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GERMANY GETS OFF EASY

From the howls raised by the Germans since the announcement of the Allied peace terms, anybody would suppose that Germany was an innocent, lamb-like nation being torn to pieces by a pack of wolfish enemies—that the allies were the aggressors in this war, and that they are imposing upon their victim conditions of unheard-of injustice and cruelty.

We look in vain, among the protests with which Germany is now deluging the world, for a note of sorrow and repentance for Germany's crimes and a recognition that she must expect to pay for them. We look in vain for appreciation of the fact that Germany has slain millions of men of the Allied nations, and subjected tens of millions to painful and crippling wounds, and forced their best manhood to waste years in filthy trenches, and laid waste the fairest parts of France and Belgium and Russia and Roumania and Serbia and Italy and other lands, and subjected their children to slavery, and imposed on them a war debt twice as great as the national wealth of all Germany herself, and broken every recognized law of warfare, human and divine.

For all this shall Germany not pay?

The terms laid down, though scientifically figured out to approximate Germany's utmost limit of ability, are pitifully small compared with the wrongs suffered at her hands. Germany can never pay for half of the harm she has done, and is therefore not being asked to pay half. If the old Mosaic rule of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" were invoked, there would be no Germany left; the lands and cities would be seized and the population starved, enslaved and torn asunder as Germany herself dealt with the unoffending neighbor peoples whose territory she overran. There would be an historic repetition of the famous carrying of the Hebrew nation into captivity at Babylon—the "chosen people," as the Germans have loved to call themselves, suffering in this case the penalty if offenses far greater than any ever committed by the ancient Jews.

The bill for damages presented to Germany is trivial. The protests against it are partly a cowardly effort to evade righteous compensation for damage done and partly a new outbreak of Teutonic egotism.

There is only one way in which the Germans really could make some semblance of payment for their crimes. That is by showing repentance for them. And of that there is no sign. So all there is left to do is to apply the screws of justice, and squeeze out such drops of material compensation as may be obtained.

PAVING TO STAY PAVED

The paving gangs are abroad in the land. This is the time for every community to do a little forecasting of the future and provide before the paving goes into place for the laying of all the various pipes and lines which the growth of the town will undoubtedly require.

We all want and expect our towns to grow and improve, and to be improved as they grow, yet we put in our pavements and then tear them up for each successive pipe which means im-

provement—sewer and water.

Much valuable time and money would be saved if communities backed their faith with works, and provided for the future for which they pray.

GERMANS SHOULD EMULATE TURKS

The Turkish authorities are bringing to trial those responsible for the Armenian atrocities and massacres, and finding them guilty are administering fit punishment. Kemal Bey, a high Turkish dignitary, has been publicly hanged in the public square at Stambul recently, as responsible for some of the most terrible evidences of Turkish brutality.

This official administering of justice is undoubtedly dictated by a healthy fear of Allied opinion. But whatever may dictate it, it is what should be done, and it is what the world would like to see Germany doing.

On the contrary, Germany conducts trials which are such farces as to merit the suspicion and disgust of the whole world. The vindicate everybody, from the Kaiser, recently declared guiltless by their tribunal, to those responsible for the murder of Captain Fryatt, an English sea captain foully put to death by German orders.

The failure of Germany to convict and punish her guilty only makes it more plain that the Allies will have to do the punishing.

A little of the wholesome respect displayed by the Turks for the expressed opinions and indignation of decent men would do much to win favor for Germany in the eyes of her enemies.

THE EMIGRANT WAVE

More than a thousand aliens a day are leaving this country to return to Europe. Some of them in applying for their passports declare only the intention of visiting their families, but most of them intend to stay permanently in their native lands. The Italians are interested chiefly in agriculture. Other nationalities are divided between farming and commercial enterprises.

Thirty-three thousand of these home-bound passengers have set sail since November and the number is growing constantly. There have been about 80,000 passports issued.

This fact should be considered by those who are insisting on stricter anti-immigration laws. If this tide is not stemmed it may lead to a tremendous shortage in unskilled labor.

As one man expressed it: "If the aliens all go home, and no new ones come, who will dig our sewers and do our rough work? The children of former aliens are not doing work of that type. They are going to school, and getting factory jobs or positions in stores. And it's a cinch Americans won't do it." All of which is true.

America should awake to a new conception of her alien children. A solid, industrious immigrant population, like a bold peasantry, when once destroyed will be hard to supply. Tightening up on citizenship and behavior demands is a fine thing, but we cannot afford to lose sight of the industrial value of our immigrant labor, when it comes in quantities not too large for assimilation.

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Weather Report—

Yesterday's temperature ranged from 37 to 67 degrees. The river fell to 7.5 feet.

More Cars Sold—

The Earl B. Day Motor Co. has sold Nash Six cars to B. R. Westbrook, of Albany; E. C. Stellmacher, of Wells, and I. H. Lee, Lebanon. J. R. Hazleton, of Lebanon, has purchased a "Nash Quad" truck. Simons Bros., of Lebanon, have purchased a Federal truck.

Mrs. R. B. Montague Visits—

Mrs. R. B. Montague and mother, Mrs. Dunn and her two small daughters, Virginia and Peggie, left Tuesday after visiting at the home of Mrs. Montague's sister, Mrs. Edith Leatherman. Mr. Montague, a well known Linn county man, is in the flour mill business in Seattle.

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DAILY MARKET REPORT

Local Yards

Grain

Wheat—\$2.00
Oats—70c to 72c.
Hay—cheat, \$20; clover, \$25.
Milfeed, ten—\$43.00.
Mohair, 40c.

Butterfat

Butterfat—60c.
Creamery Butter—50c.
Dairy Butter—55c.

Pork, Veal and Mutton

Hogs—18½c.
Pork on foot—17½c.
Veal on foot—12½c.
Steers—90 13c.
Cows—60 10c.
Lamb, 15c.
Veal—12c.
Mutton—10c.

Eggs and Poultry

Eggs—42c cash; trade, 44c.
Hens—35c; Roosters 14c.

Vegetables

Potatoes—1½c trade.
Cabbage—3½c.
Onions—4c.
Turnips—2½c.
Parsnips—3c.
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