

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

BY MARY GRAHAM BONNER

THE VOICES.

Some of the voices who were shouting out to the boy and the girl as they were adventuring in the woods...

"She was so good to us," said the first voice. "Why, she never asked us to wash up the dishes..."

"Oh," said the second voice, "don't be influenced by those other voices, you must be clever and be able to know which is best..."

"This is very strange," said the boy, "the voices are so queer. The first voice, the ones which say we should..."

"You can't see us," said the first voice, "for we won't let you. We are doing all we can for you, though..."

"We can't let you see us," said the second voice, "but we are the Wrong Ones. We can tell you that much..."

"That's right," said the first voice, "and oh, it's getting very dark. It's not going to storm..."

"Oh dear," said the girl, "I don't feel very happy. I did like Mrs. Wood Elf..."

"You really like her still," said the second voice, "now sounding very far away..."

"Oh, I believe I do," said the girl, "the second voices sounded loud and stronger. And the darkness began to change into light once more..."

"Now I don't hear those first voices," said the boy, "and the second voices sound nearer..."

"Of course we do," said the second voice, "for now you're true and loyal your good friend and you're not laking things that aren't so..."

"You'll understand all about us from now on, if you haven't already, and if you've let us beg of you never to doubt our friends again..."

"We never will," said the boy, "we never will," said the girl. "Good," said Mrs. Wood Elf, who was stood before them.

How to Spell Coat. "What have you learned at school today, Richard?" asked his father. "I have learned to spell horse," was a reply.

GERMAN MIND IS UNCHANGED

War Fails to Jar Conceit of Teuton, Says Observer of Long Experience.

MENTAL ISOLATION ABSOLUTE

Unable to Understand How They Are Detested—The German of Today is to All Intents and Purposes the Same as in 1913.

London. — Although Berlin has changed since 1914, the German mind remains unchanged. Neither the holocaust of death nor the crash of thrones has shaken Germany out of her self-conceit, according to what G. Valentine Williams, formerly correspondent of Reuters' Agency in Berlin, tells the London Daily Mail.

"The German mind," he says, "does not seem to have altered. All that sadly pained to account for the utter breakdown of the entire German system, in his outlook on life, the German of 1920 is to most intents and purposes the German of 1913. In a world which to British eyes is strangely changed by five years of World War the mental isolation of the German is absolute. To talk to him makes you feel that the German of today is the fondest creature on God's earth."

"Yet with heavy deliberation he is communing with himself to ascertain the causes of his defeat. But he is not extending his consciousness. Any Berlin hoodlum will show you the chaos prevailing in the German mind."

Nothing of the Present. "Professor Steinmetz's rejuvenation experiments, Einstein's theory of light, Maynard Keynes and Norman Angell on the Versailles Peace—both books in German translations and prominently displayed—praises an spiritualism, a free love, and the like—symbols of this description stand side by side with a mass of frankly pornographic literature. Here will you find frenzied explanations for the past, cogitated schemes for the future, but nothing practical to deal with the problems of the present. And above all, no contrition for Germany's crime against mankind."

"The German gazes at the world from his estate of militarism. Now that it has outlived he is left floundering in a sea of doubts and fears. The Germans with whom I have spoken expect us to hold them guiltless of the past because, they say, they have rid Germany of her military caste."

"They have, it is true, expelled the bloody-minded blunderers surrounding their eminent nonentity, William the Second, because they failed to keep their promise to a selfish German world-dominion. But the German people is governed by the herd instinct, and the expulsion of the old gang in the circumstances of military defeat and home panic in which the Hohenzollerns were sent away requires weightier evidence of a change of heart that is forthcoming in Germany today, if it is to be accepted as a proof of the death of German militarism."

Blank Indifference. "Talk to a Frenchman of any class, and you will, sooner or later, come upon a well-banked but fiercely snoring Republican ardor. Talk to a German about his government and you will find, at the best, lukewarm interest; at the worst, resentful ridicule towards the German Republic."

"The average attitude is one of blank indifference. The German man in the street never thought for himself. He does not do so today. The question of the future is what party will emerge from the present chaos to do his thinking for him?"

"The Germans are perfectly willing to forgive us for the war. They talk glibly about 'this unhappy war' with the air of a man making perfunctory excuses for some social lapse. In some may be detected in addition a little air of condescension in speaking of the late unreasonableness as though to draw attention to their magnanimity in accepting the war as an inevitable catastrophe, an act of God, as the insurance policies say. And even to day I find that the great majority of Germans have no idea of the abhorrence in which the very name German is held in the Anglo-Saxon countries and in France and Belgium."

SEEK FRUIT FLY PARASITE Indian Bug to Be Introduced in Territory to Save the Hawaiian Products.

Honolulu, T. H.—David T. Fullaway, entomologist with the territorial board of agriculture, will leave soon for India to search for certain fruit fly parasites discovered by George Compton at Bangalore, India.

If the parasite can be located, it will be introduced in the territory to combat fruit flies here.

Bought Cap He Had Thrown Away. Perth Amboy, N. J.—A cap purchased by Howard Tupper, an over-seas veteran of the World War, in a renovated army goods store here, proved to be one he had discarded in France after the armistice. It contained his name written on the under side of the band.

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New York Letter



by Lucy Jeanne Price

NEW YORK, Feb. 15. (The Great business man of Greater New York) could no longer be content to take his recreation in being washed on the Hudson river.

The clouds of a stormy day were over the city. The air was filled with the smell of rain. The streets were empty.

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