

DISGRACE OF GREAT WAR FELT BY BOCHE

Huns See Chance to Retain Pride Despite Defeat.

ARMY CASTE IS INSULTED

Men of War Machine, Long in Service of Government, Face Future of Idleness.

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An officer seized an unfriendly look of the random word of an excited man as the occasion for a challenge to a duel, and must fear, if he does not do it, to be flung out of his caste as devoid of honor. Here, furthermore, at least 100,000 men go grimly about whom revolution has ruined as a men. They are the survivors of a war which they regard as monstrous because it permits a German republic police force of only 100,000.

If one considers that those threatened by the surrender of high officers—ex-ministers, captains of industry and the highest officials—have the greatest influence in public opinion, the whole rumpus becomes understandable.

War Gullies Is Felt.

Men who for 20 years and longer have employed their best energies in the service of the army, and are now, with wife and children, thrown upon days of the utmost high cost of living, and without training for new professions, have seldom an inner calm, and are counselling a modest submission to fate. They listen with greedy ears to every promise that promises comfort. Old Field Marshal von Hindenburg, who did not want to disappear soundless, set such a slogan in circulation, perhaps when he wrote that he preferred going down with honor to a shameful conclusion of peace. How he and the thousands worshipping him really imagine the going down of a nation of 64,000,000 one does not learn, nor would most of them imagine that the ruin would halt at their doors.

The disgrace, it appears, is me, would be heaped on itself by a nation which disapproved its children's future on the phantom of honor. And the only phantom of honor which is not according to Schopenhauer's noble dictum is the outward conscience of us here in question.

Militarists in Quandary.

If there were not so many sitting in high places and parliaments who, consciously or unconsciously, are accessories in the sins of omission and commission of the imperial government, not for an hour would the admission have been delayed that this government was guilty of the misfortunes of war. Why otherwise did one overturn it, together with two dozen dynasties? Surely not because they made mistakes. That would be no sufficient reason for the overturn of all state institutions. The world's conscience, the inner honor of mankind, demanded the confession that "we were not fallen upon a fault, for the outbreak of war is divided between Germany's militarists and incompetent leaders of the states."

War Machine Once Strong.

Authors and approvers of such sentences, despite four years of experience, underestimate the colossal strength of the German war machine, which, from August, 1914, to October, 1918, ruled everything and crushed everything that hindered it and which was to be destroyed only from within. If the army leadership had found a German Fata Morgana like Verdun's savior, after the dangerous minutes of 1918, could have stiffened again the wavering spirit of the army with new methods found by himself, and could have secured its moral reorganization, then, despite the mutinous sailors and communists, the collapse would have been avoided.

Before the war, too, this machine was so strong that when it ran with full power it noise drowned everything else. In order to be able to complete the building of the battle fleet, in which he saw his life's mission, Admiral von Tirpitz had constantly to discriminate the ideas of the German leaders of our success in the world market, "perfidious Alton," which always had sworn deadly enmity against the strongest continental power, could only be restrained from its heart wish of annihilating Germany by the high risk of a fight against our navy.

Navy Strength Increased.

Therefore the ratio of English and German naval strength must not be two to one, as Haldane and Churchill offered, but at the most 16 to 10. Before the early outbreak of war, the army increase the hostility of the broad masses of Russia and France was garishly illuminated. With purposes of military and marine, whose representatives surely were convinced that they were loyally serving the fatherland, the realization was not consistent that the encircling entente of trust, or the pool created by King Edward, had only a defensive note.

Offensive limits and not annihilation was his object. And because every age, if he did not admit it, felt how bad and harmful was the policy determined by Wilhelm's love for effects and signs of mood, because all had been talked into believing that a conspiracy lowered roundabout and on the choice of the most favorable war hour counted to save us, therefore, in August, 1918, even the social democrats, even Liebknecht and Thälmann, believed in necessity of war.

Masses Are Kept Ignorant.

Thus it comes about that the broad masses still do not know the happenings of July, 1914, do not know that on July 18 Serbia's complete innocence was known in Vienna and that the contents of the Vienna ultimatum were unknown in Berlin; that Austro-Hungarian mobilization proceeded in Hungary accordingly they are convinced that the political blame is to be sought on the other side of the German border. Compulsion to the confession of a fault whose justification one does not admit is felt as a crime. The cure against this delusion is only the dissemination of the truth. It can only be a non-partisan, full exposition of the genesis of the war within the intellectual reach of the poorest.

A stronger means will be necessary to allay the anger about compulsion to surrender the suspect. It has already brought the Kaiser, whose desertion had almost everywhere uprooted respect, more sympathy than his enemies ought to wish. The Kaiser, living forever in self-deception in a perpetual brain theater, might perhaps, find himself in this role, too, of the accused before the terrestrial world tribunal and might, in the end, be proud to boast of

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the most solemn judicial character which the case against him shall have.

Citizens Bow to Kaiser.

