

the English. For instance, for *lügen, lie*, it is proposed to substitute *Engländern*.

Looking at matters as they affect the Allies, we note many instructive features. First, that Great Britain is the monied partner, having to finance Belgium, France and Russia, as well as herself. If she can outlast Germany financially, the Allies will win, and that we believe, even though at times it does look terribly like a stalemate. Gradually the Allies have been gaining the increasing moral support of the neutrals, no small factor in the conflict. Germany's claim that the war is one of defence for her is disproved by the fact that England was, as usual, very unprepared from the military standpoint, though not so in naval matters. So also were France and Russia. Interesting has been the socialistic trend of the conduct of the Government in Great Britain. To-day there comes the astonishing news of a coalition government, a very pat illustration of what may some day be a new and regular method of conducting sovereignty. What effect will this have upon the future of partyism there, upon the relation of labor and capital, of public and private ownership, of co-operation or competition? Splendid has been the conduct of the Canadians at Langemarck, volunteers against the German regulars; the Australians and New Zealanders have done equally well in Egypt and at the Dardanelles. No conscript armies for these new nations! And South Africa, so recently conquered, from which the Germans hoped so much, how their hopes have been dashed! What mistakes their spies made in their reports! A cardinal weakness of the German mind seems to be the inability to get the other man's viewpoint. What splendid courage the Belgians have shown, what bravery and old-time dash the French! And the Russians, those unknown peoples, ignorant, dreamy, patient, flowing on in great numbers to the front, now beaten, now winning, undemocratic, long opponents, now allies of Great Britain! What does this all mean for Russia? Our Eastern ally, Japan, has got rid of the Germans at Kiaochao. What is behind the trouble between Japan and China?