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**Austria Now Resents Prod By Germans**

BERLIN, Oct. 20.—During the months of German triumph in Russia when every day brought the news, if not of the fall of an important fortress then at least of new advances a truce was declared between Germany and Austria and nothing was heard of the mutual jealousy which was so much in evidence during the Austrian retreat in Galicia a few months previous.

But the people of Austria having celebrated the victories in Russia by services of thanks held throughout the country, the Vossische Zeitung and the Lokal Anzeiger, two of the largest papers here, in no uncertain terms expressed the opinion that Austria had no reason to celebrate victories which had been won by German strategy and German arms alone, while the Austrians since the beginning of the war had been everywhere beaten, even by little Serbia.

The criticism naturally made a great impression in Austria, and shortly afterwards the Reichspost of Vienna openly asserted that it was Germany and Germany alone that provoked the war.

You hear it asserted quite openly here that Austria-Hungary must pay for the war, as the enemy will not do so. A government official said:

"Austria has in reality already sunk to a mere province of the German empire. Politically and militarily she has become our vassal. As Germany saved Austria when she was about to be overrun by the Russians, what is more just than that she should in time to come save exhausted Germany, even if in doing so she loses her life as a power? It is certainly no fault of Germany's that her heterogeneous and mutually hostile conglomeration of nationalities made her unable to defend herself. Germany in vain made huge sacrifices to save her from ruin, but now she must help to build up and consolidate a new Germany made up of all territories where the German tongue prevails.

"The Hungarians have for generations clamored for absolute independence, even if they should wish to establish a Hungarian republic.

"Then all Polish provinces should be mounded together after the war into a new Polish state. In east and south, Roumania and Italy should get the districts where their national tongues predominate and which they have always wanted. When Germany has hitherto opposed their wishes, it has been simply because her treaty with Vienna compelled her to do so. Otherwise the independence of nationalities has never had a stronger or more sincere champion than Prussia.

"In return for her generosity Germany would demand nothing but the German-speaking provinces, inhabited by perhaps a dozen million Austrians. She would then be perfectly ready to give up Belgium and even Alsace-Lorraine. The latter country should perhaps not become French, but should be granted the absolute autonomy which, before the war, was her highest wish, and a useful buffer state would then be created between Germany and France.

"Britain, of course, is the great obstacle, but if she refused to consider herself satisfied with a couple of the German colonies she has seized during the war, what could she do single-handed against France, Russia, and Italy, whose claims had been satisfied by the generosity of Germany?"

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**Bulgar Premier States Position of His Country**

SOFIA, Oct. 22, via London, Oct. 26.—(Delayed in transmission)—Bulgaria's future military actions were outlined to-day by Premier Vassil Radoslavoff, to an Associated Press correspondent. The Premier said:

"Our future military actions depend upon the conduct of the Entente Powers toward Bulgaria. The limit of our operations, according to present plans, will be reached when Macedonia is occupied, which task already is half completed. Should the troops of the Entente Powers invade Macedonia or Bulgaria they will find us ready and able to defend ourselves. I am satisfied to see that the campaign against the Serbians is progressing most satisfactory. Our troops are doing duty with their old time dash, and are not far from the point where Serbian resistance must collapse.

"Premier Radoslavoff said the Entente Powers failed to win the Bulgarian support because they proved incapable of understanding Bulgaria's position, and insisted that Bulgaria attack Turkey, which nation had just ceded to Bulgaria the Maritza valley. The Premier declared that Bulgaria had no interest in attacking Turkey, since Macedonia was no longer Turkish territory and, moreover, that Bulgaria was entitled to Macedonia upon ethical grounds.

"The course adopted by the Entente Powers, and the attitude of their newspapers, alienated the sympathies of the Bulgarians," Premier Radoslavoff said in conclusion, "and I can only say that our relations with Roumania and Greece are the best possible and I have no reason to believe that change is likely."

**Loyalty To Crown Proved Beyond Doubt**

**Catholic Soldiers Have Won Their Spurs in Confidence of English People**

(From The New Freeman, N.B.)

The time is past in which Catholic loyalty to the Crown was looked upon with a certain amount of suspicion. The last thirteen months have seen the passing, before the war people used to seek mysterious motives in the priority given to the Holy Father's name in the toast "Pope and King." All that suspicion has gone, and Catholic soldiers have, as if were, won their spurs in the confidence of the Englishman.

