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DULUTH HEIGHTS BOYS 'OVER THERE'



GILBERT FAWCETT FRED FAWCETT

Duluth Heights has its full quota of young men in the war. Among them is Gilbert and Fred Fawcett, the well known contractor, and candidate for the legislature in the Fifty-eighth district, who is being supported by a large number of union labor men.

Fred Fawcett, one of the boys, is a member of the Bricklayers' union. He entered the army last December and reached France more than a month ago. His union will carry a star for him in the Labor day parade Monday.

Gilbert Fawcett, the other boy, enlisted five months ago in the engineering corps and left camp at Los Angeles two months ago for "over there." Mr. and Mrs. Fawcett are proud of their boys, as are their friends and neighbors.

**AS UNITED STATES AT WAR
LOOKS TO AN AUSTRALIAN**

Eloquent Statesman and Former Prime Minister of
South Australia Pays Glowing Tribute to
the Fine Spirit That Characterizes
Americans.

By J. CRAWFORD VAUGHAN.
Editor's Note—The Hon. Crawford Vaughan was formerly prime minister of South Australia, and is still a member of its legislative assembly. He is now Australia's special representative in the United States, where he has spent considerable time lecturing and visiting various camps and industrial centers. He visited Duluth a few weeks ago and made a fine impression here at a noon meeting of the Commercial Club.

Admiration, deep profound admiration, moves me when I think of America at war. For three months I have journeyed up and down this vast republic, and have felt the pulses of that mighty national force which is America. I have addressed audiences from San Diego in Southern California to Fore River on the Atlantic; from Sioux Fall, South Dakota, in the north, to Tulsa, Oklahoma in the south. I have spoken in labor temples, shipyards, factories, legislative halls, chambers of commerce, churches, before white men and dark men, to gatherings of women and children. But whether I be in the far west, or along the Mississippi in the democratic south or republican New England, there is but one America—true to the ideals of Washington and the spirit of the Declaration of Independence. "The world must be made safe for democracy"—that slogan was the call to arms which rallied to the colors all those cosmopolitan elements.

The resolution embodied in the phrase is not born of the hour; it is the heritage of the past. For four years Lincoln fought against the South because the nation could not live half slave and half free. Had the slave-owning south been content to keep slavery within its legally defined borders, that struggle might perhaps have been avoided. But slavery had to expand or perish.

Autocracy Must Expand or Die.

Autocracy, like slavery, has proved that it cannot be confined within any territorial limits. It sought to expand, and thereby menaced the freedom of the democracies of the world. President Wilson's whole policy has been framed on the assumption that if Germany wanted autocracy she had a right to govern herself. But the kaiser's battletory has always been "Germany over all." The issue is, then, quite clear. Either democracy or autocracy must perish from the earth.

I have been a privileged visitor to many of the military cantonments which have sprung up all over the states, and have spoken to the men. The thermometer was twenty below zero when I motored across from Boston to Camp Devens. The big Y. M. C. A. auditorium quickly filled with the younger sons of the Republic, who seemed anxious to hear the limbed Americans think the world

message from Australia. These clean of the Anzacs. The Australians come nearer perhaps to them than any others. These soldiers like to be told that Australia is the only country which has adopted the principles of the American constitution.

Military Training.

In the cantonments everything is provided to give nervous comfort without pampering men who are in training. "Dry" canteens on land and on sea are the stern decrees of beerless Washington. Already military training has stiffened the backbone of the way-back sons of the soil; the slouching mountaineer of Kentucky or Tennessee has acquired a brisk, step and upright carriage; the loose-jointed cowboy of Wyoming has rubbed shoulders with the pampered youth from Long Island, and each is better for the experience. The psychological, political and economical effect of this commingling of the east and the west, the north and the south, with all the interchange of ideas that it involves, together with the impressions of other lands which fighting abroad must leave behind, will be far-reaching.

Munitions and Food.

America's output of rifles is now approximately sufficient to equip three army divisions every week. Machine guns and ordnance are being turned out in ever increasing quantity. Enormous quantities of munitions and clothing are now being manufactured, and food-product has been greatly stimulated by the organization of labor for the farms.

It is impossible to tell in a word or two the inspiring story of the co-operation of American women in war activities. A few girls are now to be found behind the plough, thousands are in munitions plants, an increasing number are to be found on the tramways, working elevators, etc. American women will take up their cross as heroically as have their British and French sisters.

In my talks throughout twenty-four states of the American union, I enjoyed the co-operation and personal help of Mr. Samuel Gompers and the American Federation of Labor. Never in any conflict was the nation so united, so implacably resolved to stand steadfast in the faith. Workers are sternly setting their faces against any attempt to strike. Mr. Gompers stands behind President Wilson and next to the president is the most potent figure in American public life today. It is fortunate not for America only, but for the world, that the forces of labor in America should at this hour be in the hands of this sturdy, broad-shouldered American. Mr. Gompers has been at the labor helm in this country for 35 years, and has won the implicit confidence, almost veneration, of the American labor world. He is too big in his idealism to allow class interests to dominate national interests, and too clear in vision not to see that the triumph of Prussian militarism means the downfall of democracy the world over. Picture him with his lion-like head set on massive shoulders and sturdy body, with face stern in moments of decision, but genial and full of light and humor when the cares of the hour are cast aside; a figure, although only five and a half feet in height, full of a dignity which emphasizes the weight of the opinion which he expresses. Gompers is an old man in years, but not in outlook. I take my hat off not only to Samuel Gompers, but to the loyal labor men of America who have stood so splendidly by him.

President Wilson's Fiery Trial.

Through the murk and smoke of conflict the future of President Wilson looms powerful and imposing,

not simply because of Mr. Wilson's undeniable gifts of statesmanship, but because the president, during the term of his office, enjoys all the powers of a king and of a prime minister combined. We live too close to our own times to measure with exactitude the greatness or deficiencies of the men into whose keeping is placed the tremendous responsibility of piloting our civilization safely through the fiercest storm mankind has ever known. There is the fiery trial. Not as weary Titans staggering under the too vast orb of their fate must the issue be faced, but as the impassioned champions of freedom carrying the flaming sword to victory. Certainly nothing better, nothing more in tune with the aspirations of democracy has been said than by President Wilson at Baltimore:

"Force, force to the utmost, force without stint or limit, the righteous and triumphant force which shall make right the law of the world, and cast every selfish dominion down in the dust."

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The new system will simplify the work of the bureau and is expected to accelerate the payment of allotments and allowances.

Prior to July last the war risk insurance bureau took the compulsory allotment of \$15 a month and whatever additional sum the enlisted man chose to allot his family, and the whole amount, together with the government allowance for dependents was included in one check and sent out by the bureau. Beginning with the July pay the bureau will collect and send out only the compulsory allotment of \$15 a month and the government family allowance.

The excess allotments over the compulsory \$15 allotment and the allotments to persons not entitled by law to allowances will not be handled by the bureau of war risk insurance, but by the navy or war department, the marine corps or coast guard, according to the branch of service to which the man belongs.

MORE COAL MINED.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Production of anthracite coal for the week ended Aug. 10 was 1,640,044 gross tons, an increase of 50,590 tons over the same period last year. The total anthracite coal mined during the calendar year to date was 30,139,948 tons as compared with 29,510,311 tons for the same period in 1917.

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