

WOMEN'S EFFORTS TO STIR UP BRITONS

Curious Propaganda Dropped On English Soldiers.

Appealed to Englishmen to Watch American Aggression—Evidence of Their Close Touch With English Publications.

(U. S. Shipping Board). Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the shipping board has recently received from the fighting front a pamphlet dropped by a German bombing machine as it flew across the English lines somewhere in France.

The officer who mailed the piece of propaganda to Chairman Hurley evidently picked it up about October 1 when the Germans first launched their "peace drive." The evident purpose of the enemy was to spread distrust in America by false reports of the spirit behind the work of the shipping board.

This is what the leaflet said:

"The American Peril." "Have you read the Liverpool Journal of Commerce of July 20th? Well, this paper publishes a leader under the alarming heading: 'Our Desperate Position.' The following extract of our position is interesting: 'Commercially our position is desperate. There is no doubt about it. It is perfectly plain that, unless something unexpected happens, we shall sink into the position of a second-rate power. The name for it is on the present and past governments, who have ignored, and still flout, the commercial community and its interests. Government officials, when the matter is put before them, will be nearly always guided by something of this nature: 'Well, all our first business is to win the war is it not?' It is the business of the war office and the admiralty to bring the war to a satisfactory conclusion as soon as possible, but it is not their business to consider the commercial community, with results they do not foresee, but which are ruining our chances of retaining our overseas trade. The Americans are after it. Read the report of the speech of Mr. Hurdley in the issue of July 15. He does not veil his proposals. America is building her vast mercantile machine—first, to transport troops and material for the war, and then to attach her trade in China, the east, our colonies, Russia, and South America, and countless other places. Her new lines of steamers are already running to parts where the trade was fostered by us and is by every right ours. It is brought about by the supineness and crass stupidity of our ministers and their nominees, to whom we pay princely salaries, and who are giving us away. Does Mr. Lloyd George see we are going to the wall? It is tonight! What is the use of winning the war at the expense of our commerce, and so that the Americans collect? Are we to be content with an 'entrepot' trade, our manufactures and our America, shall our living be 'taken in each other's washing' so that all we shall have left unless there is an alternation immediate, there is an alternation immediate, it will be surprising if our people need it much longer."

"So far the Journal of Commerce. It is the mark. Isn't it foolish to stay in this war for the sole benefit of the United States? It is plain that America will be satisfied with Germany's terms, but actually aims at controlling the world's commerce. She points to Germany but is ready to incidentally ruin England, too. In fact, she prepares to suck the marrow out of the world of Europe. World domination, that's what America is after! An exhausted and impoverished Europe will make the United States the ruler of the world. At any rate, after the war, America will be the most powerful and pitiless competitor England ever had."

"Therefore, come to an understanding with Germany before it is too late. The United States have something to gain by continuing the war."

"With prophetic vision Mr. Hurley has ago saw signs of an enemy attack upon our motives for upbuilding our shipping board as late as last August he restated the broad aims of America and her shipbuilders. His statement was a complete answer to any and all signs of enemy propaganda along this line."

"Chairman Hurley again referred to this statement as the best answer to stories spread by the enemy similar to those contained in the pamphlet dropped by a German aviator as he flew over the British lines. It follows:

"To carry out her great military program America is building a large fleet of transports and food ships. After the war this merchant marine will be used in America's enormous ocean carrying trade."

"It is to be expected that enemy propagandists should endeavor to use this American merchant fleet as a basis for arousing distrust between the allies."

"Guarantees of fair dealing in this matter are found in America's unselfish policy in fighting for democracy."

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The President Wilson's devotion to the cause of humanity, and also in America's past record. President Wilson has demonstrated to the world that the people of the United States are not fighting for the permanency of their own liberty alone but for the liberty of civilization everywhere. It is unthinkable that a nation fighting shoulder to shoulder with other great democracies should, after the war, turn its resources against them for trade conquests of the very kind which were largely instrumental in bringing on the war. If our ships do not bring prosperity to our neighbors as well as to ourselves, our own pride in the achievement will be diminished. Our ships will be operated after the war upon principles which recognize the human and national rights and equities. This is a part of the consistent policy of President Wilson. It is made plain in his public statements. It is also plain in the history of the United States, which is free from selfish aggression in either territory or trade.

