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## A Warning To The American People.

BY FRANK HARRIS IN PEARSON'S MAGAZINE.

this earth!" -SHELLEY.

I have no nationality or naslant, on England and its Im- responsible for more innocent perialistic spirit, and as I grew the judging of all other countries. Very early I saw the sordid meanness of Frenchmen, as clearly as the selfish wiliness of the Italians, or the pedantry and sentimentality of the Germans, or the shiftless idealism

the German on the whole as the sunk, the absolute nadir of brutal strongest man in Europe, the savagery, and I should think surest guide in the future, and myself unworthy of my position began to love the Russian be- as a journalist and recorder of cause he had so much love in passing events did I not protest him for others.

justice to the English strength, and a German love of abstract truth-of original thought and frank speech-to the conventional Anglo-Saxon ideal, and

> sympathy with revolt and Keltic said that in the stress of a understanding of the daemonic struggle the English were capin man. In fact I made an idea! able of almost anything. I had of the American as we are all apt witnessed their savagery more to do with our own people.

> I earned the hatred of the pute by declaring that Dick women and children in order to rather than disgraced submis- even to the helpless among the against humanity and disappear arms, after all possible armed from among the great nations resistance was at an end, when other Holland. America, I nothing to kill but women and cried, could whip the world in little babies. To their honor be arms; she will yet be the Con- it said the first open protests the Avenger of secular injustice. in the army of occupation. Gen-

> War I came to America hoping, officers and men would not stand praying that neither side might win a decisive victory but pre- children starved to death. dicting that in the drawn battle But no notice was taken even the Germans "would be easy of Plumer's report by the govwinner on points,"

> or hope that America would take horrible months more the stara hand in the war. It had noth vation-blockade was continued ing to do with her; we were and more and more ruthlessly not involved in any way nor even enforced till one recalled Shakethreatened. I deplored the ac- peare's awful line: "the power ceptance of the British block- to do ill deeds makes ill deeds ade; like the American govern- done." ment I knew it was "illegal." 1 One word, one fact to make hated the shipping of munitions truth manifest and burn the to Great Britain and the Allies knowledge of it into the soul of

> ference. Everyone knows how the babes ten and eleven months inthe Allies with munitions and Ithan man; Nature "red in tooth munitions; how we accepted the son, Nature "without conscience British to search American ships kinder than American men and and confiscate as contraband women.

> milk for the starving children I did what I could to awaken and rubber gloves for the Red my countrymen to the foul Cross hospitals in Germany, afrocities perpetrated in their Babies and wounded men were name and by their power in put outside our pity and my peace-time. All in vain; the soul sickened.

> not only with the Allies, but ments take care that their sufferwith Germany, and it is beyond ings shall be prolonged, and I doubt that at the crucial moment want to register this solemn in the first days of 1917 we protest. should have been able to impose a just peace on the warring na- in history that nations which ante with the reparation of Bel- penalty and disappear from the gium and the return to France stage. Rome fell because Rome

> After we entered the war we her to do worse than ever; to strengthened the blockade as help her in the most appalling much as we could, and continued crime of which history holds a it after the armistice was signed, memory; but the end is sure and For eight long months after already her sentence is hasten-President Wilson had declared ing to fulfillment. the war was ended we helped to And America? This great

"Mel who am as the nerve o'er babies had been murdered after The else unfelt oppressions of the war was "ended and over," to use President Wilson's words. But no one listened to him; it First of all the credentials of was tossed aside as a peaceplea and when Dr. Renner. the head of the Austrian mission, tional prejudice. From child-hood I got the Irish-American suffering than the whole war, up I carried the same attitude to ordinarily intelligent Americans paid the slightest attention to the horrible indictment.

This, in my opinion, marks the lowest point to which so-called of the Siav, but I came to regard civilized humanity has ever in the plainest language against All the while at the bottom this outrage upon the conscience of my heart I cherished the of men. For it has been persuperstition that the American petrated by Englishmen and was the pick of the bunch, for Americans whose language is he added a love of equality and mine, whose literature is mine, whose ideals I have hitherto repected and whose shame I am compelled to share .

