

## WAR TEAMWORK NEEDED IN U. S. TO WIN VICTORY

Powers of Nation Must Be  
Co-ordinated to Avoid  
Allies' Mistakes.

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FOURTH ARTICLE.

Springfield, Ill., May 22.—[Special.]—The general war policy of the nation is determined by the president with the aid of his cabinet and congress. One of the lessons of this war is that the men who determine the American military policy must be governed largely by the generals of the army and admirals of the navy.

Inexperience in military affairs and erroneous ideas as to strategy will lead to many mistakes, all of which will cost lives and may lead to disaster. The British attempt to relieve Antwerp at the last moment failed to help the Belgians and caused the British to lose a considerable number of men who, had they been available, afterward would have been of great use in the first battle of Ypres.

The Dardanelles was the most costly failure which deprived the British of a number of months of many thousands of troops badly needed on the western front. The Saloniki expedition has deprived the French, British, and Italians of hundreds of thousands of troops whose presence on the French front during the recent fighting might have proved decisive.

Military Experts' Views Ignored.

In all these cases the minds of the statesmen were so taken up with the political benefits possible from victory that they overrode the objections raised by competent military authorities, who saw the difficulties of obtaining the desired success. Two of these expeditions ended in failure, and the third has nearly accomplished nothing. At the present time there is nothing to insure a full expression of military and naval opinion on contemplated operations before they are undertaken.

The means of putting any military policy into execution are the army and navy. The army knows best how operations on land should be carried out and the means needed. The navy knows best how sea operations should be executed and what is necessary to insure their success. Both the services need men, material of all kinds, food, and money in order to succeed.

At the same time agriculture, commerce, and manufacture must be carried on if the country is to be kept going. And, above all, they must furnish everything required by its two fighting arms. In other words, we have three activities which must be kept in motion, and each one of which constantly needs men, material, food, and money. It is inevitable that unless a proper coordination of the needs of the army, navy, and country as a whole is insured there will be a shortage in some directions and a wastage in others.

General Staff Too Small.

What does an examination of our organization at present show? We have a small army which we are expanding into a large one. As our general staff is too small and lacks the authority necessary to do the work there is no means of coordinating the different branches of the service and the staff corps.

As a consequence there is already evidence of a duplication of work in some directions and a certain amount of confusion in others. The navy has no general staff, so outside of the bureau of operations, which has not the power entirely to fill the functions of a general staff, there is no means of coordinating the different naval activities.

When it comes to the economic conditions of the country as a whole there is no central body to insure coordination of efforts. Just as an army general staff can insure coordination in that branch of service and a naval general staff in its branch, so might an industrial general staff, made up of the leaders in all economic activities, insure their coordination. The council of na-

## GIRL TRAPS

Morals Commission Plans Curb  
on Evil Dance Halls.

CHIEF OF POLICE SCHUBERTZ, speaking before the morals commission yesterday, said that the greatest evils in Chicago, affecting the welfare of children and young people, are dance halls where liquors are sold and the public cabarets. He said that many girls are ruined by men whom they meet in dance halls and cabarets. He recommended that ordinances be drawn prohibiting the sale of liquors in dance halls and cabarets.

A committee was appointed by the Rev. John P. Brushingham, secretary of the commission, to investigate methods used in other cities for the regulation of dance halls and cabarets.

Eight recommendations were submitted to the commission by a committee appointed to investigate means for the prevention of a repetition of the recent Grace Hagemann-Doris Anderson tragedy on the northwest side. They are as follows:

A preliminary survey of the progress of active investigations already covering this problem.

That the Chicago Central Council of Social Agencies call a special conference of all agencies dealing in child welfare with a view to the working out of a greater degree of preventive work.

Appreciating the power of the press in creating public opinion we commend them for their past support and beg them to consider the advisability of carrying a column devoted to problems affecting the family life.

A big Sisters movement similar to the Big Brothers.

A concerted movement to educate the public to utilize the services of the police as guardians of public order.

A closer coordination of the specialized courts.

More clinics and agencies for social welfare neighborhood clearing houses for service to the family.

We recommend the establishment of a central clearing house of information and service located so that it may be at the service of the greatest number.

tional defense as at present constituted does not fill this function.

Powers of U. S. Not Co-ordinated.

There is no body which in any way coordinates the efforts of the army, the navy, and our economic activities. Consequently the same pulling and hauling, conflict of ideas, wastage of men, material, time, and money, which has taken place in Great Britain and France is bound to result.

Victor Dalbiez, the French deputy, who is the most prominent member of the French army committee, brought out in the interview which he granted the Chicago Tribune the harm and confusion which had resulted to France from the failure to coordinate the military and economic necessities of the country.

As a rule the economic conditions will get the greater consideration, with the result that the military and navy operations suffer. And yet this war has shown, like every other, that victory can only be obtained by overcoming the enemy on the battlefield and his fleets at sea. As this can only be done by fighting, the military needs are of primary importance during war.

