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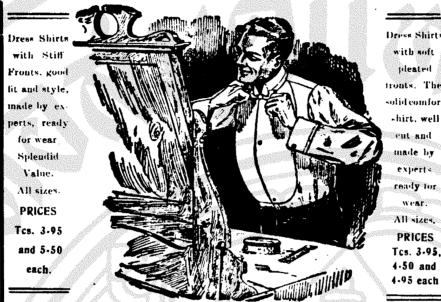
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#### First Poison Gas Used. Britain's Answer to German

Falsehoods. The British Ministry of Information

has issued a statement through its wireless service replying to German Press and propagandist agencies' continued declarations that the Allies anticipated Germany in the employment of poison gas. The idea of using poison gas originated, says the German Press, with

the British Admiral Dundonald. It may be true, says the official statement, "that Dundonald, who was born in 1775 and died in 1890 and was an expert chemist as well as a great sailor. warned the British Government in the early part of the 19th century that it was technically possible to produce a gas which could be employed in military eperations. Its employment by the British Government was never seriously considered, such a method of warfare being condemned as too inhuman. The fact that the Hague Convention of 1899, to which Germany was a party, expressly forbade the use of asphyxiating gas is sufficient evidence that the possibilities of gas as a weapon of offence were known to all the War Office 8.

#### A Lie Exposed

A German wireless message main. tained that poison gases were first used on March 1, 1915, by the British and French, whilst the first German attack with poison gas took place on April 24, 1915,

That first portion of this statement, says the Ministry of Information, is, of course, a deliberate falsehood, for which there is not the slightest vestige of justification. If it were accepted, it would obviously imply that between March 1 and April 24 the whole elaborate preparation required for the projection of gas upon a large scale was completed. The gas was invented and accumulated, the cylinders in which it was stored were manufactured and tested, the large number of men employed in projection were trained and instructed in the technicalities of the business all within a period of eight weeks. But on April 24, at the second battle of Ypres, when the yellow-green clouds of chlorine crept slowly over from the German lines, the British and French troops were caught absolutely unprepared. They stared uncompre-handingly and without protection at this strange phenomenon until they fell, choking and gasping, with blackened, agonised faces, to die without knowledge of the plague which brought them death.

In Germany, at the time, the news of this surprise, with the atrocious sufferings inflicted by it on the French

and British soldiers, was greeted with delight as a new triumph for Teutonic adroitness and military science. . . Since those early days the Germans have learned to their sorrow that gas is a weapon which two can use. Forced to employ it in self-defence, the Allies have done so with such effect that the Germans have had reason to regret exceedingly their departure from the rules of civilised warfare.

#### War Prices in India.

"The cardinal fact as regards Indian prices at the present time is that we prices at the present time is that we are dealing mainly with a world problem," writes Mr. Findlay Shirras in a comprehensive statistical survey of prices and house rents, particularly in the great ports of India, at the end of 1917, in comparison with the index number of 100 in July, 1914, and at subsequent intervening periods. The rise in the wholesale pages was 111 per cent in sale pices was 111 per cent in Madras, 109 in Bombay, 94 in Karachi, 68 in Calcutts, and 43 in Rangoou. Retail prices, chiefly foodstuffs, increased 35 per cent in Karachi, 29 in Bombay, 21 in Olcutta, 17 in Rangoon, and 13 in Madras. Calcutta showed the greatest rise in salt and ghee, Bombay in milk, tea, and meat, Karachi in sugar, wheat flour, eggs, potatoes, and cereals, and Rangoon in pulses. The retail prices of edible oil, on the other hand, decreased in all the ports. Since the end of last year food prices have fallen in Calcutta and Madras, but have risen in the three other chief ports. The rise in house rents is as high as 41 per cert in Krachi. In Madras it is 22 per cent, in Bombay 18 per cent, and in Calcutta only 9 per cent. The level of freights at the great ports is from eight to 27 times the pre-war rate; but it should be noted that a considerable proportion of the exports, being on account of or regulated by Government, are carried at the "Bluebook" rates.

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#### **Hunnishness** of the Hun.

Belgian's Testimony to Horrible Atrocities.

In the course of a home letter to soldiers overseas which we have reœived from the Ministry of Information, dated London, July 3, occurs the followin:-

The Boches seem to have invented a new kind of specialist officer—O. C. Loot. He is a typical product of German thoroughness in villainly. As we well know, the crimes of the German army are not mere haphazard affairs committed by undisciplined individuals in the heat of both the research of the committee of the viduals in the heat of battle they are part of the cold-blooded system that we are all out to suppress. We know for instance how "hite" is organised to inflame the men t brutal treatment of civilians in coupied territory. Recently I saw a decument giving the methods to be employed in organising "fraternisation" with the enemy in the front line trenches, and it was even provided that tobacco should be issued for the German soldiers to offer to enemy soldiers as a preliminary to striking up conversation with a view to obtaining information and spreading pacifist prodaganda.