If anyone had told me at the beginning of the war the Engthrough all like a golden strand lish would so misuse their power in the weaving went the Irish I should have protested; I'd have than once. The concentration camps in the Boer war proved English in the Venezuelan dis- what they would do even to Olney would make my Lord of win or at least avoid plain defeat. Salisbury back down and eat But once the fight was over, the dirt and when the crisis came English, I'd have sworn, were and English papers preached war generous foes, magnanimous sion, I chortled in "The Saturday defeated. But the English gov-Review" warning Great Britain ernment continued the blockade that in a fight with these States of Germany after the German she would pay for all her crimes soldiers had laid down their falling to her true place as an- everyone knew that there was science of the free Peoples and came from the British officers At the beginning of the Great eral Plumer declared that his

ernment of Lloyd George or the I had no idea, no faintest fear government of Wilson; for three

I took Washington's view of the our great but ignorant people: matter and prayed for strictost In May and June, hundreds of justice and absolute non-inter- women in Berlin and thousands in Germany had carried unborn

United States was gradually stead of nine, Blind nature was drawn in; how we first provided a thousand times more pitiful then with monies to buy the and claw" according to Tenny-"illegal" blockade which we had and without a touch of the denounced and permitted the Divine" according to Darwinism.

savagery continued. Had we kept our strict neu-trality inviolate, we should have bad an immense moral influence, and now peace is signed; the Massacre of the Innocents is ended, though the Allied govern-

tions, the peace of the status quo stoop to such atrocities pay the of the French parts of Alsace- preferred patriotism to humanity. Lorraine. But our moral power England is doomed for the same was weakened by our partisan- reason; after the Boer war, I ship and the partisanship became wrote that the handwriting was so flagrant that many ill-informed plain on every wall, and when Germans thought our declared this war began I believed that enmity preferable to the uncon- England's hour had struck.

cealed aid we were giving to the Everyone can see now how Alties; consequently, desperate close it was; how long the scales measures were adopted by Cer- trembled in the balance. America and Wilson saved her, saved

starve German children and sightless giant, this Samson blinded and enslaved in the Brockdorff-Rantzau asserted at capitalist mills? What had the Paris Conference that over a America to do with old Europe's million German mothers and wars and creeds? The warning

for America, too, is absolute free press; all these brainless Her lynchings make me shudder; brutalities fill me with sick fear. her Bakers with their torturing We too shall pay for our mis-of conscientious objectors, her deeds; may the punishment come

Burlesons with their savage sup-quickly before the cup of our pression of free speech and a iniquity overflows, is my prayer.

### Good Luck, Germany!

From The Public.

her defeat as due to a mistake we work for the home-land in milimry tactics, and begins again."

to meet Germany's own debt and the bill for reparation. "It is the duty of propertied people," he said, in speaking of the enormous taxes that would have to be raised, "not only to bow to a that The Public, believing that achieve an inward conviction as chastised, wishes the German to the necessity of giving up all people all good fortune in their riches and all that is super- great national undertaking, and

to establish justice in the whole world together in simple justice.

actual existence of the evil.

well pray to be delivered.

Ireland: The Test of The New Order.

BY WILLIAM HENRY CHAMBERLIN (In "Young

There are certain self-styled expropriations under Cromwell

liberals who always solemnly de- and William III., the massacre at

precate any violent criticism of Drogheda, the hideous famine of

existing conditions. They preach 1848, the five centuries of re-

patience and moderation at all ligious and racial persecution

times and at all costs. They pre- and discrimination which they

fer to compromise with injustice, have suffered under the English

rather than to fight it to a finish. yoke. Within the past two de-

They are more shocked by the cades Ireland has endured graver

exposure of an outrageous evil outrages than those which im-

in burning language than by the spelled the American colonies to

tual existence of the evil. Itake up arms against England. Cabinet after cabinet has prac-

from the well-meant efforts of ticed a policy of shuffling deceit

such tepid liberals. They, more on the Home Rule issue. British than any one else, are responsible officers of high rank displayed

for confusing a plain moral issue open sympathy with Carson's

by introducing artificial compli-cations. The tory who believes The Walsh-Dunne report is an

that Ireland was created to be impressive revelation of the

politically oppressed and econo-cruelties and indignities habit-

mically exploited by England is vally visited upon Irish political

at least an open and avowed enemy. But the "liberal," be he English or Anglo-American, who independence prove amazingly

professes the utmost sympathy flimsy when subjected to close

with Irish grievances, but who analysis. The assertion that the

cherishes all sorts of cautious Irish are incapable of self-gov-

doubts about Ulster, and about ernment is the familiar accusa-

the capacity of the Irish people tion of tyrants against peoples

for self-government, and about they oppress. The mere fact

British security-he is the that Irish national feeling has

friend from whom Ireland may survived in the face of the bit-

lem nothing should obscure the and its right to free expression.

