

Germany in the War During Past Year

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BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Germany is as ready for peace as she is for continued war. Her record of 1916, justifies either. She begins the year 1917 with her lines on the western front unbroken after England's and France's supreme efforts, and this despite the fact that her armies have swept victorious over three fourths of Rumania.

Foremost of the year's events in Germany was the proffer of peace by Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg. German public opinion applauds this sentiment which urged this magnanimous tender. The chancellor's speech in the reichstag and his note to Germany's enemies aptly summarized the view of the German people.

In the German view it is now entirely a matter for the allies to decide—whether they desire to make peace, or continue fighting. Germany wants peace—but her united public opinion, her untried army and navy, are ready to fight on.

As a matter of fact, Germany today is passing through a transition period in her internal affairs. Because the world at large has been so interested in purely war affairs, it has overlooked perhaps the most important movement in Germany since 1914. That development is the "Neuorientierung"—meaning "readjustment of the nation to changing conditions." Really, it is the German renaissance of 1916—a peaceful, political revolution working so quietly that even some Germans do not see its developments.

Repeatedly the Danes and the Dutch and other neutrals ask: "When will the revolution begin?"—believing that changing conditions can only be brought about by force, and not being aware that the only revolution is a renaissance or rebirth.

That rebirth is already underway. Everyone from the chancellor down to the laborer is playing a role. The chancellor in the reichstag sounded the keynote of the movement when he said: "There must be free opportunity for all capable people."

In other words, the new movement is a universal change by the people, the reichstag and the government to give the people by franchise and

through the reichstag more of a voice in the nation's affairs.

The socialists have been saying: "We want more authority." And the government, instead of turning a deaf ear, is listening to all suggestions. Through the chancellor the government is showing a spirit of willingness to get together.

Thus the Neuorientierung is making such headway that from present indications Germany's rebirth will be a peaceful readjustment to new conditions.

In three ways this new movement has been manifest:

First, in the reichstag; second in the press; third, the relations between royalty and the commoners.

So far it is almost impossible to say exactly what the reichstag is grasping for. Almost a year ago some radicals said that when the war came to an end the ministers must be thereafter responsible to the reichstag—but in the Neuorientierung this has been undebated. Various propositions have been advanced in measures introduced in the reichstag. The national liberals asked for formation of a special committee to advise with the government on foreign affairs. Another member suggested a parliamentary under secretary of state, responsible to the reichstag.

But even today, although the reichstag does not name ministers, its members are consulted and privately claim the unwritten power to make or unmake cabinet members.

In regard to point two, that democracy is making inroads in Germany is evidenced in the press. Scores of times editors have published opinions that they knew would result in confiscation of their editions. But they willingly submitted to this confiscation to publish their ideas. One particularly apt illustration of the growth of freedom of the press was indicated in the Wessische Zeitung's criticism of the method of selecting diplomats. The newspaper said openly that Germany's diplomats were accused of being the worst in the world—and then went ahead with specific criticisms of certain diplomatic appointments. This was almost unheard of in Germany. The mingling of royalty with com-

Must Pay Her \$170,000 for Failure to Wed



MISS NETTIE M. RICHARDS, AGE 40 HENRY DENISTON, AGE 80

Henry Deniston, 80 years of age, a reclusive millionaire, has been ordered by a court in Pittsburgh to pay Miss Nettie M. Richards, who happens to be his third cousin, \$170,000 for failure to wed her. Miss Richards, who is 40 years old, sued for \$500,000.

Moner has been exemplified on every battlefield. Two or three instances of this kinship may be cited. First, a certain count, whose wife is an American, and who was serving as a captain, was stopped by a private soldier and asked for a match. Before the war such a step was utterly unheard of. Again, when the Kaiser recently met a large number of citizens in the chancellery palace to discuss the food situation, Dr. Charles Mueller—the only socialist office holder present, was singled out by his majesty for special conversation.

Of the palpable, material developments of the past year, Germany's foremost achievement has been her victory over Rumania. Her occupation of Little and Great Wallachia gives her some of the richest farming country in the world. Her armies swept forward with such resistless force and with such amazing speed that their booty was an immense store of grain, food and other supplies.

The year 1916 saw accord with America definitely established on the submarine issue, and has proved the utter failure of the allies' "starvation blockade." This year, 1917, will see harnessing of the nation's unity through the "man power" bill already enacted.

