

CONDITIONS REQUIRED FOR EVERLASTING WORLD PEACE.

- (a) Brotherly love between individuals and nations; police forces dispensed with; law of land.
- (b) Nations disarming or disarmed and manufacture of warlike stores abandoned; international laws.
- (c) League of Nations settling disputes.
- (d) Complete change in human nature; to fight is natural for man and beast—up to the present it has been survival of the fittest in all animal life. Right and Justice should rule the world, but as yet they do not.

ARE THESE CONDITIONS FULFILLED ?

Late war furnished ample evidence that man's primitive instincts have not materially altered since the stone age.

More devilish cruelty by Germans than ever before; Joy of killing Boche! Many remember it.

Late war was more than a momentary triumph of primitive powers of evil over the goodness of God.

Does world situation reassure us? The reverse.

Austria-Germany-Russia menace. U.S.A. and Japan. German revenge on France.

German air menace is now greater than ever before in its potential means of destruction.

CAN WAR BE PREVENTED.

(a) It is the essence of Christianity to believe in the gradual improvement of the human race and the ultimate elimination of the cruel and bloody evil of war.

(b) Optimists, Pacifists, Advocates of unpreparedness and disarmament are optimists, if sincere; if not sincere, they are probably conscientious objectors.

Definition of optimists: A man who fell from a 20-story building was once heard to say as he passed the 10th story—"Thank Heaven I am all right so far."

Now, the greatest optimist in the world is the ostrich; she hides her head and believes she cannot be seen because she cannot see her enemy or her danger.

Job said: "The ostrich is without fear because God hath deprived her of wisdom; neither hath he imparted to her understanding."

I should like to read Job's comment upon the present advocates of unpreparedness.

(c) Study of human nature. History and world conditions lead me to the conclusion that war will recur.

Banishing of war is more than casting off an ancient and barbaric tradition; calls for establishment of conditions enumerated.

CAN THE LIKELIHOOD OF WAR BE REDUCED ?

I think so.

It is a matter of insurance. Surest method of maintaining peace lies in a strong defensive policy against war.

MEASURES WHICH WILL DELAY WAR.

(a) Wise treaties. Definite alliance with France and Belgium might have prevented the Great War.

Close alliance between the branches of the Anglo-Saxon race.

(b) Support league of nations. World super government. Membership of league embodies acceptance of the idea that war is one of the greatest evils and dangers to our civilization.