Particulars concerning "O. C. Loot" have recently been found on a German officer captured by the French. They took the form of letters from a battalion orderly officer (Oberleutnant Mattern, 1st Battalion, 442nd Regiment) asking O. C. Loot (Oberleutnan Dombrowaki) to obtain for the staff a number of articles, including :-"Chemises, camisoles, blouses, boots and 20 bottles of champagne. They have strange tastes, these German officers. Incidentally, they are employing French prisoners to remove booty from French private houses Nobody but a Hun could have thought of a thing like that.

The mere recital of atrocities, so appalling that four years ago we should have regarded them as quite incredible, no longer harrows our feelings. Either we have become hardened to them or else they are so fiendish that we still cannot believe them. We say that they cannot belong to the Europe of to-day, that they are as extinct as the tortures of the Inquisition—until we get firsthand evidence. This was more or less the point of view of the Australian farmer who seemed unmoved by all he had heard of the Germans' treatment of the Belgians, of the sinking of hospital ships, of the shooting of Edith Cavell, of Wittenberk and other prison women and children in them . these left him cold. But one day he saw with his own eyes a French or-

chard in which every fruit tree had

been foully mutilated by the retreating Boches. That really moved him and he remembered. Some weeks later he went over the top for the first time and was seen chasing a burly Bavarian across No Man's Land. When he was withdrawing his bayonet, he was heard to remark: "There, that'll learn ye to chop fruit trees, ye great, big bloody

All the same it is not right to lose sight of the Hunnishness of the Hun, for it is just that against which we are fighting and must fight—or else go under. A few days ago I was shown a report of the sworn evidence of a Belgian who has just escaped from Germany after three and a half years of captivity. His questioners state that under examination and cross-examination this witness impressed them as one whose evidence could be completely relied upon. This is what he saw in a certain village in the course of single day before he was taken pri-soner. He saw a Belgian woman violated by a German N.C.O. and six men in turn. They then cut off her breasts and the woman was still alive when he approached her. He saw a Belgian and his wife bound together, placed on a heap of straw and set . He saw a mother and alight. . . father and their family of little children shut up in the house which was then set alight, an armed guard being posted round the building to prevent them with bayonets from making their escape. And finally he saw four soldiers under an officer or N.C.O. seize a woman with a baby at her breast and violate her, in turn, beside the body of her newly-murdered husband over who she was weeping when they approached. That was a day in the life of a Belgian. And if ever the Boche had got to England, there would have been many days like it in the lives of many Englishmen!!

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1918.

#### THE TREND OF RUSSIAN THOUGHT.

It is very difficult to guage the trend of thought of the vast majority of the Russian people. Vast quantities of ink and paper have been exhausted in the attempt to clarify their thoughts for the world but not much has come out of it. It may be taken for granted that most of the Russians are patriotic and wish to save their country and that in the process of saving it they wish to change it. To bring about this change they are trying to seek some form of government the like of which has never yet been seen by the world. They are also without doubt beginning to perceive that Bolshevism does not supply their needs but they have not yet been able to come upon anything to take its place. The Russian people suffer from a surplus of imagination and a lack of that power of guiding the imagination that can only be supplied by education.

Before the commencement of the war the majority of the Russian people suffered great oppression and their sufferings were so increased by the war that Revolution was the result. With the Revolution came the falling to pieces of the war machinery, the breaking down of the transportation system and the almost complete cessation of work in the industrial centres. Hence the people clamoured for peace—but not all the people. The Social Democrats, with Kerensky as their leader. and the officer class greatly desired to remain in the war and the overthrow of Kerensky and the control by the Bolsheviki was directly due to this. The better classes in Russia have come to see however that the treaty made with Germany by the Bolsheviki at Brest-Litovsk was the greatest of all Robert, Mr. C. L'Evesque, Mr. R. Chyon, Mr. R. R. Cibbins, Mr. R. C. L'Evesque, Mr. R. C. L'E mistakes. These people feel not only its error but its ignobility and they have consequently struggled against it ever since and it is to this cause that must be attributed the assassinations of German officials such as Mirbach.

We cannot shut our eyes to the fact that Bolshevism, though weakening, has taken deep root in Russia. A few weeks ago it looked as though their rnie was almost at an end but they still retain power and in this we see the operation of cause and effect. For centuries the peasant was subdued and kept in a state of serfdom. The course of the war caused the tables to be turned and the classes who were formerly the subjects of exploitation and misrule are determined to hold on to the power they have seized. Their only idea of doing this is to hammer down those who are more educated, more cultured than themselves. They fail to see that by this process they are reducing their country to savagery and making barbarians of all. They have yet to learn that it is no use beating the cultured man down to their level but that they should help him to raise them to his.

