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AN ALLIED ARMY IN RUSSIA

THE fighting has come to grips in Russia. The situation there has grown intolerable and for some time it was evident that patience had ceased to be a virtue. The policy of hands off adopted at the beginning of the reign of anarchy does not seem to have done more than act as an incentive for the Hun to spread his entangling alliances and continue to overrun the land of the white bear. As a nation, Russia has collapsed, collapsed utterly and helplessly, or, as one English writer expressed it, that land has been thrown back two hundred years in the history of civilization. Like a man in quicksand, every move proves more disheartening than the previous and each effort simply plunges the victim deeper in the mire beyond hope of extrication.

Under the circumstances it remained for the allies to act and do so promptly or confess supremacy of German intrigue. The land which a few years ago was described as the granary of the world with a capacity for feeding countless millions has been reduced to beggary and famine by the insidious hand of socialistic doctrines and the dissemination of principles which militate against individual effort.

China and Japan, although nominally ranked and aligned with the allies, and, with myriads of people to call upon to do their fighting, have not shed a drop of blood in advancing the ideas which we hold as the dearest of our possessions. In the equalization of indemnities likely to follow the war when the great readjustment takes place the two Oriental countries must be considered and therefore the best way is to utilize their man power in such a way that they may be of service to our hard-pressed troops on the western front. By throwing an expeditionary force into Siberia to assist General Semenov, the gallant Cossack, who has been holding the Transbaikalian region, the allied nations of Europe and the United States are shoving in a wedge that must make itself felt and force a recall of some of the divisions which were removed from the eastern to the western and Adriatic fronts. If the wily Oriental is to be included in the settlement let him earn his way by paying the price in blood just the same as the allies are doing elsewhere. It is not a long haul from Manila to the disaffected region where the United States can throw an army of 250,000 well equipped Filipinos as a first contribution to the expeditionary force.

POWER AND LIGHT FAMINE

WHEN the national fuel administrator issued his first proclamation to coal consumers the entire Pacific coast sat up and smiled for the people of that section thought they were in a position where they could scoff at fuel famines or any other pressure that would be likely to abridge their supply of light, heat and energy. They reckoned on drawing their stores from the inexhaustible snows of the upper Sierras which have never been known to fail and on which the entire population of California depend for the sustenance of life. Take away the electric power and California would be left as barren as the desert from which the greater part of it was reclaimed, for electricity and irrigation go hand in hand in that state. They are the twin sisters of industry and development, neither of which can exist without the other. Over 50 per cent of the irrigation is done by the application of pumps and the gravity flow is restricted to the immediate vicinity of the mountains or in hilly sections contiguous to large streams. From the Sierrayas to the eastern slopes of the Sierras the life giving waters are used over and over again by harnessing power generated by hydro-electric plants away up in remote nooks of the mountains. Just as soon as these plants cease to furnish their quota of power irrigation will cease and vast areas of rice, beans, wheat and barley will begin to droop and fade away.

Any action looking to abridgement of the use of power must produce an acute stage of distress which would be nothing short of a calamity at this time when the yeomen of California are doing their best to respond to the call for a greater crop production.

AMERICANS ARE UNAFRAID

WHEN the news came that the United States marines had gone up against the enemy and given him a biff on the nose and taken away his goat the whole country was thrilled with the thought of our boys roughing it by mixing in outside the strict regulation fighting. It was all right for the Sammies to sit in their trenches waiting for the psychological moment when they could go over and rush the enemy in fashion that would leave some substantial returns. But that is not the American way any more than it is the way of the Canadians or Anzacs. These husky fellows taken from peaceful pastimes wanted action and they went at it as though to say they had a disagreeable job and the sooner it was cleaned up the better. We may be a nervous race, but that nervous energy is the pent up fury of the race horse stored up for the moment when its full use is demanded to win. The nervous Americans might more properly be described as "restless" for their nerves are in perfect control backed by tense muscles of steel with the crushing capacity of trip hammers and directed by minds that have had the best training in the universe.

