## AMERICAN FLAG HID A PORTRAIT OF THE TSAR AT HISTORIC LIBERTY MEETING IN PETROGRAI

Mr. Sproul, in This Article, Quotes Macaulay to Make the Point That "Freedom Is the Only Cure for the Evils Which Newly Acquired Freedom Produces"-He Then Points to the Duty of America by Describing the Great Duma Meeting He Attended and at Which the Stars and Stripes Covered the Picture of Nicholas Romanoff-Surely, Mr. Sproul Believes, America Cannot Turn a Deaf Ear to the Call from Russia, Now so Emphatic and so Clear.

By Arthur Elliot Sproul.



spoke now in Russian and now in Engas it were, intoxicated; and I added that
all this seemed so natural to me—despite
bussaidor Francis received an ovation—
its surface results of robbery and other
forms of apparent lawlessness—that I was
moved by my deep sympathy with the
secontial richtenances of the great move.

The state of the state o essential righteousness of the great moveessential righteonsness of the great move-ment itself rather to pity them than too deeply to condems.

"ratifing" speech.

Miliukoff was these and spoke both in flussian and in English. And what en-

So forling, I have been struck by the thusiastic thing, long age, in his "Essay on Milton."

The final and permanent fruits of liberty are wisdom, moderation, and perry. Its immediate effects are often atractious crimes, conflicting errors, ecapticism on points the most clear, degmatism on points the most clear, the point down the scaffolding from the half finished ediffice; they point to the flying clust, the falling bricks, the comfortless rooms, the frightful irregularity of the whole appearance; and then ask in scorn where the promised splender and comfort to the found. If such miserable saphisms were to prevail there would never be a good house or a good government in the world. There is enly one care for the cuits which necely acquired freedom produces; and that care is freedom.

To Some Americans.

I have sometimes found those ill informed and short sighted people who had only curses for the Russians—who round by curses for the Russians—who round by condemned them for "quitting" on their war front—who revilled them for every undoubted infraction of law and order committed on their soil and who expressed themselves as wishing that they might receive only the most severe retribution therefor. It is to these, therefore, that I now commend Lord Macaulay's distinction between liberty's altogether admirable "final and permanent fruits" and its far less amiable "immediate effects." It is these latter of which the Russia of to-day is surely giving to the world so lamentable an example; but no student of history—no open cyed friend of all trus democracy—can for one moment doubt that this same Russia is yet to exhibit, in its government, that "wisdom, moderation and merce" who results as that Russia evidenced her deep appreciation of America's cutrance into the war. Almost on this very day of the Duma "hands across the sea" gathering there was published a leading editorial in the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the war. Almost on this very day of the Duma "hands across the sea" gathering there was published a leading editorial in the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the war. Almost on this very day of the Duma "hands across the sea" gathering there was published a leading editorial in the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the war. Almost on this very day of the Duma "hands across the sea" gathering the war. Almost on this very day of the Duma "hands across the sea" gathering the war. Almost on this very day of the Duma "hands across the sea" gathering the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the war. Almost on this very day of the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the war. Almost on this very day of the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (the war. Almost on this very day of the Bourse Gazette of Petrograd (t democracy—an for one meaner doubt might have been written posterday:—
The recent expressions of Americans are fictions—a wild field of operation will be people resulted in the expansion of high importance. One gets accussoment, that "sixdom, moderase the nation, in its greatments as good neighbor to all the result for the flowering for the flowering for the flowering that it is not be to the Americans, as good neighbor to all the result for the flowering floweri

re to Petrograd from Moscow on the merning of the very day when this historic event was to take place. Presenting myself at the American Embassy, I Tret learned of the coming event from I've been bonin' on this lingo, imbussador Francis, and on my expressing great interses in the meeting he picked up his own "Invitation and Ticket" from And it's proved to me that college his desk and handed it to me, remarking. And it's proved to me that college with dry humor, "Here—this will give you two front seats. I hardly expect that I shall really need a ticket!" And, indeed, "Mes amis," we lacerate it as he was to be the first speaker of the evening, as representing the first government to give formal recognition to the revolutionary government, it seemed look?

bardly likely that more than his mere If you see "yeau" on a menu, all doors should open to America's highest
fiplomatic representative in Russia!

for the cook

A Striking Scene.

