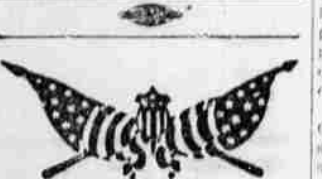


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"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty."

When Uncle Sam Takes Charge.

Secretary of Labor Wilson played a manly and admirable part when he laid down the law of justice and common sense, with equal vigor, to the coal miners and the operators at their new conference in Washington.

He told the union officers the bitter truth that the 30-hour week and the 60 per cent raise are equally "impossible"—the former because it would limit production at a time when increased production is sorely needed, and the latter because it would "put the miners out of line with the other workers of the country," adding unjust burdens to their cost of living and giving the miners an unfair advantage.

This statement came from Secretary Wilson with special force and persuasiveness because he spoke, not only as a government official but as a coal miner himself, whose loyalty to the best interests of the craft has never been questioned.

At the same time he declared that "the stand-pat position taken by the operators heretofore is an impossible one."

While maintaining that the wartime contract governing the coal industry is still in force, the secretary remarked, tactfully and truly, that "the people of the United States are not Shylocks." Regardless of technicalities, the miners need more money to meet the cost of living, though not so much as they have demanded. They should have what they need. They must make concessions, and the operators must take concessions.

Both sides have been told sternly "where they get off." The nation, through its federal government, has served notice that it will stand no more pernicious nonsense from either capital or labor in the coal industry. Now, let the same stern, righteous method be applied to other industries.

Inventors and a Hypocritical Beverage. "Inventors are not working so hard on perpetual motion these days," says a newspaper paragrapher. "They are wasting their energies on the equally impossible dream of a soft drink with a kick in it."

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Y WORKERS ARE MANY SOLDIERS IN CONVENTION STAY IN FRANCE

ORGANIZATION OF 30,000 IS TO BE PERFECTED.

Fortieth Annual Convention Opened at Detroit Today for Welfare Workers.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 19.—Organization of 30,000 welfare workers of the Young Men's Christian Association who wore the "red triangle" during the war is to be perfected at the fortieth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of North America which opens here tomorrow for 15 days, important subjects to be discussed will be those of world-wide expansion of the Y. M. C. A., on a permanent peace-time basis.

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"In all the history of the Y. M. C. A., there never has been an assembly called to present so many issues of urgent importance," said Dr. John R. Mott, general secretary of the International Committee and National War Work Council of the organization tonight.

Five thousand delegates, including Y. M. C. A. leaders from virtually every part of the world, are gathered here for the convention. F. W. Ayer of Philadelphia will be temporary chairman. The conference will be the first international gathering since the United States entered the war, the last having been held in Cleveland in 1916. Five continents are represented and there are delegations from Canada, Mexico and the insular possessions of the United States as well as from Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. Canada's representatives include G. H. Wood, chairman; and Charles W. Bishop, general secretary of the National Council of Canada, both at Toronto.

A typical "Y" lot of the army cantonment type and a replica of the shell-shattered French dwellings at Verdun which served as a temporary Red Triangle front-line canteen, have been erected in Grand Circus Park in the heart of Detroit's business section, and house a comprehensive exhibit of the Y. M. C. A. war work, which will be opened to the public tomorrow.

Among those who will speak on continued co-operation of the Y. M. C. A. with the army and navy will be Secretary Dagblet and Commander Claude B. Mayo of the Bureau of Navigation, representing the navy, and Lieutenant Colonel Jacob S. Joy, heading the Camp Activities Section of the War Department representing the army.

Plans for the expansion of the "Y" work abroad include not only its financing from America but American workers. Delegates will be present representing the French Foyer du Soldat, the new Polish and Czech-Slovak branches of the Y. M. C. A., the Italian Casa del Soldato, the British and Australian national councils and branches of the Y. M. C. A. in Egypt, South America, Constantinople, Tokio, Shanghai and Calcutta.

Three special commissions which have been studying and submitting various questions of advantage of the convention will make reports. They are: The Commission on the Occupation of the World War; the Commission on the Occupation of the World War; the Commission on the Occupation of the World War.

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YANKS DISHONORED IN FRANCE TRY FOR FORTUNES.

Some of the Pioneers Have Settled Down and Are Striving for Wealth in Business.

Paris, Nov. 18.—Several thousand discharged American soldiers who remained in France to try their fortunes are facing as must fare all pioneers. A few have become reasonably wealthy. Some are "reporting progress." The majority, however, like their fathers before them, in the United States, are struggling on life-way, over or around obstacles, with their carts hitched to stars that are flying rather lower than they were when the young men set out to "Americanize France."

Nearly nine thousand American Expeditionary Force men were released here and it is estimated that a fourth of these have settled down to work here. The others are visiting, sight seeing or have gone home after accumulating lost in business prospects.

Of the two thousand or so who are hard after French francs, according to American business men here who know most about the new ventures several hundred found employment with large concerns, chiefly American firms preparing to do business in the devastated regions. Another group took various small places to try their way while studying. The majority of the men, it is said, started to make good by capitalizing American methods.

Very many of them saw what they considered defects in French life and made ready to furnish the supply and, if necessary, create the demand. Most of them agree that easy money is not one of the natural resources of France but a few have proved that it is. A negro made 125,000 francs buying and selling army and navy supplies at Brest. His case is vouched for by a well-known American commercial executive.

The most striking success reported is that of "The Fox Tote Kings of Paris," as they term themselves, Gerold Kiley, who drove the Chicago Press Club ambulance, and Harold Fitch of St. Paul, who was at the wheel of one of Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt's ambulances and later went to the front.

Kiley and Fitch, the former said, got their start over here when the wife of an American banker in business here "pressed 800 francs on us" when they played in a three-man line band at a dance she gave. They organized a Wilson Welcome band at a leading hotel when the President arrived in Paris and netted more than 100,000 francs on the affair. This success, they said, they often duplicated at "The Dixie Club" dance they organized with an admission charge of 50 francs a person.

Knowing that "good things" must not be overlooked, the next took over the ice cream making equipment of the Y. M. C. A., which has a capacity of a thousand gallons an hour and late in October began wholesaling "Dixie Ice Cream," setting the market price fifty to a hundred per cent. They said they invested 100,000 francs in the venture.

Some of the most interesting of the American business experiences here are those of men who married French girls. Three of these are farming.

William Mays, R. E. Olds, Earl and Mrs. E. Rogers Kemp, Tulsa, Okla.; E. A. Coulter, Dallas, Texas; E. T. Warner, Bridgeport, Conn.; D. B. Manly, Morrison, N. J.; and others.

The Commission on the Conversion of the Values of the Y. M. C. A. War Work—Joseph T. Miller, Rochester, chairman.

The Commission on the Relations of the Churches—President W. Douglass Mackenzie, Hartford Theological Seminary, chairman.

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The highest criticism "made in Germany" attempts to govern the authority of the Bible and has brought Germany to her present condition. Destructive critics must face one of these things, said the speaker. They must either say Jesus did not know there were mistakes in the Old Testament when he set his approval on it, in which they have found them and are wiser than He, or He knew there were mistakes and did not equate them and let the people believe a lie. Day making the critics more honorable than He.

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