

TEACHING OF THE GERMAN LANGUAGE

The despatches from the army in Europe from time to time record the advantage accruing to the enemy from the presence in his ranks of numerous men who can understand and speak French, English and Italian. In the Italian campaign Austrian officers, uniformed as Italians, actually issued orders to Italian troops and caused several units to withdraw from positions the invaders could not otherwise have occupied without losses.

If the Germans did not know foreign languages their efficiency would obviously be considerably impaired. They recognize this fact, and even in their organized efforts to stir up hatred against their enemies they do not go to the length of depriving themselves of the advantage familiarity with foreign tongues brings them. In prison camps in France and England in the schools of the German Empire, wherever the opportunity offers, the study of English, French and Italian is kept up; and it was so with Russia when Russia was officially and popularly held up as the greatest menace to Germany's future.

Not only do the Germans expect to reap immediate military advantage from their knowledge of the tongues of other lands, but they have the future in view. In the struggle for trade and commerce that will succeed the war, for which every nation is preparing itself, familiarity with modern languages will be a tremendous factor. The man who tries to sell goods through an interpreter will be gravely handicapped in competition with the man who can get along without such an intermediary; the country with the most salesmen speaking the vernacular of a region in which trade is sought will be favored in that region. The reforms only are needed. One of them is the adoption of text books written by men of American ideals, American training, American sympathy, which shall teach Americanism through the medium of the German language. Such text books could be produced without the use of higher genius than is displayed in the anti-American books so frequently used.

To say that the production of text books soundly American in their influence is impossible is to say the ridiculous; to allege that a system cannot be devised by which students of German can be taught the language is preposterous. Both things are possible, and both should be accomplished without loss of time. It will not belittle our dignity or impair our present purpose to recognize that the German people is going to live after the war, an important factor in world affairs. Americans will meet them in the competition of peace, and Americans without German who compete with Germans having English will be at a serious disadvantage. The problem presented is as important as it is simple, and the attempt to solve it by robbing ourselves and our children of the right to meet our rivals on equal terms is indefensibly stupid.

SEBASTOPOL SEIZED BY GERMAN FORCES

Berlin Reports Occupation of Famous City in Russian Crimea Without Fighting

BERLIN, via London, May 3.—German forces have occupied Sebastopol, the great Russian fortress in the Crimea. According to the official communication from headquarters the town was taken without fighting. The text of the statement is: "In Ukraine we have broken the enemy's resistance before Sebastopol and occupied the town on Wednesday with fighting."

The occupation of Sebastopol gives to Germany possession of the base of the Russian Black Sea fleet and a fortress which is rich in historical associations. The city was founded by Catherine II, in 1784, and about twenty years later Alexander I. made it the principal naval station of Russia on the Black Sea. The fortifications of the city, consisting of a chain of great redoubts, were constructed by Nicholas I.

The siege of Sebastopol in the Crimea War takes its place in the memorable military annals of modern times. During the summer of 1854 the English and French undertook an expedition to reduce the fortress and were joined by the Sardinians and Turks. The investment of the place began in October, that year, but it was not until September 8, 1855, that it surrendered. There were 127,000 men killed during the siege.

The present city rose from the ashes of the town ruined during the siege. It has a few notable buildings, including two fine cathedrals. The population in 1897 was 44,016.

TRENTON

Trenton, May 3.—Mrs. Hopkins of Vancouver is in town, the guest of Mrs. Gordon Matthews.
Mrs. (Capt.) R. T. Starnes is at her home, Bradford, visiting with her parents.
Mr. Bloomer, Supt. Pyro Section of the British Chemical works, has leased the residence recently vacated by Mr. Clarence Young, King street.
Miss Wager of Cameron, Ont., is in town visiting with her cousin, Mrs. C. G. Young.
Mrs. (Dr.) N. S. Jacques has returned from her extended visit in Northern Ontario.
Miss Taylor of Goderich is in town visiting friends.

Mr. Herbert Kemp has returned from Toronto.
Mr. Barry contemplates closing his east-end Trenton store, some bargains to be sure.
Mrs. William Chambers is out of town visiting with friends in Toronto.
TODAY'S CASUALTIES
Killed—
H. Harlan, Peterboro.
O. Foster, Oshawa.
Wounded—
P. W. Lindsay, Belleville.
R. M. Derochie, Cornwall.

Grand Old Man Makes Statement

Mr. Geo. Somers Finds Dodd's Kidney Pills Best

In His Eighty-second Year He Tells Why, After Trying Other Medicines, He Finds His Faith in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Barrie, Ont., May 6th.—(Special)—Mr. George Somers, Barrie's grand old man, now in his eighty-second year, has made a statement in regard to Dodd's Kidney Pills, Canada's grand old kidney remedy. "I have tried several kinds of kidney pills," Mr. Somers states. "I have arrived at the conclusion that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best so far; at least, they have given me the best satisfaction. I have taken them for nearly twenty-five years of and on as I have needed them."

