

COLONEL ASKS REPEAL OF ANTI-TRUST LAW

Roosevelt Also Renews Attack on Foreign Language Newspapers —Urges Universal Training.

Colonel Roosevelt told the members of the League of Political Education at their meeting in Carnegie Hall yesterday that the country was paying for its policy of unpreparedness for the war with the industrial paralysis caused by the order of Fuel Administrator Garfield. He declared that the Sherman anti-trust law ought to be repealed, now that the Government itself had violated the spirit of the law by combining the management of the railroads under one man. He made another attack on the foreign language newspapers, and warned the teachers that if the country waited until after the war to plan for universal military training the pacifists might be able to whine about the measure so that the country would lapse into unpreparedness again.

In pointing out that the country had spent in its war preparations since last April a larger amount of money than England had spent in three years and more than the republic had spent in all the other 141 years of its history, he said:

"We have not as yet inflicted any injury on Germany, but our unpreparedness has caused us to suffer from economic disturbances within our own borders."

He said he did not think the Government ought to take over industries when such action could be avoided, and he added that he would dislike to see the railroads pass to the complete control of the Government. He said he believed, however, that the Government should exercise control over industries, and particularly over the railroads, in an emergency. He said he thought the present paralysis was due partly to unwise price-fixing, particularly of the fixing of the price of bituminous coal. Another reason for the industrial condition, he said, was that the coal dealers could not divine the thoughts of the Fuel Administrator, and no intimation of his proposed plans was given until orders were ready for execution.

In speaking of pacifism and immigration, Colonel Roosevelt said he believed the school teachers of the country had the greatest responsibility in building up the true and ideal spirit of Americanism, and asserted that a school teacher should be as loyal as any army officer or judge.

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