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THE GERMAN IDEALS OF AUTOCRACY

(By President Jacob Gould Schurman, of Cornell University.)

It was a great German philosopher of the eighteenth century who declared that the fundamental principle of morality was that the personality of every individual is entitled to reverence. I do not know whether the Germans of today in their code of individual morality pay any regard to the teachings of Immanuel Kant. Whether they do or not, they are certainly blind to the political ideal which civilized peoples and especially democracies have in modern times come to realize and accept. I mean the doctrine that each individual sovereign state must be recognized by every other as having equal rights with itself. It has been said, and I think with truth that in this great world war Germany is playing the part of a nation which has run amuck. The fundamental explanation of her aberrations, of her repudiation of right and law, of the pitiless and murderous warfare she has waged, is her refusal to recognize the equal individuality of other nations and the limits to conduct set by reciprocal obligations between them.

America is fighting for the equal rights of civilized states. Looking at the matter from another point of view we may say America is fighting against German domination. Germany has proclaimed equality in practice and in theory that the world is her oyster and she will open it. But the other nations of the world decline the role of remaining mere inert material for absorption or domination by Germany. Anyone who has followed European diplomacy since the Franco-Prussian war, and especially since the twentieth century opened, will be impressed with the evidence on every side of Germany's intention to dictate to Europe. Her great military power inspired fear, and the dread of a general war generally brought about concessions in her favor. This is the way in which she aided Austria-Hungary in the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and this is the way in which in 1914 she thought to bring about the subjection of Serbia, thus opening up a road direct from Berlin through Belgrade to Constantinople and Bagdad. This time, however, Russia felt her interests in the Balkans too vital to be ignored, and Germany's final step in the plan to establish her ascendancy in mid-Europe precipitated the world war. The German government claims that it endeavored to avoid war, and it is probably a general belief among the German people that the emperor was in 1914 averse to war. Men and governments must, however, be judged not by their sayings but by their actions. And the gravamen of the indictment against Germany is that even if she wished to avoid war, the one condition on which she was willing to preserve peace was that she should be allowed to dictate to the other nations of Europe the conditions on which that peace could be maintained. The predominance of Germany in Europe means the predominance of Germany in the world. Once attained no nation in Europe, Asia, or America would be immune from the aggressions of such exorbitant and lawless power. We Americans have joined in the fight against German domination. The issue at stake is, indeed, the security of our republic, but it is no less the security of every other nation in the world.

The supreme condition on which the United States and the European powers who are waging war against Germany can consent to peace is the thorough defeat of Germany. She must be compelled to evacuate northeastern France, Belgium, and the other allied territories which her military forces now occupy. The rectification of the war map of Europe is the interest of the Allies is the first task to which they must address themselves, and there can be no peace worth while until that task has been accomplished. War is an appeal to arms. The first business of the United States and her European allies is to overcome the military power of Germany and her confederates.

The second condition of peace is to put the submarine out of business as an instrumentality of war. The submarine can not be used in war without violating the practices, rules, laws, and principles which Christian civili-

zation has slowly and painfully established for the restraint of belligerents and the protection of neutrals and non-combatants in time of war. No nation is more interested in the preservation of international law and in the defense of the rights of neutrals than the United States of America. We cannot afford, therefore, to close the war until we have driven from the ocean the pirate and assassin submarine.

In this matter the interests of our own national defense combine and coalesce with the majesty and inviolability of law, justice and humanity. Can you not see at once that if German submarines are to plow the seas the commerce of the world will be at the mercy of Germany, and America will be as much exposed to its depredations as any of the countries of Europe? Engulfing the merchant vessels and the travelers of all the nations in a common destruction, the submarine abrogates the security which our isolation has hitherto conferred upon us, and leaves the Monroe doctrine little more than a scrap of paper.

But there is a third condition of peace. In all German pronouncements on the subject of peace you will find the demand for the security of Germany and guarantees for the future. By these phrases, however, German statesmen and writers always mean such annexations of territory, such rectifications of frontier, such additions of coastline, and such monopoly of natural resources as will in any future contingency make Germany predominant, not merely over any one nation, but over any combination of European nations. In this program the rights and just security of other nations and the guarantees to which they are equally entitled are absolutely ignored. And it would not be unnatural if writers in some of these countries should advocate by way of retaliation a similar chopping up of German territory and a similar appropriation of German resources.

There can, however, be no permanent international settlement of the present world contest along these lines. Germany is, indeed, entitled to security in the future; Germany should indeed, have guarantees; but this security and those guarantees are not more imperative in the case of Germany than they are in the case of England, France, or the United States. All civilized nations are equally entitled to immunity from the horrors of war and the menace of overmastering power centered in a single state or a group of states. Is it too much to hope that in this twentieth century of Christian civilization the world has now reached a stage in which under the rule of reason and of right nations, big and small alike, may occupy and use their own territorial domain safe from the apprehension of danger of attack from neighboring nations? An international organization of the nations, and especially of the democracies of the world, for the permanent maintenance of peace, law and justice should be the culminating condition of the cessation of this colossal world conflict. No civilized nation should hereafter be permitted to wage war without the consent of the other nations of the world. For war is no longer, as formerly, a sort of side issue; it engulfs the entire life of the world; it exhausts all the forces, physical, economic, and financial, of the belligerents; and, in consequence of scientific inventions, it controls natural powers too mighty and too dangerous for use by any nation which has lost its reason and become the blind victim of hate and every murderous impulse. War is too colossal and too perilous a thing for the world longer to endure. The world, too, is growing democratic, and democratic nations are industrial and not militant. Some such organization as a league to enforce peace must at the close of this great war, in President Wilson's phrase, henceforth make the world "safe for democracy".

