

Kalender will show the name of "Meyer" under the head of the War Department. The information given by Dr. Meyer when he found it necessary to explain his true position to those with whom he was dealing.

His excellency's activities since January 1, 1915, have been interesting. Early in February Mrs. Selma Lewis, a very astute broker in war materials, was approached by Dr. Carl Schimmel, of 51 Chambers Street, with a query as to her ability to obtain the Krag rifles in the arsenal at Rock Island, Ill.

Dr. Meyer was nervous during the conference at the Hotel. If any one came near him he insisted on shifting his position. His favorite spot was in the middle of the room as far as possible from eavesdroppers.

When he had settled in what he felt to be the safe location, and after a final inventory of the other occupants of the Orangerie, his Excellency began: "I assume," he said, "that I can rely upon your absolute discretion. Secrecy is essential."

The Agreement. Mrs. Lewis agreed, and a preliminary talk ensued in which it was disclosed that Dr. Meyer was anxious to meet Mr. Bryan. He asserted that he wished to do nothing that would conflict with the Secretary's views.

Does Incessant Bargain Shouting Enhance Business Prestige?

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that he would be unable to meet a United States official, informally, to discuss ways and means of getting the Krag rifles out of the country. She agreed to do what she could and report later.

Soon afterward Captain Franz von Papen, military aid to Count von Bernstorff, informed Schimmel that he was sure the guns could not be bought. A few days later Schimmel is said to have seen Count von Bernstorff at the Ritz one morning at 10 o'clock and discussed the matter with him.

Then Mrs. Lewis got in touch with Captain Joseph Laughlin, of 135 Broadway, who has long been associated in the handling of war materials with Cyril Carmichael, son of a British banker. Captain Laughlin had represented to Mrs. Lewis that his organization might be able to deliver the Krag rifles through his connection with Malcolm McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury.

At the instance of Captain Laughlin, Carmichael is said to have furnished Malcolm McAdoo with a considerable sum of money "for expenses," on his taking up Mrs. Lewis' brother, Mr. McAdoo's representation that he could pry loose the whole lot of rifles, Carmichael had been acting as buying agent for an English firm.

Herman Metz sees Bryan. However, German money looked as good as any to the Laughlin-Carmichael outfit, and negotiations were taken up with Mrs. Lewis. Although she had been assured that the McAdoo connection was of the best, she determined to get a little information on her own account. To that end she went to see Herman A. Metz, ex-controller of New York City.

Mr. Metz agreed to do what she asked—sound Secretary Bryan on his views toward the disposal of the Krag rifles. He went to Washington and

ing a few dollars more a thousand rounds he had obtained ammunition made for the Allies.

Some of it was shipped to Germany through Italy, but after the situation in the latter country became critical efforts to send it by that route were abandoned. The plan, then, was to ship it by way of Greece. All along Dr. Meyer was working in every conceivable manner to stop the stream of ammunition that was pouring into England and France.

And now Dr. Meyer has gone back with colors flying. He is now in the Red Cross. He never got himself disliked as did Dr. Dernburg, although the two were fast friends. He is just about due in Berlin and no doubt the German war officials are anxiously waiting to hear what their colleague has to tell them.

Stuttered Denials Keep Dr. Meyer's Friends Busy The soundings of those who were associated with the alleged Dr. Meyer-Gerhard, when questioned about his excellency, were ludicrous.



For services rendered me and those I represent in securing the Purchase from the U. S. government of approximately 343,000 Krag Joergensen Rifles and as many rounds of ammunition as constitute one rifle and 1,000 rounds per unit, I promise and agree to pay to Mrs. Selma Lewis six per cent (6%) as her commission on the total amount of purchase price paid to the U. S. Government and to Capt. J. Laughlin, a total of approximately \$17,826,000.00. This commission is to be paid in case of purchase of above goods through Capt. J. Laughlin. This commission must be paid at time of purchase and receipt of Bill of Sale from U. S. Government.

New York, March 8th, 1915 In presence of Dr. Meyer-Gerhard

Mrs. Selma Lewis and part of her contract with Dr. Alfred Meyer for the purchase of 350,000 Krag rifles held by the Federal government to keep them out of the hands of the Allies. Below the signature of Dr. Meyer is shown his registry at the Ritz Hotel as Dr. Meyer-Gerhard.

