

## THE RUSSIANS' FAITH IN OUTCOME OF WAR UNSHAKABLE

People Are Confident in Spite of the Recent Setback.

EXPECT TO GET GALICIA AGAIN

Economic Gains Which People Look for when Peace Comes Serving as Strong Incentive to Recruiting.

By Byron Lomax.

Petrograd, July 28.—Russia's faith in the outcome of the war is unshakable. Nothing shakes it. Everyone hopes for and is convinced that profits will be reaped from the war. It is the same whether things are going well or ill; of late they have been going ill, but faith is as strong as ever. Some people have faith because they do not know the vast obstacles to success; the good leadership and good equipment and tremendous supplies of the Germans. Some have faith in spite of knowing the obstacles Russia has lost. Petrograd has lost the Dunaieff line, the czar sent Grand Duke Nicholas a decoration inscribed "Galicia's Liberator." To cynics that seemed incongruous, because Galicja was as good as lost. But Russia does not lose faith; she says she will get Galicja again.

Faith which moves mountains is now moving men who in peace-time are as inert as mountains. All through the czar's empire is a ferment of hope, and infinite expectations of profits from the war. Profits territorial, monetary, moral, religious. The rich, educated "intelligents" expect them; and the poor, illiterate peasant expects them. Men who do not know the cause of the war, and who could not tell Germany from Portugal, know that Russia will win, and that Russia will profit.

Russians Have Faith.

Among the "intelligents" the universal faith takes form in plans of political and racial reconstruction. Among the dark-minded peasants, it comes out in queer actions, impossible expectations, shadowy adumbrations of things which are not likely to come. When the Germans are beaten, they expect to be beaten. In this way only the minds are concentrated on the end of the war, on success, and only a few, the minds of soldiers and diplomats, are concentrated on the war itself, on the way to success. The war, reason the majority, is all right. Be certain of victory; have sturdy faith; and the battle will care for itself. The chief thing after faith in war is to make your plans for peace. The Black Earth moujiks have decided that the war is being waged to help them to land. Their land holdings will be increased. There will be Prussian and Austrian territory going; it will be divided between them, and every man will have ten acres at least.

Moujiks Are Volunteering.

This expectation is having fruitful results for the war. It is inspiring moujiks to volunteer. They want to help to win Prussian and Austrian territory, so that every man may have at least ten acres. The prophet of the expectant men, Basil Delanyanoff, recruited thirty thousand. "There will be a czar's paper," he said. "A czar's paper is a manifesto. The czar's paper will give particulars of the lands to be distributed when the Germans are beaten. It will show how much each man will get. I am to get four acres; as I already have six, I shall be a rich man." He added that the men volunteered to fight would come off best.

The Chief of Optimists.

The chief of the other economic optimists is an ex-valet of Count Witte, who has swallowed Count Witte's economic truths. Only victory is needed to realize the truths. The ex-valet works in the North. He says that when the Germans are beaten, "and that is not far off," everything will be cheap. Before the war food was overproduced in Russia and was cheap. Manufactured goods, being unproduced, and imported against high tariffs, were dear. Most of the small imported things were German, and much of the agricultural machinery was American. The ex-valet has arranged a remedy. Russia will take the whole of the Upper Silesia iron and coal mines; and the smelting furnaces and rolling shops; she may take all of Silesia and the manufacturing part of Saxony. In this way Russia will get a great manufacturing centre; and henceforth things will be cheap. The peasants, as consumers of manufactured things, will profit. They will profit doubly because they will sell at high prices their farm produce to the industrial population of the new Russian territory. Steady faith is shown in such speculations.

Sure of Success.

In amateur political and diplomatic circles, everyone is sure that the war will soon end successfully, and that the time is ripe for reconstruction

schism. It is roughly known what territory Russia will get. The questions of the organization of these acquired territories, of the Russian State's relation to local administrations, to customs, religious, languages, are much alive. Disputes are raging about the details, though no dispute is admitted about the main question: that Russia will get the goods.

A War About Languages.

Hard is the trouble about languages. A fierce war is raging as to how far the Polish and Little Russian languages shall be tolerated. Loss of most of Galicja has not affected this feud. Everyone is sure that Galicja will be taken back. The part lost is inhabited by Poles and Jews. The part still in Russian hands is the Ukrainian part. As Russians are sure they will get back the Polish part, they are busy settling details about this; also about Masuria, East Prussia, West Prussia, Prussian Silesia, Austrian Silesia, Moravia and North Hungary.

Make Light of Darkest Facts.

Faith in these matters transcends the blackest facts. Grand Duke Nicholas' armies have been twice in Masuria; once in August, once later until February. The August invasion ended with the disaster of Tannenberg. The five corps were more or less wiped out. General Samsonoff was killed. The second invasion ended with the winter battle of the Masurian Lakes, which was fought in February, and brought destruction, more or less complete, to the Tenth Army of Baron von Sievers. Since then the Russians have been in East Prussia, and Hindenburg has pushed his East Prussian wing north as far as Libau. There is now no sign of a fresh Russian offensive against East Prussia. That is impossible while Libau is held by Hindenburg, and Libau would be hard to take. The Germans have fortified it and could base their defence on the sea. Libau would be a base for a dark attack against a Russian army invading East Prussia. In his time there is no chance of Russia again occupying East Prussia. But no Russian cares about this. There is the universal faith. M. Kielecky is printing a series of learned papers on what will happen in Masuria. The Masurian language is being investigated. The Masurians speak a dialect of Polish and they are Lutherans. Meetings are held to decide whether the dialect should be by Russia as a language and how the Orthodox Church should relate to a new flood of Protestant subjects of the czar.