This is a cause to which at the call of our country we have dedicated ourselves. There has been none nobler in the history of nations. It is worth fighting for, worth dying for. Our republic can not endure if Germany wins this war. For the German ideals of autocracy, of domination, of ruthless force, and lawlessness are abso-

lutely incompatible with the ideals of democracy. The world is at the parting of the ways. Before us are two sets of ideals, two policies of government, two plans of international relations. The one is rooted in arbitrary power, the other in democracy and the reign of law. Who can doubt the righteousness of our cause? Who can doubt that it will triumph? The moral forces of the universe are behind it.

**WEALTH AND WELFARE
IN NORTH CAROLINA**

Second Year Book of North Carolina Club of the University.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 11—"Wealth and Welfare in North Carolina" is the title of the second year-book of the North Carolina club of the university of North Carolina. Twenty-four articles are contributed and the whole volume fills 140 pages. All the articles but two are written by students of the university, who, through the North Carolina club, have been interested in studying problems affecting the social and economic welfare of the State. Prof. E. C. Branson contributes a foreword to the volume.

"Our year-book is a look-in at the forces that are making or marring, creating or crippling, North Carolina today," says Dr. Branson concerning the present volume. "It is not a volume of State history but a volume of State economics and sociology—of history in the making.

"It is really a little text-book on wealth and welfare in North Carolina, worth putting into the hands of every thinker and leader among the teachers, preachers, doctors, farmers, bankers, merchants and manufacturers of the State."

The inquiries of the club for the past year were: (1) What are the sources of primary wealth in North Carolina? (2) How much wealth, total and per capita, have we been able to accumulate in the two and a half centuries of our history and what are the forms of it? (3) What business uses are we making of our wealth? (4) How does North Carolina rank in all these particulars among the States of the Union?

The book will be sent free of charge to all North Carolinians who are interested in securing it. Outside of the State it will be sold for 25 cents.

**The "Bazooka" Makes 'em' Shake
Their Feet.**

Port Royal, S. C., Jan. 12—U. S. Marines at this station have a new invention. It's called a "bazooka". No, it isn't a cannon, nor a flying machine, nor a machine gun, but when in operation it will make you "shake your feet". The "bazooka" is a simple contrivance, consisting of but two pieces of gas pipe and a funnel, but its secret is in the playing. It is said that the Marine Corps Jazz band is the only one in the world that boasts of a "bazooka".

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SOUR THE FOOD AND
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"Pape's Diapepsin" fixes sour, gassy, upset stomachs in five minutes.

You don't know what upset your stomach—which portion of the food did the damage—do you? Well, don't bother. If your stomach is in a revolt; if sick, gassy and upset, and what you just ate has fermented and turned sour; head dizzy and aches; belch gases and acids and eructate undigested food; breath foul, tongue coated—just take a little Pape's Diapepsin to neutralize acidity and in five minutes you wonder what became of the indigestion and distress.

Millions of men and women today know that it is needless to have dyspepsia. A little Diapepsin occasionally keeps the stomach sweetened, and they eat their favorite foods without fear.

If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless antacid is Pape's Diapepsin, which costs only fifty cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it stops food sourings and sets things straight, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing. Your stomach will digest your meals if you keep acids neutralized.

How Teutonic War Lords Control Public Opinion.

Evidence of the care the German government is taking to direct public opinion and to deceive not only its enemies but its own people is contained in a series of secret instruc-

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Calomel salivates! It's mercury. Calomel acts like dynamite on a sluggish liver. When calomel comes into contact with sour bile it crashes into it, causing ramping and nausea.

If you feel bilious, headachy, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for a few cents which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't start

your liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

If you take calomel today you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tone you will wake up feeling great, full of ambition and ready for work or play. It is harmless, pleasant and safe to give to children; they like it.

tions issued to the German press by the censorship which have fallen into the hands of the State Department at Washington. These instructions cover a period of less than three months of last year, but they tell a very complete story of how the Teutonic war lords control public opinion.

Owners of newspapers and publishers generally not only are limited as to the character of the articles printed, but in many cases are told what they should publish and in what terms. Labor disturbances, food shortage and difficulties in securing and distributing coal are placed under the ban.

but newspapers are urged to give prominence to enemy losses and to certain prescribed interpretations of the international situation.

Estimates show the Government Printing Office will use 100,000,000 pounds of paper, costing about \$4,000,000, this year.

Stomach Troubles.
If you have trouble with your stomach you should try Chamberlain's Tablets. So many have been restored to health by the use of the tablets and their cost is so little, 25 cents, that it is worth while to give them a trial.

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**BEGINS WEDNESDAY,
Jan. 16th, 1918.**

Based on a vital merchandising principle—beginning each season with a clean slate—the Clearance Sale insists on a disposal of all winter merchandise—and prices have been lowered to a point that makes the realization of our object certain. This is not a time when profits are paramount; clearance is the order of the day—and you have the opportunity to save as is possible at no other time but clearance sale periods.

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