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EDITORIAL MENTION.

A fellow on the street remarked that the allies and the republican party have both "gone over the top."

The german casualties this year amounted to two and a half million. They were nearer the last ditch than most people supposed.

Let's see was it not the kaiser of germany who told Ambassador Gerard a year ago that "after the war is over we will stand no foolishness from America."

According to reports from health officials the Spanish influenza is under control in Ada county. It is said that the quarantine will be lifted, if all things are favorable, in two weeks unless there is an increase of cases in the meantime. Crowds gathered to celebrate the end of the war and up to date there are no bad effects noted.

The pacifist will now get busy and tell us what not to do to the german. But perhaps the pacifist should not offer any suggestions as he was not in at the start or at the finish of the big war. Read what germany's terms might have been if we had not "got busy" and turned the tide in favor of the allies. This can be found in another column of the Times.

FRANK GOODING IS NOT DISAPPOINTED OVER RESULT

Frank Gooding has written a letter of appreciation to the many who supported his "campaign of education" and he was willing to make the sacrifice. "Someone had to make the fight against Townley, LeSeuer and his gang, and I would rather have made the fight and lost than not to have made the fight and won." "It is this dangerous element that the good citizenship must fight against at all times, and I accept my defeat with the knowledge that for the time at least I have saved Idaho from the greatest disgrace that can come to any commonwealth. I am gratified to know that the state ticket is elected by an overwhelming majority."

MERIDIAN LINES UP 38 VICTORY BOYS AND GIRLS

Young Meridian is not to be outdone by any community when it comes to war work. District No. 33 (including Meridian) was asked to secure 38 Victory Boys and Girls before Saturday night, each of whom would pledge to earn and give five dollars to the United War Work Fund. A full report will be given next week, but at four o'clock Thursday, Principal A. W. Fuller and his assistants had secured the following names from a partial canvas of the territory:

Vera Hutchison, Lella Morton, Ina Waggoner, Cassie Palmer, Ruth Hashbarger, Claude Busby, Glen Mell, Richard Beam, Robert Dutton, Frank Hunt, Gilbert Stanton, Willard Morton, Paul Morton, Gene Hashbarger, Clyde Ball, Emmett Remington, Berle Palmer, Leroy Nelson, Charles Harris, Fred Hunt, Ralph Palmer, Lewis Heikes, Ralph Ball, John Mc Gill, Clark Williamson, Frank Rife, Robert Hutsh, Lester Mitchell, Roy McNeal.

WOMAN KILLED ON STATE HIGHWAY WEST OF MERIDIAN

Mrs. J. O. Marquess of Nampa was instantly killed Monday night at 11 o'clock on the state highway just over the Canyon county line, on the state highway. The machine in which C. Smith and a party of friends was riding turned turtle, throwing the occupants to the road. Mrs. Marquess struck her head and fractured her skull. A passing auto brought the woman to Meridian, but it was found that death had occurred instantly. The woman was 29 years old, and her husband is proprietor of the Arcade barber shop at Nampa.

Ray Howry has arrived home and is visiting his father, Rolly Howry. Ray is in the naval reserve and has taken nine voyages to France. On one trip his boat narrowly escaped destruction by a torpedo.

MERIDIAN CELEBRATES NEWS OF THE END OF THE WAR.

The news of the end of the war was received in Meridian early Monday morning. On account of previous reports the people were inclined to await full confirmation. Monday's papers, however, gave the news as it actually happened, and there was joy evidenced by everyone. At night a big bonfire was built. The church and fire bells added to the noise and general jollification. A figure of the kaiser was burned in effigy, and there was no regret expressed at the fate the image received. There was a general comment on the probable fate of the man who was the chief figure in this awful war.

NOTICE TO DRAFT REGISTRANTS

When they have received their questionnaires they must return them to their local boards. If registrant is below the age of 37 years, then they must be properly filled out, but if registrant is above 37 years of age then he need not fill out, but must return questionnaire to local board. All orders to registrants to report to their local boards must be obeyed, if order is not cancelled by local board.

GEORGE E. ATWATER, Chairman Ada County Local Board.

IN APPRECIATION.

I wish to convey to the people of Ada County, Idaho, my personal sense of gratification for their confidence reposed in me as expressed at the polls on the 5th inst., by electing me to succeed myself as sheriff of said Ada county. I will stand by my old motto in the future as in the past in conducting the business of said office to know my duty and to do it.

EMMITT PFOST.

Report of the Condition of THE MERIDIAN STATE BANK

at Meridian, in the State of Idaho, at the close of business November 1st, 1918.

