

What the World is Saying

A Cause for Thankfulness

Cheer up! Suppose the Germans were taxing us!—Calgary Albertan.

They Have Reason To Be

Perhaps the Germans are now convinced that war doesn't pay.—Glasgow Herald.

A Huge Bill To Pay

Germany wants the right to purchase new colonies, but the Allies will require all her spare cash for many generations.—Ottawa Journal-Press.

If Prussianism Had Triumphed

Think of the reams of arrogant despatches that would be flooding the world if the Germans had been dictating peace.—Montreal Gazette.

No Wonder

Some of the Highlanders smiled as they strode along in their kilts and glimpsed the ladies with hobble skirts trying to walk.—Toronto Telegram.

Their Work Cut Out For Them

The blacksmiths of the Fatherland will be busy for a long time if they are to turn the swords of the Germans into pruning hooks.—Ottawa Citizen.

A Will Under A Postage Stamp

A will written under a postage stamp has been upheld in the Halifax courts. If all wills were equally brief, there would be fewer wills contested.—St. John Telegraph.

Practice vs. Theory

Communism in theory means the holding of things in common. In practise in Europe it is the stealing and holding of things by one faction for itself.—Vancouver Province.

High Cost of a Waste-Paper Basket

A public that is called upon to foot the bill for a \$32 mahogany waste-paper basket for an Ottawa Cabinet Minister cannot be blamed for making a noise about it.—Toronto Globe.

Naturally

Whenever an excited individual asks as the Pipe Band plays, "Man, did ye ever hear music th' likes o' yon in a' your born days?" we unhesitatingly put him down as a Scotsman.—Saskatoon Star.

Summing Him Up

The only creature the Crown Prince of Germany has been able to beat is his wife. He never got near enough to the enemy to meet his fate.—New York Sun.

A Customs Problem

Corsets in the United States are to be taxed if a luxury, but not if a necessity. So far the authorities have been unable to decide which they are.—Halifax Herald.

Like Seeks Like

Afghans are seeking Lenine's aid says London cable despatch. Those turbulent and bloodthirsty Asiatics seem to recognize a kindred soul without the aid of a diagram.—New York Herald.

There Should Be An End Of It

The new Wurttemberg government is abolishing all nobility titles and powers. Which reminds us again that Sir Robert Borden's Ottawa residence is on Wurttemberg street. Why should Hun-land names be perpetuated in Canada?—The Veteran.

The Five Most Crowded Years

If the official announcement of the war's end is delayed until August 1st, it will complete five years, to a day, since the outbreak of the great struggle. And the most crowded five years we shall ever see.—Calgary Herald.

Appropriately on Lusitania Day

Four years to the day after the sinking of the Lusitania Germany's peace delegates were informed by the victorious Allied Powers that hereafter Germany must neither build nor operate submarines.—Washington Star.

Austria Can See It Now

Austria is now prohibited from having anything to do with Germany, but the average Austrian will reflect that the darn regulation comes about five years too late to be of any use.—Duluth Herald.

Bolshevists in Canada

The starving people of Petrograd would be glad to change places with some of the well-fed agitators who shout for Bolshevism in Canada, but tremble at the thought of going back to Russia.—Lethbridge Herald.

Quite So

Germany is whining for the return of her lost colonies. Germany has about as much chance of ever regaining her colonies as the ex-kaiser has of ever playing on a golden harp.—Hamilton Herald.

The Best Safeguard

The mortgage indebtedness on homes will be a new feature of the 1920 census in the United States. The ownership of homes is considered the greatest safeguard against the spread of Bolshevism.—Toronto Star.

A Non-paying Industry

The Hungarian Bolshevik government has thrown up the job, both the government and the people making the surprising discovery that paper decrees, even when backed up by industrious murder, do not produce food.—Kansas City Times.

The League of Nations

The League of Nations will never achieve its object if it is content with the negative function of preventing war. It must go on to become the active, positive, constructive institution of casting out the idea of conflict by means of co-operation.—London Times.

Not a Lucky Horseshoe For Them

The Entente delegates at the conference were drawn up in the form of a horseshoe when the German representatives entered to receive the peace terms. But the incident didn't seem to impress the visitors from a good luck standpoint.—Chicago Tribune.

Once a Bell-boy, Now a Major

Over in England a bell-boy in a certain London hotel enlisted in 1915 as a private. To-day he is a major and the wearer of a military decoration for gallantry in the field. Such incidents bring home more readily than a volume of statistics the complexities and width of the "returned soldier problem."—Boston Transcript.

