

KAHN A VOCATEE'S TRAINING FOR ALL

Six Months in Army at Age of 18, His Plan for Americans

OPPOSES WORLD UNION 100,000 Regulars and Well-Trained Reserve Is Best Peace Insurance

By a Staff Correspondent
Washington, Jan. 20.—Congressman Julius S. Kahn, the "Father of Preparedness," came out today in favor of universal military training and as an opponent of a league of nations, unless the United States under it can retain all of its present rights.

Mr. Kahn is the ranking Republican on the National Affairs Committee, and he is the chairman of the House subcommittee on the military. It was Kahn who took charge of the Administration's selective draft bill in the House and carried it through successfully. Chairman Dent, Democrat, and the other Democratic members of the committee washed their hands of it and fought for the volunteer plan. He has been one of the foremost exponents in Congress of army and navy preparedness for the past decade.

Universal peace and a league of nations have been discussed since thirty-one years before Christ, M. Kahn said today, but none of them worked.

Favors Armed Power
He favors universal military training and the building of a big navy, so that the United States can stand for its rights before the world, in preference to being tied up in a league of nations, with a lot of other countries having a diversity of aims, Mr. Kahn said. He would not go to a league of nations, but he would go to a world police force to suppress every little international dispute that ever hereafter arises in the world.

Plans All-Indefinite
"We hear much talk of a league of nations, but so far I have seen no plan giving promise of a definite and substantial proposition. The idea is not a new one. It has been the hope of the leaders of the world since the end of the last war. At the present time, the great general of Octavius Caesar, announced that the time for universal peace was near after the destruction of the Roman Empire. Thirty-one years before the birth of Christ, during the years that have intervened the world has hoped and prayed for it, but it has never come. The greatest war the world has ever known.

It is only natural now that all mankind should be desiring a peace that will be lasting and universal. Many of the suggestions of today are but repetitions of those made hundreds of years ago. Early in the sixteenth century there was the celebrated meeting between Henry VIII of England, and Francis I of France, at the field of the cloth of gold. The monarchs embraced, kissed each other and vowed eternal friendship and peace. It was not very long before the treaty became a scrap of paper. Despite all their well spoken phrases, war again broke out between the two countries. In 1820, the Emperor of Russia, Alexander I, wrote the "Nouveau Code" proposing that the European nations agree to a permanent corps of ambassadors to reside in Venice, and to their various, serious international disputes. This plan has been the principal basis of numerous proposals made from that time to the present.

Would Avoid Alliances
"I am opposed to surrendering our national defense of any American rights in the belief they will be upheld by a league of nations," continued Mr. Kahn. "I hope we shall not become the world's policeman. We have enough great problems confronting us without meddling in the affairs of every other nation. I still believe in the teachings of the fathers of this republic, that our best interests will be served by keeping on a friendly footing with all nations, but not to engage in changing alliances with one of them."
"I cannot favor any plan to draft American boys into our army and navy and send them thousands of miles from home to make far distant expeditions, with whom we have no quarrel, nor quarrel, nor common purpose, because they are sent off to die for our interests, or to live up to their treaty obligations in which we have no interest in so far as our own rights are concerned. This country was never organized for such purposes. I still believe that to mind one's own business is good advice to nations as well as to individuals."
Congressman Kahn explained his ideas as to the best method of putting universal military training in effect, after declaring he strongly favors the system.

Best Peace Insurance
"I consider universal military training for the American youth the best form of insurance for peace," said Mr. Kahn. "We do not need a large standing army and I believe we could get along with 100,000 regulars if we had a well trained reserve."
"I would train all American boys when they reach their eighteenth birthday for six months from April to October. The summer months would be used for training the soldiers during the war could be used for such training. It would improve the physique of our young men and produce a race of rugged and virile Americans. It would instill in the youths of our country respect for law and order and constituted authority. It would teach them initiative, self-reliance and team work."

Would Broaden American
"But above every other consideration, perhaps, it would tend to a real democratization of the American people. The rich man's son and the poor man's son would become better acquainted with each other. The man from one section of the country would learn to know the man of the other. It would have a broadening influence the value of which cannot be appraised or estimated at present."
"Such a force of trained men ready to respond to the country's call at a moment's notice, there is no nation in the world, or no combination of nations, that would want to try conclusions with us."
"Regular army enlistments should be confined to ten years at the utmost, except that a certain number of men who show especial aptitude for military duty should be retained as noncommissioned officers."

