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GOEBBELS has volunteered striking additional confirmation of the reluctance of the German people to approve of the latest anti-Semitic drive, which was referred to in last week's Summary. In Das Reich of the 14th November he confessed that, "when, some weeks ago, the Jews appeared in Berlin decorated with their Jew star, the citizens of the capital were at first taken aback." He said that the order regarding the star was really "an extraordinarily humane regulation, a sort of hygienic prophylaxis," and then described the subterfuges of the Jews to hide their new insignia, and the way in which Gentiles were assisting them. Every Jew appeared to have "found a stupid non-Jew, lacking in instinct, who considered him decent." The Jews were trading upon the pity of Berliners by parading "quaint little babies" and "frail old women" wearing the yellow star, and not without success! He ended his article by repeating the old Party slogan, "The Jews are our undoing!" and by propounding a savage anti-Semitic decalogue, the third item of which was "Every German soldier killed in this war must be debited to the Jews," and the tenth, and last: "The Jews are to blame for the war."

That this uneasiness, and unco-operativeness with the Government, regarding Jews in Germany extends far beyond the capital is shown by a recent complaint in a Stuttgart Party newspaper that people were there going out of their way to show kindness to Jews. Of one woman who had been heard to say in tones of great pity: "It really takes more courage to wear that star than to march into the war" the paper advised: "Put her against the wall."

Though the German public has been almost completely immunised against the impact of unfavourable happenings outside their own country, the amendment

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