

BLESSINGS? OF A GERMAN PEACE

Shaping of Russia by German Heel—Subjunctive of Ukraine Prussian Masterpiece

(By Captain E. P. Rowe.)

The world has now had a convincing demonstration of a German peace. The process of welding Russia into shape proceeds apace. The shaping is done with the German heel. Discontent in Estonia, Latvia, the Ukraine and elsewhere will soon cease to exist, and this admirable result is being achieved by the simplest means. Yet it may be claimed that no race but the Prussian could have conceived and adopted a procedure so astute for all its simplicity.

Discontent is produced by malcontents. Remove the latter and the former is non-existent. This truth is axiomatic, yet only Prussia has had the brains (and villainy) to apply its unanswerable logic. Of the malcontents, some are removed by the tightening of a rope round the neck and many more by the promiscuous use of the machine gun. The machine gun is not only an instrument of compulsion, but of persuasion; for by removing many malcontents for all time, the discontent of others comes miraculously to an end.

Take Away Grains.

The most valuable medicine of all for discontent, however, is starvation. It acts as a purge for an unhealthy stomachic condition. Though bread may not be the sole diet of mankind yet it has much to do with our continued existence. It has been convincingly demonstrated that the forcible removal of the con-

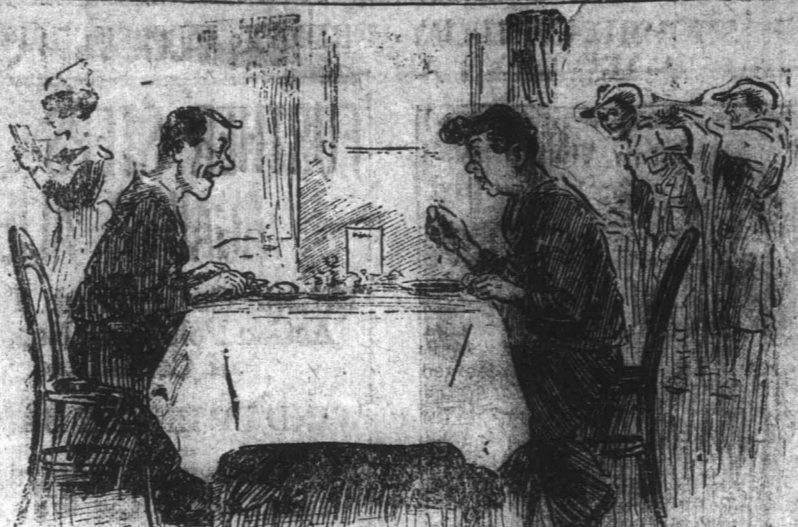
stituents of bread from the occupied districts of Russia, tends to stimulate life in Germany and largely to decrease life in the occupied districts. In the latter the process is cleverly antedated by making the population do useful work and a great deal of it. Prussia has found out how to make a man work as long as he can stand. When he can no longer stand, he soon ceases to exist; and as he was probably a malcontent it is just as well—from the German point of view.

All this is to the credit of Prussian methods, and it is hard to understand why those who are not Prussians so jealously withhold their admiration. To convert the latter to a more favorable view, it may be worth while to give a few more instances of Prussian astuteness.

The Ukraine is still wrapped in the mystery which the German government so shrewdly envelops all things Russian, but it can no longer be doubted that its latest revolution is a feather in the cap of Prussian diplomacy. Consider the position as stated by the German Vice-Chancellor in the Reichstag. The government of the Ukraine was unable to get grain for Germany from the Ukrainian peasants. The problem was complicated by the fact that the Government of the Ukraine had communistic theories and did not believe either in land monopoly or the principles of forcible persuasion. Incidentally there came into existence a body which called itself the "Committee for the starvation of the Ukraine."

"This Committee," says the Vice-Chancellor, "pursued an anti-German tendency, and several Ministers belonged to it. They went so far as to aim at driving the Germans out of the country, and met in the house of the War Minister."

It is in the Vice-Chancellor's credit that he stoically conceals surprise at this amazing circumstance. The rest of his explanation can be given in a few words. "Nothing," he says, "remained but to render



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the foolish instigation of this plan. It was quickly done. German troops were marched into the Rada, while that body was sitting, and arrested the foolish ones. Army had Control.

Concurrently, Field Marshal von Eichhorn declared a state of emergency protection, (Zustandserkennung) in the Ukraine. Complete legality for this and subsequent procedure was secured by a simple and admirable device. It was laid down that all offences against public peace and order (any offence that mattered) would be included under the term "disturbance of the public peace." The field tribunals that is to say by the German army of occupation. The Vice-Chancellor's comment on this step was that not only was it wise, but "even in the Ukraine's interest."

Then came the revolution. The peasants who clung so dogmatically to their corn were at the bottom of it. So completely were they converted that they clamored for the restoration of their land to more responsible owners, and forgetting their democracy asked only for a strong hand over them. How was it done? It is an amazing tribute to Prussian diplomatic methods. As the peasants after "treatment" were apparently anxious to sell their souls and their corn to Germany, that obliging country is presumably accepting the latter. For the former she has little use.

Are Holding Prisoners.

Even so short a panegyric of Prussian methods would be incomplete without some reference to an achievement which for masterliness has no parallel. When Germany was making friends with Russia she promised a wholesale exchange of prisoners. She has now made friends with Russia; but since the Russians do not understand what is good for them, they must be taught. Berlin has therefore ordered (and has taken military steps to make the order effective) that all able-bodied German prisoners in Russia shall be returned forthwith to their native land, and as a natural corollary, all sick and disabled Russians in Germany shall be sent back in exchange.