The point that concerns the Allies is the importance of making Russia ! understand that Germany must be defeated ere Russia can be saved. Spoon-fed with German lies they believe that this war is the outcome of the struggle between capital and labour. They also believe the German lie that Japan is intervening solely for the purpose of acquiring possession of | Siberia and while they listen spellbound to these prevarications they fail to perceive that Germany is busy rending Russia apart and seizing her territory with beth hands.

To make Russia understand her danger, to make her understand that a German victory would mean German soldiers in her every fort and a German Tsar on her throne, is a task of the atmost difficulty but it is one that the Allies must attack and, indeed, are attacking with vigour. As long as Russia remains open for exploitation boots, and with them this note-" If by Germany she constitutes a menace to the world that cannot be ignored.

## Court Circular.

BANG-PA-IN,

Thursday September 26. On Wednesday, at 6.30 p.m., His Majesty the King attended a religious service at Varobas Hall on the occasion of the annual casting of an image of Our Lord to be consecrated during the celebration of the anniversary of His Majesty's Natal Day,

The service, were celebrated by five pricets and resided over by the Right Reverend Phra Bhadrasila Sanvara, Lord About of the Nivesana Monastery.

Today, at 11.15 a.m., His Majesty tended morning service and performed the ceremony of pouring the matter metal into the mould for the case ng of the image. His Majesty then presented food and appropriate gifts to the priests who returned thanks and recited the blessing. This brought the function to close.

#### The King of Denmark.

Yesterday being the anniversary of

the birthday of His Majesty Christian X, King of Denmark, the Danish Chargé d'Affaires received cards from : Colonel Phya Surawongse Vivatana, asst. Chief Aide-Ue-Camp General of His Majesty the King of Siam, H.R.H. Prince Chakrabongs, Prince of Pisnoulok, H. R. H. Prince Paribatra, H.R.H. Prince Nares Varariddhi, H. B. H. Prince Devawongse Varopakar, H.S.H. Prince Traidos Prabandh, H.S.H. Mom Chao Khechor Charasriddhi, H. E Lieut. General Phya Deb Arjun, H. E. Phya Wongsa Nuprabadh, H. E. Field-Marshal Chao Phya Bodinra Dejanujit, Phra Montri Nikara Kosa, Dr. Eldon R. James, H. E. Mr., F. J. Domela Nieuwenhuis, H. E. Mr. Mr. A. Frere, H. E. Mr. Genshiro Nishi, H. E. Sir Herbert, G. Dering, H. E. Mr. A. Manacorda, Mr. N. A. Ros-popoff, Mr. Gaston Maugras, Mr. J. C. White, Mr. Attilio Diana, Mr. T. H. Lyle, Mr. H. B. Borgersen, Mr. Seiichi Takahashi, Mr. M. Topenot, Dr. C. C. Hansen, Mr. Goffredo Bovo, Baron M. de Wrangell, Mr. F. Chalant, Mr. P. Simon, Mr. W. W. Coultas, Mr. H. C. Walsh, Mr. de Spiganovicz, Monsei-R. Guyon, Mr. R. B. H. Gibbins, Mr. J. R. C. Lyons, Dr. P. W. Thornely. Mr. G. Tully-Christie, Dr. Ira Ayer, Mr. R. Sheridan, Mr. J. G. Raggi, Commander W. L. Grut, Mr. L. Bisgaard-Thomsen, Mr. O. Bjoerling, Mr. O. C. Christensen, Mr. J. T. Dalsgaard, Mr. H. Dreyer, Mr. J. Earhardt, Mr. H. Elsoe, Mr. P. Glahnson, Mr. J. A. Hjartved, Mr. A. Holm, Mr. C. Holm, Mr. J. B. Johansen, Mr. K. O. Larsen, Mr. V. Th. Lund, Mr. H. E. Nielsen, Mr. K. Olin-Hansen, Mr. H. Olsen, Mr. O. Paludan-Müller, Mr. M. Plinius, Mr. A. A. Rasmussen, Mr. K. F. Smidt, Mr. V. Seerensen, Mr. P. Thomsen, Colonel P. L. E. Warming, Mr. H. Zachariae, Mr. Hermann Petersen.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Post and Telegraph Department reports that Malay Peninsular main line is in good order as far as Surahtra. Nongkhay and Roi Etch lines are interrupted beyor d Nagorrajasima. Other lines are in good order.

