

# ENGLAND ACCUSED AS AGGRESSOR IN WAR BY WILHELM

Kaiser's Pre-War Official Notes Reveal That He Believed the British Deceived Germany.

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 Rotterdam, Holland, Dec. 5.—Universal Service herewith presents two notes sent by the Kaiser to Chancellor Bethmann Hollweg, on the event of England's intervention in the great war. They are dated July 29 and 30, 1914, and are in the ex-emperor's handwriting.

These notes are among the 900 documents of the German foreign office compiled by Socialist Deputy Kautsky, Professor Walther Schuecking and Lieutenant General Count von Motzales, at the behest of the republican government soon after the collapse of the empire. They were briefly touched upon in the summary of the revelations exclusively published by Universal Service last Saturday and Sunday. The full text herewith opens up a new phase of the question of war guilt. These notes from the Kaiser to his imperial chancellor have a bearing upon the secret diplomatic machinations directly leading to the outbreak of the war, as revealed in the first and second chapter of this sensational exposé.

**ENGLAND IS BLAMED**  
 They represent, in the Kaiser's own words, the basis of Germany's case as she sees it, culminating in the argument that England's alleged policy on encirclement, or isolation, of Germany and Austria made the world war inevitable. Wilhelm II, in these two documents, is revealed in one of his most impetuous and indignant moods. With words of bitter invective and personal denunciation of the then British foreign minister, Sir (now Viscount) Edward Grey, whom he calls a "low hound" and with an afterthought that leads him to express frank admiration for the "grandiose performance" of British diplomacy, the Kaiser accuses England of having deliberately and cunningly lulled Germany into a feeling of security while quietly drawing the fatal net around her and finally trying to "squeeze" out of Germany's loyalty to her ally, Austria.

**KAISER IS SARCASTIC**  
 The Kaiser's memorandum of July 29 sheds further light on the famous message said to have been sent by King George V through the latter's brother, Prince Henry.

Most interesting, perhaps, of all the claims set forth in the Kaiser's notes is that England with "one single sharp and earnest word of warning" could have confined the war to its original scope.

On July 29 Prince Lichnowsky, then German ambassador in London, reported to Berlin that Sir Edward Grey had said the situation was becoming increasingly serious. When the Kaiser received that report he attached to it this memorandum:

"The biggest, most unheard of piece of English pharisaism I have ever seen. Aha, the base deceiver! Arch-base and Mephistofelian! But, truly, English!"

**GERMANY DECEIVED, CLAIM**  
 Regarding Prince Lichnowsky's remark that Grey had said England might be unable to stand aside, the Kaiser wrote von Bethmann Hollweg:

"This pack of base hucksters sought to deceive us with dinners and speeches. The King's (George V) message for me through Prince Henry (the Kaiser's brother) in which he said 'We will remain neutral and try to keep out of this as long as possible,' was the grossest deception of all. 'Grey gives the king the lie, and this statement to Lichnowsky is the voice of a guilty conscience—of the feeling, in fact, that he has deceived us.' 'It amounts, moreover, to a threat which is partly bluff designed to separate us from Austria, prevent us from mobilizing, and fold upon us the responsibility for the war.'

**CALLS KING "HOUND"**  
 "He knows perfectly well that he has only to utter one single sharp and earnest word of warning in Paris and Petersburg to enjoin neutrality upon

them (France and Russia) and they will both keep quiet at once.

"But he takes good care not to utter this word and he threatens us instead! The low hound!"

"The responsibility for peace or war now rests upon England alone and no longer upon us!"

"The Kaiser's memorandum to Chancellor von Bethmann Hollweg, sent on July 30, follows, in full:

"It is now clear to me beyond all doubt that England, Russia and France—on the ostensible ground that they were confronted with our casus foederis towards Austria—have seized on the Austro-Serbia conflict as a pretext and have deliberately concerted among themselves to embark upon a war of destruction against us. Hence Grey's cynical remark to Lichnowsky to the effect that England will sit still as long as the war remains confined to Russia and Austria, and that only when France intervened would he be compelled to move actively against us—that is to say either we must basely betray our ally to the mercy of Russia, thereby breaking up the triple alliance, or else, for our loyalty to our ally we must submit to being set upon and chastised by the whole triple entente, whose envy would at last have the gratification of totally ruining us by their combined efforts.

