

## U. S. SHOWING HATE FOR WAR, TEXAN CLAIMS

People Overwhelming for Peace, Says Maverick in Letter.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The "grassroots" are demanding that America steer clear of war, according to Rep. Maury Maverick (D. Tex.).

"I never saw, in all my life, such a real honest, throbbing demonstration of hate against war and that's no bunk," Rep. Maverick said in a letter received by a friend here today. He was referring to a Denver meeting of his World War regiment, at which he spoke.

The Texas congressman was a leader in the House fight last session for a comprehensive and mandatory neutrality law. He is preparing to renew his fight in January.

Describing the meeting of his old outfit at Denver, Maverick wrote:

"The V. F. W. had a float indicating graves and dead men in the most horrible scene I ever saw. If that had happened five years ago and had been engineered by a pacifist the veterans would probably have wrecked the thing."

### Impassioned Pacifists

"On the same day, throughout the schools of Denver, commanders of the American Legion made impassioned speeches against war."

During the fall, Maverick has traveled throughout the West, carrying to the people his fight for a broad neutrality program. He said he was amazed by the response.

"The American people," he wrote, "are absolutely and overwhelmingly for neutrality. There is not any question about that whatsoever. With a few negligible exceptions, all members of Congress are conscientiously for it. . . . I found this out by talking to most of the Congressmen and by a heavy correspondence."

"I also traveled through most of the Southern states and found the situation to be the same. It was also true in New Mexico and it is true all over Texas."

"I live in the greatest military district on earth. We have here the largest barracks, and the greatest training fields in the world. In addition to this, we have the aeronautical department (Duncan Field); Kelly Field, a senior training unit; Randolph Field, the West Point of the Air; Brooks Field, a tactical unit, and other air units."

### Loss Support

"When I made my original announcement concerning neutrality, and made my talk against generals and admirals, some of my advisers told me I was going too strong for a military district, that I would lose support, and so on."

"However, I was promptly surprised by the attitude of the people of my district. They overwhelmingly approve of that action, and this, the greatest military district in the world, is overwhelmingly in favor of neutrality and overwhelmingly opposed to war."

"I believe that this city (San Antonio) would be willing to lose its entire military personnel and all its military property rather than go through any such pastime as war."

"Moreover, having been a soldier, I have talked to a great many officers, both low-ranking and high-ranking, and they haven't got what the Europeans had before the war, or what we kids had when we went to war, that is the military spirit."

Maverick sees a hard fight ahead in Congress over broadening the neutrality act.

### No Co-operation Given

"I suspect," he wrote, "that the Administration and the State Department will give Congress no co-operation in attempting to put over absolute neutrality, or neutrality in any form. The State Department played a trick on us last year. If you will take up the Neutrality Law as passed, you will note that it is mandatory as to the two original belligerents, but the President may increase it from them on."

"In other words, it is in such shape that it is mandatory as far as Italy and Ethiopia are concerned, but when England gets into it, if she does, he may or may not do it."

"I think that the State Department and the Administration will not only not co-operate, but that they will work actively against neutrality legislation."

"Our State Department has the attitude of a European foreign office, of having a sort of monopoly on deciding what we shall do with foreign nations. Congress overwhelmingly disapproved of that."

**TWO TROOP 60 SCOUTS REGISTER FOR CAMP**

Mid-Winter Period to Accommodate 50 From Dec. 26 to 29.

Mid-winter camp of Indianapolis Boy Scouts is to be held at the reservation Dec. 26 to 29. Only 50 boys can be accommodated. First to make reservations were Jack Boyd and Martin Miller of Troop 60.

Campfire programs are to be held each night in the mess hall. Scoutcraft instruction, tests and patrol leadership training are to be given during forenoons. Games, hikes, Scout tests and camp advancement are to form the afternoon programs.

S. L. Norton, assistant Scout executive, is to be in charge, aided by H. T. Vitz, Troop 60 Scoutmaster.

**IMPLEMENT DEALERS ELECT MELLENKAMP**

Edmunds man Named at Final Session of Convention.

