

RUSSIAN FAITH IS PLEDGED TO U. S.

War Will Continue, Root Party Is Assured.

RINGING DECLARATION MADE

"We Shall Fight Together," Says Foreign Minister to American Mission.

MOTIVES ARE APPRECIATED

Promise Made After Special Envoy Warns of Danger of German Intrigue.

PETROGRAD, June 16, via London, June 17.—A stirring proclamation placing the council of workmen and soldiers' delegates on record as irrevocably opposed to a separate peace was adopted by the council today. The proclamation was prompted by Austrian efforts to lure Russia into a separate peace.

PETROGRAD, June 15, via London, June 16.—"The Russian people consider war inevitable and will continue it. The Russians have no imperialistic wishes. We know that you have none. We shall fight together to secure liberty, freedom and happiness for all the world. I am happy to say that I do not see any moral idea or factor between America and Russia to divide us. We two peoples—Russia fighting tyranny and America standing as the oldest democracy—hand in hand will show the way of happiness to nations great and small."

These ringing words, expressing the attitude of the Russian government toward America and the American mission, headed by Elihu Root, were voiced tonight by M. Tereschenko, Minister of Foreign Affairs, responding for the Council of Ministers to Mr. Root's address of sympathy and goodwill on the part of the American Government.

Mission's Purpose Explained.

The American Ambassador, David R. Francis, presented the Root mission to the Ministers in Marinsky Palace, explaining that the members of the mission had come to Russia to discover how America can best cooperate with its ally in forwarding the fight against the common enemy. The presentation was very informal, only a few Russian officials and the members of the American Embassy attending. M. Kerensky, the youthful Minister of War, just back from one front, wore the khaki blouse of a common soldier.

The Ministers listened with rapt attention to Mr. Root's address, which was an impressive utterance, both in substance and manner.

M. Tereschenko rose from a sick bed to attend the presentation. He said

1121 STUDENTS OF STATE JOIN COLORS

126 OF 220 HIGH SCHOOLS SEND YOUTHS TO SERVICE.

Enlistments Reported Largely From Rural Districts, According to Superintendent Churchill.

SALEM, Or., June 16.—(Special.)—Oregon schools have responded nobly to the call to arms.

Statistics gathered by J. A. Churchill, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, show that up to the time of the closing of school a total of 1121 students have enlisted either in the National Guard the regular Army or the Navy out of the high schools, colleges and universities of the state.

The reports were received from 220 high schools and 285 from the universities and colleges. Of the 736 going from the high schools 438 were below the senior grade, and of the 385 going from the universities and colleges 273 were below the senior grade.

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A glance through the reports indicates the preponderance of enlistments were from rural communities, rather than from industrial centers, indicating that the volunteer enlistments have drawn most heavily on the young men who could be used for farm work during the coming season.

"The public schools have been put to the test and are found not wanting," stated Superintendent Churchill today, in commenting upon the reports received.

BRITAIN SEEKS SLACKERS

Conscription May Be Extended to Subjects in This Country.

NEW YORK, June 16.—All male British subjects between the ages of 18 and 45 years now in the United States are to be compelled to join the British colors if the laws of this country will permit, it was made known here today. British Consuls and recruiting agents throughout the country are compiling lists of these men.

Brigadier-General W. A. White, in charge of the recruiting, has gone to Washington to confer on methods to carry the plan through.

Announcement was made that a British recruiting station was opened in Boston today and that others would be established in various parts of the country whenever Consuls reported conditions were favorable.

Reports were received that Scotchmen living in Philadelphia have begun recruiting a Scotch regiment and that Jamaica negroes in New York also are attempting to form a unit to fight with the British forces.

DOYLE IS LANDED IN JAIL

Man Captured Near Oregon City Again Escapes but Is Retaken.

LEWISTON, Idaho, June 16.—(Special.)—W. R. Doyle, alias W. C. Kennedy, bad-check artist, wanted for defrauding Lewiston business men, has been brought here from Oregon City, Or., by Fred L. Ulen. Doyle is in the County Jail awaiting trial before the next term of the District Court.

While being brought from Reno, Doyle escaped from Professor Ulen on account of having a defective Oregon boot, but was recaptured by a posse.

SLAYER OF TWO ACQUITTED

Self-Defense Proved in Killing of Portland Man.

BOZEMAN, Mont., June 16.—Andrew Levenski was declared not guilty by the jury today of the murder of Gladstone Stevens January 29 in the West Gallatin Canyon, 50 miles from here. Levenski admitted killing Stevens and George S. Miller, of Portland, Or., but his plea was self-defense.

The difficulty arose over a mining claim.

LOAN SURPLUS IS TO BE TURNED BACK

Early Announcement of Limit Holds Good.

SMALLER INVESTORS FAVORED

Decision Is Interest of Public Good, Says Mr. McAdoo.

