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ALL SALEM OUT TO BID HER SOLDIER BOYS FAREWELL

Greatest Patriotic Parade Ever Seen In City, in Their Honor

CHILDREN WITH FLAGS IS PROMINENT FEATURE

Scenes at Depot Where Smiles Hid Tears—Show Real Patriotism

Escorted by one of the finest patriotic parades ever seen in Salem, Company M of the Third Oregon Infantry, Captain James Roy Neer commanding, marched from the armory on Ferry and Liberty streets shortly after 9 o'clock this morning and about 10 o'clock entrained for the mobilization camp at Vancouver, Wash.

Fully 8,000 people thronged the station platform to bid the boys farewell, and each one had a flag.

From the starting point of the parade at the corner of Liberty and State streets, the line of march was crowded with Salem citizens who cheered and waved flags with enthusiasm.

The long line of marching men and women flattered with the Red, White and Blue, and three bands filled the air with martial music. And the drum corps stirred the pulse with the roll and beat of snare and bass.

It was an evidence that the American people will rally to the national colors in times of stress; it was an evidence that the people of Salem are behind the administration, and proud of Company M as the finest body of men in the Third Oregon Infantry.

Promptly at 8:45 o'clock, the various units of the parade began to form at their designated places and shortly after 9 o'clock began the march to the station.

The escort was under the direction of Rev. James Elvin, who took charge of the Patriotic Week committee. He was assisted by the following commanders of divisions:

Dwight Misner, of the Automobile division.

C. E. Albin, of the Patriotic organization division.

George Watson, of the Company M division.

Oscar B. Gingrich, of the High school division.

W. E. Staley, of the Willamette university division.

Music was furnished by the Chemawa Indian band, Hebel's Cherry Bud band and the Cherrian band. The Lincoln

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Democrats Nominate All the Old Officers

Washington, Mar. 30.—Democrats of the house caucus today, with 33 members absent, and renominated by acclamation all of the old officers of the house.

Representative Gulliver, of Massachusetts, leading democrat "hold out" was one of the absentees. Representative Schackelford, Mississippi, nominated Champ Clark for speaker. The whole caucus, according to the members, was a love feast with no signs of dissension. Appointment of committees to fill vacancies was left to the ways and means committee, decorative members of which continued to act as a steering committee for their party.

ABE MARTIN



Some women think the 'entitled' anything they want just 'cause their husbands smoke two or three nickel cigars a day. Allus hide your watch when you meet a feller that travels on his honesty.

350,000 Children to Sing National Anthem

Chicago, Mar. 30.—When congress in an extraordinary session next week, 350,000 children in Chicago's public schools will rise, stand beside their desks and sing patriotic songs.

Plans for this demonstration were perfected to the minutest detail by John D. Shoop, superintendent of schools.

At 11 o'clock on Monday, as congress assembles all the school classes will halt their regular business. Speakers will enter the room and explain to the children just what is happening at the capitol.

As the session, which may result in war, is called to order all the kiddies—little aliens as well as little Americans—will join their 350,000 voices in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

DOUBT OF FUTURE IS SHOWN IN SPEECHES

Socialist Declares "Prussian System of Government Must Be Abolished"

Amsterdam, Mar. 30.—For the first time since the start of the war a note of doubt as to Germany's future has crept into reichstag speeches, according to dispatches received today from Berlin.

Member Spahn was quoted as declaring in debate today, following Imperial Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech, that he "hoped Germany was prepared to fight a new and powerful foe." The socialist member Noske bitterly censured Foreign Secretary Zimmermann's Mexican-Japanese scheme against America and declared the "Prussian system of government must be abolished."

"Germany must not be considered a reactionary country," Noske declared. Spahn asserted that all entente rulers were now sitting on unsafe thrones.

"Even in Italy," he said, "a revolutionary spirit is seething and the king is tottering on his throne."

"Although dispatches from Germany indicated approbation over Hollweg's 'no compromise' attitude on the submarine warfare, expressed in his formal speech of yesterday, there were various reports here of widespread discontent over his failure to announce promised electoral reforms. Hollweg was quoted as declaring the time was not yet ripe for such reforms, in view of the fact that the greater part of Germany's voting population was now in the trenches.

Socialistic plans are gaining new adherents in Germany, according to various reports. The Russian revolution

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"Hell's Own Acres" Name of Ground Abandoned to Keep Army From Madness

By William Philip Simms
(United Press staff correspondent)

With the British field, Mar. 9.—(By mail.)—With Tomlinson of the London News and Leader, Bean of the combined Australian papers, and an "Anzac" staff colonel, I have just explored the new Sahara, that hideous section of country abandoned by the Germans lest their troopers go mad.

The British gave it the name of Sahara. Crown Prince Rupprecht's men called it by another—the graveyard. But I should give it another still—the field of a thousand shudders; the place where nightmares are made.

