

WILSON INVADES HOUSE OF FOES

CARRIES HIS BATTLE FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS INTO HOME OF HIS ENEMIES.

GIVES COST OF GREAT WAR

Informa Them of Lives and Treasure Poured Out to Save Civilization.

(By Mt. Clemens News Bureau)

Aboard President Wilson's Special train—Carrying his war against those who oppose the adoption by the United States of the peace treaty and the covenant of the League of Nations into their households, President Wilson last week invaded California.

And there, where the question on which league opponents have hammered the hardest, that of Shan Tung—is of most interest, the president found the same enthusiasm among the people for peace and for insurance against future wars. The people want the long controversy ended. They want this country to be able to again turn its undivided attention to social, economic and industrial development. Their leaders may not feel this way, but judging from the expressions which met the president on every side, the leaders have overstepped the limits of the peoples patience in their stubborn determination to force a change in the great document.

Must Take This League.

"We must take this League of Nations," said the president, "for there is no way in which another can be obtained without compelling reconsideration by the powers. And it would sit very ill upon my stomach to take it back to Germany for consideration."

"All over the world people are looking to us with confidence our rivals along with the weaker nations. I pray God that the gentlemen who are delaying this thing may presently see it in a different light."

Germany, the president declared, is taking new courage from our delay in ratifying the treaty and her newspapers and public men were again becoming arrogantly outspoken.

Deeply impressive were the figures of the cost of the late war, in lives and dollars. It was the first time that the official statistics have been made public and the tremendous totals shocked the president's audiences.

Shows Cost of World War.

"The war," said President Wilson, cost Great Britain and her Dominions \$38,000,000,000; France \$26,000,000,000; the United States \$22,000,000,000; Russia \$18,000,000,000; Italy \$13,000,000,000 and a total, including the expenditures of Japan, Belgium and other small countries, of \$123,000,000,000.

"It cost the Central Powers as follows: Germany \$39,000,000,000; Austria-Hungary, \$21,000,000,000; Turkey and Bulgaria \$3,000,000,000.

"The United States," the president said, "spent one million dollars an hour night and day for two years in its struggle to save civilization. All this, however, fades into insignificance when the deaths by battle are considered," declared the president. Russia gave 1,700,000 men; Germany 1,600,000; France 1,380,000; Great Britain 900,000; Italy 354,000; the United States 50,300. In all, almost 7,500,000 men perished in the great struggle, or 1,500,000 more men than died in all of the wars of the previous 100 years.

Should Remember Recent Horrors.

"These are terrible facts, and we ought never to forget them. We went into this war to do a thing that was fundamental for the world and what I have come out on this journey for is to determine whether the country has forgotten or not. I have found out. The country has not forgotten and it will never permit any who stands in the way of the fulfillment of our great pledges, ever to forget the sorrowful day he made the attempt."

Arbitration and discussion, the president pointed out, must replace force of arms in the settlement of world controversies. Constantly he dwells upon the fact that all the nations in the League agree to do one of two things, first to submit their differences to arbitration, in which case they agree to abide by the decision rendered, or, if unwilling to arbitrate, to have their case discussed by the Council of the League, in which case six months is granted for discussion. Three months must elapse following the result of this last step in arbitration before the nation concerned can declare war.

Holds Out Hope for Ireland.

The president took advantage of questions propounded by the San Francisco Labor Council to give the inference that he believes Ireland can bring her case before the League of Nations for settlement when the League is actually in existence.

Shan Tung, he declared, will be returned to China. Japan, he said, had given her solemn pledge to that effect. And with the League of Nations in force, said the president, we can, if occasion arises, stand forth and say, "This shall be done."



SPIRIT OF AMERICAN BOYHOOD FOUND IN "HUCK AND TOM"

The very spirit of youth and fun and American boyhood are to be found throughout the entire five reels of Jack Pickford's latest Paramount picture, "Huck and Tom," to be seen at the Liberty theatre Wednesday night, October 15. This is the second of the Tom Sawyer pictures, from Mark Twain's immortal books, although each in itself is a complete release. Director William D. Taylor a fervent admirer of the great American humorist, found that there was too much material to be contained in a mere five-reel photoplay, and has divided the subject matter into two productions.

