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starting from the assertion that Eogland, France, Italy, and the United States-General von Ardenne remarks that "Am-rice is working behind a curtain "-are putting every possible strein upon their man power resources,

he proceeds:-It is clear that the Central Powers for their part are not folding their hands in their laps. But they do not share the rage du nombre, as the tormer imperial Chancellor, Count Caprivi, used to say; by clever use of the time allowed them by the conditions they lay stress chiefly upon the careful training of the gigantic resources which they also have at dis-

"The present war-especially the war of position - has taught us that units which are "fought out " must be withdrawn from the front, and need a certain amount of rest, in order that, after the incorporation of the necessary res rves, they may recover their old striking force. The time neces a p for recup ration d pends upon the excent of the loss a suffere t."

General von Ardeone enlarges upon the merits of the German system of restring troops and changing divison-, an then discusses the German practice · fundataining army supplies in spice of all food difficulties in Garminy. He

* Very considerable voices have been heard to say the utterances have lately found expression in pamphlets written by experienced officers—that it is n-cossary to provide quite particularly good emplies for troops which are to e prepared for an off n-ive on a large scale. The German Army Command has not tailed in this manuer bitherto, and with the support of the scli-sacrificing people at home is still doing its utmost in this respect. This is shown specially by the fact that four-sitths of our whole production of beer and lobacco, the luxuries which it is most difficult for the soldier in the field to do without, are reserved for the fighters at the fornt. The importance of these tonics for stomachs and nerves can be appreciated only by those who have shared the lot of the troops." It will be seen that, while the writer.

in the usual German manner, indicates that all is for the best in the German Army, he is really admitting that there is now considerable discussion as to the sufficiency of the feeding of the Army.

General von Ardenne then discusses the importance of maintaining moral by giving the Army cheerful news-especially chearful news concerning the situation in Germany. He concludes as tollows :-"One thing is certain; our Army is

now working hard in preparation for the last act of the great would-dram .. Its masses are coalecting. It is almost amusing to read the estimates of numbers in Entents newspapers. According to The Times, there are 150 divisions on the Western from, and still 79 divisions on the Eastern front. The journal expresses the fear that some Austro Bunkarian divisions also may appear at the front. The talkstive City organ is groping in the dark. It con, however, be said that Germany is able to put a still further strain upon her well devel ped re-ources of men. Whether we shall have to deliver the mightiest of all blows depends upon whether our en-mies will at last learn reason or persist in their stubborn blindness. Reason is, indeed, a rare growth among he men who fool the peoples of the Entente ' The Manchner Neuests Nachrichten

publishes a sarcistic letter on the joys of radway travelling in Germany. The writer wonders how people can complain of railway carriages not being heated, when they remember how important it is not to scorch their costly coots upon hot pipes. He thinks it is a great advantage to triv 1 in a cirriage with broken windows, owing to the need for tresh sir when so many passingers are smoking beech leaves and hops. And what does it matter if the flor is dir'y, seeing that it is clean in comparison with the swamps in Flandere?

Then, again, the absence of foot mate is welcome evidence of official economy, and when people say that the raitway carriages are like pig sties they are only comparing themselves to pigs. As regards the state of smoking carriages the writer can only suggest that it might be well to provide nonsmokers with gas masks. People complain that the trains are late-20 minutes or an hour, or an hour and a half. What folly, since they never before knew the unspeakable joy that they feel when a train does at last arrive! Again, people complain that the

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Dear Mr. Wells, just a scrawl to wish you every happiness for the New

Year..... Now, sir, can you give folk at home, , who seem to be mainly occupied in grousing about margatine queues or . . He med to say, "Now, lo k'ere, Mr. So-siid-So, yeu're going into this'ere competion and towards the ent of the bout you're going to feel-bad. Never 'm n i that; put up with it. It's only for a time. Remember that though you feel bad, he (the other man) most likely feels a-sight worse, and it's the last round as settles it." He would also aroure us that it was no good expecting to win tights unless we could take our share and "be-spiteful" with it. (Which judging from the Daily Mail account of a recent air said on Mann. heim we arrear to be growning) It's all right to be good to one's of ponent atter you've lick d him. Not betere.

