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THE GERMAN JUGGERNAUT.

That the long-foretold "distress of nations" has come at last must be apparent to any one inclined to stop and think. The war cloud is as dark as ever, and sheet, forked and ball lightning with terrific thunder are shaking the planet.

The people of the United States, who have been watching the conflict from afar during the past year, are becoming anxious, as there is no telling what part our country is destined to play. We read of German submarines appearing off the coast of North America, and more startling still, that undersea craft of that nation are either in or about to enter the Caribbean Sea, where a base will be established.

While such ominous signs are in the heavens, our country is being convulsed by labor issues at a most important time. Heretofore the members of the American Federation of Labor have deferred to their officials. It is not so now, and strikers are despising their authority with impunity.

The Baltimore American this morning in speaking of present conditions says:

"Mr. Samuel Gompers is morally certain that the labor unrest at Bridgeport and with the Remington Arms Company and at other places where arms and ammunition are being manufactured is due to the activity of aliens who are systematically and by the use of money seeking to stir up labor troubles.

"A second fire upon an American warship, that upon the Oklahoma, nearing completion, is an annoying occurrence. There may be records of a more serious catastrophe that would absolutely upset the efforts being made to keep the peace with the Teutons.

"There are many signs of inimicable activity in the country as well as upon the ships that sail with supplies to the Allies. This condition is far from being assuring and indicates the wretched state of espionage and outrage that would prevail in case the United States were drawn into the war.

"The insidiousness of the approaches to labor probably lies in the fact that if the probe could be entered it might be found that the international socialist organization is being used to bring about concert of action here in strikes together with the British workers and the German munition workers at Essen. Nothing could be more unfortunate than for American labor representatives to be induced to

enter into a general strike movement that would tie their country hand and foot and make it a prey to any enemy from abroad.

"When one considers the alleged threat of the German Kaiser to make all Europe tremble, which he is said to have included in a letter to his sister, the Queen of Greece, some facts of the past must be held in mind. He is said to have made the assertion to his august sister that Russia is paralyzed for at least six months to come, and that empire will be eliminated from action during the progress of the movement at which the German Emperor so darkly hints.

"While one may be disposed to smile at the Kaiser's boast as a confident but unsupported threat, it is well to recall that other countries have been virtually eliminated since the war started. Belgium no longer counts as a factor and the same is true of Serbia that, at the beginning of the war, fought valiantly. If the present enormous campaign of defeat shall witness the seizure of Warsaw and the crippling of the entire Russian front, certainly Russia will require at least six months for recovery. That will make the third country eliminated since the war began. Who can say that the process of elimination would not continue until by the capture of Paris the French had been eliminated or through the taking of Calais and a drive upon England, that country was crippled. This progress of elimination is a juggernaut one and thus far has been carried on with surprising effectiveness."

ANNIVERSARY OF BULL RUN.

The battle of Bull Run was fought fifty-four years ago today. The cannonading at that great contest was heard in Alexandria and men now in the serene and yellow leaf who participated in the engagement are still moving among us.

At the beginning of the fray the advantage was with the federal army, but towards the close of that eventful day the wearers of the blue had been decidedly beaten and were stampeding toward Washington.

It was feared the Confederates would follow up their victory and make a dash for Washington and the gunboat Pawnee and brig Perry anchored off Alexandria for the purpose of shelling the city should the southerners capture it.

For some reason, however, President Davis and General Beauregard concluded not to follow the fugitives, to the great disappointment of Alexandrians who had indulged the hope of seeing Alexandria again in the hands of the Confederates, who had been forced out two months before. Barnard E. Bee, the Confederate General through whom the name of "Stonewall" was conferred on Gen. Thomas J. Jackson, was killed in this battle.

It was the purpose of Gen. McDowell to strike Gen. Beauregard with a superior force at Manassas, while Gen. Patterson held Gen. Johnston from marching to the support of Beauregard. Johnston, however, succeeded in sending detachments of his army to Beauregard at Bull Run. One of these detachments was the brigade of Gen. Bee; another was that of Gen. Jackson.