MASONS INSTALL YEAR'S OFFICERS

ALL MASONIC ORDERS HAVE JOINT INSTALLATION AND AFTERWARDS A BANQUET AND SPEECHES BY OFFICERS

At Masonic hall Wednesday night, various Masonic orders held a joint installation of officers for the new year. Klamath Lodge No. 77, A. F. & A. M. installed the following officers, with Past Master E. B. Henry conducting the installation:

Wm. C. Hurn, Worshipful Master; Arthur R. Leavitt, Senior Warden; Lawrence W. Mehaffey, Junior Warden; E. R. Reames, treasurer; George C. Ulrich, Senior Deacon; Glenn B. Garrett, Junior Deacon; Chas. Graves, Tyler; Albert E. Elder as secretary; V. T. Motschenbacher as Senior Steward and H. Roland Glaisyer as Junior Steward; and Albert H. Loewe as marshal will be installed January 15th.

Mrs. Jennie E. Reames, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Eastern Star, acted as installing officer for the Eastern Star, and installed the following: Mrs. Carrie McCarthy, Worthy Matron; Levi F. Willis, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Jessie E. Momyer, Associate Matron; Mrs. Nellie Van Riper, conductress; Mrs. Minnie Chitwood, associate conductress; Miss Maud Baldwin, secretary; Miss Ida E. Momyer, treasurer; Mrs. W. A. Dalzell, chaplain; Mrs. Jennie Hurn, marshal; Mrs. Minnie Henry, organist; Adan, Mrs. Flora Hayden; Ruth, Mrs. Lea Smith; Esther, Mrs. Kate Peyton; Martha, Mrs. Eva Hanks; Electa, Miss Lillian Stills; warden, Mrs. Hattie Calhoun; sentinel, E. R. Reames. Mrs. Reames was assisted by Mrs. Lynna Martin as marshal and Mrs. Georgia Shive as organist.

The Royal Arch Masons then installed as follows: A. A. Mehaffey, High Priest; G. P. Van Riper, king; G. K. Van Riper, scribe; L. F. Willis, treasurer; Don J. Zumwalt, secretary; Garret Van Riper, captain of the host; Lyle O. Mills, principal sojourner; Geo. J. Walton, Royal Arch captain; E. B. Hall, master of the Third Veil; Chas. Graves, master of the Second Veil; E. B. Henry, sentinel. Dr. George A. Cathey is later to be installed as master of the First Veil.

The Knights Templar presented their officers elect by their beautiful and impressive drill ceremonies, and installed L. O. Mills, Eminent Commander; E. E. Maceo, Generalissimo; G. P. Van Riper, captain general; Geo. L. Humphrey, Senior Warden; E. B. Hall, Junior Warden; L. F. Willis, recorder; Chas. Graves, treasurer, and I. R. Struble, sentinel.

Immediately after the ceremonies of installation a banquet was held, after which, with W. A. Dalzell officiating as toastmaster, the newly elected officers were called upon for speeches. Over a hundred people were in attendance, and the occasion will be remembered for time to come as a highly enjoyable and instructive evening.

You can rent ice skates at Modoc Park. Come early and enjoy the skating. 29-31

Baptist Special Meetings

ELEVENTH STREET

Sunday a. m.—Pastor will preach.

Sunday p. m.—Pastor will preach.

Monday—No meetings.

Tuesday night—A recognition council Dr. Wright of Portland will preach the sermon.

Wednesday afternoon, 3 o'clock—Dr. Carstens of Medford.

Wednesday night, 7:30 o'clock—Dr. Wright, D. D., Portland.

Thursday afternoon—Dr. Wright, D. D., Portland.

Thursday night—Dr. Carstens of Medford.

Friday afternoon—Dr. Carstens, Medford.

Friday night—Dr. Wright.

Saturday afternoon—Dr. Wright.

Saturday night—Dr. Carstens.

Sunday a. m.—Rev. W. H. Cox.

Sunday afternoon—Dr. Wright.

Sunday night—Dr. Carstens.

These meetings are open to the general public. These are able men and you will enjoy their rich preaching. Other meetings will be arranged as the needs develop. You are cordially invited and a real welcome awaits you.

