

How War Affects World's People's And Continents

Fifty-six per Cent. of the Population of the Globe Must be Classed as Belligerent

1,000,000,000 OUT OF 1,800,000,000 INVOLVED

Europe is, of Course, Most Intimately Concerned and Large Portions of Other Continents Also

London, Nov. 26.—With the addition of Turkey and Portugal to the ranks of the belligerents, the area of hostilities has been extended to approximately 53 per cent. of the land surface of the globe, and about 56 per cent. of the population of the earth must be classed as technically belligerent.

In round numbers, out of a total land surface of 51,500,000 square miles (excluding the uninhabitable regions in the article and antarctic) 30,000,000 square miles is occupied by the eleven belligerent powers, and about 1,000,000,000 of the 1,800,000,000 human beings on this planet are directly involved in the great war.

Britain's Side Strongest.
Apportioning the area and population between the two opposing groups, it will be found that there is a vast preponderance of both on the side of Britain and her allies, which own 27,500,000 square miles, and have about 840,000,000 people under their rule, against the 2,000,000 square miles and 160,000,000 people to the credit of Germany, Austria, and Turkey.

In Asia the belligerent area amounts to 9,300,000 square miles (leaving out of account the interior of Arabia—a political No Man's Land, of about 1,000,000 square miles), the total area of the continent being about 16,500,000 square miles. Hence over 56 per cent. is at war. Of the population of Asia 475,000,000 out of 980,000,000—say 48½ per cent.—must be classed as belligerent.

Africa Affected.
Africa is, proportionately, even more



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South America occupies the happiest position of all. Out of an area of over 7,500,000 square miles and a population of about 52,500,000 only 128,500 square miles of territory and 350,000 human beings are subject to any of the combats.

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Pretended to be Dead, Shot a German Aviator Who Approached and Flew To French Lines in Enemy's Machine

Paris, Nov. 25.—M. Clemenceau's L'Homme Enchaîné gives an account of the experiences of Roland Garros, the French aviator, who was forced to land in the enemy's country on account of motor troubles.

Garros was greeted with a hail of bullets. He feigned a fall by the trick dives and twists he had used frequently in exhibitions, and pretended to be dead. Thereupon a German aviator landed close by and approached him. Garros shot the German and took his Taube aeroplane and flew away.

Garros found the Taube easy to handle, but he was received with a terrible fire from his own countrymen when he landed behind the French lines. He landed unhurt among the astonished French troops.

Enemy's Fire Slackens Off

Few Infantry Attacks Reported but no Permanent Progress Made

Paris, Nov. 27.—The French War Office gave out an official announcement this afternoon as follows:

The slackening of the artillery fire of the enemy was noted all along the line during the day of Nov. 26. Two infantry attacks directed against the heads of bridges which we had thrown down on the right bank of the Yser to the South of Dixmude were easily repulsed.

There was no other engagement on the rest of the front in Belgium, and as far as the Oise, nor was there any action on the Aisne or in Champagne. In the Argonne some infantry attacks resulted in the loss and then capture of certain trenches. The men engaged in this fighting never exceeded a battalion, the ground lost and then retaken never exceeded twenty-five yards.

Along the heights of the Meuse and in the Vosges there is nothing to report.

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GOT THROUGH BUT NOT BACK

Austrian General Pierced Russian Lines and Then Found Himself and His Troops in a Trap.

Vienna, via Rome, Nov. 25.—According to a story in general circulation in Vienna Gen. Moritz von Auffenberg, former Minister of War, who was commander of the left wing in the Austrian invasion of Russia, has been relieved of his command for having continued the forward movement after his force had been cut off from the rest of the Austrian armies. When von Auffenberg discovered his mistake he cut his way through the Russians and got into touch with the other Austrian armies, but he lost 60,000 men in doing it.

At the beginning of the war the three chief Austrian armies were in command of Gen. von Auffenberg, Gen. Brudenmann, commanding the centre, and Gen. Dankl on the right wing. Gen. von Auffenberg's army was cut off by the Russians while operating in Galicia, but the General did not know it and started for the Russian interior. He did not hear of the tak-

ing of Lemberg and only when the lack of opposition aroused his suspicion did he turn back. Then the Russians caught him in the southern swamps.

Gen. von Auffenberg blamed Gen. Brudenmann for the mistake. The imperial authorities finally removed both, leaving only Gen. Dankl of the original three commanders.

Gen. von Hindenburg, the German commander in the east, is now the real commander of the Austrian, as well as of the German armies in this theatre.

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The examination will, this year, be conducted by the Oxford Local Examinations Board and the syllabus of work will be that for Senior Candidates.

Copies of the syllabus can be seen at any time at the office of the Council of Higher Education, Colonial Building, St. John's.

Those who wish to qualify as candidates for the Scholarship must send in their names to the undersigned not later than the last day of December next, and candidates must state in their applications whether they wish to be examined in Geometry or Algebra.

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