

HINDENBERG IDOL OF CHILDREN, TOO

Marshal, Who Calls Himself "Old Man," Has Kindness and Humor in Him.

NAME IS USED FREELY

Novelties, Cakes and Cereals Attest Tremendous Popularity of General—Simplicities Like Those of Bismarck.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE EASTERN GERMAN ARMY, Feb. 7.—The old man.

So Field Marshal von Hindenburg describes himself—this slow-speaking, wise, meditative, utterly simple being, whose heavy-lidded eyes suddenly startle you with a flash of fire.

In the holiday time Mrs. von Hindenburg came to Posen to visit her husband. As no women are allowed to stop in the castle in war time she had to take rooms in the Hotel de Rome. Her husband used to come down there to dine with her and they made a very cozy family picture as they sat chatting together. When it came time for her to depart the field marshal turned one evening to the director of the hotel and said: "Tomorrow this domestic life ends, and the old man must go back to work."

Then he sighed and said: "Yah, Yah," very slowly, as Germans in a musing mood often do.

Marshal Like "Good Old Uncle." A phrase of von Bismarck of Jarchin, a nephew of the old chancellor, emphasized the field marshal's simplicity of content to have the world hold him.

"Why," Mr. von Bismarck said, "he's like a good old uncle, a good old uncle who affects uncles, that the general treats the children of Posen. Sometimes they come into the castle courtyard to sing for a few minutes under the windows of his apartments, and once when they did that he came to the window and made them a little speech on love of the fatherland. It was a terse, friendly speech, and it wound up thus: "Now kindchen, run home. I must go to work."

Once on the street a group of children, singing and cheering, followed him until he turned on them in pretended anxiety and said: "What is all this? Do you think I have run away from the Russians? It is you who have run away from home."

Name Associated With Holidays. With the children of this generation his name will always be connected with pleasant holidays, for in many cities of Germany news of his victory is followed by the teacher's announcement, "school is dismissed."

The comic weeklies soon caught up the point and there have been numerous cartoons like the one headed "Before the Latin Hour," and showing a small boy in distress. To his companion on the steps of the schoolhouse the apprehensive boy is saying: "It's a certainty I'm lost if von Hindenburg doesn't announce another victory today."

The field marshal pays all the penalties exacted of a popular idol for his fame. The school children of the whole empire have devoted their letters, and these communications finally so distracted the servants and secretaries at the castle that on certain days they were burned by the basketful, and the newspapers printed appeals to the children to write no more.

A report got out that the General was suffering from kidney trouble (he has an occasional touch of lumbago), and forthwith he was swamped with kidney cures, or would have been if the bottles hadn't gone out as fast as they came in from the manufacturers of nostrums for gout got after him, and remedies came by every post.

Germany has had the privilege of close association with the field marshal are not, however, apprehensive concerning his health. "From the quantity I saw him eating last night," said one of these observers, "I think there is nothing the matter with him."

Name Is Used Freely. In addition to the vendors of cereals, the manufacturers of novelties have made free with his name. Shop windows all over Germany are full of Hindenburg soaps, Hindenburg cigars, Hindenburg writing paper, Hindenburg perfumes, Hindenburg purses, Hindenburg stamps, Hindenburg cakes, Hindenburg ashtrays, Hindenburg matches, and above all, Hindenburg busts and portraits.

As for the many marches dedicated to him, the General muttered one day when he was confronted with an array of 40 new ones: "I should like to get all these composers into the castle yard with the band played all their compositions at once."

He spoke half in despair and half in fun, and he was much offended when the person to whom he made the remark gave it to the newspapers. In fact, he was angry.

"Now that I make me seem to make light of the compliment these gentlemen have paid me," he said, adding, "I cannot say why the newspapers think it worth while to put such trifles in their pages. They make me appear silly."

Another time when some pleasantry of his was printed he shook a warning finger and growled: "I fix that paper, making me say such silly things, not worthy to be printed or read."

In fact, his peculiar combination of punctiliousness and simplicity—a trifling old man who expects people to respect his privacy, and who does not retail his quiet jokes. That is why he so likes Professor Karl Ziegler and why he doesn't like the newspapermen. The professor never retains a chit-chat in the coffee-house of Posen and the General knows that. So he sits contentedly to the painter for the half-hour stretches.

Tricks by Writers Inspire Dislike. Writers for the press and some painters, he thinks, play tricks on him, as when an artist from Danzig, having obtained the privilege of a sitting from the General, made a rough sketch, took three photographs and then went away and wrote for a newspaper a column of his impressions of Hindenburg, setting down what he said to the General and what the General said to him and what his little sister had said about the General.

