

have kept us out of most serious complications.

As a matter of fact, the United States, except in the eyes of a few rather aggressive Americans and a good many foreigners who have been blinded by the fear and suffering of the war, is looked upon throughout the world as having played a very sane and honorable part.

The war party in the United States is also essentially a moneyed or leisure-class party. Instinctively the privileged class edges a country toward war, for, proverbially, war makes good places to root for truffles. As far as I have seen, rich people are practically alone in wanting the United States to go around with a chip on its shoulder.

If Mr. Roosevelt and his standpat- ters thought of the average American at all, they would see that he is a poor man. They would know that he is too busy supporting his wife and children on a very small income to realize that it is his moral (i. e., Republican) duty to leave his farm or his workshop, put on a uniform and take part in a row that is going on 3,000 miles or so way.

#### WORKERS' INSTITUTE DECIDES TO LET PLANS GO ALONG

The Workers' institute has decided to let the I. W. W. hold its entertainment and lecture at the institute hall, 920 S. Ashland blvd., Friday night.

As the night of the I. W. W. affair coincides with the Jewish holy day, Yom Kippur, on which Jews are supposed not to engage in any amusement, some Jewish members of the institute thought the contract with the I. W. W. should be canceled. Other members insisted this would be the same as curtailing the principles of free speech an action on which the institute was founded. The Jews opposed to canceling the contract with the I. W. W. won their contention by a vote of 145 to 42 at a meeting of Hebrew members of the institute last night.

#### DAY OF DENIALS IN AFFAIRS OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

Today was the day of denials in the Sportsmen's club affair. Everybody hit by evidence in the hands of State's Att'y Hoynes denied something. Hoynes's witnesses stuck to their stories that money was passed from slot machine owners to friends of the administration and that the Sportsmen's club collected big money in \$100 dues from saloonkeepers and resort owners who expected immunity in return.

Loudest in his denial was Charlie Essig, veteran gambler, who was accused of getting most of the cash from slot machines and club membership. He denied the whole story about collections.

Jas. Pugh, millionaire warehouse man, denied he fostered any gambling connected with the Sportsmen's club. He says he put \$25,000 into the organization and got nothing out of it.

Corporation Counsel Ettleson denied he ever gave the slot machine game his "O. K." Chief of Police Healey denied he told the slot machine gamblers to put in their contraptions and also denied that he was going to resign.

City Prosecutor Miller denied he was a member of the Sportsmen's club and that he went to court to aid in quashing prosecution of club solicitors.

Jas. M. Wing, named as a solicitor for gum slot machines, denied he ever worked at this.

Grand jury action expected this week.

Grafton, Ill.—Lee Patterson, sup't of Illinois Powder Co. plant, near here, and two laborers were killed when three carloads of dynamite exploded.

Washington.—Dollar or two more per pair for shoes this winter was the cheerful consensus of opinion among shoe dealers of Washington in banquet assembled.