

Great Krupp Works Now Actually at Work Beating Swords Into Plowshares

Note: Following is an interview with Herr Krupp Von Bohlen, direct head of the great Krupp works, formerly the largest munitions plant in the world, now engaged in turning out railway equipment and agricultural implements.

By Carl D. Grant (United Press Staff Correspondent) (Copyright 1919, by the United Press) Essen, Germany, Dec. 12.—The greatest demonstration in history of actually "beating the sword into a plowshare" is being enacted in this city.

Krupp—formerly synonymous with war, and but a few short months ago the largest manufacturer of armaments in the world—today is not only giving over their enormous plant to production of peace time implements but are breaking up cannon and other munitions to provide the materials for this.

Same Crew Made Arms Men and machinery that formerly turned out field guns, small arms, ammunition and armor plate, are now constructing locomotives, cars, automobile parts and farm machinery. The credit for this is due to Herr Gustave Krupp Von Bohlen, directing head of the Krupp works, and Frau Bertha Krupp Von Bohlen, his wife and principal owner of the plant.

Herr Krupp Von Bohlen, not only is overturning a veritable institution to meet the new order of things, but far exceeds the same success for his country—providing always that Germany receives the financial and industrial

aid she needs. "We are trying to look forward, not backward," epitomizes the spirit of an interview Herr Krupp Von Bohlen granted the United Press today. It is in his conversation he likened Germany to a big business concern which has suffered heavy losses. Such a concern, he pointed out, would strive for new capital with which to build itself up and would seek to pay past and present obligations by its future products.

Seeks World Confidence This is exactly what Germany would like to do, he said—get credit and thereby restore her own confidence and the confidence of the world in her. Such credit is more significant in the spirit with which it is granted than the sum given, though it must be ample for the long term—thirty to forty years—since it will take Germany into the next generation to become again somewhere near normal industrially, he pointed out. In his opinion, self interest alone ought to convince the rest of the world it is necessary to re-establish her credit as otherwise Germany will be unable to meet her obligations.

"Germany today is in the position of an industrial enterprise, which, though sound and strong in foundation, has—whether by some fault of its own or not, may be left out of the question—undergone a series of heavy losses, in consequence of which it has run into debts considerably exceeding its own resources," said Herr Krupp Von Bohlen.

Business Principles Applied "No managing director of such a

concern with any sense of his responsibility in its future would think of starting anew by spending all his working stock in order to pay his present liabilities. On the contrary, he would try to secure new means in order to enlarge his present stock and meet his past and present obligations by further products of his works. Germany has been crippled by the war and it is for the new generations growing into manhood to come to the test of strength. We will have to bear the greatest part of the present burdens, which, if paid off by the present generation, wounded and bled as it is after five years of warfare, would kill us and our offspring, thus preventing Germany's present creditors from getting the great part of what is their due."

Previous to meeting Herr Krupp Von Bohlen, I had already talked with several of the leading men of Krupp who are interested in seeing their country and their plant back on their feet. Among these were Herr Fritz Moosmann, Herr Gebhardt Wiefel and Dr. Spehr. All expressed positive and none too optimistic views of Germany's present situation, but had a certain degree of hope for the future, provided the rest of the world was willing to "bury the hatchet" and extend credit.

Big Guns Scrapped Herr Moosmann showed me over the immense plant. I saw big guns being broken up and scrapped. I saw how big departments formerly devoted to fulfillment of the Hindenburg program, either were budding into manufacture of locomotives, cars, ties, accounting machines, cream separators, etc., or were temporarily idle, awaiting the time when Krupp efficiency should transform them into factories pulsating with peace time pursuits.

"We are ready to undertake anything which can be profitably made and which will conform with the Krupp standards of efficiency and quality," Herr Krupp Von Bohlen told me. "For instance, we may make as a single item a portable dust and refuse receptacle. Heretofore these were produced by individuals, but they can be made on a large scale, according to certain standards.

Employ Huge Army "We expect in the course of the next six months to turn out one locomotive and ten cars daily. We are ready to supply entire railway systems. All we need now is orders."

It may be stated Krupp intend to remain a German concern. Incidentally Herr Krupp Von Bohlen ridiculed the idea that the former Kaiser was a stockholder or even that the government was interested financially in Krupp.

Employees in the Essen plant proper in July, 1914, were 41,263 and in other works 29,028, a total of 70,291. In June, 1918, Essen employed 112,366 of 171,001. Today the Essen plant and the outside works 58,641, a total has 44,758 and the outside works 46,116, a total of 84,874.

WOODCHUCK DIGS PENNY FROM GRAVE

Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Charles Parsons, veteran associated Press operator, possesses a pocket piece, a penny of the year 1826, which was dug from a grave by a woodchuck.

This penny, Parsons said, "was dug up in the Rodman cemetery by a woodchuck Sixbury, one of the compositors in the Standard office, was out hunting near Rodman a few weeks ago and chased a woodchuck from a field into the cemetery. The animal dug into a grave and kept throwing a shower of dirt after him. Sixbury could do nothing but watch him. Finally a round black object shot out, and 'Six' picked it up. An inspection showed it to be a coin, but it was black with age. He scrubbed it and found it green; more scrubbing brought out the dark copper color and the date 1826.

"How did the coin get into the grave? Well, I can only surmise. In the early days in this section it was the custom to place a coin on the eyelids of a person who had just died in order that the eyes might remain closed when rigor mortis set in. No doubt that was what happened in this case. One of the coins probably fell off into the casket and there remained until the woodchuck threw it out."

Sixbury didn't care about keeping a coin with such a history and gave it to Parsons.

CHILDREN URGED TO SAVE BY CHURCHILL

Every pupil in the public schools of Oregon will be encouraged to begin a systematic saving of his or her earnings, under a plan just launched by J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction. In his capacity as thrift director for the state of Oregon, and which contemplates as a reward of merit the donation of a \$50 thrift library to the one making the best showing in the matter of savings in proportion to the school enrollment.

The United States department of agriculture, the Oregon State Bankers' association, the Oregon State Teachers' association, the Oregon Agricultural college and the state department of education are cooperating in the campaign which will be under the direct supervision of Mr. Churchill.

As a preliminary step in the campaign teachers throughout the state have already been supplied with pamphlets containing a series of lessons on thrift prepared by the United States treasury department. The thrift campaign is to be a regular part of work of the public schools in an effort to develop American citizens with cor-

McCredie Denies Sale Of Portland Club Contemplated

Portland, Or., Dec. 18.—W. W. McCredie, president and Walter McCredie, manager of the Portland baseball club, emphatically denies there is any deal on for the sale of the Portland club to Thomas H. Ince.

Both the McCredies say they have had absolutely no negotiations with the motion picture producer, and that they have no thought of selling the Portland franchise to any man. The Portland moguls are dickering with the St. Paul club of the American association on a proposed exchange of outfielders Walker and Farmer of Portland for Outfielder, Duncan and Infielder Berghammer of St. Paul.

JOURNAL WANT ADS PAY

Shirts Must Reach Knee In Springfield Decree

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 18.—"Shirts must reach the knees," is the decree of the Springfield police department relative to posters advertising attractions in Springfield theatres.

As a result of sharp criticism by Christian Endeavor societies and Epworth Leagues, local theatres have been under rigid censorship of late. Taken as a whole, the police say, the theatres are above reproach. The only ground for criticism, the people censor believes is the lithographic advertising. There will be no more posters showing female figures in garments which do not reach the knee—which comes near to what the daily parade of fashions in Main street reveals, the authorities say.

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