

## THERE WILL BE NO MORE GERMANY AFTER THE WAR SAYS R. KIPLING

States That Germany Will be Killed in the Trenches—  
Enemy Cannot Shorten Her Line—Those Who Till  
the Soil Will be Rich After the War.

(By Rudyard Kipling.)  
Paris, Feb. 7.—We are passing through dark, damp days, which are not good for the soul. I have known some black moments and doubtless shall know worse. The German is exploiting all the psychological factors he is capable of understanding, and his press just now is engaged in confirming the world in the idea of a motionless and unbreakable Michael, straddled across Europe and disdaining of his little enemies. But the idea is beginning to penetrate the Teuton's head that this is not a war of victories, but a war of extermination for his species. We in Britain are better informed on this point than we were a year ago.

**KILL TEUTONS IN RETAIL.**  
When a whole nation goes into the trenches there can be no victories; there can only be killing, and at least three nations desire greedily that the Teuton be killed in retail since he cannot be killed in wholesale. The German cannot withdraw from his present lines. He dare not, because he would have to explain that action to his own people. He must use himself up gradually either by advancing and winning victories, or by staying where he is.

And when he is used up there will be very little of the German problem to settle. That is the end where the destinies are forcing us despite all the efforts we have made to avoid it.

The question of indemnity to Germany has disappeared by the force of facts. If she claims one it will be cheaper to continue fighting. If she demands peace without indemnity, returning to the status quo, what guarantee will there be that as soon as civilization is disarmed she will not throw herself on us again?

The moral law directing her life compels her to do so. That is why her ships cannot be allowed to go to sea again. She can now wage, because she is engaged on all possible fronts. She can defend and consolidate her conquests, but what good is consolidation when she perpetually has to throw men into the fringe of fire burning all around her?

**NO GERMANY WILL REMAIN.**  
Allah has decreed that she shall perish by her own act, from the consequences of the law that she professes, and through her own temper. If the allies had won five or six months ago they would have left Germany still capable of regaining her lines.

No Germany will remain. This may sound extravagant, but all that will remain will be a few peoples living on the eternal defensive in moral, social not wage any more war than she is and political trenches. Grant that everything in Germany favors a defensive impossible to break, an influx of foodstuffs which cannot be stopped, a people indefinitely enthusiastic of war. Even then we must hold on—France who has paid the flesh of her flesh; Britain with her half million losses and about to pay more; Russia with her dead impossible to count.

All the rats are before us in the same ditch, and as far as Britain and the Empire are concerned, we can put as many men into the lines in France to hold the Teutons as the French have.

Regarding the financial situation, if I were younger, I would say an immense wave of prosperity follows every war, but I leave that thesis to people twenty years younger and accept the commoner belief that universal ruin awaits us. But when the whole world is materially ruined each nation will be as rich as its neighbor. I imagine that in Britain, where small subscribers are not numerous, a certain proportion of debt will be simply effaced or repudiated for the very just reason that men rich enough to lend big sums to the state are rich enough to lose them. It is immoral, but we should only laugh, and so would even the rich men thus forced to lose.

**FUNNY FINANCE TO COME.**  
Perhaps they would receive titles of nobility, a compensation that would be an admirable and practical apotheosis for our national snobbery. Anyhow we shall see funny finances and the spectacle of central Europe administered like an estate for the benefit of France, Russia, Italy, Serbia, Montenegro, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, South Africa, India and Belgium.

Those who till the soil will be rich after the war; those who do not will be poor, but there will be no more Germany.

By marrying his son's mother-in-law, an East Orange councilman will become step-father-in-law to his son and step-father to his daughter-in-law. The United Mine Workers' convention has adopted a resolution favoring legislation to prevent the use of militia for strike breaking purposes.

## JOHN SCHMIDT UNDER ARREST

Suspected of Causing Fire in  
Hespeler Munition  
Factory.

**BLAZE STARTED  
BY EXPLOSION**

Damage Done to Plant Will  
Amount to Nearly  
\$60,000.

Hespeler, Feb. 7.—An Austrian giving his name as John Schmidt, is under arrest at Hespeler, on suspicion of being implicated in the fire which Saturday destroyed the shell department of the A. E. Jardine foundry. It is learned that he has been recently employed in munition plants in Galt, Berlin and Hamilton, and in each place gave a name different from Schmidt. There is nothing definite against him, but the police in the meantime have him in the cells.