As all fit Russians are to be kept in Germany and all useless Germans to be left in Russia, the "double-edged" serenity of the step is obvious. Sick Germans, who have served their turn, are left to die at Russian expense. It is good economy. Sick Russians can starve in Russia, if they ever get there, more profitably than in Germany. It is also good economy. As for the Russians in Germany who have not yet worked themselves to death through over-severity, it is only reasonable that they should be allowed to achieve that laudable ambition. In short the whole arrangement is a masterpiece of policy.

diplomatic triumph as shrewd as it is in the truest sense virtuous no word can be added that would not be in the nature of an anti-climax.

NEW YORK HONORS HER FORMER MAYOR

Last Tribute Paid to Body of John P. Mitchell, Killed While Flying

(By Courier Leased Wire.)

New York, July 11.—The body of John Purroy Mitchell, in a flag draped casket, was borne through the streets of New York to-day while tens of thousands watched in silent tribute.

New York has seen other military funerals, for heroes of the nation, but those who witnessed the solemn procession which escorted the former mayor's body from the City Hall to St. Paul's Cathedral, felt that none could have been more impressive. All along the route, a distance of approximately four miles, people stood with bared and bowed heads.

The ball in the City Hall tolled as the casket was borne from the rotunda, where it had lain in state throughout the night and placed on an artillery caisson, drawn by four horses which conveyed it to the cathedral and thence to Woodlawn cemetery.

City Hall Park was packed with citizens and the procession of soldiers, sailors, policemen, firemen, Red Cross nurses, civilians representing all city departments, distinguished men of the city, state, nation and representatives of the Allies had some difficulty in forming.

The pall bearers included Col. Theodore Roosevelt and Col. P. M. House.

The "Dead March from Saul," "Nearer My God to Thee" and other hymns were the music to which the procession marched as it made its way slowly to the cathedral on Fifth Avenue.

An airplane circled overhead as the march began, later to be joined by six others which flew back and forth over the road-dropping flowers. The hum of their motors carried to the crowds below a sorrowful significance for it was as an aviator that Mitchell met his death.

Meantime much of the mourning club's business was suspended. All exchanges closed for an hour and many concerns gave their employees opportunity to watch the procession or to attend the services at the cathedral, which were open to the public.

TORONTO CLEARINGS.

(By Courier Leased Wire.)

Toronto, July 11.—Bank clearings week ending to-day, \$79,124,381.

BRITISH BIRDMAN BESTED THREE HUNS

Lone Pilot Beat Off Attack by Trio of German Planes

With the British Army in France, July 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—On July 1 a British pilot, while on offensive patrol about Estaires, was pounced upon by three German scouts. As they swept down toward him, two of them collided, the third opened fire on him, but fled when the Britisher maneuvered into position and offered battle. In the meantime one of the other enemy planes had had both its wings torn off in collision and crashed to the earth and the other was soon down in slow spirals.

The British pilot followed and fired into the Boche machine and close range. The enemy dropped another 3,000 feet smoking and then burst into flames, which finished it.

Another fatal collision occurred the other day. A British Hefferton with a patrol of six machines was flying over German territory when he saw six enemy scouts making for Villers-Bretonneux.

The British machines raced into a battle and the lieutenant tackled one of the Huns at close range. This enemy went down vertically after being badly shot about. Another hostile airplane, which was close by, turned so suddenly that it smashed into the German leader and both machines collapsed, and went down in tangled wreckage.

The nerve of British airmen under trying circumstances is illustrated by an incident which occurred a few days ago. A British pilot and observer were making a low reconnaissance over the German zone when the petrol tank was pierced by a bullet from the ground. The observer climbed out onto the wing of the straggling machine to investigate the extent of the damage. Having

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satisfied himself that he could repair it, he crawled back to the seat and after obtaining his leather cap and stick again mounted the wings and plugged the hole in the tank with the stick and cap. The reconnaissance was finished before the pair returned home.

GOLF IN ALASKA.

Prince Rupert, B.C., July 12.—Golf links are now being laid out at Skagway, Alaska, the northern terminal of the Grand Trunk Pacific steamship line, and work is being pushed in order to have the links available this summer. Work has been started on the preparation of golf links at White Horse, Yukon Territory, and there will also be a course at Athol, Y.T., in the near future.

GOOD CROPS IN B.C.

Prince Rupert, B.C., July 12.—Crop reports from the Bulkley and other valleys in Central British Columbia indicate a large yield with a considerable increase in acreage under crop. A large number of farmers from the United States are settling in Central British Columbia on land contiguous to the Grand

Trunk Pacific Railway. More than fourteen thousand acres were homesteaded or purchased in thirty days, the settlers bringing in one hundred and thirty carloads of effects.

ANTI-VICE CAMPAIGN.

Montreal, July 11.—The big gun in Director of Public Safety Joseph Tremblay's effort with the Montreal police to clean the city of vice, was fired last night when two big raids were carried out by the director and his assistant, Arthur Mann, and Deputy Chief of Police Grandchamps.

Both raids were worked on the same plan, the men entering all the places on the list at the same time, and on each occasion the plans were successful. In the first raid thirty-two gambling machines were seized, while in the second raid nearly two hundred and fifty men and women were arrested.

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