

GEO. W. SULMAN TELLS ABOUT EXPERIENCES IN GERMANY

Many Historic Places Visited And Interesting Information

Gathered From All Of Them—
Another Of A Series

Our first stop in Germany after leaving Switzerland was at Strassburg, a city of 150,000, and situated at the junction of the Ill and the Breusch. Here everything changed from the simple peasant life of the Swiss to the military ways of the Kaiser's country.

Strassburg, the leading city of Alsace, is a fortress of the first rank, and has always been considered one of the principal strategic points of Europe. It is now fortified better than any city in Germany and is the headquarters of their best army corps. The city has been bombarded several times and many of the buildings show the marks of bullets and shells quite plainly. General Kleber spent most of his days here and a very handsome square and monument has been built to his memory. The cathedral of Strassburg is a very prominent building and represents four different centuries of architecture, and gives a visitor a splendid opportunity to compare the different styles of architecture which have been incorporated in the structure.

The most interesting object in the church is the old astronomical clock, the greatest piece of clock-making that has ever been produced. It is built to run 25,000 years and shows every cycle of time and every phase of the planet's movements for that space of time. Thousands of tourists visit Strassburg each year to see this wonderful clock perform its pantomime.

The Church of St. Thomas was visited to see the beautiful monument and tomb of Marshall Saxe. It is one of the most striking monuments in Europe and different from any other in existence.

We paid a visit to the Orangerie, which is a magnificent park and garden, well kept and beautiful with a profusion of vines, roses and shrubbery, and hundreds of orange trees, from which it derives its name.

Strassburg also possesses a magnificent theatre with a beautiful fountain in front. Many of the houses here are of the old Alsatian style of architecture and are unique in appearance. The roofs are steep and have roof after roof of gable windows, so that there are as many as four tiers of rooms above the eaves. The stork is the sacred bird of Strassburg, and you may see many of them in the city, and they build their nests in the high buildings and spires of the churches.

One of the peculiar sights of Strassburg is the washer women. They have boats anchored in the river all along the quays, and hundreds, yes thousands of women bring their washing down to the river; they then rent a tub and do their washing in a boat, and as the sides are not enclosed, passersby can stop and watch the operation. I may say that at every hour of the day you will see hard-working washers and lots of interested onlookers.

Our first stop after leaving Strassburg was at Heidelberg, on the Neckar, a city of thirty thousand population, and the prettiest city in Germany. This city is romantically situated at the opening of the Neckar valley, and has behind and before it fifty hills covered with vineyards and forests. The town consists mainly of one long street, the Hauptstrasse, which follows the river for two miles. Another beautiful avenue, the Anglage, parallels it for some distance, and is flanked with fine houses and beautiful gardens. The University, founded in 1386, for which Heidelberg is famous, is a very ordinary looking affair, but is the most noted on the continent, and the city is full of students from the different states of Germany, who all wear faded caps that tell the district from which they come. It is quite a bizarre sight to see the crowd of German students with their very colored caps. Nearly every student you meet has his face shaven by sabre or foil, as they fight duels in Heidelberg every day, and the more sought after German student has in Heidelberg the greater hero he is. We saw many with faces just

cut, some with as many as six different wounds. The chief attraction at Heidelberg is the famous castle which overhangs the western portion of the city. It is situated on Castle Hill 30 feet above the Neckar. Though now a ruin, yet its extent, its magnificence, its beautiful situation, its interesting history, render it by far the most noteworthy, as it certainly is the proudest and largest, of the old castles of Germany. It was built in the 13th century. It was added to by nearly every sovereign, and after suffering severely through the Thirty Years War, was restored by Charles Louis in 1650. It was dismantled by the French in 1689 and was struck by lightning in 1764, and its destruction was completed. The castle, as it at present stands, is a square surrounded by a square courtyard, which contains a fountain adorned with granite pillars from Charlemagne's palace. We ascended the winding stairs of the castle balcony and had a fine view of Heidelberg and the Neckar. The castle contains a museum of objects that ornamented and adorned it in its palmy days. It also contains the famous Great Tun, which was built in 1750. Its capacity is 49,000 gallons. It has been filled on several occasions with wine. We saw the pump that was used to pump the wine from the Tun to the banquet hall. It certainly is a handy way to bring up the juice of the grapes, and is a great advantage to the thirsty guests and tired waiters.

