

# RUSSIA A WRECK BY PEACE PACT, ASSERTS GERMAN

Inexhaustible Resources Myth, Says Teuton; Kaiser Holds All Fruitful Slav Provinces.

Amsterdam, May 29.—"Residue-Russia" is the name given to what is left of the Russian empire by Prof. Paul Rohrbach, the German historian. Lecturing before a large audience in Berlin, he said:

"Petrograd shorn of the western provinces, the Ukraine and Bessarabia, is only a residue. Danger from Russia in any shape is no longer to be feared by Germany. Russia is now a mere geographical conception and nothing more. And it never will be anything more. Its power of cohesion, reorganization and reconstruction are gone forever.

"As a world power Russia has ceased to exist and all the talk about the great nation which has been destroyed is simply sentimental rubbish. The nation no longer exists, save as an inchoate mass.

Residue Russia still may have 100,000,000 inhabitants.

No Danger From Russ. "This looks stupendous, but it contains no element of danger. The great resource and reliance of Russia used to be her export of grain. Residue-Russia does not possess this. All the talk of Russia's inexhaustible resources is a legend. Residue-Russia will be a community of peasants, with not too much fertile soil. It will be thickly peopled, huge in area, but politically, economically, financially and militarily weak—a stupid, apathetic state of peasants.

In contrast to Residue-Russia the surrendered territories are capable of high development. The Ukraine has the best prospect of developing in strength and economically. Her harvests could easily be multiplied threefold.

## GERMANS OUSTED FROM CONTROL OF FUR TRADE IN U. S.

Washington, May 28.—Another tentative of German control in American industry has been severed by A. Mitchell Palmer, the alien property custodian.

Under arrangements now being completed between the custodian and the Fur Merchants' Credit association of New York City, the interests of the German fur barons of Leipzig will be purchased by American merchants and the money paid turned into the United States treasury to be held until the end of the war for the Germans involved.

In announcing recently the forced retirement of German interests in the industry, Mr. Palmer said even rough estimates of the enemy holdings cannot be made until all the fur dealers have reported balances due the Germans.

"It may be stated, however," said the custodian, "that the negotiations just completed will root out forever the last German dollar invested in the fur business in this country, turn loose the American furrier from the control of the Leipzig cabal and establish a great new industry here in America."

### Ibsen Play Visualized

Elsie Ferguson's next appearance in an Arterait picture following "The Lie," will be as the star in "A Doll's House," adapted from the famous play of Henrik Ibsen, whose remarkable psychological plays have won enduring fame. Miss Ferguson plays the part of Nora, an exceedingly emotional part well suited to the accomplishments of this great artist.

Illusions Realized. Luffington had called up to his wife: "Are you ready, dear?" "In one minute, darling," came the response down the stairs. "Matrimony," soliloquized Luffington, as he lighted a fresh cigar, "does not dispel all our illusions. Before our marriage I thought every moment I had to wait for her was an eternity, and so it has turned out to be."—New York Post.

## THE MAN WHO MADE THE RIALTO POSSIBLE



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## SAILING SHIP SINKS GERMAN SUBMARINE

Eight Direct Hits Scored Out of 13 Shots at U-Boat Fired by Gun Crew of Merchant Vessel.

London, May 28.—In the weekly return showing the number of British merchant vessels attacked by submarines occurs the phrase "British merchant vessels unsuccessfully attacked." The admiralty record show that hidden away in that phrase is many a story of gallant seamanship.

During the month from March 15 to April 15 of this year, 64 British vessels were attacked unsuccessfully by U-boats.

The submarine which attacks a defensively armed merchantman has no longer a "sure thing." During the last month there were several cases in which even two U-boats were unsuccessful in an attack on a single steamer. There are several cases, also, in which the steamer completely turned the tables on the German, and sent him to the bottom instead.

Even sailing ships frequently give a good account of themselves against the submarine, although in the nature of things they are much less easy to maneuver than a ship with steam power. The following is one such case reported to the admiralty:

"A sailing ship was proceeding leisurely on its course when the lookout sighted a submarine on the starboard quarter. It lay quiet until the U-boat came within range, and then opened fire. The gun crew knew their business, for they soon found the target, and out of 13 shots eight direct hits were scored. The U-boat, which had been vainly twisting and turning to get out of range, suddenly went down by the bows, and its stern stood clear of the water for nearly half a minute. Then it dived perpendicularly, and came up again at an angle of 30 degrees above the water. For a short space of time it remained in this position, and then disappeared like a stone."

