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A BETTER OUTLOOK

The most cheering news of the day is that which comes from Russia. Gen. Brusiloff is on the move again, and has begun a drive toward Lemberg, capturing a fortified position, breaking the enemy's lines, and capturing more than 10,000 prisoners. Berlin claims there were sixteen Russian divisions in the fight, and Vienna says there were twenty. There were enough, at all events, to attain their objective, and they were well supplied with artillery. War Minister Kerensky led the attack, and inspired the troops with a new order addressed to the armies farther north, tells them of the victory on the southwestern front, and summons them to similar deeds. The Belgian minister of state, who is returning from Petrograd, after a tour of the Russian front, agrees with Premier Lloyd George and with M. Albert Thomas, the French minister of munitions, in expressing the fullest confidence in Russia; and today's news is a striking confirmation of their views. The Russian army is better trained and equipped than ever before, and therefore in a position to strike harder blows.

France rejoices at the arrival of the first American contingent, and we can well believe that the French and British, and especially the Canadian soldiers, received their comrades-in-arms with an enthusiastic welcome. These new troops had no difficulty in getting safely past the German submarines, as all of the Canadian troops have done. An American army on the western front will have a great moral effect, not only upon the soldiers of the Allies, but upon the German people.

Greece is also preparing to take a hand in the fighting game. Premier Venizelos has summoned the army chief to Athens to discuss the sending of an army into Macedonia. This would be a greater activity on the Macedonian front in the next few months than at any time since the war began. The news that Von Hindenburg and other German leaders are at the Austrian army headquarters, and will also visit Vienna, is evidence that Russia's new move and the entry of Greece into the war is causing the war lords a good deal of concern.

The German press is still boasting of what the submarines will do, but since they are not able to sink any transports, while troops there must be a good deal of doubt in the minds of the German people as to whether the campaign is as successful as the inspired press would have them believe.

The Germans have been more active than usual on the British and French fronts, but have not been able to prevent the latter from advancing their lines at intervals and strengthening their position. It is nevertheless true that the enemy is very strong on the western front, and gives ground very slowly. The British advanced post west of Lens were driven back yesterday. It is suggested that the need of success of some sort to keep up the spirits of the people is the explanation of the renewed German activity on the western front. At all events, they are fighting hard.

INSPIRING MESSAGE.

How wholeheartedly the American people are throwing themselves into the war tasks of the time, and the clear vision they have of the significance of the war, is shown in a report of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections in Pittsburgh recently, at which Canada was well represented. We quote: "At a luncheon of the National Federation of Settlements, with over 700 delegates in attendance, some striking things were said in relation to the war. Mrs. Simkhovitch, of New York, told of a recent gathering at which her father, a veteran of the Civil War, had spoken. 'We fought in the Civil war,' he said, 'to make our country one and free. It is not easy for me to look beyond our beloved land, but I see that our task today is infinitely greater, and it is to help make the world one and free.' Amid great applause the speaker closed her address by stating: 'We are in this war to help in the establishment of a world order and a world fellowship.' 'We need not fear the hyphen,' declared Graham Taylor, of Chicago Commons, 'our cosmopolitan citizenship is no less American because it has much of its root in older lands. These immigrants are not reactionaries but men of adventurous spirit, who have dared to brave the seas; they are not the riff-raff, not the flotsam and jetsam of the tide, but the winnings of the nation, bringing to us their splendid contribution in art and music and culture in the establishment of the New America.' He told of a great gathering of over 4,000 foreigners who marched to a park in Chicago on one of their national days, and planting a large American flag in the centre of the gathering, placed around it their smaller national flags, singing first the American national anthem, then their own songs. 'The world is in torment, in a life

and death struggle,' declared John Collier, of the People's Institute, New York, in a remarkable speech, 'in a struggle between the archaic type of civilization and democracy. We are in the war to save the world for democracy.'

At this convention, representatives of the best thought of the United States, a gathering of humanitarians, men and women proverbially opposed to the spirit of militarism, it was agreed that the entry of the United States into the war on the side of the Allies was entirely justified by the issues at stake, and that every man, woman and child was called to be a volunteer in some form of national service. All the resources of the country must be unreservedly placed at the disposal of the nation. The man or woman of leisure is a relic of past days.

