

# STATEMENT ABOUT ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCES AND CONVERSION SECTION OF WAR INDUSTRIES BOARD

Mr. Bradford D. Pierce, Jr., Regional Advisor of Region No. 2 of the Resources and Conversion Section of the War Industries Board, on his return from attending an important meeting in Washington at which the organization of this section was finally completed, has issued the following statement to the press in this region:

The War Industries Board at Washington, of which Mr. B. M. Baruch is Chairman, has recently instituted a new section called the Resources and Conversion Section. Mr. Charles A. Otis has been appointed Chief of this Section, with headquarters in Washington.

Under this section the country has been divided into twenty regions. Mr. Bradford D. Pierce, Jr., of Bridgeport, Connecticut, was appointed organizer for the second region, comprising Connecticut and western Massachusetts, and was instructed to call in representative men in his territory to help in organizing the work.

The following gentlemen or their representatives, attended this meeting: Messrs. Bradford D. Pierce, Jr., C. E. Bliton, Walter B. Lashar, George Gove, Bridgeport; Colonel I. M. Ullman, Charles E. Julian, F. J. Kingsbury, New Haven; E. Kent Hubbard, Frank D. Cheney, Charles E. Whitney, Hartford; William H. Shuart, George E. Foss, Springfield; Allen H. Bagg, S. Chester Lyon, Pittsfield.

It was decided to divide the Region into six Sub-Regions and to appoint a Chairman for each, as follows:

Mr. Charles E. Bliton, Bridgeport, Conn., for Fairfield and Litchfield counties.

Colonel I. M. Ullman, New Haven, Conn., for New Haven and Middlesex counties.

Mr. Charles L. Taylor, Hartford, Conn., for Hartford and Tolland counties.

Mr. Carlos C. Peck, New London, Conn., for New London and Windham counties.

Mr. William H. Shuart, Springfield, Mass., for Hampton, Hampshire and Franklin counties.

Mr. Allen H. Bagg, Pittsfield, Mass., for Berkshire county.

On request from Washington, several names of men to be recommended for appointment as Regional Advisor were presented by this meeting. From these names Mr. Charles A. Otis, Chief of the Section selected that of Mr. Bradford D. Pierce, Jr., and he is now entering on his duties as Regional Advisor representing the Government in all matters pertaining to this organization throughout the second region. Mr. Pierce has appointed Mr. F. Kingsbury Bull of New York, Secretary and has opened offices in the First Bridgeport National Bank Building, Bridgeport, Conn.

On July 18-19 a meeting of representatives from all of the twenty regions of the country was held at Washington under the Chairmanship of Mr. Charles A. Otis, Chief of the Section, at which time an explanation of the purposes of the Resources and Conversion Section was made more fully by Mr. B. M. Baruch, Chairman, by Mr. Charles A. Otis, Chief, and by several other members of the War Industries Board.

The primary object of this Section is to assemble as quickly as possible, complete and detailed information concerning industries in all parts of the country.

A—Those not now engaged in war work, but capable of undertaking such work.

B—Industries only partly employed on war work, but able to increase their production of necessary war materials, and

C—Industries now employed on war work, whose contracts will soon be completed.

It is desired to enlist the aid of all classes of industries and to bring this about, it is imperative that all industries of a given Region should be asked to participate, whether they are now members of business organizations or not.

It was made plain that the fullest co-operation not only between the different industries in each region, but between the region of the country must be developed in order to further the prompt delivery of all materials required for war purposes.

Representatives from several of the different Government departments including the War Department and the Navy Department were in attendance, and expressed their desire to co-operate with the Resources and Conversion Section to the fullest extent, by offering to their requirements.

Mr. Otis is to furnish each Regional Advisor with copies of these requirements, and he in turn is to call upon his War Resources Committee composed of the Chairman of each Sub-Region for a list of firms in the region capable of doing whatever work is called for.

This information will be forwarded immediately by the Regional Advisor to the Chief of Section in Washington.

It must be understood that this Section has no authority in the matter of allotting work to any special region, nor in the letting of contracts to individuals or firms. It acts merely in an advisory capacity, offering recommendations as to where work can be easily and quickly done.

