

It's a Barbarous World. Cruelty, Brutality, Hate. No Words, No Thought. Watch Ford in 1924.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE (Copyright 1922.)

WHAT a barbarous world it is. Casually reading your newspaper you learn of seven more men shot by the Free State in Ireland, four more to be shot soon. It recalls Cromwell's "I shot every tenth man, the rest I sent to the galleys; the monks, I knocked on the head." Cromwell pacified Ireland for a while, not permanently.

UNEXPURGATED details of the Greek executions would make you shudder, if anything could in these days. One statesman, dying, drugged that he might stand up to be shot. Another, dead in advance of heart failure, was propped up in line and shot. All the bodies thrown in the mud and relatives told to drag the muddy corpses home.

In the line-up of men murdered by public hate, because Greece lost the war against Turkey, were four live men, one half dead, one dead. The living showed courage. All, including the dead man, answered nothing to the question: "Have you anything to say?" One man calmly polished his monocle, another lit a cigarette—then the rifles did the rest.

It was not quite as bad as the killing in Henry the Fourth's time of the Queen's Italian favorite in Paris. They dragged his body from corner to corner, and some in the mob cooked and ate part of it. We improve, but slowly.

A BOMB is found in the palace yard of quiet, well-meaning King George. He has no power, never hurt anybody, couldn't if he wanted to. If his people decide they don't want him, he is ready to go. Why should any one want to bomb him?

THERE are election riots in Mexico. Kidnapping of American citizens by hooded men. A member of the Belgian cabinet challenges a former prime minister to a duel.

There are anti-Semitic riots and killings in Rumania. In South Russia, very sensibly, the Jews have organized an army of 500,000 for their own defense, and pokrom leaders are less enthusiastic.

About a dozen radicals are killed by the Fascisti in Italian riots. Some, not killed, are forced to drink one pint of castor oil each, rather worse than death. And so it goes. It's a barbarous world and savage, and he is lucky who can find a peaceful spot within it.

We should be grateful for our comparative security here, and keep in shape to preserve it.

BALFOUR, in a Gofford lecture, at Glasgow, admits his belief in telepathy—transference of thought from one mind to another, without words, writing or contact. This means that Lord Balfour, like Sir Oliver Lodge, is getting old, losing his critical powers—too much impressed with pseudo-phenomena that deceive him.

THOUGHT itself is impossible without words. Stop now and try to think, without putting the thought in words, inside your brain. You cannot do it.

Emotion can pass from one brain to another, written in the face—ask young people.

But there is no thought without language. No trace of thought without words, written or spoken. Divine wisdom surely would not have created this cumbersome material universe had it been possible to simplify the thing by letting spirit deal directly with spirit. Force cannot act without matter, spirit cannot act without force of matter. Write that on your tablets.

BERLIN hears that Henry Ford is backing, financially, the Bavarian anti-Semitic leader, Hitler. He is said to have unlimited cash and to display Henry Ford's portrait in his office. The Berlin Tageblatt asks the American Am-

Drug Victim's Widow Writes Own Story of Misery That Ended in Mate's Suicide—Page 3.

The Weather Snow or rain today; tomorrow fair and warmer; moderate winds.



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MRS. BRUNEN FREED, MOHR CONVICTED

FARM BLOC DEFEATED IN FIGHT ON SHIP SUBSIDY; CUNO, IN FIRST INTERVIEW, TELLS GERMAN NEEDS

LIFE SENTENCE URGED BY JURY FOR CONVICTED CIRCUS BOSS

Widow Cleared After Strong Charge from Judge, Tearing the Evidence Into Pieces

APPEAL OF CASE PROBABLE

Daughter of Brunen Assailed by Defense Attorney for Turning on Her Stepmother

By Universal Service.

MT. HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 20.—Mrs. Doris Brunen tonight was acquitted and her brother, Harry C. Mohr, was found guilty of murder in the first degree in connection with the slaying of Mrs. Brunen's husband, "Honest John" Brunen, circus owner.

The jury recommended that Mohr be sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor. DATE FOR SENTENCE.

Sentence will be passed upon Mohr January 9, Judge Kallisch announced. At 8:20 o'clock, after deliberating less than three hours, the jury announced itself ready to report. Mohr and the slain carnival man's widow turned expectant eyes upon the twelve inscrutable faces, buoyed up, as they had been, by the judge's charge, which seemed to indicate both might be acquitted.

