

THE KAISER AT PRAYER.

"Strike them All Dead, the Day of Judgment Shall Ask You No Questions."

The Kaisers gratitude to God may be understood more forcibly if after one of his periodical allusions to the divine continuance one studies the particular activities of the German arms. A recent dispatch pictures him at prayer, in the Cologne Cathedral on March 15, before the great drive on the Western front. It was not a moving picture that informed the outside world, but what was probably the next best thing available—a cyclophantic news, paper reporter who sent his dispatch to the Amsterdam T. As the New York Tribune produces the episode, it occurred in this wise:

"There were only a few persons in the building. Under high arches and in spacious solitude the Kaiser sat, as in deep thought, before the priests' choir. Behind him his military staff stood respectfully at a distance. Still nursing as he rose, the monarch, resting with both hands on his walking stick, remained standing immovable for some minutes, then he turned and, without exchanging a word with his suit, left the cathedral at their head, I shall never forget this picture of the musing monarch praying in Cologne Cathedral on the eve of the great battle."

As the kaiser has familiarly bantered the Almighty in many of his previous addresses, Lord Dunsany in commenting in the Tribune on this episode, finds it natural, though not otherwise impressive, that the Kaiser did not kneel when he prayed. But more pertinent, as showing the Kaiser's works that accompany his prayers, are some of the comments given out by Mr. Henry P. Davison, chairman of the War Council of the Red Cross, on his recent return from Europe.

"The outstanding feature of German method at the present time is the effort to terrorize the women, children, and old men at home. While the German troops are making their drive on the front, airplanes are bombing nearly every night towns behind the lines, with the deliberate and declared purpose of terrorizing civilians."

"The purpose of the fight behind the lines is to break down the morale of the civilian population to such a point that they will importune their government for peace. It is the most dastardly, unrighteous, cruel, and devilish plan which could be conceived. It is based upon the theory that the killing of four children out of five will induce the mother to implore her Government to have the war stop that her fifth child may live."

"It is carried on from the English Channel to the Swiss border and from the Swiss border to the Adriatic and has resulted in the murder and maiming of thousands of women and children and driving of hundreds of thousands of terror-stricken from their homes to wherever they might seek refuge."

"It was in Paris many days in which the long range gun was bombarding Paris. That gun does comparatively little direct damage, and is wholly intended to get on the nerves of the people at home."

"All of this is accompanied by the most active propagandas, especially in Italy, designed to deceive the people and to strike down their morale. As a prominent Italian officer said to me, 'The diapason of the home is the diapason of the army at the front.' The civilians at home must stand firmly behind the army."

"One of the great missions of the Red Cross, therefore, has been to attempt to uphold the morale of the people at home. We have workers all over Italy and France carrying messages of comfort and cheer, helping especially to care for the refugees driven away from their homes, to care for the children and to provide for the sick and needy, particularly among the families of soldiers."

"In France we are carrying on direct work in 121 cities and towns, fifty-eight out of the total eighty-two departments, or counties, of the Republic being covered by American Red Cross activities. In Italy we conduct direct activities in forty-five cities and towns and we extend relief in 218 other places. Among Belgian refugees in France our work is on a similar scale."

"The gratitude the people feel for what the American people are doing through the Red Cross is beyond description. When we were in Bologna, Italy, the schools of the city were dismissed, and, as we walked out of the railway station, the scholars threw flowers on the ground that we might walk upon them. Every-where we went the American flag and the fact that we were Americans brought forth cheers that were far from perfunctory."

The God which the Kaiser does not kneel to has a vivid representation of the "Token" worn by every German soldier which Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis calls in the New York Evening Sun, "the most damnable thing that was ever suggested by the devil in two thousand years." Never, he asserts, "did an object so small send forth cruelties so large and manifold." We read:

The little disk is stamped on thick paper for German privates and upon aluminum for the officers. At the top of this cardboard is the portrait of the awful being called by the Kaiser "our good old German God."

"Look at the white hair, the long

beard, and the great sword in the right hand, with the suggestion that since God uses the sword the German soldier must cut men to pieces also.

"Beneath you see flames gushing up, suggestion to the German soldier that he is quite right in burning the houses of France and Belgium after he has looted them, and for flinging the dead bodies into the blazing rafters. Now read the words written beneath the face of the being the Germans call God.

