

## MANY BRITISH SUBJECTS IN THE U. S. HAVE ENLISTED

Chicago, Feb. 16. — More than 19,000 British subjects resident in the United States have enlisted in the fighting forces of Great Britain and Canada, with the probability that the reciprocal draft agreement which has just been reached between the United States, England and Canada will cause these figures to leap upward rapidly, according to a statement made here by the British-Canadian Recruiting Mission. These figures, however, are considered low by members of the Chicago Division headquarters of the Mission which announces that there are no less than 30,000 citizens of the British Empire in the United States eligible for service.

British and Canadian subjects in this country cannot possibly escape liability for service, according to Gen-

eral W. A. White, head of the British-Canadian Recruiting Mission. As soon as congress acts favorably on the reciprocal draft agreement, he stated in a despatch to the Chicago division, the British subject will become "much more liable for service than the American."

With the announcement that the reciprocal draft agreement had been reached, the energies of the Recruiting Mission were redoubled in an effort to get as many men as possible to enlist without awaiting the draft. The Commission hopes to double the number of British enlistments in this country before the draft becomes effective.

Under the new reciprocal arrangement Chicago officials of the Commission point out that "British subjects, for the first time, are placed on an equal footing the world over." The same age limits and other conditions affecting British and Canadian subjects in their home countries, will be applied to those in the United States, making all natives of the United Kingdom who are between the ages of 20 and 40 years eligible, but subject to the same exemption rights as men living in England or Canada.

"This is a perfectly fair arrangement," said General White in his telegraphic instructions, "for it compels every man who claims British citizenship to place himself on practically the same footing as his fellow-countrymen at home."

According to General White, British subjects will be given 60 days after enactment of the reciprocal draft measure to join the English forces voluntarily. It is during this period that the Mission plans to launch a nation-wide campaign.

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### THE EX-SULTAN OF TURKEY

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Before he was taken from his palace he was refused permission to take any baggage with him. After his departure, the Young Turks searched his apartments and found forty or fifty large trunks packed ready for removal. An examination revealed that he had hidden in a secret compartment his most valuable jewels. These were later sold at auction in Paris and brought an enormous fortune.

The ex-sultan's "prison" in Salonika was the villa Allatini, a three story structure in the centre of a thick grove of pines. The grounds of the mansion were surrounded by a nine foot wall. He was carefully guarded, although every comfort was allowed him. No one was allowed to see him. Where he spent his last days is not known, but it is said that he suffered the pangs of remorse, the horrors of deadly fear of

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It will be well on in February before any large supplies of raw sugar reach Canada, and in the meantime the supply will be limited owing to the small stocks on hand.

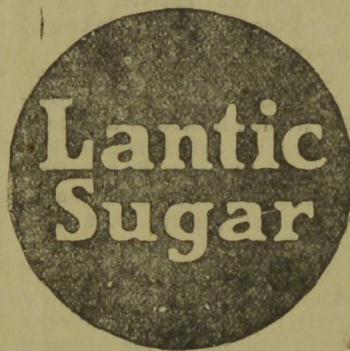
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momentary assassination and the excruciating pain of a dread disease which he had declined to permit European physicians to treat.

### NOT AFRAID OF NEW GERMAN OFFENSIVE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
London, Feb. 16. — A Russian wireless communication says:

"M. Trotzky has reported to the all-Russian central executive committee of the councils the result of the Brest-Litovsk negotiations. All parties, including the opposition groups, recognized that the decision taken by the commissioners was the only correct and dignified outcome of the newly created international situation.

"The question of the possibility of a German offensive against Russia was discussed. Nearly all present were of the opinion that it was very improbable, but uttered warnings against optimism in this direction

because the extreme annexationist groups in Germany might force the government to a new offensive.

"All the speakers expressed confidence that the masses of the peoples of Germany and Austria-Hungary would not permit new bloodshed on the Russian front for such an offensive would have the character of an open raid for plunder.

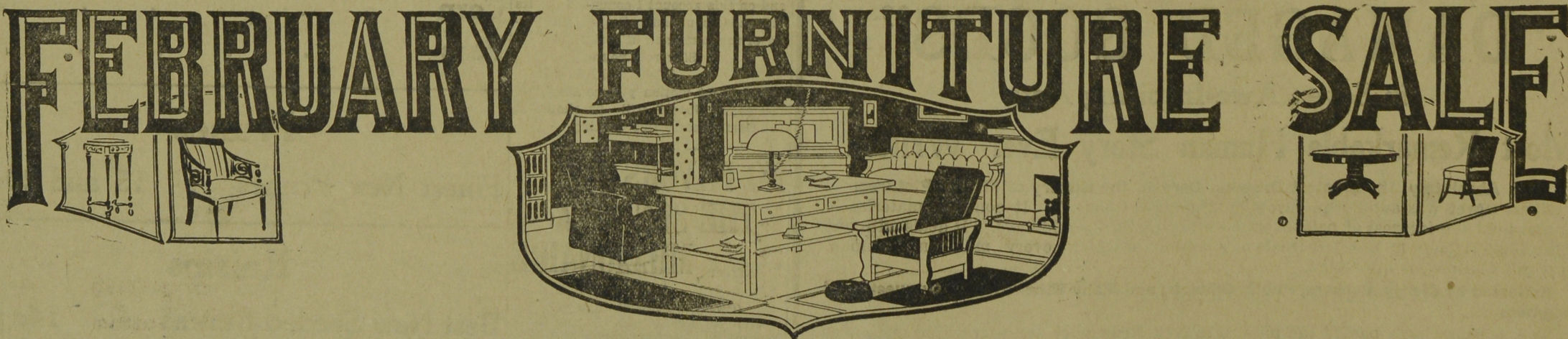
"M. Trotzky completed his report with the statement that Russia was withdrawing from the war not only in appearance but in reality, was throwing away all agreements with her for-

progress, was reserving for herself complete freedom with respect to both sides in her revolutionary policy. The councils adopted the resolution and approved the whole policy of the Brest-Litovsk delegation."



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