

DEMAND OF ROOSEVELT

FOR STANDING ARMY OF 200,000 AND OBLIGATORY TRAINING

Local Preparedness Plan—Biltmore Hotel Meeting Endorses Demand For Compulsion and 48 Dreadnoughts and Battle-Cruisers.

New York, Jan. 6.—The "Inefficiency" of the National Guard for actual military service, the "uselessness" of the "Continental Army," recommended by President Wilson, and the "necessity" for a programme of immediate preparedness to include 48 dreadnoughts and battle-cruisers, a standing army of 200,000 men, and obligatory military training of all fit citizens were the chief points emphasized yesterday by Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and others who spoke at a luncheon-conference in the Biltmore Hotel between the Board of Trustees of the American Defense Society and the society's advisory board.

It was after Colonel Roosevelt had gone that what purported to be a summary of his speech was made public unofficially. According to these reports of the speech, Colonel Roosevelt began by strongly urging "obligatory" military service by all fit citizens. "Suffrage," the Colonel was quoted as saying, "means the obligation to defend one's country. If we can get Vincent Astor and a man from Mulberry street—or one from Roosevelt street, for that is the worst street in New York—under a dog tent together in training, it will be good for both of them. Military training means greater cohesion and each of the men would learn something from the other and be the better for it."

Volunteerism A Fallacy. Colonel Roosevelt next pointed out according to the reports, "the fallacy" of depending upon volunteers for the defence of the country. He was represented as saying: "In England they say, 'Be a sport and join the army!' You'd laugh at such a pronouncement as 'be a

sport and pay your taxes!' A man simply must pay his taxes and that's all there is to it.

"No volunteer soldier is worth anything until he is trained. I was in the National Guard three years and was no better than anybody else, and if I had been in a fight I would have made a better fight than any of the members of the National Guard at Santiago.

"We can't have a real National Guard except under Federal control. It must be made what its name implies—a national and not a state force."

Colonel Roosevelt added, according to the report, that the Government should appropriate no more money for the National Guard until it was brought under federal control.

Speaking next of the Continental Army advocated by President Wilson, Colonel Roosevelt, according to the report, said: "It is a fallacy, a make-shift, and a useless rival of the National Guard."

The Colonel is then quoted as stressing the importance of the American Defense Society's emphasizing "service opinion," in its policy and programme. It was a pity, he was represented as saying, "to put a man on experts of the army and navy who had received education qualifying them to give the public advice." One of Colonel Roosevelt's commentators added that the officers of the army and navy had had their "mouths shut," that they could not "even make speeches at dinners, except to say that two and two were four."

"An Unified America." Confounding Col. Roosevelt, according to those who quoted him, stressed the necessity for having "An unified America," saying that everyone in this country should be a true American and should have left everything un-American behind him if he came from a foreign land.

Following the discussion, Mr. Reuter's prepared statement was unanimously adopted. Here it is: "We must have a strong navy. Forty-eight dreadnoughts and battle-ship cruisers. The necessary number of scouts, destroyers and sea-going submarines should balance the capital fleet; also auxiliaries, colliers, repair ships, tenders, etc. The navy should be prepared immediately. "We must have a standing army of 200,000 men, and 45,000 officers backed by a national force of universal and obligatory trained citizens in arms. This body should be of no less strength than 2,000,000 men, fully equipped, and with a large reserve supply of artillery and ammunition. "This shall be America's insurance against war, against invasion, against a foreign flag over Washington—a force of defence which makes the Monroe Doctrine, a living fact. And this shall be the true meaning of preparedness. Half-measures are useless and wasted money."

ELECTION IN ENGLAND.

Compulsion Bill May Bring Political Situation To Climax.

London, Jan. 7.—The situation of the Government and the compulsory service bill was swiftly altered, and it is probable, if not certain, that England will be plunged into a general election in the next few weeks. It is not one factor, but many factors, which makes for this solution of the imbroglio over the Derby report. The compulsory service bill was damaged in the Commons by Sir John Simon's criticisms, by Labor Leader Hodge's hint of opposition, and by J. H. Thomas' hostility. But this alone would not govern the situation, for the Government is assured of a majority for the bill, although the number of Liberals "against" increased to-day and the Irish Nationalist party at its meeting decided also to vote against it. It is believed by trade union members that at the labor congress to-day a majority of the delegates will declare against compulsion.

If, as is now expected, the congress decides against compulsion, Arthur Henderson, labor member of the Cabinet, must presumably resign. McKenna and Runciman may also resign.

