A Square Deal for the Men at the Front.

By Theodore Roosevelt.

We should show our respect for the men at the front by more than mere adulation. They are the Americans who have done most and suffered most for this country. It was announced in the press that in many cases they and the families they have left behind have not for months received their full pay. This is an outrage. All civil officials are paid. The Secretary of War is paid and he ought not to touch a dollar of his salary and no high official should touch a dollar of his salary until the enlisted men and junior officers are paid every cent that is owing to them, and this payment should be prompt. There is literally no excuse for even so much as three days' delay in the payment.

Moreover, these men at great cost to themselves in paying everything including, in fifty or sixty thousand cases, their lives, have gone to the front at a wage from one-half to one-fifth as great as that their companions who stayed behind have received during the same period. They enlisted to do a specific job. They made the sacrifice in order to do that job. We on our side should see that just as soon as the job is done the men are taken home, allowed to leave the army and begin earning their livelihood and take care of the wives and children that the married ones among them have left behind.

Recently in the public press there have appeared various artless and chatty statements from the State, War and Navy departments that our men might be kept in Europe to do general police work and might not be brought back here until the summer of 1920. There are three types of soldiers on the other side. There are the Regular Army men, who have entered the Regular Army as a profession, and to whom it is a matt of indifference whether they stay in E rope, come back here, go to the Phil pines or do anything else. That is small proportion of our force on t other side. The bulk are divided tween volunteers, who enlisted in t National Guard or sometimes in t regular regiments to fight this w through, and the drafted men who w put into the army under a law desig to meet this war and this war only. N one in ten of the volunteers would ha dreamed of volunteering to do pol work in European squabbles. Not congressmen would have voted for Draft Law if it was to force select men to do police duty after the war v over. All these men went in to fi this war through to a finish and th to come home. It is not a square deal follow any other course as regards the The minute that peace comes ev American soldier on the other s should be brought home as speedily possible save, of course, the regul who make the Regular Army their profession, and any other man w chose to volunteer to go over, or w can with entire propriety be used gathering up the loose ends. The Am can fighting man at the front has giv this country a square deal during war. Now let the country give him square deal by letting him get out the army and go to his home as soon the war is finished. The Red Cross done wonderful work in taking care the dependents of these men pending tlement by the government, but the g ernment should not be content to r on any outside organization to make its own shortcomings.

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THE MAN HIMSELF.

Three things in the last few da have vividly recalled the personality Theodore Roosevelt—the simplicity his funeral, the farewell words he spo to M. Lauzanne of the French Hi Commission, and Darling's wonderfu imaginative drawing, "The Long Lo Trail."

The simple funeral in the villa church, without any of the pomp a circumstance that usually attend t burial of the great ones of the earth; t words quoted in the Paris Matin: "have no message to send to France. "have given her the best I had. If ov "there you speak of me, tell them simp "that I have but one regret, that I w "not able to give myself;" and the figu of the Rough Rider on his horse fro the ranges, turning in his saddle to wa farewell as he rode to join the gre caravan—these are the very essence the man.

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Georgia Man Named to Succeed Tehee as U. S. Registrar

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—President Wilson today sent to the senate the nomination of William S. Elliott of Georgia, to succeed Houston B. Teehee of Oklahoma as registrar of the treasury. Senator Owen and Gore had recommended Joe Lynch of Stillwell, Okla. Harrison has been an employe of the treasury department for many years.

Lynch was recommended for an appointment as auditor in the war department.

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