At one time in the course of the battle a terrific charge of the Federal troops broke the line of Bee's brigade Jackson, noting Bee's peril, hurried up with five regiments, and was met by Bee with the exclamation: "They are beating us back." Jackson replied calmly: "Sir, we will give them the bayonet." Bee instantly turned to

rally his men, and cried out in loud tones: "Here's Jackson, standing like a stone wall."

Bee's men took up the cry of "Stonewall," and following their commander, they stemmed the tide of battle until, after Bee fell, Johnston took his place and completed his work.

RENOUNCING MARRIAGE VOWS.

Among some people in the Orient divorce occasion little trouble and no expense. A man tiring of the woman he has married has simply to say to her, "I divorce you," and that is an end of the matter. It seems, from reference to the custom in the New Testament, that the woman enjoyed a similar privilege; she, too, could sever her marital relations by setting her husband aside with as few words.

It would astonish most readers were we to quote certain passages in the history of Judea at the beginning of the present era. The divorce mill was going all the time. Men and women lived together until they grew tired of each other, divorced themselves without form, ceremony or law, and contracted other marriages ad libitum. Josephus, in one part of his history, says: "About this time I put away my third wife, not liking her manners."

The frivolous manner in which some young people in our day enter upon married life is illustrated by an occurrence yesterday at the City Hall in Washington where marriage licenses are obtained. A young couple appeared at that place, supposing that the official could declare marriages null and void as easily as he could issue a license for the two to enter into wedlock. The young people, who had concluded marriage was a failure, were greatly disappointed when they found the clerk could not untie the knot which bound them together.

Several years ago a young woman, with a buccolic look, rushed into the police station in Alexandria and excitedly asked, "Is this the place where you get divorces?" She supposed one could be obtained as easily as a warrant.

NEWS OF THE DAY

From 80,000 to 100,000 lives have been lost in the floods in the vicinity of Canton, China.

Another German aeroplane has arrived at Constantinople after flying over Bulgaria. This is the sixth machine to violate Bulgarian neutrality.

Six persons were burned to death or suffocated in a fire which destroyed a three story brick tenement house on Beacon street, Chelsea, Mass., early yesterday.

The health of Franz Josef, Austrian Emperor, again is causing grave anxiety. He suffers from nervous excitement and his mind apparently is profoundly affected.

It is reported that 132 Turkish officers of the Second, Third and Fifth Corps have been arrested on a charge of conspiracy following the death of several German officers.

Russian torpedo boats attacked and destroyed fifty-nine sailing ships bound to Trebizond with war materials for the Ottoman Caucasus army. The crews of the vessels were made prisoners.

Carranza troops who captured Naco, Sonora, Monday, while removing liquor from an American saloon late yesterday found a United States flag

carried it to within a few feet of the international line and tramped it into ribbons.

Twenty thousand American freight cars and 400 American locomotives are due at Vladivostok from the United States within the next two months to relieve the congestion of supplies destined for the Russian armies at the front.

A loaded freight train yesterday plunged 200 feet into a gulch near Dalhart, Texas, killing three men and smashing an engine and ten loaded freight cars to bits. The freight, on the El Paso and Southwestern Railroad, ran through a bridge.

Officials of the American Federation of Labor admitted privately yesterday that organized labor is fighting a battle against unseen enemies working with in its ranks, in the persons of German agents paid to stop manufacture and shipment of supplies for the Entente allies.

"An explosive bomb of greater power than anything hitherto used in the war is being investigated by the greatest scientists of France," stated Arthur Lynch in a speech in the British House of Commons yesterday. "If it is found practical it will be invaluable to the allies," he added.

Leo M. Frank late yesterday afternoon informed the attending physicians in the Georgia penitentiary that he felt "much better" following the removal earlier in the day of three stitches in his throat, and the establishment of a free drainage from the wound. An official statement signed by Drs. Compton, Hall and Rosenberg declared the patient's condition favorable.

