

KAISER DURING WAR SLEPT IN A STEEL VAULT

BERLIN.—The former German Emperor William while at the German great headquarters in Charleville, France, in the world war, surrounded himself with an army of lackeys, changed his uniform several times a day and had a strong objection to any but silk socks, according to a description of his conduct there by the editor of the Charleville Journal. The editor, M. Domestier, has just published an account of the former emperor's conduct at Charleville. He says:

"Everything he wore was intended to attain the greatest effect. According to the example of Napoleon he slept in a simple field bed, which, however, did not stand under a tent but in a wonderful villa which had every imaginable protection against airplanes.

"His fear of fliers was so great that he constantly changed his sleeping place and created a regular steel safe in which to sleep. In April, 1915, five bombs fell in the neighborhood of the imperial villa, and at another time the court train was attacked, the kaiser's chief engineer, a cook and several court officials were killed. In the garden of the kaiser's villa there was an electrically-lighted dugout with a capacity of 20 men.

"Unlike his sons, the kaiser's meals were simple. His lunch consisted of some roast or cold meat, and a desert. Only on his birthday was there a better meal, such as a caviar and pate de foie gras, roast, rice, fruits, omelette, and chicken wine. He usually drank beer or a light Moselle wine.

"By tearing down some of the walls in the villa, the kaiser had a wonderful bathroom constructed. Three of the big rooms in the neighborhood he chopped down himself and distributed the wood to the poor families of Charleville. The inhabitants showed no appreciation for his kindness. They asserted that he was trying to gain their sympathies without paying a penny. The women expelled from life for compulsory work he permitted to do agricultural work.

GERMAN OPERA NOW POPULAR IN ITALY

ROME.—Wagnerian opera has returned to the stage of the Costanzi theater in Rome without a protest. "Die Walkure" was advertised as the second offering in a season which opened with Mascagni's "Iris." No criticism of the plan to produce the German opera appeared in the press. The theater was crowded and no objectors interfered with a performance which the press of Rome commended highly.

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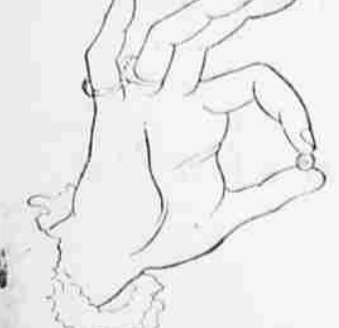
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JAPAN HAS LOST 90 PER CENT CHINA TRADE SINCE WAR

SAN FRANCISCO.—Japan has lost 90 per cent of her trade with China since the imposition of the boycott on Japanese goods last May, according to Mohan T. Y. Zi, of Shanghai, delegate of the General Chinese Chamber of Commerce to the national foreign trade convention to be held here in May.

Commissioner Zi, a member of one of the greatest importing and exporting houses in China, is making a tour of leading American cities, and will return here in time for the convention.

Steering of Japan's loss of the trade it had built up with China during the war, reaching a volume of hundreds of millions of dollars, 400,000,000, Zi told of the opportunities offered to Americans.

"As a condition precedent to this great trade opportunity for America in China, the primary considerations are better cable facilities and more lines," he said. "American cotton exports to China up to the time when this country entered the war, approximated \$100,000,000. The great bulk of this trade, immediately upon your exports stopping, was secured by Japan, which obtained the raw product from China, manufactured the cotton and sent the finished product back for Chinese markets.

"Since the boycott, due to the Shantung situation, this great cotton market has been left practically open, and one of my chief missions to this country is to establish connections with the big cotton exporters. China is recently in need of materials of hardware and of electrical equipment. In the latter line Japanese products are again suffering from the boycott and the field is wide open.

"While to the outside world the trouble between northern and southern China seems important, it has no great bearing on the mercantile and industrial life of China. These national differences are the product of political groups seeking power.