Tell them, eir, that we on the Wes. tern front know quite well that F. 115or, as he is sometimes quite affection-ately called, "Jorry"—is probably preparing for a coloseal "smack" at ne, but we are in no way di-mayed. I do not pretend to be a fi-hting man, being but an M. T. driver who was over age before he enlisted, but I have during the last weeks spoken with many of the genuine articles, and instead of finding them to be in a state of nervous apprehension I find, an contraire, that they exhibit the most uuholy joy at the prospect.

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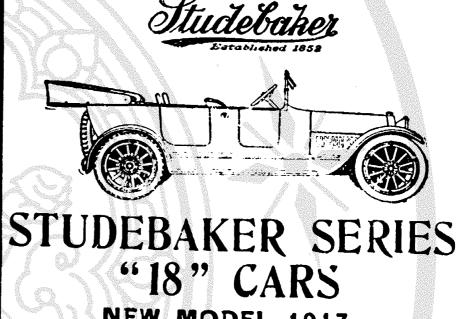
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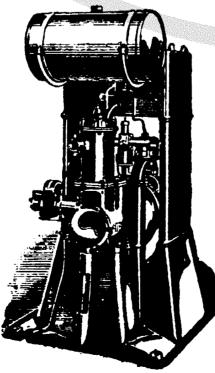
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SATURIAY, APRIL 13, 1916.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF AVIATION.

At the present moment it is impossible to foretell even the most important effects this great war is likely to produce on the worll's history. Some of the most enduring results of the great Napoleonic struggle took their rise in the impulse given to democratic development by the sufferings which succeeded the war, while the spread of the Code Napoleon and the desire for sound administration over large badly-governed districts was of great and lasting significance. On the whole, however, it may be said that the Napoleonic wars did not result in any marke i scientific or mechanical development. On the other hand the present struggle, in addition to producing the most far-reaching social and political changes, is also producing the most marvellous results in the field of applied science.

It has been during this war that the art of aviation has been so greatly perfected and it is more than probable that, in future days, historians will regard the development of this art as the most important outcome of the war. Before this great struggle aeroplanes were very few in number and a man went up into the air at the risk of his life, while the practical value of such contrivances appeared so doubtful that Governments were somewhat reluctant to assist the development of artificial flight. To-day the world numbers flying-men by the thousand and each of the belligerent nations possesess many more machines and factories for their output than did the whole world before the war.

While it is true that at present aviation is practised almost exclusively for military purposes the experience of the last three years goes to show that when at last the war is over these machines will be at once utilised for peaceful ends. The big heavy British machines are capable of taking half a dozen passengers and a thousand pounds weight of stores for a five hundred miles flight. Lord Montagu of Beaulieu spoke some time ago on the prospects of a five day journey from London to Australia and it seems that this indeed will be feasible after the war.

With the go-shead spirit that distinguishes all their undertakings the Americans are already making preparations for "trans-continental airways" which will run across or down the continent. In England also a committee is at work considering the post-bellum application of aeronautics in the British Empire. Everything points to the fact that when the great struggle is over there will come a wonderful development of aerial passenger service that will bring about a unity which will exercise a great influence on the world's progress.

TER Post and Telegraph Department reports that Prachin line is imperfectly working between Krabindra and Bangkek. Chiengmai line is interrupted. Paknampoh line is still in good order as far as Loburi. Other lines are all right.



Court Circular.

SAMUDA SAGOR Priday, April 12.

Friday, April 18.

This morning He Majesty the
King, with members of his suite, 1-ft.

Bingkok for Saunda Sazor by boat.

On his way His Majasty honoured His Excellency Phys Bijet Bises Bissi, Chief Justice of the Literational Court with a visit at his residence, where The King remained to breakfast, after which His M j sty r sauned his journey to Samuda Sazor.

St. George's Minstrels.

