

What the World is Saying

Brief and to the Point

Germany is the Judas of civilization.—Quebec Chronicle.

The Western Temperance Trend

Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Manitoba are all heading for the water wagon.—Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

Those Lusitania Warnings

The rattlesnake gives warning, too, but he is not regarded as a highly desirable citizen.—New York World.

Long Enduring Garments

A dispatch states that American sailors have worn balloon trousers for over a hundred years. They must be made of sheet iron.—Vancouver Province.

A Fundamental Difference

The German is happiest when he is doing what he is told. The Englishman is never content unless he feels he is doing what he chooses.—Toronto Globe.

Switzerland Ready to Defend Herself

Germany declares her army won't cross Switzerland to fight Italy. So does Switzerland.—Philadelphia North American

A Looker-On in Constantinople

While his subjects are fighting, the Sultan of Turkey has assumed an attitude of systematic personal retirement that is as near neutral as he can make it.—Washington Star.

It Passes Understanding

"Greater regard for the German empire in the United States," is what one Austrian paper expects from the crime of the Lusitania. It's impossible to fathom the depth of the modern Austro-German mind.—Ottawa Evening Journal.

Intoxicating Liquor

There is only one defence for liquor selling, that a large number of human beings crave alcohol. The less said about the evils of prohibition the better.—Topeka Capitol

The Turk and the Hun

Turkey's action in rescuing a few British sailors from a sunken submarine will cause some misgivings in Berlin as to the quality of Turkish "kultur."—Montreal Daily Mail.

Some Moisture in Arizona

It has been raining at Flagstaff and other Arizona points for a month, and the river beds, usually so dusty at this time of year, have become quite damp.—Minneapolis Journal.

Herod and Kultur

There must be a suitable spot within the sacred precincts of Siegesallee in which a statue can be erected to Herod, who was perhaps weakly discriminating in his butchery of babies, but who, nevertheless, pointed the way.—Manchester Guardian.

"The Eavesdroppers' Blight"

A student in the Oklahoma Agricultural college has perfected an invention which prevents rubbering on party telephone lines. He calls his device "The Eavesdroppers' Blight." He is hereby nominated for the hall of fame.—Duluth Herald.

The Viewpoint of Prussian Militarism

One thing the Prussian Colonels cannot understand is this British and American talk to the effect that lives of civilian non-combatants possess some kind of special value. They do not see it at all. From their point of view, quite the reverse is the case.—Victoria Times.

German Generals Cultivate Fierce Looks

German generals, says F. D. B. takes the fiercest photographs of any class of people in the world. Probably it is forbidden a German general to look at a camera unless he is repeating rapidly under his breath, "Gott strafe England."—Ottawa Free Press.

More Honorable than the Iron Cross

By Dutch royal decree Captain Mills, of the American liner Philadelphia, has received a gold medal and each member of his crew a silver medal for rescuing the crew of a Dutch steamship. A better decoration than an Iron Cross for drowning a crew.—Boston Transcript.

Fitting Partners

How fitting that Turkey, whose crimes and savagery in the past have gained for her the appellation "unspeakable," should have drawn as an ally Germany, a nation whose very name in the years to come will by reason of her recent hellishness be a stench in the nostrils of civilization.—Paris Matin.

The Insanity of the Bavarian Royal Family

If Crown Prince Rupprecht is ever brought to trial for the horrible brutalities committed under his instructions, he will have a good defence. He will be able to plead insanity and support the plea by producing his family record.—Edmonton Journal.

Something the Germans Do Not Know

Personal liberty is infinitely the most important possession of the Anglo-Saxon nations. That liberty has been secured by centuries of struggle, and by the gradual evolution of parliamentary government. The German has no idea of it, and no regard for it.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

What Have They to Thank Germany For?

What cause has any German in the United States or Canada to be loyal to the ruling classes of Germany? What has the Kaiser done for them? Such happiness and prosperity as they have achieved is due to their own efforts and to the land in which they make their livelihood, and whose free institutions they enjoy.—Toronto Star.

Hate and Malediction

The Germans are admirably consistent in their use of the name of God for purposes of malediction. The latest is "Gott strafe Amerika." The only thing that does not seem to have occurred to them is to leave a little of the punishing to Him who said "Vengeance is mine."—Baltimore Sun.

What War will Mean for the United States

If war be our part it must be war to success, regardless of the price. It means that Germany must be beaten in order that the United States may be safe. It means that Russia's cause is ours and Russia's defeat our menace. It means that Great Britain's embarrassments are ours and France's danger is ours. It means that the defeat of the Allies is the greatest danger to which the United States could be exposed.—Chicago Tribune.