## PRIZES AWARDED VERSES ON FLAG

Prizes were awarded to authors of the best poems, songs, and music of the American flag at the thirteenth annual meeting of the American Flag Day association at Memorial hall last night by Dr. B. J. Cigrand, president of the association.

Miss Maud Helms-Schauer, 3135 Diversey boulevard, received first prize for the best poem; Miss M. B. Mannebach of Escanaba, Mich., for the best single verse; Gen. Robert Mann Wood, 4622 University avenue, for the best poem from a soldier. Among the other prize recipients were Monckton Dene, Mrs. Madge B. Adams, Ina Maxwell, Carl Kuntz, James C. Mulligan, Mrs. Emma Kuperik, Dr. Carl Schmidt, Mrs. V. C. Reeling, L. B. Murray, F. L. Livingston, Fred Phillips, Jennie M. Troutman, and Charles B. Brown.

## LABOR STRONGER AFTER WAR, SAY BRITISH ENVOYS

Bury Class and Make  
Sacrifices to Win,  
Is Plea.

Three hundred presidents and secretaries of local labor unions sat with open mouths and bulging eyes in the assembly hall of the Morrison hotel last night and listened to a remarkable narrative of how organized labor in the last two years has advanced to almost undreamed of positions of power and betterment in England's civil and political life, despite the ravages and sacrifices of the war.

The striking story was told by James H. Thomas, head of the British Transport union, the strongest in the world, and Charles W. Bowerman of the British Trade Union league, representing particularly the printing trades.

Both men are members of parliament.

Capital and Labor Meet.

The night meeting was the climax of a day of big activities on the part of the British labor commission. They attended a formal luncheon at the Union League club at noon at which the captains of industry rubbed elbows with the spokesmen of organized labor. Besides Mr. Thomas and Mr. Bowerman H. W. Garrod, member of the British munitions board, and Judge M. Sheldon Amon, an expert on British economics, spoke.

Joseph A. Davies, secretary to David Lloyd George, accompanied the British labor leaders.

Mr. Thomas said that when the British workers returned from the battlefield after the war they would be a great force in Great Britain, and so they would in all the countries of the world.

Both speakers praised President Wilson's address to congress and both said that this was not a war against the German people and the German workers but against the military caste.

Warn of First Mistakes.

The visitors told the mistakes not only organized labor, but the government of Great Britain had made at the outset of the war. They warned this country to get ready for sacrifices for a common citizenship in which caste will be wiped out in order that the democracies of the world may ultimately triumph.

They declared that this government must at once grapple with the man who would profit by the anguish of this time and no matter how powerful or how high his standing bring him to his knees. They said that while the rich could pay in large amounts and should do so, it would devolve upon the workers to save the nation and the civilization of this continent and that in proceeding to the clash of arms this government should at once take steps to treat with great consideration the working classes.

Following the luncheon the visitors were taken on an inspection trip to the stockyards, visiting the Armour plant.

Stand by Government.

It was at the night meeting, however, that the visitors met their own kind, and before the audience was dismissed Mr. Thomas and Mr. Bowerman had presented a picture that brought cheers. Mr. Thomas, dressed in plain clothes like a worker, with his remarkable grasp of details and his ready wit had them laughing and applauding much of the time.

One questioner sought to learn whether the government of Great Britain had

## HENRY J. REILLY, 'TRIBUNE' WRITER, NOW A COLONEL

Springfield, Ill., May 22.—[Special.]—Capt. Henry J. Reilly of the Chicago Tribune staff today was appointed colonel of the First Illinois field artillery. Announcement of the appointment was made by Adj. Gen. Dickson at the direction of Gov. Lowden.

Col. Reilly, who has just returned from the firing line in France, is preparing to assume command of the regiment as soon as the technical preliminaries are out of the way.

He was in Springfield today in consultation with Gov. Lowden and Adj. Gen. Dickson. The first artillery is already at full war strength, so that recruiting to fill the six batteries to the minimum required by the war department's latest order is not necessary.

The new colonel served a year in the national guard cavalry of New York and graduated from West Point in 1904. He served nine and one-half years as an officer of cavalry in the regular army, serving twice in the Philippines during that time; was in Port Arthur and Manchuria during the Russo-Japanese war.

