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GERMAN DEMOCRACY

As has been publicly stated on many occasions by those in authority, the chief aim of the Allies in this great war is the destruction of the Prussian militaryism. The quarrel is not primarily against the German people. They have been cribbed, cabled and confined in their mental processes by their Prussian masters. It suited the Prussian idea to have them thing of war and nothing else as their only way to realize their ideals. The Prussian ideal is very largely akin to that of the Roman Empire. Centralization of everything in Rome ultimately failed. The whole world as the old Romans knew it gave tribute to Rome. If, by any chance, the Germans should win this war, the whole world as we know it, will pay tribute to Berlin.

The Prussian idea of the means to that end are the same as those of the Romans too. War, and constant war trained their legions to such a point of efficiency that nothing could withstand their cohorts. But that was before the Year of Our Lord. Since that time men's ideas have changed, slowly, it is true. And ideas of statecraft have improved in all other countries except Prussia. There is a parliament in Germany it is true, but so far as it can make itself felt in the government, it might as well not be. Parties may come and parties may go, but the cabinet with the Chancellor at its head, is unaffected by parliamentary changes. What, therefore, is the use of a parliament of duly elected representatives if their deliberations are of no effect? It is safe to affirm that were the German parliamentary machinery brought up to date and effect given to the wishes of the electorate, there would be another upheaval similar to that of France in the last century.

That the Emperor, William and his immediate advisers are fully alive to the imminence of the demand for reforms, even in the midst of war, is very plainly shown by the utterances of their hiring professors. Writing to the "Ta geszeitung"

in a recent issue, Professor Langemann comes to the conclusion that parliamentary government would be Germany's ruin. It would be instead Germany's opportunity, but it would certainly be the ruin of the Court Party, and the aristocrats, so called. While every Briton, Herr Professor says, whether Liberal or Conservative, has for centuries been impregnated with the idea of statecraft, he does not go beyond the policy of his class and party. Party dogma makes him deaf to the necessities of the State.

The professor finally winds up warning Germans against all attempt at democratizing Germany. Without the class and party restrictions, which the professor implies do not obtain in Germany, for the German people to rule themselves, instead of being ruled by an effete oligarchy, would mean the speedy overthrow of the military caste.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Ambassador Gerard will have some interesting things to say when he gets home. But will he say them? In the meantime he is wondering whether he will be blown up on his way across the Atlantic by those good friends with whom the United States never before had such cordial relations.

The unwritten rules under which the component parts of the British Empire act together furnish an example of the survival of the fittest, in national existence.

The first flurry of frightfulness seems to be over. The Kaiser's Jolly Roger is not proving the terror Berlin told the world it would be.

Herr Hollweg prays to heaven that frightfulness on the sea may prove more effective than frightfulness in the air. Yet there was a time when the Hun was quite sure the Zeppelins would prove the ruin of Britain, Gott strafe her.

Do not smile too broadly at China's approval of Uncle Sam's attitude on the submarine ques-

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tion, China is potentially the most powerful nation on earth. Her population is something like 450,000,000 and recruiting on a ten per cent basis could raise an army of 45,000,000. She has been overrun and conquered. She has had a great many wars, but it will be noticed that she has always swallowed her conquerors.

When Germany restores Alsace-Lorraine to France, she will part with her chief iron deposits and some of her valuable coal mines, her largest cotton industry and some of her largest iron and steel industries. A large part of Germany's industrial gain on France in the last half century is due to the transfer of this valuable territory.

The Netherlands government cannot see their way to go so far as the United States in protest against the submarine campaign. It is true that Holland has lost many ships and many men in this pirate warfare to which the kingdom is not a party. But on the frontier of Holland, Germany has distributed several army corps. They are there to persuade the Dutch to be neutral while Germany makes war on Dutch shipping.

Mexico is becoming humorous. She has sent a circular message to all neutrals inviting co-operation to make peace in Europe. It might be thought that Mexico needs all the peace she can produce for home consumption.

When the long wars with France began in 1793, the only force which Pitt, the great British Premier, had available consisted of but 30,000 men. This "contemptible little army" by strenuous exertions he managed to increase in a year's time to 140,000.

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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 15th day of November, A. D. 1916.
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AND TAKE NOTICE that after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice the said Hume B. Babington and Norman R. Brodhurst will under section 7 of the said act apply to the Minister of Public Works at his office in the City of Ottawa, Province of Ontario, for approval of the said site and plans and for leave to construct the said wharf.
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