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(BY "BUD" FISHER)

BRITISH NAVAL LORD HAS GIVEN KERENSKY REPLY

It Would Have Been Folly to Send Fleet to Help Russia.

ENTERING JAWS OF TRAP

Could Cruise Have Been Effectuated, Russia Could Not Supply Needs.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The message in the interview of Premier Kerensky recently given by the Associated Press, which has aroused the greatest interest here, was his inquiry as to why the British fleet had not been sent to the Baltic Sea. A detailed and authoritative reply to that question was given by Sir Eric Campbell, first lord of the admiralty, in his speech in the House of Commons, delivered that same evening on which Premier Kerensky talked to the correspondent.

Sir Eric referring to those critics who had asked why the British fleet had not been sent into the Baltic, remarked: "I am very doubtful whether any of those critics have studied with care a naval chart of the entrance into that sea. I am of the opinion that they formed their views after looking at a school boy's Atlas in which all the sea is colored pale blue."

Would Have Been Trapped. Some of Sir Eric's remarks on the subject follow:

"Before the Germans attempted operations in the Gulf of Riga they deemed it necessary to occupy the islands commanding the entrance to the gulf. The islands which command the entrance to the Baltic belong to a neutral power—Denmark. Would it not be an act of madness for the British fleet to pass through the Baltic with the certainty that the Germans would occupy and fortify those islands in our rear?"

Condemned by Authorities. "Also, the leading vessels of our fleet, debouching from the Great Belt—the only possible passage—would be in a period, as putting aside the question of the neutrality of the Danish islands, there numerous mine fields in which we would be swept."

do not touch upon such questions as those of the communication to be maintained with the fleet once in the Baltic. It is certain that only a small proportion would succeed in getting through, unless a heavy force were detached to protect them.

"Our fleet in the Baltic, if it got through, would soon be cut off from our Russian ally, and our Russian ally could not supply it with fuel, ammunition or food."

Meanwhile the gunnery he has no use waiting any longer. We will have to let them have it."

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THE SPORT-LIGHT

By Grantland Rice.

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A grey November sky—the flutter of dead leaves—a wind singing the advance song of winter—and it takes no vivid imagination to recall from the pen of Hughie Keough:

"Gin it diana thaw, Jock; gin it diana thaw. Gin the ice will bide w' us an' bonnie blizzards blaw. We'll have a bonspiel o' oor ain, a bonspiel here at hame. W' dotchy chiefs who weel can play at Scot's roarin' game."

"We'll have the scores an' ale, Jock, the haggis reekin' hot. An' w' auld folk frae hame, Jock, we'll meet ta crack a pot: That feed will crack the day, Jock, the day w' micht and main. We pit it over oor vesters w' becom an' w' stane."

"Which is the more important," queries a reader, "a baseball manager or his material?" Well, you may recall where Connie Mack has finished the last two years, with tail-end material. Also where McGraw finished in 1916 with tail-end material.

A manager is far from being an unimportant detail. But he isn't the entire show, nor as important as the material. A few star ball players can often make any manager win; but no manager can make bum ball players resemble champions.

Clark Griffith won two pennants with the White Sox. But winning pennants for the Yankees, Reds and Washingtons was a new twist, widely separated from the Chicago campaign.

HOW MUCH, INDEED?

Some thoughtless bystander wants to know what Jess Willard has contributed to the nation's campaign. Jess has contributed two exhibition rounds before a Plattsburg gathering. That totals six minutes of his valuable time. How much do you expect a renowned champion to give anyway?

THE DISCARDS.

In the course of the last two or three years, New York discarded two left-handers as being through, slippings, and all the rest of it. Through the season just closed one of the southpaws, with a second division club, won more games than Schupp, Saltee or Benton with the Giants.

The other, with a tail-end contender, won about as many games as any of the Giant southpaws.

We refer exclusively to Jim Vaughn, ex-Yankees, and Ruben Marquard, ex-Giant.

