

## HERO OF FRENCH ARMY STIRS BIG WAR CONFERENCE

Lieut. Paul Perigord, Once American Priest, Tells Thrilling Story of War.

CROWD THRILLED AT TALE

Dr. Scherer and George Chandler Tell of Accomplishments in Nation's War Program.

How Lieutenant Paul Perigord of the French army got his sword. It was a classic in valor that the hero lived to tell. He told it to the great audience participating in the Oregon war conference at The Auditorium last night.

Along with the heroic sacrifice made for America by Lafayette, it was easy to see the bearing of the modest soldier in the French blue-gray to reach conviction that it will be a story long repeated to American boys who are reaching toward the high ideals of bravery.

Speaker Is Modest

Lieutenant Paul Perigord was a priest in America when France leaped at the front of the invading Hun. He sailed for his mother country on the first boat on which he could secure passage. "I do not tell you this story," he said to his Auditorium audience, "because I want to or because I feel boastful. If anything, I must feel ashamed, because so many much braver than I have been or ever will be, are dead, and I am allowed to live. But your secretary of war directed me to tell it for the boys so eager to become officers."

"I went across with the thought of being a chaplain. But the vacancies had all been filled. I enlisted as a private in the infantry. We were sent into the trenches in the battle of the Marne. We went into the attack. The Germans had been directed to shoot the French officers first."

Has Dead Officer's Sword

"One by one our officers fell. My captain was standing beside me. A bullet pierced his lung. From the ground he held up his sword to me. This is the sword which I hold before you."

"Take it," he said, "and lead the men to victory."

"I took it from him and through the bravery of the boys behind me the Germans were forced back; the position was taken and held. The next day came the commanding officer to my company."

"Where are your officers?" he asked. "They are dead," he told him.

"But you have a sword," he commented. "Yes," I replied. "It was given me as a symbol of authority by my captain, when he fell and all the other officers were dead."

Crowd Greets Dr. Scherer

"Then you may keep that sword," said the commanding officer. That is the way I got my commission, and your secretary of war directs me to say that

any other American boy can have a commission who will get his sword in the same way."

There were cheers and an audience standing when Dr. J. A. B. Scherer, representing the Council of National Defense, proposed to the same audience, not only an English speaking alliance after the war, but not only an alliance of democracies, but an American-French alliance solely created to sustain the principles of democracy, for which all nations opposing Germany are fighting.

Peace Made on Battle Ground Best

Dr. Scherer impressed the Oregon delegates to the war conference with the significance of a warning. It was a warning conveyed to them in almost the same words by George B. Chandler of the Connecticut Council of Defense at the afternoon session.

Both spoke as if obeying the direction of the high authorities in this country.

"Do not be satisfied with a yellow peace whose terms are made by arbitration; do not be satisfied with any peace but that made on the battle field," exhorted Chandler. "You will see the time come when Germany will propose peace to restore Belgium and northern France and make other concessions, if she can but keep 'Mittel Europa,' a dominion of 200,000,000 souls."

When that proposal comes you will see certain ones in this country loudly declaring its advisability. But if you accept it, it will be a peace made in Germany."

Governor Withycombe, presented by John Kollock, manager of the Oregon council of defense, presided Wednesday evening and Mayor Baker presided Wednesday afternoon.

Among the afternoon addresses were those of E. P. Cullen, representing the Hoover food administration, and Professor Guy Stanton Ford, representing the committee on public information.

## I. W. W. Laws Forbid Serving in Army

Chicago, May 23.—(I. N. S.)—Discovery that Industrial Workers of the World are barred by a section of their own constitution from joining military organizations was made today by attaches of the government while 112 of the I. W. W. were on trial in Judge K. M. Landis' court for violation of the espionage act.

That part of the constitution referring to the matter provides that any person joining the militia or accepting positions under sheriffs or police, or joining as a member of any detective agency or becoming employers' hirelings during industrial disturbances are forever denied membership in the I. W. W.