Take your map of France and find Bapaume. To the west and south of that place lies the new Sahara. If you are in a hurry one you will find it covered with the names of hamlets, villages and towns—but today all these are gone. No trace of them is left and no one stands in the middle of this blighted country no sprig of grass, no sign of a tree, no weed, flower or shrub greets the vision as far as eyes can see. There is only a greenish black soil, freshly churned up and be-cratered by explosives ranging in depth from five to sixty feet or more.

Lookout for Bayonets

Of course, one cannot ride through this country. Nor, for that matter, can one walk. One can only slip and slide and stagger along, ever in danger of falling into funnel shaped quagmires from which escape is impossible without aid. I know of two correspondents who came near losing their lives in just such places, more perilous far than the dread quicksands. Horses and mules on account of their weight and the difficulty of helping them, once in the toils of the mire, usually are drawn down to their death.

"Look out for the bayonet," is a common cry of warning as you stumble through the mud, for hundreds of thousands of rifles are buried in the ground and frequently only the rusting blades of their bayonets are sticking out. The great waste of war is everywhere evident. Wrought and twisted rifle barrels, splintered stocks, unexploded shells of all calibres, hand grenades, trench mortar bombs, aerial torpedoes, brass shell cases, abandoned stores of live shells, knapsacks, articles of

GERMANS REACH LINE MADE READY FOR NEW DEFENSE

Little Doing Today, Both Sides
Making Ready for Com-
ing Battles

VIOLENT FIGHTING IS REPORTED IN THE EAST

Germans Claim British Attacks Repulsed With Heavy Losses

By Perry Arnold.
(United Press foreign editor.)

New York, Mar. 30.—Official statements today gave fresh proof that the German retreat has now probably Hindenburg's forces to their permanent defense line.

The French report, on the contrary to those of previous days detailing scattered fighting over a considerable front, merely said there was nothing particular happening.

General Haig made no report from the British front, but press dispatches indicated decreasing usefulness of open fighting forces.

Berlin admitted a retirement of "protecting troops" in the face of superior British forces advancing northeast of Peronne. It indicated preparations for mass attacks on French troops in the Champagne sector, but declared these preparations were defeated by concentrated German artillery fire. On the Aisne and the Marne canal the Berlin report also told of preparations by the allied troops for attacks and the repulse of strong British assaults north of Arras—at a spot far removed from the center of the evacuated territory—was also recounted.

These attacks and preparations for attack at various points are presumably designed by the allies as feints to keep German troops busy and to cloak the real forward movements and attacks on the Germans on their line of retreat from Arras to near Lano.

The Petrograd statement detailed continued and violent fighting on the northeastern front, featured by gas waves and heavy artillery firing.

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The Mother of a Boy

I didn't raise my boy to be a coward;
I want my boy to go if there is war;
I want to stand and watch him proudly
marching.

I want to gaze upon him from the door,
I do not want to lose him or to keep him,
I only long and long to have him be
A man when'er his country comes to sweep him.

Into her surging legions of the free,
I do not want my boy to be a craven;
I love him, and I'd hate to see him
go.

And yet I'd rather lose him, sadly lose him,
Than have him hide in fear to face the foe.

I've prayed with all the spirit of a woman
For peace, and that our struggle
might not come;

But if it does, I want him brave and
human,
My boy must march away with flag
and drum.

I'd give him, yes, a thousand times I'd
give him,
With all he means to me of love and
joy;

Because I would not love him if he
were a man and
struggle for his
land.

I want my boy to go if we must enter
This mad world conflict raging in
its might;

With all it means to me to have him
leave me,
I'd give him to his country, help
him fight;

For, so I think a mother does her
duty,
And keeps her faith with honor and
with God;

I didn't raise my boy to be a coward,
I'd rather have him dead and turned
a clod.

—Baltimore Sun.

Senator Chamberlain Sees President To Urge Universal Service

By Robert J. Bender
(United Press staff correspondent)

Washington, Mar. 30.—Land defense problems and propositions held the president's chief attention yesterday, in his consideration of preparing the nation for the existing state of war, formal announcement of which is expected Tuesday.

Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the military committee of the upper body, called at the white house this afternoon to tell the president that he should embody in his coming message a flat recommendation for universal military training.

Chamberlain left with the president an estimate of what universal training would cost—about \$150,000,000 a year for five hundred thousand men.

Under this system, the senator said, it would not be long before the regular United States army could be practically dispensed with and much of the tremendous expense attendant upon a military establishment eliminated.

Chamberlain said he hoped the president would come out for universal training but that he was unable to voice the president's present views on the question now.

That congress will pass an appropriation to provide supplies of all kinds—clothing, arms, munitions, etc.—for one million men was Chamberlain's belief expressed.

