

RELATIVE STRENGTH OF WARRING POWERS IN PRESENT CONFLICT

Statistics Prepared by Bankers' Trust Company Show Huge Preponderance in Favor of the Entente, But Task They Have Cannot Be Belittled.

The comparative strength of the allies and the Central Powers is graphically shown by "The Balance Sheet of the Nations at War," which has just been compiled by the Bankers' Trust Company.

"The world has a great task still before it in order to nullify the plans of the Hohenzollerns," says the introduction. "The task must not be belittled, but it is at least interesting to see resources existing and the plans of the nations of the world now opposed to Germany continue to co-operate intelligently and loyally until Germany and her allies have been absolutely defeated and their plans of world dominion rendered permanently ineffective."

Figures showing, for both sides, the combined area, income and in forest charge, and cost of the war in treasure and men, are presented with the explanation that they have been gathered with great care from the "best available sources" and are believed to "reflect with substantial correctness the relative economic strength of the opposing groups of nations," although it is impossible to vouch for their absolute accuracy.

The allies, including the United States, are shown, by this tabulation, to control 19,526,000 square miles of the earth's surface, or 94.1 per cent. of the total area held by the nations at war, as compared with 1,222,000 square miles, or only 5.9 per cent. held by the Teutonic combination. The aggregate population of the allies, exclusive of the large Asiatic population tributary to the British Empire, reaches the huge total of 473,250,000, or 76.3 per cent. of the total of warring peoples, while that of the Central Powers is but 147,000,000, or 23.7 per cent.

Without counting Asiatics and Africans, the allies have available for military service 91,700,000 men, or 87.5 per cent. of the total of possible fighting men, while the Teutonic powers can command but 25,000,000, or 21.5 per cent. The number of men actively enrolled in the armies and navies of the allies is 12,400,000, or 66 per cent. of the total, while the enrolled military strength of the Teutonic allies is 11,000,000, or 34 per cent., as shown by the following table:

The combined national wealth of the allies is estimated at \$553,000,000,000 or 80.5 per cent. of the total of the nations engaged in the present conflict, while the wealth of Germany and her allies is placed at \$134,000,000,000, or 19.5 per cent. Contrasted with this is the national debt of the allies, \$33,900,000,000, or 14.7 per cent. of their aggregate wealth, and the combined debt of the Germans and their allies, \$55,500,000,000, which is 28.7 per cent. of their aggregate wealth.

The aggregate national income of the allies is placed at \$82,100,000,000 and the interest charges each year at \$3,891,000,000, which is 4.6 per cent. of the income, while the combined income of the Teutonic Alliance is estimated to be \$16,600,000,000 and interest charges \$1,270,000,000, which is 11.8 per cent. of the income.

Regarding the cost of the war a table is presented showing that the allies have spent \$72,200,000,000, or 64.1 per cent. of the total cost to all warring nations, while Germany and her allies have spent \$103,500,000,000, or 35.9 per cent.

In killed, wounded, and missing, the conflict has cost the allies 8,292,536 men, or 58.7 per cent. of the total of human losses, while it has cost the Central powers 6,301,773, or 41.3 per cent. of the total of 15,294,729. These last figures have been taken from the New York Times Current History Magazine for last September.

In the introduction to the balance sheet it is pointed out that, while the exact figures are not available, it is a well-known fact that the surplus food-producing sections of the

world are practically sections of the world Entente Allies either directly or through their control of the seas. The same is true, to a great extent, of territories producing metals and coal.

Japan has not yet been an active factor in the European theatre of the war," comments the pamphlet. "It has, however, very effectively guarded the Pacific Ocean. It has enrolled in its army about 1,500,000 men, out of an effective man power of 10,500,000. The entire army and navy, as well as the unrolled man power, may be said to be still in reserve.

"While Russia has nominally about 5,000,000 men enrolled in its army and navy, it still has an enormous reserve, as the total number of men available for military purposes aggregates around 30,000,000.

"The extreme gravity of the present situation in Russia is, therefore, apparent, especially when it is borne in mind that if Germany can gain control of Russia or force a separate peace with Russia, even if Russia remained thereafter simply neutral, it would be possible for Germany to draw therefrom an enormous quantity of foodstuffs and the raw material for munitions of war. On the other hand, if Russia can be kept in line with the Entente Allies, it would seem that the Teutonic Allies must be compelled to stipulate, at a reasonably early date, from sheer exhaustion.

"While considering the danger points we must not overlook the fact of the virulence of the Teutonic submarine campaign. It is impossible, however, to present figures in this connection which have statistical value.

"The fact should not be lost sight of that Germany now controls Belgium, Northern France, Serbia, Rumania, Montenegro and a large portion of Poland, having a combined population of about 32,300,000. It is true that men of all these nations are serving in the armies of the Entente Allies and that Belgium is maintaining an independent army of moderate size. The control of these countries, especially Belgium and Northern France, has given Germany a great advantage because of the supplies of coal and iron ore thus made available, and also because of the ability thus obtained to turn to use the factories of the manufacturing sections in making munitions of war.