It is particularly desired to aid the small manufacturers, and especially those not now producing war materials, to convert their plants to purposes considered essential in the prosecution of the war. A large number of plants in many sections of the country have already been converted to war work, and many more such conversions must necessarily take place. This fact was very strongly emphasized during the meetings held at Washington.

A partial list of a number of such firms has already been furnished to this office. Included in that list are two or three situated in the second region. The following are examples taken from this list:

Rathbone Sard Company, Albany, N. Y., ordinary product, stoves; Conversion to trench mortar cases and powder cases.

Wilcox & White Co., Meriden, Ct., ordinary product, piano cases; conversion to bomb cases.

Navy Gear Mfg. Co., New Haven, Conn., ordinary product, gears; conversion to gun sights, reverse gears.

Theodore W. Foster & Bro., Providence, R. I., ordinary product, silverware and jewelry; conversion to tubing and copper cups.

Diamond Cork Horse Shoe Co., Duluth, Minn., ordinary product, horse shoes; conversion to trench picks.

Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Co., New York, ordinary product, carpets; conversion to blankets, duck and worsted yarns.

Then I discovered that I had a prickly feeling myself and began to dig for it. All around me the lads were doing the same thing.

"Straw!" said the sergeant. "Why, that ain't straw you blighters have got. It's cooties."

And he was right. We all had them—the little crawlers that get into every soldier's clothes as soon as he gets to the front and stick to him like a loving brother till he gets back to the Blighty. I wonder if Jim Hawkins had those things, I hadn't counted on them when I went adventure hunting.

General Manoury, who commanded the army in the defence of Paris against von Klueck in 1914 says that the Germans were preparing to burn the capital.

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## TOMMIES HAD IDEA COOTIES WERE STRAWS

I thought they were going to send us right into the fighting at the end of that day, but they didn't, says Britain's youngest veteran, seventeen year old Tommy Kehos, in Boys' Life for August. Instead we slept beside the road while our ears buzzed with a noise like the pounding of a thousand boiler-makers on sheet iron. Yet with all that clatter most of the lads went sound asleep as soon as they were curled in their blankets, and didn't wake till morning.

Bonesey and I cuddled up together and talked things over. Three of us were pals already and naturally got together whenever we had a chance and needed a little consolation. But Bonesey, who hadn't been in the same company with us till we got to Boulogne, was a brand-new chum. He seemed to take a liking to us, and after that he was about as hard to lose as a cootie.

Before long the two Billies fell asleep, but Bonesey was a night owl and it was a long time before he stopped talking and dropped off. As for me, I was on the edge of the biggest adventure a boy could ever hope to find and I lay thinking about it half the night, listening to the guns and watching the rockets and the shells against the black sky.

In the morning the first thing I heard was the voice of Billy Clegg saying: "I got some straw down my neck. I can't get it out."

Allied to the desire to add small manufacturers is the wish to have all processes of manufacture of a completed article carried out as far as may be in one locality. In this way the Resources and Conversion Section hopes to save transportation charges for both labor and materials, to produce goods with greater speed, and to keep the small industries of each region supplied with essential work on sub-contracts.

It was pointed out that it is an important function of the Resources and Conversion Section to discourage unnecessary building construction while the war lasts. It is desired to utilize every building available in any way for making war materials before planning new construction.

It was stated that this request of the War Industries Board might later on have to be made mandatory, unless it is generally complied with.

It was learned that in order to make up the great shortage of skilled machinists and tool makers now existing throughout the country, schools are being established in many of the larger plants.

Great success has been attained by intensive training in the operation of machines, especially among women, who are being employed in increasing large numbers. Some of these women operators have learned to control successfully, complicated machinery, after a comparatively short period of training.

A final organization of the War Resources Committee of Region No. 2 was effected at a meeting held at Hartford on July 23rd.

At that meeting Mr. Charles L. Taylor was elected Chairman of the Committee, and Mr. Robert H. Schutz of Hartford was appointed Chairman of the Hartford Sub-Region, in place of Mr. Taylor. Mr. Taylor has opened offices at No. 252 Asylum Street, Hartford, Connecticut. The Chairman of the other Sub-Regions remain as appointed at the preliminary meeting.