WE have been asked to state that the Committee of the Bangkok Library would take take it as a favour if sub scribers would refrain from calling for books on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

ACCURDING to the Astronomer Royal, there is no danger of the new star colliding with the world for the next hundred years or so when the collison does take place, however, it will undoubtedly have a considerable effect upon the conduct of the War .-Lady's Pictorial.

LATEST advts :- The Bangkok Library Bazaar takes place next Tuesday and Wednesday the 1st and 2nd. Oct. 1918

The Oriental Store have in stock "Trufood" Powdered Milk. Complete change of programme at the Pathanakorn from Saturday.

MR. Hamilton Fyfe tells a story of one of our pilots, who was disgusted by the refusal of the German pilots to accept combat. He flew over an aerodrome quite low and dropped a parcel. Then he flew up into the clouds. A few minutes later he swooped down and, as he expected, saw a number of Germans examining the parcel. He let two bombs fall and fired 100 cartridges into them before he flew away. What they found in the parcel was a pairs of you won't come up here and fight herewith one pair of boots for work on the ground.'

#### The Alliance Française.

"Les Plaideurs."

Our readers are reminded of the theatrical performance to be given under the auspices of the Alliance Française at the Sanarom Gardens at 9.30 to-morrow evening, September 28th.

The play to be presented is Les Plaideurs of Racine. This charming comedietta was written probably in 1667 and was first printed in 1668. The piece is admirably dramatic but at the time was found a trifle too literary to suit the taste of the profound vulgus. It was greatly praised by h lière who remarked to some who were criticising it somewhat adversals. "One over the contraction of the contractio it somewhat adversely—"Que eux qui se moquoient de cette pièce me ritoient qu'on se moquoient d'eux." A month later the pièce was presented ut expectedly at Court: the King laug ed and its fortunes were at once restored. It remained a great favourite with Louis XIV and has always kept the French

Les Plaideurs revells the greatness of Racine as a playwright and poetical artificer and his defects as a dramatist and poet. From the first point of view there is hardly any praise too high for him but from the second he ranks far below Corneille.

We are confident that the production to-morrow will be greatly enjoyed and the Alliance Française is to be complimented on producing such a famous

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The Committee wish to thank all those who by their kind assistance and presence at the Fête helped to make the evening a success.

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the success of the Fête.

The financial results will be aunounced shortly.

#### Rugby.

The following match will take place at the Sports Club to-morrow afternoon, kick-off at 4.45 p.m.

Threes Steen-Hansen, Butler, Jenkins, Selley Fogtmann.

Bowden, Thune. Forwards Dalsgaard, Kummer. Rasmussen, Sutton (Captain.) Schneider.

Blues. Threes Walsh, Chapman, Robertson Cranmer (Capt.) Preston. Holves

Jackson, Ramsdale, Keynes, Hogg, McDonald, Carson, Reith Referee. Mr. Hamilton Price.

THE supply of medical men for the army seems to be even a more serious in America than it has been in our own country. The main American army is fighting thousands of miles from home. This means that the bulk of the hospitals must be within easy reach of the troops and that the proportion of doctors to fighting men must be greater than it is in the case of our own Army. There is evidence, however, that American organisation is proving equal to the task. During the first year of America's participation in the war, the number of military hospitals in the United States has been increased from 7 to 53, with bed capacity of 584,000 while in France the American hospitals have bed accommodation for 25 per cent. of the troops in the field. The number of army doctors has been increased from 900 to 19,000 and that of army nurses from 375 to 7,000. The laboratories have been increased from 112 to 650. During the year 2,000,000 men were medically examined. The death-rate from disease in the army was 6.6 per 1,000, which is lower than the deathrate for menof the same age in civil life. There is in America a large reserve of medical men, the membership of the American Medical Association being no less than 81,000.

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#### Great War.

#### In the Balkans.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.) London, Sept. 26.

Serbian communiqué: - The total Bulgarian prisoners exceeds twelve thousand and one hundred and forty guns have been taken.

British Official, Salonika:- The pursuit of the Bulgarians on the Monastir-Doiran front continues.

The Anglo-Greeks have reached the line Pazasli-Furka-Sinebvica where they are in touck with the Franco-Greek forces.

Our cavalry are heading for Strumnitza. Three six-inch guns, a mountain battery and some field guns have been captured.

> (HAVAS TELEGRAM.) Paris, Sept. 25.

The French cavalry has entered Prilep. The town is uninjured. Immense quantities of stores were taken. The British cavalry is advancing on Strumnitza.

#### The Western Front.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

London, Sept. 26. Field Marshal Haig reports, 24 Sept. -- A successful operation was carried out this morning in co-operation with the French in St. Quentin sector.

