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GERMAN HISTORIAN RESPONSIDENT FOR FUTURE. Candidly Reveals Country's Blunders.

London, Dec. 19.—Germany's blunders in the conduct of the war are candidly revealed by Prof. Hans Delbruck, the eminent historian, in an article of remarkable interest in the Post's Jahrbuch, which has just been issued.

"What mistakes we made," he says, "but bad as things were a few months ago I could not abandon our front would hold and would bring from our enemies an armistice would cover our frontiers. Our pride has deceived us, our pride in the great German army, the German shattering of our own strength..."

Prof. Delbruck had some unhappy relations with the German censorship which was permitted in his writings to report the facts concerning the transport of American troops to France last June was positively forbidden to cite figures on the ground that in the opinion of the German high command, "Secretary Baker's report was nothing but American bluff intended to deceive the Germans."

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Piper, who was arrested at Hamilton, Ont., Saturday, when questioned by the police strongly declared his innocence and accused a mysterious "John Sheehan" of having used his name to marry Miss Welchman, despite his protest.

Piper said that he argued Sheldon not to use his name, saying that he had trouble if he said anything about it, that he decided to remain silent.

Piper is held to be held from Muskegon just as the final details of the alleged slaying were being ascertained by Chief of Police Morey.

Early Saturday, 1916, action hands of the Grand Trunk Railway discovered a fresh grave from which they took the body of a girl from 18 to 20 years of age. The body was not identified until a few weeks ago, when evidence found by Chief Morey enabled relatives to establish the girl's identity as Frieda Welchman.

Further investigation revealed that Chief Morey revealed that she and Piper had been married at Crown Point, Ind., March 31, 1916, a little over a year after Piper's first marriage. Shortly after the marriage, the police claim, the couple began an automobile tour of several Southern States. On the return trip, it is charged, Piper killed the girl and buried her body along the roadway.

Piper's first wife and child live in this city. He will be returned to Muskegon to face trial.

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Even the Hun Felt the Condemnation of The British Reception.

Amsterdam, Dec. 19.—(Canadian Press) despatch from Reuter's Limited.—What seems to be the first published account of the reception of the German fleet appears in the Hamburger Nachrichten's narrative, dated Scapa Flow, it says.

"Morning, Nov. 21. Powerful British forces encountered the German fleet. Involuntarily the idea suggested itself that for over four years we had victoriously stood on ground which weak forces against the modern giant force."

The writer, after mentioning the humiliation of the situation, and the officers' and men's impotent rage against the enemy and those responsible for their ignominy, refers to the cold, noble and scornful regards in the present with a remnant of esteem for the past—"of the British officers' and men's attitude towards us."

"The narrative states that the Soldiers' Council were brusquely rejected and dwells on 'the superfluous wounding of our feelings' at not being permitted to fly the German flag. The writer states that no place could be more God-forsaken than Scapa Flow, and informs his readers that food is so scarce in Britain that British sailors tried to buy bread from the German crews."

GOVERNOR SHOT

Indo-China Chief Attacked by Assassins.

Hanoi, French Indo-China, Dec. 19.—While inaugurating the Sunday fair at Hanoi last Sunday, Albert Sarraut, Governor of Indo-China, was shot by a former temporary agent of the civil service. The assassin entered the Governor's right side, but his condition was reported as satisfactory.

The assassin, whose name is Desvignes, was employed at the commencement of the war by the local administration of Tonkin to keep the registry of conveyances of land. Recently the administration owing to the mistakes of Desvignes, refused to renew his contract. Desvignes blamed Governor Sarraut for his dismissal, although the Governor had shown him good will toward Desvignes on several occasions.

The attempt on the life of the Governor has caused numerous manifestations of sympathy for M. Sarraut by colonists and natives.

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Toronto People Worrying Over War Weddings

Women Think English Girls Will Be a Problem.

SOME APPEAR SORRY. Endless Trouble and Disappointment Says One; a Good Thing Claims Another.