It was the intention to cel-brate. St. George's Day in this city by a Ministrel and Dramatic Performance in aid of King George's Fund for Sailors to take place at the Theatre Royal which had been graciously lent by His Majesty for the purpose.

This being the holiday month, however, many people will be out of town on St. George's Day and so it has been decided to defer the performance till Saturday, May 25th—the day following Empire day.

The programme will consist of three items. First will come the Minstrels who will give a performance in the style that the Uhristys and Mohawks made so popular years ago. Next will be produced an entirely original comic operata written by Dr. Thornely and composed by Mr. A. G. Beaumont, the author and composer of the successful Slaves of Liberty. The final item will be an extremely laughable dramatic sketch and it is proposed that a supper and dance shall conclude the

entertainment.

A few words relating to King George's Fund for Sailors may not be without interest. The Fund was started last year having as its aim 'he aiding of the men of the Royal Navy, the Naval Reserve, the trawlers and all those who, by their heroic work upon the sea, have done so much for the Allied cause, and to provide for ther dependents. His Majesty, King George, headed the list with a gift of £5,000 and in a very short time the fund amounted to £250,000.

It is possible to earmark any amount raised for the dependents of sailors, or of minesweepers or others lost in the defence of the British Empire and the Allied cause, but unless any special suggestion is made in this connection it is proposed to hand the proceeds to His Britannic Majesty's Minister for transmission to the general fund. It should hardly be necessary to recall the deep sense of obligation we are all under for the magnificent a roices of the British Fleet in the war, so it is hoped that the public will be as generous of their purposage as they have always hitherto been as regards the war charities.

Further details as to the eale of tickers etc. will be anucunced later.

The Scots Nicht.

In giving the statement of the finances of the "Soots \icht," yesterday, it should have been mentioned that the members of the Sangkok St. Andrew's Society beg to sender their grateful thanks to all those who so generous, ly helped towards the success of the evening.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Pathanakorn is showing from to-night an entirely new and attractive programme.

An Amsterdam message says that Germany proposes to occupy Snake Island at the mouth of the Dannbe, to convert it into a great fortress, and thus dominate Bumania.

A TONNAGE agreement between Sweden and the Allies has been settled, whereby 72,000 tons of Swedish shipping is placed at the disposal of the Allies. Sweden is permitted to import 64,000 tons of necessaries.

AMERICA is putting forth a colossal ship-building programme. Within a few weeks a great number of destroyers, merchantmen, and submarines will be building at Philadelphia and Boston shipyards. Since November the United States Government has converted a large, barren island in the Delaware River into the biggest shipbuilding yard in the world, and also created a town of 20,000 inhabitants on the island. This yard assembles parts which are manufactured at a thousand factories. It is anticipated the island yard will turn out 50 ships of 8,000 tons each in 1918. After September it will finish a merchantman in every two days.

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The Great Battle.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Piris, April 11. French artillery was active between Montdidier and Novon and we repulse ed a-veral coupe de main.

Yesterday, on the British front, the enemy at acked with stubbornness between the Lys and Armentieres on - the east bank of the Ypres Comines canal oblining the English to fall back aligitly.

To-day the hattle continue on all the front. A stubborn contest is developing near the Lys. The English have evacuated "Armen-

tieres remiered untenable by gas. Desp-rate combuts are raging at Plosgeteert, Messines and Wyschaete.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, April 11. Field Marshal Haig reports:-This morning, after intense hombardment from La Bassee canal to the neighbourhood of Armentieres strong hostile forces attacked the British and Portuguese holding this sector. A thick mist made observation impossible and the enemy forced his way into positions near Neuve Chapelle, Fanquissart and Lacordonnerie farm.

After heavy fighting all day the enemy forced back the Portuguese in the centre and the British on the flanks of the line by the river between Estaires and Baestmaur.

We hold our positions on both flanks about Grivenchy and Fleurboix where the enemy was repulsed in heavy fight-

The enemy captured Richebourg, Strast and Laventie. Severe fighting continues along the

whole of this front.

