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LATEST NEWS. SHORT ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

All Serbia Occupied. Lugano, Thursday. The Secolo says that now all Serbia is in the hands of the victors.
Parliament Prolonged. London, Thursday. The second reading of the Bill, prolonging Parliament for an extra year, has been passed.



Greece. (Disgusted.) For goodness' sake, Sir Edward, take all those rowdy boys of yours away, they are spoiling all my lovely turf!

The New War Credit in the Reichstag.

STATE SECRETARY OF TREASURY, DOCTOR HELFFERICH, MAKES TELLING SPEECH. SAYS RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONTINUANCE OF WAR RESTS WITH ALLIES.

In the Reichstag on Tuesday, the Secretary of State of the Treasury, Dr. Helfferich, made one of his characteristically happy speeches, in which he set forth a project for a further War Loan of ten milliards of marks.

Amongst other things of interest Dr. Helfferich said: Our enemies still nurse the phantasy, after 16 months of war, of a destruction and annihilation of Germany. All of us are convinced that the war must be carried through, until such a time as our country shall be permanently secure.

"Your voting of this measure," he said, "will demonstrate to the world once more, that we are firmly determined to bring the war to a successful conclusion and that any other supposition is false." (Applause)

The Expenses.

The war, said Dr. Helfferich, was costing two milliards and more per month. But that, in view of the extension of front, of the continuous creation of new formations, of the rise in the price of raw material, was not anything beyond what might be expected. The utmost economy, as far as possible consistent with the well being and care of the soldiers at the front, was being practised.

The Secretary referred to the alacrity with which the last loans had been taken up, and the calls paid before due. The Savings Banks were in flourishing condition, their in-payments being larger than in times of peace. It was the same kind of picture with the Banks, and specially the Reichsbank.

England Miscalculated.

England, he said, had, from the first miscalculated the costs of the war. That country had thought it possible to raise the costs of war by means of taxes. That had failed. England ran great danger of its national financial prestige being permanently damaged.

Dr. Helfferich drew the attention of the House to the fact that Germany paid her interest at home, whereas the other countries

had to pay a large portion of theirs abroad. England had to disburse unexpected sums for her allies. At first the English had talked of the last milliard. Now it is the "last penny" (Much laughter) that is spoken of, and Mr. Bonar Law had uttered the ugly sounding words, "National bankruptcy" which he said it was necessary to risk, in order to win the war.

Fighting Spirit Unbroken.

"The enemy must understand," said Dr. Helfferich in conclusion, "that our fighting spirit is unbroken, our faith in victory unlimited. (Loud applause). The German iron fist has made a powerful impression upon the Servian vassals and doorkeepers, and has cleared a broad road to the East, and, that iron fist will strike further blows if the enemy insists (General cheering). The responsibility for all this bloodshed which shall further flow, for all the trouble which may come to the world, for the heavy danger, which threatens the entire European culture, falls on the enemy who cannot make up his mind to recognise our victories, which none in the world can contest, and to give effect to them: to admit us the right to secure our future. (Loud applause). Those responsibilities fall upon those foolish and reckless people, who today still insist upon talking of our destruction, of our being torn to pieces, of a war of attrition, which shall bring them to their goal. We stand firm on the home territory, but on the golden pillars of the British Worlds Realm, there stands out in flaming letters as before the Palace of Balthazar, the Mene tekel upharsim! (Prolonged applause).

BRITISH LEADERS PREPLACED.

London, Tuesday. Officially it is admitted several British generals had been recalled from the front since the war began. The announcement was made in the house of commons by Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under secretary for war.

Answer Given to American Note.

BARON BURIAN ASKS AMERICAN GOVERNMENT TO FORMULATE LEGAL CHARGES CONCERNING SINKING OF THE ITALIAN STEAMER ANCONA.

Vienna, Thursday. The Austro-Hungarian Government has replied with promptitude to the American note concerning the "Ancona." Baron Burian declines to accept the theory that either the Austro-Hungarian Government or the commander of the U Boat are guilty.

Omission of Details.

The Union, says Baron Burian, has omitted to mention the persons whose evidence is considered more worthy of belief than the statements of a Commander of the Royal and Imperial Navy. Likewise it has omitted to give the number, names, or the fate of the Americans aboard the steamer.

The Legal Aspect.

The Austro-Hungarian Government therefore requests the Washington Cabinet to formulate a detailed statement of the laws against which the Commandant of the submarine boat is considered to have infringed in the case of the sinking of the Ancona.

AMERICAN LUNCHEON CLUB.

The American Luncheon Club met yesterday at the Adlon Hotel. Consul General Ley was there, also Mr. R. B. Harvey, second secretary of the Embassy; Mr. A. B. Ruddeck, Dr. Webster, and Dr. Dreschler, Director of the America Institute.

BEATING TIME IN THE BALKANS, Bulgarians Ready on Greek Frontier, Allies Raising Entrenchment Works About Salonica. Hellenic troops Withdraw.

Nothing could be more interesting than the aspect of the war at the present moment. According to the laws of common sense the Great Campaign ought to be over, the Central Powers being victorious over all their enemies.

Salonica the Pivot.

