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THE KAISER'S DREAM

The ex-kaiser had a rude, a tragic awakening from his dream. In that dream he visualized world empire for himself, the nations bowing down before him and bringing him annual tribute.

He awoke to find himself powerless, pauperized and an outcast, the trappings of royalty torn from him, his navy gone, his merchant marine gone, his country's trade gone and economic ruin staring it in the face.

What adds an intense bitterness to the cup is that his great army, which he spent fifty years of an active and a tireless life to build up, is reduced to a paltry 100,000 soldiers, useless for conquest, revenge or recuperation.

He believed so strongly and firmly in himself and the invincibility of the German sword that he was wont to comment on the mistakes of Julius Caesar, Philipp of Macedon and Alexander the Great, always insisting that he would be chargeable with no such errors.

World empire he considered within his grasp; the logic of the situation insured it to him. His country was rich and prosperous, and growing richer and stronger every year.

Then his doom was sealed. His people did not think so, and much of the world did not think so. Many of his deluded people fail or refuse to realize the truth even at this time.

The ingrained and grounded faith of fifty years is like the old idea of the elephant's joints, "Not made for flexure," and will not bend. The great shock came; the irresistible force impinged on the immovable body, and the world's wreckage showed him the fragile nature of his dream picture.

His poisoned gases and poisoned propaganda, his subtle assassins and all his scientific fiendishness availed him nothing, and with an army of 8,000,000 men he was helpless, naked and defenseless, and had to seek security in flight and concealment from the eyes of men.

His dominions have been reduced, dismembered and sequestered, and his crown thrown into the scrap heap, and instead of being a world conqueror, he stands at bay as the great world criminal. His beautiful dream has had a rude ending.

All men of imagination have dreams—night dreams and day dreams; but perhaps to no other man came dreams and visions of the night as they came to William Hohenzollern. And no one had such a tragic awakening. Pity? No! The pitiless deserve no pity, and receive none. His ideals seem to have been the duke of Alva and Attila, "the scourge of God," and the name of either of these may be used "to point a moral or adorn a tale."

He is universally contemned, hated and despised, and the hostile thoughts of millions of people sending their arrows against him from all angles and points of the compass must make of the atmosphere that surrounds him a shirt of Nessus, to annoy and torture him. What is to be done with him the high court before which he will be tried must determine; but no punishment can expiate his crimes.

One thing is certain: his dream of empire is over, never to return, and his partnership with God is dissolved. Young men dream dreams and old men see visions, and the vision which William now beholds is tragically terrifying.

THE BOLSHEVIST CREED

Red carnage, rapine and slaughter have marked the way of the Bolshevists since they emerged from obscurity and came to the surface. What do they want? What is their purpose? What is their creed?

They have not taken much pains to inform the world, yet they have a creed which they blindly follow. It is economic and political. This creed was "made in Germany," or rather in London, when its chief architect, Karl Marx, moved there somewhere about 1867, when his book, "Das Kapital," appeared.

Marx was a German of great learning, but who, being opposed to things as they are, was looked upon as a monster. He could not find a publisher for his book, and it was not translated into English until 1887. Every scholar and student must consider himself wanting who has not read this wonderful book. The Bolshevists do not literally follow the Marxian teachings.

Summarized, it teaches that every human being brought into the world is entitled to the necessities of life, food, clothing and shelter. Labor produces all wealth, and should be first served, and the laborer who produces the necessities should rule government and every agency of production.