The English attacked at dawn over four four miles of front from the neighbourhood of the river southward.

Good progress was made on the whole front and eight hundred prioners were taken.

Vigorons resistance was encountered at a number of points especially in the neighbourhood of Silency where fighting continues.

We slightly improved our positions northwestward of Epéhy as the result of local fighting.

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Sept. 25. In conjunction with the British we realised a new advance in the direction of St. Quentin.

We carried Francilly, Silency and Dallon and took 500 prisoners, the British taking 800.

#### " A Defensive War."

(HAVAS TELEGRAM.)

Paris, Sept. 25. In the full Reichstag Commission Hertling declared that Germany was fighting a defensive war.

The German people will neither ask pardon nor humiliate themselves.

#### Pearl Doctring.

A very profitable, If strange, industry is to disappear, following the con-demnation of its principals. Pearls of inferior quality were, after being sub jected to a secret process, made to appear worth many times their actual value. Thus, a certain merchant hav ing purchased a mediocre specime for 88,766 francs, took it to the pearlfaker, the result being that it was

eventually sold for 260,060 francs. The camuflage, however, was not lasting, and this led to the conviction of the above mentioned pair, on the charge of "fraudulent practices on sol! goods." The pearl market is much agitated, and so are recent purchasers of such gems.

THE French Government has instituted a special decoration for civilians wounded during the war, without distinction of age or sex. This is in order that mutilations and infirmities due to Han barbarity may not be confused with accidental injuries.

"Thus," the official notice remarks, the decoration will be a lasting witness of the methods employed by our enemies against non-combatant civilian populations."

The decoration takes the form of a white metal star on a yellow ribbon bordered with blue.

Havas Wires from Singapore.

#### The Rout of the Bulgars

Paris, Sept. 24. Marshal Foch'a strategy knows nothing of quiet fronts. First the Palestine front and then the Balkans

The Bulgar rout is complete. Over a front of ninety miles from Monastir to Lake Doiran their defensive line is broken, and the enemy are in full retreat. Roads and railways have been cut, and numerous booty has been

crumpled up.

The Serbs and French broke the line with magnificent audacity, and the pursuit was carried for 25 miles in a single day. The Bulgars on the eastern part of the mountain line have been outflanked. Railway trains have been captured. The enemy is retiring in indescribable disorder, and there are signs of comple demoralisation. The main railway line to Uskut has been

#### Constantinople Bombed.

Constantinople has been twice bombed, at Haidar Panda station, Stamboul, Greek and naval aircraft co-operating in two nights raids.

#### Pushing on to Damascus

The whole Turkish army in Pales-tine has been routed and the British cavalry is pushing towards Damascus. Twenty-five thousand prisoners and practically all the enemy guns have been taken, and the booty is enormous. The infantry and artillery will very soon be within reach of Damasens.

The political effects will be even more important than the military results. The seventh and eighth Turkish armies are totally crushed.

Nablus was taken by Australian and French mounted troops. Londoners and India infantry took Nazareth. General Liman Sanders, the Turkish Generalissimo, left Nazareth the previous evening.

#### The Western Front.

By the constant pressure of the British troops, the Hindenburg defences are diminishing every day. Vendeuil fort and village, three miles north of La Fère, have been captured

#### Italy and the War.

London has welcomed Italian guests Prince Prospero Colonna, the Mayor of Rome, and Signor Marconi. They are the guests of the British Govern ment and have been received in audi ence by the King at Buckingham

At a demonstration held in Hyde Park, the Prince Borghese said:-"Italy threw her whole soul and strength into the war with the Great Britain and her other Allies, in order to achieve a reign of justice and liber-ty to all nations and a lasting peace."

#### The End of Summer.

Summer time (ends) in Great Britain on the 1st October, and in France on the 6th October.

#### Baron Motono.

The late Baron Motono, the former Minister for Foreign Affairs in Japan, is praised throughout the French Press as a friend of the Entente.

#### Von Bernhardi,

The Morning Post's correspondent on the Western Front says :- The British victory east of the Forest of Nieppe was a feat for one of the idols of Germany, General von Bernhardi whose gospel of war has been largely instrumental in raising the Prussian spirit of conquest. Bernhardi com-mands the 15th Infantry Corps of the 6th German Army, which lies across the plain of the Lys, west of Armentieres. Two of his divisions, the 44th Prussian Reserve and the 22nd Saxon, held the line in front of the forest which was attacked by troops of the United Kingdom and Australians at six in the morning. Their defeat appears to have been even more thorough than was at first reported. Over four hundred prisoners were gathered out of the debris of shell holes, with nine officers, twenty-two machine-guns and one trench mortar. Two field guns were captured in the cratered fields covered by ruins of farm houses. The German practice was to push the artillery well forward, sometimes within a few hundred yards of the front trenches, and three guns were so close to the narrow No Man's Land that the crews were unable to remove them or carry away the breech blocks. Bernhardi's corps took part in the first advance across the plain of the Lys and endeavoured to penetrate into the Forest of Nieppe. It has suffered severely from artillery fire and the steady encroachments of Bri-

tish infantry since settling down to trench warfare. The 22nd Saxon Division is said to have been taken out of the line after its hammering on Friday morning, being unfit for further effort at present.