There is a feeling of dissolution in the air.

PASTOR GETS THREE CALLS.

Toronto Churches Want Rev. C. A. Williams.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—At a meeting of the board of St. James Methodist Church, a committee was appointed to consider the situation arising out of the fact that Rev. C. A. Williams, pastor, has received calls from three Toronto churches. In any case, Rev. Mr. Williams, even if he should decide to accept one of the Toronto calls, would not leave this city before a year and a half have passed, but it is the custom in large city churches to arrange for these matters a long time ahead so as to be certain of having some one suitable available when the time for the periodic changes comes.

Hope is the one connecting link between this old world and the Great Beyond.

Trouble is so accommodating that if a blind man looks for it is usually comes.

AS WE GROW OLDER

Our minds are quite as active as in former years but our strength does not respond when we need it most, perhaps the kidneys are weak, the liver torpid, rheumatic pains or stiffened joints beset us, and we cannot easily throw off the colds that winter brings.

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CROFTER TO MILLIONAIRE.

J. W. Stewart Now Possesses an Estate in His Old Home.

There lately arrived in London a man whose career provides yet another amazing illustration of the energy, perseverance, and shrewdness of the modern Scot. His name is Mr. John William Stewart, known in Canada as "Jack" Stewart, the millionaire railway contractor, says London Tit-Bits.

Four years ago he bought from the Duke of Sutherland 50,000 acres of the Sutherland estates, with an annual rent-roll of £2,500, which among other things included Mr. Stewart's birthplace, a tiny cottage at Drumbray, in the parish of Assynt. A few months later Mr. Stewart bought from the Duke for £66,000 a further large tract of land in the parish of Assynt, which included house property, a deer forest, a sheep farm, and small holdings, with a rental of £2,700.

Yet it is not so many years ago since Mr. Stewart landed in Quebec with just 10s. in his pocket. This was after he had tried farming and engineering in Scotland, and decided that the Colonies offered him more scope for the realization of his ambitions. Obtaining work as a farm hand on a French-Canadian farm, he ultimately settled down in British Columbia with the money he had saved, where he found work on the railway. Afterwards he drifted to Montana, in the States, and made such good use of his opportunities that he was able to enter into partnership with two well-known Irish-American contractors, Foley and Walsh, which has since become one of the foremost firms of its kind in the West.

A patriot to the backbone, Mr. Stewart has utilized some of his wealth to equip a Highland regiment in British Columbia, where he is opening up a great new railroad, and has furthermore contributed £20,000 to the war funds.

"Rather than my country should be beaten in this great war," he says, "I will go back again to day labor and small wages where I began."

And there are thousands of wealthy Scotsmen in all parts of the world who would do the same.

HAS A BIG JOB.

Chairman of Quebec Board to Care for Soldiers is a Busy Man.

The appointment of the Hon. G. A. Simard as chairman of the Quebec Province Commission in charge of making arrangements for finding employment for returned soldiers, might be called an appointment of services rendered both to the Government and the people of Quebec.

Mr. Simard was one of the first to recognize the value of good roads, and through his early efforts he gathered around him a body of public opinion that soon made itself felt. He is a large property holder on the south side of the river across from Montreal in the vicinity of Laprairie, and in 1913 was appointed a member of the Legislative Council of Quebec.

He organized the Franco-American Chemical Company, and is general manager of the St. Lawrence Drug Co. The former company is a worldwide concern with branches in Europe and the United States.

Mr. Simard is said to have a genius for organization, and he will have ample scope for his powers, for the task of securing employment for returned soldiers is no easy one. Although Montreal has 200 men invalided home seeking employment, and the list will be added to by half that number within a week.

Little aid is expected from the city of Montreal, for the task of Mr. Simard and his associates to mobilize the manufacturers throughout the Province. Mr. Simard has great faith in the possibilities of technical education, and hopes by that means to help soldiers who otherwise might have to spend their days as mere laborers, janitors, or the like.

Mr. Simard is but 45 years old.

Australian Market for Canadian Fish

In addition to the great market for Canadian fish which is now being opened up in Great Britain owing to the scarcity of supplies there through war conditions, a valuable export market is now being developed in Australia. A report to the Department of Trade and Commerce from Canadian Trade Commissioner Ross of Melbourne draws attention to the fact that Australia faces a fish shortage, and that there is a record demand for Canadian fish there.

New Brunswick packers have already taken advantage of the opening and are shipping large quantities of canned sardines and herrings. Preserved fish in these forms is in great demand, with high prices ruling. During the past twelve months Canada has sent more than half a million dollars' worth of fish to Australia.