In spite of the fact that the recent charges of the marines have been accomplished by great sacrifice in the shape of casualties there is no indication of the white feather showing either abroad or at home. When the news of the dare devil fighting of the marines was bulletined in New York and San Francisco the recruiting offices of the marine corps had to close their doors and deny admission to the scores of applicants who rushed the enlisting officers. Red blooded Americans wanted action. They wanted to be in the fracas and mix it with the enemy. There was no thought of the possible fatal consequences. None. Men of phlegmatic temperament were among the first to demand enlistment. They meant serious business. They did not care to go into any service where they would be kept dawdling around barracks sucking their pipes and sweeping sidewalks but, if there was any fighting to do, they wanted to be in it.

The nation is just waking up to the fact that there is a war,

a real man's size war, with plenty of action and, with that prospect in view there are tens of thousands of brave boys beyond the draft age who will do their best to be enrolled among the Liberty Lads.

The showing of the Americans spells Germany's doom. Our boys have made good.

Up to date our losses in France have not overtaken the automobile fatalities in this country.

Don't take a chance with this weather. Let the B. V. Ds. remain in the cooler a while longer.

AERIAL GUNNERY TAUGHT BIRDMEN WHILE COMPLETING THEIR TRAINING

LAKE CHARLES, La., June 12.—Aviators from training camps throughout the country are completing their education in aerial gunnery at the new finishing school near here. From sunrise to sunset the planes are darting here and there, sometimes near the earth and again at high altitudes and the rattle of machine guns is almost continuous.

The targets at the first school of its kind to be established in the United States, are reproductions of a German "taube" airplane placed on the surface of the lake and with a black cross painted thereon to represent the enemy pilot, the principal mark for the gunners. The students easily discern the striking of bullets on the water and are able to correct their fire almost instantly if the shots go wide. The result, in-

structors declare, are more than gratifying but just what records the young fliers have made is information withheld from the public.

The training in gunnery is as complete as it is humanly possible to make it. Before being sent to the camp the students are required to undergo a course of ground schooling at Gerstner Field, near here. From Gerstner Field they go to the lake and in classes of thirty are put to work on the "taube" and a small aerial target released at an altitude of about 2000 feet. The students are graded according to their proficiency in firing and when they make the percentage of hits required are discharged from the school.

Both the small machines, carrying only a pilot, and the larger plane with a pilot and observer, are in use at the school.

BASEBALL GAMES

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	39	31	.557
Salt Lake	36	29	.554
Vernon	34	34	.500
Sacramento	32	32	.500
San Francisco	31	37	.456
Oakland	29	38	.433

At Salt Lake— R. H. E.

Los Angeles	2	7	1
Salt Lake	4	11	2
Batteries: Brown and Botes; Duboc and Konnick.			
At San Francisco— R. H. E.			
Sacramento	5	14	2
San Francisco	4	12	2
Batteries: Gardner, Bromley and Easterly; Smith, Crespi, O'Doul and McKee.			

ST. LOUIS MANAGER HATES HIS TEAM

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—"I never hid behind an alibi in my life and I'll not begin now. I don't believe any one could expect me to beat a championship club with the line-up I have been forced to use." This was a statement made by Jack Hendricks, manager of the St. Louis Nationals, following the miserable showing of his club which sent it to the bottom of the league. There were several contributing factors to this reverse. Hornsby, the star, failed at bat and in the field and finally was benched in favor of Wallace, who was barely able to get around on account of injuries. When he was unable to play, Larmore, a local high school lad, substituted; Cruise and Jack Smith, heavy hitters last season, slumped and indicative of the general weak offensive of the club is the fact that it scored only one run in 27 consecutive innings.

President Riskey made a trip through the east in an endeavor to find players, but met with little success. He signed Yerkes, the property of the Indianapolis club in the American association, and in return gave Betzel. This reduced the Cardinal personnel to seventeen players and necessitated the playing of Gonzales, catcher, in the outfield, and Smyth, an outfielder, at second base.

DAN O'LEARY'S WALK

CHICAGO, June 12.—Dan O'Leary, veteran world's champion walker, will not attempt his 1100-mile hike to Mineral Wells, Texas, until next fall. O'Leary had planned to start this month, but decided to postpone the trip to escape the blazing heat of the south. He is nearly 76 years old.

