

WEIGHED AND FOUND WANTING

Terrible Indictment of German Militarism as Published by The Philadelphia Public Ledger

ONE of the strongest arraignments of the militarist leaders of Germany published in the United States appeared recently in the Philadelphia Ledger under the heading of "Mene, Mene, Tekel Upharsin." It was as follows:

"The handwriting is on the wall for German militarism; the mighty war empire has been weighed in the balances and found wanting; the vast superstructure of militarism built at infinite cost is falling because it rested upon a flawed foundation. Of all the terrible pages that history has chronicled this is the most awful; that a people who possessed a superlative capacity for abstract thought, for scientific investigation, for music and poetry, for commercial dominion and for the domestic arts should have been wrecked on the false assumption of militaristic supremacy propagated by a despotic aristocracy. The people are not to blame; for the mass of German men and women, gentle, peaceable,

thrift, industrious and ingenious, the world at large has nothing but sympathy. They have been blinded and misled by a sinister caste of war-crazed aristocrats whose prestige and place of power could be upheld only by infecting the nation with their own virus.

The Pity of It.

"And the pity of it is that a million blameless and useful lives must be sacrificed before these caste demons can be brought to reason. The great nations of the world are not fighting against the Germans who love to hear Strauss and Wagner, who work in the laboratories in the name of science, who study philosophy in the famous universities, who toil in the factories to produce commodities that all men need, who sail the seas on errands of civilizing commerce, and who walk abroad with their families under the lindens in the cool of the evening. With that Germany there is no quarrel; toward Germany there is no animosity. But in self-defence, in line with every conclusion of logical thought and by virtue of every instinct and intuition of human right, the nations were compelled to take up arms to crush Prussian militarism. And they must remain in arms, at whatever cost, until that dragon is crushed.

Not Real Germany.

"None dare say that the real, deep soul of Germany revealed itself when the wheels of the ruthless machine rolled over Belgium and left its ghastly trail of crushed and rent humanity; or when the chaste and rich beauty of Rheims Cathedral, that

symphony in stone, was battered to dust; or when the boody Moslems were incited to a holy war to butcher Christians; or when the rules of civilized warfare were abandoned and quiet British seaside resorts and holy shrines were shelled without the prescribed notice. These were the deeds of a blood-drunk caste, that by a pseudo-patriotism had harnessed a noble race to its chariot. The same nations of the world cannot, must not, halt until that militaristic ogre is shorn of its power and the real soul of Germany is restored to its rights. Great Britain, France, Belgium, and Russia are now fighting, not for themselves alone, but for the redemption of the Germany that all men honor from the military caste that mankind abhors.

"On the East, on the South and on the West the blood-lust lead have flung their deluded millions upon unbending lines of steel, martyrs to the glorification of Mars. Slowly but irresistibly that inflexible line is closing in upon the decimated ranks of the deluded. And all because the blood-drunk militarists are too proud and too fearful of their feudal tenure to acknowledge that the fighting machine has failed. The Kaiser knows it, and the knowledge has sickened him. All the world knows it, but the holocaust must go on if only on the gambler's chance of saving the prestige of the caste in a desperate defensive struggle. If the real German people realized the truth as everyone else realizes it, a new and glorious democracy would rise out of the ashes of the old Prussian despotism."

Some Miraculous Escapes

THERE is a story told of an old veteran of the First Napoleon who lived until 1865 in the French village of Savary and who had a wooden leg, a wooden arm, a glass eye, a silver palate, a complete set of false teeth, and a silver plate on the top of his head, and yet died peacefully in his bed. Compared with such men the proverbial nine-lived cat is nowhere. As one reads the stories of great wars of the past the manner in which famous generals have played touch-and-go with death is little short of miraculous.

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Few cases are more remarkable however, than that of Gen. Klenzinski, who got thirty bullets through his cloak during the battle of Ostrolenka, in the Polish insurrection in 1831; or Sir D. Lacey Evans, whose ear was perforated by a bullet during the Carlist war of 1837. Garibaldi, too, had many narrow escapes, but none closer than when resting one day at Voltorno. While he was drinking from a pail of water a splinter from a ricochet shell grazed his thigh and killed some people near.

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