Chief of Police Thomas Wilson says there is no doubt that the fire was started by an explosion. What may prove an important clue is the story told by Ernest Radkie, who, with Charles Markle, was last to leave the plant. This was at 12:20 p.m., they having remained after the others to do some repair work. Radkie stated that earlier in the day he saw a man enter the shop carrying a grip, apparently in search of a job. When he left the man had gone, but the grip stood beside the resin tank. He believes the grip contained a bomb, the explosion of which caused the sound that brought Watchman Lovelady from the meal he was eating in another part of the shop to the shell department, which he found in flames. Lovelady states that he distinctly heard an explosion, and his statement is corroborated by others who also heard the report. The time was then 12:30, and Lovelady at once turned in an alarm. The firemen succeeded in confining the blaze to the section of the plant in which it started. It is estimated the damage will amount to \$60,000 or \$60,000.

Schmidt it is said was one of the first men to be noticed at the fire when the firemen arrived. It is alleged that he is a friend of a noted Austrian spy arrested here a year ago.

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## CUTTING OFF IRON EXPORTS

Sweden Indignant at Contract-Breaking Act of  
Germany.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Stockholm, Feb. 7.—At the outbreak of the war German iron works were delivering castings to Swedish shipyards, and owing to the prohibition of export from England, obtained a monopoly. Because of the growing demand of tonnage in Sweden very heavy orders were placed with the German works. The German Government has recently ordered that all contracts shall be cancelled in case the Swedish yards will not pay an additional sixty per cent. and pay in Swedish money, instead of German money.

Work has ceased at many of the Swedish works and there has been a wholesale breach of contracts entered upon after the outbreak of the war. Financial circles denounce the breaking of these contracts, and there has been a further depreciation of the German mark. The newspapers, even the pro-German press are indignant and are strongly urging immediate reprisals through the prohibition of the export of iron ore and the placing of an extra duty on all articles exported to Germany.

**FEEDING THE EAGLETS**

The amount of food the parent eagles find it necessary to provide for their young, and the careful way in which they prepare it, are interestingly dealt with by Mr. H. B. MacPherson in "The Home Life of a Golden Eagle."

"With a rush of wings the mother bird came again, and deposited a grouse ready plucked on the ledge. It was now three o'clock in the afternoon, and the eaglet was hungry, but she evidently considered that it was too early for supper, and again departed. In less than five minutes the cock dropped in with another grouse, also plucked clean of feathers and headless, and as soon as he had departed the hen returned with a third, and as quickly vanished.

This store of food had evidently been accumulated by them somewhere outside the eyrie, and I subsequently discovered several places among the rocks where game had been plucked, for no bird is ever brought to the young without being stripped of its feathers. Hares are sometimes brought, unskinned, but while the eaglets are still in the first down both hares and rabbits are stripped of fur, but not skinned, before being brought to the eyrie. Other places were found later where

the refuse from the nest was deposited, for during the first two months the eyrie was kept remarkably clean. The eaglet was now very much excited, and would not settle down again to sleep, searching the sky for his parents, his eyes rolling with anticipation of the coming feast. At a quarter to four the cock appeared with a fourth grouse, and turned sideways upon the ledge, standing upon the prey with both feet. Suddenly, with a terrific blow of his powerful claw, he ripped the bird open from breast to tail, and then again took his departure.

"In a few minutes the female returned to the eyrie and picked out the grouse which the cock had prepared, choosing it carefully from among the other carcasses. Seizing it in one foot, she shuffled forward towards the eaglet and placed the prey in front of the expectant youngster with its legs sticking up in the air. The young one was now expecting to be fed, but the mother suddenly changed her mind and flew away once more.

In the evening, about six o'clock, the female eagle returned once more to feed her young. She picked out the prepared grouse again and carried it to the far side of the eyrie in her beak.

"Here, beyond reach of the young one, she gorged herself upon the entrails, coming forward at intervals to the eaglet with a titbit of liver or other dainty morsel, which he greedily pecked from her beak. When she herself was satisfied, she brought the prey nearer, and proceeded to gorge the youngster till he settled down contented in the nest. She then seized the remains of the carcass in her beak and bore it away out of sight."

Raymond Mann, 20 years old, of Hancock, was electrocuted in a tannery in Mercersburg, Pa.

The city of Newport, Ark., was flooded when the Rock Island levee went out at two places.

## Hero of Charleroi Retreat.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, Feb. 7.—General Nicholas Victor Dalmotte has died from illness contracted at the front. He was one of the heroes of the retreat from Charleroi, during which he commanded the rear guard brigade of the French seventeenth army corps.

The President closed his fourth day's tour at Des Moines, Iowa, where he declared that the nation must be in a position to do more than utter words of protest.

## A Methodist Battalion.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Winnipeg, Feb. 7.—Major J. E. Hansford, of the 144th battalion, will recruit here a battalion of Methodists, the 203rd, for overseas service. The battalion is endorsed by the Methodist ministerial association.

Floods in the south-west recede, but cold adds to the distress.

The officials of the Du Pont Powder Company in an official statement denied that the recent series of fires and explosions at its plant were due to spies or outside agencies.

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