

ROOSEVELT URGES NATION TO HURRY

Wants 5,000,000 Troops in Field —Calls Chamberlain and Wood True Patriots.

BOSTON, Mass., May 2.—No man is a good citizen at this time unless, in some way, he is helping in the war, declared Theodore Roosevelt in a Liberty Loan address here tonight. Decrying "broomstick preparedness" and urging a speeding-up of all activities that will make for the peace of complete victory, the ex-President hailed "men like Senator Chamberlain and General Wood" as "true patriots at this time" because they "have fearlessly told the truth—the truth with every German official knew, but of which our own people had been kept in ignorance.

"During the last few weeks—since the great battle actually began—our Government has partially waked," said Colonel Roosevelt. "There has been a real effort to put competent men at work in at least some of the more important departments or bureaus, a real effort to hurry up the shipbuilding, a real effort to hasten the shipment of troops abroad.

"I say solemnly, unless we hurry the preparation, we may be too late," continued the speaker. He condemned as "absurdly inadequate" and as "child's play" the announcement from Washington of the impending calling of 150,000 more men by draft.

"Make it a million and a half now and announce that we intend to put five million troops in the field," he urged.

Referring to the fine spirit displayed by American soldiers in France, including some of German ancestry, Colonel Roosevelt told of a wounded youth whose cot in the hospital was opposite that of Captain Archie Roosevelt, the Colonel's son. The surgeons found that the apex of the man's heart had been shot away, and told him that if he would recover he must lie eight days without moving. "It is tough to have to wait here all that time when there is so much to be done," was the soldier's comment, and he added whimsically, "I wonder what the Kaiser would say if he knew my name. It is von Holensdorf."

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