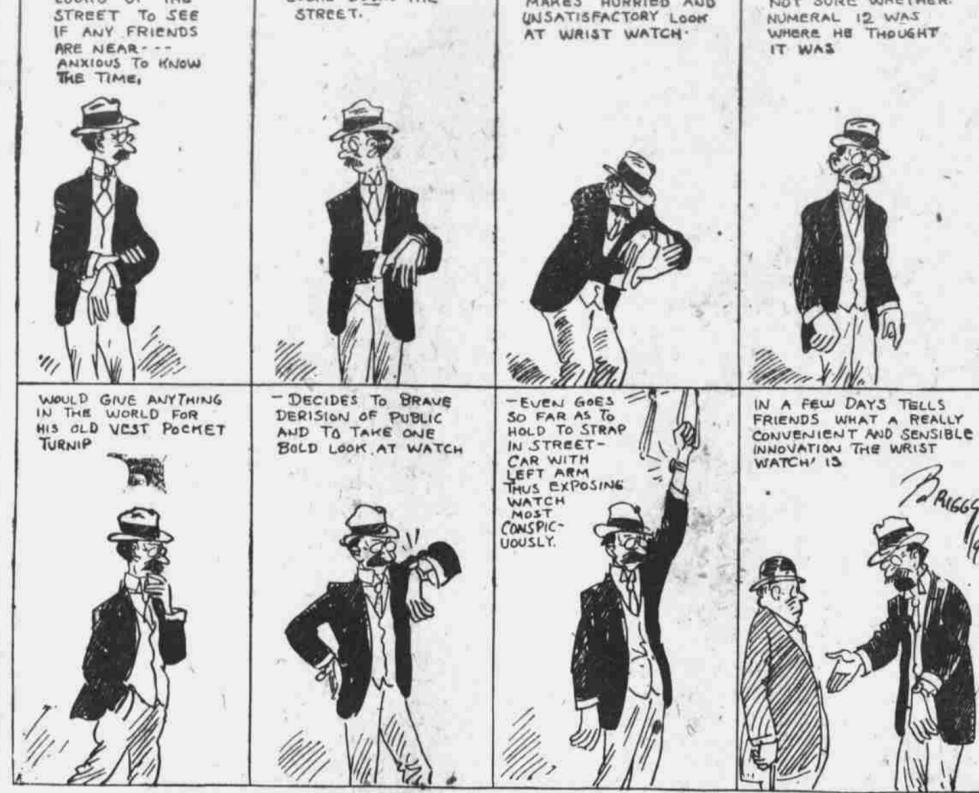
There is enough for everyone, and enough is all anyone is entitled to or should have. When anyone takes more than enough so that he may hoard and accumulate and create capital he is robbing someone or many.

Land is the gift of God and should be free to those who cultivate it and produce the necessities of life. It is a very simple creed and makes strong appeal to the Russians, who have been long robbed and oppressed, and are obsessed by an idealism that proves an ignis fatuus to them. In desperate times of famine or pestilence the necessities of law are thrown aside, and private ownership ceases. What belongs to one belongs to all, and the Bolshevists carry this doctrine into everyday life. The Bolsheviki have gone back to the mental attitude of primordial man, when the world and its wealth were open and free to everyone, and where the strong took from the weak. The strong still take from the weak, but in modern times we do it politely and under rules which we have enacted into laws.

Plant that garden. A little late maybe; but in plenty of time to produce results. Dutch timber experts say Wilhelm Hohenzollern is worth about 50 cents a day as a wood chopper, but less than that as a war prophet.

Movie of a Man With His First Wrist Watch—By Briggs

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Twice Told Tales

10 Years Ago Today in Memphis.

MAY 19, 1909. Oscar Hammerstein was in Berlin and had completed arrangements for the New York production of "Elektra," which it was predicted was going to be the hit of the season in the American metropolis.

Word from Washington was that a big row in the regular army was impending. Bureau chiefs and general staffs were at loggerheads.

Mrs. John Rockefeller, wife of the money king, was seriously ill at Hot Springs, Ark., according to reports reaching Memphis.

A local tornado struck the northern part of Fayette county, Tennessee, doing considerable damage. The church was blown down and many of the congregation injured.

Secretary of State Knox was preparing to send an ultimatum to Turkey ordering that the wholesale slaying of innocent persons be stopped.

Wind reached a velocity of 53 miles an hour in Memphis and the mercury dropped to 82 degrees, considerable minor damage done, such as broken windows, rent awnings and signs blown down.

Metellus L. Selden, one of the best known attorneys in the Epworth League, died at his home, 535 Beale avenue. He was with Forrest in the summer of his last year.

The White City opened the summer season at East End park, in spite of the Methodist and other petty annoyances.

In a collision between the big automobile of W. E. Gage and P. Van Vleet, the two little children of Mrs. Gage were injured.

Leaguers Will See Original Pictures Of War's Progress

The third annual conference of the Memphis district Epworth League will open at the Highland Heights Methodist church at 10 o'clock.

Dr. Elmer T. Clark, of Nashville, who was a war correspondent, will lecture on "The European conditions in the Epworth League." The Epworth League will be illustrated with stereoscopic views personally collected by him while in France, Belgium, England, Ireland and Scotland in 1917 and 1918.

Dr. Clark is director of publicity for the Methodist war campaign. The lecture will be followed by a social given by the Epworth League of Highland Heights.

Saturday morning Mrs. E. M. Clegg, of Newbern, Tenn., will give an address on "Mission in the Epworth League." Joseph Fowler, director of the centenary drive for the Memphis district, will speak on "The Centenary of the Epworth League."

W. E. Ellis, of Capleville, Tenn., will give an address on "A Million Thunders in the Epworth League." The Epworth League will be illustrated with stereoscopic views personally collected by him while in France, Belgium, England, Ireland and Scotland in 1917 and 1918.

