

# WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number Five

## Jimmie and a German Boy Clash— Must Do Three Things to Save Country.

It was a warm evening, so Uncle Dan went out to a lawn seat under the spreading branches of the great tree that suggested the farm's name of Oak Hill. Billie and Jimmie had been laying for him, so Uncle Dan was captured by the boys on short order.

"Say, Uncle Dan," Billie began. "We had a red-hot argument at school yesterday with Carl Newman. Carl said that German schools were miles ahead of our schools and that no one could come up to the educated German. Well, Jimmie got hot under the collar and handed it back to him good and plenty. Jimmie said if their education taught them to torpedo Lusitanias, sink hospital ships, murder hundreds of women and children, make slaves of the Belgians, poison wells, destroy fruit trees and commit all sorts of crimes, then we did not want that kind of education here. What do you think about it, Uncle Dan? I told Jimmie you spent a lot of time in Europe and knew all about schools, so give us your opinion."

"Well," replied Uncle Dan, deliberately, "the German schools are very thorough; they furnish exceedingly valuable and practical instruction. The industrial training given there is probably the best to be found. The schools as a whole, however, in my opinion, appeal to the head only, and never to the heart. The aim and trend is to make the individual blindly submissive to the Prussian plan of world domination; they teach that it is the destiny of Germany to rule the world, and that to the glory and advance of Germany, in this plan, all things must give way; that the kaiser as head of the state, can do no wrong if he carries forward the plan of world control. Some of the greatest teachers and preachers even defend and justify her heartless crushing of Belgians and the many other atrocious crimes she has committed in this war. Thank God, our American education reaches both the head and the heart. It is an education with a soul, and we must maintain the high ideals we have fixed. In a word, in Germany, the people are taught that they exist for the government, while here the government exists to serve the people."

"Just wait a minute," interrupted Billie. "Say that over again slowly, so I can write it down."

Uncle Dan, smilingly, complied. Billie exclaimed: "Now, we will hand that nut out for Carl to crack. Carl, you know," continued Billie, "has a very smart father who keeps him posted on the German arguments. Carl said our government was only an experiment anyway; that it would not last twenty years, and that it might burst up any old time. Jimmie asked him if Germany was so mighty good, why they did not go back there to live."

"Our government will go on forever, won't it, Uncle Dan?"

"Now," said Uncle Dan, "you are raising a big question, and one that has troubled me for years. Our government is still in the experimental stage; in fact, it is the greatest experiment ever undertaken, and if popular government is to be successful, a few things must be done, otherwise, to paraphrase the great Lincoln, the government of the people, by the people and for the people, will perish. It is my firm conviction," said Uncle Dan, in a very impressive manner, "that if our country is to go on, as we hope and pray, we must very quickly do at least three things, and I will name them in the order of importance as it appears to me:

"First, adopt compulsory universal military training of all young men physically fit before they reach the age of twenty years.

