

PRINCE GOOD SPORT BUT POOR GUESSER

High Official, on Way to War, Assures German People of Early Victory.

PLANS FOR CONFLICT TOLD

Boche Ruler Tells Dentist That All England Will Call Upon Lloyd George to Explain Acts Connected With War.

BY ARTHUR N. DAVIS.

(Dentist to the Kaiser for 14 Years.) One of my most distinguished patients in Germany was Fuert (Prince) von Pless. Although he occupied no position of state, he was so close to the Kaiser and enjoyed his confidence to such a supreme degree that I always regarded what he told me as more or less an echo of the Kaiser's own sentiments. Indeed, it so frequently happened when the visitor, one of them followed shortly after the other had been to see me, that they gave expression to the same views in almost the same terms, that I had concrete evidence of their intimate association. Besides being a confidante of the Kaiser, the Prince was one of the most influential men in Germany. He was probably Germany's largest land owner, his possessions including large coal mines and big estates upon which were two of the finest castles in Germany. The Prince's wife was the daughter of Mrs. Cornwallis-West. She was one of the most beautiful women in England and quite the most beautiful who had ever come to Germany. It was the first time I had come to me as a patient—early in 1909. Shortly afterward I received a long-distance telephone message from the Prince to the effect that he intended calling on me at my office the following afternoon, which was Saturday.

Prince Good Sportsman. Naturally, when he arrived I was not prepared to be particularly cordial to him. I had pictured him as a typical German aristocrat whose selfishness never allows for the convenience of others, and I didn't care very much whether I made a favorable impression upon him or not, although the Princess had shown herself to be such a charming individual I did not wish to offend her after she had advised the Prince to visit me.

This Prince was every inch a sportsman—another point in which he differed widely from the general run of the German nobility. He was permanently lame as a result of having been thrown from a horse while hunting. In his actions and conversation he was one of the most democratic Germans I have ever known. In the years which followed, during which he visited me regularly for professional attention, I always felt perfectly free to air my views and to answer the sentiments expressed by the Prince without the slightest restraint, and he never resented my attitude.

While I had many interesting conversations with him, there was little of sufficient significance in them to warrant their being included in these pages. When war broke out, however, he continued to come to me, and his remarks from that time on made a particular impression upon me, as I knew he was in almost daily contact with the high command.

Short War Indicated. The first time I saw him after the war started was on August 5, 1914. I had just got into Berlin from Frankfurt on a motor-trip when hostilities commenced. "Well, the great war is on," he declared, as he broke into a hearty laugh. "I leave at once for the Great Army Headquarters in the field. You will learn tonight that England is going to declare war on us."

"Great Heavens!" I exclaimed. "Is that possible?" "Yes, Dr. Davis, the English Ambassador will ask for his pass today and it will probably be given him today or tomorrow. It's quite all right. We are only too glad to know where England stands. We had to know if our fleet had gone out before England declared herself, it might have been cut off from its home base and then would have been lost. It is very fortunate for us that England showed her hand so early in the game."

"But, Prince," I said, "you'll be blockaded!" "We're not worried about that. It is not so easy. There are many channels and many islands and our boats will always succeed in getting through. Anyway, the war will be over before England has a chance to accomplish anything in that direction, and we have vast supplies of everything which will outlast the war."

"How long do you think the war will last then?" I asked. "The war will be over by Christmas! Yes, you may rest assured; it will be done by Christmas!" "Serious Opposition Admitted. I asked him whether the country at large was behind the war. "To a man! It's wonderful the way the socialists have come out. Many thought they would prove a stumbling block and impede us. They came in as a man, without a dissenting voice! Why, when I came into your house today, your porter's wife came out to ask me to enlist her boy who is not yet of military age and I enlisted him right here at your door! It's a most remarkable thing how readily the mothers of Germany are giving their boys to the war."

