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MR. STANFORD'S WORK

Without regard to denominations, the people of Hickory will regret to see Rev. A. L. Stanford, for four years pastor of the Methodist church transferred at the end of this conference year to another field, and all will hope that he will be placed in a field where he can continue the good work that he has done in Hickory.

Over 350 members have been added to the local church since Mr. Stanford came here and the Sunday school has grown in proportion. He has an earnest, loyal congregation, who have been eager to help him in his good work. The Hickory charge has been elevated on a plane with the finest in any church in the west that turns out a larger membership for each service than the Hickory institution.

In addition to this loyalty, the members are supporting a foreign pastor in Japan. The bishop and his board will be compelled to consider well a church like this, and hereafter it must be recognized as one of the finest appointments in the conference, as it undoubtedly is.

COLONEL ON THE JOB

Colonel Roosevelt could perform no service in Europe greater than he is performing in the United States. One may not agree with the extreme position he takes, but one cannot help admiring his fearlessness in criticizing the obstructors in congress and especially those men whose acts and word have been almost treasonable in effect if not in intent. It is not given to every man to serve his country abroad, but every honest citizen can do something at home. Colonel Roosevelt, thwarted in his great desire to lead a battalion in France, is pointing the way to his countrymen to serve the nation at home. Strength to his voice and may traitors be made to quake as a result of his great work.

Judge Colahan of New York, who advised the Germans to strafe the English with air raids and land officers and men on the Irish coast, denies his guilt, but Irishmen do not believe him. A man of his calibre has no business presiding over an American court and it is to be hoped, that the legislature, which will meet this month, will take steps to unfrock him.

The Germans have destroyed 4,500,000 tons of British shipping during the war, but the bullheaded British continue to fight on, not recognizing when they are whipped. They positively refuse to dry for peace, and are sending a few submarines to Davy Jones' locker to join the thousands of men, women and children who were murdered by the Germans.

If H. Frost will remain away for two more weeks, the fall and winter gardens will acquire a growth that even a cold breath cannot check.

GERMAN REFORM AND REACTION

Springfield Republican. The reichstag constitution committee, upon whose arduous labors a kindly paternal government has smiled, has just concluded them by the daring step of recommending a change in the imperial constitution which would permit members of the Bundesrat to retain a seat in the reichstag. In ordinary times this measure, if not merely rightly but greeted by friends of the German people as a step, if a small step, in the direction of political reform. It would not give Germany a parliamentary government or make the kaiser and his chancellor responsible to the reichstag for their acts, but it would in some measure, if honestly and permanently applied, bridge over the wide chasm between official and bureaucratic Germany, on the one hand, and the Reichstag, on the other. It would become possible, that is, to appoint eminent members of the reichstag to influential posts in the government without at

the same time divorcing them from their former associations.

In fulfillment of the promise made in his first speech, Dr. Michaelis appointed three members of the reichstag, including the centrist leader, Dr. Spahn, to minor posts in the government which gave them no real power, and which took them out of the reichstag. This is a real defect in the constitution, which has come to be generally felt as a grievance. Its amendment no doubt will in a small way be a good thing for Germany, but it is so far from touching the vital needs of the empire in its relation to other states that from this point of view it does not constitute even a beginning to reform.

The same may be said of the establishment of the chancellery as a separate ministry with chancellor and vice-chancellor, a measure which some of the liberals have opposed, not from opposition to it, but as a mark of their disapprobation of the reactionary vice-chancellor, Dr. Helfferich. This amendment may make the chancellor's post a little more regular, according to western practice, and a little less like that of grand vizier in the orient, but it does not make him or his royal master responsible to the reichstag. The kaiser appoints, and the kaiser can keep his appointee in office even if the reichstag should talk itself black in the face. In the regularization of the scientific improvement of German political institutions the outside world at present has only an academic interest. The details for Germany to arrange as it pleases: for Germany to arrange as it pleases: what a nuisance non-German world is practically interested in is a reform that will end the Willy-Nicky business as effectually, if not so drastically, in Prussia as it has been ended in Russia.

Not one step has been taken or is likely to be taken in the reform movement sanctioned by the kaiser which would in the slightest degree prevent his doing now or 10 years from now what he was doing in 1904 and 1905, when Willy and Nicky made a secret treaty to make the Baltic a closed sea and to do to Denmark what was done 10 years later to Belgium. That the German people will be allowed to see the damning correspondence of the two emperors found in the czar's archives at Fetograd is highly improbable, but the German government has not dared deny its authenticity and it shows that what the kaiser's ministers are doing now in neutral capitals the kaiser himself was doing a decade ago. Why Scandinavia, apart from the pro-German clique in Sweden, has come to hate, fear and distrust the German government is sufficiently shown in the kaiser's report to the czar of his visit in Copenhagen, giving his impression that the Danish ministry would not dare resist occupation of the country by Russian and German forces. As to Prussian morals Denmark hardly needs a lesson, but these revelations from the Petograd archives may prove not less efficacious than the Argentine disclosures in swinging Sweden to the side of the allies. The fear of Russia which was instilled into the Swedish people was justifiable enough with "Nicky" was on the throne, but it was mainly due to a German propaganda. Now that the czar has gone the only danger to Sweden comes from the empire where the bad old system still survives and the reforms which the kaiser indulgently sanctions do not even scratch the shining armor of the war lord. If he had gone into Denmark as he cynically proposed in 1905 he would have lied about it to the people precisely as he and his lickspittle ministers and professors lied about Belgium.

This is the sort of thing that the non-German world has in mind when it says that Germany must reform. How it is to be done may be left to the German people, but the autocratic power which centers in the Hohenzollern family and the imperial office must in one way or another be broken and the reforms which now agitate mildly German political circles are hardly a first step in the desired direction. It cannot even be confidentially said that Germany, with all this palaver about reforms, is not secretly continuing to go backward as it has done ever since the present kaiser ascended the throne. Liberals are charging that the government is giving underhand support to the pan-German movement, and is in sympathy with the New Fatherland party of Tirpitz. The government professes to stand aloof from parties and makes a fine show of even-handed justice by simultaneously suppressing the pan-German Deutsches-Zeitung of Berlin and the socialist Volkswacht of Danzig. But a government which is so corrupt in foreign affairs and which has so flagrantly lied to its subjects about the war, cannot be trusted to be honest in its home politics. With promises of reform the Hohenzollerns have always been ready enough at crisis times, but the people have always been cheated. In the present turmoil in Germany there is not the slightest evidence that the government is more sincere about political reform than about Belgium. And perhaps on the whole a reaction with a clear-cut opposition of irreconcilable demands would be the surest and quickest road to really efficacious reform.

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