



AMERICA AND RUSSIA TO FIGHT SIDE BY SIDE IN THE GREAT WAR FOR WORLD DEMOCRACY AND HUMANITY; EVENT OF INTERNATIONAL MOMENT AT PETROGRAD

AMERICAN PEOPLE REGISTER SILENT, SOLEMN OATH THAT KAISERISM MUST COME TO END

Vast Crowd at Auditorium Hear Impassioned Appeals For Support of Red Cross; Judge Salinger, Native German, Arraigns Emperor William as Autocrat Who Must Fall.

"Suppose an overlord would send a lieutenant to Omaha and order every man to South Omaha and confine them there in the cattle pens until they could be herded into box cars and shipped to Mexico. That is what the overlord has done to the Belgians."

In this was the graphic language Gurdon W. Wattles painted some of the kaiser's outrages in the world war before a vast audience Saturday night at the Auditorium. The meeting marked the beginning of the campaign to raise \$210,000 in Omaha as this city's share of the \$100,000,000 to be gathered in the United States for the Red Cross. The money is to be raised this week.

A military thrill was added at the opening of the meeting, when the Fifth Infantry band from Lincoln Marched up the aisle, playing the Star Spangled Banner. The men were dressed in khaki uniforms and led by Captain Hazsel. The band took its place in front of the stage, where it played several selections during the evening.

"What shall we do for the young men who must go out and fight our battles in this war?" asked Mr. Wattles. "It is the duty of every man and woman in Omaha to contribute to the Red Cross in order that our boys who go to the front shall have every possible care and comfort that can be provided for them."

PRIVILEGE TO GIVE. This is more than a duty. It is a privilege, a privilege that we should prize and that every right-minded and loyal man and woman will avail himself and herself of.

"We have lived so long in peace and prosperity that we scarcely realize what war means. We have become careless of the liberty we possess. We are unprepared for the stern realities of war. Those of us who cannot go to the front can at least have the privilege of giving to provide comfort to those who go. It is our duty and our privilege as a Christian community and a Christian nation."

Impassioned arraignment of Germany was made by a native of Germany, Judge Benjamin I. Salinger of the Iowa supreme court. In a voice that trembled and while his fist smote the table he declared:

"There is the sharpest distinction between the aspirations of the hearts of the German people and those of the last of the Hohenzollern family. I love the German people as those of my own blood and I pity them as no one who does not know them well can pity them."

"When I was 9 years old my parents borrowed money from relatives in this country to come to America. They had become convinced that a small ruling family such as that in Germany cuts off the opportunities of the common people to the last degree."

Kaiser Stands Alone. "Today the kaiser stands alone in the world as the one absolute ruler who does as he pleases with anybody in his realm. Nowhere else on the 'footstool' is there a ruler who still dreams that might is right and that the era of the cave man is not past."

Equally stirring was Judge Salinger's patriotic tribute to the flag and his feeling reference to the work of the Red Cross. He said:

"In the excitement of war not enough attention is paid to the branch of the work which ministers when the din of battle is stilled, the ever busy hands that are cool on fevered brows and nurse the soldiers through the nights of pain and bring comfort and succor of sorrow to those who have fought the good fight."

"In giving this \$210,000 the people of Omaha are only paying in a small way for the blessings which will come to them through it. Is it too much to ask that you, from the safety of your homes, shall give this sum in order that the boys who go out to fight your battles shall fight the better and bring the sooner the downfall of that one great disturber of the world's peace?"

America's Heart Throb. "We could get the millionaires to give this. One man might be willing to give it. But that would rob the fund of most of its value. It is to be given by the people, the common people, rich and poor alike, so that the soldiers to whom it shall minister and the poor whom it shall help shall know and feel the throbs of the great heart of the American people."

"What will the soldiers think if a single life is lost because we are too busy or too parsimonious? This great Red Cross movement is only another manifestation of the activities of this, our beloved country, a country which"

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Form New Organization To Resist Conscription Philadelphia, June 17.—A resolution to resist conscription was adopted at a meeting of delegates representing thirty-one socialist and pacifist societies in this country, which have formed an organization known as the People's Council for Democracy and Peace.

The present plan is the launching of a campaign against forcible military service by the distribution of literature and public weekly meetings.

