

What the World is Saying

Divine Right and Safety First

The Kaiser has lost no sons in the "defence" of the Fatherland. And he has six.—Paris Liberte.

Not a Charity, But a Due Debt

The Patriotic Fund is not a charity. It is a fund for liquidating the country's debt to her soldiers.—Vancouver Province.

The Formula

The one certain formula for a democratic peace is the holding of the seas and the standing fast on the western front.—New York World.

What the War-lords Fear Most

The Germans are punishing captive airmen who drop leaflets. The war-lords fear ideas more than bombs.—Saskatoon Phoenix.

Our Neighbors' Sweet Tooth and Ours

The money spent for candy in the United States and Canada in the past year is double the amount of money needed to keep Belgium supplied with food for a year.—St. Thomas Times.

Who Would Have Thought—?

Who would have thought the time could come when the American people could not eat what they wanted to eat and plenty of it?—Portland Oregonian.

Nothing to Blubber Over

Whale steak has been declared delicious by the American Museum of Natural History. Whale steak to our idea is nothing to blubber over.—Moose Jaw Times.

Bourassaism

Henri Bourassa approves as "logical and just" the German Chancellor's proposal that Britain abandon Gibraltar and other naval bases. But what Bourassa approves is seldom either logical or just.—Brantford Expositor.

The Wolf and the Lamb

The enthusiasm with which Germany receives the "Ukraine Republic" would make anything but a very new republic extremely nervous and conservative.—Victoria Colonist.

What Germany Can Justly Claim

One claim Germany can certainly make with entire truth—namely, that no nation ever before in history sympathetically mobilized so many liars in every land under the sun for its own purposes.—Rochester Democrat Chronicle.

The Whole Case in Two Questions

The Germans want to talk to the people of other countries, but the only countries we should address to them are: "Why are you in Belgium? Why are you in France?"—New York Sun.

The Typical German and Liberty

The typical German is afraid of the idea of having real liberty; he knows he wouldn't know what to do with it. And not wanting it himself, he doesn't want any one else to have it.—Montreal Gazette.

Not Fair to the Mules

One of the new army orders in France forbids our soldiers swearing at the mules. This will merely make the mules more homesick for Missouri than ever.—Detroit Free Press.

The Cause of Right and Justice

There may be adversity for us, but there cannot be humiliation. For since the world began no man was ever humiliated by doing his utmost in the name of right.—London Spectator.

Food Thrift in Canada

In all matters of food production and distribution we have hitherto been a very reckless people. Food thrift, as well as money thrift, is something Canadians have still to learn.—Brantford Expositor.

The Root of the Patronage Evil

"Patronage," says Professor Wrong, "has cut political freedom to the heart, and must be eliminated root and branch." Let us tackle the root first. That is to be found in the minds of men who seek entrance to public life by promising contracts or places in the public service to electors with a pull.—Toronto Globe.

The Art of Telling Lies

After reading von Hertling's speech we recalled that Swift once said that although telling lies was an art as old as man, man never quite learned the art of telling lies.—Kingston Whig.

Titles in This Country

The agitation against the bestowal of titles, and particularly hereditary titles, in Canada grows in strength and influence. The press in all provinces seems to be united in supporting the movement.—Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

Could Any Government Handle the Job?

After experience with men's work for the period of the war, we doubt whether women will ever go back to washing dishes. The Government will have to "take over" dish-washing.—Chicago News.

Hereditary Nobility Not Wanted Here

The objection to the bestowal of hereditary titles upon Canadians should be crystallized into a resolution of Parliament against the practice. A hereditary nobility is not wanted in Canada.—Toronto Star.

The Island of Paradox

Ireland is truly the land of paradox. In the recent by-election in Armagh the Sinn-Fein candidate stood for Parliament on a platform that Irishmen should not go to Parliament. And, by the way, he was defeated.—Ottawa Journal-Press.

Lots of Other Things to Eat

Wheatless and meatless days don't mean eatless days by any means. There are plenty of substitutes, and it is only by the extensive use of substitutes that the food most adapted for export can be saved in sufficient quantities.—Hamilton Herald.

The Kaiser's Pecksniff

Figures cannot lie, but liars can figure. The most hypocritical and deceitful passage in the German Chancellor's speech was his ponderous effort to show how poor little Germany was threatened by enemy nations before she began the war and made them fight.—London Daily Express.

When Enduring Peace Will Come

An enduring peace will come only when the fangs of the mad beast of Europe have been drawn, when the military power of Germany is broken; when the German people are under the harrow, sweating to pay the indemnity that is the price of their crime, in their poverty and suffering made to realize the suffering they have brought to the world.—London Saturday Review.