RESERVE BANKS SWAMPED

Over-Subscription Is Certain to Be \$700,000,000 and May Reach as High as \$900,000,000—Late Offers to Be Decided Later.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Secretary McAdoo announced tonight that no part of the great over-subscription to the liberty loan would be accepted, and that his statement of May 10, in which he declared that the issue would be limited to \$2,000,000,000 stood good now as then.

Mr. McAdoo's announcement will result in paring down hundreds of the larger subscriptions until the total reaches the \$2,000,000,000 limit. How much will have to be taken from the amount the country offered to take was still an unknown quantity tonight. The over-subscription will not fall below \$700,000,000, it seemed certain and may go as high as \$900,000,000.

Incorrect Report Denied.

The grand total of subscriptions will not be known until Monday at the earliest. In disposing of reports that the amount of the issue might be enlarged to include all offers, Mr. McAdoo issued the following statement: "Allotments of liberty bonds will not be made in excess of the \$2,000,000,000 offered. I announced this on May 10, when the details of the loan were first published.

"I have asked the Reserve Banks to tabulate separately, and on supplementary lists, the subscriptions received yesterday, June 15, after noon, in order that I may be in a position to consider, in making allotments of the \$2,000,000,000 of bonds, those applications, which through no fault of the subscriber were not recorded on time.

Smaller Loans Favored.

"It is impossible to foretell what decision will be reached in this matter or to determine the basis upon which allotments will be made until substantially definite returns have been received from the several Federal Reserve banks. The organizations of these banks, unusually efficient as they are, have been overwhelmed by the multitude of applications received at the last moment.

"I shall avail myself of the right reserved in the circular offering the bonds, to reduce allotments on applications for larger amounts, as such action will be clearly in the public interest."

Mr. McAdoo today acknowledged with appreciation the work of the forces of publicity which aided in the flotation of the loan.

Campaign One of Education.

"The liberty loan campaign," he said, "was essentially one of education and without the generous and patriotic support of the press of the Nation the hope of those in charge that it would be a popular loan would not have been realized. The untiring efforts of the newspapers throughout the campaign were a constant inspiration to the various other groups of workers.

"At a time when news space was at a premium the liberty loan was featured at length. The foreign language

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SOMMER IN LEAD; PLUMMER IS NEXT

Early Returns Inconclusive in School Election.

FEW VOTERS GO TO POLLS

Director Beach Is Third on First Ballots Counted.

VOTE WIDELY SCATTERED

Number of Candidates in Race Is Greatest on Record in Similar Contest—All Voters Eligible for First Time.

Complete returns from all but three of the 62 school precincts at 11:30 o'clock last night make certain the election of Dr. E. A. Sommer as one of the two School Directors to be elected, and indicate the re-election of O. M. Plummer for the other place.

The vote for Dr. Sommer in 50 out of 62 precincts is 4179.

The vote for Mr. Plummer is 3201, to 3091 for W. L. Rickman, giving Mr. Plummer a lead of 110 votes. This could hardly be overcome by the three missing precincts.

J. V. Beach, chairman of the present Board, is in fourth place, with 2705 votes.

Dr. E. A. Sommer and O. M. Plummer were leading for School Directors on early returns last night from yesterday's school election.

As the count stood at 10 o'clock last night, complete returns were available from only 21 of the 62 school voting precincts.

Close behind the two leaders came J. V. Beach. In fourth place was W. L. Rickman.

The count was so incomplete, however, as not to warrant any predictions as to the result. Returns from a few more precincts might switch the relative standing of all four.

The vote from the 21 precincts counted stood as follows for the four leading candidates:

Dr. Sommer, 985.

Mr. Plummer, 787.

Mr. Beach, 651.

Mr. Rickman, 657.

Mr. Plummer and Mr. Beach are members of the present School Board, Mr. Beach being its chairman.

None of the other 11 candidates in the race has a chance for election. All of them are far behind the leaders on the early returns.

U. D. Maxson apparently will finish in fifth place. His total vote in 21 precincts of the 62 was 176.

Mrs. Ferdinand E. Reed was sixth at that stage of the count, with 164 votes. Apparently she will finish with a larger vote than that of any of the other four women candidates.

Complaints about the manner in which the vote was taken in some of the school precincts were frequent.

At the Ladd School precinct, it was charged that the chairman of the Board insisted on writing the number of the voter on the back of the ballot before depositing it in the box.

Such a procedure, of course, would make it possible to check back over the election books and find just how each voter cast his ballot.

A protest against the action of the election official was made by more than one voter, and a complaint was telephoned to School Clerk Thomas. Never before have there been so

FOREST FIRE DRIVES PEOPLE FROM TOWN

RELIEF PARTIES FROM VENTURA ARE CUT OFF.

Conflagration in Ojai Valley in California Fought by Hundreds. Depot Operator Leaves Post.

