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NATIONAL PROHIBITION PROBABLE.

NATIONAL prohibition as a war and food conserva-
 tion measure seems probable in the near future—al-
 though such action will destroy a source of large revenue
 for conducting the war and paying government expenses.
 The world shortage in food supply, due to crop failures,
 decreased acreage, and wanton destruction of war, will
 force the diversion of the grain now consumed in liquor
 making into consumption as food.

It is not prohibition for prohibition sake that will cause
 national prohibition—but the question of whether the
 people of the United States and her allies are going to eat
 or go hungry. The world's reserves of foodstuffs are low-
 er than ever before, the winter wheat crop in the United
 States is a partial failure, and millions of men have been
 withdrawn from agriculture for fighting and must be fed
 as well as the people at home.

It takes nearly two bushels of grain to produce a bar-
 rel of beer, and a bushel of grain is required to distill a
 gallon of whisky. In 1916, more than 90,250,000 bushels
 of grain were used in brewing 58,633,624 barrels of beer
 produced, and 39,748,692 bushels of grain were used in
 making whisky and distilled spirits—a total of 130,000,-
 000 bushels of grain, worth more than \$150,000,000 used in
 making alcoholic beverage.

Herbert C. Hoover, who had charge of Belgian relief
 work and has been appointed food director of the United
 States, at a meeting of the Council of National Defense
 declared that biscuits were as necessary as bullets to win
 the war—and 130,000,000 bushels of grain will make some
 biscuits. Mr. Hoover declares that prohibition during the
 duration of the war is an essential factor in securing victory
 and the cabinet is giving the matter serious thought,
 both as a measure for food and a measure for increased effi-
 ciency.

A grain census is now being taken by the department
 of agriculture. Though not complete, it indicates a serious
 shortage. In many states, like Oregon, there are not grain
 stocks enough in reserve for seeding demands. The crop
 conditions indicate the shortest crop in many years for
 1917, and emphasize the need of conserving every possi-
 ble bushel of grain.

Alcohol is needed in the manufacture of munitions and
 explosives, but scientists are already devising ways and
 means for its manufacture from waste products, without
 using materials of food value—and there are ample sup-
 plies of liquor on hand to supply all imperative needs dur-
 ing the period of the wars duration.



ARTILLERY

BY BERTON BRALEY.

Guns! Guns! Guns!
 In the battle of today, they're the ones,
 They're the bruisers in the fray
 They're the boys that clear the way,
 Throwing projectiles by tons—
 Heavy guns!

Yes, somewhere way back of the lines
 In a nice, leafy bowyer or dell,
 Is where the artillery shines
 In givin' the enemy hell;
 The guns waddle up through the mire
 Like a fat lady walks on her pins,
 When when the command comes to fire
 Well, that's when the straffin' begins.

The muzzles heaves up to the sky
 The lanyard is pulled, there's a roar
 The shells whistle, curvin' up high,
 And then there is more—an' still more,
 The gunners they sweat an' they smilies
 As cartridges shiver an' wrench,
 An' way off—some several miles
 Then shells has abolished a trench.

Your infantry may be O. K.,
 But when you prepare for a charge
 If big guns ain't clearin' the way
 You're gonts be smashed, by an' large,
 It's guns that rip bomb proofs to bits
 An' barb wire entanglements too,
 It's guns that give the enemy fits
 So infantrymen kin break through!

Yes, you've gotta have the guns,
 Heavy guns,
 Throwin' shells by tons an' tons,
 Shells that smashes an' that stuns,
 They're the bruisers of the fray
 They're the boys that clear the way,
 In the warfare of today, they're the ones—
 Bully guns!

AMERICANS PLAN TO LEAVE TURKEY

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Last ad-
 vices from Constantinople say some
 members of the American embassy
 staff will leave as soon as arrange-
 ments can be made and that others
 probably will wait for Ambassador
 Elkins, who is recovering from typhus
 fever, and probably will be able to
 travel in about a month. It is said
 that the Turkish government has an-
 nounced that the rupture of diplo-
 matic relations between the United
 States and Turkey is not a war meas-
 ure and that American citizens and

Institutions should be treated as be-
 fore.

INVITE BRITISH AND FRENCH MISSIONS TO VISIT GOTHAM

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Mayor
 Mitchell and a committee of New
 Yorkers came here today and invit-
 ed both the British and French mis-
 sions to visit that city before return-
 ing to Europe.

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JOFFRE, GUEST OF UNITED STATES FAR AND AWAY BIGGEST MILITARY FIGURE WORLD WAR HAS PRODUCED

Hero of the Marne is Really a Great Man and in Some Respects the Kind of a Man That the World Believed Extinct, Declares Russell.



GEN. JOFFRE

By CHARLES ADWARD RUSSELL.
 WASHINGTON, May 1.—I doubt
 whether in this country we have ever
 gotten hold of the whole idea about
 Joseph Jacques Joffre, marshal of
 all the armies of France and guest
 of the United States today.

Here is really a great man, far
 and away the biggest military figure
 this war has produced, in some re-
 spects the kind of man the world had
 cynically believed to have become ex-
 tinct, a military genius of the first
 order.

If he had lived in the great days
 of the Roman republic he would have
 been a Scipio Africanus, unbeaten
 and unbeatable. Living today, he is
 a sense an anomaly. He is an over-
 springing soldier—with a heart.

Savior of France.

In his first days of the war Joffre,
 in the face of a million opposing
 opinions, saved France—and saved
 us—no less.

The German plan, perfected in
 years of expert study, was to cut
 through Belgium, enter France where
 France was unprotected, get Paris
 in two weeks, double back and crush
 Russia with swift blows and end the
 war in six weeks.