The war now centres itself around Salonica. The main Greek forces have retired from that town, leaving only a division as the representative of Hellenic authority. This it is understood means that the Greek Government does not wish to risk a conflict with the forces of the Central Powers, should the Allies insist upon remaining in Salonica and it be found necessary to force them out of their positions there.

The whole of Serbia, without exception is in the hands of the victorious Central Power troops. Therefore the Allies have no further reason for remaining in Greek territory. But instead of taking that view of the case, the French and English forces are building defensive works with feverish rapidity, and from Paris comes the news that the Joint Military Council summoned there, decided that Salonica was to be held, at all costs.

The Bulgarians, who have fought with the same gallantry they displayed in the war of 1912, are behaving with the utmost discretion. They have forced every single English and French soldier out of Macedonia, inflicting great loss upon the invaders and taking many prisoners and large booty.

FIRE DISTROYS MUNITION SHOP

South Bethlehem, Nov. 20. Fire which virtually destroyed the No. 4 machine shop of the Bethlehem Steel company here today was extinguished this afternoon after causing damage estimated at from \$1,000,000 to \$4,000,000.

The building destroyed was recently reconstructed and equipped with valuable machinery at a cost of about \$3,000,000. Eight hundred guns, with other war material, were in process of manufacture in the shop. These guns were valued at nearly \$1,000,000.

The building was almost completely burned and the machinery and guns ruined or damaged. The guns were being made for the entente allies and for the United States government.

The company issued a statement that the fire was due to crossed electric light wires which ignited oil in the boring mill.

It was said tonight by workmen employed at the burned structure that the spark which caused the fire could easily have been extinguished with a shovel of sand, but that while one workman was getting the sand another tossed a bucket of water on the blaze, causing it to flare up and ignite the oil.

TERRIBLE CONDITION OF THE SERVIANS.

Lugano, Sunday. The Italian Correspondent Magrini sends word that the condition of the Servians reaching Salonica is simply deplorable. They look like living skeletons. Awful also has been the condition of the Austrian prisoners taken last year. They have been almost starved to death, and precipitated themselves upon corpses of horses in order to still their hunger with the flesh. Twenty thousand of them were taken to Elbassan and Durazzo. The Servian General Staff has arrived in Scutari. The Woiwode Tankowitch, who plotted the murder of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife at Sarajewo, was killed near Krajegewatz. The President of the Skuptchina has arrived in Salonica and a temporary Skuptchina, with fifty members has been established at the Olympus Palace Hotel.

POLITICAL.

An American's Apology to Germany.

(By Roland Hugins.)

(In the Magazine "The Open Court".)

Quite frankly the American press wants to see you beaten in this war, to have "Prussian militarism" wiped out.

The desire to see you defeated springs naturally out of the general feeling of antagonism. Some explanation of your supposed aggression had to be found.

As a Bogy.

In other words, your defamers do their best to make of you a bogy. The non-combatant in modern war loses all touch with fact and comes to paint the enemy as a monster and a demon.

If you had not maintained a powerful army, where would you be now? Here is

Germany, completely ringed with hate-stung foes, battling against odds such as no other nation ever has had to face, outnumbered more than two to one—almost three to one, in men, resources and wealth, fighting to preserve her existence and even her right to remain a free and united people.

"Preparedness."

No, the explanation is always "preparedness." Yet in all except the tangible racial factors your opponents were as well prepared as yourselves.

was 9,500,000 as against your 5,500,000. Austria and Turkey were more than offset by Great Britain, Serbia, Portugal, Italy and Japan.

Sheer Malice.

The overworked assertion that civilization will suffer if you win is not based on any impartial analysis of German character or purposes, or upon a reasoned forecast of historical probabilities.

Munitions Question.

Most Americans, of course, do not share this view; nothing would please them better than to see Germany brought to her knees.

they can help avenge the "rape of Belgium" and aid in punishing the "disturber of the world's peace." Technically, of course, our neutrality is not violated, for we have the legal right, by historical usage and by article 7, Convention XIII of the 1907 Hague Conference, to sell arms anywhere in the world.

"One Last Word."

My German friends, there is one last word I would address to you, and this most earnestly of all. Do not allow your bitterness against the United States to increase.

STATISTICS ON MURDER.

"In his book 'Pay Day', page 109, C. Hanford Henderson tells us on the authority of Andrew D. White that, for every million inhabitants, Canada has each year three murders; Germany, under five; Great Britain, ten; France, fourteen, and Belgium sixteen.

If these facts are correct, and I see no reason to doubt them, there must be a cause for such an atrocious result. Our army and navy struggle for appropriations in Congress to increase their numbers, equipment and efficiency.

Appropriations for naval vessels and army requirements are voted down in Congress. Needed aid to maintain American merchant vessels, a necessary part of the navy, on the high seas, is declined; state aid for state troops is negligible; aid for military highways is frowned down.

EXPLAINING THE DELAY.

She (reading newspaper)—"Divorced thirteen a. m., wedged again five p. m." What do you think of that?

He—It would take that long to get the license. (Judge.)

Allgemeine Electricitäts-Gesellschaft Berlin Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1915.

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