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### *Careful, Miss Thompson*

Precisely what Miss Dorothy Thompson had in mind in her radio appeal Monday night in behalf of the youthful Jewish slayer of Germany's embassy secretary in Paris was not entirely clear to us, but she gave some the impression that she sought to bring pressure to free him from the usual processes of the law. If so, we quite agree with Mr. Graves in his *Age-Herald* column that her appeal is unsound. However provoked or irresponsible the boy was, the law should, in this as in all cases, take its course.

Miss Thompson seemingly is not only advocating a dangerous and unjustifiable deviation from law but in so doing might create a condition prejudicial both to the poor youth and the cause she is trying to serve. The law is not inflexible; it should and doubtless will take into consideration all mitigating circumstances and temper justice with mercy.

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