Mr. Somers who for forty years before retiring was a carriage worker, strained his back while gardening, and for over thirty years has been troubled, more or less, with his kidneys.

That he has placed his faith in Dodd's Kidney Pills after trying the other kinds is considered a splendid tribute to the grand old Canadian kidney remedy. At his advanced age he is splendid evidence of the good work Dodd's Kidney Pills are doing.

Bicycle Week At Kingston

STANDARD OFFERS TWO INTERESTING PAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM DEALERS

There are hundreds of wheels in Kingston and dealers are confident that before Bicycle Week is concluded next Saturday that at least one hundred more riders will be added to this important list. The bicycle is the only wheeled vehicle which will keep a human being ever fit to fight. And in these days there is a common desire among men and women to feel physically fit for the battle which lies before them, be they scheduled to go "over the top" in Europe or at home.

The idea of National Bicycle Week organized by the United Cycle Trade Directorate, composed of the leading bicycle makers and distributors, is not to bring the bicycle back, because the bicycle never went away, but rather to bring the people back to the bicycle.

Man loves to grow lazy and waste not alone his earnings but his birthright—his health. As water finds its level, so man now and again harks back to the things which are right.

Getting Rid Of Dandelions

If your lawn is yellow rather than green, don't let the dandelions make you blue. There is an easy method of killing them. This is by spraying them with a solution of sulphate of iron.

Heavy growths of dandelion may be killed by spraying from a nozzle that gives a mist-like spray with a solution of 1 1/2 pound of sulphate of iron to a gallon of water. An ordinary garden sprinker does not give good results. The solution should be sprayed over the lawn about three days after the grass has been cut, and on a bright day when the possibilities of rain are slight. The lawn must not be cut or watered for three days or more after the application.

The lawns may be sprayed once a month during the entire summer, starting at the time the dandelions appear. With proper care the spray will not injure the grass. Care should be taken in applying the solution to keep it off concrete walks, as it permanently discolors them. Stains in clothing made by sulphate of iron are not removable.

If there are only a few dandelions on the lawn they may be removed by cutting them off just below the surface of the ground with a knife. Gasoline or kerosene applied to the crown of the individual plant will kill it.

Permanent relief from dandelions and other weeds can be secured only by getting a thick, vigorous growth of grass. This is secured by using plenty of fertilizer and grass seed.

The Pill That Brings Relief—When, after one has partaken of a meal he is oppressed by feelings of nausea and pains in the stomach he suffers from dyspepsia, which will persist if it be not dealt with. Farnelle's Vegetable Pills are the very best medicine that can be taken to bring relief. These pills are specially compounded to deal with dyspepsia, and their startling qualities in his respect can be vouched for by regions of users.

Don't Wait and—Wish Work Now and—Have!

When drastic regulations for the rationing of food come into effect (and such an Order in Council may be made very early next Fall) you will wish then, that you had a crop of nice vegetables ready to take off your garden or nearby piece of vacant land that you could have cultivated if you had really wanted to.

Well, all we say is—Don't Wait and—Wish

If you have not yet decided to plant a vegetable garden make up your mind to do so now. You will not regret it. There is still lots of time. Potatoes and beans may be planted up to June 1st and these are the best substitutes for wheat and meat.

For good, practical advice upon how to lay out and cultivate a Vegetable Garden, write for a free copy of the booklet entitled: "A Vegetable Garden for Every Home." This has been prepared by the Ontario Department of Agriculture for the guidance of citizens who will respond to this call for increased production.

Mail This Coupon NOW

Organization of Resources Committee, Parliament Buildings, Toronto

Dear Sirs:

Please send me a copy of your booklet "A Vegetable Garden for Every Home."

Name _____

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Grocers Refuse to Repurchase Flour

Grocers have been pestered since the issuance of the new flour regulations by customers who were anxious to re-sell some of the bags they had stored away in the attic in anticipation of a white flour famine. These citizens desired to keep within the law and they may have been influenced by the fact that their purchases were recorded in the dealers' books. The order announced last Saturday plainly permits persons possessing sufficient flour for fifteen days' requirements. They must not only return the surplus to the dealers from whom they bought it, but the dealer must buy it back at the purchase price, or the market price on April 30th, 1918.