The Nemesis of Germany

The remark of a French officer that history will prove to be the German's worst foe is a true and profound one. The lack of honor, of faith, of truth, of all moral and humane considerations, will stand against that race for generations to come, and make their dealings with other nations exceedingly difficult.—London Truth.

A Need in Quebec

The effort of T. D. Bouchard to get compulsory school attendance instituted in Quebec, and more adequate supervision of the work of the public schools, will win him admiration outside of his own province, and a good deal in it, though undoubtedly he will meet strong opposition.—Edmonton Journal.

A Secret Revealed

"Wear your summer underclothes," says one of the doctors, "and give your body a chance to furnish its own heat." That's fine. Now we know how the ladies who wear gauze sleeves when the thermometer registers 34 below manage to be comfortable.—Edmonton Journal.

Unexplored Canada

Nearly 30 per cent of continental Canada is still undiscovered, and if Indian reports are to be believed there is in the basin of the Mackenzie river one of the largest areas of possible oil-bearing country on the face of the earth. The Indians report the existence of lakes a hundred miles long in Yukon that no white man has ever seen, while even the Indians themselves apparently know nothing of the as yet untrodden Mackenzie mountains.—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Thought for the Kaiser

We often hope in our vindictive way that the Kaiser has time to sit down occasionally and wonder with increasing nervousness what good the kind of money they're using in Germany now is going to be when the war's over and they attempt to resume commercial relations with the comparatively civilized world.—Calgary Herald.

A French Tribute to British Valor

In all his story there has been nothing more superb than the heroism of that "contemptible little British army" fighting with bare hands against the onrushing German legions armed with machine guns and heavy artillery, who day after day were forced back and fiercely contested every foot with never a thought of surrender, and then at last turned and defeated the enemy.—Paris Gazette de France.

Canada's Savings

The national debt of Canada is nearing the billion mark, but to offset that is the fact that the Canadian people have more than that amount in the savings banks alone, which indicates that even the war burden can be borne by so wealthy and prosperous a country as Canada. We have little in the way of war sacrifices to show even yet, save the lives of dear boys who voluntarily went to fight for the right.—Regina Evening Post.

Saskatchewan's Wheat

Canada leads the world in per capita wheat-production, a speaker told a convention in Toronto the other day, the production being 70 bushels per head of the population. Saskatchewan, it may be added, produces about half of Canada's wheat, with a production of over 170 bushels per head of the population, and in good years 260 bushels per head. The summer-fallow land ready for crop this year is greater in area by more than 1,000,000 acres than the greatest acreage prepared in any previous year. Fall plowing also increased by 50 per cent over 1917. A total of 16,000,000 under crop in Saskatchewan in 1918 isn't impossible.—Saskatoon Star.

"Blood and Iron"—and Gold

Bismarck announced that his policy for Germany was one of blood and iron. The men who now guide, and for some decades have guided, German international policy have added gold as the third weapon in Germany's armory. To a policy based on callous disregard of death and suffering, and the brutal use of force, they have added the habitual and extensive employment of corruption as a means for weakening their foes and bending other nations to their service.—Lethbridge Herald.

The End Not Yet in Sight

It is not possible to say when victory will be won. Its outward and visible signs will be a treaty of peace, dictated not in accordance with the decisions of the sword but by the unchanging verdict of right and liberty—a settlement which will contain no seeds of fresh wars, as did the peace of 1870, because it will restore all the invaded peoples of Europe to independence, will liberate and unite oppressed nationalities everywhere, and so create the foundations upon which a new international order can be raised. Such a peace is not in sight yet.—London Times.

The Violent Hun Greed

How futile it is to say that we are at war with the German ruling classes, but not with the German people! We are fighting what up to the present has been a solidarity of the Kaiser, the Kaiser's gunmen and the Kaiser's people. But, above all, we are fighting the primal cause back of them—the ungovernable German appetite. We are fighting to eradicate it if we can, and, if we cannot, to make it too expensive for indulgence—to force it under that judicious control which civilization imposes on all primal appetites.—New York Herald.

The Men Who Caused the War

The same men and the same caste that plotted the war and have planned its execution are still in power in the capitals of the Central Powers, and they know that the system whereby they live can only survive if they are able to show that it is not justice but the sword which has drawn the new map of the world. For all their eloquent protestations about universal peace and disarmament they are not more ready to give practical effect to-day to the abstractions they profess than they were ready to abide by the treaties and international laws which they signed before the war.—Edinburgh Scotsman.