

'BIND HOOVER,' CRY HIGH PAID EXPERTS IN FOOD LOBBY

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(Staff Special.)

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Through-out America the plain people are doing all they can to solve the food problem, but here in Washington, where the great problem of food distribution and control must be solved, I find members of house and senate, aided by a swarm of special food interest lobbyists doing all they can to block the administration efforts to feed America and our allies.

This is my observation after a tour of the vital food centers of the nation for the Mail Tribune.

These small minded men in Washington are determined to bind Hoover and foot, just as the Lilliputians tied down Gulliver. They are ready to see the people starve before they will consent to yield their petty private interests.

The big flour millers have their lobbyists here to see that nothing is done that may affect their "brands," for the establishment of which the people have for years paid high prices to cover lavish advertising costs.

Bakers are here in droves resolved no action shall be taken to interfere with their profits. They will have no hesitation in blocking the entire food control program to save themselves a few dollars.

The packers, so far as I have discovered, are not openly represented but their influence is surely exerted. Brewers are here in force, determined to block any food measures that threaten their industry.

The distillers have an army here—high-priced "accelerators of public opinion."

These are only a few of the special interests here blocking every attempt for popular utilization and equitable distribution of foodstuffs.

Each of these special interests has its "experts" ready to swear to anything their bosses direct. There are "experts" here testifying under oath that whole wheat bread is deadly poison, and that any bread not made of bleached flour is a menace to the nation.

All this "expert testimony" is bought and paid for at so much per day.

And in addition to this swarm of lobbyists all the old-time food adulterators are on the job seeking to put jokers into the food control bills, which will wipe out the pure food laws and leave them free to poison America's children.

There is just one way to solve the problem of famine prices and food manipulation—make the food profiteers and speculators get off the backs of the people. This is what the food control bills are intended to accomplish.

If they continue to be blocked or if congress is permitted to dawdle along another two months while the robbery and exploitation of the people's food continues, there is sure to be grave trouble and the progress of the war against Germany will be seriously menaced.

VITAL IMPORTANCE LIBERTY WAR LOAN BE OVERSUBSCRIBED

WASHINGTON, May 31.—"While there is every indication that the loan is progressing satisfactorily, assurance must be made doubly sure," Secretary McAdoo said today, in announcing a new speaking tour which will begin at New York June 4. He will speak in many eastern and southern cities.

"It is of vital importance that the liberty loan be over-subscribed as evidence that the people of the United States are deeply imbued with the purposes of the war and determined to prosecute it vigorously," he said. "We want to force an early peace and re-establish justice and liberty."

"Negotiations with the allied governments for looking after their financial needs are progressing satisfactorily and if provision is made by congress for raising sufficient money by taxation and the people invest to the required extent in liberty bonds, I believe that the foundations for carrying on the immense financial operations of the American government during the war will be established on a solid basis."

PORTLAND, May 31.—"A young man has nine chances out of ten that he will not be drawn under the selective draft," declared Senator Chamberlain while here attending the funeral of the late Senator Lane.

HOOVER'S FOOD CONSERVATION BILL IN LOWER HOUSE

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Perfecting of the second administration food bill began in the house agriculture committee today with a view of passage in the house by June 15 if possible. Meantime the senate is debating the first bill, already passed by the house, which provides for a food survey and activities to stimulate production and conserve foodstuffs.

Urged strongly by the president, Secretary Houston and Herbert C. Hoover, the bill sets up a complete machinery for full control of food supply and distribution. It would prevent hoarding, speculation and monopoly of foodstuffs, authorize standardization of all food products and provide regulation of grain going into manufacture of beer or whisky, or complete prohibition of such use in the president's discretion. It provides a guarantee to the farmer of a minimum price for his products and also provides that to break up a corner or prevent extortion a maximum price may be fixed, this maximum, however, not applying to the farmer. A fight in the house is said to be likely over the minimum and maximum provision.

In extreme cases the government would be empowered to take over and operate storage plants, warehouses, elevators, packing concerns and factories, and mines as well.

The bill gives the president absolute power to exercise the authority provided in the bill thru such agencies as he may name.

DETROIT, May 31.—Federal officials announced today that an alleged plot to tie up Great Lakes commerce through strikes was probably broken up by the raid last night on the local headquarters of the Industrial Workers of the World. Two officers of the organization were arrested and considerable literature was confiscated.