fundamental fact that the Eng-lish domination of the neighbor-Tories profess great solicitude

ing island is a purely arbitrary about the fate of Ulster in an

despotism, established and main- independent Ireland. The spec-

tained only by superior force. tres of racial and religious preju-

At no time in their history have dice are conjured up; and we are

the Irish yielded even nominal asked to contemplate with sym-

acquiescence to the foreign pathetic horror the prospect of

tyranny. Time after time they an industrious, Protestant, Saxon

have protested against the hate- minority being subjected to rath-

ful alien regime by desperate, less oppression at the hands of a

futile revolts, foredoomed to fail- lazy, Catholic, Celtie majority.

are by the overwhelming power In this connection it should be

arrayed against them. The last noted that the Ulster minority is

of these revolts, the mad, heroic considerably smaller than the

venture of a few young ideal-ists, was crushed by the British in several of the new states

military authorities in 1916 with which the Peace Conference has

a savagery worthy of the Ger- created in Eastern Europe. More-

mans in Belgium. In the par-liamentary election last Decem- ligious and racial unit. There is

ber the independence party, the a large Catholic minority in the

Sinn Feiners, operating under province; and the general strike

the greatest obstacles in the shape in Belfast last spring showed

of repression and martial law, quite conclusively that the Ulster

swept the island by an enormous workmen ,regardless of race or

majority. Eamonn de Valera's creed, are closer in sympathy to title as President of the Irish the radical Sinn Feiners than to

Republic rests upon a larger pro- the Ulster capitalists. In any

portion of votes than were given event it is an intolerable viola-

to Woodrow Wilson in 1916.

satisfied with the many benefits ence.

Woodrow Wilson in 1916. tion of democratic principles that This clear and unmistakable a small minority of alien in-

desire of the Irish people for truders should indefinitely thwart

freedom is a sufficient answer to the aspirations of the great mass

the statement that Ireland is of the Irish people for independ-

which she has received under The argument is often used

English rule. These benefits that a free Ireland would con-

exist largely in the minds of stitute a grave menace to Eng-

British propagandists anyway; lish security. The fact that such and they are far outweighed by a distinctly Prussian and Machia-corresponding injuries. It is not vellian reason should be advanced

necessary for Irishmen to go even by a liberal organ like back into history for their "The Manchester Guardian" is a

wrongs, to recall the wholesale melancholy illustration of the

In considering the Irish prob- proof of its genuine character

terest repression is an adequate

Democracy").

Germany has ratified the taxation system. Incomes from treaty. This, so far as she is capital will be taxed more heaviconcerned, brings the war to an ly, he says, than the income from end and opens the way for the upbuilding work of peace. What of the spirit in which this is to said; "all the more passionately be done? If Germany considers and energetically, however, will

preparations to redress it, then Science, learning, culture—all will she add moral collapse to that go to make up real civilizamaterial disaster; but some at tion-remain, and remain in least among her leaders have purer form because of the cleanstaken a broader view and see in ing effect of the revolution. Gerthe present condition of the many has rid herself of her herecountry an opportunity to start ditary rulers, and necessity will national life anew with hope, compel her people to eliminate vision, and understanding from all parasites and stop the which, in time, will spring inter-national friendship of the finer sort. monopoly tolls that burden in-dustry. The spirit of sacrifice that Financial Minister Erz-Mathias Erzberger, Minister of berger demands leads in that Finance, speaking at Weimar be- direction. It is the spirit that fore the National Assembly, must come in all countries, but boldly outlines a taxation policy probably will be manifest only

state of compulsion, but to Germany has been deservedly trusts they will speedily have a place—as they assuredly have Details of the new taxes have a work—in the task of develop-not been submitted. The mini-ster declared it to be his purpose slowly but certainly draw the

cynicism which still dominates [nation, obviously unable to hold international relations. It seems her own against the superior physical force of the British that, if it be admitted that any great power has a right to control a neighboring small state against its will for reasons of "strategic advantage," every against England is eminently a moral issue supposedly involved case of Right against Might. So in the late war is thoroughly and finally vitiated. By an identical process of reasoning Germany could justify the occupation of before the "new order" can be Belgium, Austria the oppression regarded as anything but a badly of the Czechs and Jugo-Slavs, camouflaged edition of the old. Turkey the Armenian massacres. When the League of Nations is

According to the viewpoint which finds expression in "The New York Evening Post" and "The Review," the League of Nations, despite the shortcompressed will of the Irish people, ings of the Peace Treaty, is a then progressive thinkers will real guarantee of a new order in not withhold their support from which brute force will be sup-planted by justice. Ireland is a decisive test of the validity of their present attitude of critical this new order: The is a small reserve.