Toronto, Dec. 19.—English girls marrying Canadian soldiers at the rate of 500 a week is considered by many Toronto women to be one of the most serious problems of the present generation. The fact that over 75,000 Canadian men have married English girls and that they will bring them over to make homes in Canada, a new country to them, deserves a great deal of serious thought, they say.

Mrs. Willsborough Cummings, president of Women's Patriotic League, said: "I think it will be a very good thing for the country for the reason that it will produce an increase of English blood in Canada, which will help to counterbalance the enemy blood that we have now in the northwest. Of course it will depend greatly on the type of English girls our boys have married. If they are of a high standard they will help to promote English ideals in our country, not married this type it will go badly over the long run."

"Of course men have short memories, and maybe they'll be sorry when they return and see what nice girls we have in Canada too."

"I am sorry for the Canadian girls as I think a great many charming ones will go unmarried for this reason," Mrs. N. Brock Wilkins, president of the Personal Service Club, said. "I foresee a great domestic upheaval in the future. They are doing it too fast to be safe. Our soldiers are lonely over here. The dominating influence of English girls will change to suit our country. I think there is bound to be domestic difficulty which will result in divorce courts. The spirit of unrest likely to arise will be shown in the next generation."

Mrs. A. C. Courice, president of the Central Council of the Home and School Leagues, said: "I am sorry for marrying English girls after due consideration, things will probably work out all right. If they are doing it on the spur of the moment, it will be disastrous. English girls are not divorce courts, would likely be the result. I think they are going to feel for their own good. International marriages will be a casualty. I think it will bring England and Canada closer together than they have ever been before."

Attempts Life in Hotel Room

New Brunswick Man Found With Throat Cut.

VETERAN OF WORLD WAR Board Bill With His Pension.

Ogdensburg, Dec. 19.—C. B. Vanarsdale of New Brunswick, met his death with a razor in an attempt to end his life, and is in a dying condition at the Hepburn Hospital.

He registered Saturday afternoon at White's Hotel in Catharine street and was shown to his room at 10 o'clock. He was penniless, but he showed by documents that he was a veteran of the great army, and was to receive a pension and guaranteed his board bill. When the clerk went to awake him at 7.30 he did not respond.

At 2 o'clock the door was forced and he was found in bed with his throat cut by a razor blade. Coronor Dan Colomey was summoned, and it was believed that he was dead. It was found that he still lived, and he was taken to the Hepburn Hospital. No hope is held out for his recovery. Broadsheet Recorder and Times.

Selected "Girl" Show

King George Had Champagne On Armistice Night.

London, Dec. 19.—Until armistice week, King George had not been inside a theatre since the outbreak of the war and not taken of intoxicants since 1915. On the night of the armistice he had champagne with his dinner and after perusing a long list of theatrical attractions, he selected "The Girl" show which he seemed to enjoy.

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Sell Land to the Soldiers

20 YEARS TO PAY

Proposed Legislation on Coming Session of Parliament Outlined to Premier by Hon. Mr. Meighen.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Proposed legislation at the coming session of Parliament is indicated by a communication addressed to the Prime Minister in London by the Minister of the Interior. Mr. Meighen stated in an interview that he felt it was only fair that the soldier-craze should be met at the earliest possible date of the proposals of the Government, so that any of the possibilities offered to them under the terms of the new legislation.

The cabinet addressed to the Prime Minister followed: "My proposal is a provincial conference included introduction to Parliament of new Soldier Settlement Act embodying power for the board to acquire by appropriation or otherwise, lands in any province, other than those already provided for by the board."

"Lands acquired as above will be sold to soldiers on amortization plan twenty years or longer at five per cent. interest. Each soldier's allotment of land to be limited by value not acreage, and suggested limit five acres. Each soldier to pay one-tenth acre of land in the form of a very special case to relieve of this obligation. Board then provides soldier with stock and equipment up to a value of \$100.00. No interest for two years, and thereafter on six per cent. short term. As soldier improves land, board may advance up to one thousand dollars additional equipment on amortization plan. Soldier's lands adequately surrendered and specially available Government lands will also made available for the use of the soldier. He will be entitled to assistance under above plan."