### Vivian Martin to Begin New Pictures Shortly

Vivian Martin has not as yet begun work on her new Paramount picture, which will follow "Viviette," recently completed. Whatever is chosen for her will be under the direction of James Young.

### "Love Loops the Loop" Next Sennett Comedy

"Love Loops the Loop" has been chosen as the title for the next Mack Sennett comedy for Paramount, in which Charles Murray is starred with Mary Thurman as his main support.

### Paramount Director Takes Rest

George Melford, director of Paramount pictures, is taking a brief rest. He has gone hunting and hopes to shoot wild goats, and fish for swordfish. When he left he said that if he couldn't get a sword he'd get some one's "goat."

## More Johnsons in Omaha Than Jones or Smiths, New City Directory Shows

HON. ED P. SMITH, MAYOR, CITY HALL.

James C. Dahlman, (r), 2901 Hickory. That's the way they read in the new 1918 city directory which has just been issued. The new mayor's name is inscribed in heavy, black face capitals. The old mayor's name is written in the tiny agate type which is given to every man's son.

But where the new mayor went out, the new commissioners lost. Tom Falconer, Harry Zimmerman, Roy Towl, Bill Ure and Dean Ringer receive no prominence, in fact their victory is not even chronicled, while Joe Kugel, Walter Jardine and George Parks "carry on" with the names in black face type and the words city commissioner after their names.

What is the most common name in Omaha? Smith? Jones? You're wrong. There are only four pages of the Jones family in the new city directory and eight pages of the Smith clan. There are more Andersons than Smiths. There are eight and a half pages of Andersons. And there are 11 pages of Johnsons. Johnson is the common name in Omaha. Nearly 1,000 Omahans answer to the name of Johnson.

The directory offers a fertile field to the paragrapher. He would find that while John P. Carpenter is a carpenter, Harry Carpenter is a waiter. He also would find that Ernest A. Mason is not a bricklayer at all, but a dentist. Edwin Perfect is an insurance man and Ruby Tripp is a waitress. Joe Sundae is not a brother of an ice cream soda, but a shoemaker. There are several Summers, Winters, Springs and Falls in the directory.

Robert Person probably is one. Michael Patrick, for a guess, is Irish. Charles Fast lives at 1714 South Eighth street and Hubert Sloman lives at 502 South Thirty-sixth. Choose your own speed. Ignatz Pawelczyk is a city fireman. Paragraphers would have a fit over that first name. William Penn has come back to life and is living at 1924 North Twenty-fourth street, having given Pennsylvania the go-by. James White is black and Edward Black is white.

Leo Lee owns the shortest name in the directory, at least his is as short

as any. There are several of this triplet form. Chris Paraskevopoulos and Elizabeth Altmannsparger run neck and neck for honors as possessing the longest name. Each boasts 14 letters.

Then the paragrapher might discover many like these:

Charles R. Jewell sells stoneware. Earl Parson is not a parson, but a printer, while Frank Painter is an iron worker. Samuel Forger has never been accused because he is a harness man. Chester Foreman is a draftsman and Frank Cashman is a

watchman. Irving Cutter is a doctor and Charles Doctor works for a tire company. Arthur Nurse is a decorator and Bessie Bishop is a nurse. Carl Miller is a stenographer and Alf Presser is a salesman. Fred Walker is a driver while Earl Driver is a machinist. Fred Fiddler is a foreman, Jacob Packer is a peddler, William Page is a tinner, Joseph Binder is a meat cutter and Jacob Fisher is a fireman.

But here is the prize winning line of the whole directory: "Benj. Fish, carp, 932 South Twenty-first street."

And the paragrapher overcome in his glee, shouts, "The poor fish!" and calls it a day's work.

### New Paramount Picture

Work has been begun on "The Firefly of France," the next Paramount picture in which Wallace Reid will appear. Ann Little will be the leading lady.

## Patriotic Omahans Are Urged To See "Pershing's Crusaders"

Colonel F. A. Grant, commanding officer of the Omaha quartermaster corps, has received a telegram from Charles S. Hart, director of division of films, committee of public information asking his co-operation in urging everyone in Omaha to see the official war film, "Pershing's Crusaders," which will be shown at the

Brandeis' theater the week of June 2. "They are pictures of 'our boys,'" Colonel Grant said, "and patriotic Omahans will flock to see them. The pictures are authentic and are being shown under the authorization of the United States government."

The Copper Range railroad in upper Michigan is hiring women station agents to take the places of men called to the colors.

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