WHAT TO DO IF INFLUENZA RETURNS. Will there be another visita- away, tion of influenza? writes Col. 3. Your nose, not your mouth, George A. Soper, of the Sanitary Corps, U. S. A., in "Science." Nobody can positively answer this question. Influenza clean mouth, clean skin, and commonly sweeps in more than clean clothes.

one wave over a country. Ame- 5. Try to keep cool when you rica experienced an unmistak- walk and warm when you ride able, but mild wave before the and sleep. great one of September and 6. Open the windows-always October and since then there at home at night; at the office

have been local disturbances when practicable. corresponding to fresh outbreaks 7. Food will win the war if in many places. In England a you give it a chance-help by new and alarming prevalence choosing and chewing your food has been reported. It would well.

not be surprising if there should 8. Your fate may be in your be another pandemic in the own hands-wash your hands Inited States.

The writer's idea of the most 9. Don't let the waste products essential things to remember of digestion accumulate-drink

are embodied in the following a glass or two of water on gettwelve condensed rules which ting up were prepared in September, re- 10. Don't use a napkin, towel, commended by the Surgeon-spoon, fork, glass or cup which General of the Army and publical been used by another person

lished by order of the Secretary and not washed. 11. Avoid tight clothes, tight of War to be given all possible shoes, tight gloves-seek to 1. Avoid needless crowdingmake nature your ally not your

influenza is a crowd disease. prisoner. 2. Smother your coughs and 12. When the air is pure sneezes—others do not want the breathe all of it you can-

# SELF-DETERMINATION FOR AUSTRIA.

From the New York World.

Whatever may be thought of [

United States.

publicity:

seek association with stronger them, powers. The only question is But it is not necessary to con-whether her relations shall be jure up gloomy possibilities for open or secret. All the advan- the future. Present reasons for tages to Europe and the peace fairness are enough. The Ausof the world are on the side of trians need trade outlets if they open union. All the dangers are are to survive the dangers of on the side of secret under- anarchy. They are so much

ony, Bavaria, Wuerttemberg and to choose their destiny for them-

Prussianism. With the Austrian treaty terms in Austria left out, Prussia will be general, the policy of forbidding almost as predominant in Gerthe new nation to unite with Germany is as unwise as it is morally indefensible.

almost as predominant in Germany as before; in any war fomented by her, such as her militarists at least still dream of, A fraction of its former dimen- the Austrians would be all the sions, without a seaport and more likely to join if smarting lacking even contact with its old from the feeling that free choice partner, Hungary, Austria must of nationality had been denied

entitled to self-determination as In union with Germany the the other fragments of the Dual Austrians would be, with Sax- Monarchy. They should be left the smaller states, a strong and selves under the League of sane balance against the undue Nations.

### Against American Intervention Policy, BRITISH M. P. SAYS MONO POLISTS HERE ARE CAUSE

OF MEXICAN TROUBLE. According to a special cable simply because the Germans,

makes a plea on behalf of Mexico can politics." "threatened with United States Mr. Lowther thinks it a misintervention." Mr. Lewther take for the British Government feels encouraged to do this, "as to refuse to renew diplomatic some few years ago I was at- relations with Mexico. He tached to His Britannic Majesty's writes: Legation in Mexico City, trav-eled extensively through the country, and have many Mexican Hexican Government we are playing the game of the Ameri-

to take his revenge.

to The New York Times, C. W. Lowther, M. P., in a letter to fight against the interference of American monopolists in Mexi-

can monopolist, to whose advan-The letter goes on: "Even tage it is to keep in a troubled during the Presidency of Diaz state the country which denies the Mexican Government had, him the monopoly he seeks. In despite its cordial relations with South America we are making other countries, an anxious time. a big effort to regain our trade its powerful neighbor to the lost during the war. Let us do north seemed always ready to the same in Mexico. Our devour it. Capitalists from the diplomacy seems ever hampered United States worked unceasing-ly to lay hold of any Mexican We have nothing to fear but industry, and following the usual everything to gain by recog-American business strategy nizing the Mexican Government aimed at a monopoly. \* \* \* The and re-establishing as soon as American monopolist was balked possible trade relations with that of his object, but did not hesitate country. Our recognition would strengthen the Government; the fault of the Mexican tem-perament. The money, the arms, from the glaring injustice of such

"The sad years of civil strife would mean a good market for which followed General Diaz's British goods and British enterfall were by no means entirely prise. On the other hand an and possibly even the motive a thing, when viewed in the light came from citizens of the great of the pretensions of the League northern neighbor. Why did the Mexicans so strongly favor the Germans during the war? Why, Mexico."