LONDON DISCUSSES PEACE CONFERENCE CALLED FOR SWEDEN

NEW YORK, May 31.—Representative London, the socialist congressman, speaking of the Stockholm peace conference at the conference relations last night, said it was true that the meeting was arranged in Germany, but added he did not "blame them for trying to secure peace."

"I would like to see a conference of honest men come together," he said, "whether it be in Stockholm, Petrograd or any other place, particularly now, when it is so essential to help along the struggle for democracy. Of course, it would be improper for me to say a word of criticism of the refusal of our state department to let three Americans go to Stockholm, but I would talk peace with the devil himself, if I might bring peace about. Let us not become leaders of reaction, I mentioned Petrograd. The socialists of America should go to that great land of sorrow—Russia—and say to the Russian socialists, 'stand together, hold out a little longer, fight on, we will settle this horrible struggle and settle it on terms which will insure universal peace.'"

Ignacio Calderon, minister from Bolivia, spoke of the relations between the United States and South and Central America. He asserted that the United States, having been consistent in its policies, and coming more and more to the aid of the democracies of the world, had gained the confidence of all members of the family of nations.

Albert Shaw, vice-president of the Academy of Political Science, was applauded when he said he hoped to see the Stars and Stripes waving on the battlefield with the flags of all American republics.

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CALLS DRAFT ACT UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND IMMORAL

NEW YORK, May 31.—The draft act was characterized today as both immoral and unconstitutional at the first American conference on Democracy and Terms of Peace, which was again in session today at Madison Square with socialists and pacifists in attendance. The speaker was Daniel Kiefer of Cincinnati, who was introduced by Dr. Judah L. Magnes.

Kiefer in his address advised appeal to the courts "as the first duty of a patriotic citizen who has been drafted."

"The conscription act," he said, "is both immoral and unconstitutional. It violates the prohibition against involuntary servitude. Not even the hair-splitting plea can be urged in the present case that the thirteenth amendment does not forbid national defense. Sending conscripts to Europe is not national defense, but mixing in the quarrels of outside nations and if, as is suggested, conscripts can be compelled to work as farm hands, factory hands or in other civil occupations, the thirteenth amendment is not worth the paper it is written on."

Kiefer said it was not a question of a citizen's duty to defend the country, as such a situation "does not confront us." He declared the United States was at war, because "certain persons with authority wish to have us at war regardless of necessity or of popular wishes; otherwise there would have been a referendum on war and conscription."

NEW YORK, May 31.—Ideas embodied in Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske's invention of a torpedo launching seaplane have been "appropriated" by the Germans and were used by them in torpedoing the 3,000-ton British ship Gena off Aldeburgh on May 1, according to a statement given out here tonight by the Aero Club of America

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES HELD AT PAGE TONIGHT

The commencement exercises of the high school will be held this evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, in the Page theater. The graduating class, numbering 69 members, is the largest in Medford's history. Admission to the theater will be by ticket only as the relatives and immediate friends of the graduates alone will test the seating capacity.

The stage and theater have been prettily decorated, but this year there will be a notable absence of the profusion of roses and other flowers which were unobtainable because of the backwardness of the season.

The address will be given by Dean D. W. Morton of the university of Oregon, and the presentation of diplomas will be by Dr. E. R. Seely, president of the board of education. The high school orchestra will render several selections, and there will be a vocal solo by Miss Adele Brault. The invocation will be by the Rev. A. J. J. Hogg and the benediction by Rev. J. Lawrence Hill.

Not all members of the class will be present tonight. The absentees are Newell Barber, Lloyd Williamson, and Delbert Jones, who are serving in the army aviation corps at San Diego; Albert Mitchell, who is serving with the signal corps at Fort Omaha, Nebraska, Charles Abbott and James Francis, who are employed in the government service with an engineering party in California, and Myrtle Standley, who was married about a month ago to Albert Carton, and now resides in Seattle.

CHICAGO, May 31.—Today federal officials conferred on the presentation of evidence to the grand jury in the alleged plot to hinder army draft registration on June 5. Three men and two women are under detention for alleged complicity in the conspiracy, but all information concerning them is withheld.



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