Will Also Get Assistance. "Soldiers securing land privately where terms approved by board also entitled assistance for equipment and additional assistance for improvement as above. A scheme of practical agricultural education has been started as a part of the operation. Majors Ashton and Bailey are sworn in to inaugurate work there. Most careful provision will be made for testing qualifications of all applicants and only those who are capable will be accepted. After settlement every possible supervision and encouragement will be given. All home-lands made available by provinces may be homesteaded and soldiers given assistance thereon under plan of present act."

DAVID LLOYD GEORGE

David Lloyd George was born at Manchester, England, Jan. 17, 1863. He was admitted to the Bar in 1884, and was successful in politics. In 1895 he was a Radical, in 1898 he was elected to Parliament, was re-elected several times and took high rank as a Liberal leader and a constructive statesman. In 1905 he was appointed President of the Board of Trade, a Cabinet position, in which he won great distinction. In 1906, when Mr. Asquith became Premier, he was elected Mr. Lloyd George to the Chancellorship of the Exchequer, a position previously held by Mr. Asquith himself. In 1915 he was made Minister of Munitions, and on the death of Lord Kitchener, he became Secretary of State for war.

Bowed Down to the Rich?

Rev. Salem Island of Winnipeg Says Dry Rot Threatens Protestantism.

That Protestantism has bowed down before the rule of wealth is the charge made at Central Methodist church, Toronto, on Sunday evening by Rev. Prof. Salem Island, of Winnipeg, formerly of Toronto. Unless Protestant churches turned over a new leaf and caught the spirit of the times, they were on the road that led to stagnation, dry rot, and slow death.

Dr. Bland accused the Church of the past of having been obsequious to the rich.

War Purged the Nations

There has been nothing in the place of the distribution of wealth," Dr. Bland declared. "While some people have been literally drowning in wealth, others have been starving. While some have lived in boundless ostentatious luxury, others have lived in boundless poverty. And to the people of wealth we have seen a deadly rot-tomness so great that a great war has been necessary. Because of that wealth, there has grown up a moral bankruptcy of the Church. In the presence of wealth the Church stood powerless. It has been a question of the beneficence of wealth have not done more harm than good, for they have brought into the Church an attitude of selfishness and that it has come to pass that the Church has deserted the poor."

Three Port Hope Men Arrested

Another Arrested in Toronto—Three Cobourg Men Arrested

Three young men were arrested here Tuesday afternoon by Chief Constable Charles Bessie of Cobourg in connection with the stealing of the liquor from Senator Pringle's cellar in Cobourg. Another Port Hope man residing in Toronto and being placed under arrest and will be taken to jail.

Build \$500,000 Soldiers' Hospital

Provincial and Federal Governments to Finance Structure.

Provincial and Federal Governments will jointly finance the construction of a new \$500,000 hospital for the Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Department. It is to be built on the site of Woodbridge, about 15 miles from Toronto. The site selected is the Plunket farm of 175 acres, situated where the radial railway passes.

According to the terms of the agreement between the Governments and the Commission the Civil Re-establishment Department must surrender occupancy in five years. The site is considered excellent for lung troubles, and it is probable that all tuberculosis cases will be centralized at the new institution.

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Germans Would Have Been Put Under With Gas

U. S. Producing New Potent Gas Vapor in Unheard-of Quantities.

New York, Dec. 18.—Details of America's "genous preparations" to overwhelm the German armies with poison gas were made public by the New York section of the American Chemical Society.

Asserting that in May, 1917, the production of gas masks was started by a group of five scientists, Col. Bradley Dewey, commanding officer of the gas defence, declared that up to the time the truce was signed there had been produced 5,000,000 masks, 3,000,000 extra, and 500,000 horse masks, and large quantities of mustard gas suits, gloves, ointments and antidotes.

Col. W. H. Walker, commanding the Edgewood Arsenal, said that on November 21, "we had all the facilities for producing mustard gas at the rate of 100 tons a day, to say nothing of our resources for dealing our enemies with chlorine, phosgene, cholorophenyl, and numerous other vapors previously unknown to them. He added that "there was never a day when the production of materials did not exceed the ability to utilize it."

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