

When an anti-Christian government takes over, who knows what Christians may have to suffer! All this seems very far away from us. What does this possibly have to do with us? Satan exerts this ~~power~~ power often in distant parts of the earth, yes. But that's far from us. We are free America. How could anything like that take place here?

Think of how the devil has been successful in the last 50 years. In 1914 the first world war when it broke out it was the result of medieval ideas. The Emperor of Germany, the favorite grandson of Queen Victoria of England, the one in whose arms she lay when she died, Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany, felt that his ally Austria had been attacked by Russia and he must come to Austria's help. The Russian army which had been heading toward Austria immediately turned into Germany, and it was a great effort on the part of the German forces to stop them at Tannenberg, at that great battle in which Von Hindenberg gained his fame.

Then he knew that just as he felt it was necessary for him to stand by his ally Austria, he knew that France would stand by its ally Russia. But to bring the big Russian power into full effectiveness in those days of the Czar's inefficiency would take some months, and France had an army well-trained which might attack Germany from the other side ~~and~~ any minute. So he asked France if it would stay neutral and not interfere in the war between Austria and Germany on one side and Russia on the other. He refused to do so, so Emperor Wilhelm attacked first.

He attacked France and the British were united by a treaty with France, so they came to help France and we had world war one. WWI ended with a complete defeat of Germany. Of course during it there was all kinds of wicked lying propaganda about Emperor Wilhelm that made Americans hate him and hate the Germans, but when the war came to an end there was one man who was used of Satan as much as any man has ever been used and that was Clemenceau, Prime Minister of France --- a man who believed in neither God, man, or devil and hated them all.

Clemenceau was determined that Germany should suffer, that Germany should be reduced to poverty that the Germans should grovel. And against the wishes of Lloyd George, the British Prime Minister and against the wishes of Woodrow Wilson who wished to establish a system of peace and justice Clemenceau insisted on terms which reduced the German people to almost to serfs. The result was that when the war ended there was a great splurge of prosperity in the U.S.A. here, and the ~~smx~~ victorious nations in Europe got along quite well, but 60 million people in Germany were reduced to poverty with the constant requirement of reparations which it was impossible for them to pay. They had very little natural resources, and big tariff walls around them to keep them from selling the products of their industry. When I was there in 1929 and saw millions of people in poverty