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"AMERICANS FOR AMERICA"

An article by David Lawrence in the Saturday Evening Post sheds a flood of light on the difficulty of the situation which confronted President Wilson before war was declared on Germany.

The president of the National German American Alliance said in 1915:— "We will not permit our Kultur of two thousand years to be trodden down in this land (the United States)."

How well they stood together is shown in the statement that there are 401 public schools in which German is the only language taught, and that in Wisconsin, Nebraska, the Dakotas and some other states public money has been spent largely for the maintenance of exclusively German schools, where English is the foreign tongue.

All this is now being changed. The different states have been aroused and drastic legislation has been adopted. Mr. Lawrence's article is now proposed to be the whole German policy of poisoning public opinion in the United States long before the war began.

Its sons are now wide awake. Its sons are giving their lives on European battlefields to crush the very Kultur which had so insistently sought to Germanize their native land, and those at home will know how to deal with even the whisperers who seek to impede the onward march to victory.

The heart-rending, now going on in the great democracy will be followed by a steady rising tide of wrath against the whole tribe of Germany, at home and abroad. As Mr. Lawrence points out, the Munro doctrine did not reckon with the policy of "peaceful penetration" adopted by the National German American Alliance, but the awakening has come in good time, and "America for the Americans" must hereafter be supplemented by the dictum "Americans for America."

CROPS AND THE WAR.

The May Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics says that 96 per cent of the fall wheat of Ontario was winter killed. For all Canada the area that will produce a crop of fall wheat is reduced from 699,100 acres to 388,000 acres. The yield will be 28 per cent below the average for the past nine years.

It is fortunate that to offset this serious reduction there is a large increase in the acreage of spring wheat. A statement issued last week says:— "The total area sown to wheat for the whole of Canada for 1918 is estimated at 1,090,000 acres, as compared with 1,125,800 acres, the finally established figure for 1917. The area to be harvested of fall wheat is 388,000 acres, and the area sown to spring wheat is 1,574,800 acres, so that the increase of the latter as compared with 1917 is 1,212,200, or 18 per cent. The area sown to oats is placed at 18,799,000 acres, as compared with 18,218,400 acres last year, an increase of 425,600 acres, or 2.3 per cent. The acreage of barley is 2,998,800, as compared with 2,992,200 in 1917, of rye 294,480, as against 211,890; of peas, 300,480, as against 198,881; of mixed grains, 608,280, as against 497,284; of hay and clover, 8,200,800, as against 8,228,284, and of alfalfa 108,800, as against 109,285.

"The areas sown this year to wheat, oats, barley and rye are the highest on record for Canada."

If the spring wheat should yield well and be harvested in good condition it will be a very satisfactory crop situation, but the demand for food for the Allied nations in Europe will be so enormous that Canada must release the largest possible portion of her crop for export. As a matter of fact the people of the United States are today showing a keener desire to use substitutes for wheat than has yet been shown in Canada.

The relation of the food supply to the winning of the war cannot be too strongly emphasized. There will be grave hunger in the world for a considerable time after the war is over.

Last week marked the first anniversary of the arrival of the vanguard of the American army in France. The Germans at that time desisted and they sneered but the year has brought a change. They find they cannot ridicule President Wilson's army with any greater degree of success than they did the "contemptible little army" with which England began her share of the fighting.

LIGHTER VEIN

"Mayme says she likes to feed her mind."

"I don't think she's going to do it by devouring serials."

Justified Doubt. "Are you sure, Jack, that she's the right kind of a girl? Has she the right judgment?"

"Why should you doubt her?"

"Well, she selected you."

Domestic Science. "My daughter is taking a course in domestic science."

"How is she making out?"

"All right, I infer. She writes that she just made the scrub team."

Always Right. "What's the dispute about?" the storekeeper asked his clerk, and added: "Remember, in this store the customer is always right."

"He says you're an old shark," explained the clerk briefly.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Initial Dig. "Has the excavating been begun for your new house yet?"

"Yes; I've just dug up a thousand dollars advance money for the contractor."

A Good Speech. "Did you make any Liberty bond speeches?"

"Only one," replied Dustin Stax. "But I flatter myself it was a pretty good one."

"What was it?"

"I said, 'Give me five million dollars' worth.'"—Washington Star.

His Reason. "Why are you in favor of government ownership?"