I was an early arrival, and my "two And I bought a dictionary, front seats' were awaitingsme and my assistant. While the great audience filed in—that before the opening hour was to crowd the capacious apartment to its ut most—I had leisure to observe one or two I delivered only sounds—and tried again

Perhaps the first of these was to be ound in the scars on the walls that howed where the arms of the Russian Could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently to the Russian could be had in talking frequently the russian could be had in showed where the arms of the Russian Emperor and of the Russian Emperor and of the Romanoffs once had been proudly displayed. Behind the speakers' platforms a large American flag had been hung. Appropriate, you will say, but not "striking." Wait a moment. What was behind the flag, do you think? A portruit of the lately deposed Tear—so firmly affixed to the wall that it had not then been taken down, and which had first been shrouded in white cloth and then covered—that is to say, displaced—by the American flag!

Could be had in taking frequently with folks.

All the Polius grinned and snicketed, But my lamp of hope ne'er flickered.
For I found a femme who understood my jokes.

I could tak to HER; and let me Tell you, Buddy, she could get me, And I never knew the reason till to-day; She's not French. Ye gods! She's displaced—by the American flag!

ica should reveal herself as the leader la blot forever from sight the malevolen N a previous article misdeeds of Russian autocracy? Many of I said that the ituse us believe so—though, as this is written. rions, having by the the day of absolute fruition is not yet revolution of 1917

At this day I need not attempt even most wonderfully a resums of this great meeting. Already achieved their lib-erty, were so over. Enthusiasm—well, that word was put into come by the tremendous change thus believe me! Baron Rosen presided, and wrought in their lives that they became, spoke now in Russian and now in Eng-

plaudits greeted him as way to which Macaulay put this very prominent Russian—when suddenly we all beard a rising murmur of applause at the back of the hall. Then we saw speaker pause in his remarks-then his own face lighted up with a new en-thusiasm—and then he brought his own hands together as a participant in the applause with which the great hall then rang. And it was because of the co of Miliukoff! The latter had been de ained, but his appearance at the back of the auditorium was instantly noted by the him free passage to the platform. Arriving there he was greeted first by Baro Rosen, then by the interrupted speaker, then by the American Ambassador: and then, seating himself, he awaited his ow turn to make an address. Assuredly it was a great occusion.

Cry of the Press.

But it was not alone in such meetings appreciation of America's entrance

**АМЕРИКАНСКОЕ** ГЕНЕРАЛЬНОЕ КОНСУЛЬОТВО 6/19 нолбря Nº 51 Сник унастоябряется, уто Общера бальный Стверим исить бильный Америмансий Ла-ва в 43 524, находитея подъ-защитов Американского Генеральна Усоков, больной Черимие вокій се-Американское Генеральное Ноксульство остижет вующія власти разобщить выпосана щу своболный проходь и оказать ему вою по зашту и содъйствіе. За Американскаго Генерадынаго Консум Американскій Консужь. Симъ разръшется прадъявителю сего без-препятственное продзяменте и дано соответствующее распорямента для оказанти сму необхадимой защиты. **Москва, 6/19** ноября 1917 г.

Personal "Safe Conduct" granted to Mr. Sproul by the Bolshevik government, having the seal of the latter in the lower right hand corner. The other seal is that of the American Consulate General in Moscow.

to have everybody else know, that such But in London it was different-

centre of it. There were also well executed engravings of Abraham Lincoln.

President Wilson and his Cabinet, the White House, the American Ambassador and his staff, New York's familiar Statue of Liberty, the Capitol at Washington.