It was after hearing about that article that the victim remarked: "I fix that paper."

The Germans vehemently denigrate all this kind of personal distorting of notable. They say it destroys the dignity of a great man and cheapens him

most with the very public that is most eager to read the stuff. "Very silly," they call it, and in the next breath some of them will tell you an engaging little detail about a man like Hindenburg that helps materially to enlighten and illuminate even so unassuming a description of him as I am here putting together.

Sometimes it has happened that persons who gave me bits of detail would come meaching around three hours later and say: "Of course you won't send to America that little story I told you about the Field Marshal. It might make people think lightly of him."

"Human Interest" Not Understood. "On the contrary," I would say, "it will make them think nothing of the kind." Then they would shake their heads and depart much depressed.

And so, as to their ban on some of those jokes and sidelights and whimsy which my kind but apprehensive informants can go to grass. I think I know what is harmless, and as to the "human interest touch," the emphasis that never cheapened any notable, however exalted.

I thought it amusing—and not uninteresting in its bearing on the state of the popular heart—when a man who had written a book on raising chickens sent a copy of it to the Field Marshal with an adoring inscription, and it struck me as not a valueless item in the long and extraordinarily thick annals of tribal war when a German lady told me that the confectioners had changed the name of the once popular "Javan cakes" to "Hindenburg cakes" so as to restore their popularity. But she said, "how silly that is!"

Also silly in her opinion was the fact that a glass of cognac, with a lump of sugar in it and a slice of lemon on top of it, is known as a "Hindenburg." And again, when she who had written the "Raising Chickens" well, spoke of him one day as "an old lamb," I could have kissed her hand for that human touch, but if she knew I was going to put her phrase gratefully in an article she would be very severe with me, indeed.

Quizzing Habit Like Bismarck's. It is for these reasons that I may not give the real names of the young Lieutenant whom, amid the turmoil of Tannenberg, General von Hindenburg be thought himself to ask to dinner because he had known the youth's father 50 years ago at cadet school.

"You won't use the officer's name, will you?" said the German, "for people would get the name and think the Lieutenant had been telling of the General's invitation so as to make himself conspicuous."

So I don't use it. I fancy that half the time people are talking Hindenburg's simplicities quite seriously he is only getting a little mild fun out of life by quizzing the world. And he does it so skilfully that they remain in happy ignorance that he is poking fun. It is said that Bismarck had the same knack and that the exercise of it used to rest him greatly.

One morning a painter said to Hindenburg after the regular half-hour sitting: "Excellency, I am going to work in this light all the rest of the day, and may I keep here the leggings you are wearing?" Then I can get the color exactly."

The General looked at the painter with slow attentiveness and pondered the question several seconds. Then he said, with patient resignation: "No, I think not. It's the only pair I have, and maybe this morning I need them." And he marched away.

SEED SOUGHT FOR CONTEST Klamath Water-Users Prepare for Competition by Children Growers.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 8.—(Special.)—The Klamath Water Users' Association, with President Abel Aday and County Agricultural H. R. Galster, Saturday began securing the seed possible for distribution among the children of the water users on the Klamath project who wish to enter the contests announced by the association recently.

The seed grain will be all of the same variety and the best obtainable. The contest is in the way of growing the best vegetables and grains. To the boy or girl growing the best potato crop on a sixteenth of an acre will be given the choice of three colts. The second best grower will have second choice of the colts and the other colt will go to the third best grower. Other prizes are three calves, three hogs and three pens of young turkeys for the best crop of wheat, oats and barley grown.

TEETH MAY IDENTIFY MAN Mrs. Jack French to Inspect Body Washed Up at Westport.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 8.—(Special.)—Identification of the body washed up by the sea at Westport Wednesday as that of Jack French, employe of the Crescent Milling Works, who has been missing since November, may be made by his wife tomorrow from gold dental work in the man's teeth, the teeth were sent to Kelso for inspection by dentist who had done work for the elder Rohrbacher. The dentist said none of the work had been done by him and believed that the body is that of Rohrbacher has been abandoned.

BAKER MAN IS IN RACE Friends of J. H. Nichols Want Him on Game and Fish Commission.

BAKER, Or., March 8.—(Special.)—La Grande has asked Baker to endorse F. D. Crowe, of that city, for the position on the State Game and Fish Commission, but Baker may put its own man into the field. James H. Nichols, of this city, president of the Baker Ad Club and well known for his interest in sports, has been asked to run. He says he will make no effort, but if appointed will accept.