Mail for the Trenches

The British post office carries every day four hundred thousand letters and fifty thousand parcels to the soldiers of the empire fighting in France. It is as little as those of us who are at home can do to write as often as possible to the men who are spending long days and nights in the trenches. A letter may mean little or nothing to you, but it may mean a lot to a man at the front.—Canadian Journal of Commerce.

A Soldier of the Empire

Private Thomas Evans, of Aurora, Ont., who went to war with the Queen's Own of Toronto, is among the missing in France. He was a veteran of the Egyptian and Boer wars, and, although fifty-seven years old volunteered when the call came last fall. Private Evans certainly deserves to be called a soldier of the Empire.—Halifax Herald.

Splendid Work in South Africa

The conquest of German Southwest Africa by the troops of British South Africa under the command of General Botha. It is all the more notable an achievement because it was immediately preceded by an insurrection in South Africa, fomented by Germans, an insurrection which had been long in preparation and which threatened to assume very serious proportions. General Botha and Smuts crushed it promptly and effectually; then turned their attention to the conquest of the neighboring German colony. Probably they have added to the British empire territory much greater in area than Germany. And only fifteen years ago Botha and Smuts and most of their men were fighting to drive the British out of Africa.—Fortnightly Review.

Economic Delusion and the War

Germans thought their failure due to Britain's success. The British people, being clearer in understanding, knew that the commercial success of any nation helped other nations. Germany thought it would be an advantage to crush Britain. Britain knew it would be, commercially, a disadvantage to crush any nation. Germany planned to crush under an economic delusion.—London Statist.

A "Rough House" Legislature

In the Pennsylvania House of Representatives members opposing certain bills have resorted to the use of sneezing powders, torpedoes and foul-smelling chemicals, in addition to throwing papers, books and magazines about. This state of affairs is enough to make old friend William Penn turn in his grave in the belief that the Huns are represented in his old territory.—London Advertiser.

In Regard to Names

One newspaper suggests that Canadians who bear names savoring of the Teutonic would do well to change them to names that give no hint of German origin. The suggestion will hardly be put into practice to any extent, and would be of little benefit anyway. There are some good Canadian citizens whose names have a German sound and whose fathers were natives of this country. Also, there are in the Canadian casualty lists some very German names. What is in a name, anyway?—Montreal Herald.

German Training

And it has been shown a thousand times in this war, that, man for man, the Germans, in spite of a training as soldiers claimed to be better than that given to any other people in the world, are no better or more successful fighters than Canadians or English, who, six months ago, had never handled a gun or worn a uniform. It was only in the first weeks of the war that German "system" demonstrated the value expected of it. Thanks to it, the Germans went in their first rush almost to Paris, but it didn't enable them to go further, or to remain there, nor has it saved them from being pushed back, steadily though slowly, ever since.—New York Times.

A Characteristic Utterance of the Kaiser

Kaiser Wilhelm announces that the Almighty has put into the hands of the Germans "a new and mighty weapon—those gases wherewith we have defeated our enemies." And yet the Kaiser knows that his government solemnly agreed some years ago that the German army should not make use of this new and mighty weapon, and is now using it in defiance of that agreement. It will be expedient for the Kaiser to show proof that the Almighty has released him from his vow.—Petrograd Novoe Vremya.

British and French Lessons to Germany

When the English discovered they had a foolish, unmanageable, lawbreaking king on their hands they removed his head. Later, France found it necessary to separate many haughty individuals from swelled domes, including crowned ones. It remains to be seen whether Germany will profit by the lessons of the past, and will purify herself by castigating the Hohenzollern brood, whose known insanity and degeneration have led her into the present sea of blood and mire and dishonor.—Kansas City Star.

Would Hang the Kaiser

Germany is convicted by the very rules of international law which it has helped to frame and appealed to so often. To what lengths will the spirit of militarism carry the German government, that it shocks the world by deliberate premeditated murder, absolutely without military advantage? Great Britain would be justified, on any interpretation of international law, in hanging Von Tirpitz and the Kaiser himself.—Wall Street Journal.

The Stony Path of Honor

The Germans have made us a prouder, if a sadder, people than we were. We entered upon this war—in large measure unprepared—in defence of one of the smallest, most prosperous, and least ambitious of nations, when its frontier contrary to Germany's treaty engagement, and ours, was violated. We shall henceforth pursue the war to its only possible end in the full knowledge that we are championing not merely the cause of freedom in Europe, but the cause of the great human family. We may well hold our heads high to-day. We could, at the price of honor, have remained out of the struggle; we chose the stony road.—London Daily Telegraph.