Field Marshal Haig reports that following the bombardment already reported, the enemy this morning attacked in strength between Armentieres and the Tpres Comines Canal.

There was heavy fighting the whole day in this sector and also on the whole front. In yesterday's attack northward of

La Barses canal, the enemy to the back to a line formed by Wy-chaete, The enemy, who forced his way into

Messines, was driven out by a counterattack after a prolonged struggle. Bouthwar ! of Armentieres the enemy established himself on the left bank of the Lys. at certain points eastward of Estairs and the neighbourhood of Biretmant.

The enemy this morning crossed Lawest Lestrem (?) but was driven out of the village and across the river by connter- track. We maintained our positions be-

tween Estairs and Grivenchy.

Military Age Raised.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM)

Paris, April 11. Mr Lloyd George has announced that the military age will be raise I to . 50 years and, in certain cases to 55.

The Bombardment of Paris.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Parie, April 11. The big gun bombarded the Paris region to-day.

Bessarabia and Rumania.

(HAVAS TRLEGRAM.)

Paris, April 11. Bucharest :- The Bossarabia Diet has voted for the reunion of Bessarabia

Conscription for Ireland.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, April 11. Ireland will be included in the recruiting bill.

Man Power Bill.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, April 12. The Commons have passed the first and second readings of the Man Power

> (REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, April 13.

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Later. The Commons passed the second reeding of the Man Pewer Bill by \$33 sector 100.

Americans in British Zone.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, April 12.

Ren'er's Correspondent at British Headquarters reports that the Americans have appeared in the British Z me where their presence will soon be felt.

Germans in Russia.

(REUTER's TELEGRAM.) London, April 12. Petrograd :- The Gera an casture of Kharkofin is officially confirmed.

Havas Wires from Singapore.

Siam's Military Mission.

Paris, April 10. Yesterday the Siamese Minister in France (H. H. Prince Charoon) introduced to the President of the French Republic the Simuese Military Mis-ion, head-d by Brigadier General Puys Bijsi Janridh, who arrived in France recently with troops recruited by the Siamese Government to fight on the French front. President Poincaré ex pressed heartiest congratulations to the distinguished Siamese officer.

The Unity of Command.

The French Press comments very favourably upon Mr. Lloyd George's spirited speech at the reopening of Parliament. The following declarations regarding the unity of command are received with great satisfac to , as they express the general opinion in France on this matter.

"The Allied arm:es." Mr. Lloyd said, "were suffering from the tact that they had been fighting as two separate armies. General Foch had been appointed to the supreme direction of the strategy of the Alied armies on the Western front. It was not merely that General Foch was one of the most brilliant soldiers in Europe, but there was this to be said about bim. When we were attacked at the first battle of Ypres, it was he who northward of Armentieres pressed as rushed a French army there by every c neervable expedient, and uncombredly helped to win that great battle. There was no doubt about the loyalty

and comretaship of General Foch, A Feat of Organisation.

The French papers also greatly appreciate the following words of Mr. Lloyd George concerning the assistance lent by the French to the British, the r valorous comrad s in arms :- "After the retirement of the fith army the French reserves came up with remarkable rapidity. In fact it wis one of the most remarkable feats of organ sation in this war. General Byna's army held its own, and only retired alightly to contorm with the resirement on tueir right. Owing to the help given by the French army in the true spirit of comradeship, the position was for the moment stabilised."

Church Services.

Church of the Assumption.

April 14 h : 2nd Sunday ofter Einter. 5.45 a.m. let Mass for the Native Community. B.W .. m 2.1d and last Mass for the

Foreign Com nunity. 4 p.m. Hours, Instruction and Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

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214 Lord of our life, and God of our salvation. \$37 Peace, perfect peace.

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Sunday, April 16, Second Sunday after s.m. Holy Communion and Ser-

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328. I am not worthy, Holy Lord. 193. Jesu, Lover of my soul. There will be no Evening Service.

