

## MISSION OF PROTEST SENT BY THE BELGIANS TO THE UNITED STATES

Will Set Forth the Facts  
Regarding Horrible Atrocities  
Committed by the  
Germans

**MASSACRED WOMEN  
AND CHILDREN, TOO**

Outrages Innumerable Al-  
leged and Protest Lodged  
Against Louvain Outrages

SEE H.M. KING GEORGE

And Express Belgium's Gra-  
titude For Great Britain's  
Intervention On Her Be-  
half

London, Sept. 1.—At the reception by King George at Buckingham Palace to-day of the Belgian Mission which is on its way to the United States to protest against alleged German atrocities in the war zone, an address to the King was read, setting forth some of the happenings in the present campaign, and thanking the King for Great Britain's aid. In part, the address was as follows:

"Sire—Belgium, having had to choose between the sacrifice of her honor and the peril of war, did not hesitate. She opposed the brutal aggression committed by a power which was one of the guaranters of her neutrality. In this critical situation it is for our country an inestimable tower of strength to see coming resolute and immediate intervention by great and powerful England.

**The Belgians Grateful**  
"Commissioned by His Majesty the King of the Belgians with a mission to the President of the United States, we considered it to be our duty to make a stay in the capital of the British Empire to convey to Your Majesty a respectful and ardent expression of the gratitude of the Belgian nation."

The address referred to King George's message to King Albert, and the co-operation of the British land and sea forces.

"This," continued the address, "brought renewed gratitude, and strengthened still further the determination of the Belgian nation, forced to go to war for the protection of her institutions and her hearths, to defend her rights. In this

resistance Belgium was desirous of bringing to bear the care which is imposed on each nation by international convention and conscience.

**Massacred Women and Children**  
"Our adversary, after invading our territory, has decimated the civil population massacred women and children, carried into captivity inoffensive peasants, put to death the wounded, destroyed undefended towns and burned churches, historical monuments, and the famous library of the University of Louvain. All these facts have been established by authenticated documents, each of which we shall submit to the Government of Your Majesty.

"Despite all this suffering in Belgium, which has been made the personification of outraged right, the country is resolute in fulfilling to the utmost her duties towards Europe. Whatever may happen, she must defend her existence, her honor, and her liberty."

**King George Shocked at Brutality**  
King George replied that Great Britain would support Belgium and that he was grateful for the gallant Belgian resistance. He added that he was shocked at the reports of German brutality.

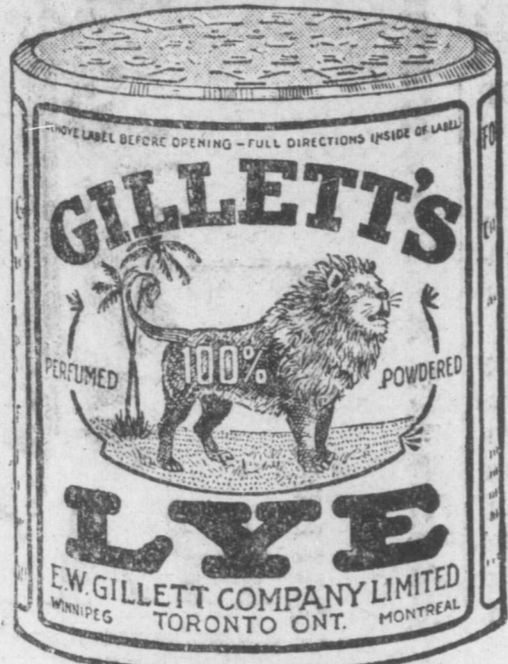
"King Albert bade us to tell all the world that Belgium is not crushed, and never will be crushed. Such a spirit as we have can never be drownded. We will fight on and on and success finally will crown the efforts of the Allies."

Such was the message that Carlot de Wiart, the Belgian Minister of Justice, head of the Belgian Mission delivered to the representatives of the press following the visit of the mission to King George and Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Minister.

M. de Wiart reviewed the charges against Germany in detail, laying great stress on the fact that the Germans had violated the neutrality of Belgium in entering that country and cited alleged specific outrages on the part of the Germans, giving dates and places and the names of persons said to have been killed.