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INSPECTOR MUST PASS ON YAM PLANT SHIPMENTS

Owing to difficulty in the shipment of sweet potato plants, due to the quarantine regulations in connection with the commerce bureau of farm development has been asked to aid the shippers in this territory and has taken the matter up with G. M. Bentley, state entomologist and plant pathologist, who has charge of enforcing the quarantine regulations.

According to an announcement by Dr. E. B. Lloyd, director of the bureau, who has been in communication with Mr. Bentley, he suggests that if all the people who want to ship sweet potato plants communicate with Mr. Bentley at Knoxville, Tenn., he will send an inspector to their places. An effort is being made in Tennessee, Arkansas and other states to keep out the sweet potato weevil and sweet potato disease and the state plant boards are sending agents, certifying that each plant made in Tennessee is in the area free from sweet potato root weevil.

NO BUSINESS ANY MORE AT COLDWATER SUNDAY. COLDWATER, Miss., May 9. (Sp.)—A strict Sunday closing law has been passed by the mayor. The board of aldermen at the request of a number of leading citizens. Henceforth it will be impossible to purchase ice, gasoline or cold drinks on Sundays, and all grocery stores and drug stores must remain closed on the day. The law of gasoline does not apply in the case of motorists from a distance who happen to stop here to replenish their supply.

High School Students Learn War in Screen and Field

Memphis high school unit, reserve officers' training corps, junior division, under command of Lieut.-Col. A. S. Frost and Lieut. Coleman D. Garth, United States army, is daily showing more efficiency.

The boys salute with almost the snap of the West Pointer, and rapidly are showing in drill the results of instruction given on the campus at Central high school, and the lectures and moving pictures which at intervals are given at the auditorium at Central high.

The United States government has learned the lesson of the war and is keeping the lads who will soon be citizens in the best physical condition, as well as teaching them by modern methods the last word in military efficiency.

The activities with which the boys take to the instruction is sufficient guarantee, the instructors claim, of the future of the Memphis boy as a soldier.

There are thrown on the screen figures showing correct postures in drill, manuals, both company, regimental and battalion drill formations in short everything that goes to make up the instruction in the field.

The battalion review and inspection this afternoon will be a revelation to those who have not seen the drill. The drill have been arranged for Fridays as follows:

May 15—Regimental parade, followed by battalion review and inspection. May 23—Regimental review and inspection. (Regiment forming in line.)

The three battalions composed of students, both from Central high and Vocational high school, have recently been reorganized as follows: First Battalion—Companies A, B, C and D. Second Battalion—Companies E, F, G and H. Third Battalion—Companies I and K.

The following promotions, appointments and assignments are announced: Second Lieutenant—Robert H. Sprague, Jr. First Battalion; Capt. Hal S. Sprague.

Government To Put Big War Department Exhibit On At Fair

Virtually an entire building will be required to house the United States government exhibit at the Tri-State Fair, which opens at 10 o'clock.

The exhibit will be a masterpiece of information gleaned at a meeting of the directors of the fair association with Senator Frank D. Fuller, secretary.

Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce. The government exhibit, which is the largest ever, will be on display at the fair grounds at once.

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Memphis Support Is Requested For Meat Packing Plant

Provided they have first raised a capital of \$1,000,000 for a Memphis packing plant, the promoters of the project want the Chamber of Commerce and the city of Memphis to contribute \$50,000 toward the expenses of operation.

After the first \$500,000 stock has been sold, the promoters will expect the donation of a 20-acre site, a sewerage system extended to the site and exemption from city taxation for five years.

This was the conclusion of a statement made by Joseph Newburger, vice president of the company, to a large gathering of the president, directors and members of the Chamber of Commerce.

The promoters of the packing plant in this territory are the Chamber of Commerce, the city of Memphis, the industrial wealth and prosperity of Memphis. To show what other cities have done to carry out their industrial wealth and prosperity of Memphis. To show what other cities have done to carry out their industrial wealth and prosperity of Memphis.

Thornton Newsum, president of the Memphis Meat Packing corporation, told his audience, which was gathered at the regular chamber Thursday, that the promoters of the plant were taking no chances in planning their project. It would cost \$1,000,000 to build the plant, which would be a permanent superintendent if he comes up to expectations.

The sale of the first \$500,000 worth of stock will be completed in 60 days, Mr. Newsum stated, and their expert adviser will then be in Memphis to launch the plans for the creation of a plant which will kill 400,000 head of cattle a week to begin with.

