

## KAISER'S PART IN DIRECTING WAR SMALL

Kept Isolated Lest He 'Blab'  
Secrets, Says Staff Officer.

### 'EAT, BE MERRY,' POLICY

LONDON, March 1.—An interesting picture of the former kaiser's life at German general headquarters is drawn by a former staff officer, who is contributing a series of articles on the old army to *Die Weltblume* of Berlin, and which are reproduced in the Berlin correspondence of the Daily Telegraph.

He says the immediate entourage of the kaiser consisted of the adjutant general, three chiefs of cabinet and aides de camp, among whom there was perpetual intrigue, as was natural under a monarch so capricious and of so little tact. Valentine, chief of the civil cabinet, and General von Mueler, chief of the naval cabinet, were adherents of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, and thus in opposition to the chief of the general staff and his party. Bethmann's spokesman, General von Hindenburg, was regarded as half-hearted, and there was no rest until the others were rid of them.

Gen. Plessen, commandant at general headquarters, a narrow-minded courtier, long out of touch with the world, took the view that it was his duty to keep everything as far away from the kaiser as possible. So the excited satellites, filled with mutual distrust, revolved around the imperial planet, from which they received precious little light or warmth.

**KAISER LIVED IN PRESENT.**

The kaiser, himself, like all shallow men, clung to the impressions of the moment. Gravely anxious people, who saw disaster coming, found him boisterous and jolly, cracking jokes, without suspicion of the real situation. When he was at Kremmen, he seized every opportunity to motor to the kaiser in Hamburg, and those with reports to submit had as great difficulty in getting to him to obtain the necessary signatures as in time of peace.

War did not imply lack of amusement for him. Now and then a hostile aviator would drop into the show. After the visit of the first of the airmen over Charlieville no one laughed louder than the crown prince.

When the kaiser took meals with the staff officers, the officers were surprised that he was merry—almost abnormally so—and they were amazed to find how well he picnicked. He had no time for the kaiser supplies no corroboration of the popular idea that the kaiser took his initiative in drafting military plans or in the conduct of operations. On the contrary, his daily round at general headquarters was ordered as at Potsdam or Berlin; only the populace was absent.

He listened to reports, took his meals, gave audiences, had the military situation briefly explained to him and had his house guarded by selected companies. The kaiser's position at the time of the revolution is described as follows:

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**Bride Is Stricken During Ceremony**

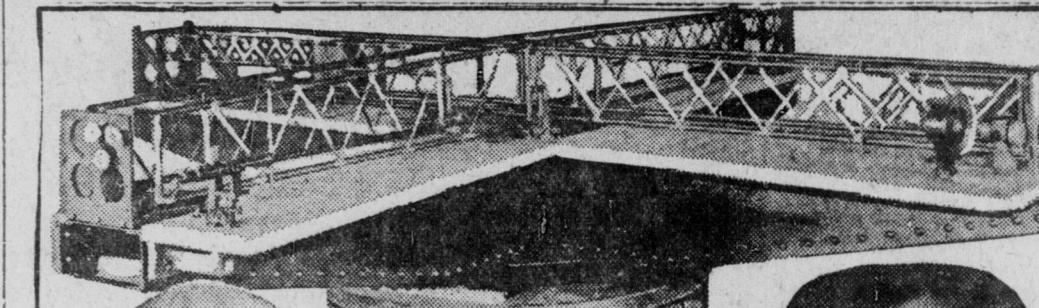
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**Who Said Sugar Shortage? Read—**

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## Chasing Beams Five Years Brings Possibility of Fourth Dimension in Einstein's Theory



DR. EDWARD W. MORELEY

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CLEVELAND, O., March 1.—A scientist who walked a twenty-foot circle on top of a Cleveland hill, day after day, night in and out, fifteen years ago makes the scientific world now talk of—

“A universe with four dimensions.

Stars that seem to twinkle in one place and really hang in another section of the sky.

Yardsticks that are longer east and west than in lying north and south.

Light with weight that jars the earth when sunbeams fall.