BILLIARD PLAYER WILL JOIN THE MARINES

MILWAUKEE, June 12.—Charles Ellis, a former world's champion billiard player is in a hospital here recovering from an operation which, he hopes will fit him for service with the United States marines.

CHICAGO WILL LOSE TWO GOOD PLAYERS

CHICAGO, June 12.—Stewart Cochran, a tackle on the University of Chicago football eleven, and Bradford Smith, a Maroon shortstop, will be lost to athletics this season. They are awaiting call to attend the naval officers' material school in Chicago.

The loss of Cochran leaves only three of the twelve men who won "C" in football last fall. He is a sophomore and lives in Elkhart, Ind. Captain Brylos, Higgins, Rouse, Gorgas, Jackson, Moulton and Mellin also have enlisted. Bronzinski is in the medical school preparing for hospital service, leaving Block, Elton, and MacDonald as the only "C" men who may return.

LONDON'S MILITARY CHIEF OF POLICE

LONDON, June 12.—Baron Athumney has resigned the office of provost-marshal for the London district, which he has held almost continuously since the beginning of the war. The provost-marshal is practically chief of the military police of the district, and his jurisdiction includes all matters relating to the conduct and department of army officers who may be in London either on leave or on station. The duties are somewhat difficult, delicate and complicated and require infinite tact.

Lord Athumney made a success of the job. His experience as full-back of the Harrow football eleven taught him early the art of managing young men.

When he sought enlistment he was told that he had a rupture and that an operation would be necessary. Ellis represented Milwaukee in the Interstate Three Cushion league.

ENGLISH WOMAN IN THE SERBIAN ARMY

LONDON, June 12.—Sergeant Major Flora Sandes, the only Englishwoman in the Serbian army, is about to rejoin her regiment at Saloniki. She had returned to England for a few weeks' sick leave, devoting much of her time to raising money for comforts for her Serbian comrades by telling the dramatic story of her military career.

She went to Serbia in 1914, and after experiencing the strain of the retreat before the German hordes, she was cut off from her ambulance unit and at once joined a Serbian regiment as a private.

For two years she took part in all the hardest fighting in that desolate theatre of war, often being first over the top and coming scatheless through fierce hand-to-hand encounters. Then, in a charge that secured some vital heights, she was wounded by a hand grenade explosion.

For her bravery she has received the highest order that a Serbian soldier can win.

BERLIN POLITICAL POLICE MOVE OFFICE TO MUNICH

NEW YORK, June 12.—The Passauer Zeitung of Passau, Bavaria, says that the notorious Berlin political police has established a branch in Munich, the operations of which has "fallen on the nerves" of the Bavarian government and the Bavarian war industry. The Berlin political police, the paper says, persecuted not only red (socialist) but also black pacifists which latter maintained in Rome and Vienna various secret avenues of communication which were not agreeable to the Berlin political secret organization.

DICKERSON PROMOTED

CLEVELAND, June 12.—Admirers of Clark Dickerson, former pitcher with the Cleveland Americans, are pleased with the announcement that he has been appointed a lieutenant in the national army. Dickerson was drafted last fall. He soon was promoted to corporal and later to sergeant. He had experience in a military school before he took up professional baseball.

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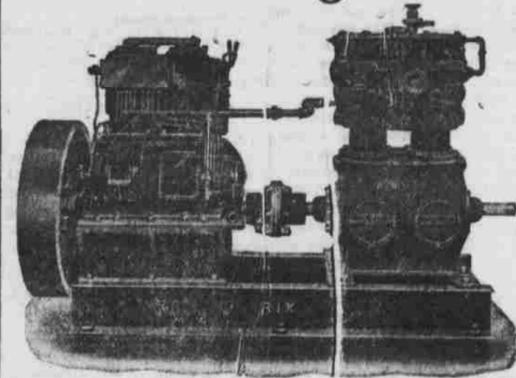
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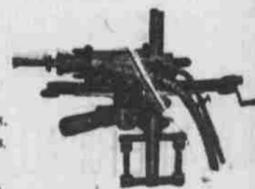
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