

# IS GERMANY ON ROAD TO FAILURE?

## Official Incompetence Declared to Be Sapping Financial Life of the Nation.

By Gordon Stiles  
Special Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News.  
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Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 2.—Looking back over the last three months in Germany with the attendant steady undermining of the economic fabric, it is hard to conceive otherwise than that Germany is marching straight to absolute bankruptcy. The cabinet ministers and others who have taken charge of a situation which calls for the highest degree in business shrewdness are entirely incompetent to deal with it. Foreign credits, which is the only thing that will enable Germany to get a new foothold, have not been forthcoming, and in the face of that discouragement, the people show little disposition to help themselves.  
For instance, take the potato crop. I spent some time last month in the province of Mecklenburg, which contains some of the best agricultural districts.

Something like 6,000,000 pounds of the finest potatoes grow in the ground. While I was calling on the count of Wurtemberg, who is a large land owner and maker of potato spirits, he had a call from the government labor exchange in Berlin. There exchange was offering to send as many laborers as were necessary to harvest the crops, stipulating, however, on behalf of the workmen, that they must be properly housed. Proper housing now means that the help will not sleep in barns or sheds as formerly they were glad to do. The outcome of the conversation was that the count said it was impossible to avail himself of the offer because he was unable to furnish the accommodations required. That was only one instance of the many which have forced Germany to buy potatoes from Poland and also to contract for 2,000,000 barrels from Denmark.

### POTATO CROP LOST

Stripped of whys and wherefores, the case stands thus: There is not enough patriotism left in Germany to cause the people to turn with all their energy to save what they can out of the wreck. Wherever justice may lie the fact remains that there are millions of pounds of potatoes waiting to be lifted, and workers unwilling to put up with a little hardship in order to save them, or to work under conditions under which the government would not pay for the town of Lichen, near the Mecklenburg border, has just contracted for 50 workmen's houses, consisting of two rooms and a kitchen. The conditions under which the contract was drawn were that the town must pay the exorbitant price of 50,000 marks (normally \$15,000) each, although it was to deliver only one house every six months, or all in 25 years. The D. K. Jeffries Lumber company of Chicago has been negotiating for the sale of government of a large number of portable houses, but the state of exchange is such as to make payment impossible.

# The Doctor's Advice

By Dr. Lewis Baker

The questions answered below are general in character; the symptoms or diseases are given, and the answers should apply to any case of similar nature.  
Those wishing further advice, free, may address Dr. Lewis Baker, 1115 1/2 Building, College-Elliott streets, Dayton, O., enclosing self-addressed stamped envelope. Full name and address must be given, but only initials or fictitious name will be used. Answers will be returned to the address obtained at any well-stocked drug store. Any druggist can order of wholesaler.

"Unhappy May" writes: "I suffer constantly with constipation, headache, indigestion and kidney trouble. My skin is pimply and oily."  
Answer: Three grain Sulpher Tablets (not sulphur tablets) is the best. They are made from sulphur, cream of tartar and herbs which act directly on the bowels, purifying it, thus causing the pimples to disappear and the skin to become fresh and healthy looking.

"Laura" writes: "Some time ago I contracted a very severe cold and cough. I have tried many remedies, but they do not seem to help me at all. I wish you would advise me what to do."  
Answer: Here is the best remedy for rheumatism that is known, and if taken according to directions you will soon be out again and be strong and well. Get 3 drams of iodide of potassium; 4 grams sodium salicylate; 1/2 oz. wine of colchicum; 1 oz. comp. essence cod liver oil; 1 oz. comp. fluid balsam of Peru; 1 oz. of syrup sarsaparilla comp. Mix and take a teaspoonful at meal time and again before going to bed.  
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# Policeman Looks Around, to Find His Prisoner Gone

Washington automobile license No. 116,767 will remain fixed in one Portland policeman's mind until he apprehends the owner of the car.  
Early this morning when the chilly east winds were blowing off the Columbia river down Union avenue, Motor-cycle Sergeant Frank Ervin took after the driver and chased him for blocks before overtaking him. Thirty-five miles an hour was the speed, Sergeant Ervin declares.  
When he arrested the man Ervin said the driver claimed he did not know where the police station was located, so Ervin said: "All right, just follow me." The motorist followed faithfully until the corner of Third and Pine streets was reached. He then turned the corner and was lost in the maze of traffic before the bluecoat could apprehend him.