Elhu Root, Head of the U. S. Commission, In Address to Council of Ministers Pledges This Nation's Support to Great Slav People Now Striving to Gain Freedom

AUTO BANDITS SHOOT FIVE TIMES AT DETECTIVES WOLF AND PIPKIN IN MURDER PLOT

Attempt Made to Assassinate Two of Principals in Police Investigation; Car Riddled With Bullets.

Omaha gunmen, unknown to the police, attempted to murder Charles W. Pipkin and Harve Wolf, of the Omaha Detective association, Saturday night. They escaped, leaving no clue to their identity.

Five shots were fired. Three bullets over their way through the machine in which Pipkin was sitting when the would-be assassins speeded past in another car.

Pipkin and Wolf had been riding about town earlier in the evening and had a short while before the shooting pulled up in front of the Royal apartments, Twenty-seventh and Farnam streets, where Wolf lives. Wolf had gotten out of the car and was leaning on the side of it talking to Pipkin, who was seated at the steering wheel. The car was facing south in Twenty-seventh street.

Fired Point Blank. According to Pipkin, they did not hear the other car approaching until it started to speed up about fifty yards behind them. Almost simultaneously they heard a shout from one of the men in the car and then a shot. The bullet passed directly over the seat Wolf had just left and crashed through the base of the windshield, shattering the glass.

Before the men realized what was taking place, the machine was upon them and four more shots were fired point blank at Pipkin and Wolf.

One of the bullets pierced the hood of the car and passing through it narrowly missed Pipkin's leg. The bullet could not be found in the car. Another bullet hit the side door of the car, and, glancing off, dented the rear guard.

The machine carrying the gunmen turned west in Harney street at such a terrific rate of speed that only two of the wheels held the ground. It was seen to turn at Twenty-ninth street, where it disappeared.

When it was turning the corner Pipkin jumped from the machine and he and Wolf returned the fire. Each of the men shot three times at the fleeing car. Pipkin had thought at least one of the shots took effect. He says he heard one of the men in the car cry out.

Witnesses to the shooting declare that there were no lights on the car from which the shots came. Several persons, say that it was a Buick. Neither Pipkin nor Wolf were able to distinguish the voice that came from one of the men just prior to the first shot. Both said there were three men in the car.

Pipkin declared he knows the party Superintendent Johnston is transferred to Dayton.

Dayton, O., June 17.—(Special.)—Frank D. Johnston of Omaha has been appointed superintendent of the mailing division of the Dayton post-office. Mr. Johnston's home is in Omaha, where he makes his headquarters as superintendent of the Fourteenth division of the railway mail service.

Mr. Johnston was born and reared near Dayton. His original appointment to the railway mail service was made twenty-nine years ago and he has served continuously since. In 1902 he became chief clerk-at-large of the Sixth division. In 1911 he was assigned to Omaha as assistant division superintendent.

Two years later Mr. Johnston received another promotion to the superintendency of the New England division and was transferred again to Omaha in 1915.

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Rare Day in June Brings Out All The Lovers of the Great Outdoors

"What is so rare as a day in June?" asked a mere man Sunday afternoon, as he tarried in one of the parks to slake his thirst with a draught of the world's original drink.

Municipal and concerts in Miller and Spring Lake parks drew thousands to those rest and recreation centers. Flag day exercises by the Elks in Hanscom park were attended by a large and enthusiastic crowd, this description having been approved by the censor.

Public bathing places at Municipal beach, Riverview, Spring Lake and Morton parks were patronized by the crowds of amphibious earthlings. Boulevards and other highways

Pathfinder Flood Waters Cause Platte to Overflow

Casper, Wyo., June 17.—Flood waters from the Pathfinder dam caused the Platte river to overflow today and homes along the lower levels near here have been inundated. The water is rising two inches an hour. Melting snow in the mountains caused the high water.

ELKS PAY THEIR RESPECTS TO OLD GLORY AT PARK

Picturesque Military Affair at Hanscom Park Attended by Thousands of Omaha People.

"When a power tramples upon the common instincts of humanity, it is time for humanity to protest. For centuries the rights of neutrals and non-combatants have been recognized and yet the kaiser fires on all with submarines, recognizing neither age, sex nor nationality," stated Frederick Shepherd of Lincoln, addressing a large gathering Sunday afternoon in Hanscom park, where Omaha Lodge of Elks held their annual flag day exercises.

Frequent applause greeted the expressions of the Lincoln man, who was speaker of the day. Sunshine, martial music, khaki-clad columns of soldiers, flags, flowers, veterans of '61 and a chorus of male singers contributed to the success of the occasion.

