

**101 GERMAN LIES.**

Following is another installment of the 101 German lies run to earth by the St. Louis Republic and reprinted here for the benefit of "Watchman" readers:

(Conclusion).

LIE No. 91. A report from Cuba said the body of a soldier, who died at Camp Funston, had been shipped by express to his widow in Cuba, with collect charges of \$12, and that the widow had to procure the sum from friends, being herself without funds.

(This report has been denied before, it being the revival of a tale which could be circulated without eliciting any immediate facts. The body in question was found to have been accompanied by an officer from Camp Funston, with all expenses paid by the government).

LIE No. 92. Similar to the Cuba case is this from Steelville: The body of a soldier, who died at Camp Funston, was sent to his mother with charges, collect, the woman having to pay between \$20 and \$30.

(A letter was sent to the railroad agent at Steelville, asking him to verify the report. He wrote back: "The report is a lie. The body of Thomas Gruver was sent here collect, but the government paid all of the charges from this end. They handle all of their shipments that way.")

LIE No. 93. J. B. Hinchey, of St. Louis, told the Republic he had heard reports that 15 to 18 aviators are killed daily at Scott Field, near Belleville, about which the public hears nothing. He said this report no doubt caused anxiety among mothers whose sons are now or will be in the aviation service.

(It is just this purpose for which pro-German bunk is circulated. The War Department is giving to the public information of every death that occurs anywhere in the army, no matter in what branch, and without regard to whether death results from natural or accidental causes).

LIE No. 94. A St. Louis woman writes the Republic of hearing the story that all our wheat is sent abroad to make whiskey. She said she had heard of a woman who refused to sign the Hoover pledge on the ground that she would not do without wheat flour because whiskey is made of all that is sent abroad.

(This is clearly more "bunk" to hamper the government's conservation work. The views of this country on the whiskey question are too clear now to give any reason for belief in such a story. Besides, but little wheat is used in making whiskey).

LIE No. 95. Report of another story, alleging poor treatment of soldiers in the army camps, comes from D. C. Boydston, of Atlanta, Mo., who said he heard two women talking over the telephone. One of the women Boydston writes, has a nephew at Camp Doniphan, where, according to the reported telephone conversation, he had to dig trenches at night while suffering from pneumonia.

(This lie is so plainly nothing but "bunk" of pro-German kind, it hardly needs refuting again. It is common knowledge among those who have seen the camps or talked with men on leave that they are thriving on the treatment received).

LIE No. 96. Frank E. Murray, 5239 Cabanne avenue, told the Republic

that in Alton, Ill., a story was being circulated to the effect that a big manufacturing concern there had been given a government contract to manufacture bottles; the bottles to be filled with poison for the American soldiers to take if captured by Germans. (There was never a piece of "bunk" more plainly apparent than this lie. Its purpose is clear).

LIE No. 97. Marvin R. Locke, of Abilene, Tex., writes from San Antonio that everywhere in that State lies telling of bad treatment of soldiers in government and newspapers try to run these stories down, but find them always without foundation.

(This piece of traitorous pro-German stuff has been answered many times).

LIE No. 98. A story criticising Food Administrator Hoover for "eating a \$7 meal at a banquet" and rising thereafter to preach conservation and economy, is being circulated in St. Louis.

(All such stories as this are based on exaggeration and are twisted and garbled for the purpose of creating dissatisfaction. Hoover is known to be unquestionably sincere in his work and to practice the things he urges others to do).

LIE No. 99. More Red Cross lies are being circulated in Chillicothe, Mo., according to T. L. Keslin, of Bedford, who wrote to the Republic that he heard a member of the Red Cross would be subjected to repeated calls for money, because the officers need more money all the time. He said other stories are to the effect that young girls are to be taken from the families of Red Cross members and educated as nurses. Also, that the names of those who have not joined are being taken, and they are being told that they will be forced to join later.

(All of these stories are pro-German lies, told for no other purpose than to retard Red Cross work. The Red Cross organization is altogether a voluntary work, and its chief workers here and abroad work without one cent of pay, and even pay their own expenses. No one is forced to serve or to donate. Those who do so are responding to the call of patriotism).