Just before Christmas of that year I saw the Prince again and reminded him of his prophecy regarding peace by Christmas. "You promised us peace by Christmas," I said. "Are we going to have it?" "Well, not this Christmas, but next," he replied, with just a shade of disappointment in his tone. "Things have not gone just the way we expected, but you may be quite sure it will be all over by next Christmas at any rate."

On one of his visits shortly before Christmas, 1915, I reminded him again of his prediction. "Davis," he replied, laughing, "I don't think the damn thing will ever end!" I saw him on February 2, 1917, and his old confidence was quite restored. Many things had happened in the meanwhile, one would have thought, to have affected his optimism, but he was just as certain that day that victory was in plain sight as he had been when the war started, that it would be over by Christmas.

"Our unrestricted submarine warfare has just started," he said, "and we're going to bring England to her knees within three months!" Peace Offer Failure. From the beginning of 1916 until about the middle of 1917 the Great Army Headquarters was located in the Prince's palace at Pless and during most of that period he was there too. Naturally he came in contact with the

NEW AND FIERCER BATTLE IMMINENT

Present Lull Presages Clash of Supreme Fury, Says General March.

SHEER KILLING OBJECTIVE

Chief of Staff Points Out That Minor Aims Have Been Submerged in Effort of Giant Forces to Crush Opposition's Power.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—An odd calm fell over the Alsace-Marne battle area today, with only the thunder of the guns to tell of the more or less terrible gusts of the war storm to come, Paris and Berlin both noted it. The infantry had paused for breath while the artillery pounded new roads of advance for General Foch's victorious armies. Just what the lull may prove was not apparent. Possibly the enemy is already on the move after the decisive defeat he met in the battle which began Saturday and centered on the American positions along the north bank of the Ourcq. Here the American Third Division and the now famous 42d Division, the Rainbow Division, have made good their positions against the enemy's best fighting units. They have met, outflanked and forced backward by their fierce ardor picked Prussian and Bavarian divisions brought fresh to the field with orders to hold the line of the Ourcq at all costs.

Foe's Lines Dominated. That line has been broken. The American spearhead, driven forward again and again, finally broke the fighting edge of the enemy defense by upsetting the routine of the day, sometimes without much previous notice. "Davis," he said, "you are foolish to tolerate it. It's all right, of course, to accommodate the Kaiser and the Kaiserin, and the Crown Prince and the Crown Princess are perhaps entitled to a similar consideration, but as far as the other Princes and the nobility are concerned, if I were you, I certainly wouldn't allow it. They may object to it at first but they will soon fall into line!" That was about as democratic a viewpoint as I had ever heard from a German. He was a nice fellow but a poor guesser and must have proven a poor adviser on diplomatic questions for the Kaiser.

STRAND BILL PATRIOTIC

LIEUTENANT GALLAGHER DELIGHTS WITH WAR NARRATIVE.

Photoplay, "Other Men's Daughters," Big Drawing Power—Other Features Are Held Entertaining.

Patriotism ran high at the Strand Theater yesterday when Lieutenant J. A. Gallagher, of the Canadian army, stepped onto the stage and into the interest of the audience. Lieutenant Gallagher is the special added attraction on the new bill, and his offering consists of a brilliant talk about the things that happened during his two years' experience in the battles of Ypres, Vimy Ridge and the Somme. Lieutenant Gallagher has received his honorable discharge and has been identified with many of the patriotic

drives in Oregon since he came here. He speaks easily and with dramatic intensity, telling interesting accounts of the life in active service. He was gassed and he was one of the few survivors of the ill-fated hospital ship Lanfrance, which was sunk while conveying wounded men from France to England in August of last year. He appears in uniform and makes a brightly patriotic spot on the new bill.