As Mohr's emotional wife, Bessie, heard the pronouncement of the guilt of her husband she wrung her hands helplessly and then pressed them to her ears, as though to shut out the sentence.

Mrs. Brunen's happiness at the acquittal gave way to concern for her condemned brother and then, as the State troopers led him away, she swooned for the first time during the trial. In falling her head struck a chair and she was attended by the jail physician. When she revived she became hysterical and begged to be taken to her brother in jail, and was escorted there.

WILL MAKE APPEAL. Walter S. Keown, counsel for the defense, indicated he would ask for a new trial for Mohr.

Mohr had been so sure of acquittal he laughed and talked as he awaited the return of the jury and ate a hearty lunch his wife had brought to him.

Mrs. Brunen refused food while awaiting the verdict, saying her (Continued on Page 3, Column 3.)

"Mexican" Tea Shop Planned By Mrs. Brunen

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 20. WHEN the jury retired to consider her fate and that of her brother, Mrs. Doris Brunen said this afternoon: "As soon as I am acquitted I'll take my pet cat and go straight to Philadelphia and stay there with my mother for about a week. "Then I think I'll open up a Mexican tea shop in New York or Philadelphia."

AUDITOR IS MISSING; WOMAN SUSPECTED

Police Fear Foul Play in Disappearance of Bradford G. Marsh.

Police are searching for a woman in connection with the mysterious disappearance Tuesday night of Bradford G. Marsh, forty-three years old, who resided with his mother at 3711 Fourteenth street northwest.

Marsh, an auditor employed by the War Finance Corporation, is said to have had approximately \$100 besides several pieces of jewelry with him at the time he disappeared. He left home early Tuesday night to purchase Christmas presents.

Little could be learned about the suspected woman last night. Police say the mother was unable to describe her.

Following the disappearance, a canvas was made by the authorities of jewelry stores in the vicinity of Marsh's home. As far as could be learned, he had not carried out his intention of Christmas shopping.

Tenth precinct police are working on the theory that he was killed or drugged, thrown into an automobile and after being robbed, abandoned on some lonely country road. Authorities of Maryland and Virginia are scouring the roads.

Before coming to Washington, Marsh was connected with the Red Cross Society in New York. Washington authorities have communicated with the New York police.

SERIOUS RIOTS REPORTED AGAINST RUMANIAN JEWS BELGRADE, Dec. 20.—Serious anti-Jewish riots are reported from many parts of Rumania.

At Bucharest, the national capital, the chief of police was seriously injured during an outbreak. The universities have all been closed.

BONAR LAW IMPROVED. LONDON, Dec. 20.—The condition of Premier Bonar Law, who has been confined to his room with a heavy cold, was reported improved tonight.

BILL GAINS AS ROW SPLITS LAND GROUP

Dissension Presages Failure of Effort to Supplant Legislation.

NORRIS ASSAILED BY LADD

Senator Accused of Merely "Posing" As Friend of Farmer.

By Universal Service.

Dissension among the farm bloc Senators over the form of farm credits legislation they want enacted improved the status of the ship subsidy bill in the Senate yesterday.

The lack of unity among the members of the bloc has become so decisive that defeat of the Norris motion to displace the subsidy bill for the \$100,000,000 co-operative marketing bill is now conceded.

NORRIS ATTACKED. Senator Jones, in charge of the subsidy measure, is prepared to force a vote on the Norris motion before the Friday adjournment in order to get it out of the way.

The disagreement in the farm bloc reached a climax yesterday when Senator Ladd of North Dakota assailed the Norris bill and sharply criticized Senator Norris for assuming the role of "friend of the farmer."

He called attention to the fact that Norris blocked adoption of the Henry Ford offer for development of Muscle Shoals, which he regarded as in the farmers' interest. Senator Ladd also asserted that if Ford had not come forward with his offer to take over Muscle Shoals and develop it for the manufacture of fertilizers, the entire property would have been scrapped by the War Department, plans for the scrapping having been already approved.

The Senator said that by holding up acceptance of Ford's proposal Norris had done the farming industry a great injury.

