

What the World is Saying

If the War Lord Only Had More Sons

If the Kaiser had a few more sons in command of armies peace would be in sight.—New York Sun.

War Cookery

The Balkan cauldron is beginning to boil and Bulgaria and Turkey are in the soup.—Ottawa Evening Journal.

One of Germany's Knotty Problems

The Central Powers are short of wood. German statesmen ought to be careful not to lose their heads in this dilemma.—London Opinion.

Germany Will Harvest Only Loss

How to break the news to the German people that there won't be any booty to divide when peace comes is one of the main worries of the German authorities these days.—Kingston Whig.

Sore Financial Straits

It looks as if the German people were beginning to have doubts about the ability of their government to pay its debts. The new war loan is said to be a flat failure.—Boston Transcript.

Skirts No Longer Catch Up Germs

Years ago the women used to wear skirts that swished up all sorts of microbes and things. But nowadays said microbes would have to be pretty fair on the high jump to catch on.—Toronto Star.

The Naval Fiction Output

From the detonating reports of the German admiralty, we gather that the German navy never ventures a thousand yards outside the Kiel canal these days without destroying the British navy.—Montreal Herald.

The Hyphenates

The Germans who have gone to the United States have become Americans although they have not lost all the original sin of Germans. Hundreds of thousands of them would do anything for their fatherland—except live in it. They will sing about it; they will plot and scheme for it and betray the United States for it; but they will never be real out-and-out Germans again.—London Truth.

A Problem for Ontario

If Britain is going to give women the vote after the war, as Asquith suggests, would it be dreadful radicalism for Ontario to adopt woman suffrage at the next session of the Legislature?—Toronto Globe.

Ferdinand's Vanished Dream

The glittering Bulgarian dream of Balkan empire seems to be breaking, and already the approaching dawn of the "morning after" is beginning to cause a painful throbbing in the head of Czar Ferdinand.—Providence (R. I.) Journal.

Roumania's Banishing of Booze

Roumania, in forbidding the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages in all establishments throughout the kingdom, has gone farther than any of the other belligerent lands in the matter.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

Two Enslaved Nations

If ever there were two enslaved nations driven blindly to do the will of their captor, those two nations to-day are Turkey and Bulgaria. Outside Belgium and Poland, they constitute the most pitiful sight in Europe.—New York Tribune.

"Naked Misery and Hard Need"

Max Harden, who exultantly declared early in the war that Germany "willed" it, now tells his fellow-countrymen that Britain is not even suffering yet, and that Germany during the third year of war will see naked misery and hard need.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Adaptability of Some Men

It's funny how a man whose health is so poor that his wife has to carry the baby when they go out anywhere can walk fifteen miles round a lodge-room with sixty pounds of robes and knickknacks on him.—Minneapolis Journal.

The Marwick Head Monument to Kitchener

The monument to Kitchener on Marwick Head, in the Orkneys, overlooking his last resting place under the sea, will be a fitting memorial to the famous soldier. In grandeur the location equals the tomb in which Cecil Rhodes sleeps, which was hewn out of the rocks in the Matoppo Hills in the place of his own choosing.—Hamilton Herald.

The German Price for Children

The German commandant at Libau has announced that the German government will give a bounty of nineteen marks for a boy and twelve marks for a girl born of a Lettish mother and a German soldier father. That means the boy is worth \$4.56 and the girl \$2.88.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Less than "A Scrap of Paper"

We are glad to have it explained, through a letter of the German Foreign Office, now published in Washington, that the German officers of interned steamships who broke parole, violated only an "assurance" (Versicherung) and not their "word of honor" (Ehrenwort). There is no doubt that something was violated.—New York World.

A Pledge that is Worth Nothing

Germany has assured Spain that no German submarine will anchor at any Spanish port or off the coast during the period of the present war. Judging by recent history the assurance will hold good just as long as "military necessity" does not bob up with a demand for a violation of the promise.—New York Times.

The Kaiser's Health

Observers allege that the Kaiser is in fine trim physically, being well-tanned and apparently in high good spirits. The fact should not bring joy to the hearts of those of his subjects who seriously contemplate the way events are shaping. The sovereign who is cheerful while his country is fighting for its existence, and while every day thousands of its men are being slain, is not one to inspire respect in a people, unless they are blinded by the fetish of majesty.—Montreal Mail.

President Wilson's Attire

President Wilson addressing Congress while clad in a blue coat without tails, and a pair of white flannel trousers, may be a fine figure of democracy, but he has a long way to go before he can hope to equal Andrew Jackson's record. Old Hickory rode to Washington in his shirt sleeves because he was comfortable that way. Furthermore, he wore boots instead of low shoes, and his socks were not silken. However, Mr. Wilson is doing pretty well, considering that this is an age of luxury.—Montreal Gazette.



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