

UKRANIAN PERIL NOT SOURCE OF RUSSIAN GLOOM

No Danger of Nation Falling to Pieces, Declares Russell—Disregard Calamity Tales by Dismal Dopers for Everything Is Growing Slowly But Surely in Land of Slav.

(This is another of the series of articles by Charles Edward Russell, who has just returned from Russia, where he spent three months as a member of the official United States commission to the new Russian government.)

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Russia is the Land of Horrible Things to Be.

No matter how carelessly you may have read your newspaper you must have noticed that fact.

In Russia, according to some newspapers, everything is always going to the bad.

One day hideous anarchy rears its appalling head. The next day the troops are about to revolt. The next day Riga is about to fall. The next, Petrograd is about to be evacuated. Finland is about to revolt. The Russian army is about to flee in disorder.

All is lost, always. There isn't a ray of hope.

Only Gloom Depicted.

If you were to turn back to the files and reread the dispatches of some correspondents you would see that since the days of the revolution every stricken thing has been sadder in gloom of which the best that could be said was that the condition today was not quite so bad as it would be tomorrow.

Nothing good has happened since the czar got the swift kick. Apparently heaven is avenging that act of impiety by plunging the country every day into a lower abyss of ruin.

Disaffection is spreading rapidly among the soldiers. The Duma, "the only constitutional body in the country," has ceased to exercise any power, and that means black despair. Kerensky has been made dictator, but no one will allow him to dictate, so there is no hope there. The warring factions in Russia are terrible. They even have disputes. The conservative elements are being overwhelmed by the ferocious radicals, who plan to eat everybody alive. The country is hopelessly bankrupt; the rouble went down another eighth of a cent yesterday, and of course that means the collapse of Russia tomorrow. The anarchists have seized a palace today, and tomorrow will blow up everybody. All is lost.

Ukranian Question.

And then there are the Ukrainians. Ah, yes; The Ukrainians. Well, if there were nothing else to tinge all the horizon with funereal black, the Ukrainians would still be suffering for the job. The Ukrainians are terrible fellows. They have revolted and declared their independence; or if they haven't today they will tomorrow. Then they will march upon Petrograd and murder us all in our beds, and how will you feel then, you people that have been saying perhaps there is still a chance on earth? When the Ukrainians have killed everybody they will make an alliance with Germany and the German flag will float over our graves. And I guess that will hold you for awhile.

For more than five months this flood of gloom has been poured over the columns of British and American newspapers, and the dismal dopers are still at it day by day, totally undiscouraged by the fact that not one of their melancholy prophecies has ever come true.

Russia Unaware of Danger.

For the amazing fact is that while all these Jeremiahs are woe-stricken at the approach of disaster, Russia goes its way utterly unaware that it is all smashed up, or about to be.

Instead of getting worse, everything in Russia gets slowly but surely better.

The shock incident to a tremendous change in government is passing, the people are finding themselves and perceiving what they must do to save the revolution, discipline is coming back to the army, the dreams of an instant Utopia are giving place to realization, the new machine is beginning to work.

But I suppose that if the Angel Gabriel came down and set up in Russia the most perfect government ever known, the dismal dopers of the British press (from whom we get the greater part of our misinformation) would still see Riga surrendered, the anarchists cutting throats and the Ukrainians marching upon us to murder us in our beds.

Fundamental Error.

They all begin with one fundamental error, and then build resolutely

on that, making the facts fit their theory.

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But as a matter of fact, these men that are steering Russia have had abundant experience, and however strange they may seem to us in language and methods, they are not at all ignorant.

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System of Villages.

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Because whenever they do that they are playing straight into the hands of the wonderful German propaganda, now putting forth every effort to fool the allied countries into a truce misnamed a peace. Therefore I think that next trip I had better tell you some of the inside wonders of the great German public opinion machine as I saw it at its work in Russia.

When twins wed twins roses identify brides



Here are Leland Tabler, Lorand Tabler, Mrs. Leland Tabler (nee Moore) and Mrs. Lorand Tabler (nee Moore), but—we can't tell which is which, reading either from left to right or right to left, so take your choice.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 7.—When twins wed twins!

In this case it was a wedding of the roses. He pinned a rose on her, and she pinned a rose on her, as identification tags. One rose was red, the other white.