But what if he files from the longer into a shorter torment, what if the always vacillating one wrings from his nerves the decision to take poison before surrender?

The decapitation of the English Charles Stuart was necessary to manifest to a still too theoretically monarchically credulous Europe, in the light of a gleaming axe, the power to punish and the sovereignty of the will of the people.

Can common sense today, however, advise elevating a has-been on the ladder of sympathy to the sanctity or martyrdom? Only the monarchists, not the honest democrats of Germany, would be served thereby. And to the cause of humanity, blazoned on the shield of the allied and associated powers, the Wilhelm who fearlessly fled his native country's misfortune is more useful than a Wilhelm paying the bill of sin with his freedom or even with his life. Of the commanders, those who can be proved guilty of barbarity and viciousness such as, it is alleged, vented itself in Lille and elsewhere, and the captains of industry probably guilty of the systematic destruction of competing wealth, must be placed before the court.

Sinkings Are Recalled.

I agree, too, with those who condemn the sinking of freight and passenger ships as an immoral and, therefore, an inhuman deed, and a submarine commander thought so, too, during the war. Nevertheless, men who, at the risk of their lives, without wish in the world, in the belief of the defense of the fatherland, in the duty of obedience to orders drilled into them, blindly carried out the orders they received, a just and therefore wise victor should not summon before his court. That, to be sure, is not, as the reply of the council of four may of the German war courts, a tribunal of fellow culprits, but nevertheless it is a tribunal composed of enemies, which the accused could not consider as unprejudiced.

According to Germany's constitution nobody can be withdrawn from the jurisdiction of his competent judge. When an individual or many accused resist extradition by appealing to this basic principle, and if force has to be used, a man hunt must take place.

Justice Begins at Home.

That punishment is better is an antiquated belief. That punishment can put out an attitude toward life—and that is what militarism is—or that it can even alter it, no modern spirit will assert. Since criminology has long outgrown the frightening by example theory, a wholesome result can be hoped for only from a change of moral feeling.

Justice begins at home. Whoever desires noble morality must in his own willing fulfill the highest demands of morality.

This will not be fulfilled if war law is taken over into a state of peace for forcing men before their enemies in court. Now, after Germany's signature, the announcement that the settlement of penalties and the principal actions against the suspects would be postponed until after Germany is admitted to the league of nations, and therefore

would be heard in the league's tribunals, which alone ought to try war cases, would be much more than a beautiful gesture.

Boundary Barriers Fall.

It would be the proof longed for by the best hearts in my native land that the victors walk on earth and tower high into the heaven of animate humanity and that the internationalization of courts, as of seas and rivers, mixed populations, social laws, and

war debt amortization, belong in the circle of ideas of the league of nations, and not to the mistiness of the law of revenge.

Boundary Barriers Fall.

Boundary barriers fall, the world at last becomes wide again and over millions of graves bells call to an earnest festival of humanity.

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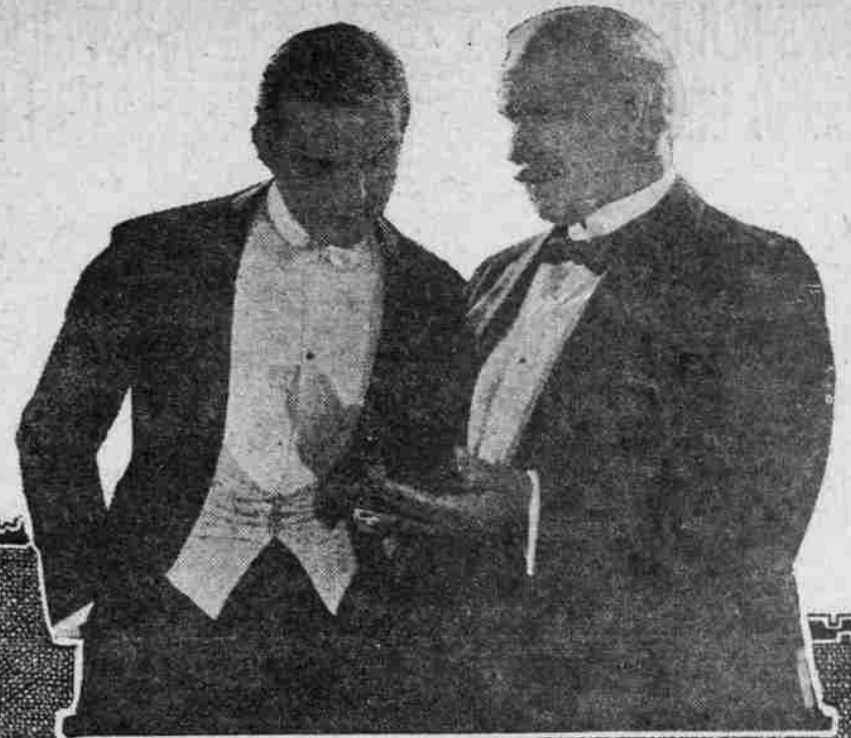
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