A DECIDING FACTOR.

Air fighting may win the war. At least it will contribute very largely to that result. Lord Derby says that for every bomb the Germans are now able to drop behind the British lines on the western front the British drop a hundred behind the German lines. When to present British superiority is added that which the United States will contribute, the enemy will be practically robbed of his eyes for the purpose of land fighting, and his armies will be subjected to a constant rain of death from above, as well as from the big guns and lesser guns along his entire front. Mr. Howard Coffin, chairman of the aircraft production board of the American Council of Defence, recently gave out a very interesting interview on this subject. He said:

"We may as well realize now that the domination of the air will in all probability prove the deciding factor. Military authorities of the allied nations are agreed that unless the allies can obtain a preponderance of aircraft, the war probably will drag on for years. We believe now that we have worked out a programme which will make it possible for the United States to secure to the allies next year the permanent supremacy of the air, and with that we hope to become an immediate deciding factor in ending the war. A superiority in numbers of several hundred thousand men on the western front means little, comparatively, under modern conditions of fighting. A vast superiority in aircraft means the complete blinding of the enemy. If his machines are driven out and kept out of the air it means that he has no facilities for sighting long-range guns; it means that he has no means of getting charts and photographs of the opposing lines, nor of preparing and meeting attacks properly, and it means that his own communication lines are constantly subject to damaging raids, and even to complete destruction. In the present struggle between Germany and the allies the fight for supremacy in the air is practically even; they are constantly struggling for the advantage. This is America's one chance for turning the scales next year. To do this we must be prepared to spend not a few millions, but hundreds of millions of dollars."

Confirmatory of this statement a despatch from Washington says: "There is not a factory in the United States engaged in the manufacture of automobiles or any of the parts used in the assembling of automobiles, that may not be called upon by the officials of the government to divert either their product or their activities from their present uses to the manufacture of aircraft. Aeroplanes and hydro-planes are needed by thousands, and they are needed immediately by the United States and its allies, and officials of the government have answered that they intend to make use of every available facility in the country."

Let us add the testimony of a French writer as to what will happen when the Allies have gained complete mastery of the air: "No enemy machine then will be able to rise without being overwhelmed. The heavy artillery of the enemy will be blinded and aeroplanes will sow terror, devastation and death in the Hindenburg lines. With the enemy craft out of the fight the aeroplanes can use machine guns on enemy infantry on days of attack and at the instant of defeat throw the enemy into rout or compel his surrender."

Greece has at last severed diplomatic relations with the Central Powers. Her action will have a marked effect for good, in relation to the operations of the Allies on the Macedonian front. It improves the prospect of more vigorous action on that front.

The British food controller has been clothed with arbitrary powers. There is no doing things by halves, in the mother country, in this hour of the Empire's need. Canada must follow the British example to a far greater degree or stand shamed before the world.

The attitude of organized labor toward conscription is a matter of deep concern to the whole country.

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"Yes."
"Did he take offence?"
"No. He said he didn't blame me."

"May we count upon \$100,000 monthly for next four months? Missionaries all localities safe, well, and relief institutions Constantinople, Beirut, working as before. Important plans for material relief work in Turkey through helpers from Swiss committee. Failing favorable action to this request (for work must soon cease resulting withdrawal all missionaries)."
This message has just been cabled by a relief worker among the Armenians and Syrians of Asia Minor. C. V. Vickery, who directs the efforts in America for raising funds for this need, commenting on the message said: "Requests of this nature, and many of them come to us, reveal the most perplexing problem confronting relief organizations today. How can we plan our work? What promises, covering

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GREAT BRITAIN NOW PERMITS CANNED SALMON FROM CANADA AND U. S.

London, July 2—Robert P. Skinner, the American consul-general, was informed today that Great Britain has rescinded the order prohibiting the importation of canned salmon from the United States and Canada. Fifty per cent. of the amount imported in 1916 of this commodity will be permitted to come in.

Almon B. Foltz, of Amherst, died yesterday, aged sixty-nine years. He was a foreman with the Rhodes Curry Co. for many years, but since the great war had been a shell inspector at the International Eng. works. His wife, one son and one daughter survive.

IF FOOD DISAGREES DRINK HOT WATER

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