PROTEST ARSENAL CHANGE

Workers Urge Retention at Frankford of All Departments

More than 2000 employees of Frankford Arsenal met in the Frankford Theatre, Frankford avenue and Margaret street, yesterday afternoon to formulate plans for presenting a protest to Secretary Baker against the contemplated removal of the artillery and munitions department from the Arsenal.

LEGISLATURE AGREES TO SPROUL SPEED IDEA

Custom of Loafing at Start and Rushing at Last Will Be Abandoned

Harrisburg, Jan. 20.—Republican leaders plan to adopt the suggestion of Governor-elect Sproul for a short session and make it certain immediately. Instead of trifling away time in the opening days of the session, the leaders plan to get the Senate and House calibrations in shape this week. In the past it has been the custom to spend a couple of days a week at the Capitol during the opening weeks of the session and then jam measures through at high speed during the closing days.

The Legislature reconvenes tonight at 9 o'clock and if the plans of the leaders do not go awry it will get down to business at once.
A meeting will probably be held this afternoon to announce the disposition of the legislative patronage and the full line-up of the Senate and House committees is scheduled to be made Wednesday.

So far, harmony has marked the work of the Republican members. No factional feud has developed. Some of the members, however, have one eye open for a possible split.
They believe that when the storm breaks it will be over the liquor question. Up to this time the "dry" have been getting the credit for the "wet" have begun to complain. A determined effort will be made by the "wets" to block ratification of the national prohibition amendment, which has been approved by Governor-elect Sproul. As more than the required number of States have voted to make prohibition a part of the Constitution, the approval by the Pennsylvania Legislature will not be necessary to make it the law of the land.

FRIENDS OF IRELAND TO SPEAK
American Council Will Hold Meeting Here Tomorrow Night
Prominent men interested in the independence of Ireland will address a public meeting which will be held under the auspices of the American Council on Ireland at the Academy of Music, tomorrow night.

HONOR LEE'S MEMORY
U. D. C. Chapter Celebrates 112th Anniversary of Birth

Members of the Philadelphia Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will observe the 112th anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee.

OH, SEE THE NEW CAR!
P. R. T.'s Center-Door Trolleys Make Appearance

The new style in trolley cars is out for all to see.

RECEIVING BIDS FOR PIER
Contractors Have Until February 11 to Submit Prices

Bids for the \$1,000,000 pier to be built at the foot of Kensington street will be received until February 14 by the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries.

WHERE EIGHT LOST LIVES IN FIRE



As a result of a fire last night that damaged a dwelling at 2225 Gray's Ferry road, eight persons lost their lives—father, mother and two children of one family and four children of another. (At left) The stairway where the charred bodies of Patrick Faneli and his wife were found. Four children were found dead in their rooms and two died from burns in a hospital. (At right) The exterior of the house where the fire occurred.

ARMY ENGINEER HERE TO HELP PORT GROW

CROSS-COUNTRY FLIER ARRIVES AT BUSTLETON
Colonel Ladue Asks for Co-operation of Interests Most Concerned
Two Other Aerial Pathfinders Expected to Reach Here This Afternoon

Colonel W. B. Ladue, U. S. A., who has been placed in charge of the Government engineering work along the Delaware, made his debut here today in the ranks of the port engineer.

At his office in the Witherspoon Building the army engineer asked for the co-operation of the various commercial business and port development bodies.

NAB ALLEGED GEM THIEVES
Charged With Robbery of Kensington Jewelry Store

One man is under arrest in this city and another was arrested in New York city last night charged with being implicated in a robbery in Kensington last Wednesday night, when motor bandits stole diamonds valued at several thousand dollars from the window of the jewelry store of G. F. O'Neill, 2524 Kensington avenue, after hurling a metal hammer through it.

PROBE P. R. R. TUNNEL CRASH
One Killed When Express Plunges Into Stalled Freight

An investigation was started today to determine the cause of the collision on the Pennsylvania Railroad between a stalled freight train and a passenger express running between Pittsburgh and New York, in which one man was killed and four persons were seriously injured.

MOTHER OF SAILOR ENDS LIFE
Worry Over Son Causes Her to Inhale Gas

Mrs. Irene McMorris, forty-six years old, committed suicide by inhaling gas in her bedroom at the home of her father, 104 Maplewood street, yesterday morning.

FIRE IN BOARDING HOUSE
Quick Discovery Prevents Heavy Damage by Arch Street Blaze

A carelessly thrown cigarette stump is thought to have caused a fire on the third floor of the house where Mrs. McCormick's bedroom was located. When the door was broken open the body was in the room. The fire was quickly extinguished, was unable to revive the woman.