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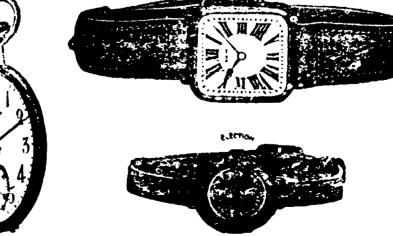


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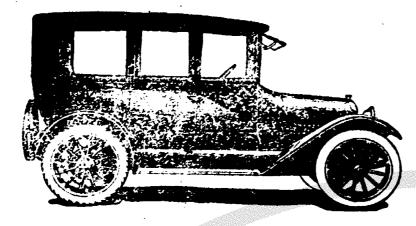
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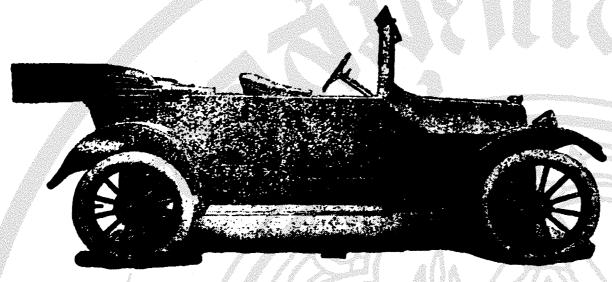
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The Ukraine.

In an article in the New York Sun George Raffalovish, the son of an Ukranian father and a French mother, an author of repute under the penname of Bedwin Sands, gives some enlightening and interesting facts concerning the reborn nation:-

"Ukraine covers, 850,000 square kilometers, an area greater than that of France and only a little less than that of Italy, Spain and Portugal

"Taking the figures usually given by Roropean writers of repute, there are to-day 29,000,000 Ukranians in the -on: h-western provinces of Russis, between one and two millions in Siberia, where they have, especially in he Amur region, extensive settlenents; three and a half millions, in astern Galicia, four hundred thouand in northern Bukowina, and peraps half a million in northern Honsary on the southern slopes of the Carpathian Mountains. To the figures nould be added the half-million Okranians who are at the present time is h. United S ates, probably as many in the Domini n of Canada, a few nousand in Australia, and about fifty thousand in Brazil. There are Ukranian settlements in Turkey, in the Dobrudja, and in southern Hun-

gary, but they are very small.
"The bulk of the Ukranians consiste, therefore, of those in Ukraman Russia, in Galicia, and in Bukowina, for they inhabit the compact territory which is only artificially—or shall we say politi-cally?—divided between Russia, Austria, and Hungary. Leaving out the Rusuiaks, or Ukranians of Hungary, who express no desire to work politically with the other members of their nation and who ineist, even in America, upon socities of their own. we have a population of over 33.000,000 stretched b tween the Cauca-us, the Black Sea, the Carpathian Mountains, and the San River.

Some Particulars.

"The purely Ukranian governments of Russia are:-1.—Ukraine of the Right Bank (of the Dni-per); Podolia, Volhynia. Kief and Kholm.

2.- Ukraine of the Left Bank (of the Unieper): Tchernibow, Poltava, Kharkov, south-west Khursk, Veronezh and the region of the Don Coesacks to the Sea of Azov.

3.—On both sides of the Unieper lies the Steppe Ukraine, comprising Ekaterinnoslav, Kherson, and the eastern parts of Bessarabia, and Tauris. 4.—Forth Caucasus, adjacent to the

region of the Don Cossacks, compris-

"In all these districts the Ukranians the Tartar incursions, was easily con-

form from 76 to 99 per cent. of the total population, the rest being Jews, Poles, and lastly, Rus-ians."

Ukraine's popular form of govern-ment attracted settlers from near-by countries, and the fame of the freedom of its institutions reached as tar as Ireland, as is shown by the Celtic names that are still preserved in Ukraiue. Tue

writer says :-"The Burik dynasty founded Ukraine. When it disappeared, the next organisation that kept the Ukraine lands together was the republic of the Core sacks, whose domain over lapped Lithuania and Poland, who occupied much of the Ukrame soil.