A dispatch from Durban, South Africa, says that the big new Peninsula and Oriental liner Benalla from English ports to Australia with 800 settlers on board is on fire at sea 800 miles east of Durban. The Benalla's wireless cry for help was caught by the steamer Otaki, 150 miles distance, which replied, giving her location. The ships were racing toward each other.

The Japanese steamship Keishin Maru is loading steel rails at Seattle for Vladivostok. Additional war supplies for Russia will be taken on at Vancouver, B. C. Vessels are under charter to carry 35,000 tons of railroad material to Vladivostok from Seattle within the next three months. The Minnesota is loading 10,000 tons of rails and a great quantity of copper intended for Russian use.

Dispatches from Saloniki paint a somber picture of the state of Turkey, particularly in Constantinople. In Adrianople sedition is spreading among the regiments of the garrison, which refuse to leave for Constantinople because they are afraid they will be sent to the Dardanelles. Enver Pasha arrived there, a plot was discovered against his life and over 50 officers and soldiers were arrested and conveyed by night across the River Jungia and shot.

A premonition based upon a dream that her husband was dead caused Mrs. Bessie Hinrichs, wife of John H. Hinrichs, painter and contractor, of Washington, to hurry home yesterday from New York, where she had been visiting a sister. She found the dead body of her husband, after a search, hanging by the neck in the loft of his place of business. Mrs. Hinrichs before she left New York told her sister of the dream, and

greatly to her surprise the sister said she had had a similar dream.

Three big German aeroplanes of the Taube type, were destroyed in a sky battle with twelve British aeroplanes off the mouth of the Thames River several days ago. The German aviators had crossed the North Sea to raid the British coast, but they took so much time to maneuver that they were detected by English air patrols and chased. All three were shot down into the North Sea and the Germans were all killed.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Robert B. Lilliston, a Norfolk musician, was found dead in his backyard Monday night by his sister, Mrs. Annie Garnett, with his entire face blown off. A shotgun was lying across his body. Indications point to suicide, as he had been despondent for several weeks.

Andrew Wade, 18 years old, son of W. Powell Wade, a salesman, fell dead on a sidewalk at Roanoke yesterday afternoon after Talmage Rawsey, 16 years old, had struck him a blow over the heart with his fist. The lads were engaged in a friendly bout. Rawsey surrendered to the police and a charge of murder was entered against him. An autopsy showed a blood clot over Wade's heart.

W. S. Archer, of Richmond, has been appointed to succeed the late Captain Thomas J. Davis as adjutant general and chief of staff, First Virginia Brigade, United Confederate Veterans, with the rank of lieutenant colonel. Adjutant Archer is a past commander of R. E. Lee Camp of Richmond. He served throughout the war in "F" Company of the Forty eighth Virginia Regiment.

As a result of a fight at 1527 Winder street, Richmond, last night in which three brothers are said to be involved, Oscar M. Shaw lies in Virginia Hospital, probably fatally wounded with a pistol ball in the abdomen, and William T. Shaw is locked up at the Second Station on charge of shooting in felonious assault. The third brother, Alfred Shaw, who is recorded by the police as a witness, was left at the Shaw home on Winder street.

The effect of the explosion of a combustible, equivalent in energy to that of an ordinary torpedo, upon a caisson, built exactly as is a section of a battleship, which was made an experiment at Norfolk yesterday, convinced, it is said, those who witnessed the test that the present construction of the hulls of battleships is inefficient against the torpedo of the modern submarine. The caisson was anchored a short distance from the shore and a mine was placed alongside. The explosion lifted the caisson almost out of the water. It sank fifteen minutes after the mine had been exploded.