Beginning with the determination of Tom and his inseparable friend Huck to ward off all possibility of wars—the story finds the two boys in a graveyard at midnight—according to the advice of an old dorky as to the best manner of curing wars.

How they overhear some grave-robbing planning their gruesome work and how they are unwilling witnesses of a murder, is all thrillingly depicted. The next day Tom is ill in bed and his Aunt Polly, cleverly portrayed by Edythe Chapman, is administering the Pinkie, which Tom, in turn, passes on to an unsuspecting cat—with dire results.

Later the boys are present at the trial of the supposed murderer and by telling an accurate story of their adventures succeed in freeing an innocent man and convicting the criminal. The notoriety they derive from this incident is very sweet to Tom who fancies himself very much in love with Becky Thatcher.

Follows the incident, well remembered by readers of Mark Twain's story, of Tom letting a cat down through the roof of the school room which fastens its claws into the hated schoolmaster's wig, lifting it slowly

are Jack Cooper, Roxana McGowan, Gene Rogers and Marvel Ren—all players of not in comedy productions. "Her Screen Idol" is a satire on the average screen wild west hero and thoroughly relishable by old and young alike because of its clean and wholesome fun.

SURPRISING EVENTS AND A DELIGHTFUL ROMANCE

"The Adventures of Carol" is the title of the five reel feature to be seen at the Liberty next Friday night, October 17, in connection with the second episode of "The Master Mystery," in which Houdini, the handcuff king, is appearing.

Patrons should remember that there is always a good show on Friday nights, regardless of whether they are following the thrilling exploits of Houdini. The management has so arranged the program as to



make it worth while to every patron. This is done at additional expense in order to provide entertainment for those who find it inconvenient to attend each of the episodes released in the serial.

The feature for next Friday night is full of surprising events and a delightful romance.

"I am going up to your grandmother's at the end of the subway to pay her a visit. I'll be back this afternoon."

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HOUDINI SERIAL THRILLING

Second Chapter Shows Handcuff King Performing New Stunts.

Houdini, the handcuff king, will continue his exploits at the Liberty theatre on next Friday, when the second episode of H. A. Rolfe's super serial, "The Master Mystery," will be shown.

At the close of the first episode Houdini, as Quentin Locke, was left struggling in the straight jacket in which he had been bound by emissaries of the Automaton. Taking up the action at this point the second episode shows Houdini freeing himself. This scene was taken in an uninterrupted close-up to convince the skeptical that no trick was employed. Free once again, Locke hastens to rescue Eva. Her safety assured, he leaves with the drippings of the poisoned candles for a chemist's, where he hopes an antidote can be discovered that will restore to Brent his sanity. He is followed on this mission by De Luxe Dora, an unprincipled woman with whom Paul Balcom is infatuated, and by the emissaries of the automaton.

An experiment is made with the antidote which the chemist has discovered on some mice. Before the experiment is concluded, Locke is summoned by telephone to Eva's home.

Locke returns to the chemist's shop and discovers the emissaries. A pitched battle follows in which Locke is rendered unconscious. While still in this condition the emissaries bind rope around his hands and hang his limp body to nails in the wall. An emissary is left to guard him.

Meanwhile Flint learns of the antidote for the Madagascar Madness and promises to turn it over to Eva for \$10,000 if she will meet him at Baker's Dock. The Automaton, not wishing the antidote to fall into Eva's hands, plans to frustrate Flint. Eva goes to meet Flint.

When the emissary guarding him falls asleep Locke, still hanging by his hands, encircles his powerful limbs around his guard's throat and strangles him into insensibility; then, struggling free of one shoe and hose, he thrusts his bare foot into the emissaries pocket, extracts his keys, selects the one opening the door to his prison and releases the lock. Bracing himself against the door he raises himself until his hands are free of the nails and escapes.

Locke telephones to Eva's home and learns that the girl has gone to Baker's Dock to meet Flint. Fearful of her safety he hurries after her.

Upon his arrival at the dock, Flint is seized by the Automaton and his emissaries and sent to a watery grave. Eva is seized and hidden.

Locke's appearance on the scene stirs the Automaton, who with his assistants, overpowers his adversary handcuffs and manacles him and throws him overboard. As he leaves the dock Locke clutches an emissary and drags him into the water with him. The episode closes with Locke and the emissary struggling under water.

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