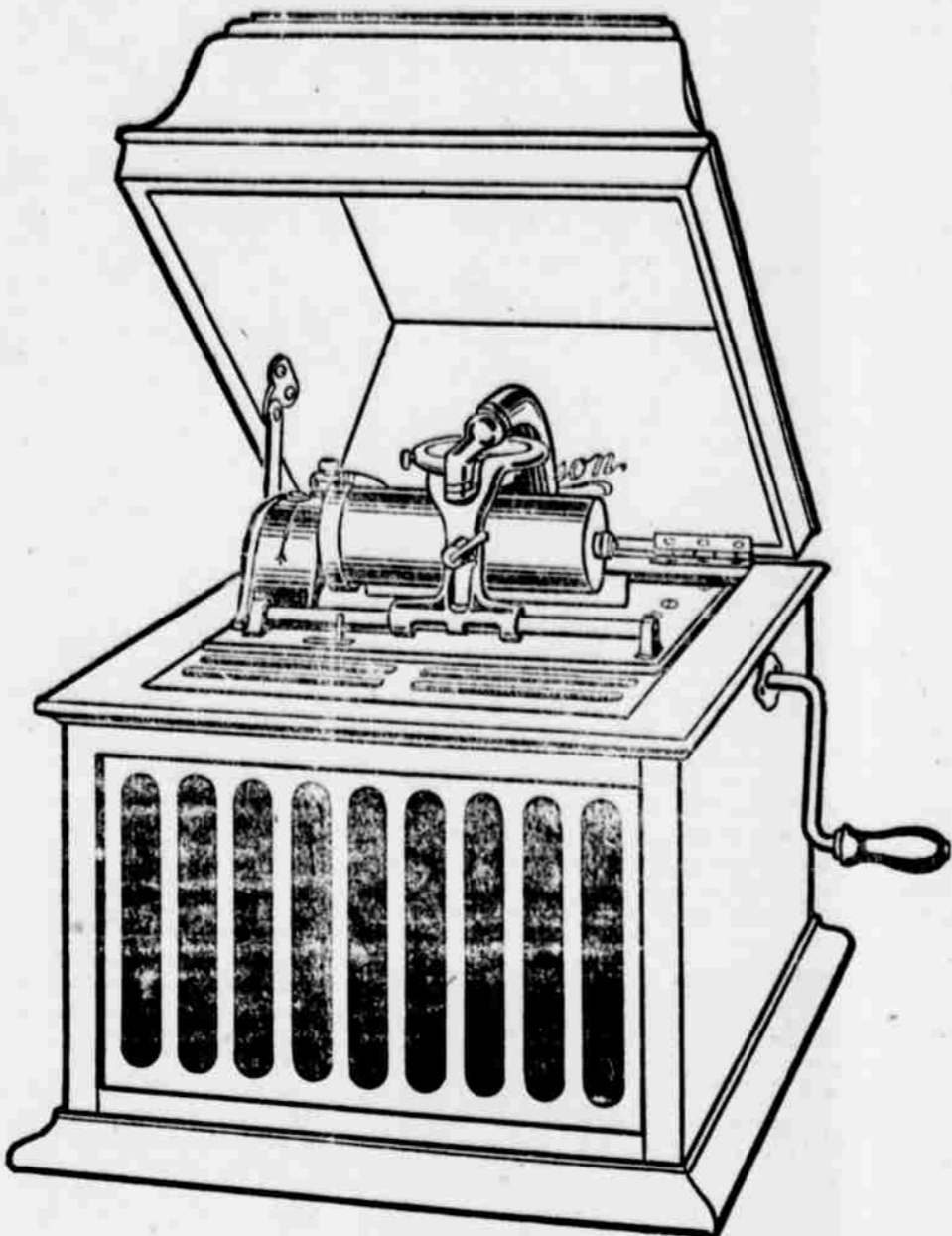
"Next, require that every foreigner who comes here to live must, within a reasonable time, say a year, declare his intention of becoming an American citizen and take the necessary steps to do so, thereby, from that moment, assuming all the obligations of citizenship of our country, and that means he must defend our flag upon equal terms with our native born, and if he is not willing to do this, he should be sent back from whence he came."

"That's the stuff," exclaimed Billie. "And, finally, enact such legislation as will make voting compulsory. Popular government is based upon the participation of all and the rule of the majority, and democracy cannot continue and be successful unless we live up to the spirit of the institution."

"The first step, however, is the passing of the Chamberlain bill for universal military training. If you will get the leading citizen, and especially the editor of your paper, to write personal letters to your congressman and both senators, urging their support, it will help enormously."

"I see by the morning papers," said Uncle Dan, "that the Rotary clubs of the entire country, the liveliest, most efficient organization to be found, have unanimously decided to get back of the Chamberlain bill and give it loyal and enthusiastic support. They will work with the Universal Military Training league to accomplish this important piece of legislation, which will do more than anything else to make us a real nation with a common viewpoint, bring us back to sane living, and teach us the patriotism of service."

# What kind of music will there be in your home this Christmas?



**CHRISTMAS AND MUSIC** are inseparable. You cannot think of Christmas without thinking of music—all kinds of good music. What kind of music will there be in your home this Christmas? What instrument and what voices will entertain you?