It is absolutely essential to the successful prosecution of the war that all manufacturing industries, however small, that can be utilized in any way to make war materials, should be used for such purpose to the fullest possible extent.

This organization hopes to be of great service not only to the Government, but to the industries of this region, and desires that all manufacturers will endeavor to utilize its service at all times, so that it may successfully carry out the purpose for which it was instituted.

Every boy and girl attending school, either public, parochial or private, is eligible to enter this contest.

The Bridgeport War Savings committee will present a silver war service medal with the winner's name engraved thereon, to one child in each school in the city, who sells the largest amount of War Savings and Thrift Stamps during the summer vacation.

A solid gold war service medal will be presented to the contestant selling the largest amount in the city.

Contest ends September 15, 1918.

On Monday, September 16th, present card, correctly added, to the principal of the school you attend.

Contestants may sell stamps wherever they can, but must purchase their supply from the Bridgeport post office, or any sub-station in the city, where proper credit for amount purchased may be given on this card by the clerk in charge.

Each contestant is requested to send a weekly report of his sales to the War Savings committee, so that record may be made and a copy furnished to the daily papers. Postal cards for this purpose will be furnished free of charge by the committee.

Contestants are requested to take the name and address of all persons to whom stamps are sold so that the amount may be credited to pledges made by them. The names of purchasers to be handed in at end of contest.

Each contestant should send a weekly report to the War Savings committee, and each purchase should be entered by the postal clerk making the sale on a card provided for this purpose which is sent to each child upon entering.

People who have made pledges, may purchase from the children, instead of the post office, and the name and address of such turned in to the place named on the pledge as the purchase place. No matter from how many different children stamps are purchased, the pledges will be credited with the amounts when the contest is finished.

## MAY REDEEM WAR SAVINGS PLEDGE FROM CHILDREN

### Thrift Stamps Purchased in School Contest Credited on Your Pledge Cards

### BOYS AND GIRLS MAY STILL ENTER CONTEST

### Simply Register at Headquarters and Start Selling Thrift Stamps

Boys and girls who have not as yet entered the Thrift Stamp contest for school children, need not hesitate to do so on account of the slight start gained by others, as the contest will not close before September 15, and there is plenty of time to catch up.

Parents are urged to encourage the children, and to make them the initial loan, for the first purchase of Thrift Stamps, which may be obtained from the following stations:

Main Office, 1978 Broad street; Noble Station, 473 Barnum avenue; Barnum Station, 1390 State street; Stratford Branch, 2392 Main street; Stratford; Station No. 1, 678 State street; Station No. 2, 2071 Main street; Station No. 3, 1244 Stratford avenue; Station No. 4, 2980 Fairfield avenue; Station No. 5, 79 Wood avenue; Station No. 6, 247 South avenue; Station No. 7, 678 Bowditch avenue; Station No. 8, 667 Washington avenue; Station No. 9, 244 Tunxis Hill Road; Station No. 10, 337 Stratford avenue; Station No. 11, 283 Noble avenue; Station No. 12, 2862 Main street; Station No. 13, 969 Main street; Station No. 14, 807 Maplewood avenue; Station No. 15, 801 Hancock avenue; Station No. 16, 891 Noble avenue; Station No. 17, vacant; Station No. 18, 1039 Barnum avenue; Station No. 19, vacant; Station No. 20, 270 Newfield avenue; Station No. 21, 24 Railroad avenue; Station No. 22, 426 Park avenue; Station No. 23, 1803 Barnum avenue; Station No. 24, 728 East Main street; Station No. 25, 1339 Pembroke street; Station No. 26, 1286 Boston avenue; Station No. 27, 1144 Main street; Station No. 28, 2304 Barnum avenue; Station No. 29, 231 Lexington avenue; Station No. 30, 619 East Main street; Station No. 31, 1355 East Main street; Station No. 32, 278 Jennings Road, Fairfield; Station No. 34, 881 Brewster street.

## HUN COLONISTS IN RUSSIA ARE READY TO LEAVE

Amsterdam, July 30.—There is not a single German colonist in Russia who places the smallest faith in the Russian government. Our minds are made up. If Germany does not protect us with a strong hand there is only one way out, namely to emigrate to the United States or Canada.

