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The Morning of the Fourth Day Finds Scoop in Need of Rest

By "Hop"



LIGHTS AND SHADOWS OF THE WAR

Correspondence of the Associated Press

PARIS, Nov. 3.—The subjoined curious communication written on thick official-looking folio paper without any indication of its origin has been delivered by messenger at the office of the Agence Havas, the principal news agency in France:

THE UNITED STATES AS THE PRIZE FOR SETTLEMENT OF THE PRESENT EUROPEAN CONFLICT.

It is stated on high authority that suggestions have been made in the diplomatic circles of European countries declaring that the easiest solution and the one most acceptable to all the warring nations would be the partition among them of the United States of America. The United States of America are a most inviting prize as compensation for the sacrifices rendered by these nations, and an arrangement on the basis of the respective relations of the different nations is surprisingly practicable.

So far from being a visionary scheme for a solution of this great world conflict, the fact is only too apparent that only a small part of the effort expended in the sanguinary struggle now raging would have sufficed to satisfy all nations in their respective ambitions.

A noted diplomat expressed his surprise that this idea of the partition of the United States had not emerged sooner, because the land is so largely made up of the constituency of all the warring nations.

The tentative plan to satisfy thus the national ambitions of the European countries at war, instead of prolonging the internecine struggle, is broadly outlined as follows:

Great Britain is to occupy New England, Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

France is to get the French parts of Eastern Canada and the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Kentucky.

Germany is to occupy the states of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota.

Japan is to take the Pacific coast; the states of Oregon, Upper and Lower California.

Mexico is to be compensated for Lower California by ceding to it Arizona, New Mexico and part of Texas.

Russia will receive Alaska.

"The Panama canal will be declared free, whilst the western states, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Washington, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah and Colorado will be consolidated into an imperial crown-domain of the German empire.

"Though these 'satisfactions' are to be acquired in a concerted campaign, each of the several nations is to effect the occupation of its own allotted territory.

"Thus, it is claimed, would best be met the rights and interests of the different nations of old Europe, as it would safeguard their nationals under their respective flags.

"Whatever be said about this bold solution, it should be appreciated that in many ways it is more feasible than the three successive partitions of Poland, which nevertheless are historic facts.

"Truth is sometimes stranger than fiction. This alleged tentative understanding of the powers at war may be relegated to imaginative fiction, but it is surely not stranger than the sober truth, and it might easily take its form."

ON VISIT TO MOTHER

Hugh H. Brown and R. Fred Brown left this morning for Napa county, California, where they will visit their mother tomorrow. She is undergoing treatment at the St. Helena sanitarium and will be 72 years of age tomorrow.

BUYING HAY

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