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PACKED PROBE CHARGE IS HURLED BY ANSELL.

Assails Baker for Make-up of Investigating Committee and Defends Rights of Soldiers.

BY SNELL SMITH

Lieut. Col. S. T. Ansell, formerly acting judge advocate general of the army, who brought to light the enormities perpetrated upon men in the military service during the war in spite of the threats of Secretary Baker, who contended that no such injustice was going on, has in effect charged the American Bar Association investigation before which he has been testifying, with being packed by Baker, who instigated it.

He declares that apparently no real effort has been made to get at the facts and intimates that the entire procedure has in view the whitewashing of the officials in the War Department, including Baker and and General Crowder, with whom he has differed. "In fact," he said, "there are several investigations going on. The Judge Advocate General has been sent to Europe to look into the European system of military justice, a field which I covered just one year ago, and made a report which was never even read by Secretary of War. In this investigation of the American Bar Association they seem to have called the available major generals of the Regular Army and I understand they intend to call all the living ex-secretaries of war. It realy is a pity that Gustavus Adolphus, who lived some three hundred years ago and from whom came a considerable part of our military legal code, could not also appear before them to commend the system which he administered.

"Volumes of statistics have been prepared to show that this code possesses merits which should be attributed to an institution hardly less than divine. For my own part, I believe that remedial legislation to cure the awful conditions that prevail should be placed upon the statute books by Congress without waiting for the reports of theorists, investigators and statisticians. The real statistics show that in the case of officers thirty-five out of every sixty-five are acquitted by courts-martial of the offenses charged against them, while in the case of enlisted men only six out of every ninety-four are thus acquitted. The difficulty with the code upheld by Secretary Baker is that it does not contemplate that a court-martial shall be a court dispensing justice according to established principles and independently of personal power. It regards the court-martial merely as the right hand of the commanding officer to assist him in maintaining discipline in the ranks. This is the same as the British system of 150 years ago, when the King prescribed articles of war, offenses and punishment. Of 2,212 cases reviewed in the past five weeks reports show that 65 per cent have not been well tried."

The Scare Crow.

Scare crows do not grow corn, but they save a lot of it. It wasn't the boys alone who went across, but the boys who were ready to go across, that won the war.

It wasn't simply the guns that were fired, the grenades that were exploded and the gas that was let loose, but the doses we were preparing that licked the Boche.

The ships never launched, the planes that never flew, the guns on our docks, the wheat in the ground—helped to win.

When the war ended there were over a million and a half American boys in the camps here, ready to fight, eager to fight. They were of the same material that the Germans got acquainted with at St. Mihiel and the Argonne Forest. It cost millions to train and equip them. They didn't have their chance, but they fought for victory as a big part of the American fighting machine. They were ready, and Germany knew they were ready.

America was turning out war materials so fast when the armistice was signed that in the next few weeks, before all the machinery could be stopped, we had enough guns, clothes, ammunition, aeroplanes, trucks, to equip in every detail a new army as large as the one we had in France.

And Germany new this material was ready. It fought to bring a speedy victory just as much was actually used. But it cost money.

Germany was scared to death. She knew that if she didn't quit while the quitting was good American aeroplanes would blacken her skies, American shells would blow her cities off the map, American soldiers would be marching through the streets of Berlin singing "Hail, Hail, the Gang's all Here!" before the leaves were green again in Unter den Linden.

It costs a lot of money to scare a nation to death. And that's the money that must be raised by the Victory Liberty Loan.

Did you know that the militants were again picketing the White House? The little attention these women are receiving nowadays is just about all they deserve.

Electric Sparks.

Strangely enough, not one case of sleeping sickness has yet been reported from Philadelphia.

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Suggestion to paragraphers: Why not say something about Root beer in connection with the fight against prohibition?

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To realize how food will check bolshevism, consider the civilizing effect of breakfast upon the ordinary domesticated husband.

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Because he was so successful in putting an end to the war, perhaps Marshal Foch could terminate the unessential peace palaver.

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Every time a taxpayer is nicked by a new demand he feels more enthusiastic for the league of nations that promises to abolish war.

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The popular view is that the sleeping sickness was caused by the flu, the flu by the war, the war by the hun, and the Hun by the devil.