Rethlehem Steel Works, the Naval Adof Liberty, the Capitol at Washington, Rethlehem Steel Works, the Naval Advisory Board, the New York "Seventh" marching up Fifth avenue past the Public Library, a number of characteristic New York city views, a good "shot" at battle ship and military scenes. It was a highly creditable production, especially so considering the very such as the case of so considering the very special diffi-culties that attended even the simplest sort of newspaper preduction in Russia to "do something" to show—that is, ly to evidence—the deep satisfac-in the best sort of Russian hearts over America's action in purting its fist up in front of Kaiser Wilhelm's faced then pushing it toward that face!

As a result of the Polshevik uprising last October I found myself momentarily I had lived with more or less comfort at the Hôtel Métropole, but the violent five conditions there impossible. How ever, that, to quote R. Kipling, is (and shall be made) another story.

An English Home.

Hospitable English doors quickly opened to me, however, and I became the remainder of my stay in the famous old Muscovite capital. Naturally, in the exely disturbed conditions then existing-with burglaries, highway robberies and murders of daily occurrence—the

Russia—many months thereafter—this the windows of my notel about ten of brave little sheet (edited by a Philadelphian but owned by Englishmen) surely when the thought suddenly came to my old its bit" in telling the English speak ing population of Russia that "Uncle Sam" was not in the war as a picuic but—to use the vernacular—"with both feet." and nobody on this side the water cap realize the deep, deep satisfaction that it was to the little knot of ma Americans—it might concern" to shoot it out in yes, and English—in Russia to know, and to have everybody else know, that such But in London it was different—decide was the fact;
In June—as soon as it was mechanically possible for it to do so after our entrance into the war—the Novoe Vremya, of Petrograd, issued a special "American under the early rule of the Bolsher number" with a colored cover. The front page was filled with a really beautiful reproduction of the American fiaghaving an excellent fac-simile of Gibert Stuart's portrait of Washington i. the centre of it. There were also well executed in this article spnears a feature of the pocket. In this article spnears a feature of the pocket.

All of the shops in Quartermaster Row "Revolutionary Committee" (I. c. quired the liabit of eating eggs with shells, all of which is quite droll, since it spect. All that is needed now is an available for such men before deciding would seem that "slumming" is will populate plaine and a Swiss yodel in order upon how many should be sent there!

Off with His Cap.

An alarming epidemic of army majors is a preading throughout the country and has given impetus to the babit of rampant when the special protect both the American and British given impetus to the babit of rampant when the special protect both the American and British given impetus to the babit of rampant when the special protect both the American and British given impetus to the babit of rampant when the special protect but to take any such action a speak of. This house and all its present the special protect but to take any such action a speak of. This house and all its present the special protect but to take any such action a speak of. This house and all its present the special protect but to take any such action as speak of. This house and all its present the special protect but the sp Professor Avion has expressed to the summer tention to spend most of the summer travelling in Etherland. He has recently tut not in kind.

One of the latest adjuncts to the division, on his way through Paris, inquired as to the best hotel in the town to which the Professor agrees with his companion. The had been assigned. He was informed that the Hotel de Ville would afford him the best facilities. Fre "atest reports. Instantly off came his attentive and solicitous with regard to the documents carefully. Lord and Lady Cootie have been most attentive and solicitous with regard to the entertainment of the younger set. A tentity and solicitous with regard to the currentainment of the younger set. A Lottie Y.M.C.A., whose canteen generative and both the documents carefully.

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The engineers' set gave a progressive bridge party last evening. It was noted that spades, polite profanity and persence the grenade is projected by means of an apparatus fitted to the Lebel entertainment of the younger set. A Then, turning to the lady—his manner curt which is spacious ballroom, an event which all the younger Cooties were permitted to apparatus fitted to the Lebel entertainment of the younger set. A Then, turning to the lady—his manner curt which is again, the proud possessor of a becoming respectful tone:—"Madam, I did not apparatus fitted to the Lebel entertainment of the younger set. A Then, turning to the lady—his manner curt which is again, the proud possessor of a becoming respectful tone:—"Madam, I did not complexion and a pack of "generously back porch following the dance."

