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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 seemed to indicate a remarkably rapid movement of the Russians, and this led some observers to predict an early termination of the war. The Russians, however, were not able to continue their advance, but found themselves put strongly on the defensive, and even forced to give ground. Now, however, we are assured that they have resumed the aggressive in greater force, and have begun by driving the Germans back with heavy loss from the neighborhood of Warsaw, following up this movement by a general advance along the whole line in Galicia and Poland.

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. The vice-chancellor also said: "Everybody knows that we possess the resources which will enable us to hold out until peace has been attained." It is quite evident that the war party is still very much in the ascendant in Prussia, and that it is as busy as ever in deceiving the people as to the cause and the certain outcome of the war.

Today's news from the front shows that the allies are more than holding their own in the desperate fighting in Belgium and France, while the retreat of the Germans before the Russian advance near Warsaw is described as a disorderly retreat, which will involve the retirement of other German armies in that portion of the war zone.

## BRITAIN AND GERMANY

The Times has received through the courtesy of the North and Newspaper Syndicates, Kendall, England, a copy of a book entitled "Great Britain and the European War." It is a book of more than one hundred pages, and is sold for one penny. It contains the full official correspondence relating to the outbreak of the war, the statements in parliament, and a remarkably clear introductory narrative of events from the time of the assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand in June last until the declaration of war by England. Whoever reads this book cannot fail to be convinced of the righteousness of Britain's cause. The reader is able fully to endorse the statement of Premier Asquith in parliament on August 4 when he said:

"If I am asked what we are fighting for I reply in two sentences. In the first place to fulfil a solemn international obligation, an obligation which if it had been entered in between private persons in the ordinary concerns of life would have been regarded as an obligation not only of law, but of honor, which no self-respecting man could possibly have repudiated. I say secondly we are fighting to vindicate the principle which in these days when force, material force, sometimes seems to be the dominant influence and factor in the development of mankind—we are fighting to vindicate the principle that small nationalities are not to be crushed in defiance of international good faith by the arbitrary will of a strong and over-mastering power. I do not believe any nation ever entered into a great controversy, and this is one of the greatest history will ever know, with a clearer consciousness and stronger conviction that it is fighting not for aggression, not for the maintenance of its own selfish interests, but that it is fighting in defence of principles, the maintenance of which is vital to the civilization of the world."

Of quite a different character is another book received by The Times yesterday. It is the October number of "The Open Court," which is described as "a monthly magazine devoted to the science of religion, the religion of science, and the extension of the religious parliamentarianism." This magazine

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 Haeckel. 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. From the savage attack of Mr. Haeckel upon England and the English, and his glorification of the German people, and the gross misrepresentations of Dr. Carus, one turns to the British publication above referred to and finds therein set forth in the indisputable form of official correspondence a complete answer to all the charges, misrepresentations, false assertions and base insinuations with which German writers attempt to bolster up their cause. Germany has been carrying on a very vigorous propaganda in the United States, Scandinavia, Spain, and especially Holland, seeking to prejudice public opinion against Great Britain. Correspondence in the press, leaflets, pamphlets and other agencies are utilized. All their efforts have, however, failed. How completely they have failed may be gathered from the following comment of the New York Times.

"Have the leaders of thought in Germany lost the power of statement, or are they hampered and betrayed by the badness of the cause they defend? Certainly, the currents of opinion here have not been influenced by the appeals and arguments addressed to us by the professors, purists, and public men of Germany. If Germany is morally right in this struggle, why have the advocates of her cause so flatly failed to bring conviction to our minds? We are not an uneducated people; we are open-minded. In their first effort Professor Eucken and Professor Haeckel roundly denounced England for causing the war, imputing to the English the vice of ingratitude, bad faith, hypocrisy, and brutal national egoism. They now declare that nobody but Russia is to blame for the outbreak of war. When German doctors disagree with themselves, we are to believe? They tell us that the liberals which their enemies propagate have caused half the world to fall upon Germany, full of hatred and envy. Certainly half the world cannot be moved to malice and envy by lies and libels. Every well-informed American knows that public opinion here is formed, not upon the basis of partisan misrepresentation, but from a study of the historical sources themselves."

During the October term of the supreme judicial court in Bangor, Maine, twenty-four divorces were granted. Marital bonds evidently rest but lightly on many people in the State of Maine.

The venerable Archdeacon Cody, appealing to the students of Toronto University to enlist in the service of the Empire said:—"Are you doing all you can to prepare yourselves? Which is the greater: to sit on the bleachers and applaud a football match, or to get out and drill? Every able-bodied man should be fitting himself in case his country needs him."

The German cruiser Karlsruhe has again been heard from. It is reported that she has sunk a considerable number of British merchant vessels in the Atlantic, chiefly those engaged in the South American trade. How she and the Emden are able to get coal supplies and continue to prey upon British commerce is a mystery. Sooner or later, however, their activities will be terminated by British cruisers.

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 the heading: "Paying our Debt to Belgium." That phrase indicates the right attitude of every British subject. We are not doing out charity to the Belgian people; we are paying a debt. Let it be paid as nearly in full as possible, and quickly.

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The Talkative Veteran.

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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 thinkin' 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 step in to see how Mrs. Knowall was."

Wife—"Well, she insisted on telling me."

Boundary Line Dispute.

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.

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CAUSES OF THE WAR.

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