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**PEACE BY JUNE 30,  
GERMAN FORECAST**

Bankers and Business Men  
Expect Early War End.

**PERSHING LONDON'S HERO**

American Army Officer Lionized  
by Every Element.

By JUDSON C. WELIVER.  
[Special Cable to The Times.]  
LONDON, June 12.—An American banker recently returned from Bernese Switzerland is full of Germans of the financial and commercial classes, and that they all assert confidently that the fighting will be ended by June 30. On the other hand, the German jingoes are busier than ever in attempting to convince the country that overwhelming victory followed by world domination is in sight.

With the approval of the military authorities a pamphlet has been published recently in Prussia, which was written by a group of university professors, setting forth the German peace terms.

Shows "Fixed" Borders.

The pamphlet contains maps of Europe and of the world, showing that Germany proposes to take all of western Russia, including Petrograd; the eastern coast of the Adriatic, including all of Albania; most of Belgium, and the iron mining district of northern France, and require the restoration of the lost German colonies. Egypt and nearly all of north Africa must be restored to Turkey, which is to become practically a German vassal.

Further, Germany's enemies must pay nearly \$30,000,000,000 indemnity.

"Through in every detail of his character." This is the concise summation of General Pershing from a well known British army officer who has been in close contact with the American leader since his arrival here.

Banquet For Pershing.

Last night Premier Lloyd George gave General Pershing and his staff a banquet at Lancaster House on behalf of the government.

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**'GARDEN SASS' FAST  
COMES TO FRONT**

Tables Now Groaning Under  
Back Lot Products.

**TIMES' GARDENS BLOOMING**

Beans, Lettuce, and Strawberries.  
All District Grown.

Judging in The Times garden contest started today.  
H. M. Conolly, Department of Agriculture demonstrator and chief judge of the contest, visited gardens in the southeast section to gather preliminary data to be used in the final elimination test.  
Every garden visited was found to be "in the running" and not a single garden was in an unkempt condition or deserving of criticism.

The first garden inspected was that of J. W. St. Clair, 333 G street southeast. Although it measures only 40x60 feet, it is one of the finest in the city, Mr. Conolly said.  
"If children of the Giddings School will stop knocking their balls into my garden, I will show President Wilson what the city farmer can do to stimulate agricultural preparedness," declared Mr. St. Clair, who spends from two to four hours a day working in his garden.

First Meas of Beans.  
He expects to pick his first "meas" of beans tomorrow. Besides potatoes and beans, the garden contains beets, corn, tomatoes, kale, onions, lettuce, squash, and spinach.

The next garden visited, 1111 Fifth street southeast, owned by Frank White, was formerly covered with tin cans and rubbish. Today it stands an excellent chance of being a winner.  
"He certainly is doing wonderful work for an amateur," declared Mr. Conolly.

J. Buckler's garden, 914 Fourth street southeast, has been supplying the family with peas for the past ten days, Mrs. Buckler told Mr. Conolly this morning.

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**STEAMER PETROLITE  
SUNK BY SUBMARINE**

Boat With Nine Men Lands Safely.  
Two Others Are Missing.

**ARMY MEDICAL UNIT  
ARRIVES IN FRANCE**

French Townspeople Give Chicago  
Nurses Hearty Welcome.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—The American steamer Petrolite has been sunk by a German submarine, the State Department was advised today, in a consular telegram.  
A boat in charge of the third mate with chief engineer and eight men, has reached shore and the men landed.  
Two boats are missing. State Department advises do not say how many men were in the missing boats.

PARIS, June 12.—An American army medical unit, comprising 150 men and seventy-five women nurses, has arrived at a French town, it was announced today.  
The unit is from Chicago. It was accorded a hearty welcome from the French townspeople.  
The unit referred to probably is the one organized at Northwestern University, and which recently has been in England.

**PLANES VS. U-BOATS,  
PEARY PEACE BASIS**

Admiral Says America Must  
Provide Air Fleet.

**TALKS TO SENATE COMMITTEE**

Polar Explorer Tells Lawmakers  
Needs of Nation.

"I believe that if this country shall take hold of the matter of aerial preparedness and concentrate on it the same energy that Admiral von Tirpitz is credited with compelling Germany to devote to the development of the submarine, we will not only have an answer to the submarine menace, but we will have an unequivocal decision of the war and that within a short time."

In this striking statement, Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, of Polar exploration fame, today declared himself in favor of unlimited aerial preparation. The statement was made before a subcommittee of the Senate Military Committee, headed by Senator Sheppard of Texas, at a hearing on the Sheppard-Hurbit bill for a new executive department with a Cabinet officer, the Department of Aeronautics.

Need to Emphasized.  
Admiral Peary held that this country should devote unmeasured energy to preparedness of the air and that the possibilities are unlimited. Just as many airplanes should be fitted out as possible, he said, and he is convinced that if this is done the powers with which the United States is ranged will be victors both on land and sea.

Not alone is the airship the factor which will defeat the submarine menace and gain decision on land, in view of Admiral Peary, but the possibilities of commercial development are without limit.

At the hearing today, Representative Hurbit of New York, who is an enthusiast for aerial development, opened with an explanation of the bill. He was followed by Admiral Peary. Then Major L. W. P. Rees of the British Royal Flying Corps, a Welsh hero, who on one occasion fought ten German machines at one time, explained the workings of the corps and other facts about aircraft.

He's Quite Impersonal.  
Peary is loath to talk of his own achievements, but he was severely wounded in one of the engagements on the French front.

In opening the hearing, Representative Hurbit explained the purpose of the bill was to promote aeronautics in army and navy and commercially.

"I believe that when the war is over the development of aeronautics will have become so great from a commercial standpoint," said he, "that the Department of Aeronautics will be more important than the Department of War or Navy."

He said it had been the experience of France, England, and Germany that a separate department was needed.

Mr. Hurbit pointed out that an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the department was asked. He predicted great development of the airship as a postal carrier.

Rear Admiral Peary emphasized the idea that if the airplane is developed with scientific accuracy it will decide the war.

Makes Pertinent Statements.  
Among other things, he said:  
"Our air service is now handled partly by the army and partly by the navy. This manner—it cannot be called system—is inherently wrong. It means divided and dispersed responsibility. It means diversion of officers from the imperative work of their respective departments at this crucial time. It means that aeronautics is the last and least of the numerous duties devolved upon the officers."

The immediate needs of this country are:  
"First, A strong aero coast patrol and defense system along our entire coast from Eastport, Me., to Brownsville, Tex., and from San Diego, Cal., to Cape Flattery, Wash. A national burglar alarm, as it were, around the entire country."

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