A reader asks us "to place on record a list of Catholic soldiers who have won the Victoria Cross in the present war." We can recall twelve, but there may be others. They are:

Lieutenant Maurice Dease (killed), Sergeant Hogan, Corporal Holmes, Corporal Kenny, Sergeant Michael O'Leary, Lance Corporal William Angus, Captain John Aidan Liddel (killed), Corporal Cosgrove, Private William Keneally, Captain Gerald Robert O'Sullivan, and Sergeant James Somers.

The V.C.'s so far awarded total about 100, so that Catholics are more than proportionately represented.—The Universe.

**Rush of Emigration Expected After War**

According to the agents of the trans-atlantic passenger lines, there will be no rush of immigration to the United States until a year or so after peace has been ratified between the belligerent nations in Europe. On the contrary, they expect a big rush of travel eastward, which, it is estimated, will reach 500,000 in the first six months after the war. This will be confined chiefly to the second and third-class traffic, composed of the hundreds of thousands of Poles, Slavs, Rumanians, Bulgarians, Galicians, Croatsians, Germans, Austrians, Hungarians, Czechians and other races, who will go over at once to find out what has become of their relatives and their property during the war.

At the present, the agents pointed out, all these men were earning good wages here. Many of them have become so independent because of this money that the employers have great difficulty in handling them.

That this estimate of 500,000 is not an extravagant one is shown by the exodus to Europe in 1908 on account of the slackness in the labor market, when 661,924 person booked passages and the steamers were so crowded that as many as 6,000 were left behind on the piers at Hoboken in one day.

For the year ended Aug. 28, 1914, the total number of passengers carried across the Atlantic was 77,182 first, 102,194 second, and 336,714 third class. In the period ended Aug. 28, 1915, the figures were 11,722 first, 30,068 second, and 140,224 third class.

In addition to the races enumerated above, the steamship agents expect that thousands of Canadians, Irish, Scotch, Welsh, English, French, Swiss, Syrians and others, who have been deterred from crossing by fear of submarines, will take a trip to Europe when peace has been declared.

A well-known passenger agent, who has been for more than thirty years in the business in New York, said yesterday that there would be such a demand for labor in Europe to rebuild the cities and restore the lands to cultivation that the people would remain in Europe of their own free will even if their respective governments did not prohibit emigration.

If the freedom of Poland is a part of the peace arrangements, the Poles, he said, would return home from all parts of the United States, because they have a great love for their native land. In Germany for the last few years before the war, working conditions had been so good that the emigration to the United States had steadily dwindled. The Czar's proclamation removing the pale against the Jews will result in thousands staying there.

This tide of eastward travel will continue for the first two years after the war, but the rush for passages will be in the first six months by those who have no news of their relatives and want to know if they are alive or dead. The drain of all this alien labour will be felt severely throughout the United States, especially in construction work on railroads, the passenger agent said.

The following touching incident told in The Croix, and translated in The Tablet shows how death lowers all racial barriers:

As soon as the first moments of distress which follow on all wounds had passed, I looked in front of me. Quite near lay two soldiers mortally wounded; one a Bavarian, young and fair-haired with a gaping wound in his stomach, was lying close to a young Frenchman, who had been stricken in the side and in the head. Both were in horrible pain, and their faces were growing paler and paler.

I could not move, but I kept my eyes on him. I saw a feeble movement on the part of the Frenchman, who painfully slipped his hand under his coat for something hidden away on his breast. At last he drew forth his hand and in a little silver crucifix which he pressed to his lips, saying feebly but clearly "Ave Maria, gratia plena," etc.

And then as I watched I saw something more which moved me to tears. The German, who had hitherto shown no sign of life except a quick, gasping respiration, opened his eyes, which were already glazing with approaching death, turned his head toward the Frenchman and murmured also in Latin, "Sancta Maria, Mater Dei," etc. Their eyes met and they understood each other.

In a sublime outburst of charity the Frenchman held out his crucifix to the German, who kissed it; then taking him by the hand the Frenchman said: "Having served our countries, let us go to God," and the German added, "Reconciled." Their eyes closed, a shiver ran through their bodies and they passed away. "Amen," said I, crossing myself. The sun, disappearing behind a purple cloud, shed a great golden beam on the two blood-stained bodies.

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