#### Make No German Peace.

Mr. Tak Jonescu, former Rumanian Minister, says we have learned the vileness of the Germans. It was not a peace we made—it was German strangulation. Oil is a German monopoly and all the foreign companies have been confis-cated. We shall not be able to buy a straw from any one but Germany.

Until the Entente breaks these shackles we are the Germans' slaves. Our King and queen are helpless pri

Boners. One of our delegates during negotiations complained to Dr. Kriega, the German jurist, of the harshness of the terms and he replied that if the Rumanians only knew what was prepared for France and England they would know what hard treatment really meant.

#### Germany Revealed.

Rumania is suffering terribly at present, but her fate has made plain the German ideas of peace and has shown just how much value is to be attached to the talk of "no indemnities and no annexations." The time will very soon come when Germany will wish she had not shown her ideas quite so plain-

As an example of manner in which German "chivalry" treats defeated enemies who are so unfortunate as to find themselves at her mercy, it may be worth while to summarise the conditions of the Brest Litovsk treaty. As a result of that "German peace" Russia loses the Russian Polish provinces -Lithuania, Courland, Livanle, Esthonia, Ukrania (an as yet undefined area). Bessarabia.

#### One Fourth of Her People.

The material losses sustained by Russia are estimated at 26 per cent, of her whole population, 27 per cent of her whole arable land, 37 per cent of her average crop, 26 per cent of her railway system, 33 per cent of the total value of her manufactured products. 39 per cent of her total mechanical horse-power, 75 per cent of her total coal production, 73 per cent of her total pig iron production.

Further, the separated territories, which include all the richest parts of Russia, are to bear no part of the liability of the Russian state loans or for any of the sums which Russia will have to pay to Germany and her Allies.

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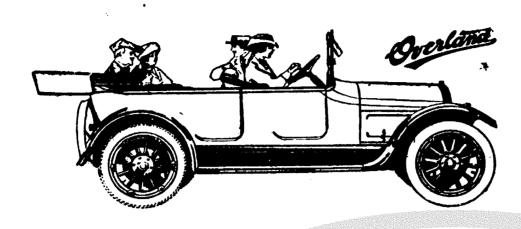
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## Ending of the War. Campaign of 1919.

Mr. Frank H. Simonds, one of the shrewdest observers in the United States of the course of the war, makes a frank statement in the American Review on the possibilities of the ending of the war.

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The simple truth, he says, is that the numbers on the field are about equal, and the problem of Foch is to keep his. reserve intact until the Garman reserve is exhausted. He must not permit his reserve to be used up first; this spells ruin. He must strive to spend it more sparingly than his foe and have omething left at the end, but the army that is to deliver the decisive blow, the reserves which are to settle the contest, must be American, and they will not be ready for an offensive this year. Foch's problem is to hold out with what he has this year, that we may be put in next.

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It is wisest to face the facts. There is no reason to believe—and I have not the smallest belief—that the Germans can win the battle. And if they do not win it, they are gone. But they have not "shot their bolt," they have not abandoned their purpose in consequence of their great losses. They have probably been less immediately successful than they expected. This is true. But we, on the Allied side, have been far more nearly defeated than we dreamed of being.

#### Critical Weeks.

Let us frankly face the fact that for many weeks we shall have to consider possibilities which are far from pleasant. The Allied problem, now, is to avoid destructive defeat in the months of this year. During this time the Germans will have numbers practically equal to their opponents, possibly slightly larger,— that is, during the time when no considerable fraction of the American troops now swarming over the seas can be used in the first line save in grave crises.

If Foch holds the Germans this year, he will accomplish a result as magnificent as that of Petain, who held the Germans before Verdun until the British were ready. To do it he ran risks, his army was cramped, with the Meuse close behind it as the British Army is now cramped with the Channel at its back. But he kept the foe in play, sold his scanty real estate at high prices only after long bargaining. And, when the British were ready and had struck at the Somme, he bought it all back for a mere song.

