

Declaration Of Independence Of Czecho-Slovaks

Independence of the Czecho-Slovak nation was declared formally the other day by the Czecho-Slovak national council, recognized by the United States and the Entente Allies as a belligerent de facto. The declaration of independence says in part:

"Declaration of independence of the Czecho-Slovak nation by its provisional government.

"At this grave moment, when the Hohenzollerns are offering peace in order to stop the victorious advance of the Allied armies, and when the Hapsburgs are promising the federalization of the empire and autonomy to the dissatisfied nationalities committed to their rule, we, the Czecho-Slovak National Council, recognized by the Allied and American governments as the provisional government of the Czecho-Slovak state and nation, in complete accord with the declaration of the Czech deputies in Prague on Jan. 6, 1918, and realizing that federalization and still more, autonomy, mean nothing under a Hapsburg dynasty, do hereby make and declare this our declaration of independence.

"We do this because of our belief that no people should be forced to live under a sovereignty they do not recognize, and because of our knowledge and firm conviction that our nation cannot freely develop in a Hapsburg mock federation which is only a new form of the de-nationalizing oppression under which we have suffered for the past 800 years. We consider freedom to be the first prerequisite for federalization, and believe that the free nations of Central and Eastern Europe may easily federate should they find it necessary.

"The world knows the history of our struggle against the Hapsburg oppression, intensified and systematized by the Austro-Hungarian dualistic compromise

SPRAINS! RUB PAINS AND SWELLING AWAY

Don't suffer! Go about your duties—Relief comes, the moment you apply "St. Jacobs Liniment."

Don't stay crippled! Rub this soothing, penetrating liniment right into the sprain, ache or strain, and out comes pain, soreness, stiffness and swelling. Nothing else penetrates, heals and strengthens the injured muscles, nerves, tendons and ligaments so promptly. It doesn't burn or discolor the skin and can not cause injury. Don't suffer! Get a small trial bottle from any drug store now—limber up! Rub the misery right out. A moment after "St. Jacobs Liniment" is applied you can not feel the slightest pain or soreness, and you can go about your regular duties.

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of 1867. This dualism is only a shameless organization of brute force and exploitation of the majority by the minority; it is a political conspiracy of the Germans and magyars against our own as well as the other Slav and Latin nations of the monarchy.

"We cannot and will not continue to live under the direct or indirect rule of the violators of Belgium, France and Serbia, the would-be murderers of Russia and Roumania, the murderers of tens of thousands of civilians and soldiers of blood, and the accomplices of numberless unspeakable crimes committed in this war against humanity by the two degenerate and irresponsible dynasties. We will not remain a part of a state which has no justification for existence, and which refusing to accept the fundamental principles of modern world organization, remains only an artificial and immoral political structure hindering every movement toward democratic and social progress. The Hapsburg dynasty weighed down by a huge inheritance of terror and crime is a perpetual menace to the peace of the world and we deem it our duty toward humanity and civilization to aid in bringing about its defeat and destruction.

"We reject the scurrilous assertion that the power of the Hapsburg and Hohenzollern dynasties is of divine origin; we refuse to recognize the divine rights of kings. Our nation elected the Hapsburgs to the throne of Bohemia of its own free will and by the same right deposes them. We hereby declare the Hapsburg dynasty unworthy of leading our nation and deny all of its claims to rule in the Czecho-Slovak land, which we here and now declare shall henceforth be a free and independent people and nation.

"We accept and shall adhere to the ideals of modern democracy as they have been the ideals of our nation for centuries. We accept the American principles as laid down by President Wilson: the principles of liberal government—of the actual equality of nations—and of governments deriving all their just power from the consent of the governed. We, the nation of Comenius, care not but accept these principles expressed in the American Declaration of Independence, the principles of Lincoln and of the declaration of rights of men and citizens. For these principles our nation shed its blood in the memorable Hussite wars 500 years ago, for these same principles behind her Allies our nation is shedding its blood today in Russia, Italy and France.

"We shall outline only the main principles of the constitution of the Czecho-Slovak nation, the final decision as to the constitution itself falls to the legally chosen representatives of the liberated and united people.

"The Czecho-Slovak state shall be a republic. In constant endeavor for progress it will guarantee complete freedom of conscience, religion and science, literature and art, speech, the press and the right of assembly and petition. The churches shall be separated from the state. Our democracy shall rest on universal suffrage; women shall be placed on an equal footing with men, politically, socially and culturally. The rights of the minority shall be safeguarded by proportional representation; national minorities shall enjoy equal rights. The government shall be parliamentary in form and shall recognize the principles of initiative and referendum. The standing army will be replaced by militia.

"The Czecho-Slovak nation will carry out far reaching social and economic reforms; the large estates will be redeemed for home colonization, patents of nobility will be abolished. Our nation will assume its part in the Austro-Hungarian pre-war public debt—the debts for this war we leave to those who incurred them.

"In its foreign policy, the Czecho-Slovak nation will accept its full share of responsibility in the reorganization of eastern Europe. It accepts fully the democratic and social principle of nationality and subscribes to the doctrine that all covenants and treaties shall be entered into open and frankly without secret diplomacy.

"Our constitution shall provide an efficient, narrow and just government, which will exclude all special privileges and prohibit class legislation.