The photoplay is one of the drawing powers of the new bill. Peggy Hyland is featured in a big production by William Fox called "Other Men's Daughters." It is a dramatic demonstration of the law of retribution. Georgia Chartres is a talented girl. She is a slender, attractive blonde, who dresses effectively and sings effectively. One of her best bits is a bibulous ballad with a hiccough to punctuate the lines. Beschey and LeMon are two pretty maids who are musical. They sing in delightful harmony.

The Laroncians are clever acrobats of contortionate bent and they offer a rapid-fire novelty act, featuring daring hand-balancing and whirlwind hand-springs. The Lyric Trio, all men, have a dandy melody act, and their voices blend nicely. The Universal Animated Weekly is replete with interesting news of the day.

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MORROW COUNTY FARMERS REPORT GOOD YIELDS.

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HEPPER, Or., July 31.—(Special.)—Wheat harvest is in full blast in Morrow County this week, and farmers report very satisfactory yields and excellent quality. No serious complaints are heard about scarcity of labor, although every available man is at work. Many small combines, operated by two or three men, were purchased this season and are giving satisfactory service. The weather is ideal for harvesting, being clear and dry without the excessive heat complained of in some sections. Many retired farmers and active business and professional men have gone into the harvest fields to assist in saving the crop, among them being Rev. Frank Andrews, pastor of the First Christian Church, of Hepper. It is said that he asks no odds of any of them who are giving satisfactory service. The weather is ideal for harvesting, being clear and dry without the excessive heat complained of in some sections.

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3 PHONOGRAPHS WANTED Appeal Made in Behalf of Crews of Portland-Built Vessels. Three phonographs are wanted by the American Red Cross for the crews of Portland-built vessels about to sail to an unknown destination. The Red Cross has equipped the crews, regular Navy men, with knitted goods and other comforts, and a few phonograph records have been donated. These men will be at sea for months. Won't some generous person come forward with a phonograph and a few records? said I. Lovengart, chairman of the military relief committee of the Red Cross, who will receive gifts at the Red Cross workroom, eighth floor, Lipman-Wolfe building.

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AIRMEN USE PARACHUTE

ONE DESCENT OF 6000 FEET MADE AT KELLY FIELD.

French Aviator Drops 800 Yards in Safety; Way to Escape From Flaming Planes Offered.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 31.—Rodman Law has jumped from a moving airplane several times and landed safely with the aid of a parachute at Kelly Field, the last time from a height of 6000 feet at the time of Secretary McAdoo's visit to Kelly Field.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, July 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Captain Sarret, a French aviator, recently dropped from an airplane with a parachute and landed safely. When successful, the employment of parachutes will enable airmen to leave their flaming machines and not meet death as did Major Raoul Lufbery on May 19.

PARIS, July 31.—(Havas Agency.)—Two aviators are reported to have made a flight from Paris to St. Nazaire and return in five hours and 50 minutes, including a stop of three-quarters of an hour at St. Nazaire. The distance of the round trip was about 415 miles.

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LANE COUNTY GROWERS CLOSE BIG CONTRACTS. Total of 18,000 Pounds Involved in Deals—Deliveries Are to Be Made October 1. EUGENE, Or., July 31.—(Special.)—Lane County growers are contracting to sell their hops on board cars at local stations for 20 cents per pound. P. L. Ayres, of Junction City, and J. M. Hochdanner, of Harrisburg, today filed at the office of the Lane County Clerk contracts under which they agree to sell their crops to Hugo V. Loewi and George W. Lewis, of New York. A total of 18,000 pounds, about equally divided, is included in the two contracts. Deliveries will be made October 1.

PORTLAND MAN GAINS 24 POUNDS TAKING TANLAC

Hotels Will Stay Open. Hostels Receive Tourists. MONTREAL, Quebec, July 31.—(Special.)—A press dispatch dated St. Paul has reached Montreal stating that Canadian-Pacific interests are closing large hotels in the Canadian Rockies owing to poor tourist traffic. The statement is an error. Banff and Lake Louise, which are popular resorts, will remain open as usual until the end of the season.

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