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## "UBER ALLES" CAUSES A BIG ROW ON SHIP

The Refusal of Passengers to Stand when "Deutschland" is Sung Angers German—Dashes His Glass to Floor.

The failure of some of those gathered in the smoking room of the North German Lloyd liner Seydlitz to stand up when "Deutschland über Alles" was sung led to one young German breaking his wine glass on the floor as a sign of his disapproval, caused a flurry of excitement on board, and furnished cabin passengers a subject for conversation during the voyage from Bremen which ended at New York on Saturday. The excitable young man who dashed his wine glass to the floor—one version was that he threw it at the offenders—was Captain Fritz von Falkenhayn, formerly an aide to General Tomsen, commanding the German air force.

There was a convivial gathering in the smoking room on Tuesday night. Many were Germans, but there was a sprinkling of Americans. Several women also were present. Someone started singing German songs and soon nearly everyone present was contributing to the chorus. When "Deutschland über Alles" was started most of those present got to their feet. Some did not. One such group remained seated near Captain Falkenhayn. He stopped singing for a few seconds and glared at the offenders. It had no effect. One version of what happened then was that the captain asked why they did not stand up. The reply came promptly that they preferred not to do so, and whether courtesy demanded that all should stand was a matter of opinion.

Those in the room sensed that something was wrong, and there was a buzz of excitement as most of those present moved toward the captain and the seated group, which included several women. After a second of silence the captain dashed his glass to the floor at the feet of those who had refused to get out of their chairs. Then he strode indignantly out of the room. By this time the place was in an uproar.

Captain Falkenhayn said that what angered him in the smoking room was that those who did not stand up were not Americans but Germans. In the first place, he said, he disapproved of the singing, and it was not until "Deutschland über Alles" was started that he got up and take a part in the singing. He said he looked his disapproval at those who remained seated, and, he added, what made the offence worse was that one of the men sat with his feet on the arm of a chair.

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At the eleventh annual convention of the National Association of Public School Business Officers in Atlantic City, Mr. Womrath is business superintendent of the board of education at Minneapolis, Minn. "God bless the janitor" was the theme of his address. "Janitors are not born, they are made" said the speaker. "There has come a realization that men to whom our school buildings are entrusted must not be able only to shovel coal, sweep, clean and dust, but they must have a thorough knowledge and understanding of the science of heating, ventilation, humidity and sanitation."

"Housekeeping, as janitors have to do

in the schools, no longer means the mopping of the floor and the feather duster and slopping about soap suds on dirty floors. It means an intelligent exercise of brains in the proper directing of efforts toward the accomplishment of certain objectives, among which cleanliness, orderliness, tidiness and sanitation."

Thomas Dunlap.  
The death of Thomas Dunlap occurred in this city yesterday, at the age of seventy-seven years. One son and three daughters survive. The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon at 2.30 from his late residence, 22 Johnson street.

## HOSPITALS ON STANDARD LIST FIND BENEFIT

Dr. M. T. MacEachern, Addressing Conference of Surgeons, Gives an Interesting Address on Standardization.

(Halifax Chronicle.)  
On Friday, at the School for the Blind, a Hospital Conference was held, Dr. H. K. Macdonald presiding. Among the addresses delivered was one of special interest to Canadians on "Hospital Standardization in Canada." This address was given by Dr. M. T. MacEachern, superintendent of the Vancouver General Hospital and director-general of the Victorian Order of Nurses. Discussing his subject, Dr. MacEachern said in part:

"Hospital standardization in Canada has been carried on simultaneously in Canada and the United States for the past five years. This year our visitors or surveyors are reaching every hospital of fifty beds and over. This means that at least 184 hospitals in Canada will be examined and rated. Last year hospitals of 100 beds and over were considered and all such institutions in Nova Scotia were in our standard list."

"I find that all the hospitals are receiving the programme with very great enthusiasm, and I believe that a great showing will be made this year. Hospitals are seeing such practical results that each year as the work goes on greater interest is created."

"This programme is presented by the visitor, and, as you were told, asks that there be such a service established within the hospital that the patient may get the best chance possible for the best result that medical science can give—and this means that the hospital must have an ethical and organized staff of the medical men attending who shall meet at regular intervals—not less frequent than once a month—and who shall review the work of the hospital for the previous period with the idea of finding out the quality of same for that period with particular investigation of unimproved, complications, infections following operation or maternity, and so on. These constitute the medical liabilities of the hospital."

"This big consultation is in the test of spirit, and for the best co-operation. To carry out such a requirement as this medical records are needed and the standard demands that a complete history is needed on each case, and this must be provided immediately after admission. Again, in order to have a correct and early diagnosis such laboratories facilities will assist the doctor in making or in confirming same must be provided and all hospitals are asked to provide the service."

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"Widespread publicity accompanies the work this year and the public will soon ask what hospitals are standard or not before going into same. Governmental and municipal bodies will limit aid financially to institutions which do not comply with such a standard and young women will hesitate to train in institutions which are not in the list. It is the public's directory of safe and efficient hospitals as to whether to go to when ill."

"Splendid results have already been obtained in Canada in the way of fewer operations, fewer deaths, quicker convalescence and lessened death rates. One important hospital publishes important statistics before and after hospital standardization which are as follows:—

	Before.	After.
Operations . . . . .	44.4 p.c.	30.2 p.c.
Complications . . . . .	7.7 p.c.	6.8 p.c.
Deaths . . . . .	77 per 1000	68 per 1000
Average stay of each patient . . . . .	15 per 1000	13.8 per 1000

"Another important hospital reports that there was a reduction in operations from sixty-two per cent to forty-seven per cent."

"At the close of the last survey 63.2 per cent of the hospitals in Canada of 100 beds and over were standard."

All this ultimately means not only a great national economy in industry but great happiness and well being to our citizens of Canada."

### AN ENGINEERING MYSTERY

It seems impossible that an iron bar with a hole through the centre should be stronger than a solid bar of the same diameter, but this has actually been proved to be the case. A British firm has developed a very ingenious process of making what it calls a hollow cored bar with this increase of strength. The hollow core is really a small hole which extends from end to end of the bar. Obviously it would be a very costly business to bore a hole through the bar, and in consequence this firm has developed a clever way of making the bar hollow without drilling. The mass of metal from which the bar is drawn is drilled in the first case, and the hole is packed tight with a special composition. The ends of the hole are subsequently sealed by a patented process of welding. When the piece of metal is rolled in the mill into a long bar the packing stretches with the metal and preserves the continuity of the hole. One of the most important applications of this hollow cored bar is for mining drills where the hole is used for a current of air or a jet of water to cool the cutting edge. Where water is used it converts the dust made by the tool into slush before it can rise and be breathed by the miner. Thanks to this invention it is probable that the liability of miners to tuberculosis from dust will be greatly minimized. Hollow cored bars are also being used for a great variety of purposes in motor car construction and elsewhere. Arrangements have recently been made for the production of these hollow bars on a much larger scale than formerly.

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