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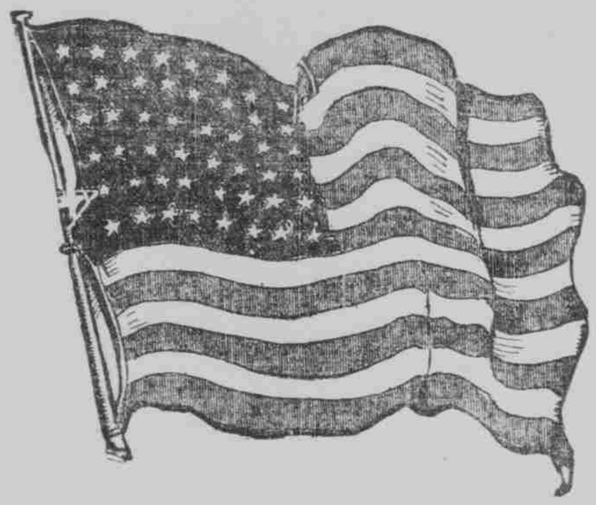

THE COUNT RIGHT FOR ONCE.

Safe in his beautiful Florida mansion—the Swiss-bellringer-and-yodeler season being over—Count Wilhelm von Bryan, the well-known German ambassador to the Old Ladies' Home, clears his throat and across the miles of space emits a loud and raucous blat, begging us—the people of this country—"not to war that we may have no blood on our hands."

Right you are, Wilhelm, right you are; that's just what we don't want—blood on our hands. That's just why we are girding up our loins.

We do not want on our hands the blood of American women and babies who lost their lives on the Lusitania; we do not want on our hands the blood of the brave American sailors who, on a score of ships since then, have been murdered by submarines; we do not want on our hands the blood of other American citizens who in the future may have to sail on the seas that are just as much ours as they are England's, or Germany's, or any other country's.

Right you are, Wilhelm, for once in your life.

CONGRESS MUST STAND BY THE PRESIDENT.

Congress, on Monday, one of the most, if not the most, momentous days in American history, will meet in extraordinary session.

It will be a day of days, and what will be done after President Wilson reads the greatest message of his administration will be history of all histories for our children and children's children.

What congress will do and what congress ought to do are of course two things. A good many congressmen have been writing home to get the opinions of their constituents as to their course, and it may be taken for granted that if they got any advice from the home folks it was to stand by the president. There should be prompt acquiesence and the fullest sympathy with the administration. No congressman should have any petty and personal entity next Monday. He must be prepared to submerge himself in congress as a body. Neither the president nor the country want anything but action and decisive action. The self-boosters, quibblers and notoriety-hunters had better go way back and sit down on Monday.

Congressman This or Congressman That must think of what the people back home want next Monday, or they will hear from the people back home and it may come as a shock to them.

This country wants no philandering with the pacifists next Monday.

HIGH RENTS AND UNREST.

There ought to be neither rhyme nor reason in the cry that the advanced cost of material will retard building activity in Gary this season. It does not take one long to figure out that the advance in Gary rents has been even greater.—Gary Tribune.

That's the trouble. As bad as the terrific advance in building material has been, the increase in rents has been greater. Landlords have passed the tax on to the tenant, but not without first increasing it for their own profit, a situation augmented by the extraordinary demand for houses.

The sooner that the propaganda of high rents is discouraged at Gary and elsewhere the better it will be for tenant, landlord and merchant. It is becoming a serious situation, and unless the United States Steel Corporation and other industries want to face discontent among workers clamoring for more wages to meet the demands of landlords seeking 20 or cent annual profit on their investments, it will be well to put the damper on this business of exploiting the tenant, for sooner or later there will be a snapping with families pushed for sums ranging from $40 to $55 for four and five-room apartments. When the Gary steel-workers received their first raise in wages a large number of them faced an increase in rentals, the corporation being one of the offenders.

A doctrine of high rents based on the necessities of workmen is a dangerous one. There is such a thing in these days of costly prices for everything as making the "galled jade wince" too much.

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THE LIBERATED FRENCH.

The German retreat in France liberates the people of hundreds of square miles of French territory who have been under Teutonic rule for the past three years.

To the French people it means a great deal. Thousands of families will be reunited, and French soldiers who have been unable to get word from their wives and children and other kin these long months may get a chance to see them again. But, taking in the devastation the Germans are accomplishing in their retreat, it will be a sorry bit of France that will welcome the fighters when they again return to what will be the shells of their homes.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

NICE WEATHER WE'RE HAVING!

Indiana Harbor, Ind., March 26.

Editor, whoever you may be: I have wished so many times that I were a man, so that I might deal with you differently than in this pen and ink way. I would derive a world of satisfaction myself and I feel sure would be doing my friends and neighbors and community at large a real service if I could stop some of your ravings and wailings, some of your "I told you so's" which you have been inflicting upon the public in past months.

I do not doubt that you will receive this letter with a lofty sneer—as a mere woman's twaddle. We know how little regard you have for the sex—as you have expressed your narrow views quite openly more than once in your paper. Of course, or it is assumed, that your mother was a woman; that she was equal to the task of bearing and rearing a man-child, but to assume that she be equal in any way, shape or form—mentally, morally, physically, spiritually—as a great brainy creature of a man—say, her son—how absurd!

I have no thought or wish for publication of this note to you, but I merely feel that I must express my feelings, and in so doing I shall voice the sentiments of a great many more than just myself. And since I can not slap your face or beat you as a man might do, I can but take this way of telling you what I (and others, be sure) think of your editorials, or notes.