Preserved Boneheads

Under the peace terms the Germans are compelled to return the skull of the Sultan of Okwawaw, taken from East Africa. Failing to get that other well preserved specimen of bonehead, formerly known as the crown prince, we must demand the next best.—Edmonton Journal.

The Indictment Against Booze

A member of Parliament, a moderate drinker, says that liquor has done him no harm. But the weight of the indictment of the liquor traffic is the sorrow it has inflicted upon the innocent mothers, wives, and children of men who have been its slaves.—Moose Jaw Times.

Thrift

Nations differ greatly in their fiscal policies but they all agree on the necessity of promoting thrift among their people, practically all having adopted a systematic method of saving that makes the laying by of even the smallest sums not only easy but profitable.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Taxation of Incomes

Switzerland also is to place a war tax on incomes. Neutral or belligerent, it is all the same. And the taxes will remain for many years to come, peace or more war. That outbreak engineered in 1914 by the war lords has placed a burden on the back of every people in the world.—Wall Street Journal.

The Sowing and the Harvest

Germany and her submarine warfare sunk neutral ships as well as those of belligerent nations. Now Norway has presented a claim for such destruction,

and it will be strange if other neutral victims abstain from sending in their bills to the destroyer. What is that about sowing the wind and reaping the whirlwind?—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

High Cost of Speculating

The New York Stock Exchange has decided that higher commissions are necessary if members are to maintain the standard of living to which they have been accustomed; and a new scale has been adopted. The high cost of speculating has been added to the other worries of the fellow who likes to take a chance "on the street."—Minneapolis Journal.

An Admirable Movement

The province of Alberta, and many cities and towns, are making preparations for some kind of memorials to commemorate the courage of the heroes from the vicinity. The plan is excellent, but the best results will be achieved by a certain amount of co-operation. This would be a good thing for the province to undertake, in consultation with the municipalities who are interested in the work.—Regina Post.

A Toronto Pro-Bolshevist

One speaker at a Toronto meeting which cheered the Bolsheviks said he often felt ashamed of himself that he was outside of jail. All he need do to rehabilitate himself with his conscience is to emulate the Lenine crowd by stealing articles belonging to his fellow-Bolsheviks or try to kill some of them. They'll see that he gets to jail all right.—Kingston Whig.

A Disadvantage of the Hobble Skirt

Testifying in the Police Court at Toronto, a woman declared that she tried to kick her husband while wearing a tight skirt, with the consequence that she tripped and cut her head. The incident is a warning to outraged and indignant wives. The hobble skirts being restrictive, it is well while the present fashion lasts, to stick to the old and tried method of throwing plates and irons at the objectionable partner. The arms are unfettered and what matter if the aim is poor?—Buffalo Express.

The Best, Maybe, of a Bad Lot

After all, von Hindenburg seems about the best of the German lot. He did not run away. He has not pretended to be otherwise than he is. He has been loyal to the standards—was a Prussian, but unabashed. The flag he bore he did not pull down. He believed in his class. The kaiser is seen to have been lath painted to look like iron, and the glance to threaten and command has become furtive. Ludendorff took no chances with his sacred person. Scheidemann is a sneak. Bernstorff is a fox whose brush has been sheared by a trap. The Crown Prince has had the truth told about him by his unfortunate wife. Von Hindenburg isn't much, but he is about the best of the lot.—New York Tribune.

A Fit Sermon for the Times

A new passion for the welfare of others is manifestly one of the splendid outcomes of the struggle for world freedom during the war. Every soldier in active service evidently lived the principle of consideration for others. He was always ready to protect his comrade in arms at any cost to himself. He would give his last morsel of rations to a needy soldier or to a child met on the street where war had devastated the region. Our Saviour taught this duty when He was here among men. Paul frequently exhorted the exercise of this virtue among those to whom he ministered. It is surely up to all of us to bury our selfish natures and act upon the principles which have been so worthily emulated by our soldier heroes.—Brockville Recorder-Times.

One of the Worst of Tyrannies

The Bolsheviks, the syndicalists, and every variety of extremists who try to organize ignorance and discontent to destroy America and substitute Bolshevism, pour out constant abuse upon what they call the bourgeoisie or middle class, which, as a matter of fact, in this country means the overwhelming majority of our people, the farmers and the greater part of city dwellers, the prosperous mechanics, the clerks, the shopkeepers, small and great, the professional classes. None of these but have a great deal to lose and nothing to gain by the paralysis of business and the setting up of a dictatorship which even now in Russia is showing its destructive and impotent character. We should, therefore, see to it that we are ready to prevent any such tyranny by a few.—Chicago Post.