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"Right is More Precious than Peace"

DEMOCRATIC IMPUDENCE.

It seems that the western democrats are telling the people of the west that any republican success in this country is celebrated with bonfires in Berlin, and that to feel a congress as it is really an act of patriotic necessity.

THE AMERICANIZED GERMAN.

We should have the highest respect for the German born free citizen who stands true to his color and is in the front trenches today with a message of truth for his mistaken brethren across the Rhine.

GREAT BRITAIN IN THE WAR.

A few prejudiced Americans still have the temerity to ask: "What has Great Britain done in this war?" She has honored her treaty obligations with Belgium and done ten times more than she agreed to when she entered the conflict.

THE COMMUNITY TABLE.

There has been established at Northampton, Mass., a community market for the purpose of supplying the people with fresh vegetables at reasonable, or at least uniform prices.

The growers of the food are not even required to sell the goods to the community table, but merely to place them on the market.

THIS IMPROVERISHING WAR.

It is a discredit to this age that less than 150 designing men could involve 25 nations in such a senseless and devastating world-war as the present.

The population of the Central Empire which started the war for conquest, is estimated to be 147,721,000; and the 22 opposing nations have 1,349,561,000 people.

The comparative wealth is 150 billion dollars for the Central Empire against 406 billion for the Entente countries.

The seven leading belligerent nations have spent in the past four years 134 billion dollars, and the number of men lost total 1-2 million killed and 7-14 million wounded.

The total cost of all the wars fought since the American Revolution, the aggregate fighting period covering sixty years, was only \$23,000,000,000, making the expenditures of the present war for only four years six times greater.

This is from a careful computation made by R. E. Whittlesley, chief statistician of the bond department of the Equity Trust Company, New York.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Charles Schwab irritates the Kaiser. He is a bigger man.

The Americans are credited with putting a new flax in flames!

Potsdam may not be worth a damn and by. This is a forecast.

The Hun rhines as a fire-bug. He doesn't fail to burn each village as he runs.

An autocrat will not permit the truth, therefore he becomes the victim of liars.

Receiving a week's mail on one day shows that mail matter has a way of launching up.

Pretty words may not win the war, but they improve the bouquet thrown at the Kaiser.

It has been legally decided that a Liberty bond is dependable in the courts for bail.

The Kaiser cannot keep his courage up by whistling. He has to have a big bodyguard.

The Germans indulge in self-pity if they do think it is poor stuff to ladle out to other folks.

There is many a healthy man who will feel like an invalid if the draft age is raised to 45.

Hindenburg must have discovered that forcing the Entente has ceased to be a successful work.

The way some stock is rising has given rise to the maxim: "You can't keep a good trust down."

Among the footwear sent to the Belgians were dancing pumps. Sympathy leads to strange deeds.

The war upon the Mormons is a little siskin now that our whole occupation is given to the Huns.

If we reduce the coal miners by conscription another 50,000 our coal prospects will not be improved.

The American way is to keep things moving. Admiral Sims says a dreadnaught is not a ferry boat.

It doesn't make any difference which way the Huns are running, the home report always says they are winning.

A half million soldiers have had their teeth fixed up by the dentists. Uncle Sam's army doesn't lack teeth.

The observer at the listening post says: "The West Main street hill improvement looks too thin to be permanent."

When the Finns sent the Kaiser a Liberty cross he must have noticed it was not the kind of a cross he distributes.

Why refer to the Crown Prince as Mr. Rafface. He is not to blame for his fate. His conceit is what he must answer for!

When we shout "The Stars and Stripes forever," we include that happy sheet printed somewhere in France as well as the flag.

Opponents of Henry Ford say it's not right to take a four-cylindered car to take a four-cylindered captain of industry and make a one-cylindered statesman of him.

The men who got some of that 50 million of German money spent to keep this country out of war are trying to show now that it was a patriotic act!