DR. MEYER-GERHARD NOT IN RED CROSS Miss Boardman Never Heard Much of Bernstorff's Envoy's Activities. Despite the fact that "Dr. Meyer-Gerhard" was widely advertised as the Red Cross representative from Germany, a report just issued by E. Hecker, one of the delegates here, does not mention his name.

TURKS SEND PEACE ENVOY TO BERLIN Rome, June 15.—The "Idea Nazionale" says it has received advices from Turkey that the Turkish government has sent an embassy to Berlin to try to get the consent of Germany for Turkey to arrange a separate peace with the Allies.

VON REVENTLOW HITS PEACE TALK Continued from page 1 all circumstances reach an understanding with the United States.

Mrs. Lewis Philosophical. Mrs. Lewis was philosophical about it. She contended that it is a denial of facts. Therefore she admitted what was necessary and decided to make the best of it.

HOBOKEN PASTOR SWEARS HE SAW LUSITANIA'S GUNS

Like Stahl, Dr. Henry Brueckner Gave Affidavit to Von Bernstorff.

HARDENBURG, GOVERNMENT'S PRIZE WITNESS, TO TESTIFY BEFORE GRAND JURY TO-DAY.

Despite strenuous efforts on the part of German officials to keep the names of reputable Germans out of the Lusitania affidavit scandal, it became known yesterday that Dr. Henry Brueckner, superintendent of the German Seamen's Home in Hoboken, had filed an affidavit with the German Ambassador in which he swore he saw several guns aboard the Lusitania before she sailed on her last trip.

He is said to have sworn in his affidavit that while crossing the North River on a Twenty-third Street ferry boat in April he saw several guns plainly protruding from the sides of the Lusitania. He voluntarily went to the German Consulate and made the affidavit, which was sent to Washington while he was quartered aboard one of the North German Lloyd liners in Hoboken.

Diplomats in Conspiracy. William H. O'Flery, superintendent of the local Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, who is handling the Stahl case, admitted yesterday that he had knowledge of Dr. Brueckner's affidavit.

GERMANS SHATTER FOE'S DASH ON LENS French Assault in Force North of Arras Results in Great Loss.

London, June 10.—The French, attempting to press the Germans further back in the direction of Lens, north of Arras, by an attack in force, have been repulsed with great loss, the Berlin War Office announces. The Paris communiqué speaks of local infantry actions in this district and says that all German counter attacks were beaten back. It is evident that the opposing armies on the front north of Arras are, for the present, at least, in a deadlock. The French, however, claim to have maintained all their previous gains.

LOCATES FOE'S GUN, REPORTS AND DIES Airman Finds Mortar Which Shelled Dunkirk, but Is Wounded in Flight. Dunkirk, June 15.—The airman who located the 15-inch German gun that bombarded Dunkirk succeeded by only the narrowest margin in bringing in the information. Several pilots and observers, French and English, volunteered for this service. The honor fell to a pilot designated to a biplane, with the censor as M. M. with M. H. as observer. Four other machines, with their crews, were ready to follow in case the first should not come back.

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TOTAL BRITISH LOSSES, 271,616; NAVAL, 13,547

London, June 15.—It was announced today that 13,547 officers and men of the British navy, including marines and members of the naval division, have been killed, wounded or reported missing from the beginning of the war up to May 31. Of this total 8,245 were killed.

On June 9 Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons that the total British army casualties to May 31 were 258,069 killed, wounded and missing. Of these 59,312 were killed.

Premier Asquith said these figures were for the Continental and Mediterranean forces of the empire and did not include losses in African engagements.

Washington yesterday to take personal charge of the investigation is regarded as significant by Federal officials, who consider the Stahl case one of the most important international intrigues which has been unearthed since the beginning of the war.

In his cell in the Tombs Gustav Stahl, who is held under \$10,000 bail on a perjury charge, is completely isolated from the rest of the world. He is not permitted to see anybody. He receives no mail, and even the guards are prohibited from talking to him. By this method it is expected to prevent Stahl from denials of his alleged complicity in the plot, which Federal agents say they have established beyond a doubt.

The report did not worry William H. O'Flery, the superintendent of the local office of the Department of Justice. Mr. O'Flery said that Heinz Hardenberg was not under arrest, nor anywhere near it. He had been watched, Mr. O'Flery said, with a view to finding him quickly if need should arise, and he was confident that he would be on hand to-day if his services were needed.

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