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With the rest of the country bone dry and the foreign embassies in Washington exempt, one is safe in predicting a great boom in diplomacy after July 1.

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No doubt the ex-kaiser left his country for his country's good, as Hindenburg says, but not because he wanted to. It is also true that William Hohenzollern went away for his health.

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Why, one wonders, does not some noble red man of the aboriginal American type enjoin the Bolshevists from calling themselves "reds" and thus bring disgrace upon an honorable color?

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The Spaniards sank a German submarine the other night when it was attempting to escape from Ferrol, Spain. Now that the war is over and Germany is walloped, spain is going to start something.

Home Paper Service.

The Council of National Defense has appointed a committee on plans for providing soldiers with employment, with Grosvenor B. Clarkson as chairman. That committee is working with Col. Arthur Woods of the War Department, who has been designated by the Secretary of War to work with the Council of National Defense in procuring employment for soldiers. Chairman Clarkson and Col. Woods are receiving the cooperation of the National Chamber of Commerce, which makes quite a powerful agency working along the same line as the country newspapers to see that the saldiers who fought for the government shall not seek employment in vain.

This government organization, as well as local organizations, will no doubt have more to do in the large cities than anywhere else, because it has already been demonstrated that in the rural districts the demands for farm labor will make use of all soldiers that apply, while the country towns co-operating in the general plan of the Home Paper Service are making certain that there will be work on public improvements sufficient to employ all the soldiers who are mustered out and in search of employment.

Another government agency, the Commission of Fine Arts, has taken up the subject of memorials for the soldiers, and mentions about a dozen different kinds which might be utilized, including a bridge, a fountain, village green, flagstaff, tablets, etc., but prefers a memorial building, such as was suggested in the first circular of the Home Paper Service. Naturally such a commission as this is looking to striking and ornate structures which might not be wholly suitable for some communities. It appeals to the artistic, rather than to the useful.

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A great part of that army we placed on the battlefield is still in France. Navy transports are rapidly bringing the soldiers home, but the task is an enormous one. The United States government has business contracts for war materials that it must take care of.

The rapid fire action that played such an important part in crushing Germany was made possible by the ready response of the nation in the Liberty Loan drives. Everybody realized that things had to be done quickly.

Shells are no longer killing our soldiers. The enemy's guns have been silenced. That is why the Victory Liberty Loan is probably the most important of all loans. It is a "peace loan" to pay the cost of peace, and calls for the greatest response.

It is a test for the American citizen. It will prove whether or not he realizes the importance of the government meeting its obligations and maintaining its position of esteem.

It is a final call for us to show the world the true spirit of America.

RECOGNITION OF LENINE PLANNED BY PRESIDENT.

"World to be Made Safe for Bolshevism" Say Critics of Reported Policy.

The New York Tribune's special cable service carries the following from its Paris correspondent, Frederick Moore:

"President Wilson stands for the acceptance in its main features of the proposal by William C. Bullitt and Lincoln Steffens from Nikolai Lenine, the head of the Russian Bolshevik government.

"The President stands for the recognition of the Lenine regime as the de facto government of Russia, not necessarily or immediately opening diplomatic relations with the Bolsheviks, but providing for the termination of hostilities with them and granting them privileges and assistance in obtaining food from the United States on condition that they cease warfare, internal and external, and their propaganda in other countries.

"The world is to be made safe for Bolshevism, say the critics of the President, and the Russians here point to the danger of those unfortunate anti-Bolshevik Russians who have been cooperating with the Allies in the Archangel and other districts.

"These Russians, they say, despite Lenine's promises, will be exterminated or hounded from Russia sooner or later if Mr. Wilson's project is accepted by the other members of the Council of Four.

"Mr. Wilson undoubtedly intends to insist on the safety of these, but Admiral Kolchak cables to the Russian commission in Paris that he intends to continue the campaign against Lenine and needs assistance from the Allies.

"I understand that the message received here from Lenine is in the form of a document which was drawn up at a meeting of the Bolshevik cabinet. The document offers valuable commercial concessions and also promises the cancellation of the repudiation of Russia's debts.

"The critics of the Wilson project ask what Lenine's game is, believing that he is probably trying to make the Allies outbid Germany, with whom he is already trading.

"They point out that he offers no guarantees, and even if he did there is no certainly he would keep his word."

