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## THE WAR NEWS

German airmen have been dropping bombs on Dunkirk. This activity may be regarded by Germany as of some value in striking terror to its enemies, but it will not have that effect. It will simply deepen the determination of the French and British to fight to the bitter end.

A Paris newspaper prints a report to the effect that after retreating several days, the British have made some further advance near La Bassée, while along the whole line in Belgium and France the Allies are holding their own and repulsing German attacks. The position of affairs in the east has not materially changed. The most interest is now felt in the new movement of the Russians in the north, where they are getting close to the German border. If they have not been able to advance rapidly in the region of Cracow, neither have the Germans been able to break through the Russian lines near Warsaw.

The British airmen who dropped bombs at Ostend and Zeebrugge and killed a number of German soldiers, besides damaging railroad stations and ammunition depots, have demonstrated that aerial warfare is a game at which two can play.

It is officially denied from London that the Canadians have gone to the front. All but a small portion still remain at Salisbury Plain.

## UNCLE SAM'S ATTITUDE

The singular attitude of the United States government is causing some concern in London. The London Spectator fears that Britain is "drifting toward a collision with the United States." The whole trouble arises out of the desire of some American citizens to make money by shipping goods to Germany and the desire of German-Americans to stir up trouble between the United States and Great Britain. A steamer has sailed from New York with a cargo of foodstuffs consigned to an American citizen in Germany. The vessel will probably be seized by a British cruiser and the cargo confiscated. Britain has refused to consent to the carriage of a cargo of cotton for Germany on a steamer purchased from German owners, but which is claimed to be still in German hands. This steamer also has sailed and will probably be stopped by a British cruiser. A fierce outcry will be made if these steamers are captured, and a demand will be made upon the United States government to protect them. There would be less concern in London if the government of the United States had done its duty and denounced the violation of the neutrality of Belgium. President Wilson some time ago announced that his government did not approve of the bombardment of non-combatants from the air, but Germany has continued this policy in defiance of the views of the United States government. The latter now remains silent, and because of her silence there is naturally some fear that she may play Germany's game in the matter of providing Germany with food supplies. The great majority of the people of the United States are in sympathy with Britain in this war, and it is to be regretted that the government does not represent their views. Nothing would give greater satisfaction to Germany than serious friction between Britain and the United States. It may be hoped that this satisfaction, despite present complications, will be denied her.

The New York Outlook makes the following caustic comment on the attitude of the United States in relation to the war:—"When we had an opportunity to protest against the violation of the Hague convention concerning neutral territory we held our peace; but now, when questions of American commerce arise, we protest. Belgium suffered, and we said nothing; our trade suffers, and we speak. On questions of honor and obligation we keep silence; we raise our voice only when dollars are involved. And this matter is the more disturbing because the very protest that we launch is against those who are fighting our battle for liberty and democracy. To those who regard their nation's honor as important as it material interests, this incident brings some sense of humiliation and it brings disappointment to those who felt that they had reason to expect from the present administration an exhibition of idealism."

## GLADSTONE ON AUSTRIA

The Times yesterday quoted an extract from an address by Mr. Disraeli many years ago showing that the British statesmen of that day fully understood the designs of Germany, and realized that if the Prussia of that day had her way the supremacy of Britain would be very seriously threatened. It is worth while to quote also at this time some remarks made by Mr. Disraeli's great opponent, Mr. Gladstone, upon the policy of Austria. In the course of a speech at Edinburgh in 1880, Mr. Gladstone said:—

"What has the foreign policy of Austria been? I do not say that Austria is incurable; I hope it will yet be cured, because it has got better institutions at home, and I heartily wish it would be so."

makes honest attempts to confront its difficulties. Yet I must look to what that policy has been. Austria has ever been the unflinching foe of freedom in every country of Europe. Austria trampled Italy underfoot; Austria resisted the unity of Germany; Austria did all she could to prevent the creation of Belgium; Austria never lifted a finger for the regeneration and constitution of Greece. There is not an instance, there is not a spot upon the whole map where you can lay your finger and say, 'There Austria did good.' I do not, of course, abandon the hope of improvement in the future; but we must look to the past and to the present for the guidance of our judgments. At this moment, and in the Congress of Berlin, Austria resisted the extension of freedom and did not promote it."

## TAX REFORM

When a deputation from the Single Tax Association of Toronto waited upon the city council last month to ask that the city again petition the legislature for home rule in taxation, the speakers declared that the present system in that city penalized industry and allowed the speculator and the forestaller to escape. It was contended that improvements, incomes and business should be taxed at a lower rate than land values.

Mr. A. B. Farmer gave an illustration to show how the over-taxation of improvements retarded the growth of a municipality. He said he was offered two good lots, well located in the town of Clinton, Ontario, free of charge if he would build upon them. There was at the time a scarcity of buildings in the town, but while the tax on land was very low improvements were assessed at their full value. It did not pay, therefore, to erect buildings, and the lots which were offered to Mr. Farmer for nothing are still vacant.

The movement for home rule in taxation in Toronto has very influential support, but up to the present time the provincial government has declined to grant the request. The late Sir James Whitney was its most determined opponent. Whether Premier Hearst will be any more favorable to tax reform remains to be seen.

The town council of Newcastle has declared itself in favor of what would practically be the adoption of the commission plan of government.

Rome hears that Emperor Francis Joseph has decided to abdicate and yield up the Austrian throne to the Archduke Charles Francis.

The Montreal Mail says that opposition to the increased freight charges proposed by the Canadian railways is likely to be made by manufacturing associations to the Railway Commission.

Count Witte is said to be conducting a peace propaganda in Russia. The Petrograd papers, however, say that his German proclivities are well known, and that he will have no influence on public sentiment.

While the government may be justified in refusing to grant the benefits of the Patriotic Fund in the case of soldiers who marry hereafter, it will certainly involve a great deal of hardship if they apply the rule in the case of those soldiers who were married before the order was issued.

Jews from Palestine are arriving in thousands at Alexandria, having been driven out by the Turks. They are penniless, and the Jewish community in Alexandria has its resources overtaxed in the effort to take care of them. Turkish rule in Palestine must end with this war.

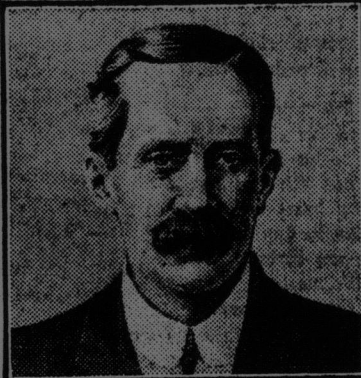
The Public Welfare Commission of Chicago reports that there are 100,000 idle men in that city. According to figures compiled for the Public Forum of the Church of the Ascension, a partial list of unemployed in Greater New York totals 262,700, while there are at least 60,000 homeless and without the price of shelter. Let us be thankful we are living in St. John.

Referring to conditions in the Canadian west, Winnipeg Finance says:—"To sum up, as regards the west's present position and outlook. So far as there still remains in western cities a class dependent upon the more speculative form of business prevalent a year or two ago, the pinch of further stringency is likely to be felt. But the war will bring increased returns to farmers and will stimulate agriculture in all its branches; trade growing out of the raising, distributing and manufacturing of foodstuffs will be stimulated, and the buying power of those directly affected thereby will be well sustained. But even from this class the demand for luxuries has lessened—the impulse to economize being general."

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**LOCAL WAR NOTES**

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