

EVERY SO OFTEN, amidst the flowery words of the writers and the poets, a colossal misrepresentation appears, referring to the eating habits of a lovely, cultured, young lady. It goes something like this: "The willowy enchantress carefully measured and balanced, with her fork, each dainty bit of the golden pheasant. She barely touched the French cuisine. Milady had a bird-like appetite."

If milady did in fact have the appetite of a bird, however, she probably would not have been able to rise from the table. And it is certain her indigestion would have been as acute a case as medical science has thus far encountered.

The English sparrow eats more than half its weight in food, grain, etc., daily. A yellow throated warbler will consume as many as 10,000 tree lice from sun-up to sun-down. A pair of grosbeaks generally visit the nest to feed the young 450 times per day. Sixty grasshoppers have been found in a single night hawk after its feeding period. A female martin can handle as many as 2,000 mosquitoes in one session, and a scarlet tanager devours gypsy moths at the rate of 35 a minute for periods up to 18 minutes at a time.

Did we say milady with a similar appetite, conceivably would have acute indigestion? This was a gross understatement; milady would burst. So the next time your appetite is compared to that of a feathered creature—unless you feel up to eating half your weight in pot-roast and potatoes, or 35 carrots a minute for 18 minutes at a time—perhaps your reply to "Milady hath a bird-like appetite," should be: "How dare you, sir!"

AN APPEAL TO THE FREE WORLD*

The West must not forget that the Russian people were the first people to be enslaved and terrorized by international Communism.

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have decided to make the following appeal to the statesmen and public opinion of all nations still free from Communist domination. . . . I make this pronouncement as the rightful representative of the true Russia, and of the entire Russian nation, as heir to a centuries-old tradition, and present head of the historical dynasty, which the Russian nation called upon to govern and protect it more than 300 years ago and which ruled until recently over a sixth part of the world.

I speak in the name of the Russia whose Emperor, my uncle Nicholas II, later martyred by the Communists, was responsible for the initiative that resulted in the Hague Convention . . . the first honest attempt to establish jus-

tice and lasting peace among the nations . . .

It is apparent that those who direct the policies of the Western Powers are at a loss or unwilling to find a solution to the problems confronting the world today. On the one hand we have an aggressive World Communism, and on the other nations anxious for peace. The former persistently and unscrupulously pursues the definite objective of world domination. It possesses a dictatorial center for the control of its operations. It is supported by tremendous funds and well-organized fifth columns in all countries. . . . The free nations have no precise aims, no clear or constructive policy and no unity of leadership. This lack of a common political ideal . . . has now brought about a state of general confusion. . . .

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