Just before Chamberlain called, Secretary of War Baker went to the white house to lay before the president the details of all his department had done in land defense work.

"We discussed the general military situation," Chamberlain said.

"Of course, I urged the president to signify his approval of some form of universal service. If the president should get behind universal military training, it could be passed, I believe. However, he did not manifest any change in his opinion."

"Until some other bills better than my own are advanced I will continue to push my bill forward."

A THREATENING LETTER

North Yakima, Wash., Mar. 30.—A letter from a German sympathizer threatening to blow up fruit warehouses, churches, and bridges, if the "Yankees" do not cease their "pernicious activity," is in the hands of Mayor J. F. Parton today.

ARRIVALS TELL OF REIGN OF TERROR SOUTHERN MEXICO

Bandits Enter Camp In Oil
Fields Weekly and Take
Payroll

CARRANZA HAS TOWNS ZAPATA THE COUNTRY

Two British Subjects Shot Down by Bandits—Natives Mutilated

Galveston, Texas, Mar. 30.—Passengers on the tank steamer Topika, which recently has arrived at an American port, relate thrilling tales of a reign of terror in Mexico and including the slaying of two British subjects.

W. H. T. Buckingham, general manager for the Aguila Oil Corporation on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and George Gannerman, cashier, both British subjects, were killed by Mexican bandits at Nanchital on March 9, according to these passengers. Buckingham's body was hacked to pieces with hatchets.

Other outrages in the oil fields above Puerto Mexico also are related and it is declared that in the vicinity of Minatitlan, disputed country lying between the camps of Carranza and Zapata armies, bandits rove at will and keep the country in a state of constant terror.

These passengers request that their names be concealed for fear of reprisals on themselves or friends. One of the passengers told the following story:

"For the last seven months Mexican bandits have entered the camps at Nanchital and Yxhuitlan every week and taken the payroll of the Aguila corporation, amounting to more than \$1,000."

"On March 1, 16 armed Mexicans called upon Banerman and demanded his payroll. They looted the building and were angered because they could find but \$1,800. They demanded \$1,500. Buckingham and two other friends were in Banerman's office. The bandits drove the whole bunch to the warehouse and began taking groceries."

"Here they became insolent and one of them shot down Tierrez Cruz, of Banerman's party."

"Banerman and his other guests ducked under the warehouse and headed toward the river. The second shot fired by the bandits struck Banerman in the groin, resulting in his death. Buckingham started to leave. When he turned his back his body was riddled with bullets. Then the bandits took me, me and my wife and my two children and

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THE DANCE TONIGHT

There is an impression about that the dance scheduled for this evening for the benefit of Company M's mess fund will not be held because the boys have gone to Vancouver.

Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Committees are decorating the armory, selling tickets, and preparing to make this military ball the biggest, best and most profitable one in the social calendar of the year.

There is no idea of abandoning the event or postponing it.

Director Staudenmeyer and Manager Graber of the Salem Military band have promised the best music procurable for this dance; they even say the music this time will be the best ever given for a dance in Salem.

The committee has been meeting with success in selling tickets and the prospect is that a great crowd will dance tonight to fill Company M's mess fund.

CHANCE IN THE NAVY

The navy is offering unusual inducements to young men, especially those who enlist in the hospital or radio corps. The young man who goes into the hospital corps is given eight months instructions at Mare Island, and during this study time is paid \$20.90 a month and all found. Then he becomes a hospital apprentice of the first class at \$25.40 a month and by the end of the first year's enlistment, is paid \$33 a month and all found. The radio service pays \$17.60 a month during the six or eight months instructions and then the youth is put on a salary of \$33 a month with all found, and opportunities for advancement. The following high school boys have made application for enlistment in one of these services: Harold Cook, Howard Pearson, Raymond Lacey, Clifford Smart, Willard Simpson, Harvey Pierce, Roy Remington and Harvey McElroy.

WILL MEET GERMANY WITH WAR

BY ROBERT J. BENDER,
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Washington, March 30.—President Wilson has definitely determined that a state of war between the United States and Germany must be formally recognized by this government, according to his intimate advisers.

This developed this afternoon following one of the briefest cabinet meetings held since the break with Germany.

There is every evidence that this government is going forward with a "strong and aggressive policy" according to one of the members who sat at the cabinet meeting.

"You need not worry about where he is standing on this matter. This is not time for pacifism and no one need doubt the president's forceful position," said a cabinet member after the session.

His opinion was supported by others of the president's advisory council when they left the meeting. On evidence supplied by these advisers—the white house continues silent—the government is going to meet Germany's war aggression with war next week.

The United Press correspondent told his informant that there had been some doubt in a number of minds for several days that the president was to act definitely forcibly.