The State Department of Education has sent out copies of the uniform examination questions to all the summer schools and to all the division superintendents. Examinations for teachers in high schools will be held on August 3, 4 and 5, as previously announced. There are twenty summer normal schools in session now and it is estimated that five thousand teachers and prospective teachers will take the examinations in these normals and also under the supervision of the division superintendents. These teachers are required to take

examinations on ten subjects, making a total of 50,000 papers for the examiners to go over.

About \$80,000,000 is the amount the E. I. Du Pont De Nemours Powder Company is said to have expended within the past few months for the erection and operation of its plant and the development of its surrounding property at Hopewell, eight miles east of Petersburg, where thousands of men, work day and night, turning out munitions of war on a scale that is almost beyond comprehension, and where, like a mushroom, sprang into existence one of the most remarkable towns in the world. It is not a beautiful city; it is not a model city by any means, but it is a city nevertheless, and it is getting larger and larger all the time. The Hopewell of today is a product of the European war.

A sensation was sprung by the Grand Jury at Charlottesville Monday when it developed that the jury had taken up indictments against Dr. B. H. Sparks, in connection with the death of a young colored woman named Ella Terrell, some time last June, in premature child birth. Two indictments had been presented, one for the murder of the woman and the other for performing an abortion. The murder indictment was found not a true bill, but the one for abortion was approved by at least seven of the grand jurors, and a true bill returned. A bench warrant was ordered issued by the court, to bring Dr. Sparks into court to give bail to appear to answer the same at a date to be fixed later on.

Struck on the head with an axe, Mr. J. S. Grub, a wealthy woman of Norfolk, was robbed yesterday of \$1,000 and jewelry valued at \$900. A foreigner named Rochelli, who was coarding at Mrs. Grub's house with his wife, is accused of the crime. He and his wife have disappeared. Mrs. Grub, who was conscious for a few minutes after the assault, says she was run-oned to the woodshed by Rochelli, who said he had something to show her. When she reached the entrance to the shed she was struck on the head and her pocketbook taken from her. Mrs. Grub's husband found his wife wrapped in a rug in the woodshed half an hour after the assault. She was taken to a local hospital, where physicians said her skull was fractured and that she would probably die. In his haste her assailant overlooked \$400 in currency which was in the woman's stocking.

U. S. MAY HASTEN PEACE.

English Writer Predicts America Will Enter War in 60 Days

London, July 21.—Writing in the current issue of the World, W. F. Wend-Fenton says: "In my judgment Warsaw is certain to fall within a fortnight and within 60 days from now America will have declared war on Germany and will have seized all German merchant vessels in New York harbor and will have placed her powerful navy at the disposal of the Allies. "I predict that this step on the part of the United States will be the signal for Germany to open peace negotiations, having Warsaw and Poland to the credit side of her account and the excuse which America's intervention will provide to save her face to her own people.

"Whether these peace negotiations will prove successful will depend on the ability of Germany's statesmen and the attitude of Russia."

HELD FOR \$6,000 RANSOM

Wealthy Idaho Rancher's Son and His Chum Sent Back With Threat of Death

Idaho Falls, Idaho, July 21.—Earliest Empey, 35 years old, a wealthy rancher is being held by a lone bandit for \$6,000 ransom, according to word received from Empey's ranch, 33 miles east of here.

Directions for delivery of the ransom brought to the ranch by Empey's 11-year-old son and a neighbor lad, ordered that it be delivered on a lonely mountain road the night of July 24. Otherwise Empey is threatened with death.

From the boy's description officials believe Empey's captor is a fugitive thought to be hidden in the mountains of Eastern Idaho.

EMISSARY SOUNDS GERMANY

Pope Disappointed Over Failure of Diplomatic Notes

Rome, July 21 Pope Benedict is keeping in close touch with the German-American situation and is keenly disappointed over the failure of diplomatic exchanges thus far to bring about a satisfactory settlement of the controversy arising over the sinking of the Lusitania.

It was reported here today that the Pope several days ago sent a Vatican representative to Berlin to learn the exact attitude of Germany. The Vatican emissary is expected to return to Rome before the end of the week.

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