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## entered the west Well do I recall the great meeting in the Dume at Petrograd, in April of last year, the, was called to make fitting celebration of the extent. By the merest accident business had taken being the merest accident business had taken being the merest accident business had taken being the casualty list included many promi-) has achieved quite a reputation through known to cut again foot hadly one day.

## "THE LAST STRAW."

for the cook. So I soon became quite wary

boulevards. Gas masks are also being the casualty list included many prominant worn with becoming grace by many nent Germans who were forced to leave his "original" discoveries, having passed Wonder not! dodging debutantes, who are gambling at Kalser was giving to his friend Gott. a shell game, which seems to become more popular as the summer poarders arrive General Debility has opened his bungalow rather early this year in anticipation of New Weapons entertaining extensively. A busy corps of landscape gardeners have improved the golf course on No Man's Land, and several very sporty holes have been added in the last formight. All the "guests" who have arrived seemed to be "alive" sketches in the Paris Illustration of Feb. with pleasurable anticipation (and, more mary 2 and March 30 depict the metaexasperating, cooties), which leads one morphosis of the French infantryman or to believe that aquatic sports will be very the line into a specialist of some particu to believe that aquatic sports will be very the line into a specialist of some particuwell patronized during the coming sealar form of attack or defence conducted the roles of hydroplanes and have thus a reception recently tendered to our which he is trained to become expert. In friends, the enemy, on which occasion the a French infantry company to-day the friends, the enemy, on which occasion the famous French tenor, M. Soixante-quinze, rendered several striking solos. So much for the social news. Some day I hope of the open or in trench warfare, the first large warms walls into the open or in trench warfare. for the social news. Some day I hope to be able to tell you some really interesting facts. We are in the middle of what promises to be a decisive struggle of the war, and though the situation is critical we believe the Allies will be able to more than meet the emergency.

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Was there an omen in this? Did it Tin Derbies give promise of being the Mile. Rookie. Appropriate rackets were greatest use in repelling the trench presented as souvenirs of the occasion after successful assault.

The Hon, Leather-Neck M. C. who for France's Infantrymen

Lark," has reopened his Boat House, appropriately named by some elever cootic are exhibiting a new style of spring mil"The-first-to-fight." On arriving Mr. linery. It is not quite as rakish as the men in the house at the expense of "The-first-to-fight." On arriving Mr. linery. It is not quite as rakish as the men in the house at the enter-Neck remarked that he had ac-

Some interesting photographs and ketches in the Paris Illustration of February 2 and March 30 depict the meta-morphosis of the French infantryman of morphosis of the French infantryman of the lighter machines, the line late a specialist of some particus.

Automobiling continues to be quite by the Society for Harassed Officers, to speaking. There is one make of car that sives promise of living up to its name that the Bocke begin to punctuate the road. Certain of the lighter machines, which could be popularized at the Hought of the documents adopt for immediate use an automatic tacked on the outside of the front door (by which her unwelcome visitor had not entered). So she said to him:—"I warm you not to take any such action as you prevalent of late. Automobiling continues to be quite son. Mme, Bullybeef was the hostess at with some special weapon with the use of qualified their chauffeurs for pilots'

to make Buddie feel thoroughly ferocious There is a movement on foot, sponsore

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Mme. Doughboy tendered a most eight one man. It shoots low and can fire sixty one man. It shoots low and can fire sixty rounds a minute. The more nervous the orate lawn party in honor of har protege man, the lower it shoots. It is of the Mile. Rookie. Appropriate rackets were greatest use in repelling counter attack presented as souvening of the occasion. after successful assault.

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