The Bulletin congratulates the Western Sun upon the celebration of its 35th anniversary. It is a paper which has lived because it espoused living causes, was faithful in its presentation of the news, and deserved the confidence and patronage it has enjoyed from the people and the business houses of Western. It has reason to be proud of its ideals and its success is still secure under the guidance of Mr. George B. Utter, the present managing editor.

CONSULTING THE WEATHER MAN

"Always consult the weather man before you go touring with a party of women," said the tall motorist as he reached for the garage man's pipe wrench. "If there are signs in the office of anything but sunny skies, keep the car tied up at its dock."

"Let us help you," volunteered a woman in the party. "I see by some English statistics that three women are as good as two men at industrial pursuits. If putting up the top is a pursuit, we'll save the car for you."

"Well, the five women and the one man who was I got busy and I proved conclusively that five women are not as good as two men when it comes to putting up an auto top."

"By that time it was raining hard and I discovered that most of the side curtains were at home. Two women were fearful of their hats and the other three were dreading the ruination of their gowns. The fact that their hats and gowns were already beyond hope of salvation made no difference. It proved to me that a woman can't see the logic of not crying over spilled milk. In the case of my wife's hat and gown I was the one to weep, I felt."

"Then the storm broke out for fair. We had the finest display of electrical things I ever saw. And the thunder was magnificent for its volume. "But the girls! One of them uttered a sharp cry every time a peal of thunder rattled the air. That was dangerous for the others to display various kinds of hysteria. One advised me to drive like mad on the theory that a fast moving object is harder to hit. Another suggested that she hold the car at a standstill. Her idea was that in making speed we'd run into a bolt of lightning that we might have missed otherwise."

"Two other women fainted, as was their custom under like conditions, and they gave no further trouble. If my five passengers had passed in a coma, I don't know if I would have saved my car. But a regular feminine trait in women showed itself then and I came out all right. It seems to be the instinct of women to forget everything and so to the assistance of their fainting sisters. Those three conscious guests of mine became so excited in resuscitating the fainting ones that I had them home before they knew it. That favors you."

"It shows me nothing," said the garage man. "I was there like that myself one time."—Chicago News.

STORIES OF THE WAR

The Americans Got 350 Prisoners. Raymond Carroll with the American Army writes the New York Times:

The American forces in the forward positions holding the south bank of the Marne and others acting at Vaux (west of Chateau-Thierry) were engaged early on Monday morning in repelling their part of the savage attack in the new German offensive. The net result of these operations was nearly 250 prisoners, together with the defeat of the German plans.

Undoubtedly the attack upon the heavier attack upon the French positions farther eastward. For a time it looked as if the Germans might succeed. Following a terrific bombardment of our lines the Germans crossed the Marne from a point on the north bank. There is a dam at this point.

According to an eye-witness account— They had been sending over gas shells with high explosives before they started across the river. There must have been 1,300 of them wading through the water. To the right of my company they used boats. Those in front of us rushed the railway running parallel with the river where our main defence lines extended.

We fought it out for two hours in pitch darkness, when we were ordered to drop back to prepared positions. Twice we counter-attacked and took prisoners. Another combatant says:— I was with my platoon in reserve when we were ordered up to counter-attack. We lost our platoon leader, so I led the men, and when I was hit, I told the boys to go and never mind me. They did and took many prisoners.

A third, a private, tells the following story:— I was digging trenches between the railway and the river bank. There must have been 1,300 of them wading through the water. To the right of my company they used boats. Those in front of us rushed the railway running parallel with the river where our main defence lines extended.

With my patrol I got down to the river at 10 o'clock the night before, and rested quiet there till midnight, when his individual share in the refusal. But he wanted his position to be made perfectly clear. No one could feel more strongly than he the unfairness in the working of the voluntary system in a great national effort and its inadequacy to meet any great national emergency.

Lieutenant Quentin Roosevelt, youngest son of the ex-President who is attached to one of the Army squadrons in France, became detached from his flight while in the region of Chateau-Thierry July 16th. For some moments he was entirely lost, but at last, seeing three aeroplanes in flight, he joined them from behind, only to discover from the rudder marks of the machine he was following that he had attached himself to the enemy.

