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THE WAR NEWS.

When the war began the military observers said it would be the task of the French, British and Belgians to hold the Germans in check in the west until the Russians were able to pour their armies into Germany from the east. For a time the reports agreed to indicate a remarkably rapid movement of the Russians, and this led some observers to predict an early termination of the war.

To get back to the original statement of the military observers as to the part to be played relatively by the allies on the west and Russia in the east, we find that the Germans are being held by the French, British and Belgian forces, and confidence is expressed that the latter will not only be able to hold their present position indefinitely, but will continue as they have for some days past to press the German armies back toward their own borders.

Thus, while Germany has been completely balked in her plan to conquer France and release great armies to be turned against the Russian invader, the danger from Russia grows daily greater, and the need of reinforcements for the German armies in the eastern field becomes more urgent. Up to the present time, therefore, the results of the war have been such as to strengthen the conviction that in the end the power of Germany will be completely crushed.

The Prussian Diet yesterday voted \$875,000,000 for war purposes, and the Imperial vice-chancellor boastfully declared that Germany would not lay aside her arms until she had gained a victory that would guarantee lasting peace.

He further asserted that Germany had been forced into this war by the hatred and envy of her neighbors; and the president of the chamber added that Germany was not fighting for territory or for commercial profit, but merely to defend her homes and families.

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The police magistrate and chief of police are quite right in pointing out that a public attitude of contempt for police officers in the discharge of their duty cannot be otherwise than harmful to the city. In London a single policeman can direct traffic without difficulty in a crowded street, because the Englishman's respect for law extends to the officer of the law, and because the whole power of the country stands behind that officer in the discharge of his duty.

In various parts of Canada it has been suggested that an effort should be made to assist Belgian people to settle in this country. The Belgians after the war is over will want to settle in their own country, and all of them will be needed there. The Canadian representative in Belgium, speaking in London recently, very properly pointed this out, and further declared that the real friends of the Belgians were those who would help them to get settled again in their native land. In referring to what is being done for the aid of the Belgians a London newspaper prints over an article this heading: "Paying our Debt to Belgium."

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was founded in Chicago by Mr. Edward C. Hegeler, and its editor is Dr. Paul Carus. Both are natives of Germany. The October issue deals exclusively with the war in Europe and there are three principal articles. One is entitled "England's Blood Guilt in the World War," and was written by Ernst Haackel. The second is by Professor John W. Burgess, who is apparently a German sympathizer; and the third is by the editor, who gathers into some fifty pages as much mis-information as to the causes of the war and the relative aims of Britain and Germany as could well be gathered into that space.

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"What is the charge?" asked the magistrate. "Nothing 't all," snickered the prisoner at the bar; "this is no case."

He (mooney)—Was there ever a love like ours? She (matter-of-fact)—Of course I can't judge your case, but with me the symptoms seem about the same as in my other attacks.

Little Dick—Papa, didn't you tell mother we must economize? Papa—I did, my son. Little Dick—Well I was thinking that maybe if you'd get me a pony I wouldn't wear out so many shoes.

Patience Husband—Why did you keep me waiting on this corner for two hours? You said you were merely going to stop in to see how Mrs. Knowall was. Wife—Well, she insisted on telling me.

A case brought by Mrs. Sophia Stewart against John Galbraith, charging him with doing damage to her property in St. Patrick street, was heard in the police court yesterday afternoon. J. A. Barry appeared for the defense and U. J. Sweeney for the complainant. It developed that the trouble arose over the definition of the boundary line between their properties and evidence showed that a shed built by Mrs. Stewart had been torn down by the defendant, claiming that it was on his property. Mr. Barry stated that his client was willing to submit the matter to a disinterested engineer and pay half the expenses, and pay all the damages if he were in the wrong. The magistrate postponed the case for a week to effect a settlement.

During the October term of the supreme judicial court in Bangor no more than fifty-four divorces were granted. Marital bonds evidently rest but lightly on many people in the State of Maine.

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The Talkative Veteran. He (mooney)—Was there ever a love like ours? She (matter-of-fact)—Of course I can't judge your case, but with me the symptoms seem about the same as in my other attacks.

Economy in War Time. Little Dick—Papa, didn't you tell mother we must economize? Papa—I did, my son. Little Dick—Well I was thinking that maybe if you'd get me a pony I wouldn't wear out so many shoes.

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