Poland's Reconstruction.

Poland's reconstruction revolves round the question of a Polish sovereign. At present none of Prussian Poland is in Russian hands, and none of Austrian Poland. East Galicja is not Polish, but no one dares to doubt that both these provinces will soon be Russian soil. The new Poland will consist of Russian Poland; part of Galicja, Upper Silesia, and parts of Posen and West Prussia; also the Masurian fringe of East Prussia. This would mean 17,000,000 of Poles. Poles themselves claim Lithuania, part of White Russia, and part of the Ukraine, but there they are in a minority. In the new Poland will be many Germans and about four million Jews. It will not be homogeneous, but, so say enthusiasts, it can stand well under the aegis of the Russian State. This will be achieved a year hence. Of this few doubt.

The New Czar of Poland.

Confident Petrograd people say that the new czar of Poland will be Grand Duke Nicholas. This is fitting, for if Poland is united at all, it can only be by Grand Duke Nicholas's arm. The new Poland would be independent, with its own stamps and money and flag, but under the Russian czar's suzerainty. In Petrograd meetings are held to discuss this plan. Grand Duke Nicholas's wife, a daughter of Nicholas of Montenegro, wants this. She is a clever, ambitious woman; and for years she has been behind the Pan-Slav policy which led Russia to intervene for Serbia against Austria.

Confidence and faith are strongest in the Grand Duchess. She is a masculine lady, as is right in the posterity of masculine Nicholas. She wanted to organize in one band the four hundred Amazons who in separate battalions and squadrons are fighting for Russia. She told the president of Kharkoff Zemstvo that Russia will win. "There are ten good reasons, and I have an eleventh. 'I know the ten,'"

## FAMOUS AND TYPICAL PASS ON THE ITALIAN FRONTIER



THE WINDINGS OF THE ROAD THROUGH STELVIO PASS, HIGHEST CARRIAGE ROAD IN EUROPE

In the days when Milan and Northern Italy were in the possession of Austria—before the advent of railways—By high-handed methods they attempted to connect their territories by a main road which should avoid the kingdom of Venice (Venice). By lower and where the difficulties of construction and cost would be less. This attempt was successfully resisted by the warlike inhabitants, and the Austrians were thus left with the only alternative, the Stelvio—or, as they call it, in fact, in the world, it is the raison d'être of the far famed Stelvio Pass, the highest carriage road in Europe, and, in fact, in the world. It is without a rival. Upon its heavily fortified summit, which is a tiny plateau about one hundred yards square, is the boundary between Switzerland, Italy and Austria. Moreover, it is some hundreds of feet above the line of perpetual snow and has, therefore, to be cleared by hand each year. It is open for traffic from the end of June to the middle of September. The height of the summit of the pass is 9,941 feet and is reached by an "ever-forty-six" on the Austrian. The last four miles to the top on the latter side form a veritable ladder.

a result of previous fighting, still remained in the hands of the French. We captured four machine guns.

"In the Voies, on the Linge-kopf-Barrankopf line, severe fighting took place. After four hours the French attacks were repulsed by our counter-attacks. We recaptured the trenches on Linge-kopf which we lost the day before yesterday, with the exception of one small portion.

"Eastern war theatre: "Between Mitau and the Niemen we yesterday captured about 1,000 scattered Russians. East of Rozan our attacks are proceeding. Gownow (east of Rozan) was captured.

"North of Sereck, on both banks of the Narva the Russian counter-attacks failed. The enemy here and near Rozan lost 2,500 men who were taken prisoners and seven machine guns.

"Before Warsaw, west of Blonow, we captured the village of Pionnow.

"In the district to the southwest of Gorka-Kawrya fighting is proceeding.

"In the southeastern war theatre the situation of the German troops generally is unchanged." Note—Pionnow is situated fifteen miles west of the Warsaw fort line.

## OFFICIAL REPORTS GERMANY

Berlin, via London, July 28.—The German War Office gave out the following official statement this afternoon:

"Northwest of Souchez the Silesian Landsturm last night stormed portions of trenches which, as

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barbaric and other objects of military importance at Ancona. They severely damaged the shunting yard, and destroyed rolling stock.

"All the units returned without loss. The enemy naval forces were not sighted."

## CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$200 ALREADY FOR KING'S CO. MACHINE GUN FUND

Hampton, N. B., July 27.—Fred M. Sproul, secretary of the Kings county machine gun fund, has received the following contributions towards purchasing a machine gun for "A" squadron, 6th Mounted Rifles:

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| Warden E. A. Flewelling,        | 100.00 |
| Ferry Pond,                     | 100.00 |
| Fred M. Sproul, Hampton,        | 50.00  |
| J. E. Angevine, Hampton,        | 20.00  |
| Hazen Folkins, Hampton,         | 10.00  |
| J. Newton Smith, M.D., Hampton, | 10.00  |
| George Bruce, Kingston,         | 5.00   |
| Roy Foster, Kingston,           | 5.00   |

Contributions may be sent direct to Mr. Sproul or to Bank of Nova Scotia, Hampton, where the fund is deposited.

## RULES FOR SELLING PLAYERS

Auburn, N. Y., July 24.—John H. Farrell, secretary of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, today made the following announcement:

All optional agreements must be exercised on or before Aug. 15; the sale or release of a player by a National Association club after Aug. 26 is prohibited; the sale or release of a player to a major league club within 20 days of the close of the season of the club disposing of the player is also prohibited.

## GOOD RECORD FOR ONE HOUSE.

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## PRESENTED WITH CALF

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