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I think it is a mistake to expect some sudden turn of the tide, some brilliant counter-offensive by a great Allied Army of Manœuvre. My army friends tell me that this will not occur, and that it is an error to keep alive the illusion, which will only increase the disappointment, if things become critical again, as they well may. The battle which is soon to begin is a battle in which the opposing strategies are patent.

Foch seeks to hold on with no grave disaster until the campaign of 1918 is over. For the campaign of 1919 he will have a million Americans. Hindenburg seeks a decisive victory in advance of the American intervention. That is, he hopes and means to make the campaign of 1918 the last of this colossal conflict.

#### The Next Five Months.

These are the two purposes which we are to keep in mind in the next five months, which is the period in which the issue must be decided. In that time we shall have, in all human probability several. The next will probably be greater than any that follow, although less terrible than the first. But as the armies that strike are weaker, so are those that parry. Now, as always, the game of attrition is a two-sided game, although British and French troops split the Allied losses and the German bears his alone. He will be worse off in the end, but the end is not yet in sight.

In the past month we have had

In the past month we have had much official information as to American participation in the war. We know that the rate of sending men has been greatly quickened, and that half a million Americans, by no means all of them fighting troops, have reached France. We are told this number will be increased to a million by the end of the year, which is possible. We hear rumours that it will reach 1,500,000 by spring, which is unlikely.

It is also true that our Allies have suddenly waked up to the fact that their chief necessity is manpower, and that tardily they have called upon us to furnish the numbers. We have responded without heeitation and in a manner which will never be forgotten by any of our Allies. There has never been anything more splendidly unselfish than American policy in this great crisis. We have turned our soldiers over to our Allies to be commanded by their officers and brigaded with their regiments. We have dropped all else to give our hard-pressed comrades that which they have asked for, as we strove to give them food and ships, when they asked for these.

#### CasualtyList's Begin.

If we had a million American troops, fit for the firing lines, in France now,

the German offensive would stop automatically. It is because our Allies under estimated their task, tailing to see how fatal was the defection of Russia, that the present terrible summer opens before us. But it is the last summer of peril. There is this reassurance; and already American troops are in line in Picardy.

indicate that the sad business has begun in earnest. In a very real sense Aus-rica is arriving, and there is no longer any mistaking the fact that had we fail to take the place of Russis, had we failed to undertake to replace the Slav our present Allies would have lost the war. They can only win it now as our efforts are constant and unfailing. Optimism which aids the clacker and invites the worker to pain may ye present our aid from being But nothing can prevent it, a recognise the situation as it is last reserves of the British a night in; the last reserves of are going in. We can do li when the decisive conflict is about to break out again. But if we get our men over there in sufficient numbers, armed and equipped, y arm the reserves of our Allies and of our enemies are exhausted, we shall be ready to replac French and British divisions with our own. Their mission is to hold until we can come, ours to come as quickly

ан possible. Napoleon used men of many races in his armies; but as his use of alien peoples increased, his army lost its old efficiency. His campaign on the Marne, in 1814, the last save for the Waterloo episode, was as brilliant as any achievement in Italy fifteen years before, because once more he commanded only French troops. But at Leipzig and before, the weakness of his foreign contingents was a matter of bitter comment and recrimination.

As long as the German can match division again division which his opponents, he will be a dangerous for, provided his divisions are German. He will be able to do this to the end of the present campaign, in all human pro-bability; and it is a mistake to look for a miracle where none is likely.

But if he cannot emerge a conqueror from this campaign, his game is up. That is the real solid basis for optimism, if we have any time left from work in which to include in optimism, concludes Mr. Simonds.

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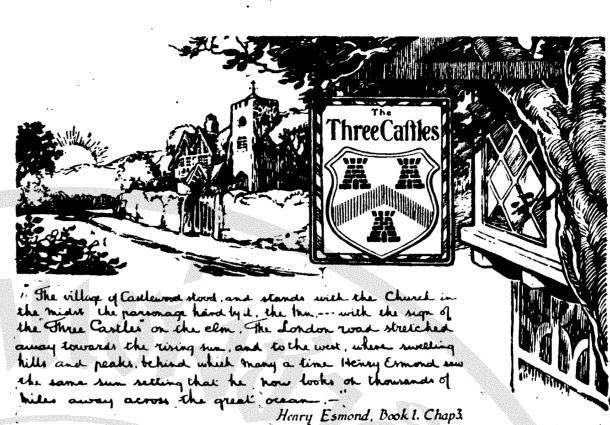
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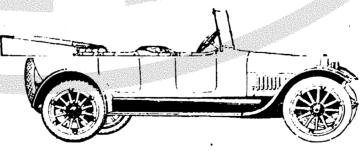
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#### Russian Secrets.

Mirbach Listens To Death Sentence.

