

and elsewhere who have stood back of the attitude of The Day Book.

And that we, as U. S. citizens, expect to see our president do his duty, which is to preserve peace and avoid causes of war. The president has said himself that there is such a thing as a nation being so right that it don't have to prove that to other nations by force.—N. E. L., 6130 Ingle-side av.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE. — In the world's history it is noticeable that peoples speaking the same language generally refrain from war with each other. Of course there have been marked exceptions, as in the case of the United States and Great Britain. But even in this case for over a hundred years have these two peoples who speak English refrained from wars. Looking at the land area of the earth we find the British Isles, nearly half of Africa, India, Australia, Canada, the United States, Alaska and the Philippines either speaking English entirely or destined to use it ultimately.

This does not include all the spots where English is used or understood. Several ports and islands of the sea belong to England and will or do use English. There are other ports that understand it as well as many people on continental Europe.

Should the allies win, most of German Africa would pass over to England. This would throw over half the land area of the globe in the English-speaking class. This will make over half the people of the earth either English speaking or destined to become so. This can be said of no other language. Possibly 400,000,000 Chinese can understand one another, which puts this language second on the list as to numbers.

The Russian tongue with its vast people of 180,000,000 comes next, although there are, no doubt, various tribes who do not understand Russian. The next on the list would be

either the German or Spanish tongue. So we can go on indefinitely.

None of these peoples who speak the various languages are willing to give up the language spoken and adopt another. So the "confusion of tongues" goes on.

But English is the easiest language to learn, which is proven every day by the various foreigners who come to America. They learn English in from two to six months so that they can all be understood. This ought to be argument enough for all peoples to learn English. But to learn English means the ultimate peace of all nations. It may be far ahead, possibly a hundred or two hundred years, but I think the time is coming when all children will be taught English because of the love of the language.

England and her colonies, together with the United States, will not surrender English, so it is well to send out "missionaries" to all nations and virtually "sell" or urge upon them the English language.

I do not mean by violence, but in a friendly way, because English means the peace of the earth to all who learn it.—Allen Steven, 2538 N. California Av.

SUMMER AND SWEETHEARTS.

—Summer! What a meaning this wonderful word implies! But how many of us can utilize the beauty of what it has for us? Indeed, it appears that, inexhaustably rich of joys and pleasures, summer is, too, property of some magnate. The writer of these lines, like many of the readers, has a sweetheart whose life to him is as dear, if not dearer, than that of his own.

It gives me great pain to see her shortening her sweet life by toiling hard ten hours a day simply because some parasitic capitalist needs to buy a diamond collar for his gay wife's bulldog. The day of rest—Sunday—is the day of rest, and not of enjoy-