## Warehouse Men in Bay City on Strike

San Francisco, May 23.—(I. N. S.)—About 600 warehousemen in 30 of the big food warehouses of the city went on strike for increased pay today. The strikers demand \$4 for an eight-hour day and 75 cents an hour for overtime.

Secretary John A. O'Connell of the Labor Council charges the employers with bad faith in their application before the railroad commission, declaring they based their demand on a nine-hour day instead of an eight-hour day as they had agreed.

## THOUSANDS STARVING IN RUSSIA, TYPHUS IS RAGING IN PETROGRAD

G. W. Willis, American Business Man, Brings Word of Chaotic Conditions.

Seattle, Wash., May 23.—(I. N. S.)—Typhus is raging in Petrograd and thousands of the lower class of Russians are starving, according to G. W. Willis, an American business man, who is here today, having returned from the Russian capital, where he spent five years. He said the situation in Petrograd is such that the Germans would gain nothing by entering the city and probably do not want to take over the task of restoring order.

Willis said several times a week the Red Guards (Bolsheviks) enter the leading hotels and steal everything they want on the pretense of searching for arms. He said the plan of the Bolsheviks for taking over privately owned plants and operating them on a cooperative basis has been a failure.

Farmers are not planting crops, said Willis, because they believe their lands are likely to be taken from them at any time. As a result there is prospect of greater famine throughout the land.

## Prisoners' Condition Terrible

Washington, May 23.—(I. N. S.)—"Veritable walking dead men," the first contingent of Russian prisoners of war recently exchanged with Germany, have arrived in Petrograd, according to a dispatch, the source of which was not revealed, received at the state department today. The dispatch describes the condition of the men as "most wretched—starving, diseased and with ragged clothing."

The appearance of these men begging on the streets of Petrograd has aroused considerable excitement, the dispatch adds.

## BRIGADE OF GUARD FOR OREGON IS PROPOSED

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county sheriff and not under the adjutant general.

Substitutes Becoming Problem

Hundreds of thousands of bushels of wheat may be secured in Oregon if small amounts left from seedling and unreported minor quantities on the farms can be turned in as speedily as possible, it was asserted at the state agricultural conference, held this morning in The Auditorium.

In reply outstate farmers declared that bankruptcy stares many in the face if they sell wheat at the regulated price and buy substitutes inferior in food value at unregulated prices.

Dr. Hector MacPherson of Oregon Agricultural college, declared that many of the mixtures issued for chicken feed have practically no value, but are high

in price. A Wallawa county hog raiser asserted that hog feed met the same criticism.

"It is a vexing question, but the only way we can answer it is to say that all the wheat is needed for the boys at the front and we must appeal to the patriotism of the farmers to lose, if necessary, a few cents in selling their wheat and buying substitutes," said Otto Kettenbach, speaking for the grain division of the federal administration.

"The feeding of wheat to hogs is absolutely forbidden," remarked George V. Hayes, divisional manager of the milling division of the federal administration.

Patriotism Appealed To

"The ruling is that no feed shall be fed to hogs if any other kind of feed can be obtained," qualified W. K. Newell, assistant Oregon food administrator. "It seems to me that the patriotism in vending substitute should come at least equally from the other direction," commented J. D. Brown, president of the Farmers' union. "Let the millers, who must be making high profits on substitutes, reduce the price to the farmers." Another suggestion was that when a farmer disposes of his wheat he be given the opportunity to exchange it for substitutes at the same price, at least, as the wheat. Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of O. A. C., presided.

Schools Doing Their Part

The educational section opened its 10 o'clock session with an address by A. M. Churchill on food administration and what the schools may do toward carrying out its program. He spoke on the schools as distributing agencies, through which the general public conservation may be scattered. He spoke of the necessity of understanding just what the problems of conservation are, why they should be observed and how they should be solved.

He mentioned the distribution through the schools of pamphlets on food conservation, posters and other informational material.