They were or no particular use to New York, but for Chicago and Brooklyn they won 44 important and greatly desired ball games.

YOU KNOW THE ANSWER.

He who doesn't follow through. Will say some words he oughtn't to. He who tops a machine shot, Will say some things he ought not.

The Allies, in the main, have come from nations of sport lovers and game players. But to a certain extent, they have forgotten the value of team play. The Allied idea has been to let the individual run amuck, rather than operate in a machine-moulded mass.

THE FOOTBALL MINT.

If the Government needed a mint of money for Red Cross and army equipment purposes, which it does, what mint could beat this November or early December program?

Army vs. Navy.

Georgia Tech vs. Pittsburg.

Michigan vs. Chicago.

These three games could raise \$150,000 with ease. At \$2 a throw, they could all pack any amphitheatre in the country. But it may be there are other considerations more important than \$150,000, as highly important as \$150,000. Is only we can't think of any such considerations just now, with so many camps clamoring for athletic equipment and the supply so far in arrears of the growing need.

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Even though the Aggies did show better form than the "U," the play was pretty evenly divided as far as the last quarter it was 7 to 6 for the Aggies. The victors, who showed some excellent play, were not easily replaced. He will likely be out of the game next Saturday.

Kingwood sustained a badly twisted ankle early in the game. He was forced to drop out. This left a big hole in Western's line. Kingwood was a man not easily replaced. He will likely be out of the game next Saturday.

Brickenden didn't play on Saturday. He still feels the twisted shoulder received in the game with the battery. He will likely be out of the game next Saturday.

It was what might be called "the finishing touch." After it, with only a few moments to play, the "Varsity" had a scant chance of winning.

Even though the big end of the score was collected on a run that probably could have been stopped, it doesn't detract the least from the glory of Guelph's win. The Aggies did nice work and earned their game.

Spearin was one of the stars of the game on the local side. His scuffling was fine. He never missed his man and made some real runs. Murray played hard, but had no chance to shine. Bill Elgie, Pardee, Loughlin and McGeech were on the job all the time.

Mugrove and Michael shone among the Guelph collection. Shoemaker, DeLong and Steele also did nice work. The visitors brought a good all-round team with them.

The smoothness of the Aggies' play when they had the ball was a real admiration of the rosters. With rarely a fumble and a decisiveness that helped out immensely, they carried out signals.

But the university men are not downhearted about it. Next week the tale will be different, they say. They have the material and they need the practice to make every bit as good as showing as an agriculturalist. They have five nights to get ready in.

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Guelph Aggies Take Game From Western

Capt. Smith's Gridders Defeated 12 to 6 in First of Home-and-Home Series With Ontario Agricultural College.

The Western University rugby squad was defeated 12 to 6 by the Ontario Agricultural College team from Guelph on Saturday afternoon at Tecumseh Park. Despite the fact that the visitors showed that they had more practice than the local squad, the game was a live one all the way through, and play was pretty well divided on the territory of the teams. The attendance was not very good, although the weather was ideal.

Western started off with a rush, scoring early in the first quarter. The local kicked off, Art Smith sending the ball well up into the Aggies' half. The reason given for the loss of the game was that the Aggies' line was not as good as the Western's. The Aggies' line was not as good as the Western's. The Aggies' line was not as good as the Western's.

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ASSUMPTION PUTS IT OVER THE BATTERY

BY SCORE OF 26 TO 0 Local Gunners Put Up Stiff Fight, But Lack Training.

WINDSOR, Nov. 4.—Members of the London Assumption football squad injected enough fight in their game with Assumption College in Sandwich yesterday afternoon, which Assumption won 26 to 0, but were handicapped by lack of training.

The contest was played in American style, Assumption scoring 26, while the Londoners scored none. The rules of Canadian rugby, and the collegians added six. It was agreed by the Londoners that they had a touchdown count six in the first half.

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AMER. ASSOC. CLUBS WANT SHORT SEASON

Hickey's String Holds Conference—Would Make No Statement.

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