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BURIAN A REACTIONARY

The Springfield Republican sees in the appointment of Count Burian as Austro-German foreign minister an offensive by the Austrians against the Italians. Burian is the most reactionary man in political life in the dual monarchy and his appointment, following the resignation of Czernin, was a concession to Berlin.

Whether the Austrians will be able to render effective assistance in this critical period remains to be seen. They are tired of war, and especially of fighting for German conquest.

But the allies see no good sign in the appointment of Burian and they will not carry on a peace flirtation with him.

NOTABLE, BUT LET'S DO MORE

Catawba county has more than subscribed for its allotment of Liberty Bonds and is one of the few North Carolina counties that have gone over the top this early in the campaign.

If Catawba people could be made to realize how essential money is to winning the war, this county would subscribe \$400,000 to the present issue; it could do it without a strain if those people who have money lying idle would put it to work at good interest in a good cause.

The county has done well—that part of the population which has taken bonds—but it should do better. Let every man, woman and child who can raise \$50 place it where it will do the most good.

Those who will read the history of the Crimean war will find that the Italians did most of the fighting for the French and British, who had no interest in protecting Turkey, though their governments might have had. If only Russia had been allowed to salt the Turk away years ago.

Those German shock troops who were sent against the Americans now realize that this country is in the war. German war lords may speak sneeringly of America's efforts, but they won't do it before those fellows who tested American steel.

Former Pacifist Josephus Daniels says the allies will fight until victory is won. The best scrappers sometimes are those fellows who think they ought not to fight.

A Liberty Bond is a badge of honor and would that we were decorated.

RESPONSIBILITY LOCATED

Bryan's Commoner. Only twenty-five states more are needed to complete ratification. Twenty-five governors can, by calling special sessions, make an end of the saloon, provided their legislatures act favorably. It is not worth while for them to make inquiry and put the responsibility on the legislators? Every day's delay in ratification gives the saloon a chance to collect three million dollars from the public, besides taking breadstuffs the people can not spare, and menacing the strength of soldiers at the front and producers at home. Are the governors willing to assume responsibility for the saloon's continued existence when they can, by acting, abolish them?

MEN OF TOO MANY COUNTRIES

Columbia State. The "Man Without a Country" has in this war his opposite in the man of too many countries who is no less unfortunate. Joseph Denz, for example, of Philadelphia, a naturalized American, was born in Germany of Swiss parents and was in Switzerland when the war broke out in 1914, engaged in registering patents of inventions that he had made. Going into Germany on a business mission, he was arrested and forced into the German army and served two years. Denied communication with the American ambassador, he was at last released with the assistance of the American minister to Holland but, because of his service in the German army, he was interned on the Isle of Man, and last February, sent back to Germany with repatriated Germans by the British government. Now, by means of a forged passport, he has escaped from Germany, after numerous perils and hardships, and is seeking to enter the American army with the object of fighting the Germans, whom he detests.

His case is not unique. Many a man born in one country is under suspicion in the country of his adoption and, in England, British noblemen of German ancestry have suffered and are being humiliated by reason of it. The modern world is so closely knit together that tens of thousands have more than one national connection. Far off as the day now seems to be, it is not impossible that the nations will one day be so closely connected that international wars will cease. Were the peoples of Europe so nearly related as are the European royal families, this war would perhaps not have broken out—but the union of the nations at the top, by martial connections of rulers, promotes rather than diminishes the tendency to war.

THE SOUTH AND THE WAR

Beston Transcript. The south has put its whole heart into the winning of this war. There is no sentiment for peace in that section and no weakening spirit. Nowhere else is the man in khaki so much in evidence now, for camps and cantonments are everywhere, and everywhere the soldier is well received and most cordially treated. Possibly, the south has prospered by the army camps, but if this is true, it is largely because of the fitness of the selection for the purpose; and the business zeal with which the people are meeting the demand is worthy of all praise. Nowhere are the personal sacrifices which the prosecution of the war involves more cheerfully borne than in the south; nowhere is the war more distinctly felt to be everybody's war. The women join in every sort of saving activity, tirelessly performing the work of the Red Cross auxiliaries and stimulating contributions to its treasury. As a token of the universal and compelling power of the prevailing sentiment, it may be noted that in no section of the union are the naturalized citizens so zealous or so loyal. In many southern cities there are large German colonies, but no disaffection, no hyphenated spirit is discoverable among them.

This war has welded North and South as they were never welded before. This sentiment of reunion was indeed evident in the Spanish-American war, when Wheeler and Fitzhugh Lee were at the front, but that small war led to no such searching of hearts, to no such popular emotion, as that which now prevails.

Nowhere is the will to victory and the will to work firmer or more active than in the south. We are witnessing a "union of hearts none can sever." Whatever the sacrifice may be that both North and South may undergo, the strong pull together will bear an eternal fruit of sympathy.

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WE WIL NOT FAIL

We are face to face with a nation composed of people who believe themselves to be supermen, clothed with a God-given message to conquer the world; people led by a ruler who believes himself divinely called to task just as fully as Mohammed believed it, and with the same weapon—the sword.

A German victory means world-wide militarism, world-wide spying and plotting, world-wide hatred and distrust. It means that every state must become a military camp and every people an organized army. It means that war becomes the chief business of mankind. It means that no small state can survive, especially if it be an agricultural state. It means that the mad race in armaments on sea and land will continue with greatly increased speed. It means a world in which fear of one's neighbor reigns supreme, and revenge becomes the engrossing thought of the nations. It means in all likelihood a succession of wars resulting finally in the triumph of a great military Prussianized empire of which all other states, including this our own republic, shall be dependencies, or submissive slaves.

Facing this, the most tremendous challenge to human liberty in history, we have made our choice, the only choice possible to a nation of freemen, and we must not fail. We might have said, as said the rich man in scripture: "Soul, take now thine ease; thou hast much goods laid up for many years; eat, drink, and be merry."

But, thank God! we chose the better part. We have laid our all upon our country's altar; we have made the great decision—and we will not fail.—Chief Justice Winslow of Wisconsin.

THE PROHIBITION ROLL OF HONOR STATES

- Bryan's Commoner.
1.—Mississippi, January 8, 1918.
2.—Virginia, January 11, 1918.
3.—Kentucky, January 14, 1918.
4.—South Carolina, January 25, 1918.
5.—North Dakota, January 27, 1918.
6.—Maryland, February 13, 1918.
7.—Montana, February 19, 1918.
8.—Texas, March 4, 1918.
9.—Delaware, March 18, 1918.
10.—South Dakota, March 20, 1918.
11.—Massachusetts, April 2, 1918.

DR. R. B. KILLIAN WILL BE CANDIDATE FOR SENATOR

This is the time for the Democrats of Lincoln county to name the candidate for senator for the district composed of Lincoln and Catawba counties.

They have agreed on Dr. R. B. Killian as their candidate and that means he will be the candidate for the Catawba county Democrats also. Dr. Killian was elected to the legislature from Lincoln county in 1912 and therefore was a member of the general assembly of 1913. He is a successful farmer as well as a fine physician. He is a brother of Mr. W. L. C. Killian of Newton and an uncle of Mr. J. Y. Killian who has been to the legislature for the last two terms.

It now looks like the next senator from this senatorial district will be Dr. Killian. He is a man of the people. He is a farmer who stands for progress on the farm. He made a good record in the house in 1913. Our townsman Mr. W. A. Reinhardt will have some thing ahead of him if he proposes to beat Dr. Killian for the state senate.—Catawba County News.

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