In Great Britain fish prices have gone up more than 100 per cent., and recent shipments of Canadian fish to the motherland have demonstrated the immense value of the market opened up by the war to Canadian fishermen. Canada possesses the most extensive fisheries in the world, with a catch last year valued at more than \$33,000,000, and more than 100,000 men employed in the industry. The ill wind of the war is blowing good to the fishermen of Canada, who are getting ready markets and higher prices.

Prime Beef for Toronto Troops.

John D. McGregor's famous Brandon prize heifer "Wee McGregor," which has won red ribbons at many stock shows, both in Canada and the United States, came to a fitting end by providing Christmas dinners for some of the Toronto troops. The heifer was purchased by H. P. Kennedy of Toronto as a Christmas ration for the soldiers.

Small Conscience Money. "Conscience money" to the amount of 33 cents was received by the Minister of Finance at Ottawa, recently from someone in Montreal.

To Govern Serbia.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—Count Salis Soglio, military commander of Vienna, has been appointed governor-general of the Serbian territory occupied by the Austro-Hungarian troops.

JOFFRE SEES VICTORY

IN SIGHT FOR THE ENTENTE ALLIES.

New Year's Message To His Army Recalls The Great Work Already That Has Been Accomplished.

Paris, Jan. 6.—The order of the day issued by General Joffre, the French commander-in-chief to the army on New Year's Day, has just appeared in an army bulletin. "Soldiers of the Republic," says the order, "at the moment when this year of war is terminating, you may consider your work with pride and measure the grandeur of what you have accomplished. In the Artois, in the Champagne, in the Woëvre, and in the Vosges, you have inflicted upon the enemy resounding blows and caused him sanguinary losses, losses incomparably greater than ours. The German army still holds out, but sees its numbers and resources diminishing each day. Obligated to succor weakening Austria, Germany must seek in secondary temporary and easy successes that she has failed to gain on the principal fronts. All the German colonies are, either isolated from the world or in our hands.

"On the contrary, the Allies are reinforcing themselves unceasingly, incontestable masters of the sea, they can easily obtain supplies, while the German Empires, financially and economically exhausted, are reduced to counting only upon our discord of fatigue. As if the Allies, who have sworn to fight to the bitter end, were disposed to violate their vow when the hour of chastisement was going to strike for Germany; as if our soldiers, who have waged the hardest of combats, were not of the stuff to hold out in spite of cold and hunger.

"Let us be proud of our might and our right. Let us think of the past only to find in it reasons for confidence. Let us think of our dead only to avenge them. While our enemies are talking of peace, let us think only of war and of victory. "At the beginning of a year that will be, thanks to your glorious one for France. Your commander-in-chief, addresses to you from the bottom of his heart the most affectionate greetings."

(Signed) J. JOFFRE.

CHORE-OFF TRADE.

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that sang 120,000 strong that a grand song of that splendid man, Andrew Muir, 'The Maple Leaf Forever,' in old London, France, Belgium and the Dardanelles, and will yet sing it in the Williamsstrasse and the Unter den Linden in Berlin.

"I ask you when this war is over to put a 'crimp' in all German goods that may come here; that is the way to kill Fritz off. He couldn't fight fair; he can't trade fair. He gassed our soldiers with tanks three years old, stored for the purpose. He crucified our men, nailing them while unwounded to wayside crosses. He murdered nurses, women and children. He dug the graves of our brave lads, Lieut. Calvin Day, Edward Barrie, Scotty Davidson, and that prince of yachtsmen, Frank Strange, who have fallen for humanity's rest will not be avenged, and all the rest will not have died in vain. We who have tried to do our bit will have the satisfaction of knowing that when our Empire and ideals were threatened we stood together, Ireland, Scotland, England, Australia, New Zealand, India, South Africa and Canada. From the gold sands of Africa to the coral strands of India, from the northern lights to the Southern Cross, we stood together; let us stand together in this."

WANT PROVINCIAL BANK.

Grain-Growers in West Seek Money At Low Interest Rates.

Brandon, Man., Jan. 7.—A resolution calling upon the Manitoba Government to establish an agricultural bank or board to loan money to farmers at a low rate of interest, was adopted unanimously this morning by the Manitoba Grain-Growers' Association.

Mrs. A. Toob was elected second vice-president, the first woman to hold office in the organization. R. C. Henders was elected president.

Think a bit before you bother other people with business you ought to do yourself.

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