The tiff between the two members of the farm bloc aroused a great deal of interest and made it certain that Norris will be unable to count upon the votes of all members of the bloc when his motion is voted upon.

FILIBUSTER CONTINUES. The Democratic filibuster against the subsidy bill was continued with speeches by Harrison, of Mississippi, and Heflin, of Alabama. Harrison devoted most of his time to discussion of the tariff, while Heflin discoursed on the price of cotton.

Shortly before adjournment, Harrison made an effort to obtain an agreement for a vote on the Norris motion next Wednesday. Senator Jones objected to the request, because he is confident he will be able to force the question to a vote earlier than that, and will be able to defeat the motion when it is called up.

Defeat of the Norris motion would assure continuance of the subsidy bill in its present privileged status. Senator Jones said he would willingly give way to the consideration of a real rural credits bill when one is reported, but regarded the Norris bill as merely a subterfuge to delay the subsidy legislation.

Harding Sends Xmas Message To All Children

By Universal Service. NEW YORK, Dec. 20. PRESIDENT HARDING today sent to the Santa Claus Association, which handles letters written to Santa Claus by poor children, the following greeting: "Santa Claus Association, New York. "Merry Christmas to the children of the United States. "WARREN G. HARDING."

IRREGULARS WRECK TRAINS IN IRELAND

Rail Service Suspended Owing to Violence; Store Keeper Shot in Dublin.

By DENNIS O'CONNELL, Universal Service Staff Correspondent. DUBLIN, Dec. 20.—Republicans tonight derailed a train on the Great Northern Railway near Dundee. The limited mail train crashed into the wreck and is reported to have burned.

Train service has been suspended for the present in order to avoid further crashes.

Early this morning several armed men entered the grocery store of James O'Dwyer, a former member of the Dull and prominent advocate of peace, and shot him dead. One bullet pierced O'Dwyer's heart.

Five irregulars entered the store at a time when several customers were present. They opened fire, riddling the place with bullets. A number of women customers collapsed in fright. The assassins escaped in an automobile.

There is consternation in Dublin over the attack and it is declared that reprisals by the Free Staters are sure to follow.

Employers Agree On Increase for Potters

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 20.—Committees of the National Brotherhood of Operative Potters, representing the men, and the United States Potters' Association, representing the employers, meeting here to adjust wage difficulties, reached an agreement today which called for an increase of 4-15 per cent for the men of the general ware branch of the pottery industry.

The conference had been in session three days.

Irish Republicans Send Secret Mission to Pope

DUBLIN, Dec. 20.—The Irish Republicans have sent a secret mission to Rome to attempt an audience with the Pope, it was learned today.

The Republicans hope to secure cancellation of the bishops' pastoral against the Republicans. It is understood Dr. Conn Murphy and Arthur Clery head the mission.

Japan to Study Liquor Prohibition in America

TOKYO, Dec. 20.—Agitation for the abolition of alcoholic drinks is reaching sizeable proportions. It is understood that the Japanese government is considering sending a commission to the United States to study the prohibition enforcement regulations in force there.

CLEMENCEAU LAUDS WOMEN OF AMERICA

"Tiger" and Cecile Sorel, Noted Beauty, Join in Praise.

"NATION HALF FEMININE"

Two of France's Greatest Figures Return From United States.

By BASIL D. WOOD, Special Wireless to Universal Service.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Two of France's greatest personalities came home today—Georges Clemenceau and Cecile Sorel.

Getting away from world politics for the moment, here is what these two famous personages had to say about American women.

"The American people owe much to the superiority of their women. In no other country are these feminine qualities so prominent as in the United States," said M. Clemenceau.

"Nowhere else have women been so useful and so essential in the moral and intellectual progress or played a role so considerable in the upbuilding of the nation.

"I like and admire these remarkable women, not only for their intelligence and prodigious activity, but also for the noble ideas they have so courageously followed. They have the gift of love and of admiration, and it is a precious gift."

Cecile Sorel, France's famous beauty, said: "The American woman is unique. Despite a preponderance of men, half of America is feminine, whereas in France, despite a preponderance of women four-fifths of France is masculine."

What struck me most was the extraordinary solidarity of the American women. They seem all one big family. They move as one in any movement for the betterment of the human race. They are not bisected as in France by petty quarrels and jealousies.