"In building her merchant fleet America plans first of all to win the war, and after that to overcome her own neglect in providing ocean transportation for her own needs. To this end the people of the United States are preparing to develop transportation on their trade routes, without disturbing the trade or rights of other nations. And they furthermore, hope that the American merchant fleet will play a large part in bringing the neighboring democracies of the American hemisphere closer together. Suggestions of selfish motives will, of course, be circulated in connection with the fleet we are building. Every nation lined up against autocracy can be depended upon to detect the source of such suggestions and discount them, and maintain the solid front for democracy and humanity till the end."

PHILOSOPHY BACK OF GERMANY'S WORLD WAR

(Paper read before the Wilmington Ministers' association by Rev. Dr. J. C. Seegers, pastor St. Paul's Lutheran church, this city.)

There can be no doubt in the mind of the thoughtful observer that militarism of Germany was not an accident. It was a mere coincidence. It was an outgrowth. It was a logical development. It was a consequence. Thought was back of the action. Political theories expressive of philosophic tendencies were objectified in the war machine. Underlying it all was the conception of the state, the ideal expression of which was an autocratic monarchy. Among the public and political thinkers there was a unity of ideals, as well as a conformity of belief and outlook. This unity and conformity was shaped by influences of the past, and the logical results of the influence are to be seen in the diplomacy and warfare which shocked the world and put a stain which will be difficult to remove upon a one-time honored and highly thought of nation.

Permit me, therefore, to give a brief statement of dominating principle, as they have been given in a little book, "The Menace to the Ideal of the Free State." The writer aims not to be original, he will be content to present facts as gleaned from this book.

This dominating thought of the 20th century in Germany was the growth of generations. Neither Nietzsche, Treitsche, Bernhard, Lasson or Nauman can be regarded as its original authors.

It is found germinally already in the view point of that sage of Europe—Kant. For, as it has been said, although he advocated an eternal peace for the different states of the world, and really outlined the plan for a general court of arbitration, and a common league of nations, nevertheless his devotion to monarchy in the life of the individual state made no effect his dream of world peace. Nevertheless a people perthrew a monarchy, even under a most intolerable abuses of monarchical power.

"With all of his critical freedom he endeavored to establish by reason the duty of unquestioning obedience to every action of the state."

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decay and cowardice. Fischer says "Hegel's government is founded" by the sublime force of great men, not by physical strength. The center of this personality is will. The state must have the most emphatic will that can be imagined.

The strong will of different nations is bound to come into conflict, but the grandeur of history lies in the perpetual conflict of nations, and it is simply foolish to desire the suppression of their rivalry.

Mankind has ever found it to be so. "The primary of the state, to whose functions no limit can be set, must be the case of its armies and jurisdiction. Without war no state could be. All those we know of arose through war and the protection of their members by armed forces remains their primary and essential task. War therefore, will endure to the end of history, as long as there is a multiplicity of states. The laws of human thought and of human nature forbid any alternative, neither is one to be wished for. The blind worshiper of an eternal peace falls in to the error of isolating the state, or dreams of one which is universal, which we have already seen to be at variance with reason. The state is no violet to bloom unscathed. Its power should stand forth proudly for all the world to see, and it cannot allow even the symbols of it to be contested. From these sentences it is not very difficult to pass to the idea of the divine right to rule inhering in a given family or individual, and hence we here Treitsche saying that the inscrutable will of Providence

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This in general was the molding philosophy and political tendency of Germany.

No one can doubt that back of the awful conflict was a controlling idea. It is but another proof of the Scrip-

tural statement that as a man thinketh in his heart so he is. It but shows the importance of the truth, keep this heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life.

Time does not permit entering into the religious situation. Suffice it is that the Bible has been emasculated—religion has been devitalized—faith has gone down before reason—the great realities of Christianity have been debased—objective truth was being obscured and indeed ignored—the cruciality of the cross was no longer central.

The church lost its power, because it gave up its vital and vitalizing truth. Negations were the order of the day and negations alone never create life. It seems to me that if we are to profit by these things we can do nothing better than preach a factual Gospel—preach the realities of our holy religion—the fact of Christ—the fact of atonement—the fact of the resurrection—the fact of Christ presence—to make known to the world that it is Jesus Christ crucified for our sins, and raised for our justification who controls the destinies of men and nations.

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