**NOOSE IS MADE**  
 "This, in a nutshell, is the true, naked situation—slowly but surely initiated by Edward VII., promoted by him despite all denials and systematically developed by means of conversations on the part of England with Paris and Petersburg—which is now being completed and set in motion by George V.

"To this end a noose is being made for our necks out of the stupidity and cunningness of our ally, the British Empire."

"And so, notwithstanding all the efforts of our politicians and diplomats to prevent it, the celebrated encirclement has at last become an accomplished fact. The net has suddenly been drawn over our heads, and England sneeringly has scored the most brilliant success in her tenacious, purely anti-German world policy, against which we have found ourselves powerless, for as soon as we were struggling alone in the net, the halter for our political and economic destruction was tied out of our loyalty to our Austrian ally.

**GERMANY ENTERS TRAP**  
 "A grandiose performance which deserves admiration even at the hands of him who is doomed to perish by it."

"Edward VII. is dead, but he is still stronger in his grave today than I who am alive."

"And yet there are people who thought England might be won or placated by this or that petty expedient."

"Unceasingly, unyieldingly she has pursued her aim by means of notes, proposals for a naval holiday, war scares, falsehoods, etc., until the desired point

has been reached. And we fell into the trap, we even introduced a one-ship-a-year rate in the touching hope that we might thereby reassure England."

"All my warnings and entreaties fell upon deaf ears. Now comes England's so-called thanks for all this."

**INDIA'S LOSS PREDICTED**  
 "Out of the dilemma of our alliance—loyalty towards the venerable old emperor (Francis Joseph) is being created for us a situation which gives England the desired pretext for destroying us with a hypocritical semblance of justice presented by helping France to maintain the notorious balance of power in Europe; in other words, all states of Europe are to be played off against us for the benefit of England!"

"All these machinations must now be unparaphrasing laid bare; the mask of Christian peacefulness must be openly and violently torn from them in public and this pharisaical pretense of peace must be pilloried!"

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"If we are to bleed to death, England shall, at the very least, lose India."

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**Starkie Is Criticized For Remark Against Wilson in Address**

By William H. Brayden  
 Special Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News.  
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 Dublin, Dec. 5.—Dublin is discussing with some astonishment, an attack on President Wilson by the Right Hon. Dr. Starkie, official head of the Irish primary education system. He was presiding at a lecture in Trinity college on the Irish sense of humor and he said he thought the Americans showed a sense of humor when they compelled President Wilson to go to bed with diplomatic illness.

In America, he said, they did not take his 14 points seriously, but thought him a blatant humbug as the speaker himself did. The president, he said, came to Europe and destroyed peace by introducing his ridiculous League of Nations.

"We all bowed down to him," added Dr. Starkie, "and nobody could say anything without talking of the grand republic of the West, which I personally wish had never been discovered."

This kind of talk from a man holding a high educational appointment and honored with a seat in the privy council is felt to exceed the limits of decency.

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# AMERICAN COLORS LOWERED IN PARIS

Old Glory No Longer Floats Over Prison and Headquarters as Last of Soldiers Leave.

By Henry J. Smith  
 Special Cable to The Journal and The Chicago Daily News.  
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 Paris, France, Dec. 5.—The American flag floats no longer from the famous old buildings in the Avenue Montaigne and the Rue Saint Anne, in the first of which General Pershing and his staff had their headquarters for many months, and in the other of which hundreds of naughty soldiers found cells and got a start toward Leavenworth.

The last of the American army is packing its uniforms which are now almost unknown in the Paris streets. Of the military police, formerly numbering thousands, there now remains one company.

Between now and December 15 400 officers and 1900 men will sail in one large contingent on the America, which also carries the peace delegation on December 6. This will leave for the final roundup 130 officers and 250 men, not counting the Brest contingent, which departs December 15. By January 1 Brest will no longer be a port of embarkation for the homeward bound men. Antwerp will serve as the port of re-embarkation for the army of occupation and all other American purposes.

Now the musty old Hotel Saint Anne no longer houses prisoners or military courts. The latter will continue a little longer at Brest and later in America. Even on shipboard some cases will be tried by means of depositions. A few manufacturers will be left to the mercy of the French authorities. It is understood that William D. Connor will be one of the few general officers keeping his rank despite the recent ruling of congress that both the general and his chief of staff will be demoted to majors.

There is one remark among departing regulars—"The Mexican border for mine."

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