Miss Cornelia Marvin then spoke on the library as center of the war work service along educational lines.

The Thrift Stamp campaign is a conference subject this afternoon. A round table discussion followed of plans for war work activities for the next school year.

George Hug of McMinnville, presided.

Spirit of Cooperation Wins

That a new spirit of cooperation through Y. M. C. A. aid has been brought about between the shipbuilding companies and their employees that may go a long way toward settling the perplexing problem between capital and labor was the message brought to the conference of Y. M. C. A. war workers at The Auditorium this morning.

Five shipyards in the vicinity of Portland are now supplied with Y. M. C. A. secretaries and the general increase in efficiency has amounted to 30 per cent, and the work has only begun, according to William H. Meyer, secretary, who presided at the meeting. These five secretaries are men who have left their regular lines of work at a sacrifice to heed the call of the Y. M. C. A. to better the conditions of the men engaged in industrial war work.

O. V. Badley now serving the Y. M. C. A. at the Albina shipyards, said when he went to the job the men were getting about 50 per cent efficiency because they were discontented with their conditions and were inclined to blame the company and the government for all their ills. They had no warm place to eat except on the roofs of boiler plants or blacksmith shops and often stood in the rain while they ate their lunches.

Mr. Badley found seven church members among 2000 men and a general suspicion of Y. M. C. A. secretaries whom they looked upon as "spies" for the company. All this is changed. Bands have been organized and practice on the company's time; lunch rooms and lavatories have been built, athletic contests and speeches are provided for the noon hour, war garden clubs have learned how to get ground and grow vegetables; workers' wives have been brought together in social gatherings.

Many Problems Taken Up

R. H. Atkinson, formerly city passenger agent for the Union Pacific, reported similar problems and remedies at the Great Smith-Porter shipyards where he is industrial secretary.

A. G. Johnson said transportation was the chief problem at the Columbia river yards, where the men have to climb an almost perpendicular distance of eight blocks or walk 20 blocks another way before reaching a car to take them home after a hard day's work. He hopes to bring about a remedy.

A. Y. M. C. A. secretary in France must be a walking encyclopedia, as he is the information bureau for all the men in uniform from major down to private, according to J. W. Palmer, who has recently returned from war work in France.

John A. Goodell, industrial secretary, reported that the association has established centers throughout the spruce region of the Northwest, in which there are 10,000 enlisted men besides the civilians. "The Y. M. C. A. work is revolutionizing the standard of living in the camps," said Mr. Goodell, and has received the highest endorsement from Secretary of Labor Redfield.

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## U. S. NAVAL RESERVE RECRUITING PARTY TO BE HERE FRIDAY

Whirlwind Campaign for Oregon's Quota of 10,000 Recruits Will Be Made Here.

With a program of special stunts and an abnormal reserve of energy, the prize recruiting team of the United States naval reserve will invade Portland next Friday for a whirlwind campaign of enlistment. This morning, at the request of Ensign F. B. Uphaw, Mayor George L. Baker turned the keys of the city over to the party and inducted its members to do their utmost for the local campaign, and through its doors are expected Portland's full share of the 10,000 men who must be recruited for active and immediate service in the navy.

With Ensign Uphaw are Dr. Charles B. Wade, assistant surgeon, whose home was at Roseburg; W. W. Usher, assistant paymaster, Ashland; Charles N. Graham, pharmacist's mate, and Arthur Anderson, second class seaman, formerly a reporter on Chicago and Seattle papers. Also there are two yeomanettes, who do clerical work for the party. They are Miss Amorette Crossley, first class yeoman, formerly of Portland, and Miss Pauline Greaves, electrician, third class, of Jacksonville, Or.

Ensign Uphaw plans to interest Portland men between 18 and 25 years of age with many unique recruiting campaign features and anticipates a very material addition to the force of 150 men who have been enlisted by the party since it started its tour at Ashland. The Liberty Temple will be turned over to the navy reserve next Thursday and the campaign will start the following day.

