

THE CHILDREN OF THE LUSITANIA, BY RAEMAEEKERS, FAMOUS DUTCH CARTOONIST

115 American men, women and children went down with the Lusitania when she was torpedoed by a German submarine, on May 7, 1915. Senator Clarke, of Arkansas, speaking in the United States Senate on March 3, 1916, made the following comment on their fate:

"The American citizen has been so accustomed to exercising an unbounded liberty that any restriction upon it seems an imposition and unfair. Therefore, in deference to that extravagant notion of his own importance I am perfectly willing to let him travel, if he wants to, so that he does so upon condition that if he is lost 'the subsequent proceedings shall interest him no more.' He is simply taking his stand where he elected to take it."

"Whilst our citizens put extravagant limits upon their own liberty, they are also fair and courageous; and if one of them put himself in an attitude of that kind after he has been notified that the Government of the United States does not concern itself further about him than to see that his grave is kept green, he will accept the consequences of the bargain if he sees proper to make it."



On the same date, in the Senate, Senator Jones, of Washington, said: "The nation's honor should hang on no man's foolhardiness. Uphold the nation's honor—yes, with every drop of American blood, if need be; but American blood is too precious for a single drop to be shed on the altar of selfishness, recklessness or commercialism."

"Our rights' cry the tom-tom performers," said Senator McCumber, of North Dakota.

They were "reckless adventurers in the search of thrills or mad with the lust of gain," Representative Chipfield, of Illinois, told the lower House.

Do the families, relatives and friends of the men, women and children who were murdered on the Lusitania believe they were "reckless adventurers," or worshippers at the "altar of selfishness, recklessness or commercialism"?

Are the families, relatives and friends of the men, women and children who were murdered on the Lusitania content merely that the nation shall "see that his grave is kept green"?

"We do not want any love among the Americans, but we do want respect, and the case of the Lusitania will win it for us better than a hundred victories on land."—Berlin Lokal Anzeiger, May 9, 1915.



Mrs. Walter D. Mitchell, of Newark, N. J., and her baby.

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Alice Hubbard, wife of Elbert Hubbard, the author, of East Aurora, N. Y.

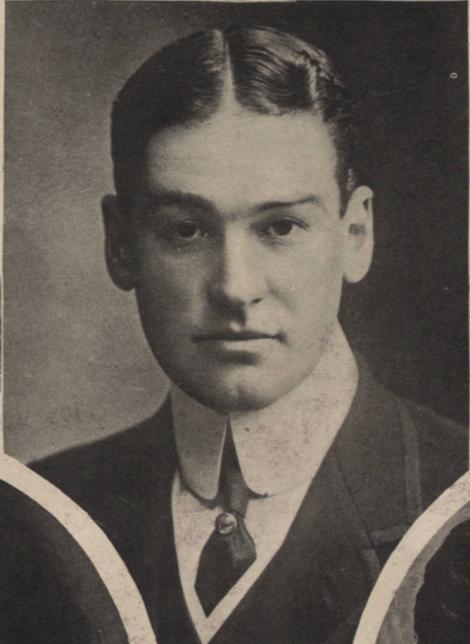


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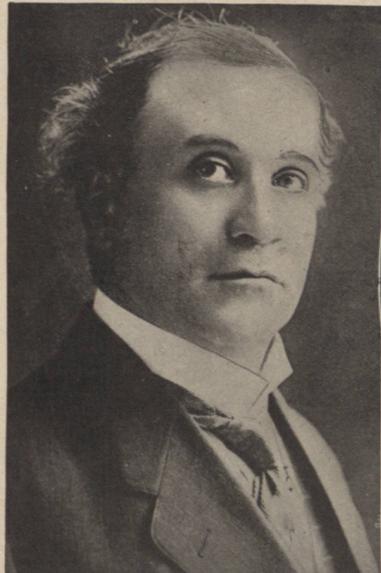


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