OJAI, Cal., June 16.—A forest fire sweeping the Ojai Valley is threatening the complete destruction of this town. Several valuable homes on country estates have been burned. People are fleeing from the valley, and a call for automobiles to carry refugees from the danger zone has been sent out by citizens.

Several persons were reported to have been seriously burned, but no deaths had been reported.

The fire, it was reported, has cut off relief parties from Ventura, Cal., and other parties were being sent in by way of Santa Paula, Cal.

Practically everyone had fled from Ojai at 9 o'clock tonight except employees of the Ojai State Bank and the operators in the telephone office. Hundreds of men were fighting the flames.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 16.—The Western Union telegraph operator at Ojai, formerly Nordhoff, Cal., reported to the Los Angeles Western Union office that the depot at Ojai was on fire and that he was leaving his post.

'KAISER' FOBS CONFISCATED

Proud Wearer of Wilhelm's Picture Munitions Plant Worker.

CHICAGO, June 16.—The observing eye of a policeman today caught sight of the features of Wilhelm II, Emperor of Germany, adorning the fob of Max Kilmalitz, of Indiana Harbor. "Why, that's the Emperor," Kilmalitz said proudly, when he was brought up short by a hand on his shoulder. He was arrested and held for investigation when he said he worked in a munitions factory. Joseph Ginsinger, a jeweler of Indiana Harbor, also was taken into custody and a stock of the fobs confiscated.

35 GERMANS NATURALIZED

Court Holds Citizenship Is Due Those Filing Before War.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—Thirty-five German aliens were admitted to American citizenship here today under a ruling made by Superior Judge E. P. Morgan.

He held that those who had filed their applications for final papers before the declaration of war by the United States were eligible to become full-fledged citizens.

NAVY-YARD HAS FIFTH FIRE

Board Is Named at New York to Make Investigation.

NEW YORK, June 16.—The fifth fire in the Navy-yard here since this country entered the war broke out today in a pile of shavings near a shop. The blaze was quickly extinguished, causing only slight damage.

A board has been appointed to investigate the cause.

MR. BEALS AT NEW POST

Ex-Portland Weather Man Now Heads Coast District.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—Edward A. Beals, for several years forecaster of the Portland district of the United States Weather Bureau, today assumed control of the San Francisco district. The San Francisco district, it has been announced, has been enlarged to include the entire Pacific Coast.

U-Boats Damage American.

ELIZABETH, N. J., June 16.—The American four-masted schooner Anna R. Hedritter was fired upon and damaged by a submarine off Gibraltar yesterday.

LAST DETAIL READY IN RED CROSS DRIVE

City to Be Combed for \$200,000 Offering.

SCORE OF TEAMS ARE NAMED

Leading Business Men Drop Own Work at Mercy's Call.

EVERY CITIZEN TO BE SEEN

Speakers' Bureau to Present Cause at All Civic Meetings, at Industrial Plants, and on Streets of City Throughout Week.

HIGH LIGHTS OF THE RED CROSS \$200,000 WAR RELIEF FUND DRIVE.

President Wilson has designated June 18-25 as National Red Cross week.

The National war council of the Red Cross has asked that the Nation raise a total of \$100,000,000 immediately.

Portland's quota of this gigantic sum is \$200,000.

It must be raised or pledged before next Monday, June 25.

Liberty loan bonds will be accepted exactly the same as cash gifts.

The first big salvo in the campaign will be fired from hundreds of Portland pulpits today.

Watch the Red Cross clock at Sixth and Alder streets for the daily additions to the fund.

Portland and Oregon have held either first or second place in Army enlistments, Navy enlistments and in liberty loan bond subscriptions.

Help Portland make good with the Red Cross!

In the prosecution of the tremendous drive for Red Cross funds which will be the outstanding event in Portland during the coming week the leaders have developed an organization that will leave not overlooked a single detail that would make for victory.

There are four distinct but co-ordinated branches of the big \$200,000 campaign, each with its own efficient staff and organization, yet all of them tied together by frequent conferences and rallies.

Plans Under Way for Month.

For practically a whole month the work of whipping the machinery for the gigantic drive has been under way and hundreds of shrewd business executives and public-spirited citizens have given their best thought and energies toward making the leadership of the campaign as perfect in its operating activities as possible.

The following is the way in which the campaign is to be handled:

Division 1—Executive committee. This committee has charge of all office details and general supervision of all phases of the campaign, and its members have been working shoulder to shoulder with the leaders of the other branches of the drive.

Field Workers Picked.

The members assisted in the selection of the field workers, in the organization of all departments of the drive, and they discuss and settle matters of policy that arise from day to day. They have been holding meetings almost daily since the middle of May and have laid aside all their personal business affairs for the period of the campaign.

The committee consists of Elliott R. Under-

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PICTORIAL SIDELIGHTS BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS ON SOME EVENTS IN THE WEEK'S NEWS.

