

T. R. SAYS ARMY CAN TRAIN AT TRENCHES

Regiments of Guard Should Be Used as Framework of Volunteer Units, Is View.

ECONOMY IS EMPHASIZED

Improper Profit-Making Also Is Assailed by Colonel in Address to Republican Committee Meeting in New York.

NEW YORK, May 8.—An appeal for patriotic service and devotion to the Nation in its hour of need, made tonight by Colonel Theodore Roosevelt before the Republican National committee in Brooklyn, evoked great enthusiasm. A dinner in honor of Colonel Roosevelt, given by United States Senator William M. Calder, preceded the meeting.

Having "fallen in time of peace to prepare for war," Theodore Roosevelt said, the United States and the allied allies "will pay for this act of folly" before the war ends.

Meanwhile, he urged, Americans must bear themselves manfully in the conflict, "and pay with our blood," sending to the front as rapidly as possible a great force of fighting men.

The ex-President discussed the country's participation in the war in its military, social and industrial phases. He suggested incorporation of the unmarried men of the National Guard for the states into regiments filled out either by the draft or from volunteers from the exempted classes, and the dispatch of these men to France or England for a period of intensive training preparatory to taking their places on the firing line.

Need of Economy Emphasized. Colonel Roosevelt emphasized the necessity for economy and the avoidance of waste; said there should be no improper profit-making, but that reasonable profits should not be eliminated; discussed methods of financing the war and asserted that the great problems which confront the nation could not be solved "in a spirit of class greed" with capital and labor not in partnership.

America has a two-fold duty at this time, Colonel Roosevelt said, "first immediately to meet with every instrument already available the immediate needs of the war" and, second, "permanently to shape our policy not merely in military, but in social and industrial matters, so as to place this republic on a permanent foundation of justice and strength."

Reiterating his approval of obligatory universal military training and service, the Colonel again urged use of volunteers not included in the draft, saying the men could be placed at the front within 90 days.

Imported Training Feared. "Any attempt to keep our men here and train them for a year before sending them over," he said, "would mean that we would rightly awaken the scorn of our allies for the delay and that the men trained here and not at the theater of war would be imperfectly trained from the standpoint of modern warfare."

Expressing the highest admiration for the National Guard, the Colonel said there probably "never was a worse blow struck against our military efficiency than the passage of the Hay bill."

"The only wise and patriotic course to follow is to organize the National Guard," he declared, "to use each National Guard regiment as a basis and frame for a regiment of United States volunteers."

"Under these circumstances all the officers and enlisted men, who are fit to go or who ought to be asked to go, would be transferred into the new volunteer organization, making a skeleton or framework organization which would then be filled out, either by draft or by volunteering, as necessity might demand."

Flag Wanted on Firing Line. "In this manner we would leave in the state those who ought never be asked to go out of the state, or perform other than the ordinary state duty, and we would use the men who ought to go as a nucleus on which to build a regiment fitted to render the most efficient service in war."

Meanwhile, he said, the flag should go to the firing line at once, with men including volunteers from the exempted classes "in order to make good our position until the principle of universal obligatory service begins to produce its full effect."

Back of the military preparation and essential to it, Colonel Roosevelt continued, must be industrial and agricultural preparation. No more pleasure craft should be built, but only cargo ships and cruisers, he said, and flower gardens must give way to food areas.

WHEAT SHORTAGE IMPENDS

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Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the food committee of the Council of National Defense, who is strongly in favor of a more limited use of wheat in this country, appeared before the Senate agriculture committee today and urged a separate department of the Government to deal with the food question. He recommended absolute Government control of certain staples, particularly grain and sugar.

Centralization Is Urged

Centralization of food control, Mr. Hoover told the committee, is vital. Europe, he said, has found maximum price-fixing a failure, but minimum price-fixing has had better success. The bills advocated by Mr. Hoover give the President and the Department of Agriculture direct control of the country's food resources. There have been suggestions that the measures may be changed to allow creation of an emergency organization to administer their more drastic provisions. Price-fixing and distribution problems will be dealt with by this body if created.

The bills as drawn give the Agriculture Department power to reduce wheat consumption to some extent by ordering an increase in the amount of the wheat kernel used in flour manufacture.

EMBARGO DEBATE LONG

FOUR-HOUR DISCUSSION FAILS TO CHANGE SENATE OPINION.

Further Efforts Will Be Made to Modify Section of Espionage Bill Before Final Vote Is Taken.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Four hours of debate behind closed doors today failed to change the Senate's opinion of how the export embargo section of the Administration espionage bill should be written, and adjournment was taken with the provision still in the broad terms adopted last night understood to be satisfactory to the executive branch of the Government.

There will be further efforts to modify the provision before the bill reaches a final vote. Senator La Follette's amendment to prohibit an embargo to nations consuming the exports and forbidding its use for coercion is pending. An amendment by Senator Tamms providing that the embargo should not operate in violation of any treaty with a neutral was defeated.

Most of the time was taken up with a discussion of another motion by the Iowa Senator that the doors be opened and the whole question be debated in the open. After much debate the motion was beaten.

There was speculation as to how the newspapers get reports of proceedings behind closed doors, and some talk of the part of conservative members of how the Senate could prevent information of the kind getting into print.

Much of the criticism leveled at publication of information from the White House about reasons for an embargo, which yesterday led the Senate to reverse its place in the language of the embargo section.

ARMY BILL HANGS FIRE

TWO CONFERENCES IN CONGRESS ARE FRUITLESS.

Roosevelt Division, Age Limit and Prohibition Are Stumbling-Blocks.

