believed be Squarely Behind the Drys in Their Efforts to Bring the Wets to Take the Volstead Law Seriously

By DAVID LAWRENCE (Contribut 1926 by the Advances)
Washington, Jan. 16.—Five years of prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors still finds the question deep-rooted in American politics but with the cause of law enforcement taken up in earnest at last by a President of the United States.

Slowly and without ostenfation the "dry" side has made its impression on Calin Coolidge so that law enforcement may be expected henceforth with all the vigor that the Government can command.

Mr. Coolidge in his carly days in politics was counted as not altegether "dry," but whatever he might have been before he stands might have been before he status boday as the only President in the list five years who has won the absolute confidence of the "drys." Here is a significant announcement by the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

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"The vigorous and intelligent artion of Attorncy General Stone in New Jersey, together with the suite evident personal interest of the President of the United States in the problem of law enforcement clearly heralds the dawn of a new day. Recreant officials will be 'put down.' Faithful men will be clevated. Criminal rebellion will be crushed. The prohibition by the property of the prohibition from the property of the prohibition problem into his own hands and was watching enforcement very closely. The "drys" have been harrassed and obstructed at every furn by subordinate officials and that the President's recognition of the situation is a moral victory for the cause of enforcement.

Mr. Coollidge has had relatively futtle to say about prohibition since he took office. He is represented, however, as viewing the matter from the viewpoint of law and order. An amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicants is a part of the Constitution: a law has been massed providing penalties for violation and there is nothing for an honest and sincere public official to do but enforce the law.

Some of the feeling expressed by the "drys" that they have not been given co-operation by the Government is due to the presence in high administration quarters of pronounced "wets." The Secretary of the Treasury, Andrew W. Mellon, is called a "wet," having had large interests in a distillery before prohibition came. He is much too busy with the financial alde of the Government to give personnal attention to the work of one of his bureaus—that of intermal revenue which includes the prohibition enforcement, the "drys" have never feen satisfied and there is pending in Congress a bill to re-organized.

MOVES UP

the late Samuel M. Gompers.

ize the prohibition unit by remov-ing it from the authority of the Commissioner of Internal Reve-

The "deys" have been besieging every President since—the Eigh-teenth amendment was adopted. President Wilson was not in sym-pathy with the Volstead Act. In

pathy with the Volstead Act. In fact, he vetoed it on a technicality; but plainly didn't like the measure anyhow. Mr. Harding never served liquor at the White House table but took a drink regularly after his golf game until some one reminded him that his act in carrying any liquor from his own rooms in the White House to the golf club was a violation of the Volstead law unless

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