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Sweden in Danger

Can Sweden avoid war any longer?

Sweden has with bravery and resolution so far been neutral. The fear of being pulled into the war has never been bigger than now. The latest newspapers contain statements by Branting and Lindeman regarding fears that Russia plans to attack Sweden. When Sweden protested against the fortification of Åland, Russia replied with avoidance. Both the parliament and the public is very bitter about this. Branting expressed among other things: "If we humbly let the Russians transform these islands, which are located only 350 km from our shores, to gigantic fortresses, we will be an easy target." He hoped that fights could be avoided in a peaceful way, but explained that the socialist party is in favor of necessary defense preparations. Lindemann said: "We know that Russia's actions at Åland is not meant as a defensive act against Germany, it is the first step in a plan to attack Sweden. Russia has broken the Paris treaty, in which they promised not to fortificate the Åland islands. Russia has their eyes on our excellent harbors."

Volunteers!

Call for veterans in Kansas

A statewide appeal to veterans to join in a commissioned regiment, which now can be founded in Salina, Kansas, and which fully commended and organized will be offered as a regiment, that if the president calls for volunteers.

Give to your country the useful experience you have had. Show those criticize that patriotism still is alive. We are not in the process of organizing a border guard, but a regiment, which will be able to serve and work with honor for both the state and the nation.

There are outstanding opportunities for those who are qualified to take care of certain duties and who can give of their time for recruiting of a company.

Send your application and help with the organization of the regiment. Our regiment motto is: "Let Kansas Lead." Celebrate the country's Independence Day by an action rather than with words. Send applications to: Lewis Whisler, Acting Colonel in charge of Provisional Headquarters, Salina, Kansas.