" The Cossacks were o ganised som thing on the lines of the chivalry of Western Europe. Their precepts was obedience, piety, cha-tity, and equality. The Assembly was the only authority they recognized. The Heiman (hondown) are allowed by any was (headmin) was elected by, and was responsible to, the Assembly for his actions. If he off-ended he was incontinently deprived of office.

The Rida.

"The Assembly, called Rads, was periodical and comprised representatives of all classes of the c mmunity who often criticised freely the policy of the Herman. In the interval obetween Bailas the Hetmin ruled the country by a series of decrees. When any section of the Ukranian community was dissatisfied with the person or the policy of the Herman it was entite led to cill together a Rada, which in suon cares was called a Black Ra in. If Black Rula happened to be representative enough, and the complait met with the approval of the majority, the Hetman might be compelled to re-

While the Muscovites lived under an absolute monarchy, while the Poles were ruled by a hanghty and exclusive aris: ocracy, in Ukraine all were free under the Lithuanian kings, and republican institutions were gradually taking root. Many people would leave the surrounding countries and go to settle in Ukraine. Such names preserved in Ukraine as O' Brien and O'Rourke tend to prove that people came from much farther to settle in the happy

"It has been said that the Ukranian race seemed qualified to put into practice the idea of universal equality and freedom. The science of war was there brought to high perfection. At the same time a literature was produced which glorified the Cossack life in attaractive ballade and tales. The Slavonic world is proud of the history of this free State.

It is on the Poles that lies the silgma of wrecking this promising n ing Kuban and the eastern parts of the since it was under Poland that Ukraine Stavropolskoi and Therska govern | was at that time The whole of Ukraine, or rather all that was left of it after

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A. Misabderstood Possie.

After various social and political disturbances the situation in Ukraine grew worse and wors. She let all her rights one by one, and finally her n me was almost forgotten by men. Buen, rays the writer :-

"Came the Japanese war and the first perolation.

"The constitution of 1905 was a sincere act of the Czar. It was not perfeet, it left many restrictions which should have been removed, but it was a good I eginning. The first and sec nd Dumas contained an important proportim of nationalist deputies elected by the Ukranian pessantry.

"The bureauc mic clique, the Blick Hundreds, and the pan-Russians set their minds to the rolving of two new problems—how to pei-on the minds of the Caar and his advisers and how to explain the constifution in such a way that its effect could be nullified.

"They game de t with the help of an unlooked for Ally The social's parties showed berce opposition to the Ukingnian national at movement. The rerole of this unboly alliance for the crushing of a people was that the conscuttion was grantedly explained away and lost all its meaning.

"Fr irstarce, in the first Doma there was an Ukrani in Clay composed of fo ty-tour national at d puries. It worked though the first and second Dumas, when the members exceeded six y. This was too much for the Govemment. The regulations concerning the ele toral system were revised. In . the third Dams there was no such nonseine as an Ukranian party. As if by mag c the problem of how to deal with reb is bad time; p ared. The still-Ukranian Press tack what comtor it c uld in the thought that these sixty Un ranfan members elected to represent 29,000,000 p opl- enstaved by Russia had been a bad dream.

Confiscations, prohibitions, arrests, exiles followed. The anti-Ukranian propaganda was resumed in Gelicia and spread even to France and England. where writers and journalists otherwise sober-minded were led to believe that there was no Ukraine nation, no Ukraine nationalism. "There was not even such a word in the Russian

dictionary, unless it meant frontier." The new nation will not bear the stamp "made in Germany," as many ers have asserted for, says Ruffalu-

"The newly-won independence of useian Ukraine does away with the charge of spre-Germanism which was freely leveled at all those who advocared this autonomy.