REV. W. H. COX, Pastor

STRAHORN RAILROAD HONOR ROLL

The following are the subscriptions taken to date by the Women's 1,000 Railroad Club to buy terminal grounds in Klamath Falls for the Strahorn railroad:

Mrs. F. T. Sanderson	20.00
Mrs. J. M. Evans	5.00
Mrs. Syd Evans	5.00
Mrs. J. B. Chambers	5.00
Mrs. H. P. Dow	5.00
Gertrude Eckman	5.00
Mrs. F. C. Murphy	5.00
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Mrs. Bertha Esell	5.00
Mrs. Fred Cofer	5.00
Mrs. E. E. Magee	5.00
Mrs. Robert Sloan	5.00
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Mrs. W. C. Davenport	5.00
New City Laundry	25.00
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M. Cook	10.00
Lee Simons	25.00
Miss Almee Wolf	5.00
D. K. McDonald	12.50
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Mrs. Evan R. Reames	25.00
Mrs. E. B. Hall	25.00
Mrs. Chas. W. Eberlein	25.00
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Mrs. T. H. Lynch	5.00
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Mrs. K. M. Patrick	5.00
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Mrs. Harry Richardson	5.00
Mrs. Emma Mason	5.00
Mrs. Carl Cummings	5.00
Miss Restoria French	5.00
Mrs. Ed Martin	5.00
Mrs. Louis Gerber	10.00
Mrs. Earl Whitlock	5.00
Mrs. H. J. Winters	10.00
Mrs. Sam Smith	5.00
Mrs. O. E. Wiley	5.00
Mrs. J. C. Brockenbrough	5.00
Mrs. George Cathey	5.00
Mrs. L. O. Mills	5.00
Mrs. R. R. Hamilton	5.00
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Mrs. Elsie Siemens	5.00
Mrs. C. E. Wheeler	5.00
Mrs. Louis Boldisher	5.00
Mrs. H. A. Mitchell	5.00
Mrs. A. D. Miller	5.00
Miss Constance Miller	5.00

Moving Pictures

Edgar Allen Poe printed a terrible word picture of the terrors of a man who believed that he is being buried alive. But the sufferings of that man were only momentary compared to those of the man who has voluntarily entombed himself in a great mansion after the loss of his dearly beloved wife and child. It is the reported death of his family on a great ocean liner that drives the wealthy Mr. Carter to seek seclusion in "Destiny's Toy," a Famous Players production, which is the attraction on the Paramount program at the Star Sunday. In this dramatic photoplay beautiful Louise Huff, who won such a personal success in the Famous Players adaptation of Denman Thompson's celebrated play, "The Old Homestead," makes her first appearance since winning a permanent place in that company's forces by her clever and appealing performance. John B. O'Brien is the author and director of the production, the exterior scenes of which were filmed on picturesque Block Island.

Save on Office Supplies

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 30.—Although the market price on articles needed for state offices and institutions has increased 50 per cent during the past year, the state because of the establishment of the wholesale purchasing department, is forced to pay only a 15 per cent increase. Purchasing Agent W. C. McMillin made this statement today.

ORPHEUS THEATER

Saturday

"The Committee on Credentials," Western Drama in Three Parts
"Sammy Johnson Gets a Job,"
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Sunday and Monday
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5.00 Miss Alice McCourt	5.00
5.00 A. L. Alexander	5.00
5.00 Mrs. J. B. Elliott	5.00
5.00 Miss Maynard Sanderson	5.00
5.00 A Friend	5.00
5.00 Mrs. H. Orem	5.00
5.00 T. H. Mitchell	5.00
5.00 Mrs. E. E. Smith	5.00
5.00 Mrs. J. Frank Adams	5.00
5.00 Miss Marie McMillan	30.00

Charges Unjust Deportations
LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Belgian minister of justice has charged the Germans with deporting Belgian relief workers who heretofore have been protected by an American Commission of Relief card.

Ask Chilcote about the Klamath country. 29

Notice of Entry
Came to my place about September 1st, one blue Holstein yearling, extra dark around brisket, branded under and upper crop and slit in left ear, upper crop and under slit in right ear. GEORGE EHNHALT, Merrill Route.

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Annette Stewart in
A Six Part Blue Ribbon Feature
"THE SUSPECT"
Sunday
Daniel Freeman Presents
"DESTINY'S TOY"
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Louise Huff
A Paramount Picture Produced by the
Famous Players Film Co.

TEMPLE THEATER

"Cantrell's Madonnas,"
Vitaphone Drama in Three Parts
"The Buckshot Feed,"
Lubin Comedy in One Part
"The Song of the Wildwood Flute,"
Biograph in One Part
"Pathe News."
Sunday and Monday
"The Man Who Went Sane,"
Vitaphone Drama in Three Parts
"The Runaway Sloop,"
Hazard of Helen Series
"The Ice Man and the Artist,"
Kalem Comedy
"Pathe News of Current Events."

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