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"Give Us More Light!"

The bold demand of the military voices in high government for an immediate draft of all young men between the ages of 19 and 25 is a serious, shocking matter.

We who have lived and worried through two great war struggles, we who have recognized the sinister, threatening overtones of an atomic or bacteriological warfare, we who want peace and prosperity even to the extent of outfitting gift trains, ships or other units to ease recognizable hardships abroad, we are amazed and disturbed at this first sign of preparation for war.

Yet we, who scan each plea for military conscription, look diligently and earnestly for the reasons behind such a request. And each pronouncement of the menace of Russia—the only publicized enemy to the "American way"—is counterbalanced by statements elsewhere in the same news source that the hopes of peace are bright, that Russia is "still a friendly nation."

There are many outspoken believers in conscription who, while beating the drums for immediate selective service and UMT, blandly say that America would never provoke an attack on another nation, regardless of circumstances. And there are also intelligent public figures who say, flatly, that Russia is not to be feared; that communism is not endangering the United States.

Faith in one's nation, its traditions and its ideals is basic. Without such faith, there can only be anarchy and discontent. Yet, when such a proposal as military conscription in time of peace is put forward, even that faith is shaken.

War is not a sociable thing. Neither is it a move of strategy to be lightly employed. War is death and destruction. War is complete negation of a people's desire for the continuing growth of civilization. War is a plague to be avoided and outlawed.

But there will be no avoidance of war and the pestilential destruction it means when the greatest bulwark for world peace deserts its traditions and its ideals and readies its neck for the noose of an eventual military hierarchy even more pronounced than is now in the high governmental saddle in Washington, D. C.

If, as President Truman publicly says, there is no need to fear the course of peace; if, as he likewise asserts, Russia is a "friendly nation," why should we suddenly call for conscription? Why should we train our young men, in sudden mobilization, if peace is not endangered?

The mothers and fathers, the young men themselves should know why they must submit to the military yoke, at the whim of generals, admirals and corporation counsels turned "statesmen" if war and regimentation is not the prime consideration.

The sane people of the United States, omitting self-seekers and jingoists, are for Peace if for no other reason than they instinctively know a war in the present brackets of warfare means the Armageddon so long prophesied.

President Truman, by his many appointments and governmental policies, has identified himself with war. If this identity is unfair, if there are compelling reasons which force him to make such revolutionary demands as national conscription and regimentation, he should be fair to the people of this nation.

For the people are prayerfully saying, "Give us more light."

—W. K.

Oregon Chin-Up Club Asks Donations, Rummage Sale

ORGANIZATION WORKS FOR ESTABLISHMENT PERMANENT QUARTERS; INVITES MEMBERS

Taking note of the more than 7,000 handicapped persons in Oregon, the Chin Up club of the state appeals for help in the magnificent job they are doing in seeking to establish a permanent project for the development and assistance of persons 25 per cent or more physically handicapped or crippled.

The Chin-Uppers have scheduled a state-wide collection of miscellaneous articles for a rummage sale, planned in the near future. In addition the club is conducting a subscription drive for the benefit of its club organ, "The Oregon Beacon."

Persons who find articles in their homes that are saleable but not needed are asked to either phone or write Leota Behrens, 7830 N. Omaha avenue, Portland.

and arrangements will be made to add them to the growing stock of rummage articles.

The prime objective of the Chin Up club at present is to buy enough land and from there to build a work shop, living quarters and a permanent place for the organization to function.

The club intends to put in a printing press, in order to print its official monthly paper as well as shop room and craft equipment for making wood, leather, metal, plastic and similar articles for sale.

Building plans remark an intention to use fire-proof brick, with no steps or ramps so that wheelchairs can go in and out easily. A gymnasium room equipped for therapy treatments will also be used for meetings, parties

and other club functions. Also sought is a heated swimming pool and the location is hoped for either near Salem or near Portland.

Anyone of sound mind, 25 per cent physically handicapped or crippled, and not afflicted with contagious diseases when joining the club, is invited to membership. There is no restriction as to age, race or creed.

All officers, except the advisory board of trustees, are handicapped.

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WALKOUT

In face of increased wage rates, Union heads demand our employees quit!

Union representatives have called upon our drivers and shop employees to walk off their jobs! In face of our announcement of wage adjustments which increased the rates of pay of all experienced men, these union officials are demanding that our employees quit their jobs!

We believe our efforts to settle this matter, since the union cancelled their contract with us last October 29th, have been more than fair. Three times we offered to meet proposals presented to us by union officials. Each time these same union heads returned with higher demands.

Faced by diminishing income from our operations and continued higher costs, we are unable to withstand the continued jockeying by these union heads. For nearly three months we operated *without* any established wage scales or working conditions. In fairness to our employees, last week we announced new working conditions and higher wages effective March 27. Most present employees received increases in wages. No employee had his wage rate decreased!

Most of our employees thought this announcement eminently fair. However, union spokesmen seem to insist we have no right to increase our wage rates now, and demand these same employees walk out.

Public Responsibility

Oregon Motor Stages has a public responsibility. Under the laws of the state, and our own charter, it is incumbent upon us to provide service to the public. We have constantly kept this in mind when making the fairest of possible offers to our employees.

However, this is no one-sided responsibility. It is shared by our employees and by any union in the public service field. Irresponsible and unfair actions of union heads should not prevent either us or our employees from serving the public. We know that most of our employees—now receiving better than average wages for the industry—will agree with us. A majority of them will not permit irresponsible union edicts to stand in the way of our mutual obligation to the public.

These employees are joining with us in attempting to continue the public service which we are chartered to offer!

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