"The birth of the nationalist movement in Russian Ukraine was suitomatic. Its life was fostered by Ukra-

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"As a matter of fact, the Ukranians, who know the Germina, like thim least. Muscovites or Great Russians may admire the Tenton system of efficiency. The Ukranians are too much of an artistic na in to care overmuch for 'Kn tur' without polish. If there are pro-Germans in Russia they are certainly not the individualistic. democratic Okranians. Americans need not fear b-trayal from that quuter." Of the great natural resources of the

new not on the writer sass: "The famous black soil of Ukraine covers three-quarters of the country. To the north as well as in the Carpathim Mountains are some 110,000 square k-lom ties of for sts. The agricultural soil covers 53 per cent. of the aggregate territory of Ukraine and 32 per cen'., if we take in the whole of European Russia, which is however, six times greater than Ukraine i self.

he annual production of creals 1. Ukraine is two thirds of the whole production in the Russian Empire. It is greater than that of Germony or France. The expiration of grains trom Ukrain- amounts to 27 per cent. of the production, and of all the wheat exported from Rus a nine-tenth- comes from Ukranian words. As a moter of tact the trade of Uk aine is more developed than that of any other part of the

empir... ' Ukraine ranks highest among all the countries that comprise the vast Russian Empire so to the annual agris cultural praduction. Wheat, rye, and barley are the staple crops of Russia's agriculture and the annual production in Ukraine of these produce amounts to one third of Russin's output As to other farm products, Ukraine's position is also very conspicuous.

"B etroo, for instance, is especially cultivated in the Ukranian provinc a of Potolia, V. lhyna, Kief, and Kherson; those provinces together yield fivesixthe of the angainest production of all Rusic. Ukraine produces almo-t all the tobacco of the empire, and she has the largest and forest orchards and vinegarde o European Russia.

"The im een e natural resources of Ukraine furnish splendid opportunities for the devel pment of manufacturing industries. As a matter of fact, 62 per cent, of Russia's annual production of pig-iron and 68 per cent. of Rus-ia's production of steel com-trom Ukraine. There lew facts may turnish sufficient indication of Ukraine's economic significance to Russia."

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BY-SIR H. H. JOHNSTON.

The German Oversea colonies: what is to be done with them if the Great Alliance is sufficiently victorious in this war ?

Expositors of German opinion and the views of the governing class in Germany have duly threatened us that after the war and the recovery of the German colonies, lesseholds, and foothelds, all of these large and amall areas in Africa, Eastern Asia, and Occeania will be organised henceforth for a future war on the colonial empires of the Western and Far Eastern Powers. This coast strip or island will become n famous base for submarines in sens where, up to now, no German submarines has penetrated. This mountain will be so fortified that no European army could ever force it to surrender.

This native tribe shall be steeled to hostility against all other white men but Germans; and so on. The Germane can hardly blame us if we take them an pied de la lettre, says Bir Harry Johnston in the Evening Stan-

We are bound to believe that if we gave back Samoa, New Zealand would be obliged to support a very large navy and be always fidgety about the Western Pacific; if we resored German New Guines, Australia would be compelled to adopt the principle of National Bervice which she still contemus; and if we readmitted the G-rmans to South-West Affrica the Union of South Africa would resolt : to East Africa, and India would be menaced; to the Cameroons, and Pris's and French Nigeria would be perp-tually mom ring with native nervousness and uncertainty of allegiance.

We did not take up the gage of battle to aggrandise our Empire. If we refuse to induct Germany into Africa and Oceania, who is to take her place? Native Governments? Impossible for many years to come. In none of the (formerly) German African territories has there been a strong native government, any one predominant tribe able to maintain order, secure respect for life and property, and keep down the slave trade.

There is no need, however, to depart from the definitions just laid down by President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George. In every region which was formerly under the German flag let the wishes of the people he consulted as to their future guardians. This can be done from chieftainship to chieftainship, large or small. Most of the chiefs or big men can now write and read, thanks to the missionaries, usually English, American, or French. Let

such responsible head men or kinglets or national councils state in writing the wishes of the majority of their people on the issue defined—namely (1) Do

Power would they prefer as guardian? The Powers to whom these territories are handed over, by the wish of the natives, as compensation for German damage, and as a guarantee of the security of limitrophe possessions, shall be pledged henceforth to maintain in them a policy of Free Trade and no discrimination in foreign trade or local industries. Therefore, if the Germans make peace in 1918, and so long as they maintain that prace, they shall be as free to trade in, and in a reasonable way to colonise, their former pos-essions as they were before the war, with the proviso, of course, that no injustice shall be done to the native, whose interests in the matter of land settlement shall be considered to come before those of Europeans.

