

Imperialism Means Blood In Torrents

A world-shaking explosion has taken place in Europe, and certain individuals must have prepared it and applied the match.

want to buy. He proved it so conclusively that Great Britain threw over (unfortunately not altogether) her protective system and became the tremendous force she is today.

Why did Austria annex Bosnia and Herzegovina, in 1908? Undoubtedly because certain Austrians, who had the power, believed in the policy of expansion and thought the moment opportune.

All this business of Imperialism, expansion, "my country 'tis of thee," protection, "trade follows the flag," etc., etc., is economic delusion, governmental delusion, military delusion, barbaric delusion, ignorance.

It is all a general concept, a huge illusion, a lie that does not correspond with the ascertained facts of life. Nations are not wholes.

Bismarck was a gentleman with gigantic State theories, but blind to well-established facts. Bismarck wanted his people to be somebodies, and he could not conceive of their amounting to anything until they had become an immense, powerful and constantly-expanding State.

The United States, as such, neither has a balance of trade in favor nor against it. Rockefeller and other exporters may give more than they receive, or vice versa, and the difference comes out of or goes into their individual pockets.

So Bismarck set to work. He made war on Denmark, and Prussia expanded by absorbing Schleswig-Holstein. He made war on Austria, and Austria became subservient.

Neither as individuals nor as compulsory units of that artificial, government-created abstraction, the nation, do we profit by crushing the other fellow—unless, indeed, our idea of prosperity is the grabbing of a monopoly.

I do not write about the invasion of little Serbia. I do not write about the onslaught of which innocent Belgium has been the victim.

formed it on facts that no boasts of culture (Oh, irony of ironies!) or flights of eloquence can shake. I trace the parentage of this war. I point out the continuance of the Bismarckian school of thought.

During the Russo-Japanese war, when he must have been keenly sensitive to the agonies of his own distracted country, Tolstoy wrote that the real struggle was not the one then being carried on between the opposing armies.

Against all this I, who call myself an Anarchist, am necessarily in burning revolt. Intellectually, and spiritually I am the foe of the invader, and whatever might be his nationality I would do my utmost to expel him.

I am non-resistant. On the contrary, I consider resistance to invasion and, above all, resistance to those delusions by which invasion seeks to justify itself.

Let us use this war and drag its great lesson from it. Let us not be cowards. Let us not shelter once more behind vague generalities and, throwing up our hands, declare that human nature is irredeemably vicious.

What invaluable lessons the history of Mexico herself during the last thirty years could teach us, if we would but study that history impartially! Who doubts today that the greed and personal ambitions of Diaz, and the human hyenas who surrounded him, rendered inevitable the revolution that drove them out of power?

Means Conscription

Alberto Madero, brother of the late president, visited Los Angeles recently. He came accompanied by John V. Apablaza, the wealthy San Diego capitalist, and that gentleman assured the "Los Angeles Daily Times" that Senator Madero had come to straighten out all misunderstandings.

Carranza is no more likely to decrease the uncompensated expropriation of land monopolists than would be John D. Rockefeller, and until such expropriation takes place nothing substantial will have been accomplished.

Senator Catron is a conservative Republican and considers, of course, that we shall have to intervene in Mexico and hold it by force of arms, as we hold Cuba.

Paternal Despotism

The "Oakland Enquirer," treating of the Mexican problem, said recently: "Peace and order will come to our troubled neighbor when the land question, her root of all evil, has been settled in such manner as to get her people into rightful possession of her soil, and not until then."

Yes; but the American land monopolists are the ones who won't get out, and the interview given out recently by Lind, President Wilson's personal representative in Mexico, shows clearly that land monopoly is the root of all the trouble.

"Land for the peon is the dominant question in Mexico" runs the heading of an excellent article that appeared recently in the "Christian Science Monitor," of Boston.

PUERTO RICO ALSO.

Even little Puerto Rico feels the influence of the rising tide of restoration of the land to those who must live by it. "Justicia" of October 11 prints the Governor's reply to the demands of the Free Federation of Workers of Puerto Rico.

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borers have to pay, and exorbitant rates of interests charged for money loans. All these evils do exist here in the island, and they hurt and pinch most grievously the working people who are those least able to endure them.

RANGEL AND CLINE

Up to the present writing, nothing we know about the trial of Cline and Rangel, who were to be tried on the 1st and 7th of this month.

What the results of their trials has been, if such trials had taken place, we do not know, but we know that our brothers are suffering and that it is our duty to do everything in our power to get them out of their suffering.

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