One morning in Heidelberg we got a first glimpse of German Cavalry. We saw a regiment probably numbering 1,000. They were the finest looking lot of soldiers, both in appearance and accoutrements I have ever seen. The horses were beautiful specimens, all the same color and height, and to see them and to hear the grand military band marching down the beautiful avenue, Anglage, will never be forgotten.

From Heidelberg we went to Mainz, a city of 100,000, situated on the Rhine. It is the largest city and strongest fortress in Germany. The old castle, which stands on the site of an early cathedral of the 9th century. It is a magnificent building and contains monuments of the great archbishops of Cologne, and the shrine of three kings, which is adorned with gold and precious stones. The richly colored windows add greatly to the magnificence of the interior. The heart of Mary de Medici is buried in the choir.

We visited the church of St. Ursula and saw the bones of the 11,000 virgins that were murdered by Attila, the Hun. There are many interesting objects in the church besides the relics of the virgins, among which are one of the water pots which was used at the wedding at Cana in Galilee, and a piece of the shroud with which Christ was clothed by the Roman soldiers.

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We embarked from Mainz on the grand boat, "Kaiserine Augusta Victoria," for a trip down the world renowned Rhine. This magnificent trip took all day, but time passes so quickly while you are situated by the beautiful little towns and cities and the famous old castles that it seemed but a few minutes. We passed Bingen, Coblenz, Bohn and Apollinaris. We saw the old castles of Ehrenfels, Rheinstein, Bacharach, Gutenfels, Ort, Mause, Lahnstein, Stolzenfels, Rheinfels, Drachenfels, Godesberg, every one of which are famous in legend and in

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story, and many great tales have been told of these old castles and their nobles. We passed the rock of Lurel, but although I looked and listened for the siren, she did not appear to me—probably I have been married too long.

The banks of the Rhine are terraced with vineyards and here is grown the grape that produces the famous Rhine wine, and all these things combined make the trip on the Rhine unequalled in the world. The traffic on the river is enormous and you pass hundreds of vessels laden to the water's edge with supplies of all kinds for the interior of Europe.

We arrived in Cologne after this grand trip at seven in the evening. This is a city of 500,000 people and is a great business centre. The attraction at Cologne is the great Gothic Cathedral, which stands on the site of an early cathedral of the 9th century. It is a magnificent building and contains monuments of the great archbishops of Cologne, and the shrine of three kings, which is adorned with gold and precious stones. The richly colored windows add greatly to the magnificence of the interior. The heart of Mary de Medici is buried in the choir.

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THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

At the Brisco Opera House—
The Red Feather—Sept. 24.
When Women Love—Fair nights, Sept. 26th and 27th.
Florence Gale in "Love Victory"—Oct. 1.
Real Widow Brown—Oct. 6.
John Griffith—Oct. 11.

The book of the comic opera "Red Feather," which will have its first appearance in this city on Monday, Sept. 24th, was written by Charles Klein, the foremost American dramatist of the day. Mr. Klein is author of both "The Music Master" and "The Lion and the Mouse." The former is now in the third year of its Broadway run and the latter has entered the second season of its New York engagement.

The company which appears at the Brisco Opera House on the above mentioned date, is said to be quite important in names and number, and gorgeous in costume and stage mountings will add to the value of the production as a spectacle. Miss C. Simpson, in the title role, whose superb vocal powers are widely known, is at the head of a company of seventy-five people, many of whom are exceedingly prominent in the light opera field, including Lyman Wheeler, Ben. G. MacGahan, W. J. McCarthy, Richard Karl, W. H. Powers, Daisy Fuguet, Gertrude Black, Frieda Rice, Virginia Gibby and Grace Sessler, and a big singing chorus of fresh, young and well-trained voices.

The author of the play did well in choosing for his plot the story of the intrigues of a band of conspirators of the country of Romania. The throne is tenanted by a Crown Prince, who is considered by many of the subjects not to be the rightful heir. Those who champion the cause of the pretender are led by one Red Feather, a notorious free rider, who in the unravelling of the plot proves to be none other than the noble Countess Hilda von Draga. Both the Crown Prince and the deposed heir are in love with this great court lady and their efforts to thwart one another on the field of love lend additional interest to the romantic story, which is worked out to a logical and happy ending.

"WHEN WOMEN LOVE," the big, sensational, and scenic melodrama, will be the offering at the Brisco Opera House two fair nights, Sept. 26th and 27th.