The member's reply was: "I will tell you this: President Roosevelt gathered his facts quickly and acted quickly and that was the end of it. President Wilson has always gathered his facts slowly and had been skeptical in the meantime, but you can always rely on him. You can entirely rely on him in the present situation."

Not only is a state of war generally admitted, but there is a manifest determination by those in the councils of the president to wage a strong determined campaign that will leave no

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HOLLWEG'S SPEECH WEAK BUT DEFIANT KILLS ALL DOUBT

Administration Shaping Last
Details for Taking Part
in War

PACIFIC ELEMENT WILL BE SWEEPED OUT OF WAY

Strong Active Defense of America's Rights Key Note of Message

By Robert J. Bender
(United Press staff correspondent)

Washington, Mar. 30.—President Wilson has completed the first tentative draft of his "war message" to congress.

Throughout the morning, excusing himself from all callers, the president worked on the message in order that it might be in definite shape for discussion by the cabinet this afternoon.

Must be Stopped From Biting

Following the custom he always pursued after completing work on some important matter the president then went for a long auto ride, before meeting with his advisers.

Guarded by two motorcycle policemen and the usual secret service entourage, the president, with Mrs. Wilson drove down the road which borders the Potomac river. Now and then they passed groups of soldiers guarding the different bridges. Salutes were exchanged between the soldiers and the president.

The cabinet's view of the situation this afternoon was outspoken and frank. Several members expressed their belief unqualifiedly that a state of war between the United States and Germany had existed "for some time."

One member described the situation picturesquely when he said "it is a state where a mad dog must be stepped from further biting."

Washington, in spots, assumed an atmosphere of a real state of war.

The consensus of opinion is that the president will ask congress to acknowledge that a state of war now exists between the United States and Germany.

At the same time the belief is strong that the president also may express a profound hope that the nations of the world, now involved in the greatest struggle of history, will soon be able to bring about a lasting peace.

CHICAGO GHETTO HAS SERIOUS FOOD RIOTS

Only War Talked of
Washington, Mar. 30.—Only actual war was talked here generally today. Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg clinched the idea. President Wilson and his cabinet, booked for a late afternoon session, were expected to shape the last details of what will mean the entry of the United States into the conflict in some fashion to be decided by congress.

Hollweg, considered defiant, weak and misleading in his arguments, swept aside all doubts in the minds of international experts that President Wilson will make a forceful demand upon congress for America to play a full part in the struggle. That Hollweg had made a poor case for himself and his nation was the general view.

The cabinet and the president were expected to shape the last of the details of the president's "war message" today.

The main thought of it—strong active defense of America's rights—according to authorities, has been crystallized long since.

Universal Training

That President Wilson is rapidly turning more strongly in favor of some form of universal military training is the view of officials who have followed events closely. The president himself has made no announcement.

Military men who know something of the policy ahead declare that the war may be the bitterest the United States has ever seen and hence they argue that the universal law ought to be applied—that the system ought not to be voluntary, depending on enthusiasm which may wane later.

The pacifist element in congress will be stamped beneath a patriotic wave, according to unofficial canvasses to date. Congress will uphold President Wilson to the last ditch, it now appears.

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WOMEN RAID KOSHER BUTCHER SHOPS AND POUR KEROSENE ON MEATS

Chicago, Mar. 30.—Crying "it's starvation" and "our children must eat," mobs of angry women today again attacked kosher meat shops in the Maxwell street and Northwest Side districts that had dared to reopen after last night's riots.

One hundred policemen were rushed to the scene of the disturbance but before they arrived two markets had been entered by the mob and meats damaged by kerosene baths.

Men and children today augmented the women rioters. Last night's demonstration, during which 40 shops were invaded, was conducted mainly by women, many carrying children.

A mass meeting attended by 800 women and more than 200 men, at which speakers goaded the men for not assisting the women in their protests, is believed to have been instrumental in adding the unusual number of men to today's mobs.

At the butcher shop of Solomon Walowitz, in which he had barricaded himself today, the women padlocked the door from the outside. It was two hours before Walowitz was released by the police. Reports of mobs congregating in other sections of the city have reached central headquarters and reinforcements have been sent out.

Shops Are Avoided.

Several shops, closed yesterday after their fixtures had been demolished and stocks ruined with kerosene, attempted to reopen under police protection, but customers, fearing a repetition of last night's scenes, did their purchasing elsewhere or went meatless.

Police reinforcements, drafted from various outlying stations, were held in readiness today at the Maxwell street station, which is the storm center. Five different riot squads were sent out from here last night to quell disturbances. Twenty persons were injured in one charge before the women could be dispersed.

The women, some mobs numbering as high as 200, stormed the shops and after roughly handling customers and destroying their purchases, overturned

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THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Saturday partly cloudy; heavy frost west portion tonight; warmer east portion Saturday; winds mostly easterly.



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