"The automobile industry is capable of tremendous development, as the Chinese are very partial to American motors of good modern style and quality and at the lowest price consistent with these qualifications."

GERMANY HAS OWN H. C. L. PROBLEM

AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS, Coblenz, Germany.—Continued shortage of raw material, increased cost of coal and wages is being reflected in a general increase in prices throughout Germany according to the German newspapers.

A Hamburg rubber goods company has announced a 30 per cent increase in the cost of all goods. Leather goods have gone up in price enormously. Some dealers say the price has reached such a stage that they believe it will be virtually impossible to do business in the leather line if the price takes another jump. Trade papers have recommended that leather goods be permitted to be imported free of luxury tax.

German newspapers are contemplating an increase both in the rate of subscription and of advertising. Despite the wail of high prices German newspapers published long accounts recently to the effect that many foreigners, especially Russians, had been flocking to Germany to take advantage of the low cost of living due to the low value of the mark.

McCormick and Gibbons Draw

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 12.—Rev. McCormick, light heavyweight champion of England, and Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, Minn., champion of the American title for this class, fought a 10-round draw last night at Milwaukee arena, near here.

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The Republicans are not instructed.

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ASHLAND HEROES REMEMBERED BY LEGION FEB. 22

ASHLAND, Feb. 13.—Gratitude to America, by France will be exemplified, very appropriately, through this nation on the anniversary of Washington's birthday, Feb. 22, not only in words but in a literal and practical sense, the expression to be accompanied by the presentation of memorial certificates from that government, thru the channels of a duly appointed high commission, to the next of kin of the American soldiers and sailors who died in the service, paying the supreme sacrifice in the heroic struggle that France might live. Hence this evidence, not only of appreciation, but profound gratitude.

Locally, the exercises which will be held in connection with the presentation event, will be imposing, and the gathering should be a mass one assuming the proportions of a patriotic demonstration. All loyal fervor and patriotic impulse should not be reserved for the war period exclusively. If the "home fires are to be kept burning," some patriotic rekindling, in a figurative sense, is necessary from time to time, and this evidence of loyal zeal ought to be renewed occasionally, even if it requires some "spontaneous combustion" to produce it. The American Legion will have charge of these exercises here on the date mentioned, which will be Sunday, Feb. 22, the exact hour and other details to be announced later. Either the armory or chaquetana auditorium will be the scene of the big rally, depending upon circumstances. John Euders, Perry Ashcraft, Lynn Mowat, and Glenn Simpson, of Ashland Post No. 14, constitute a committee augmenting the main executive one. Grand Army veterans, the Women's Relief Corps, and the National Guard organization will all take part, and it now remains for the public in general to exhibit interest and do their share also. Music will supplement the speeches. As far as oratory is concerned, the committee is in the field looking for an address by some prominent speaker. The plan is to make the patriotic sentiment dominant, and at the same time pay homage to the departed service men, and gracefully acknowledge the tribute which the French government is more than anxious to pay to their hallowed memory.

SEATS NOW SELLING FOR BIRD PARADISE

Richard Walton Tully's charming love story of Hawaii, "The Bird of Paradise," will be seen at the Page theatre Monday night, Feb. 16th.

Few dramas produced in recent years have secured as firm a hold on the public as "The Bird of Paradise." Its popularity is largely due to the spell cast by the weird and beautiful music, which seems never to lose its haunting spell. It creates the atmosphere of the play and becomes a sort of appropriate musical commentary on the pathetic story of love and sacrifice that the drama tells. This season the role of Luana is in the hands of Florence Rockwell, an actress of exceptional emotional ability. Others in the cast include Robert Brister, Brandon Evans, Spring Byington, Rose Watson, and the native singers from Hawaii.

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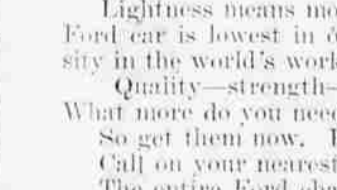
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