

What the World is Saying

As to the Beginning and the End

Germany made the war, and the Allies will end it.—Manchester Guardian.

A Greater War Would Come

If this greatest of all wars were to end in a draw, it would not long hold its place in history as the greatest of all wars.—London Times.

A Question

An explorer says that the white men have made the Eskimos dishonest. Who made the white man dishonest?—Hamilton Herald.

A Surmise

Judging from the rumblings from Petrograd there must be a Lloyd Georgovitch in the Duma.—Minneapolis Journal.

A Dry Region, Indeed

The new kingdom of Arabia takes its place among the nations. Another dry state!—Boston Transcript.

A Vain Endeavor

The Kaiser is now endeavoring to prop up the Hohenzollern throne with Poles.—Vancouver Sun.

Ditto in Regard to Canadian Legislators

Unfortunately, the public has no way to compel United States Senators to work eight hours a day.—New York Herald.

Manifestly

Every year it is becoming easier for the liquor interests to compile their business statistics.—Des Moines Register.

The First Woman in the House at Washington

Let us hope that in Congress the female of the species will be more effective than the male.—Atlanta Journal.

A Joke from Athabasca

A coyote was captured on Whyte Avenue—Edmonton Bulletin. Probably a subdivision agent venturing out again.—Athabasca (Alta.) Herald.

Alberta as a Duck Country

There are more ducks in China than in any other country. Tame ones, perhaps. For wild ones, our guess would be Alberta in the fall of the year.—Edmonton Bulletin.

The Weird German Mind

What puzzles Germany is why her peace feelers produce the very same effect on the Allies as her very best organized Zeppelin raids.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The German Meaning of the Word

Germany is eager to give to Poland and Belgium the same sort of "independence" she gave to Alsace and Lorraine.—New York Tribune.

For Western Development

Land will be sold by the C.P.R. on condition of settlement and occupation. No institution can better appreciate the evil of idle holding.—Regina Leader.

Something Germany Cannot See

Germany ought to see the inconsistency of offering the Poles a kingdom and subjecting the Belgians to slavery. The rest of the world sees it.—Calgary Herald.

Ample Ground for "Prejudice"

Berlin complains of Norwegian "prejudice" against U-boats. The Kaiser himself would be shy of a dog that had bitten him some 200 times.—Chicago Tribune.

He Wants Peace with Plunder

Germany is willing to make peace. Likewise the highwayman with his booty in his pocket is quite willing to let matters rest as they are.—London Daily Mail.

A House Divided

It does seem that the Umatilla, Ore., woman who went out on the hustings and defeated her husband for Mayor might have let him have his say somewhere.—Spokane Spokeman-Review.

A Chemist's Conclusion

A chemist who has looked into the matter says that drinking this mixture of coffin varnish and shellac masquerading in dry territory as liquor, will weaken one mentally. All we know about it is, an acquaintance yesterday hurried three heaping teaspoonfuls into his true inwardness, and shortly thereafter paid a travelling auctioneer \$19 for an ostensible gold watch.—Fargo Forum.

Speaking of Small Nations

Speaking of the rights of small nations—American troops have just occupied San Domingo, killed quite a lot of people and set up a military government there.—Montreal Gazette.

An Eagle in Dove's Feathers

The wolf in sheep's clothing may have succeeded in fooling other sheep, but who does the German eagle, masquerading as a dove, expect to deceive?—New York World.

A Baseballer Bomber

"Bill" O'Hara, formerly of the Toronto baseball team, has been decorated on the Western front for his bomb throwing. It is said that Bill's long throws from left field cut off more than sixty Boches at the plate.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Casualties Among Hunters

Fifteen States have a hunting season record for 1916 of eighty-six killed and forty-one injured. It will soon be necessary to impose examination tests on applicants for hunting licenses.—Duluth Herald.

A Simple-minded Proposition

Champ Clark's idea that a country can keep out of war by attending to its own business would cause a Belgian to smile sadly and mockingly. So far as nations are concerned it does not take two to make a quarrel—only one.—Detroit Free Press.

BRITAIN'S NEW PREMIER

Right Honorable David Lloyd George
Alert, persuasive, energetic, forceful.

Kultur's Idea of Freedom

The U-boats seem bent on assuring the American merchant marine, along with the Norwegian, Swedish and Dutch merchant marines, the freedom of the bottom of the seas.—New York Sun.

The Question That Will Not Down

"Inasmuch as hundreds of thousands are being ruined in Belgium" begins the latest German explanation of the slave raids. And Germany cannot understand why the rest of the world asks "who ruined them?"—Toronto Globe.

Extraordinary Ingenuousness

"All neutrals and many people among the belligerents desire, like President Wilson, to know more clearly the causes and aims of this bloody conflict," says Ambassador Van Dyke. But where have all these ingenuous people been during the last two years?—Providence Journal.

A Paris Editor's Proposal

"Let the Ministers themselves be chosen few in number, but invested with full powers, and let them know that they answer with their lives for the public welfare," writes the editor of the Paris Midi. Take it literally and there would be less competition for public office, but isn't there much commonsense in it?—Glasgow Herald.

As to the Courage of Women

All who think women will bring a needed element of courage into public life will find an argument in the rioting of German women against coercion their fathers, husbands, brothers and sons would endure without a murmur.—Ottawa Evening Journal.

A Book Worth Reading

The Bible is really the best book that we have, more interesting than the most interesting novel, more perfect in its form than any literary monument, more beautiful than words, more genuinely inspiring than anything else in the world. It is the fountainhead of our English speech. In it lies our chief hope of preserving that speech.—New York Life.

Dropping Bombs on Beersheba

From Dan to Beersheba; in Bible times, was many days' journey; there, at the southern end of the Palestinian world, Abraham "wandered in the wilderness." Nowadays "enemy airplanes drop bombs on Beersheba, without doing any damage." Nothing is hidden, nowhere is remote. Ennity seeks out the Old World's ends. War knows no wilderness save those it makes.—Saskatoon Star.

Plans for Russian Railway Building

Plans have been approved in Petrograd which provide for the construction of 25,000 miles of railway and an ambitious system of canals. The work is intended to be finished in five years, and the new systems will tap regions rich in natural resources. Russia is deeply occupied with the war, in which she is playing a great part, but she evidently also has the time and energy to deal with other quite important matters.—Monetary Times.

Part of the German "State-system"

All machinery and every tool in Germany is to be listed by census, and used in munitions work. Still, we sometimes think that all this censusing and book-keeping carried to the extreme in Germany is in part a scheme to keep a lot of old codgers so busy at home helping to win the war that they will have no time to gather in groups, count the cost, discuss whether they are drifting, and plan revolution. Taking a hint from the devil, the Kaiser provides work for all idle hands to do.—Peterboro Examiner.

To Conserve Western Timber

The Department of the Interior has ordered that henceforth settlers locating in the timbered parts of Western Canada must secure burning permits before starting fires to clear their lands. Forest rangers and other officials are to issue these permits, and to give advice as to when and how to do the burning. A somewhat similar law has been in force in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, and has, it is believed, prevented much destruction. The experience should be the same in the West.—Montreal Daily Mail.

Americans at the Front

So many American youths have slipped away into Canada and joined for service in Europe, that the State Department at Washington has found it expedient to establish a special division to deal with the hundreds of communications from parents and other relatives. The adventurers are quite frequently little more than boys who manage to enlist by making false statements as to their age. As it is often impossible to distinguish them from native Canadians, their enlistment naturally follows their presentation before the recruiting officer. More than 2,000 United States subjects have already died in battle, it is estimated, and, of course, many more have been wounded.—Ottawa Citizen.