Instructions May Be Asked.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Two more conferences today on the war Army bill failed to bring Senate and House committees together, and adjournment was taken tonight with the prospects of an agreement still doubtful.

Conferees fell into such a deadlock over the amendment pending sending Colonel Roosevelt's division to France that they suspended work, and considered returning the bill to the House and Senate and asking for instructions.

The prohibition amendment, the age limits for the selective conscription, and the amendments for raising volunteer patrol regiments for the Mexican border also are stumbling-blocks.

FRED BILLINGSLEY IS OUT

Importer Declares He Will Never Get Into Drug Business Again.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., May 8.—Fred Billingsley, recently sentenced at Seattle to six months' imprisonment for alleged conspiracy to violate the Federal laws by importing liquor into the state of Washington, today was released from the Whatcom County Farm after serving 16 days of the sentence.

Billingsley got his freedom after he has posted bail in the sum of \$2500, his petition for a writ of error having been granted recently by Judge Jeremiah Neterer. It is Billingsley's plan to change his original plea of guilty to not guilty.

Before departing for Seattle tonight Billingsley asserted that he will not enter the drug business again. He says he will engage in some work where there is no temptation to handle liquors.

LISTER MEETS PRESIDENT

Governor of Washington Declines to Talk of Conference.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 8.—Governor Lister, of Washington, had a half-hour conversation with President Wilson today regarding the War conditions in the state of Washington.

Later he declined to discuss the conference. He leaves for home tomorrow.

ASIATIC LABOR WANTED

Stockton Chamber Petitions Congress to Permit Immigration.

STOCKTON, Cal., May 8.—Directors of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce went on record today asking Congress to pass legislation to permit immigration of 100,000 Asiatics to harvest California's crops.

A vote on the question will be taken from the chamber membership.

Mattick Traded to Dallas. LOS ANGELES, May 8.—Outfielder "Chick" Mattick, of the Vernon Pacific Coast League club, was traded today to the Dallas Texas League team for Outfielder Crouch.

Deckhands and Others Strike.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—Two hundred deckhands, firemen and others employed on steamboats operating on the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers walked out on strike today.

An Italian pig's foot stuffed with ham meat looks like a toy. Everything but the tail of cord is eaten. This is but one of many food freaks that one finds in a visit to sunny Italy.

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GAG IS TIGHTENED

Lansing to Permit No Aide to Criticize State Department.

DISMISSAL TO BE PENALTY

Secretary Fails to Cite One Instance of Leak of Important Matters Through Officials and Newspaper Men.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Secretary Lansing today followed up the State Department gag order, which forbids any other official there to give information to the public, with a statement that any other official who gave out information conveying a criticism of the department's policies should be dismissed.

Mr. Lansing reiterated that the giving of information to the public through the newspapers hereafter would be restricted to himself and the newly created bureau of foreign intelligence. Secretary Lansing said he had forbidden officials to talk with newspaper correspondents, because he was dissatisfied with having information come from many different channels and perhaps from contrary points of view.

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CANADIAN TROOPS LANDED

Battalions, Drafts and Miscellaneous Contingents Reach England.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 8.—It was officially announced today that the following troops have arrived safely in England:

Battalions, One Hundred and Forty-first; Rainy River, One Hundred and Fifty-third; Guelph, One Hundred and Seventy-fourth; Winnipeg Highlanders, One Hundred and Seventy-sixth; St. Catharines, Two Hundred and Fiftieth; Brantford, Two Hundred and Twentieth; Toronto, Two Hundred and Forty-first; Windsor, Two Hundred and Fifty-third; Queen University Highlanders.

Drafts, Royal Canadian Dragoons, Strathcona's Horse, Fort Garry Horse and Mounted Rifles.

Field artillery from London, Guelph, Toronto, Kingston, Montreal and Woodstock.

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LUMBER BULLETIN IS OUT

GRAY'S HARBOR MILLS INFORMED GOVERNMENT PURCHASE.

Order for 600,000,000 Feet When Given Will Require Delivery at 32 Points East to Chicago.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 8.—(Special.)—Specifications for 600,000,000 feet of lumber to be used by the Government in its shipbuilding campaign were distributed to the harbor mills today, and, presumably, to all mills in the Northwest, through the West Coast Lumbermen's Association.

No order has yet been placed in the Northwest by the Government, but one is expected soon. The specifications provide that when the order is given delivery shall be made at 32 unlisted points as far East as Chicago.

The 1000 wooden ships the Government planned to build, and it is probable this number will be increased, will require approximately 2,000,000,000 feet of lumber. This is more than double the annual cut of all the mills of the Grays Harbor district.

OREGON SURVEYS IN BILL

Columbia and Willamette Rivers Considered for Improvements.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 8.—The rivers and harbors bill, in addition to appropriations, authorizes the following survey, looking to future projects if the reports are favorable:

Columbia River, from the mouth of the Willamette to Vancouver; Willamette Slough, with a view to removal of old dykes and breakwaters; Tillamook Bay, Tillamook River and Hoquiam sloughs; Hayden's Slough;



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PROHIBITION PLEA MADE

Petition for Wartime Ban With 30,000 Names Sent President.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 8.—Petitions signed by 30,000 citizens of Kansas and other states, asking that the Federal Government prohibit the use of foodstuffs for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors during the period of the war have been mailed to President Wilson.

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The Dalles Liveryman Dead.

THE DALLES, Or., May 8.—(Special.)—L. D. Oakes, member of the Ward & Oakes Livery firm, and many years engineer of the Stadelman Ice Company plant, died at his residence in this city yesterday. Mr. Oakes had been a resident of this section for 20 or 40 years and had been prominent in the upbuilding of this section. He leaves a widow and two children.



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