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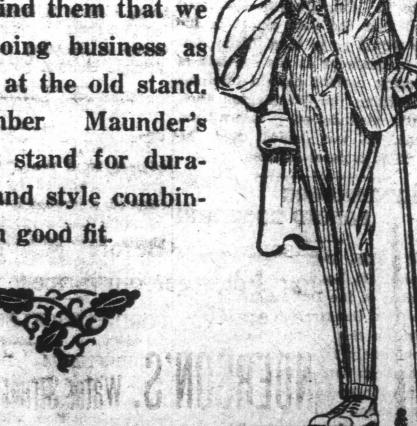
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THE ALLIED CAUSE, SAYS

"'Yes' replied the questioner.

"'Well then, we've been trying to

ose during the same period and we

"Knowing what I do know, of the

mproved situation in men, money and

munitions" said Colonel Harvey, "1

consider the sergeant's logic unan-

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forced to fight for two years more.

"It has been intimated that what

ture, is a strong, dominating person-

"That is absurd," replied the Col-

"What did you think of the Dr

"Bluff," was the senitious reply

"Germany would be able to live on

must be whipped thoroughly, but whip

Col. Harvey closed with a tribute

celebrated Editor of the North American Review Sends Message of Good Cheer Backed by Reasons—Great Britain Will Throw 4,000,000 Men Supplied by 2,500 Munition Factories Worked by Over 1,000,000 Men and Women into the Balance

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 .- A cable from onden this morning to the New York

"I am now absolutely certain we Really I think they will fight perhaps will win this war," was the naively longer. But they surely will trineutral declaration of Colonel George umph." Harvey, editor of the North American Review, when I saw him at Cla- Britain needs to insure victory I venridges, last evening, as he was preparing to leave London for America, ality to indicate the conduct of the on board the Rotterdam on Monday war. He is going after a sojourn, during which he saw not only cabinet min-onel. "There is no such personages isters, and heard at first hand their in the world to-day. No Cromwells opinions on the outcome of the strug- no Napoleons. What applies to war gle, but personally inspected the re also applies to science, literature and serves—an immense army of 4,000, politics. Therefore the military affairs 000 which still is in the making—and must continue to be administered by the wonderful development of the groups of able men. great munitions which controls more than two thousand five hundred fac- to a dominating personality in this tories, employing more than a milof shell power, which a year ago, was head of the house of Hohenzellern three to one in favor of the Germans and he has achieved only pyrmic victo a ratio of five to one in favor of tories."

"Why are you so confident that vic-Von Bethmann-Hollwek speech?" ory will be with the allies?" I ask- asked ed. and Col. Harvey replied:

"Before I left the United States. I "But, mark you, I have no sympathy agreed with a Columbia professor with the absurd doctrine that Germawho said preponderant power in men ny can be starved into surrender. I and money was bound to tell in the that is the hope of any of the allied end, but now I have a stronger argt powers, it should be dismissed at once ment—one which fell from the lips of

"'Don't you want to be on the win- ped from the outside, and it is bening side' said the Soldier to a group cause I know the entente powers are of civilians, whom he was suggesting inflexibly determined to give her the thrashing, which she has earned by "'How do you know ours will be the her inhuman methods of warfare, that

"'Well my lad' said the sergeant, to David Lloyd George, who, he said you know the Germans have been try- is showing a marvellous grasp of af-

winning side? asked' a prospective I am certain the allies will win."

ing for more than a year and a half to fairs, and has developed into a stateswin and have failed, don't you?"

UNTIL SHE SHEDS

thought the time opportune.

RUSSIA TO FIGHT

Germans had everything to lose. For generations they had come across into Russia, had remained for a few LAST DROP OF BLOOD years, and then returned to their own country wealthy. They had kept con-In ringing tones Lieut Utgoff, of trol in high place in Russia, and the Russian Imperial Naval Flying had kept down the people for their Corps, stated at the luncheon of the own advancement. By the war they Empire Club yesterday afternoon that would only succeed in losing this Russia would fight on until she shed source of wealth and this control. her last drop of blood. She would "But it has been a good thing for

man of the first magnitude.

not speak of peace until her allies Russia," he continued, "because the It people are beginning to awaken. And might be a long fight, but Russia was when the war is over the people will going to keep at it until a decisive have attained a plane of civilization shoulder to shoulder with the other The speaker explained why Russia nations of the world.

had been unable to take the offen- "Already our Government is taking sive against Germany owing to lack steps to give the people more liberof munitions and other causes, but ties than they ever before possessedhe added that things had changed, even Czar Nicholas is helping to give and with the Spring Russia would them new liberties." begin her great invasion of Germany | The speaker declared that Germany

with a new army of four million men, had been the cause of the Russian Lieut. Utgoff could not understand people remaining so long in servility. why Germany had started the war. The upheaval had come, and Germa-So far as Russia was concerned, the ny would suffer bitterly as a result.



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Austrian Sub's Pirate Act May Be Last Straw

"The Kaiser is the nearest approach Tank Steamer Shelled-Submarine Then Examined Papers Forcibly Took Possession of Some Provisions—One Seaman Wounded

> WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-A new and what may prove a serious issue between the United States Government and that of Austria-Hungary was injected into the relations of the two countries today, when the State Department received an official message stating that an Austrian submarine had "forcibly" taken provisions from the American tank steamer "Petrolite," which was halted and attacked by an Austrian submarine off the coast of Tripoli last Sunday. This information was conveyed to Secretary Lansing in an official despatch from American Consul Mason. at Algiers, who reported the safe ar rival of the Petrolite at that port a 7 o'clock this morning. A paraphrase

> "Captain of the vessel reports that the vessel was attacked 19 hours out from Alexandria, by a submarine flying the Austrian flag. One seaman was wounded by a shell. After the examination of the papers of the vessel, and forcibly taking provisons, the vessel was allowed by the sub-

fo the message from Consul Mason

Consul Mason's message did no state whether the vessel was attacked without warning, or whether the Petrolite tried to escape, but in any event it was decided that the message meant that the submarine had succeeded in halting the Petrolite and helping herself to provisions. The submarine would have a right under international law to take off contrahand from the Petrolite, but would have no right to forcibly take provisions that were not contraband from the vessel, since the Petrolite was flying a neutral flag, that of the United States.

So far as the Petrolite incident concerned, there probably will be action by the State Department til more complete reports are received; showing the exact circumstances under which the vessel was attacked. If the tanker was shelled while trying to escape in disregard of warning from the submarine, there would be no complaint on that score. When she did stop and submit to search, the submarine commander on finding her a neutral ship bound on legitimate business, had no right to seize her property. Warships in the past, when in dire need of food for their crews, often have held up merchantmen without regard to then nationality and carried off what they wanted, giving receipts to assure ultimate payment for what was taken. Un der such circumstances, it is said, the Governments concerned have not been inclined to regard the proceeding as a very serious breach of their rights provided a merchant man was not left without sufficient supplies to make

Seizures of supplies from a neutral vessel by a submarine, however, raises a new and interesting point in international law. It is pointed out that if this practice became general, belligerent submarines preying upon an enemy's commerce practically would be unlimited in their radius of action, and almost wholly independent of bases of supplies.

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