The Toronto authorities have decided that the people are not holding large stocks of flour, that buying has been generally for immediate needs, and consequently a house-to-house search is unwarranted. They will confine their attention to the future transactions of grocers and other dealers in flour. In other words, Toronto has apparently decided that if prevalent and thirty persons have two or three hundred pounds of flour stored away they may keep it; but let no one henceforth buy more than they need for fifteen days.—Peterboro Examiner.

Features Of Today's Market

Maple Syrup Still Offers—Up Go Potatoes and Poultry—Prices Generally Steadier

Maple syrup, potatoes and pigs, just pigs, held away over the outer market today—more syrup than would be expected at this late season, more potatoes than usual and so many little pigs as one would want to buy—these were the features. Potatoes, strange to say, keep high, \$2.00 to \$2.25 per bag for the eating variety, and \$1.50 per bag for seedlings. The syrup was eagerly licked up at \$2.00 per gallon, although some was offered at 45c per quart. The quality was pretty good.

The little pigs that go to the market these days fetch hog prices. Sixteen to eighteen dollars per pair was the general run. The buying was none too brisk but prices did not lower.

Chickens attracted fancy figures, today, nothing less than "four dollars per pair, six" in many cases.

War Will End In U. S.

SO SAYS CAROLIAN—WHO LIKENS STATES TO RESTORED ISRAEL

R. C. Alexander, a rich cotton merchant of Charlotte, N.C., predicted in Washington recently that the battle of Armageddon would be fought in the Valley of the Mississippi three years and six months after March 2nd last. He quoted from the Bible to show that the United States would be invaded by the combined armies of Europe, Asia and Africa, but that those fighting for "democracy" would win.

"All the monarchies of the earth," he said, "will combine against the United States, the land of unwalled cities, located in the middle of the world, but we will win."

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of disgusting blemishes, by quickly purifying the blood, improving the circulation, and regulating the habits with BEETHAM'S PILLS

Latest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes 50c.

Fine Tribute To Gallant Soldier

Mrs. Caverley of Forboro, has received the following beautiful tribute and expression of sympathy from Rev. W. W. Goldstraw, Dover, England, as a message of condolence on account of the death of her gallant son, Sergt. Caverley, who died of pneumonia—occasioned by wounds received on the field of action.

Dover, 18th April, 1918.
Dear Mrs. Caverley,
I have had the sad duty today of conducting the funeral service at the interment of your son, Sgt. Caverley. He died on Tuesday, the 9th inst. at 12 o'clock noon, on board H. M. A. Troopship "Brighton", on the voyage from France, the cause of death being septic pneumonia and wounds. I deeply sympathize with you and other relatives in this bereavement, and trust you may be comforted and sustained by Divine Grace. Your son has given his life for a righteous cause, and for the bringing of a better state of things for the world. You will be thank-

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ful that he has done his part bravely, though your grief at the present loss will be acute. My own boy fell in the Somme fighting on Oct. 7th, 1915, being buried where he fell, on the "field of honor", as the men say, but without any religious ceremony. The brave boys are, however, in the keeping of the Loving Eternal Father.

Your son's grave is in a lovely spot on a hillside, where the ground is of chalk, the same as the grand cliffs of Dover, in St. James' Cemetery, within ten minutes of my address. Full military honors were shown at the funeral, the bearers being Sergeants, and a Firing Party firing three volleys over the grave. The "Last Post" was also sounded by two Buglers. As the service proceeded I thought of you in distant Canada and breathed a prayer for you to be comforted.

With kindest Christian regards, I am,
Yours in sincere sympathy,
W. W. Goldstraw.
(Stirling Papers please copy)
CAMPBELLFORD
Miss Jean Waters, graduate nurse of Hamilton, is home for a few days.
Mr. Harry Abar, who has been attending dental college in Toronto, is home.
The work on the Bank of British North America is proceeding nicely. It is expected that the stone work will be completed this week. When completed it will be a credit to the great financial institution which it represents.

Lieut. Reginald, son of Mr. Frank Runnels, of Hastings, visited his uncle, Mr. Wm. Runnels, last week. He served in the trenches for twenty three months and was promoted on the field. He carries a bullet with him which he had extracted from his side.

Flight Lieut. Harry Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Smith, Raglan St., has received congratulations on his having accomplished exceptionally good work in connection with the aviation work in France. He went overseas last October and has been in France about two months.
Mr. P. Burrs, of Thier River Falls, Minn., is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity. His sister, Miss Burns, will return with him.—Herald.

An Oil Without Alcohol.—Some pills and many medicines have alcohol as a prominent ingredient. A delicious mingling of six essential oils compose the famous Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and there is no alcohol in it, so that its effects are lasting. There is no medicinal oil compound that can equal this oil in its restorative and healing power. Soft corns are difficult to eradicate, but Falloway's Corn Cure will draw them out painlessly.

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