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of similar fervour and enthusiasm, and have had no small influence in affecting the American public mind. The unusually inspiring poems of Alan Seeger, a young American who was killed in France in July, 1916, might well be mentioned also in this connection. It is worth while noting that according to the latest reports from Washington the total number of Americans participating in the Great War as infantrymen, artillerymen, aviators, Red Cross workers, nurses, etc., will probably reach the number of one hundred thousand during the present summer.

Fourth, the German propaganda in the United States, which pursued a course so increasingly blatant and mischievous as to disgust and alienate many minds towards whose conversion it was especially directed.

Fifth, the intricate system of German espionage in the United States, and the grave outrages committed by agents of the German Government in connection with plots against public and private works of military importance. These proceedings became cumulatively sinister, until they, too, defeated their own ends.

Sixth, the recklessly inhuman and illegal use of the submarine by the German Government and the eventual decision of that Government, despite the warnings and protests of America, to enter upon the course officially described as "unrestricted" submarine warfare.

Seventh, the culminating exposure of underhanded and indefensible German political methods, in the overtures discovered to have been made by