

WORLD'S GREATEST WAR DAY BY DAY

THE WAR PRIMER

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CITIES AND PLACES MENTIONED IN THE WAR NEWS.

Amiens, Laon, Rheims.—The country between Amiens and Rheims, within earshot of the fighting armies in France today, is populous and contains many of the most prosperous of the medium sized towns in France. Ten miles east of Amiens is Villors-Bretonneux, an industrial town with about 6000 inhabitants, which was the scene of one of the main engagements in the battle of Amiens, in which the French northern army was routed by the Germans in 1870. The route now takes one through the fertile district of Santerre. Ham, with a population of approximately 3500, stands in a marshy district 36 miles from Amiens. Its castle, now used as a barracks, has frequently been used as a state prison, and has held many of the most noted people of France. The list of those incarcerated there includes Joan of Arc, Louis of Bourbon, and Louis Napoleon. The latter, after having been a prisoner for six years, escaped in the guise of a workman.

La Fere, sixteen miles further on, captured by the Germans in 1870, has one of the oldest schools of artillery in the world. It was founded in 1719. Laon, fifteen miles beyond La Fere, situated on an isolated ridge some 300 feet above the surrounding plain, forms, with La Fere and Rheims a triangle of important fortresses. Napoleon tried in vain to dislodge Blucher from the town in 1814. Between Laon and Rheims the Aisne and the Sappe are crossed.

Paris, Soissons, Rheims, Charleville.—The route from Paris to Charleville by way of Soissons and Rheims, takes one through a territory rich in historical and present day interest. Six miles out from Paris is found Le Bourget, where the Germans repulsed the French in the sanguinary struggles of 1870. Twenty miles further on, in the park of the chateau of Ermenonville, is the original tomb of Jean Jacques Rousseau, whose remains were moved to the Pantheon at Paris in 1794.

Chepy-en-Valois, the ancient capital of a district which belonged from the 14th century to a younger branch of the royal family of France and with a present day population of about 7000, lies sixteen miles to the north. Villers-Cotterets, with about 6000 inhabitants, 8 1/2 miles away, was the birthplace of Alexander Dumas the Elder. A little further on is Longpont, which has a ruined abbey dating from the 12th century. Sixty-five miles from Paris, Soissons, an ancient town formerly fortified, with a population of about 15,000, is reached. Here is the Abbaye Notre Dame, now used as a barracks, founded originally in 660. In 858 it contained no fewer than 216 nuns, who possessed a valuable collection of sacred relics, including a shoe and a girdle of the Madonna. The route from Soissons to Rheims takes one up the valley of the Aisne and its tributary, the Vesle. Rheims is one of the most interesting cities of France. Christianity was preached here in the 4th century. About twenty miles out of Rheims, half way to Charleville, is Rethel, an industrial town with about 7500 inhabitants, situated on a hill to the right of the Aisne. Three miles further on is Amagne, a railway junction with a large sugar factory as its principal industry. A few miles on, the road enters the wooded and mountainous district of the Ardennes, and the scenery increases in beauty. To the right is Boulzicourt, with its large powder factory, and at Mohon, another village, are large work shops. Two miles further on is Charleville, an uninteresting town, with about 20,000 inhabitants and nail making, type founding and hardware goods factories.

Argonne.—A rocky, forest-clad plateau, extending along the borders of Lorraine, Germany and Champagne, France. It has a length of about

sixty-three miles, an average breadth of nineteen miles and an average altitude of 1150 feet. There are few good roads in this district and it is hard territory through which to carry on military operations of large proportions. It lies between the valley of the Aisne on the west and the valley of the Meuse on the east, and is one of the natural bulwarks between Germany and France. There are numerous forests clothing both the east and west slopes of the plateau, the chief of them being that of Argonne, extending for twenty-five miles between the Aisne and the Meuse.

Ardennes.—A department of France on the northeast frontier, with an area of 2028 square miles and a population exceeding 350,000. Its rivers are the Meuse and the Aisne. Its agricultural products are wheat, oats, potatoes, rye and many kinds of forage. Ardennes is to France what the Blue Grass region of Kentucky is to the United States. Its horses are known throughout the country. Flour mills, sawmills, sugar works, distilleries and leather works are scattered over the department. Among its minor industries is the making of wooden shoes. Sedan, where the famous surrender of the French to the Germans took place, is located in Ardennes. The chief cities of the department are Metziers, the capital, Charleville, Rocroi and Rethel.