You are like a gossipy old maid or man who delights in handing out snarling, snappy, disagreeable, personal grudges, and lacking something better to say, you criticise your betters.

You, a man of your small ability, to place a sarcastic, insulting headline over an article on the front page of your paper last night, written by a man who has said things, written things and done things. And especially when every word of it was sound sense and absolute truth—wether written by W. J. Bryan or Theodore Roosevelt, or anyone else.

We are not German! We are not English! (Though we are sure you must be, else you would never make the biased statements which you have, under the flag of American neutrality.) But we are Americans, and as such have no desire to spill the blood of our men for England, or any other nation's gain—than our own. And all your newspaper twaddle does not change the minds or hearts of people who think. One evening last week you praised yourself in the stirring up of enthusiasm among the young men of East Chicago. Perhaps you did incite a few brave, sportsmanlike fellows to talk. It is so easy, you know, to talk.

We have been steeped in blood and agony and death for two years. No doubt you think that by now we have learned to like it. We want the sweet feel of blood on our own hands. It will be great sport to make a few more European widows and orphans on our own hook, and patriotic, too, don't you think?

And as for giving up our own men to die for the glory and gain of England—oh, that is easy! Women were made to suffer and bear the children of men. When their sons have attained the point of manhood, it is of course but natural that the interest of the mothers should cease, and she shall have no say as to laws governing or concerning anything beyond see that the meals are on the table at the proper time, and bringing more sons into the world for the express use of the great warlords, or better call them money-lords—whenever needed. But this is a mother's patriotism!

I have heard you speak of the great benefit to Lake county, in case of war. Our great mills will run night and day, you say. Think of the money to come pouring in—prosperity. And you who call yourself a Christian, what about that other, He who said: "Thou shalt not kill—love your enemies." You probably heard of Him from your mother's bible, but then—we are civilized and have progressed so far ahead of such things in these days. One is apt to forget Him in the greater glory of war.

Last night you spoke of the woeful lack of enthusiasm shown in the recruiting of men. Doesn't that show plainly that we are Americans and for America, and not England? We do not want war! When our enemies invade our shores and homes, then will we strike; it is human instinct. Give us adequate protection from the bloodthirsty, money-mad, power-crazed rulers of nations, but do not ask us to be one of them.

However, if you, Mr. Editor Man, are so anxious for war, take yourself and your sons, if you have any, and go—go to the hell-holes of the war zone and fight your fill and die for the great cause you love.

We shall not miss you for there will be plenty of others who can take your places who will sit at the desk and wiggle a pen, or wave a red rag and cry, "Sic 'em!"

Signed.
AN AMERICAN WOMAN.

A LETTER FROM MR. KELLY.

Hammond, Ind., March 29, 1917.

Editor Times:

Dear Sir—I consider W. J. Bryan to be the world's greatest sentimentalist. In the past ages sentimentalists were useful, but they served their purpose by developing the foreign.

I wish to state that I have devoted twenty-five years of my life to establish peace upon the earth, and I shall continue to work for international peace until I am silenced by death. But I am not foolish enough to cry peace in an economic system that will not permit it.

I assume that Mr. Bryan has studied the world's monetary system. But he seems to forget that when gold was adopted as the international standard, it made the commercial world interdependent and, therefore, international.

If America was to adopt its own money, Europe, Asia, Africa and South America would refuse to trade with America. So I can see that gold has lined the world together in one chain. And the weakest link determines the strength of the world.

If Mr. Bryan could remove the Atlantic ocean from his mind, he could see that America has been in the war from its start until now.

My studies have led me to believe that everything in the world is international but the people and the church. Masons and Socialists are breaking down the ties of nationality, and with it must go hate and jealousy.

What is not international?

Now, my dear reader, can you not see how preposterous and absurd Mr. Bryan is by appealing to Congress for an individual referendum when the thing he attacks is international? Could Mr. Bryan argue that it is wrong for a peep to destroy the egg shell for its liberation? Would he attempt to force it back into its embryonic state?

As a statesman, he should know that the destinies of nations rest upon biological evolution.

Internationalism is the legitimate child of capitalism. Mr. Bryan cannot put the child back into the womb of capitalism, or feudalism, or savagery.

However painful it may be to Mr. Bryan, history proves that war has advanced the human race.

And until progress is free until all barriers against divine evolution are eliminated; until the rulers of the world become sane and say to the human race, "Grow, expand and enjoy the fruits of your labor," there must be war.

Then, an international referendum would be practical and no doubt would result in international disarmament.

Mr. Bryan, if your appeal had been for an international referendum, your appeal would have had the support of the world's intellectuals.

Yours truly,
WM. KELLY.

IN WHICH SHE THANKS TIMES.

Editor Times:

Dear Sir—Please permit a very belated word of thanks for your editorial pointing out that the National Woman Suffrage Association, the parent body, organized in 1869 and representing about 98 per cent of the organized suffragists of the country, had no part at all in the "recent picketing" of the White House." It has always been non-partisan and non-militant, and it strongly condemned any attempts of President Wilson, who has done so much to assist the cause of woman suffrage. Many of the newspapers do not distinguish between the two organizations and now that the Congressional Union, which was responsible for the picketing, has taken the name "the National Woman's Party," the confusion is likely to be still greater. It is under the auspices of the National Association, which has affiliated branches in every state, that all the suffrage which women now enjoy in the United States has been secured. It has been directly connected with the wonderful gains of the present winter and will continue its sane and constitutional methods.

We trust that an effort to have woman suffrage put into the new constitution of Indiana will have the strong support of THE TIMES.

Very truly yours,
IDA HUSTED HARPER,
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