"Just at the critical moment, when the scales were almost evenly balanced between the Entente Allies the Teutonic allies, the United States, with its great wealth and resources, entered the conflict with a possible 22,000,000 men to draw upon, with its national wealth of \$225,000,000,000, national income of \$40,000,000,000, national savings estimated in the neighborhood of \$5,000,000,000, a year, and has thrown its weight into the scale, prepared to put behind the Entente group effective co-operation to secure the success of the principles of democracy."

The task is called a "tremendous one," but, according to the views of the Bankers' Trust Company, there can be no doubt as to the ultimate victory of the United States and her allies.

SPEED SALVATION BY USE OF MOTOR

Western Soldier - Preacher Studies Motor Mechanics In M.H.C. Classes

Motor mechanics as a course supplementary to the business of a "Sky Pilot" is Pte. Lambert's idea of efficiency, and in his case it may mean the salvation of many souls.

Pte. Lambert before the war was the Rev. Lambert ministering to the spiritual needs of scattered Methodist communities over an area of 30 miles in Alberta. When the call to war came he doffed the cloth for khaki and joined the ranks of one of the first battalions. To-day he is a patient in the Orthopaedic Hospital in Toronto minus a leg, but as ambitious to fulfill his mission as the day he left college.

To preach the gospel in the west, one must travel far in the outlying districts and the necessity of getting around was a problem until he hit upon the idea of motor mechanics. If a man could care for his car, do

TRAINMEN RESPONSIBLE

By Courier Leased Wire
Montreal, Nov. 9.—Conductor William Horsley, of the C. P. R., and Wayman Stevenson, of the Canadian Rolling Mills Company, were named as criminally responsible by a coroner's jury last night for the death of Ben Sanak, a Pole, who was killed on Tuesday in the Canadian Rolling Mills yards by a train. The jury held that the two men in question should have warned Sanak he was in danger, but had not done so.

RANELAGH

(From our own correspondent.)
Mrs. Bowman of New Dundee, about a couple of days of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wood, Mr. Neal Rykman, of Michigan, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Sweeney.
Mrs. Purdy's two daughters spent the later part of the week with her. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Howard spent Sunday at Mr. Vanderburgh's at Norwich.

LAST MAIL NORTH

By Courier Leased Wire.
Ottawa, Nov. 9.—The last mail until next summer for Fort McPherson, Fort Resolution and other intermediate points on the MacKenzie River, north of Fort Simpson will leave Fort McMurray on December 1. In order to catch it correspondence must be mailed so as to reach Edmonton before November 23. Registered letters and parcels will be given preference, as only a limited supply of mail can be carried.

HOCKEYIST DEAD

By Courier Leased Wire.
Montreal, Nov. 9.—Word has been received at McGill of the death in action of "Bill" Morris, well known athlete and former GUY league hockeyist. Morris before coming to McGill was an Ottawa Collegiate man where he left records in the athletic line.

A RUSH AT MONTREAL

By Courier Leased Wire.
Montreal, Nov. 9.—Class one men are now tumbling over themselves

in an endeavor to comply with the provisions of the military act. From midnight yesterday until noon to-day 8,554 succeeded in having forms filed of these 119 waived exemption proceedings. The grand total of registrations in the Montreal district now stands at 40,625 leaving 39,500 of the estimated 70,000 class one men to comply with the law before to-morrow midnight. Up to date 1,117 or 2.7 per cent of the total number registering had reported for service.

the repairs, and possibly buy a used car and renovate it at small expense, it would do away with livery bills, and speed up even the advance of Christianity.
The minister is now one of the most eager students in this popular course of the vocational training arranged by the Military Hospitals Commission, and the instructors say shows a most marked ability in the chance.

HAMILTON TRIBUNALS

By Courier Leased Wire.
Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 8.—Although nearly 4,000 men in Hamilton are seeking exemption, only a handful but in an apparent this morning to back up their claims. Fully 1,000 young men must register by to-morrow night or run the risk of being arrested on Monday. The figures here now stand:
Total examined 5850; at 2,909; reported for service 478; claiming exemption 3,999.

On Monday

CANADA'S Victory Loan campaign will open on Monday, November 12, in every city, town and village of this broad Dominion.

In every province there is a provincial headquarters. In every county and township there is a county or township headquarters. The whole country has been organized so that everybody will have an opportunity to help make Canada's Victory Loan a triumphant success.

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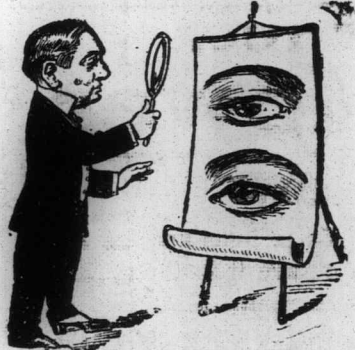
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