Leland and Lorand Tabler, twin brothers, of Kansas City, led Alice and Gertrude Moore, twin sisters, of Adrian, Mo., to the altar in a double ceremony.

Both brides were dressed exactly alike, both bridegrooms the same. The bridesmaids and best men could not tell which was their bride and bridegroom.

How did each bridegroom tell which was his bride?

He kept tight hold of her arm during the ceremony, and when it was over, before he let go, he pinned a rose on her corsage. Leland pinned a red rose on his bride, Lorand a white on his.

The minister, Rev. Charles Coombs of First Christian church, the attendants, the guests and even the bridegrooms themselves wondered how the tangle could be straightened out if the brides, just to be mischievous, exchanged roses.

NORMA TALMADGE IN SUPERLATIVE DRAMA

Norma Talmadge, the immensely popular star, in "The Law of Compensation," a new drama of modern life by Wilson Mizner, co-author with Paul Armstrong of the dramas, "Alias Jimmy Valentine," and "The Deep Purple," is featured at the Rialto today and tomorrow. Miss Talmadge, whose recent appearance was in "Panthea," in which she achieved her greatest success, is said to eclipse even this performance by her superlative enactment of the difficult role in "The Law of Compensation."

The story of "The Law of Compensation" presents Miss Talmadge first as a school girl, reveling in the joyous abandonment of youth, and then as a mature woman, the transition affording the brilliant young star opportunities for the most exacting sort of emotional acting. Miss Talmadge first appears as the young daughter of a wealthy lawyer of the middle west. She marries a young inventor and goes east to live. After the birth of their baby, the girl becomes interested in a musical career and eventually finds herself on the verge of taking a step that would ruin her life's happiness. Her father learns of this and arrives just in time to save her by the recital of the story of the life and death of her mother.

UNIVERSITY AMBULANCE CORPS AT CAMP LEWIS

TACOMA, Sept. 7.—Two hundred and twenty men of the national army arrived at Camp Lewis last night. They came from Lewis, Grays Harbor, Whitman, Asotin, Garfield, Columbia, Walla Walla, Yakima and Benton counties in Washington, and from Oregon and Idaho. In addition an ambulance company of 22 men, made up mainly of under-graduates and graduates of the University of Oregon, arrived from Eugene today. The total number of new men at camp since the arrival of honor men Wednesday, including 246 non-commissioned officers from the Vancouver barracks and the Oregon Hospital unit of 122 men, is 633.

Preparations were made by Captain C. B. Lewis, O. C., to receive 247 men from San Francisco, who are expected tomorrow. With the 2400 conscripted men from California, Oregon, Utah, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana and Idaho, and the hospital unit and non-commissioned officers there will be 2769 men of the new national assembly at Camp Lewis by Saturday night.

CARPENTIER COMING TO TEACH FLYING

PARIS, Sept. 7.—Georges Carpentier, the French pugilist, at present an aviator in the French army, according to the Herald, is going to the United States as an aviation instructor and will be stationed at Dayton, Ohio.

When the Skin Seems Ablaze With Itching and Burning

There's just one thing to do. If your skin seems ablaze with the fiery burning and itching of Eczema, real and lasting relief can only come from treatment that goes below the surface—that reaches down to the very source of the trouble. So-called skin-diseases come from a disordered condition of the blood, and the proper treatment is through the blood. Search far and near, and you can not find a blood remedy that approaches S. S. S. for real efficiency. It has been on the market for fifty years, during which time it has been giving uniform satisfaction for all manner of blood disorders. If you want prompt and lasting relief, you can rely upon S. S. S. For expert advice as to the treatment of your own individual case, write to-day to Chief Medical Adviser, Swift Specific Co., Dept. C Atlanta, Ga.

RHEIMSCATHEDRAL TO BE RESTORED AS A MEMORIAL

PARIS, August 21.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Sugestions are being publicly advanced as to the destiny of Rheims cathedral. Discussion centers on whether it should be restored as a cathedral, transformed into some sort of national memorial dedicated to those who have lost their lives in the war, or left as a monument to Teutonic barbarism. The question cannot be definitely settled perhaps until the German guns have been driven from Fort Brimont and the final condition of the historic fane, after so many months of bombardment, can be ascertained.