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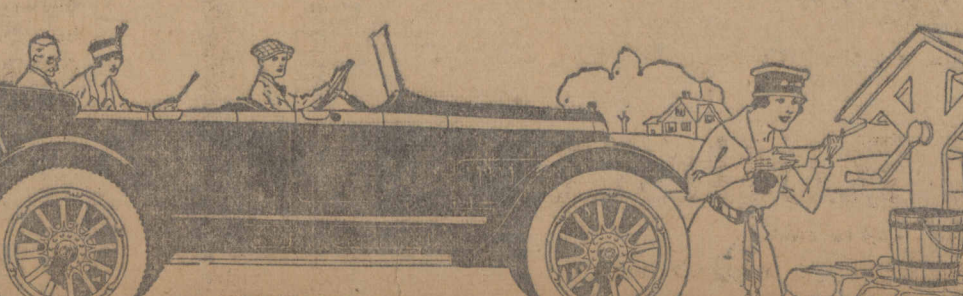
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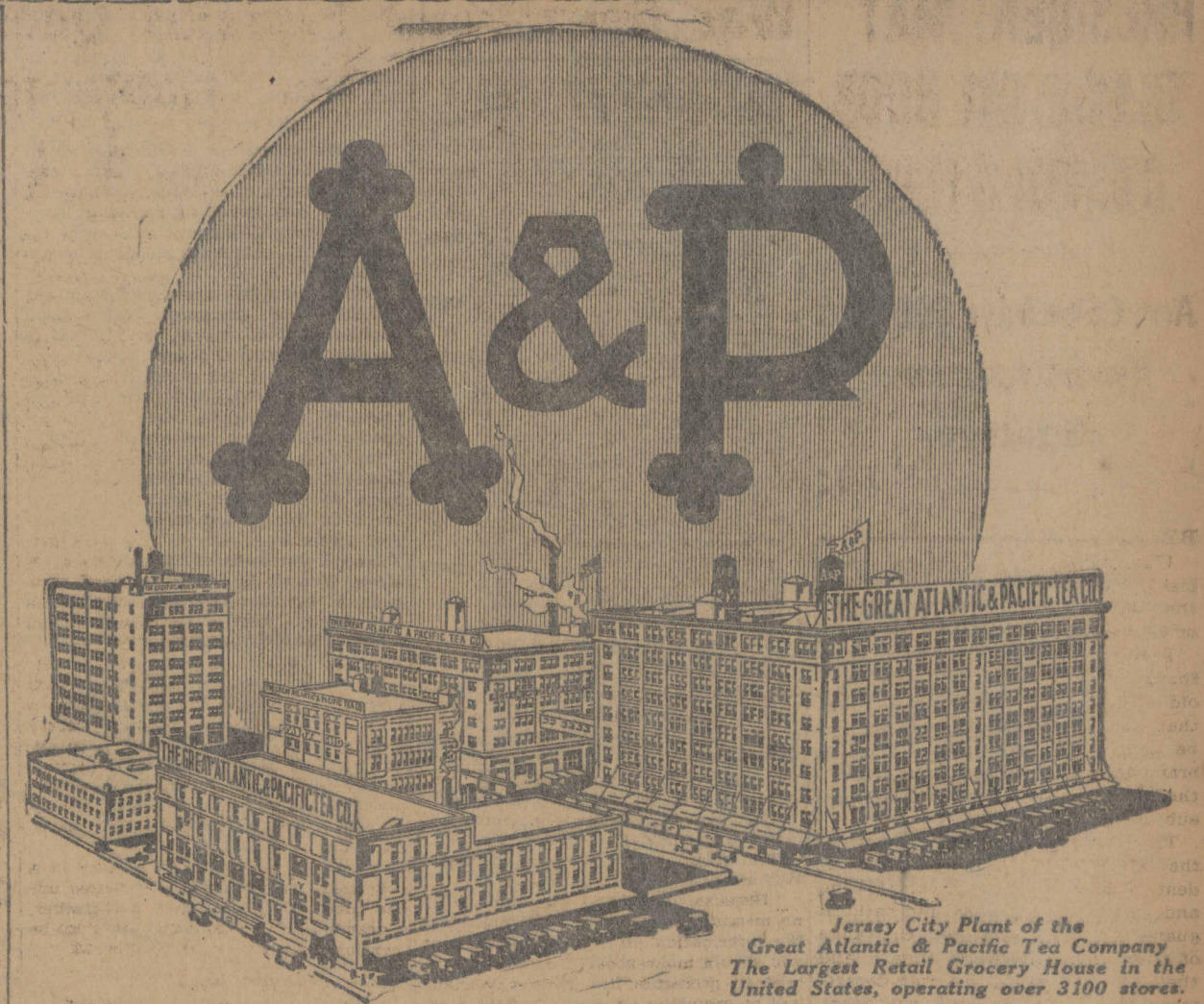
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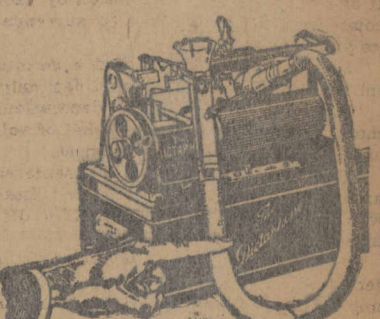
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