LIE No. 100. Walter Eason, of 3915 Delmar boulevard, who has three boys in the army, tells the Republic that a woman who has one son in the army is telling her neighbors, and told Eason that soldiers are dying by the hundreds at Jefferson Barracks, and are being piled into rough graves, with no burial ceremonies.

(More Teuton "bunk" set floating for the purpose of creating anxiety in the hearts of mothers whose sons are in the service. There is not a word of truth in any such story).

LIE No. 101. A story of ridiculous tests of the endurance of soldiers as they enter army service is being scattered about the country, to the effect that ground red pepper is placed in their eyes by the examining physician to learn whether their "nerve" is good, and that other tests are frightful.

(The idea of such a feature of examination is so clearly out of reason that such stories hardly need refuting. Army officials and physicians, and soldiers themselves, deny that there are any cruelties in any of the examinations. It is the effort of medical men to assist the eyesight of the men rather than to impair it).

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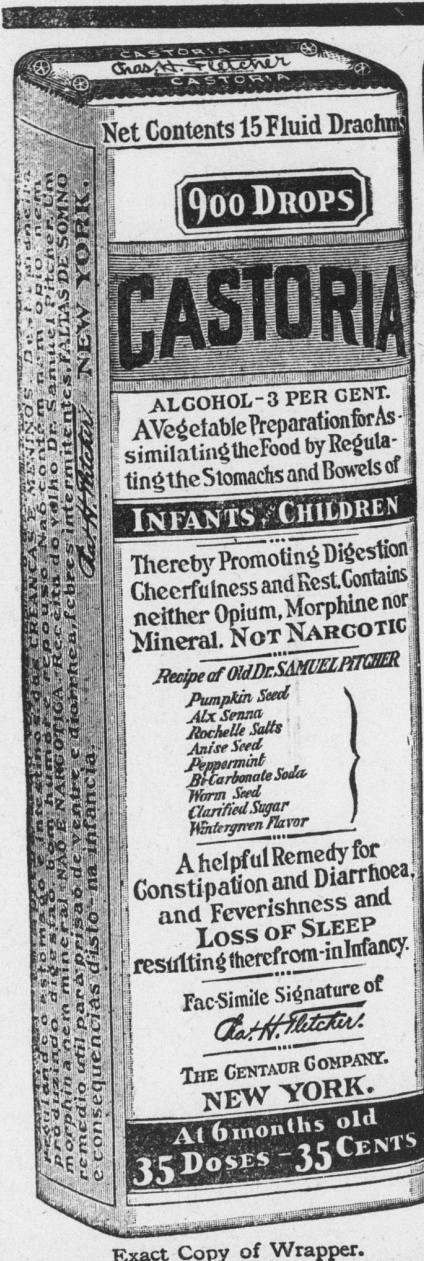
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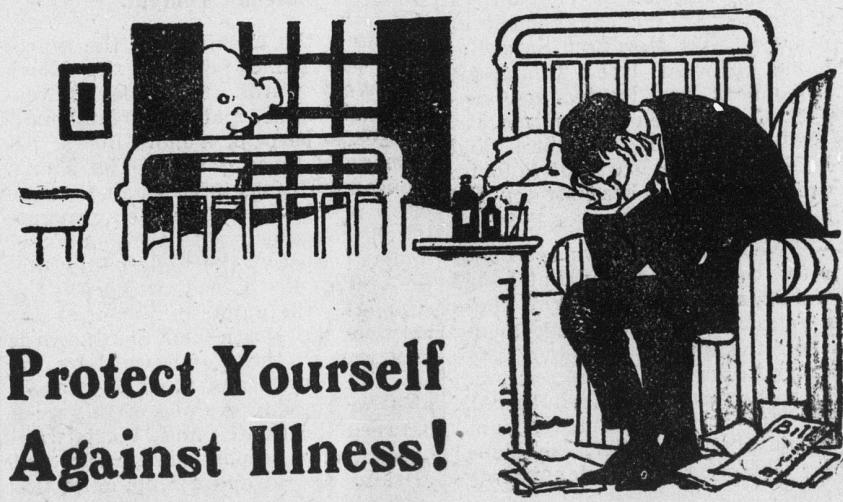
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