"Strike them all dead. The day of judgment shall ask you no questions." "Strike dead old men and women! Dash the children's brains out against the stone wall! Violate young girls! Mutilate their fair bodies so that they will be unseemly when they are found by the husband or father. Burn, steal, kill—but remember that your Kaiser and the War Staff have promised to stand between you and God Almighty and the day of judgment! Even if Jesus did say, 'Wo unto them that offend against my little ones,' you must remember that your Kaiser and officers have promised you immunity on the day of judgment."

"That is what is meant by the sentence on page 31 in the German handbook, of 'War on land': 'That which is permissible to the German soldier is anything whatsoever that will help him gain his goal quickly.' 'Nothing better illustrates the total collapse of manhood in the Germans than this soldier's token."

"A coward by nature the German is afraid to kill and steal, and so he invented a screen behind which he could hide and named it the soldier's token."

"Going into a French village the Germans collect the women and children, order them to march in advance, shoot a few to terrorize the rest, and then, hiding behind their living screen, the Germans march forward. In this way they protect themselves."

"The whole history of the human race contains no chapter of atrocity like the atrocity of the Germans. The history of the world contains no story of cowardice so black and damnable as the cowardice of the Germans. Out of cowardice the soldier's token was born."

"And so the Kaiser and the War Staff invented this round piece of cardboard, with the representation of God as going forth with his sword to kill men and with his flames to burn them and with the motto, 'Strike them all dead, for the day of judgment will ask you no questions.'"

Had the war lord really knelt, Lord Dunsany goes on to imagine that he might have found pity, humility, or even contrition. We get a picture that has elements of imaginative repentance:

"For what was the war lord seeking? Did he know that pity for his poor slaughtered people, huddled by him on to the ceaseless machine guns, might be found by seeking there?"

"That but for the proud attitude and the respectful staff he might have seen what was lost and have come out bringing pity for his people. Might have said to the crowd who gave him that ovation, as we read, outside the door: 'My pride has driven you to this needless war, my ambition has made a sacrifice of millions, but it is over and shall be no more; I will make no more conquest.'"

"They would have killed him. But for that renunciation, perhaps, however late, the curses of the widows of his people might have kept away from his grave."

The Espionage Act.

For the information of the public we give below a copy of the espionage law:

"Sec. 3.—Whoever, when the United States is at war, shall wilfully make or convey false reports or false statements with intent to interfere with the operation or success of the military or naval forces of the United States, or to promote the success of its enemies, or shall wilfully make or convey false reports or false statements, or say or do anything except by way of bona fide and not disloyal advice to an investor or investors, with intent to obstruct the sale by the United States of bonds or other securities of the United States or the making of loans by or to the United States, and whoever, when the United States is at war, shall wilfully cause, or attempt to cause, or incite or attempt to incite, insubordination, disloyalty, mutiny, or refusal of duty, in the military or naval forces of the United States, or shall wilfully obstruct or attempt to obstruct the recruiting or enlistment service of the United States, and whoever, when the United States is at war, shall wilfully utter, print, write, or publish any disloyal, profane, scurrilous, or abusive language about the form of government of the United States, or the Constitution of the United States, or the flag of the United States, or the uniform of the army or navy of the United States, or any language intended to bring the form of government of the United States, or the Constitution of the United States, or the military or naval forces of the United States, or the flag of the United States, or the uniform of the Army or Navy of the United States into contempt, scorn, contumely, or disrepute, or shall wilfully utter, print, write, or publish any language intended to incite, provoke, or encourage resistance to the United States, or to promote the cause of its enemies, or shall wilfully display the flag of any foreign enemy, or shall wilfully by utterance, writing, print,

ing, publication, or language spoken, urge, incite, or advocate and curtailment of production in this country of any thing or things, product or products, necessary or essential to the prosecution of the war in which the United States may be engaged, with intent by such curtailment to cripple or hinder the United States in the prosecution of the war, and whoever shall wilfully advocate, teach, defend, or suggest the doing of any of the acts or things in this section enumerated, and whoever shall by word or act support or favor the cause of any country with which the United States is at war or by word or act oppose the cause of the United States therein, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than twenty years, or both: Provided, that any employee or official of the United States Government who commits any disloyal act or utters any unpatriotic or disloyal language, or who, in an abusive and violent manner criticizes the Army or Navy or the flag of the United States shall be at once dismissed from the service. Any such employee shall be dismissed by the head of the department in which the employee may be engaged, and any such official shall be dismissed by the authority having power to appoint a successor to the dismissed official."