PROTEST AGAINST TELEPHONE RATES

Complaint Filed Today by United Business Men, Claiming Inequity EFFECTIVE AT MIDNIGHT
Public Service Commission Is Asked to Prohibit Proposed Advances

Protest was filed today by the United Business Men's Association with the Public Service Commission against the new telephone rates, which become effective one minute after midnight tonight.

Despite opposition of public utility commissions of several States the new schedule will be put into effect tonight at midnight. Postmaster General Burleson in Washington declared this afternoon.

The new rates, which double the charges for many suburban calls while reducing long-distance rates, were ordered by Postmaster General Burleson in his capacity of director general of the nation's telegraph and telephone services.

The protest was sent by special delivery letter to the commission's office at Harrisburg. Its text follows: "The United Business Men's Association of Philadelphia, representing over 25,000 business men and citizens, hereby enter formal protest against the advances in telephone rates recently filed and which are scheduled to become effective on January 21, 1919."

Blocked in Other States
"We desire to call to your attention the inequity and unfairness of the rates which are applicable between intrastate points over which your commission has absolute control. Have the schedules of new rates been submitted for your approval? The Public Service Commission of Ohio has refused to recognize the jurisdiction and authority of the Federal Postmaster General in this matter and has prohibited the advances advocated by him. In Indiana the rates have been temporarily restrained by an injunction. The Public Utilities Commission of Maine has entered formal protest against the excessive rates and will undoubtedly act if Postmaster Burleson does not rescind the order."

"We therefore request that your commission protect our citizens from this unnecessary increase of rates under the pretext of reducing the cost to the users of the telephone service. We ask that you prohibit these rates from going into effect on January 21, and request that schedules be filed with you according to law and that we have the opportunity of public hearing of opposition to these rates, in simple line with the government order."

New Tolls on Air-line Bails
L. H. Kinnard, vice president and general manager of the Bell Telephone company of Pennsylvania, withdrew from this unnecessary increase of rates under the pretext of reducing the cost to the users of the telephone service. We ask that you prohibit these rates from going into effect on January 21, and request that schedules be filed with you according to law and that we have the opportunity of public hearing of opposition to these rates, in simple line with the government order.

Delaware Legislature Busy
Enters on Third Week of Session With Much Work Ahead

Dover, Del., Jan. 20.—The Delaware Legislature reconvened here today after a week's recess. The session is now in its third week and the work ahead is considerable.

ARMY EXPECTS HIGHER PRICES
Ten Per Cent Increase Provided for in Budget

Washington, Jan. 20.—By A. P. Higher food prices next year are anticipated by army officials, who in holding Congress appropriations for food purchases disclosed today that they had a plan for a 10 per cent increase in the year beginning next July.

MUST PAY CONVICTED POLICE
City Solicitor Tells Controller He Has No Alternative

Since Director of Public Safety Wilson did not see fit to suspend the six policemen convicted in connection with the Fifth Ward disorders, but decided to continue them on the payroll pending their appeal, there is nothing for Controller John M. Walton to do but countersign the warrants for the men's pay.

HELP WANTED—MALE
MONEY MADE MONEY MADE

LOST AND FOUND
USED AUTOMOBILES
SURRENDER Unconditionally YOUR HAULING PROBLEMS TO US Every Man to His Own Job

COMMITTEE JOBS NOT YET DECIDED

Legislators Hear Conference Decisions in City Were Not Final

SEE PLACE FOR RAMSEY
May Get Appropriations Position That Was Considered Sure for McCaig

Harrisburg, Jan. 20.—Dissatisfaction among some members of the House over committee assignments of Republican leaders in Philadelphia last week.

Word was spread among the members who reached here today that none of the selections approved during the conference last week was considered definite.

Speaker Robert Spangler, who arrived today, announced that the committee list of House committee assignments would be announced Wednesday. "Until that time the leaders who will have the final say on the make-up of the committees are expected to do considerable conferring."

RIVER HALTS SPEEDER
Fined \$20 After Avoiding Plunge From Ferry Slip

A race between an "auto speeder" and motorcycle policemen through Camden ended at a ferry slip, where the alleged offender came to a halt in time to avoid plunging into the Delaware.

Schooner From Here Damaged
Beaufort, N. C., Jan. 20.—(By A. P.)
The auxiliary schooner George C. Crisp, bound for Cape Hatteras, from Philadelphia, put in here Saturday morning. Repairs will be made at this port.

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