These are the famous Einstein theory of "the Relativity of Ether motion and Ether motion."

Einstein, philosopher and mathematician, based his profound yet fantastic theory upon the Michelson-Moreley experiment, performed in Cleveland in 1887. Without the more accurate and positive results from the experiment redone by Dr. Dayton C. Miller, of the Case School of Applied Science here, Einstein could never have fabricated his doctrine of four dimensional space.

### MICHELSON INVENTS MEASURING INVESTMENT.

Dr. Albert A. Michelson was a professor of physics at the Western Reserve University here. Miller was the inventor of a marvelously delicate measuring instrument. This apparatus, the Michelson interferometer, measured microscopic objects in terms of light waves. That is—a hair was so many thousand light waves in thickness instead of so many hundreds of an inch.

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### Germans in India Depart for Home

LONDON, March 1.—Repatriation of Germans from India is steadily proceeding and before long no German will remain in India except those who for very special reasons are granted exemptions, said Samuel Montagu, secretary of state for India, replying to a question in parliament. Before the war Germany was making strenuous efforts to capture India and did a large business through German agents stationed in India.

### Crawfish Holes Wreck Big Dam

BEND, Ore., March 1.—Holes bored by crawfish in an earthen wing dam diverting water of the Desch River through the plant of the Bend Water, Light and Power Company are believed responsible for a washout which will cost the company several thousand dollars. The gap was stopped by sand bags and baled up.

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## PUTS MARRIAGE AS CENTRAL AIM

Writer Calls It Sure Antidote to Revolution.

LONDON, March 1.—Marriage must always remain the central and most influential factor in a woman's life," writes T. H. Scott, in the Daily Sketch. "No change in women's prospects, no development in tastes and capabilities, is likely to rob marriage of its power, and appearance."

"To the majority of women marriage will remain essential, and when they have to accept denial of it, it will be with bitterness and lasting regret."

"To the state it is no less essential. No state can be regarded as healthy which has not as one of its chief foundations a large number of happy married men."

### INCENTIVE TO LOVE OF LAW AND ORDER.

"There is no surer antidote to the revolution fever in a man or woman than a happy marriage. There is no greater incentive to steady work, to love of law and order."

"Therefore, anything that detracts from the popularity and solidarity of the institution of marriage is a national evil, and in these days of reconstruction consideration might profitably be given to the question of the poverty of married women."

"It is one of the evils that women have borne patiently for centuries. Those days are over. In the old days, too, a penniless daughter became a penniless wife who could not miss what she had."

"Women's present opportunities in the labor and commercial world have changed all that."

"Nowadays a woman will frequently give up a well-salaried post to find after marriage the only money she has for her

own personal use is the odd sum saved from the household accounts."

"Thousands of women go through their married life without ever having a dollar to spend on their own personal tastes and luxuries."

"In the ideal marriage, no doubt, the wife is as much a partner as the husband. Often, however, even in happy marriages, the rule is for the man to make an allowance for housekeeping, which he regards as adequate, to his wife, keeping her guard as a joint income which both control and spend in wise collaboration."

"He will spend part of it on his wife, and would repudiate indignantly the idea that he behaved to her selfishly or unfairly."

"He does not realize that having money spent on one is not the same as spending money on himself."

"Every man, whatever his means, would do well to make an allowance to his wife over and above the needs of the housekeeping purse."

## Legion Posts Pass 8,000 Mark

Increasing at the rate of a thousand posts a month, the American legion passed the 8,000 mark the middle of February, it was announced at the national headquarters here today. In all, there are 10,000 posts in the United States, there are one in Canada, one in England, three in France, one in Mexico, one in Panama, three in the Philippines, one in Hawaii and eight in Cuba.

New York state, with a total of 854 posts, heads the list, Illinois coming next with 694 posts; Pennsylvania, 522 posts; Iowa, 443; Minnesota, 411; Ohio, 355; Missouri, 270; Michigan, 256; Indiana, 235, and New Jersey 245.

Similar reports were received from other large industry centers in Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan, all of which are said to be in a favorable position.

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