Grant County's prominent Republicans are in favor of a Baker man and will aid in the fight if Baker declines it. This will offset the combination of Union and Umatilla counties, and, as it is expected that Marion and Harney counties will join with Baker, the chances of a man from here are believed to be good.

INDIANS PAY PENALTY, TOO Campaign Against Bootlegging in Umatilla County Pushed.

PENDLETON, Or., March 8.—(Special.)—Though city, county, state and Federal prisons are housing local bootleggers, the supply seems to be inexhaustible and the campaign against them is being waged relentlessly by local officers. A new policy has also been announced by Police Judge Fitzgerald, who says that hereafter he will punish the Indians who solicit liquor, as well as the white men who supply them with it.

Jim Canine was the first Indian to suffer under the new ruling. He was fined \$25 while Elmer F. Martin, who supplied the liquor, was fined \$25.

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Shoes for Women, Men and Boys —More different kinds of fashionable shoes are in this sale than were ever before presented in a special selling event. —Shoes here for every need and styles that reach from the conservative kinds which some of our customers wear season in and season out to the very newest ideas in shoe fashions.

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\$5.00 Women's Patent and Gunmetal Boots —Button styles, welt soles, Louis-Cuban heels, with tan, fawn, gray and black toppings. All sizes and widths. Also three Spring styles with the new sand, fawn and gray toppings. Louis heels, welt soles, button style. Sale. \$3.95

\$6.00 Women's Patent and Demi-Calf Boots —Button shoes with Louis-Cuban heels, with colored toppings in sand, fawn, gray and putty shades. Sale. \$4.15

\$6.00 Women's Satin, Suede and Calf Boots —Discontinued lines of shoes in black satins with Louis and Cuban heels, welt and turned soles. Also black, gray, golden and seal brown suede, in button style. And tan calf button shoes with Cuban heels. \$3.15

\$4.00 Women's Gunmetal, Patent and Velvet Boots —Broken lines and discontinued sizes in gunmetal calf, patent leather and all velvet button and lace style boots, with cloth or kid toppings. Sale. \$2.15

SHOES FOR BOYS \$4.00 Boys' Patent and Demi-Calf Shoes \$2.85 —School shoes in calf, oak soles, strong and serviceable. Dress shoes in patent calf, demi-calf, button and lace style. Sizes 2 1/2 to 6. \$3.00 Boys' Patent and Gunmetal Shoes \$1.95 —Button and lace styles in gunmetal calf and patent colt, for dress or school wear. \$2.00 Youths' Gunmetal Calf Shoes \$1.45 —Welt soles, in gunmetal calf. Sizes 10 to 13 only.

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JEW'S FOE PUNISHED WAR RELICS TO BE SENT The Dalles and Other Places in Pacific Northwest to Get Cannon.

Turkish Government Not Hostile, Says Ambassador. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 8.—Under the terms of a bill, passed just before the adjournment of Congress, old cannon, relics of the Civil War, were donated to various cities and towns throughout the country, but with the understanding that the cities and towns pay the cost of shipping the cannon and balls, and also pay the cost of mounting them.

EXPULSION NOT OFFICIAL Action Taken in Palestine Results in Recall of Local Authority and Repetition to Be Prevented, Assures Count Bernstorff.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Count Bernstorff, German Ambassador here, issued a statement today declaring tolerance toward all religious beliefs has been shown by the Turkish government and that the disturbances to the Jews in Palestine were caused by over-zealousness of local Turkish authorities. The Ambassador's statement follows: "The government in Constantinople has, since the outbreak of war, strictly adhered to its traditional tolerant attitude toward all religions and there has never been an anti-Jewish or anti-Ghastatic feeling in Constantinople. The political unrest, which for some time disturbed the Jewish population of Palestine, has been caused by the over-zealous attitude of local Turkish authorities."

HOMESTEAD LAW AMENDED Settlers Who Took Additional Land Prior to 1914 Protected. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 8.—During the closing hours of Congress a bill was passed providing that all pending homestead entries made in good faith prior to January 1, 1914, under the enlarged homestead act by persons who before making such enlarged homestead entry had acquired title to land under the homestead law, be validated, if in other respects regular, in all cases where the original homestead was for less than 160 acres.