Old Glory Makes Heart Beat. During his patriotic address Mr. Shepherd said:

"Every man's heart beats a little faster when his eyes behold the flag of his country. We love our national emblem because it was borne aloft in the first instance to represent a free people. To the timid it extends an invitation to the land of equality and opportunity. Our flag has been a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night to the American people. It led the way through stress and storm during the revolution. It will continue to go on to victory on the battlefields across the seas."

Must Be All American. "In the main the Germans of the United States have been good citizens and have followed the flag in all that the words imply. I want to prophecy that when this war is over and the record has been read, a full complement of young Germans of this country will have fought on the western front for liberty and America. We are at war with the Germany across the seas, with the Germany that excuses indiscriminate destruction on the plea that the end justifies the means. There is room no longer in the United States for a man who is any less than all American. Our president and the congress—who are our representatives—have declared war and every citizen should stand by with his life, his heart and his means."

Must Suppress Infamy. "The Germans of this country, as far as I know, are reasonable people; yet William has the insolence to say that other nations shall give up the use of the high seas. Such a thing will not be permitted by the free nations of the world. When a nation thus seeks to excuse its infamy, mankind should gather front every clime to suppress it. This is a matter of nations exercising police power to subdue the outlaw nation that would be a law unto itself. The United States has responded nobly and the country today is resplendent with the"

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Farrand on Way to France To Fight White Plague

Denver, Colo., June 17.—President Livingston Farrand of the University of Colorado left Denver last night for the Atlantic coast to take a steamer for France, where he will supervise the organization for the fight of the Rockefeller foundation and the French government against tuberculosis.

E. P. Peck Made Director Of the Union Stock Yards

E. P. Peck Saturday was elected a director of the Union Stock Yards at a special meeting of the board. He fills the place made vacant by the death of the late J. J. Mahoney.

MAILS HELD UP UNDER ORDER AT C. B. TERMINAL

Statement Shows That Embargo Still Holds Good Even Against the Daily Papers.

Embargo laid on mails by the Postoffice department is not ended, as was supposed.

Also, while congress is threatening to increase the rate of postage on newspapers to a prohibitive point, the postoffice department is instructing railway mail clerks to delay the delivery of daily newspapers entrusted to the mails.

Moreover, government official mail is held up through the same means, even such an important matter as the referring to the draft registration being delayed by the orders in force until after the draft was over.

Statement From Clerk. One of the men high in the local service, whose name must be suppressed for obvious reasons, gives The Bee this statement:

"June 12 an article appeared in an Omaha paper in regard of the economy of the railway mail service. This article reads very good, especially to those who do not understand the true conditions as they are. Why is it that concerns that do all the way from \$10,000 to \$25,000 worth of advertising a year have tried their best to get relief from the Postoffice department on account of the delay of their advertising matter? Why is it that advertising from the Postoffice itself, mailed at Washington for States in the west, were handled in the Council Bluffs terminal as late as June 12, this matter containing instructions to the county clerks and sheriffs of the western states in regard to registration day? This will hardly have reached their destination in time to do any good."

Answers Superintendent. "Mr. Johnston, the superintendent challenges any one to show where there has been such delay. Of course it is possible, that can be done, but not probable, as that employee would just by himself open to suspicion and that is what Mr. Johnston is after. The public, no doubt, is easily won over to the thinking of the department when articles appear that read like the one which appeared in the Omaha paper, but when the actual facts are known they hardly believe it when it is told them. Furthermore it says, 'no piece of mail is in the Terminal more than 24 hours.' Why is it necessary to have it in the terminal that long, when there are trains that can handle this mail going out west before the twenty-four hours are up? Again I say that I know personally that some mail is in the terminal as long as forty-eight hours and more, and if the public had access to the terminal no doubt they could find mail more than twenty-four hours old, any time of the day."

Order to Hold Up Mails. The letter referred to contains the following explicit instruction with force: (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Negroes Can No Longer Ride on "Prepay" Orders

Savannah, Ga., June 17.—To discourage the movement of negroes to the north, the Central of Georgia, Atlantic Coast Line, Southern and Georgia & Florida will no longer accept "prepay order" transportation for them. The prepay order method of sending money from the point where the negroes are wanted has been employed largely by those interested in getting large numbers out of the south.

Two Killed, 16 Hurt When Zeppelins Raid English Coast

London, June 17.—Two persons were killed and sixteen injured in last night's air raid, during which a Zeppelin was brought down. The official report of the raid was given out here today.