Resources

Cash on hand	\$3,443.38
Due from banks	21,497.56
Checks and Drafts on other banks	108.37
Loans and discounts	135,378.80
Overdrafts	273.01
Stocks, Bonds and Warrants	150.00
Banking house, Furniture and fixtures	2,007.13
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	750.00
Total	\$163,608.25

Liabilities

Individual deposits subject to check	\$64,009.28
Savings Deposits	1,201.00
Demand certificates of deposit	150.00
Time certificates of deposit	9,850.00
Cashier's checks	1,628.45
Due to other banks (deposits)	8,980.64
Total deposits	\$85,819.37
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses, interest and taxes paid	886.69
Re-discounts	51,902.19
Total	\$163,608.25

State of Idaho, County of Ada, ss.

I, A. D. Stanton, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above named statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. D. STANTON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of Nov. 1918. I certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

W. A. WATERS, (Seal) Notary Public.

Residence: Boise, Idaho.

Correct—Attest: F. I. Newhouse, Wm. Goodall, Directors.

This Bank Opened for Business May 20, 1918.

INSIGHT INTO THE CHARACTER OF THE GERMAN.

(By John F. Baird)

The Meridian Times has the concluding article this week of "The Kaiser as I Knew Him for 14 Years." It is interesting from the fact that the writer includes a prophecy that "germany will have a revolution." In this comment, written months ago, he says: "I will not venture a guess as to when that will be, but I feel sure that it will certainly come about. Fortified by a large portion of the army, the german people will at last turn on their rulers and destroy the throne and the whole Hohenzollern regime."

An interesting sidelight into the character of the german citizen, remaining at home during the war is also given, which bears out the assertion that selfishness and ego-ism is at the bottom of the whole trouble, and permeates the german citizenry from the kaiser down to the humblest subject. He says: "The result of the warnings (of the officials to save food) was merely to increase hoarding and buying from food speculators. I never knew of a single german who voluntarily deprived himself of a single article of food out of patriotic motives. The only sacrifice a german is willing to make for his country is the one he cannot escape."

You can take for example, the average man of decided german parentage in the Meridian community. He is generally not very pro-german or anything else except pro-self. He declined to contribute (unless forced to) for the Liberty loan for the reason (as he frequently stated) that "the interest rate was low." The same man did not deplore the sinking of the Lusitania by a U-boat, and said so, and would not have grieved particularly if the boat had been filled with german women and children. Ego--love of self--leads to selfish lack of interest in others.

The kaiser was a god above any other god to the average german for he was the embodiment of everything selfish--the commander in chief of the german legions of selfishness--composed not only of the soldiers but of the people of the nation.

The reason why germans or near germans in hundreds of communities in the west flocked to the election booths under the banner of the nonpartisan league is a selfish one and is characteristic of his personality. He cares nothing for anyone but self--so joins a one-class organization. He cares nothing for the two great political parties--to which organizations we owe for all that is good in our economic life. He treats them of no value. He will risk the destruction of a party in order to achieve his end--that of securing preferential treatment from the law making body of our state.

Many german farmers in Nebraska and other western states have made more money during the war than for any equal period of time during their lives. Only the set back of a light corn crop this year kept them from reaching the goal that would place them on easy street for an indefinite time. But if these men are of the same class as can be found in Idaho they excuse the destruction of Belgium as being one of the exigencies of war.

Dr. Solf, the foreign secretary, has addressed a message to the United States, asking that President Wilson intervene to mitigate the "fearful conditions" existing in germany. In other words he fears there will be hunger and suffering among his people. He does not say a word about the suffering in Belgium or among the Armenians. He does not suggest a plan for the peace of the world but says "We had to accept the conditions of the armistice." He does not say a word of the brutality of his comrades and in fact is characteristically selfish and german--he wants some food to put in his stomach. Also into the stomachs of the men who fired a machine gun from a submarine, at a sinking raft on which were English and American sailors.

It is easy to see why the Socialist party thrives among the near-germans, and why, before the war, the german nation was the ideal Socialist government. The socialist treats lightly the value of loyalty to party or nation--preaching the doctrine of internationalism. They advocate government ownership of everything and private endeavor is replaced by government control of each man's job. This was carried to its ultimate end in germany and there was finally GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF THE BALLOT. The war party, born of selfishness and nurtured by an insane ruler, had no trouble in making an absolute monarchy by simply taking over the control of all government work, which meant the industries and people of a nation. Instead of the rule of the people, the "government" machine had the people by the throat, and even did their breathing and thinking for them. Four years of war was carried on as a result of allowing the government machine to control all individual thought and action.

Socialism is dangerous and no wonder the supreme head of the nonpartisan league has been put to the discard by the loyal American people.

It might be a good idea to forcibly drive the kaiser and all the generals and those in authority into the sea. Some way should be found to not only destroy the throne of germany but to put off the earth the officials who have endangered the liberties of the world. These germans were not born right--and education and environment have produced grown-up people whose ideals have been founded on selfishness and the rule of might.



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