"The six weeks' war" is what Ger-
 man officers called it when in 1913
 they kindly described to me what
 was about to happen.

France, cursed, hampered and
 hamstrung like the United States
 with the Men That Can't Put 2 and
 2 Together, refused to believe any
 such treachery was possible. Almost
 alone this man, Joffre, the cooper's
 son from the south country, saw the
 imminent danger and worked out his
 own idea of the way to meet it.

Joffre knew France was terribly
 unprepared. He knew that except in
 field artillery she was in no shape
 to risk any decisive action and could
 not be until the whole nation should
 become thoroughly aroused and all its
 resources mobilized.

Fight Rear Actions.

"Fight rear actions," was his word.
 "Delay the enemy as long as possible,
 but withdraw."

It was hard for some of his subor-
 dinates to follow that idea. They
 wanted to stand and fight. Any man
 that couldn't get through his head
 what was required of him, Joffre
 swept out of the way. All of the
 fine old boys that were in the army
 for show or on a political basis he

put out of business with one wave
 of his hand.

Joffre had an infallible sense about
 the right man for the right job. He
 discovered Nivelle, the great soldier
 now directing the French advance;
 he picked Petain, who proved one of
 the ablest commanders of the war;
 he picked Foch, Serrail and Maun-
 oury.

He threw the dead wood right and
 left. He upset many pet plans and
 wrecked many personal ambitions, but
 he saved France, and he saved us—
 no less.

He and the Belgians made the
 German road to Paris five weeks long
 instead of two, and when they ar-
 rived they came in the shape he want-
 ed them to come in and on the spot
 he had picked out for them, and
 right and gave them the wallop that
 did the business and constituted the
 greatest victory and the most deci-
 sive.

Truly a Great Man.

France and all the rest of us hung
 on that battle.

When he let go the German rear
 guard never stopped running until
 it got to the river Saar in Alsace and
 only stopped there because officers
 put steel chains across the bridges
 so there might be a chance to reform
 the routed brigades.

If Von Klueck's troops had contin-
 ued to fight in the open, they would
 have been knocked over and the war
 might have ended that week.

He is a great man, this marshal
 of France, but he is also kindly and
 modest. He has the iron jaw of the
 unshakable victor, an expression of
 the grimmest resolution always and
 yet the most quiet, unassuming man-
 ner and a temper nothing can ruffle
 or disturb.

There never was a commander so
 easy to approach or so patiently
 careful of the welfare of his men. It
 is a strange combination.

He fights like a bulldog, but one
 of his hobbies is to save human life
 wherever he can. France never met

FINLAND REGAINS FREEDOM THROUGH CZAR'S DEPOSITION

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—How
 the higher officers of the Russian
 Baltic fleet at Helsingfors, the capital
 of Finland, were killed during the
 Russian revolution, how the admiral
 himself though he had gone over to
 the revolution, was also killed, and
 how as the result of the revolution
 Finland had regained all of her former
 international privileges and
 rights were related here today by G.
 S. Westman, shipbuilder of Helsing-
 fors, who has come here to purchase
 supplies for his plant.

"During the night of March 16 I
 was awakened by shooting in the
 streets," he said. "Fighting contin-
 ued for two days, the sailors of the
 Baltic fleet attacking their officers in
 their homes. I have heard estimates
 as high as 400 as the number of offi-
 cers killed.

"Admiral Popenin, one of Russia's
 ablest naval commanders, was among
 those killed, although he had gone
 over to the new government, and was
 the man who arrested Governor-Gen-
 eral Seyn, later turning him over to
 the revolutionary chiefs. He was
 hated by the sailors. Leaving his ship
 the last day of the revolution he no-
 ticed a sailor did not salute him. He
 reprimanded him, when the sailor
 took his rifle and shot the admiral.

"The sailors had hats of all the offi-
 cers and their homes. They killed
 most of the high officers and spared
 the younger ones. The sailors did not
 harm a single civilian and maintained
 order in the city."

All laws passed since 1908, when
 Finland was entirely ruled by Russian
 officials, were at once repealed, and
 the Finns are to elect their own par-
 liament again, Westman said.

with greater good fortune than when
 such a man came to direct her armies.
Wanted No Heroizing.

When the anniversary of the bat-
 tle of the Marne came around many
 persons wanted to celebrate. Gen.
 Joffre set his face like flint against
 anything of that kind. He had two
 reasons, that I thing ought to get into
 history and stay there. He didn't
 want any heroizing of himself and he
 said:

"Too many sons of France lost
 their lives on that battlefield for us
 to be making merry upon it."

Not Grant himself, the Silent Man
 of History, was of fewer words than
 this taciturn, dominating figure.
 Even Lincoln was hardly of a kinder
 heart.

France loves him with an affection
 far beyond anything recorded about
 Napoleon because he is more than
 a brilliant and successful general, he
 is a fine, generous and genuine man.
 In all France he is known by but one
 name, "Good Old Papa Joffre." I
 think that is glory enough.

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WASHINGTON, May 1.—Resolu-
 tions adopted at a mass meeting
 called by the lord mayor of Liverpool
 expressing gratification for the "great
 material assistance which the United
 States of America brings to the com-
 mon cause," and for the moral sup-
 port were received today at the state
 department from Ambassador Page at
 London.

COMMUNICATION.

to the Editor:
 The Oregon Daily Journal and Mail
 Tribune have been misinformed. My
 sister, Mrs. A. W. Williams, has never
 been "missing." Instead of coming
 to visit me in Medford, she decided to
 go to Los Angeles. I have received
 no letters from her since her arrival
 in the southern California city. At
 the same time has her whereabouts been
 known to her family.
 MRS. W. D. WEST,
 Medford, May 1.