Roughage Important in Feeding.

O. A. C., Corvallis, July 1.—The present serious situation caused by scarcity and high price of concentrated feeds emphasizes as never before the importance of quality in hay and other roughage used in feeding dairy cattle. Dairy products must be produced from this class of feeds to a greater extent than ever before.

Of the crops grown in this country hay ranks third in value being exceeded by only corn and wheat, the annual yield being nearly 100,000,000 tons. The average quality is inferior. Government reports on the quality of hay of the country give the following grades. Government figures indicate a possible increase of 50 per cent or more in feeding value through better methods in curing and handling the crop, points out E. E. Fitts, associate professor of dairy and animal husbandry in O. A. C.

"The greatest loss comes from the bleaching, in the sun, bleaching by rain and dew and general exposure to the weather," said Professor Fitts. "No crop grown requires more care in harvesting and none is more easily damaged by neglect. Total nutrients, palatability, and digestibility are all depressed during the curing process unless right methods are followed."

"A slowly growing interest in better methods of curing hay is evident each year but if dairy production is to be maintained and the dairy herds continued on a profitable basis a radical improvement in methods of curing must be made this year. The need is imperative. The industry cannot much longer afford the loss occasioned through the feeding of hay of poor quality. Hay forms the larger part of the ration of most dairy cattle. The amount of butter fat that can be secured from a ton of hay is dependent upon its feed materials and its digestibility and palatability."

1000 Strong in Canning Work.

O. A. C., Corvallis, July 1.—More than 1,000 Oregon boys and girls from 9 to 18 years old have already enrolled in canning work under the direction of the Extension Service of the Oregon Agricultural College. Teams of three which will spread the gospel of the slogan, "Let nothing go to waste," are being formed rapidly and are getting into action. In fact considerable produce has already been preserved for future use.

Last year 46 teams of three were organized. This season the figure is expected to reach 100. The teams are trained by college representatives. Each team is required to give a public demonstration before it is eligible for competition in county and state contests. This gives those who attend inspiration to go home and do likewise. One member of the team is expected to be thoroughly posted in the work and to lecture in the demonstration periods. Thus a small army of junior home demonstration agents is being trained. The lecture work is something new this year.

Both boys and girls are admitted to membership in teams. Last year the captain of the winning three was a boy. Boys who join the club enter into the work with fully as much enthusiasm as the girls.

Due to the imperative demands of the government in respect to food conservation and the importance of the work, the date limit for enrollment in canning work has extended to July 15 and it is expected that several hundred boys and girls will add their names to the list between now and that time.

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The Labor Situation.

We have received the following letter from Mayor Harley, of Astoria: Gentlemen: Reports concerning the shortage of labor, particularly in rural sections of the Western states are rapidly accumulating. The grain men and fruit growers are wondering how crops this fall. The truck farmers will harvest and market their mers and stock raisers are in the same predicament, while many of our dairy men claim they will be forced to sacrifice a considerable portion of their stock unless some relief can be obtained. Here in Clatsop County, Oregon, the situation is especially acute and in our city, merchants are unable to secure sufficient help though they are offering unusually high wages and despite the fact that there are more people in Astoria today than in all its history.

The greatest assets of the Western states are agriculture, stockraising, mining, timber and fish and no Western city can hope to prosper without the continued development of these resources. While the diversion of labor to war industries, such as shipbuilding and lumbering are essential and should be brought to the highest standard of efficiency, it is also essential that the natural and industrial resources upon which the government depends for support should be maintained at the greatest possible maximum.

The shortage of labor and help will soon be the greatest obstacle to our progress, and remedial steps are absolutely necessary. Before such steps can be taken, however, it is thought best to obtain the opinion of leading citizens in all parts of the western states; and appreciating your familiarity with conditions in your community, this letter is addressed to you for the purpose of ascertaining to what extent this shortage of labor exists in your community, and what your views are with respect of handling the treated emergency.

Trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am

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