Joseph Shaplen, in a special message to the Daily Express dated from Stock-holm on July 9, writes:—

Scenes of the most stirring character took place in the Pan-Soviet Congress at Moscow which opened on July 8, and has just adjourned. The news which was suppressed by the Bolshevik and German censorships, has been brought here by the Swedish boat from Petrograd, which had on board Russian newspapers giving detailed accounts of a dramatic meeting of the Congress.

M. Alexandroff, who greeted the congress in the name of the Soviet of Ukrainian Peasants, spoke of the Bolshevik Government, which "tolerates the presence of the representative of German imperialism, Mirbach, within its capital.'

Two hundred and fifty delegates of the Left here rose and cheered wildly, which Count Mirbach and his suite, occupying a box, sat stiffly in their

"Imprisonments and executions without trial are now the rule in the Ukraine," continued M. Alexandroff. "These measures are used by Germans in order to suppress the revolt of the Ukrainian workmen and peasants, but we know how to fight even if you don't, and we shall continue the fight.

"The Germans have come to the Ukraine to obtain bread. They won't get it. Peasants are refusing to surrender bread, and wherever the Germans succeed in loading trains, we are blowing them up. We have blown up all the artillery magazines in the Ukraine. The Germans sought to transfer immense quantities of aviation machinery from Odessa and Nikolaiest to Krupp's. We blew it up.

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"The Germans will be wiped out in the Ukraine. They have already paid a thousand lives for their tyranny. I desire to inform you, in the name of the workmen and peasants of the Ukraine, that the whole of the Ukraine is now in a state of revolt against the Austro-German yoke. You have concluded the Brest-Litovsk peace at the price of the Ukraine's liberty. I now call on you to aid as in our fight."

Here the delegates of the Left, the Right, and the Minimalists rose, crying, "Down with the Brest peace." "We firmly believe you will come to our aid," continued M. Alexandroff

"You will not deny us arms and will not wait until Count Mirbach 'permits you to do so.

At this point Count Mirbach showed signs of excitement. He turned to a German officer near him and whisperson something. The Left delegates, again rising, shouted: "Down with Mirbach!" "Down with the Brest peace!" | M. Kamkoff was called to speak after M. Trotsky. He declared that the surbach!" "Backeys of Mirbach, | render of the Black Sea fleet was virgingly an agent provocateur's "Down with the lackeys of Mirbach, the Bolsheviks!" The chairman, M. Sverdloff, succeeded in restoring order with great difficulty.

M. Trotsky rose to announce that the Government will oppose the efforts

of certain Red Guard regiments in undertaking an offensive against the Germans on the Kursk front without orders from Moscow. He also defended the official reintroduction of the "death penalty." The Left delegates shouted demands for the repeal of the death penalty, and their leader, M. Kamkoff, rose and shouted at M. Trotsky

M. Trotsky: Kerensky did the will of the bourgeoisie. I am doing the will the workers.

M. Kamkoff: You lie! You are doing the will of Mirbach. You and your

tual treason, an agent provocateur's trick on the part of the Bolsheviks. "As far as Trotsky's protest con-

cerning independent action by Red Guards is concerned they are acting under the impulse of a genuine revolutionary spirit. They refuse to witness the choking of our Ukrainian comrades by German Imperialists."

Turning to Count Mirbach's box, M. Kamkoff continued. "Revolutionary Russia and the Ukraine can no longer remain inactive when these contemptible butchers and

come here as guests are strangling our

brothers in the Ukraine. The speakers's words roused an excited demonstration against Count Mirbach on the part of the opposition and the entire audience. The public galleries were filled with cries of : "Away with these robbers!" "Throw them

M. Sverdloff again succeeded in restoring order, and M. Kamkoff concluded by saying that the Left would continue to fan the anti-German revolt in the Ukraine and Russia. He proposed the sending of a telegram to all the Russian detachments fighting on the borders of the Ukraine, likewise to the General Staff of the revolutionary Ukrainian troops, urging them to keep up the fight and promising them aid in men and arms.

The Bolsheviks voted down the motion, whereupon all the delegates of tuo theft rose and left the theatre, singdespots who have had the nerve to ling the "Istornationale" and shouting

"Hurrah for the revolt in the Ukraine!" "Away with Mirbach!" "Away with the death penalty!"
"Down with the Bolsheviks!" So they went home. Three days later they killed Count Mirbach.

The Petrograd Nash Viek reports that the Germans are pouring reinforcements into the Ukraine, and that the German force there now consists of thirty-five divisions. The peasants are acting in small armies of fifteen to twenty thousand men, well armed with machine-guns and artillery. They are defending the villages by methods of regular warfare, surrounding each place with trenches.

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