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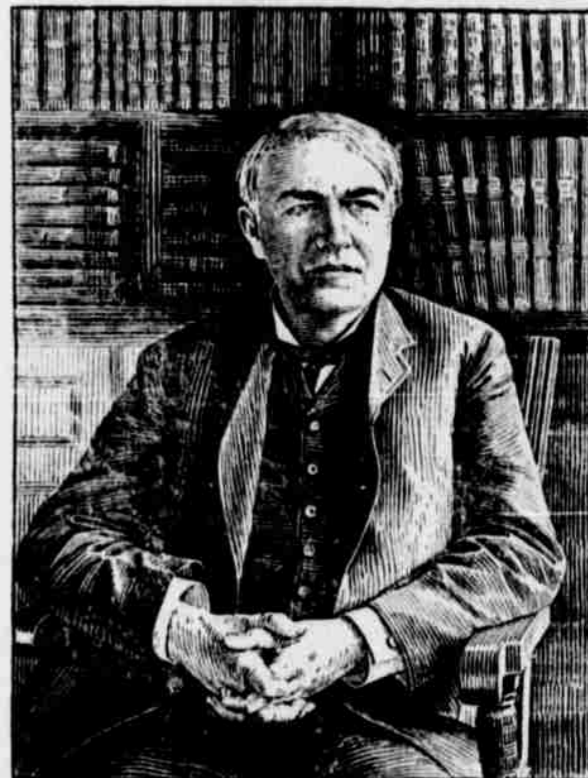
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thrilling band records that just make you feel like getting up and marching around the room—noble patriotic numbers that would stir the heart of a traitor—tender old and new songs and ballads that go straight to your heart—majestic grand opera that appeals to the deepest of human emotions—lively dance pieces, ragtime and funny records—entertainment of all kinds for young and old.

So that you may have an idea of the many wonderful selections to be found in the Blue Amberol Record Catalog, we have picked a few here and there and they're printed below. Look them over. You are sure to find many of your favorites.

- For Christmas**  
 Angels from the Realms of Glory  
 Bells of Christmas  
 Birthday of a King  
 Hail! Hail! Day of Days  
 Hark! Hark! My Soul  
 Joy to the World  
 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear  
 Night Before Christmas  
 Old Jim's Christmas Hymn  
 O Little Town of Bethlehem  
 Once in Royal David's City  
 Ring Out the Bells for Christmas  
 Ring Out, Wild Bells  
 Santa Claus  
 Silent Night  
 Star of Bethlehem  
 Sweet Christmas Bells  
 When Christmas Bells are Ringing  
 Ave Maria  
 Beautiful Isle of Somewhere

- Crucifix**  
 God is Love, His Mercy Brightens  
 My Ain Countrie  
 Rock of Ages  
 Face to Face
- Quartets**  
 The Bridge  
 Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming  
 Darling Nellie Gray  
 Maple Leaf Forever  
 Massa's in de Cold, Cold Ground  
 Laughing Song  
 The Rosary  
 We're Tenting To-night  
 Way Back Home
- Hawaiian**  
 Aloha Oe (Farewell to Thee)  
 Kamehameha March  
 Medley of Hawaiian Airs  
 Moani Ke Ala  
 Waiata (Waltz Song)  
 Koleo  
 Pulupe

- Bands**  
 At the Mill March  
 Battle of the Marne—Descriptive  
 Benediction of the Poignards—Huguenots  
 Glowworm  
 Humpty Dumpty Rag  
 In the Clock Store—Descriptive Fantasia  
 Jolly Coppermith—with Anvil, Singing and Whistling  
 My Old Kentucky Home Fantasia  
 United States Passing in Review
- Instrumental Solos**  
 I Hope I Don't Intrude, Bells  
 King of Air March, Xylophone  
 Kiss Waltz, Saxophone  
 Lullaby—Jocelyn, Cornet  
 Medley of Southern Airs, Banjo  
 Old Black Joe, Piano  
 Peg o' My Heart, Violin
- Dance**  
 Carnival One-Step  
 Destiny Waltz  
 Good-Night Waltz  
 Money Musk Medley Virginia Reel

- Oh, You Silvery Bells Medley Two-Step  
 Old Comrades March  
 Stop! Look! Listen! Fox Trot  
 Ticking Love Taps Fox Trot  
 Leg of Mutton One Step  
 Grand Opera  
 Elisir d'Amore—Una furtiva lagrima  
 Faust—Air des Bijoux  
 Pagliacci—Prologue  
 Rigoletto—Caro nome  
 Trio from Faust  
 Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin  
 Mignon—Ah! Non credevi tu  
 Vocal Duets  
 All Aboard for Blanket Bay  
 As We Parted at the Gate  
 Auf Wiedersehen—The Blue Paradise  
 Barcarolle (Oh, Lovely Night)—Tales of Hoffman  
 Every Little Movement—Madame Sherry For You  
 Good-Bye, Good Luck, God Bless You  
 Land of Golden Dreams  
 I Was Never Nearer Heaven in My Life

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