"Last night's air raid was carried out by two enemy airships. One airship crossed the English coast at about 2 a. m. and dropped six bombs on a coast town. According to the latest police reports, two persons were killed, sixteen were injured and

M. Terschenecko, In Response, Declares Russia Will Continue War; Ambassador David R. Francis Presents Mission at Marinsky Palace; Event That Promises to Make World History.

Tells America Russia Will Continue the War

M. Terschenecko, responding to Mr. Root on behalf of the council of ministers, stated Russia's position on the war, as follows:

"The Russian people consider war inevitable and will continue it. The Russians have no imperialistic wishes. We know that you have none."

"We shall fight together to secure liberty, freedom and happiness for all the world. I am happy to say that I do not see any moral idea or factor between America and Russia to divide us."

"We two peoples—Russia fighting tyranny, and America standing as the oldest democracy—hand-in-hand will show the way of happiness to nations great and small."

Petrograd (Via London), June 17.—"America sends another message to Russia—that we are going to fight and already have begun to fight for your freedom equally with our own and we ask you to fight for our freedom equally with yours," said Elihu Root, head of the American mission to Russia, in addressing the council of ministers last night.

Mr. Root in his address laid stress on American disinterestedness in the war except so far as conserving democracy was concerned. In Russia, he declared, America sees "no party, no class, but great Russia as a whole, one mighty, striving, aspiring democracy."

M. Terschenecko, minister of foreign affairs, responded for the council of ministers to Mr. Root's address of sympathy and good will on the part of the American government.

FRANCIS PRESENTS ROOT. The American ambassador, David H. Francis, presented the Russian mission to the ministers in Marinsky palace, explaining that the members of the mission had come to Russia to discover how America can best co-operate with its ally in forwarding the fight against the common enemy.

The presentation was very formal, only a few Russian officials and the members of the American embassy attending. M. Kerensky, the youthful minister of war, just back from the front, wore the khaki blouse of a common soldier.

The ministers listened with rapt attention to Mr. Root's address, which was an impressive utterance both in substance and manner. Mr. Root spoke as follows:

"Mr. President and Members of the Council of Ministers: The mission for which I have the honor to speak is charged by the government and people of the United States of America with a message to the government and people of Russia. The mission comes from a democratic republic."

"Its members are commissioned and instructed by the president, who has his high office as chief executive of more than one hundred million free people by virtue of popular election, in which more than eighteen million votes were freely cast and fairly counted pursuant to law, by universal, equal, direct and secret suffrage."

"For one hundred and forty years our people have been struggling with the hard problems of self-government. With many shortcomings, many mistakes, many imperfections, we still have maintained order and respect for law, individual freedom and national independence."

How U. S. Has Grown. "Under the security of our own laws we have grown in strength and prosperity. But we love our freedom more than wealth. We love liberty and we cherish above all our possessions the ideals for which our fathers fought and sacrificed that America might be free."

"We believe in the competence of the power of democracy and in our heart of hearts abide faith in the coming of a better world in which the humble and oppressed of all lands may be lifted up by freedom to a height of justice and equal opportunity."

The news of Russia's now-found freedom brought to America universal satisfaction and joy. From all the land sympathy and hope went out to the new sister in the circle of democracies. And the mission is sent to express that feeling.

Democracy to Democracy. "The American democracy sends to the democracy of Russia a greeting of sympathy, friendship, brotherhood. God-speed. Distant America knows little of the special control, essential life which must give form to the government and laws which you are about to create. As we have developed our institutions to serve the needs of our national character and life, so we assume that you will develop your institutions to serve the needs of Russian character and life."

"As we look across the sea we distinguish no party, no class. We see great Russia as a whole, as one mighty striving, aspiring democracy. We know the self-control, essential kindness, strong common sense, courage and noble idealism of the Russian character."

"We have faith in you all. We pray for God's blessing upon you all. We believe you will solve your problems, that you will maintain your liberty"

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Class of 296 Men Is Graduated From Princeton

Princeton, N. J., June 17.—Princeton university yesterday graduated 296 men, although many were away on war service and their degrees were conferred in absentia.

Honorary degrees were conferred upon ambassadors and ministers of the allied countries at war with Germany and upon Secretary of State Lansing, Herbert C. Hoover and others.

Many of the usual commencement features were eliminated because of the war.



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