

# COLONEL DENOUNCES TRAITORS AT HOME

**Tells Harvard Men War Must Be  
Won if It Takes 5,000,000  
American Soldiers.**

## AMPLE WORK FOR CIVILIANS

**Would Turn Their Attention to Pacifists, Propagandists, and  
Sedition Spreaders.**

"If ever there was a holy war, it is this war," Colonel Roosevelt told Harvard men who have joined the colors in the course of an address last night at the Harvard Club in West Forty-fourth Street, in which he denounced members of several organizations as "traitors at home." The Colonel summarized what had been accomplished since the United States entered the war, urged greater efforts to carry on the war successfully, and suggested that, if necessary, 5,000,000 men be sent to end the conflict.

Colonel Roosevelt gave details concerning men and munitions sent abroad since this country entered the war, which he said had not resulted in the firing of an American gun at the foe, or the placing of a single company of American soldiers in a French trench, although the period equalled the length of the Franco-Prussian war.

At the conclusion of his address the Colonel told reporters that he did not want to be quoted to the extent of making public military information, but that he had felt it was his duty to "stir up the country as to its duty, and to indicate the way to meet the peril confronting the American people." In his address Colonel Roosevelt, after citing what should be done, and comparing it with what had been accomplished in a military way, said:

"It shows the utter fatuity of military preparedness that does not include universal military service. What we have done since we entered the war would have been excellent had we commenced it three years ago."

Many of the Harvard men in the big audience were in uniform. In urging them to go into the war to win against an autocracy that meant ruin to this nation if allowed to have its way, Colonel Roosevelt said:

"I hear some say every now and then that we are not fighting the German people, but their Government. But, I say, until the German people separate themselves from the acts of their Government, I am fighting the German people."

He said the inhuman, unspeakable, brutalized Prussian Government would do here, if it had the chance, what it had done in Belgium, Serbia, Rumania and elsewhere. That chance, he said, had not been given because of the British fleet and the French armies.

"We civilians, you and I, who are not given a chance to go abroad, may do our work here by looking after the traitors to the country. Those here who make attacks on our allies are traitors to this nation. Some of them are found speaking on the streets and some in the columns of newspapers—some printed in German and some in English.

"I appreciate the work of the Police Commissioner and what he is doing, but I am going to beg him to see to it that the police make short shrift of these papers and of these street-talking traitors. Some of these papers and street talkers preach revolution, German propaganda, and some are for revolutionary Ireland—Sinn Feiners. They must be prevented from continuing their disloyal attacks. If they do not like this country and its Government, let them get out. This country has now no place for any but Americans, both in spirit and act.

"Young men who go to this war, we are behind you. This nation would forever be dishonored if we did not back you through to the end. We will be dishonored if we do not bring this war to an end by an overwhelming victory."

Colonel Roosevelt referred to the pacifists of the civil war in a comparison with conditions today.

"If the pacifists of the civil war had had their way we would have had peace, but we would have been fighting ever since. We have had peace for more than half a century because our fathers had iron in their blood. And now we have what is the name of that organization?" queried the Colonel to one of his friends on the platform. Then he continued: "Pacifists, Socialists, I. W. W.'s, and a whole raft of the sexless creatures, who, if they had their way, would give us their kind of peace.

"Every young man who is fit should go to this war. When he have the men—there may be 5,000,000—the hour for the end of the Hohenzollerns will strike. No matter what the cost be in blood, money, and sacrifice, we must stay in this war until we win and bring autocracy to its knees in the dust before the civilization it has offended."

Other speakers included Major Gen. J. Franklin Bell, commander of the Department of the East.