Partnership.

Every citizen of the United is a member of the firm, a partner of Uncle Sam. No one has been given the right to withdraw from the partnership simply because the war is over, and no one will seek to withdraw. The duties of partnership were cheerfully assumed during the war; the shoulder-to-shoulder attitude of all classes and sects made combined action the power that it was, and won the war.

Good times are on the way. The heavy government expenditures-the expenditures of the firm are daily decreasing, and the necessity for the huge quantities of war supplies that each day of the war brought about has stopped as suddenly as it began.

It is true that for many months the war costs will still run high. The bills maturing for supplies already used, beside those contracted for, the continuing costs of building ships planned and under course of construction and the maintenance of the army and navy mean that the government's war bills are not all paid. In fact the the government has been anticipating the Victory Liberty Loan for several months by borrowing from the banks to pay currents maturing bills. By the time the loan is received it will virtually all have been expended, so there is no argument necessary in regard to the urgency of the need.

But the bills now being paid are in a large part those made during the conflict—"last month's purchase." The end of the of meant increased prosperity for the United States and the firm. Great Britain and Europe feel the heavy burdens resulting from over four years of warfare; their tremendous debts, loss of manpower and disorganized labor conditions have resulted in a greater opportunity for Uncle Sam.

America emerges from the struggle with a loss of life of only 60,000, with business on the boom and with a war debt that is owed to the firm, to citizens of the United States. This last fact is a significant one. Money that is owed by partners in a prosperous firm is never doubtful debt, for the natural flow insures its payment.

Are you a live member? Uncle Sam needs the active support of every one of his partners. Take stock in the firm. Buy Victory Liberty Loan Bonds and clip coupons.

Clippings.

Switzerland is expressing no great delight at having saddled upon her Charles, formerly of Vienna, but even at that she feels she has a bit the best of Holland.

A New Jersey professor has announced that he is going to devote his time to a study of the oyster, watching its movements and endeavoring to learn all about it. What a wonderfully exciting time that professor will have!

Under the conditions prevailing for the past few years some men in the position of the President of the United States could have made for themselves a record as a statesman and a personalty to be remembered as a world power. President Wilson, in retrospective, will assume the proportions of a thoroughly partisan Democrat, who never allowed anything to stand in the way of what seemed to him to be the promotion of that party's interests.

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Notice to Contractors.

Sealed Proposals for building one section of State Highway, as follows:

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will be received by the State Roads Commission, at its offices, 601 Garrett Building, Baltimore, Maryland, until 12 M. on the 6th day of May, 1919, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read.

Bids must be made upon the blank proposal form which, with specifications and plans will be furnished by the Commission upon application and cash payment of $1.00, as hereafter no charges will be permitted.

No bids will be received unless accompanied by a certified check for Five Hundred ($500) Dollars, payable to the State Roads Commission.

The successful bidder will be required to give bond, and comply with the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, respecting contracts.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the State Roads Commission this 21st day of April, 1919.

FRANK H. ZOUCK, Chairman.
CLYDE H. WILSON, Secretary.

Order No. 3120.

Auditor's Order Nisi.

Martha Thomas,
vs.
Israel Thomas and others.

In the Orphans' Court for Caroline county. In Equity. No. 194 R. E.

Ordered, this 6th day of May, 1919, that the Auditor's Report made and filed in the above entitled cause, be ratified and confirmed unless good cause to the contrary be shown within three weeks from the 8th day of May, 1919, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 17th day of May next (1919).

EDWARD W. LIDEN,
LEONARD F. COVEY,
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THOMAS H. GREEN,

late of Caroline county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are warned to exhibit the same to the subscribers, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, on or before the 1st day of November, 1919, or they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under our hands this 1st day of April 1919.

ANNIE E. GREEN,
WILMORE GREEN,
Administrators of Thomas H. Green, deceased. [4-3

Proposals for Coal.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Denton, Md., April 22, 1919.

The Board of Education of Caroline County will receive, at their office, until Tuesday, May 6th 10 A. M., bids on best quality Anthracite Coal to be properly delivered at any, or all, the various schools in the county during May or June, and to be paid for in September 1919.

Information as to the quantity and size of coal for each school will be furnished from the office upon application.

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G. H. WILSON, President.
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