Lys, or Lyk.—A German town of East Prussia, ten miles from the border of Russian Poland, 112 miles southeast of Konigsberg, on a lake and river of the same name. Its population is close to 14,000. Lyk is the chief town of the region known as Masuria. A castle formerly belonging to the Teutonic order and on an island in the Lyk lake and is now used as a prison. There are iron foundries, distilleries, breweries, tanneries, paper mills and flour mills.

Lissa.—A town in Prussian Posen, twenty-five miles northeast of Glogau and forty-eight miles from the Russian Poland border line. Its population is approximately 18,000 and its manufactures are shoes, machinery, liqueurs and tobacco. During the thirty years' war the popu- by other refugees and Lissa became an important commercial town. It was burned in 1656 and again in 1707.

Lobau.—A town of about 12,000 population in Saxony, Germany, on the Lobau water, forty miles east of Dresden and 100 miles west of Breslau. It is but eight miles from the Austrian frontier. The town manufactures agricultural implements, pianofortes, sugar, machines and buttons, and has a trade in grain, yarn, linen and stockings. Lobau suffered severely during the Hussite war, and was deprived of its rights in 1547.

Mitrovica (Hungarian; Mitrovicz; German, Mitrowitz).—A Hungarian town of Croatia-Slavonia, thirty-eight miles north of west of Belgrade and two miles from the Serbian border, on the River Save. Its population is the site of Sirmium, the chief city of Lower Pannonia under Roman rule, where the Emperor Probus (232-282) was born and buried and where the Emperor Marcus Aurelius (121-180) is said to have died. The city was sacked by the Huns in 441, and by the Turks, who destroyed all its ancient buildings, in 1396 and 1521.

Suwalki.—A town of Russian Poland, the capital of the government of the same name, sixty-five miles by rail northwest of Grodno and eighteen miles from the east Prussian border. Its population is approximately 30,000. It has a trade in timber, grain, woolen cloth and other manufactured goods. Bee keeping is one of the industries of the district.

English Supreme As Diplomats

The following interview with Baron Mumm was secured from the Chicago Tribune by its correspondent in Berlin, Joseph Med III Patterson. It gives an idea of the German view of the English attitude.

Japanese Aims Considered.
Perhaps the Japanese have really a finer civilization than you. Personally I do not think so, but perhaps he will say they have. However, be that as it may, you in America would resist fiercely a Japanese attempt to supplant your civilization with theirs. So we have too, and we will resent the attempt to supplant on any territory now held by Germans our civilization by that of the Slavs.

"You think we are next on the list?" I asked— "The Philippines?"
"How long do you think Japan would hold her hand from you," he answered my question with another.

"If you found yourself in war against three great and two little powers? Yes, England, sowed dragons' teeth," he said, "dragons' teeth for the white skins—'Asia for the Asiaties' is written on the hearts of all the Japanese."

British Diplomacy Called Subtle.
Reverting to the English, he exclaimed: "You in America are accustomed to think of the English as a bluff, hearty, downright, unsubtle race, fond of sport and the open air. Well, all I can say to that is that they are certainly fond of sport and the open air. There has never been a race of diplomats their equals in shrewdness, subtlety and sleepless eyes on the main chance since time began."

"Please illustrate."
"Well, then, there is no disguising

the fact that for a time at least, prior to the growth of the Japanese country, you considered us— shall we say—your chief political rivals? Now you have shifted that feeling to the Japanese, and all this time you have considered England your first friend."

I said: She made herself so."
"Precisely my point. She made herself so; she began to talk to your cousinship with a degree of warmth in direct ratio to your degree of strength. Because she has the only thing in the world you really need to round out your boundaries."

"You Mean Canada?"
"Friendship Part of Policy."
"I mean Canada. Of course I realize it is inconceivable you will ever, or at least soon, attempt to take it. But why? Because Great Britain has realized so cleverly that the only possible way in which she can defend it is by making you her friend and putting you on honor."

"Whoever her first rival has been she has combined Europe against him. She fought you when you were, she lent you aid to the effort to split your republic in the civil war, and now that you are strong and her dominions are yours for the taking she is your best friend. She sets Japan on us and uses Japan to guard India."