INSPIRATION TO WED. They realize that their mission in life includes something more than motherhood; that they besides must be inspiration to their men companions so the race may be elevated and ennobled.

Now that I have seen and known American women I understand the greatness of America. Your high society is as truly well-bred as was France's and England's fifty years ago—before it became the mode for our duchesses to imitate minnettes.

It is in America that true aristocracy is to be found.

Pig's Eye Expected to Restore Sight To Youth Blinded for Nine Years

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 20.—A remarkable operation will be performed here within a week by Dr. Edward Morgan, eye specialist, who plans to restore sight to Alfred Lemonowicz, eighteen years of age, by putting a pig's eye into his head.

The proposed operation came to light when Chief Justice James F. Minturn granted the application of Abraham Klerner, attorney, to appoint Joseph Burke as "next friend" to Lemonowicz so that Burke might bring a suit against

Slur on Women By Harvey Stirs Heflin's Wrath

By Universal Service. COMMENTING upon Ambassador George Harvey's recent speech in London in which he questioned whether woman possesses a soul, Senator Heflin, of Alabama, in the Senate yesterday declared: "If I had been President when Harvey made that statement, I would have recalled him by cable. "Why not simply dismiss him and let him stay there?" inquired Caraway of Arkansas. "Well, I would have done it in the way that would humiliate him most," Heflin replied.

BRITAIN TO SETTLE U. S. ENTIRE DEBT

Chancellor of Exchequer to Arrange Definitely Manner of Making Payments.

By Universal Service. Special Cable Dispatch.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Ambassador Harvey leaves for America Saturday, carrying a trunk full of data on the outstanding European questions from which he will advise the administration on the trend of affairs.

Colonel Harvey declares that he was called home by Secretary Hughes but was not informed as to the cause for summons and does not know how long he will stay.

It is learned on highest authority that Britain is firmly resolved to pay her entire debt to America in cash. Chancellor of the Exchequer Baldwin and Sir Henry Norman, governor of the Bank of England, have been authorized to confer with Secretary Mellon's debt commission and settle definitely the manner of payment of Britain's \$5,000,000,000 debt to the United States.

It is understood that the chancellor of the exchequer accepts the principle of funding the loan for twenty-five years with interest at 4 1/2 per cent but will attempt to obtain easier terms.

Universal Service understands that Ambassador Harvey probably will advise the Government against a loan to Germany until the European inter-allied debt questions are settled.

BONAR LAW A GRANDDAD. LONDON, Dec. 20.—Premier Bonar Law became a grandfather for the first time tonight. A son was born to Lady Sykes, the premier's daughter.

This is the first time Dr. Cuno has talked to a foreign correspondent. He believes the economic situation in Germany is so grave and the international phase so delicate that too much talk might tend to add new obstacles.

He said one could hardly speak of the "results" of the London conference, but he declined to comment on what may or may not develop at the continuation of the conference in Paris January 2.

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SEEKS DIRECT DEALING WITH AMERICA AND OTHER NATIONS

Germany Ready to Go Limit of Her Economic Capacity on Reparations, He Avers

SUGGESTS ARBITRATION

Declares Report of Impartial Commission Would Help in Winning General Confidence

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND, Special Cable to Universal Service.

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—Germany does not wish to confine herself to explanations and declarations of economic and financial impotence. She is ready by deeds and sacrifices to cooperate for a satisfactory solution of the reparations problem with all the energy an exhausting war and the weakening effects of the post-war period have left to the nation.

Reports to the contrary notwithstanding, German industries and the big financial interests are solidly behind the government in its efforts to arrive at adjustment of the problem which is keeping all Europe in turmoil.

That is what Chancellor Cuno told me today.

"But," he added, "positive results are hardly achievable as long as both parties to the case confine themselves to rendering monologues in their own respective countries and to talking back and forth in speeches and newspapers instead of entering fruitful discussion through direct negotiations.

"A report by a third party—some outsider—might be an alternative. Germany is willing to consider such an effort to bridge the gulf between her incapacity to fulfill the terms of the Versailles treaty and the insistence of France upon fulfillment."

WANTS DIRECT DEALING. Chancellor Cuno regretted that the recent London conference did not choose a method of direct dealing to which every debtor is entitled, and which course, said Dr. Cuno, "is an advantageous for the creditor as for the debtor."

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