New president of the Indiana Implement Dealers Association is L. W. Mellenkamp, Edmunds.

He was chosen yesterday at the final session of the association's annual convention at the Sevier.

Other officers are Pearl Carter, Hillsboro; vice president, and F. E. Landis, Flora, director.

Following extended discussion of a proposal to form organizations of implement retailers, the association is on record as favoring forming groups for each 10 counties of the state.

TWINS WIN LEGION PIANO, AND ARE THEY HAPPY!



## BOSSY GILLIS WILL CUT TAX, HE PROCLAIMS

I'm No Clown, He Says, in Article He Writes Himself.

Andrew J. (Bossy) Gillis, fiery ex-sailor whose loquacious regime made him a national figure during his two terms as mayor of Newburyport, Mass., from 1928 to 1932, has been elected to a third term. In the following dispatch, written for the Union Press, Gillis tells mostly about himself and what he intends to do when he takes office in January.

BY BOSSY GILLIS  
NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Dec. 6.—Well, I'm back in the driver's seat again, but it's not going to be any picnic this time. It wasn't much of a picnic last time, either. The newspapers printed a lot of boloney about me. I was misquoted to look ridiculous and they tried to make me out a clown. That was all right by me then. Everybody knows Bossy Gillis, don't they? And didn't I put Newburyport on the map?"

But Bossy's not a clown. Don't let anybody kid you. The people of Newburyport know I'm not a clown, else they wouldn't have elected me to a third term. They know I was telling the truth. That's why they elected me.

The people of Newburyport know that I'm the man to reduce the taxes. The tax rate now is \$43.60. When I was mayor it was only \$22 bucks. The welfare situation has been pretty damn tough. And I'm the man to correct that too.

### "I'm No Miracle Man"

The man who pays the taxes is the one I'll look out for.

And I'm going to do my best to bring industrial life back to Newburyport.

Now about this welfare business. There are a lot of worthy people out of jobs. If they'll bear with me, I'll try my best to pull them out of the hole. I'm no miracle man, but for those that want to work, I'm going to advocate work projects—new streets, sewers, water mains and sidewalks where sidewalks should be. No use making paupers out of good people who want to work.

The chislers and lazy ones will get kicked to hell out.

There's bound to be shakeups in the city departments. Sure, I've got to take care of my friends, haven't I? And don't forget, I'm no clown and nobody's fool.

### Bishop Blake to Speak

Bishop Edgar Blake of the Methodist Episcopal Church is to address the John Reed Club on "Free Speech" at Castle Hall Building tonight.

The bishop, who formerly resided here, was a prominent figure in the fight against "gag" laws in Detroit a few months ago.

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PLAYS LEADING ROLE



## FEDERAL TRUCK LAW IS TO BE MEETING TOPIC

State Carriers to Hold 18th Convention Here Next Week.

Eighteenth annual convention of the Motor Truck Association of Indiana, third oldest organization of its kind in the nation, is to be held Wednesday and Thursday at the Lincoln with the Federal truck regulatory act one of the major topics. Highway safety, insurance, tariffs, reciprocity and taxes also are to be discussed.

Principal speakers are to be W. Y. Blanning, assistant director, motor carrier bureau, Interstate Commerce Commission; Earl Crawford, chairman, Indiana Highway Survey Commission; Lieut. F. M. Kreml, Purdue University Public Safety Institute, and John V. Lawrence, general manager, American Trucking Associations, Inc.

First general session is to be held at 2:30 Wednesday, preceded by divisional meetings, including common carrier, Indiana Furniture Warehousemen's Association, local cartage, furniture haulers and private owners. Divisional luncheons are scheduled.

Banquet and entertainment is to conclude the first day's sessions. Mr. Blanning is to speak.

M. W. Hamilton, Richmond, is association president; O. N. Hesler, Elwood, vice president, and C. W. Abraham, Indianapolis, secretary-treasurer.

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