## Foreigner Subject To Draft Law, Ruling

San Francisco, May 23.—(U. P.)—A demurrer by United States District Attorney Preston Upheld by Federal Judge Dooling, denying a writ of habeas corpus to Thomas J. Beales, British subject, who contended that he did not have to register because he is not an American citizen.

## Bomb Plot 'Tip' Is Being Investigated

Chicago, May 23.—(I. N. S.)—The source of the "tip" that the county jail was to be blown up and which kept 16 detectives on the "alert" during the cold wee hours this morning is under investigation today. Whether the "tip" was a false alarm or whether the sharp vigil by the detectives prevented an actual blast is yet to be decided.

## Severe Earthquake Shock Is Recorded

Washington, May 23.—(I. N. S.)—A severe earthquake was recorded today on the seismograph of Georgetown university. The tremors began at 8:04 o'clock and were still discernible at 10 o'clock. The center of the disturbance was about 5400 miles from Washington.

## Denied Enlistment, Is Called in Draft

Nick Nisserious, a Turk, proprietor of a restaurant on the East Side, has been called in the next draft, after futile attempts to enlist in the service of the

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United States because he had not yet secured his final citizenship papers.

He refused to claim exemption because of being an alien, saying he wants to go now and is willing to forego procuring his final citizenship at this time, in order to be taken into the army.

"I want to be with the boys who are going soon to take the Kaiser's measure," says Nick.

George Kourouvos, a Greek, will also let his final citizenship wait, refuses to claim exemption, and will leave for a cantonment at an early date.

## Negro Suspected of Murder Is Lyched

Cordele, Ga., May 23.—(I. N. S.)—Blazing with rage over the brutal murder of Mrs. A. L. Simmons and mutilation of her body, a mob of 500 persons early today swept aside an exulting sheriff and deputies, battered down the jail doors, and seized Jim Cobb, negro, held on suspicion. Slamming the negro into a waiting automobile, the mob started for the scene of the crime, eight miles away. Arriving at the place just after daylight the negro was hanged to a tree. Hundreds of bullets pierced his body.

## Mysterious Airplane Seen at Camp Lewis

Tacoma, May 23.—Newspapers here print a story that a mysterious airplane has been observed several times recently flying over Camp Lewis, near here. Officers and men are said to have seen the craft. They were unable to identify it with the aid of field glasses. Flying over a military camp is a grave offense and punishable by long imprisonment.

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## Women Workers In War Service Asked to Gather

All women in war work and those who should be are invited to the woman's war conference at The Auditorium this evening at 8 o'clock when George B. Chandler, publicity director of the Connecticut council of defense will speak on "Woman's Stake in the World War." Lieutenant Bruno Rosselli of the Italian army will speak to drafted men at The Auditorium this evening.

## Bulgaria Believed To Fear Roumania

Geneva, May 23.—(I. N. S.)—Bulgarian officials intimate that the fear of Roumania, in the event of an allied victory, is preventing the Bulgarians from sending troops to the western front, despite pressure from Berlin, according to information received here today.

Bulgarian newspapers publish numerous interviews with notables who have recently returned from Roumania and all agree that while Roumania has been crushed in a military sense, the country is not submissive and that the arrogance of the Germans has sown seeds of hatred in all classes.

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drive in the Sodaville and Waterloo districts Monday their quotas were reached by 11 o'clock that day, and by evening were considerably "over the top."



## Left Fifteen Million Dollars

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MUTT & JEFF in "SUPERINTENDENTS OR WHO'S BOSS?"

ANIMATED WEEKLY

SPECIAL ATTENTION

Owing to the unusualness and the comment created, we are holding over the rest of the week

## ALASKA WONDERS IN MOTION

A glacier caught in action! Countless tons of ice falling hundreds of feet into the seas, shaking the earth for miles around and setting up great tidal waves that sweep all before them. A convulsion of Nature never before photographed.

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