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SAYS GERMANY OFFERED BRIBE TO GREAT BRITAIN

Prof. de Sumichrast, Formerly of Nova Scotia, Makes Interesting Address on Germany's Anti-Bellum Tactics.

Windsor, May 24.—Germany offered Great Britain at the outbreak of the world war the contemptible bribe of sharing the French colonies with her if she would just stop aside and stand idle. This is no figment of the imagination. It is a positive fact.

Thus declared Prof. F. C. de Sumichrast, formerly professor of romance literature in Harvard, who returned to England six years ago, in addressing the Victorian Club of Boston, of which he was president for years.

Prof. de Sumichrast was formerly professor of modern languages at Kings College, Windsor, N. S., and was at one time editor of the Halifax Chronicle.

His subject was "The Entrance of the United States Into the World War: Its Significance."

"Since returning to America I am most frequently asked, 'Is Germany near collapse?' said he. 'She has not collapsed and she is not near collapsing.

"Universal enslavement of humanity was the aim of the Hun at the outset, and Germany now has great territory from which to draw men, supplies and food."

"The German plan of world domination goes back farther than most people realize."

Tells of Kaiser's Plan.

Tracing Germany's preparation for this war back through years of carefully laid plans, he said that all that Germany wanted to start it was a pretext. "And no stronger pretext could be found than a political murder," he added.

It is a positive fact, he said, that Germany's plan was this: That Belgium and Holland be invaded, thus giving Germany command on the coast; next the swift crushing of France, to be followed by Austria wiping out Serbia at one blow.

Then he said, Germany and Austria were to tackle Russia, and, after con-

PREDICTS ANOTHER WINTER CAMPAIGN

General Belief of Allies, Says Bishop Brent—Tells Local Red Cross of Conditions on Western Front.

"That there is no likelihood of the war ending before another winter campaign has been fought is the general belief of high authorities among the Allies," according to Bishop Charles H. Brent of the Episcopal church, who has recently been in England and on the battle front in France. The bishop is a native of Canada. He talked to members of the Boston Metropolitan Red Cross and their friends, giving a somewhat gloomy picture of conditions confronting the Allies.

Declaring that both British and French authorities regard Herbert C. Hoover as the greatest expert in food conservation and distribution in the world, the bishop quoted Mr. Hoover as saying that "Germany has not yet even touched her main herd of cattle" and that at the present rate of consumption "there will not be one ounce of bread stuff in the world one year from now."

Paints a Gloomy Picture.

The bishop also said: "The food question is the drink question, and it has got to be dealt with summarily, finally and completely.

"In France the supply of men is exhausted.

"The U-boat campaign is meanwhile steadily reducing England's food supply, which is never adequate for more than a few weeks."

Bishop Brent declared that one of the most serious problems of the war as regards overseas troops in the British army has been to protect them from the swarms of women of bad character encountered in cities and towns near the camps.

Asserting that soldiers crave the society of good women, he urged that the Y. M. C. A. and kindred organizations try to provide for that need in connection with the camps.

The speaker said that the problem has aroused the question whether the Colonial troops are not paid too much. "With Australian troops getting \$1.50 a day and Canadians \$1.10 a day, there is a widespread opinion," he asserted, "that they have too much money to fritter away." Personally, he questioned if a conscripted army ought to receive anything beyond bare expenses.

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\$15,000 SHORTAGE AS A BOOKKEEPER CHARGED TO BRIDE

New York, May 27.—Mrs. Minnie Baltes, twenty years old, a bride of two weeks, is under arrest. The warrant mentioning \$15,000, said to be missing.

When Mrs. Baltes was arraigned before Police Justice Branigan, in Harrison, Bernard Kleinschmidt, president of the Kleinschmidt Magnesia Company, No. 223 East Sixty-fifth street, Manhattan, testified that she had been bookkeeper for his company and that experts working on the books after she resigned to be married on May 3 had reported an inability to account for \$15,000.

"That is not true," cried Mrs. Baltes, when she testified. "They only paid me \$11 and \$12 a week and that was not enough to live on and I only took \$6 or \$7 a week to help out."

Justice Branigan asked the young woman if she had saved any money on which to be married and she took

from her waist a roll of bills amounting to \$1,375, and said: "That's all I have left."

Mr. Kleinschmidt said that Mrs. Baltes, then Miss Minnie Kauffner, had been employed by him first six years ago, as an errand girl, and later she had become bookkeeper. He testified that experts who had gone over her books had reported to him that between October 16 last and April 20 more than \$3,000 had been taken.

While the examination was in progress the young woman's husband, John Baltes, reached the court, and when he heard about the charges and that his bride had produced \$1,375, he cried:

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