The board ordered the county to purchase the highway north and south, it is the intention of the board to construct a highway according to the plan of the board. The board issued bonds of the Loxahoma consolidated school district which will be sold at the June meeting of the board. Work will be begun on the new \$100,000 building for this district at once.

The board ordered an election held this month in the Thyrtia consolidated district on the question of issuing bonds for the purpose of building a modern school and teachers' home. This district was just recently formed by the county school board and with this district there are now only two neighborhoods in the county without consolidated schools where the public school is supported. The board with this election to fill out the unexpired term of M. Hatcher, resigned.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO MEET AT PADUCAH. PADUCAH, Ky., May 9. (Sp.)—Paducah Knights of Columbus will be hosts to the state council of Kentucky Knights of Columbus Tuesday, May 12, when that body meets for its annual convention.

One of 57 of the most prominent knights in the state will be here, including D. M. Cooper, of Elizabethtown; Col. P. H. Callahan, of Louisville; John J. Donovan, Ludlow; Victor Daugherty, of Bardonia; George A. Buckley, of Louisville; Henry Whelan, Bardonia; W. B. Fiebig, of Louisville; W. B. Fiebig, Henderson; Fred W. Arnold, Owensboro; and John W. Hewson, Newport.

Discussions of plans the Knights of Columbus have for rehabilitation work, reconstruction activities and other matters devolving on the order will occupy much of the convention time. A. E. Taylor, of Carlisle, is the water control charge of the local plans for rehabilitation.

SELLS VICTORY BONDS. HUNTINGDON, Tenn., May 9. (Sp.)—A. E. Hall, of the local office of the N. C. & St. L. railroad, in a few days' time will be in the city to sell Victory bonds to the employees of the road between Hickman and Hickman.

GAILOR'S TALK DEFERRED. Lieut. Frank H. Gailor, because of illness, will not be able to deliver the address he was scheduled to make at the Chamber of Commerce Friday evening under the auspices of the Art association.

DR. COX RETURNS. After conducting a successful 12 day revival in the Calvary Baptist church of Evansville, Ind., Dr. Ben Cox, a committee was appointed at the last meeting of Memphis, has returned. Dr. Cox reports 83 additions to the Evansville church.

Orpheum. Coley and Jaxon, two funsters, in "Sillyness," are featured on the current bill at the Orpheum, which moved in Thursday afternoon for the last portion of the week. The current bill runs until Sunday night, including "Sillyness," and "The Merry Men."

Coley and Jaxon are comedians and singers, but they shine best in their efforts at making their audiences laugh. Many of the lines of their act are bright and original, and they both know how to put them over.

One of the likable numbers of the bill, and which is effectively staged, is "The Ruby Ray," presented by Paul Decker and company. The story revolves about a cocktail, a youth very much addicted to love and several amusing mistaken identity situations.

The Mystic Hanson Trio, in a magic act, in which the magician makes light of the interest of Kentucky women of a very pleasing type and him in presenting such tricks, is another well-received number on the bill. Janette, a saxophone artist, with a penchant for ragtime, concludes the bill.

Kitty Gordon in "The Unwilling Hand" is the film star and the story is one of both mystery and romance.

NATCHEZ WANTS WATER. NATCHEZ, Miss., May 9. (Sp.)—On account of the increase in population of Natchez and the consequent increase in manufacturing enterprises, the city water supply is proving inadequate for street sprinkling. The city council is considering ways and means of relieving the situation.

Senator Regards This as One of Most Important Matters Before New Congress. Leaves for Capital Soon.

Senator Kenneth D. McKellar intends to use his every effort in the new congress, which will convene in extra session on May 19, toward securing a great merchant marine for the United States.

He believes this is the most important matter that will come before the new congress, and he has already secured the support of the great majority of the congressmen of the United States.

He will leave for Washington soon, possibly Saturday night, in order to confer with other Democratic leaders before the adjournment of congress.

He does not anticipate any special difficulty in the senate over the ratification of the new treaty of the clauses embodying the league of nations, and is inclined to think that the approval of the treaty will be secured.

He will submit to the senate a proposed bill, making appropriations for the construction of the great Panama canal, and France is unfounded.

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TRI-STATE BUTTER DEALERS MEET

Campaign to Popularize Home Product Meeting With Splendid Results.

Five hundred pounds of butter from the creameries in the Memphis territory were sold on Thursday, the first day after the opening of the two-weeks' campaign of the Chamber of Commerce farm bureau to popularize the product of tri-state creameries in Memphis.

This is considered by H. C. Paley, sales manager of the farm bureau, a splendid initial result for the campaign, which will convene in extra session on May 19, toward securing a great merchant marine for the United States.

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