My own preferred scheme is that the German colonies in Africa shall be divided between the contiguous British. French and Belg an colonies and prothey wish to be replaced under the tectorates, according as the natives German Government? (2) If not, shall wish, and that Portuguese East what other European or American Africa shall have restored to it the Tongi Bay district which Germany forcibly occupied some twenty-s ven years ago. And that all these lands which once were under the German flag shall be perfectly free to German trade and industry—as much, that is, as they are to those of other European

peoples. I should also like to see a great In ternational Committee of Advice set up somewhere in Western Europe to supervise the whole affice of Tropical Africa and a lvic- the Powers entrusted with African administration; and that on this committee not only should the 'African" powers be represented, together with the United States a. d States zil, but that representation should be accorded to Holland, Scindinavia, and

mercial interests in Africa), and also to a reconciled Germany, Austria, and

Lethal Chamber for Lies.

Mr. Charles T. King writes in the Daily Express: The Department of Information is situated on the second floor of the Foreign Office and elsewhere, and to judge by a map of the world indicating its branches in red, its outposts are everywhere from Ic-land to Oceania and from Manchuria westward to San Francisco. The director of the Department of Information is Colonel John Buchan. He has left off writing fiction, and is engaged in killing fiction.

German lies sown throughout the United States, Turkish lies sown in Palestine and Asia Monor and the borders of Persia, Austrian lies, full of Pots-Greece (all of whom have great come dam flavour, sown in Northern Italy,

Oriental lies sown in the hazzars of India, all sorts of lies that look like truth sown in Europe, Asia, Africa and America—all these the Department of Information is seeking to kill.

While I was in there a day or two ago they were sending out beautifully printed and illustrated magazines, with the articles in languages of the peoples for whom they were intended and pictures with messages that know no frontiers. They were sending out articles, paragraphs, photogaphs, maps, mes-ages, cinemas, womenand men. They rent out Sir F. E. Smith. They are sendining out Miss Annie Swan. the novelist, and Miss Violet Markhum to speak to the American people.

I picked up a broad, beautifully illustrated magazine, and found it was all photographs embedded in Arabic text. The title of the magazine looked like glorified shorthand mixed up with half a dozen clean bowled wickets. In the middle, rght across two pages, was a sup rb p otograph of Jerusalem. This was one of our special Palestine

editions. M'Ilious a Mouth.

In addition, a constant stream of information is flowing from the department in o all sorts of daily, weekly, and monthly local newspapers in all sorts of towns all over the world. About 700,000 copies of the "War Pictorial" have been sent out. Over a milli n copies of certain pamphiets of truth have teen printed abroad under the influence of the department to save the strain on paper here and to mini-

miss ca rius. Great stacks of appeals to German workmen have been placed under the nos-s of G im in workmen by means which will nave a fescinating storywhen the war is over. Every month the despatch of publications from the department of information .xcee a tour mit ions. 8 x Oriental p-pe:s printed in the native lasguag s are s nt cur. They conneract among Manome and the German lie that Britain wants to cru h their religion.

There is a constant cabling and wireless service all over the world. They send out about one and a half million words that are flashed over and a der the seas every month. Braish officers are now on their way to Russia with ten complete cinema outfits to show the truth in that vast country, where the people have been the vict.ms of so many lying tongues.

What is the purpose of it all? To refute German lies and aid in winning the war. That, however, is only a part of it. The War Cabinet, through its Department of Information, is showing long vision. It has set up machinery of truth which it is hoped will have a good effect all over the world when this war, long and terrible as it is, has become but an incident in the story of freedon.



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