This is the statement of Pastor Johannes Schleuning who has come to Berlin representing the interests of so-called Wolga Germans, a farming colony of seven hundred thousand persons established along that river.

After the Great Lithuanian peace, Schleuning returned from three years' banishment in Siberia and made himself spokesman of two million German settlers spread over different regions of Russia.

According to his statement, the colonists were incorporated in the Russian army, first sent to the Russo-German front and then some three hundred thousand were transferred to the Caucasus. There they underwent terrible sufferings, thousands died, those staying at home had their properties confiscated, were reduced to beggary and the Bolsheviks completed their ruin.

Wolga colonists now ask to be assisted back to Germany or permitted to settle in the Baltic provinces. Failing this they intend to emigrate to America, declares Schleuning, who thus places before the German government a problem filled with peculiar difficulties.

Dr. Helfferich, the newly appointed German ambassador to Russia, was accompanied to Moscow by a battalion of Hun soldiers.

Ratification of the British and Canadian recruiting treaties with the United States will be exchanged in London next Tuesday.

American engineers have been ordered to proceed from Nagasaki to Vladivostok to make repairs in the Chinese Eastern railroad.

Colonel Thompson, U. S. A., retired, was appointed as supervisor of manufacturing arsenals, succeeding Col. S. E. Blunt, retired.

One million Liberty Bonds of the first, second and third issues have been registered by the Treasury to insure against theft or loss.

The Bosch Magneto Co. of Springfield, Mass., announced a voluntary increase in wages of 10 per cent. for 500 day and piece workers.

Miss Charlotte Boyle, who defeated Clare Gallagher in a sensational sport in an 880 yard title race at Rye, Saturday, July 27th, and who captured the 880 women's swimming championship of the Metropolitan Association at the Rye Beach swimming club, will be here to defend her title against all comers at the Water Sports given by the War Savings Committee under the auspices of the U. S. Volunteer Life Savings Corps at Seaside park at 1:15 p. m., Sunday, Aug. 11th.

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Blue Monday comes once a week, and it's Monday all day long to the housewife who is not blessed with a washing machine.

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Boneless Hams	32c lb.
Yankee Bacon	34c lb.
Smoked Shoulders	24c lb.
Corned Spare Ribs	18c lb.
Sticking Pieces Corned Beef	26c lb.

### FRESH SEA FOOD.

Block Island Swordfish, (Sliced)	32c lb.
Large Bloater Mackerel	22c lb.
Steak Cod	20c lb.
Steak White Halibut	32c lb.
Steak Whale Meat	25c lb.
White Fish	15c lb.
Weakfish	20c lb.
Opened Long Clams	35c qt.
Butterfish	15c lb.
Croakers	12c lb.
Porgies	15c lb.
Uncooked Shrimp	28c lb.
Flatfish	12c lb.
Little Neck Clams	20c qt.
Steamers	10c qt.

Prime Soft Shell Crabs, Boiled and Live Lobsters.

### CANNED FISH.

Red Alaska Salmon, can.	28c
Pink, can	20c
American Sardines in Olive Oil, can	15c
Mustard Sardines, can	15c
Steak Salmon, 1 lb. flats 32c, 1/2 lb. flats	20c
Tunafish, can	22c and 32c
Wet Shrimp, can	15c
Dry Shrimp, can	30c
Kipperd Herring plain, can	28c
Clam Chowder, large can	25c, small 15c

A Good Ceylon Tea... 45c lb. (Fine for Iced Tea)

Loganberry Juice, bottle	10c, 25c and 45c
Grape Juice, bottle	10c, 25c and 45c

### BUTTER DEPARTMENT.

Free Demonstration, Phenix Cheese Co.

Pimento Cheese	15c jar
Cream Cheese	13c each
Royal, Roquefort and American Cheese	18c and 32c jar
Camembert Cheese	12c, 40c and 49c can
Lunch Cheese	12c each
Swiss Cream Cheese	65c can

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## WATER SPORTS POSTPONED TO SUNDAY, AUG. 11

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