Nothing daunted, he gave battle and after firing 50 rounds into the tail of the rear machine saw it spin towards the ground. He returned safely to his aeroplanes having brought down, though yet without official confirmation, his first German.—The London Times.

GLEANNED FROM FOREIGN EXCHANGES

In the quiet celebration of the silver wedding of the King and Queen there has been kept a happy memory. The rejoicings suitable to a time of great national strain have been attended by just so much grave pageantry as marks the occasion of more than private interest.

The note of the ceremonies has been that of the sympathetic and even loving interest the people have in the unsmiling home life of the Royal Family. That was well expressed in the two Houses of Parliament on Monday.

"There has never been an occasion," said Lord Curzon "in the long and illustrious history of the British throne in which the life of the monarch has been in closer harmony with those conceptions of simplicity, self-discipline, and devotion to duty which are among the most deeply cherished ideals of our people."

Mr. Asquith spoke for us all in the just and eloquent tribute which he paid to President Wilson at the 25th anniversary of his birth on Wednesday. We recognize in President Wilson the man of the guiding hand and the driving will, the man of "the steady and the dispassionate," who has done more than any other statesman of the Allies to concentrate the mind of the world on "the enthronement of the idea of public right" as the highest aim of those who are at war with the German tyranny.

French correspondents have been chaffing making the hair rise on the head of the man in the street by describing the dimensions, power and carrying capacity of the "new giant Göttha." The British airman is a Bleriot who "flies low and says nuffin." But, taking all the figures into consideration, the German terror, it is probably safe to say that if you set the pilot of one of our big machines to outdo, to outfly on the level, to pack up on his own machine and away with one of our new giant Götthas he could do it without turning a hair.—London Chronicle.

In the weekly Deutsche Politik of June 18 Herr Paul Rohrbach published a fiery appeal for greater confidence in Germany's Eastern destinies. The doubts and anxieties about Russia which have found concentrated expression in the "Frankfurter Zeitung" have been madly accumulated, and "Easterners" like Rohrbach are very anxious now to whip up fresh enthusiasm.

Rohrbach begins with a long dissertation on the weakness of German policy and its lack of inspiration. He represents the Germans as frightened by the "colossal power" which they find themselves, and as unable to escape from old diplomatic superstitions. For example:— "If only we had learned our lesson earlier and understood what bigoted and elementary force mean in politics how freely might we now be sailing in the East instead of toiling at the oars or not even leaving the anchorage at all!"

Everything is moving and in a state of flux, and we could master it all if only our judgment of forces were accurate. If we could cling to old ideas and if we could simply reach our decisions by choosing the current that will carry us forward.

There is then an extremely odd passage which shows exactly the part assigned to the Bolsheviks in Germany's Eastern policy:— "The Bolsheviks are gradually getting into trouble. What is their attitude? For the present there is for us no greater interest in the East than the interest of maintaining Bolshevism. Many people have the curious idea of wanting to conclude a commercial treaty with Bolshevism. If anybody expects any benefit from it, it all means let him fall to the Bolsheviks about commercial treaties of similar things; it will do no harm, for what the Bolsheviks are doing for us is something much greater than that."

They are ruining Great Britain; they are destroying absolutely the very roots of any possible danger from Russia in the future. They have already.

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Other View Points. If you want the latest reliable news from the war front depend absolutely upon the Associated Press and those daily papers that are served by it.

The landing of American troops in Arnhem is an event that contains the promise of great results. The Russian people have confidence in America and realize that she acts from motives of friendship and a sincere desire to do that which is best for them without territorial or other recompense.

There is now England along the coast there is some demand for builders, but in the inland towns there is little activity. At New York and Philadelphia building is going on, but the supply of builders at New York is sufficient and Philadelphia has a few carpenters to spare.

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