ENGLAND WILL PAY Reimbursement Proposed for Confiscated Cotton. First Official Announcement Made of Execution of Asserted Right to Forbid All Trade With Germany and Austria.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The following statement was issued at the British Embassy today on the subject of American cotton cargoes going to Europe: "As already announced, there is no question of confiscating cotton cargoes that may come within the scope of the order-in-council, to be issued. The following arrangement has been come to in London as to cotton consigned to neutral ports only: "All cotton for which contracts of sale and freight engagements had already been made before March 2 to be allowed free passage, or bought at contract price if stopped, provided ships sail no later than March 31. "Similar treatment to be accorded to all cotton insured before March 2, pro-

LA PINE SALOON IS UNIQUE. One saloonkeeper here has a large poster on which the Lord's Prayer appears, surrounded by the Ten Commandments, illustrated, hanging in a conspicuous place in his barroom. The saloonman is considered "as good as they make them" in his line of business and has a record of which he is quite proud. He has never called an officer into his place of business, nor has he ever had a disturbance of any consequence.

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New Spring Styles in Party and Dancing Dresses Three Charming Empire Models of Crepe Meteor That Would Sell in the Regular Way at \$27.50 Very Special \$21.50 —The daintiest of frocks, in models that you would only expect to find at much higher prices. They are fashioned of an exceptional light crepe meteor, in light blue, pink, maize, white and peach, shown in the attractive new Empire effects, with ribbon straps over the shoulders. These frocks are trimmed in distinctive styles, with fine laces, self pleatings, folds of silk and bouquets of dainty flowers. —It is almost impossible to properly describe these lovely dresses, which must be seen to be appreciated. —Third Floor

Women's Bags in Spring Shapes \$1.12 \$1.50 Regularly —Of genuine pin seal leather, morocco, English long grain, crepe seal grain and silk moire, in smart new melon shapes. They are lined with poplin or moire, all with coin purse to match. Some are equipped with vanity fittings. —Other new styles now on display and sale at various prices. First Floor

A Big Blouse Event \$2.95 For the Newest Styles in Embroidered French Voile Blouses —Four of the most attractive models for Spring, made of French voile, embroidered in new designs. Made with the popular "two-in-one" collars, elaborately trimmed with fancy lace edgings and embroidery. Some in yoke-back effect and hemstitching and others with French backs and allover embroidery. —These waists shown for the first time Tuesday. Third Floor

Women's Smart Hats Delightfully Trimmed Conforming With the Prevailing Vogue At \$3.95 —A REALLY ALLURING assortment of satin hats, or combinations of satin and fancy braids, in all the newest shapes, which are so very becoming this Spring. —THERE ARE MANY charming ideas in ribbon and flower trimmings, wreaths and feather fascias, fruits and butterfly bows. —THE NEW SPRING COLORS in the hats at this price, as well as black, black with white, or black with colors. —Second Floor

Specials in Wash Fabrics and Comfort Materials 40c Printed Rice Voile 29c —An open intricate seed effect woven voile in white grounds, over which are printed in delicate colors neat floral designs. 36 inches wide. 75c Silk Mixed Crepe de Chine 49c —Floral and Belgian stripe effects. White grounds with dainty colored sprigs and flowers, colored grounds with contrasting floral patterns. In black and white combinations, in new and striking designs. New Dress Gingham, Special 10c —The best gingham we have ever sold at this price. In new patterns in neat checks and plaids, also stripes in dark and light colorings. 27 inches wide. 15c Cotton Challie 12 1-2c —Full 36 inches wide, an ideal covering for comforts and quilts, in dark and medium colors, in Persian patterns. 60c Cotton Batts 43c —These batts come about 3 pounds in weight and open up in full size for a comfort. Made of pure white cotton, light and fluffy. Size 72x84 inches. —Basement

VICTOR AND COLUMBIA TALKING MACHINES Sale Toilet Goods 10c Kitchen Sapolio 5c —Sold at this extremely low price only when making other purchases at the Drug Section. 25c Glycerine and Rose Water .16c 25c jar Coconut Oil .16c 10c Bicarbonate Soda .5c 25c Bay Rum .16c 25c Milk Hazel .16c 35c Witch Sugar, Mercks, at .19c 20c Aspirin Tablets, dozen .10c 35c roll Hospital Cotton for .29c 25c box Toilet Soap, 14c —Assorted colors; 3 cakes in box. 50c Rubber Gloves .25c —Red rubber, all sizes, very durable for all household. \$1.75 Neutrip Water-Bottle .98c —Black reinforced seams, 3-quart capacity, guaranteed one year. First Floor

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