This attraction is one of the strongest and most popular now being staged in this city. It is one of the big hits of the season, playing to packed houses everywhere. It is a play of absorbing interest, true to life, appeals to the heart, is full of exciting scenes, sensational climaxes, and a fairly bubbling over with a sensational comedy.

The play revolves around Madge Carlton, a poor factory girl, who is being persecuted for an inheritance.

There are few actresses on the stage who are closer to the hearts of the theatre-goers than Florence Gale, who will appear in a new romantic play, by Margaret Mayo, entitled "Love's Victory," at the Brisco Opera House on Monday, Oct. 1st. In this city she is a strong local favorite, made so by her former visit in this play, notably her charming impersonation of Rosalind in Shakespeare's immortal comedy of "As You Like It." Judging by the numerous inquiries made at the box office, her forthcoming appearance will be greeted by a capacity audience. "Love's Victory" is said to afford Miss Gale a better opportunity for the display of her talents than any play in which she has previously appeared. Some critics have asserted that Miss Gale's impersonations in this remarkable play is nothing short of a sensational triumph. She will be supported by William Bonelli and a fine company, and the advantage of a beautiful production.

Annual Western Excursion Tickets on sale at W. E. Rispin's office, 115 King St., Sept. 20, 21 and 22, to Detroit, Chicago, Grand Rapids, Cleveland, St. Paul, Bay City, Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton, Indianapolis, St. Paul and Minneapolis, good to return Oct. 8th.

Insures Against Weather.

The report just issued by J. Howard Hunter, provincial inspector of insurance, and registrar of friendly societies, includes a statement of the financial position of the "weather" insurance company, the only one in Ontario at present, although two others are being formed. The policies issued cover damages to barns and crops caused by lightning, rain, hail or any other visitation of the Storm King.

The company, which was organized at Grand Valley, in 1904, has for president William Park of Huron. The policies are for three years, and cover over \$1,500,000. The revenue for 1904 was \$3,399, with expenses of \$3,167, showing a small balance of \$232 on an undertaking representing a new departure in insurance.

The policies in force Dec. 31, 1904, were 224; the gross number during 1905 were 1,232, of which two were canceled. The risks in force Dec. 31 last totaled \$1,549,360. During 1905, \$453.40 was paid for losses.

The Canadian Mutual Live Stock Insurance Co. of Toronto commenced business in 1905. Its assets are \$1,649,741; liabilities, \$786,071; receipts, \$1,259,914; and expenditures \$1,059,741.

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"Why not?" he queried. "I've been doing it for years. It doesn't hurt the box. Other fellows and myself have scratched matches on the top of this mail box for years, and there is only a little worn patch on the metal to show for it."

"Well, go ahead if you want to," sighed the mail carrier. "But remember that, if the inspector sees you, up you go on a charge of defacing government property. And you know that if the inspector ever gets you it's for scratching matches on the prison bars for a day or so. By-by."

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At Rochester (1st game). R.H.E.B.
Providence 002000000-2 13 5
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Jersey City 00200100003-6 14 8
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Eastern League Standing.

Clubs	Won	Lost	Pct.
Buffalo	51	54	.486
Jersey City	77	57	.574
Baltimore	75	59	.560
Rochester	62	62	.500
Newark	65	71	.478
Providence	65	73	.472
Montreal	57	80	.416
Toronto	47	87	.350

National League Scores.

At Philadelphia. R.H.E.B.
St. Louis 41011010-9 13 1
Philadelphia 100000000-1 7 5
Batteries—McGraw and Neenan; Hughes, Richie, Moser, Doolan and Christie. Umpire—O'Day.

At Boston. R.H.E.B.
Boston 000010000-4 6 0
Chicago 000000000-0 3 8
Batteries—Pfeiffer and O'Neill; Pfeiffer and Moran. Umpire—Conway.

At New York, first game. R.H.E.B.
New York 020000000-2 10 4
New York 00024002-10 12 1
Batteries—Liedel, Camnitz and Phelps; McGinley and Bresnahan. Umpire—Klem and Carpenter.

Second game. R.H.E.B.
Pittsburgh 00050-8 7 1
New York 010-3 7 4
Batteries—Phillips and Gibson; Mathewson, Ferguson and Bresnahan. Umpires—Karpenter and Klem.

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Cleveland 010301001-6 10 1
Brooklyn 000000010-3 7 4
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