Meanwhile Cardinal Leon, archbishop of Rheims, who has remained beside his beloved cathedral thruout the bombardment, is firmly determined that Rheims shall always have its temple. "We shall repair the cathedral," he has said. "It must be so. We have casts of its statues, and colored photographs of its glass. Our architect, at the risk of his life, is working under the damaged arches to save what can be saved.

"The day will come when the doors will again be opened for religious services, for I hold fast to one thing above all, that the cathedral where the first Christian king of France was christened shall remain the first church of France.

"I protest with all my energy, and I shall never cease protesting, against any project that seeks to make Rheims cathedral into some kind of a museum or necropolis. Those who have such ideas do not consider what Rheims is for the church, for France, and for the whole world. All such proposals are impossible.

"With one suggestion only, that has been made, can I associate myself with all my heart. Let there be, every year, a solemn celebration in the cathedral which has suffered so from German rage, in memory of those who have died for the safety of the country and the freedom of the world. The whole Catholic world would join to found such a perpetual mass, and I hope that God will spare me to celebrate it myself for the first time."

DYNAMITER CONFESSES MONTREAL OUTRAGE

MONTREAL, Sept. 7.—Weeping bitterly, Joseph Tremblay was arraigned late today and made what he claimed was a full confession of his part in the recent attempt on the lives of Lord Athelstan and his family when he dynamited the publisher's home on the night of August 9. Tremblay said four or five men were in the plot. It was agreed, he said, that if anyone turned traitor, the lives of his wife and family would be in danger. Tremblay said his connection with the plot ended with the theft of dynamite he provided the others. He was the only member of the party who was not armed, he said.

FRENCH BUDGET HIGHEST OF WAR

PARIS, Sept. 7.—The budget committee of the chamber of deputies has commenced an examination of the war credits demanded for the final three months of 1917. The total amounts to 11,200,000,000 francs, the highest since the war began.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Portland Livestock. PORTLAND, Sept. 7.—Cattle steady, receipts 367. Best beef steers \$8.25@8.75; good beef steers \$7.25@8.25; best beef cows \$6.75@7.25; ordinary good cows \$3.75@6.50; best heifers \$7@7.25; bulls \$4.50@6.50; calves \$7@9.50; stockers and feeders \$4.50@7.

Hogs lower, receipts 695. Prime light \$16.35@16.50; prime heavy \$16.25@16.35; pigs \$14@15.50; bulk \$16.

Sheep steady, receipts 40. Western lambs \$13.00@13.50; valley lambs \$11.75@12.50; yearlings \$10@10.50; wethers \$9.75@10.50; ewes \$8@8.50.

Portland Butter. PORTLAND, Sept. 7.—Butter steady to weaker. City creamery prints, 47; cartons 48c; buying price of butter fat 46@48; Portland; cube extras 44; prime firsts 41½; firsts 36½@40; dairy 34c.

Portland Grain. PORTLAND, Sept. 7.—Wheat, no quotations. Today's car receipts: wheat 24; oats 8; hay 22.

No September delivery quotations. No session account grain dealers meeting.

Bartlett Pears. NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—California Bartletts, \$2.97; Oregon Bartletts, \$2.77; Washington Bartletts, \$2.62.

Chicago—California, \$2.10; Oregon, \$2.10; Washington, \$1.85. Boston—California, \$2.60; Washington, \$2.50; Oregon, \$2.25. Philadelphia—California, \$2.60.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Shortage of ocean-going tonnage may cause the United States to seize some 400,000 tons of neutral shipping now in American ports. Dutch and Scandinavian ships which are loaded with foodstuffs may be required, it was said today, to discharge their cargoes and go to Australia and Java for wheat and sugar.

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EIFFEL TOWER TO BE PAINTED AGAIN

PARIS, Sept. 7.—The Eiffel Tower is to be repainted. This is a task which will occupy about three months and require more than 40,000 pounds of paint. The outbreak of the war in 1914 postponed the work. The structure was last painted in 1907, when a coat of yellow ochre was applied. The Eiffel Tower has had a curious fate. Built as an attraction for a world's fair, nearly 30 years ago, it was condemned as a monstrosity by those who believed themselves inspired by purely artistic feelings. Since the war, it has paid for its existence over and over again as a wireless telegraph station.

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