"I'm not exactly clear," replied the candid man. "But I've a vague idea that I'd like to see some lines of business in the hands of elected officers who might try to make a hit by lowering prices instead of raising them."—Washington Star.

For Playground In South End

Public Meeting Decides to Take Action—Will Interview Council This Afternoon

A delegation from the south end of the city will wait upon the city council this afternoon with an appeal to have the section of ground at the foot of St. James and Britain streets cleaned up and converted into a baseball diamond and athletic field.

This course was decided upon at a very representative public meeting of south end citizens, both ladies and gentlemen, held in the assembly hall of the city.

The time feeling of anxiety over the situation on the western front has been relaxed, and the news from the Italian front is encouraging, while the growing troubles at home in Austria and Germany give rise to the hope that these troubles may presently weaken very much the power of the enemy to strike his hammer blows on either front.

We are gaining time, and time brings more American troops into the struggle on the side of democracy. There is much heavy fighting ahead, but the morale of the Allied armies is unshaken. They are out to win, however long the conflict may rage.

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King Edward school last evening. If a favorable reply is received an organization will be formed at a later meeting to head up the project so that play will be properly organized under the leadership of south end citizens interested in healthy sports for the boys.

In spite of the unfavorable state of the weather the meeting was largely attended. At the outset A. M. Belding was elected chairman, on the motion of R. E. Armstrong, seconded by John I. Power. Rev. George Scott was named secretary of the proceedings. His name was put in nomination by Rev. S. S. Poole, seconded by William C. Cross.

The chairman outlined the present status of the movement in the city looking to the establishment of neighborhood playgrounds and athletic fields in the different quarters of the city. He and Rev. Mr. Cody had looked over the situation in the south end and had come to the conclusion that a portion of ground lying along Courtenay Bay between St. James and Britain streets could be secured. This with a vacant lot adjoining which might also be got would make a playground and baseball diamond. In conclusion he called upon Rev. Mr. Cody who in introducing the resolution said the ground in question was far from being ideal for the purposes in view. Still there was no other obtainable and they must just make the best of a bad situation.

The resolution was seconded by Thos. Killen but before it was put to the meeting Mr. Alward objected that the field was too small for a baseball field even with the addition of the vacant lot. Engineer Hatfield, however, said although the property was undoubtedly small there was no trouble in making it quite big enough for the purposes intended. The chairman also, while admitting the baseball diamond would not be fit for professional ball, yet pointed out the boys of the south end would have fine opportunities upon it and after all it was worth while to cater to their needs.

Mr. Armstrong, while he also regretted the smallness of the proposed baseball diamond, yet thought it would be distinctly worth while for the south end to endeavor to acquire it and clean it up as it was a disgrace to the city in the present condition.

In reply to a question by the chairman Engineer Hatfield said that he estimated the cost of cleaning up the lot at between \$400 and \$500.

F. L. Potts said that he was born in the south end of the city and had lived in it all his life. He took a great deal of interest in everything that was for the benefit of the people of that section and he was prepared, if necessary, to give \$50 towards the expense of having this work done. As he looked upon the present scheme it was merely a temporary expedient. What they ought to look forward to and work for would be a large permanent playground. (Applause.)

At this point Engineer Hatfield said there was another vacant lot on the south side of Britain street which might be secured and Mr. Potts remarked the city had power to expropriate land for necessary purposes and they should make it clear to the council that this was one. It was then moved and carried that a committee of seven be appointed to wait upon the council at 8 o'clock this afternoon. Their names were A. M. Belding, Rev. H. A. Cody, Thos. Killen, F. L. Potts, John I. Power, Mrs. Hoyt, and Miss Stella Payne.

There was a general discussion participated in by Messrs. Armstrong, Power, Killen, Mrs. W. C. Good and others. F. H. Quirt, Messrs. Armstrong and Hatfield represented the Rotary Club.

The chairman reminded the meeting that the appointment of the committee was only the first step in the work and that it would be necessary for them to form a permanent organization which might superintend the sports of the boys on the ground when it had been put into shape. He expressed the thanks of the gathering to R. E. Emerson, chairman of the board of school trustees, for the use of the assembly hall.

After it had been decided to meet again at the call of the chair the meeting adjourned. Later Mayor Hayes was communicated with and the committee will be given a hearing this afternoon.

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