# WILSON'S MESSAGE PUZZLES REPUBLICANS

Other fellow says no matter if it happens to be a quotation from the Scriptures itself, the undercurrent of sentiment expressed in the present message is one of serious consideration of what could be done by the legislative body to correct the unrest of the country.  
Republicans may have publicly professed to ignore what the president had said but privately they know that he has laid a big package on the doorstep of Congress. The Democratic campaign orators were unquestionably going to use the recommendation of the president as a basis for their criticism of the Republican management of Congress. In the present session failed to do any more than the last session toward remedying the domestic ills of the country.

# Restaurant Men Arrested

Bob Raich, waiter in the National restaurant, 101 North Third street, enjoyed undue popularity, police believed. Search revealed a mint of moonshine in his apron, Patrolmen Huntington and

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# Wine Raid by Police And Revenue Squads Yields 4000 Gallons

"You don't need the wine to have a wonderful time," popular song hit, became the slogan of revenue officers and revenue squads on Wednesday night. Incidentally, the officers hung up a new wine seizing record by scoring 4000 gallons.  
Four houses, close together in East Seventh street, were raided by the police and revenue squads. Police Lieutenant Thatch, with Patrolmen Spangh, Huntington, Russell, Corder and Schupius, assisted the revenue officers.  
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# Stock Market Topics

Liberty bonds sold in New York market at the following prices:  
3 1/2% Thursday..... \$97.70 \$97.78 \$99.78 \$99.78  
First 4%..... 94.00 94.00 94.00 94.00  
Second 4%..... 91.00 92.00 91.00 91.00  
Third 4 1/4%..... 92.00 92.00 92.20 92.20  
Fourth 4 1/4%..... 92.00 92.00 92.00 92.00  
Victory 4 1/2%..... 99.02 99.18 99.00 99.00  
Victory 5 1/4%..... 99.00 99.18 99.00 99.00

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While the railroad stocks did not advance the buying in them was good and stocks like Union Pacific, Pennsylvania, St. Paul, Southern Pacific, New York Central and Great Northern are being well taken on the theory that the government program on the return of the roads to private owners will be a very liberal one.  
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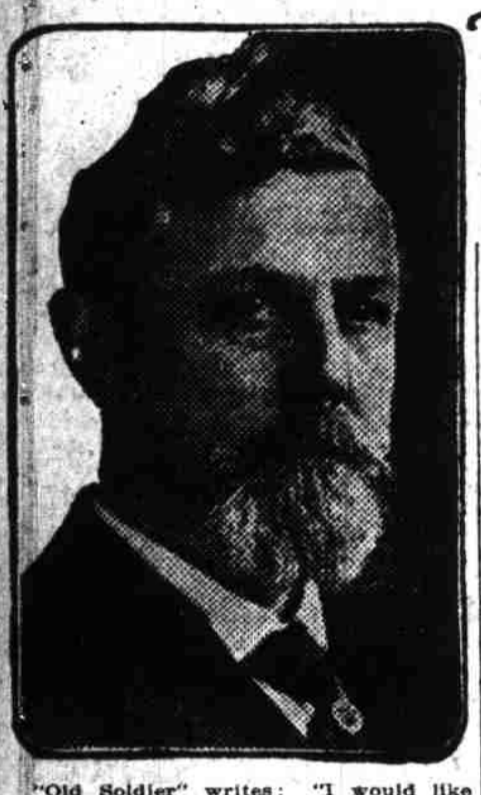
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