"Democracy has defeated theocracy

WOMEN TO AID IN WAR ON EPIDEMIC

A committee of three, Lady Tilley, Miss McCann and Mrs. G. A. Kurling will meet in the city today to arrange the organization immediately of the

women in the province for the purpose of caring for the sick in each district, as the direct result of the mass meeting of women called by Dr. Roberts and held yesterday afternoon in the Veterans' Hall.

The fact that a public gathering was permitted at all at this time of quarantine was evidence of the desperate need in the city and province for women who will go into the afflicted homes and render the assistance which is needed so desperately. Dr. Roberts spoke of the seriousness of the situation, which yet called for no panic but rather education and care, and said that he thought the

women's societies already organized were the best means of obtaining help. Mrs. G. A. Kurling told of the splendid work which the V. A. D's have done in the city and in some parts of the province and said that the city's greatest need were reliable visitors for the stricken homes. Others who spoke at the meeting were Mrs. John A. McAvity who assured the meeting of the local Red Cross' co-operation, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm who spoke forcibly concerning the non-enforcement of the by-law forbidding expectation, and A. M. Belding who explained the predicament of the Children's Aid Society with regard to

taking children into its shelter. D. Melvin pointed out the value of organization throughout the province and the sending of the telegrams to the Red Cross branches by Dr. Roberts was suggested by Mrs. George F. Smith. The meeting was a very earnest one and the unexpected happened at its close when a returned soldier offered his services to attend cases in the city when a woman might not care to go.

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Employees of a Great Canadian Institution Support the NEW VICTORY LOAN

ON the last Victory Loan, the employees of the Dominion Rubber System, realizing Canada's urgent need of our contributions and having absolute confidence in the security of Victory Loan Bonds, made a record of which any institution might well be proud. 3,897 employees subscribed \$311,650.00—an average of about \$80 per subscriber, or over \$52 for every man, woman, boy and girl in the organization.

This splendid result was made possible by the systematic effort of our company officers in promoting Thrift among its workers, through the Dominion Rubber System Thrift Plan instituted some two years ago.

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The Dominion Rubber System has outgrown the local importance of its various factories. It has become a Canadian institution—like the banks and railroads—exercising a country-wide influence, not only in the commercial life of Canada, but also in every movement for the welfare of the wage-earner and the development of the nation.

Below, we reproduce the announcement made when the Dominion Rubber System Pension Plan was adopted. It enables employees of our company, when age or disability overtakes them, to retire on a competence, the reward of faithful service. In the lower right corner, we also show how our organization is a powerful factor in the conservation of fuel.

To encourage us to take a still greater interest in the coming Victory Loan, the Executive of the Dominion Rubber System will again help employees to finance their subscriptions and will also subscribe dollar-for-dollar for whatever amount is taken by its workers. In other words, if we, as employees of the Dominion Rubber System service branches and factories, subscribe for \$400,000.00 or \$500,000.00 of the new bonds, the company will arrange for the financing of them and in addition will subscribe for at least \$400,000.00 or \$500,000.00 on its own behalf.

The subscriptions made by employees at each factory center or divisional office district, as well as the dollar-for-dollar subscription by the company, will be credited to the local Victory Loan Committee.

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It Neutralizes Stomach Acidity, Prevents Food Fermentation, Sour, Gassy Stomach and Acid Indigestion.

Doubtless if you are a sufferer from indigestion you have already tried pepsin, bismuth, soda, charcoal, drugs and various digestive aids and you know these things will not cure your trouble in some cases do not even give relief.

But before giving up hope and deciding you are a chronic dyspeptic just try the effect of a little bisulphated magnesia—not the ordinary commercial carbonate, citrate, oxide or milk, but the pure bisulphated magnesia which you can obtain from precisely any druggist in either powdered or tablet form.

Take a teaspoonful of the powder or two compressed tablets with a little water after your next meal, and see what a difference this makes. It will instantly neutralize the dangerous harmful acid in the stomach which now causes your food to ferment and sour, making gas, wind, flatulency, heartburn and the bloated or heavy, lumpy feeling that seems to follow most everything you eat.

You will find that provided you take a little bisulphated magnesia immediately after a meal, you can eat almost anything and enjoy it without any danger of pain or discomfort to follow and moreover, the continued use of the bisulphated magnesia cannot injure the stomach in any way so long as there are any symptoms of acid indigestion.

MUTT AND JEFF—IF THE WAR LASTS LONG ENOUGH, JEFF MAY LEARN SOMETHING

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GOOD NIGHT, OLD DEAR! DROP AROUND AGAIN TO-MORROW WITH ME!

THANKS, SID. SIDNEY, I WILL. GOOD NIGHT!

MUTT, I SPENT THE EVENING WITH SID. SIDNEY, I'M LEARNING A LOT FROM SID. HE'S CERTAINLY WELL READ!

THAT SO?

YES, HE REPEATED AN EXQUISITE QUOTATION TO-NIGHT. IT WAS A CLASSIC.

WHAT WAS IT?

I CAN'T GIVE THE EXACT WORDS, BUT HE SAID HE'D RATHER BE A SOMETHING IN A SOMETHING THAN A SOMETHING ELSE!