**Still Burning Buildings**  
"I have a statement," said M. de Wiart, "from a reliable man who visited Louvain, August 30, which says that the Germans were still burning buildings that day and scattering straw so that every house standing would be destroyed. Drunken German soldiers were reeling through the streets with bottles of

### GILLETT'S LYE EATS DIRT"



wine, and officers were drinking at tables set in the street.

"Louvain looks like a second Pompeii. Only the town hall and the city station are left standing. The cathedral and the theatre have collapsed, as also has the library, with its rare manuscripts. The university which had 2,500 students, is a total ruin.

**Burned Alive**  
"Aerschot, with 8,000 inhabitants, and Diest, and many other unfortified villages suffered the same fate as Louvain. At Diest a mother and her daughter of twelve were shot to death, a young man was bound to a tree and burned alive, and two men were buried alive with their heads downwards."

M. de Wiart charged the Germans with theft in the taking of funds from the National Bank of Louvain, an institution in no way connected with the Government, and said the bombardment of Antwerp without giving twenty-four hours notice was a violation of international law.

"I personally saw," said Emile Vanderveelde, Belgian Minister of State, who is a member of the mission, "the bodies of a father and son, non-combatants, cut all to pieces by German bayonet thrusts. This was near the River Meuse. I have reliable information that the Germans held Belgian women and children before them in the same neighborhood.

**Bayoneted Wounded**  
"At Malines the Germans continued to storm the town after the inhabitants had all gone, trying to terrorize the entire neighborhood, and drive everyone possible into Antwerp, so the food supply there would be exhausted and the siege shortened. Belgian soldiers lying wounded were bayoneted by the Germans at the many places."

The mission will leave England tomorrow on a boat sailing for New York, and its members will see President Wilson as soon as possible.

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### Barbaric Savagery Of The Germans Is Horrifying The Whole World

Frederic Harrison De-  
nounces "Abominable  
Crimes Against Humanity  
and Civilization"

London, Sept. 1.—Frederick Harrison, writing to The Times, says: "These abominable crimes against humanity and civilization call for condign reprobation in the face of the civilized world. The whole German military and civil order are responsible for this poisoning of the moral sense of their nation. I know that nine-tenths of the German people accept their leadership and adopt their infernal code, that 'Might is Right.' Under the inverted doctrines of right and wrong, German millions are now committing enormities as horrible as those of Dahomey and the African savages of old. Let us hear no more whining about the German 'culture,' but let us make it known that we make the world ring with our sense of horror.

"The whole junker caste and Hohenzollern Dynasty are the head and front of these infamies. It is for the German people to deal with the German race, which has ruined them and brought their name, to shame. Be it understood that when the Allies have finally crushed this monstrous brute, the Kaiser—if, indeed, he chooses to survive—he shall be submitted to the degradation inflicted on poor Dreyfus. In the presence of the Allied troops let his blood-stained sword be broken on his craven back, and the uniforms and orders, of which he is so childishly proud, be stamped in the mire, and if he lives through it, St. Helena or Devil's Island might be his prison and his grave. The German people will then, understand what the civilized world feels about the modern Attila, the new scourge of God."

### RUSSIA ALLOWS 500,000 RESERVES TO RETURN HOME

Although the Majority Of  
Them Would Rather Fight  
Than Do This

**MEN A-PLENTY  
AND TO SPARE**

This Action Significant of the  
Fact That Russia Is  
Immensely Strong

London, Sept. 3.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of The Post, discussing the military situation in Russia says:

"The relative situations of Germany and Russia after a month of war are shown admirably in contrast by the German action in summoning the school boys to the colors and Russia's recent decision to grant six weeks leave of absence to the reservists of the 1907 term of service.

"These reservists have recently been with the colors at different depots brushing up their military knowledge preparatory to a call to the front. To-day it was found possible to allow them to return home for a nominal term of six weeks. They are to hold themselves in readiness to report to the next call.

"It is reported that some of the men took permission to return home most grudgingly, as they had counted on a quick advance to the front.

"Russia can thus in the heat of a hard fought war afford to let something like half a million mobilized reservists go home again.

"It is significant that in the recent fighting not only the German field forces but the fortress garrisons from Thorn and Grandenz (in East Prussia east of the Vistula) took part with the German main army in East Prussia, proves that the Germans are finding a serious shortage as regards men with whom to oppose the invaders."

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