"The English take credit to themselves for many excellent qualities, but of that quality in which they are supremely pre-eminent, diplomacy, they make little mention. They believe the seas belong to them by divine right and most of the yellow, black and brown races for exploitation. However, we shall conquer this unholy alliance against

us," he concluded, "for Germany is one in its determination to live."
"If you are shut from the seas," I asked, "how long can you subsist on yourselves?"

Subsistence Carefully Considered.
"Until the next harvest is in," he answered. "That has all been gone into carefully. Our enemies who have deluded themselves into the hope we shall starve will be disappointed in that as in other things. We shall lack somewhat in tea, coffee, coco, and other tropical products, but of bread, meat, potatoes, and sugar we have ample on hand till the next harvest. We would like some of your cotton, though, and copper. But we have plenty of hides and leather, coal iron, petroleum, lumber, and chemicals."

"How will you finance the war?"
"Within ourselves, by war taxes and internal laws. For instance, we have never had an inheritance tax. Now we shall. Likewise heavier excise duties on beer and tobacco."

"You will make no external loans, borrow no money from abroad?"
"No none."
"As to war indemnity from France, if you occupy Paris?"
"France chose to appeal to the god of battles," he answered. "We asked her to stay out, she chose war and now she shall have it with all its consequences."

LEAD US AGAIN.

Father, our hopes are bivouacked in our hearts,
Our fears and prayers are all a-wing to Thee!

Stretch out Thy holy hand, we humbly ask,
And lead us with Thy clear all-solacing light,

Out of the desolate darkness of our time,
As Thou didst in the bleak, black ages gone.

Give us again the sight that we may see;
Once more set spinning all the looms of Peace.

Rekindle reason, faith, good-will on earth,
Lord, Thy almighty arm alone can quench

The fire that girdles all the world with woe,
Drench Thou the pyre of flesh and bone and blood

Whose glare reflects the stubborn pride of Kings
And shows the fellowship of man at end!

The flow'r of sturdy nations wither fast,
And fruits of mellowed genius rot apace

In shell-swept trench of many battle-fields;
Babes sleep unmothered in their cradle nests

While orphaned children weep in wakeful dreams,
And women robbed of father, husband, son,
Trudge troubled through the dust clouds of the plow,
Christ did not die upon the cross for this! —Selected.

EUROPE IN A NETSHELL.

Holland has 194 shipyards.
Warsaw to Venice is a distance of 436 miles.

Berlin to Vienna is a distance of 427 miles.
Moscow to Vienna is a distance of 1247 miles.

In 1913 Sweden imported 4,502,866 pounds of sugar.

Last year France mined 40,129,410 metric tons of coal.

Sweden in 1912 produced bakery goods valued at \$5,682,162.

Belgium last year bought most of the coal exports of France.

Sweden last year produced malt liquors valued at \$19,880,079.

French merchant marine in 1913 had a tonnage of 1,981,048.

Austria-Hungary national debt prior to war was \$3,612,388,650.

European nations involved in war occupy an area of 22,982,993 square miles.

English colonies total 13,002,321 square miles in area with a population of 389,065,035.

One company controls 90 per cent of the domestic beet sugar and sugar refining of Sweden.

Colonies of France cover an area of 4,776,126 square miles and contain a population of 41,655,660.

French mining fields cover an area of 1,383,785 acres, of which 543,639 acres have not been exploited.

LOYD GEORGE DECLARES HE NEVER DREAMED OF WAR

LONDON, Sept. 30.—Speaking at a meeting of his neighbors at Cricieth, Wales, Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George declared that the war was quite unexpected.

He never dreamed it would occur, he said, until a few days before hostilities began. He never thought any country could be so devilish as to pretend great friendship and at the same time make elaborate arrangements to attack. Indeed, he thought war was so far away that he had made arrangements to spend August and September at Cricieth.
It took fifteen years to break Napoleon, the chancellor continued. He said he did not believe it would take nearly so long to vanquish Emperor William, but long or short, England was going to see it through.

NEW ALBANIAN RULER.

SON OF FORMER SULTAN SUCCEEDS TO THE THRONE.
LONDON, Sept. 30.—A dispatch from Rome says that a message from Durazzo, Albania, announces that the Albanian senate has elected Prince Burhan-Eddin, son of the former Sultan, Abdul Hamid, as prince of Albania, in succession to Prince William of Wied, who left his kingdom some days ago and subsequently renounced his throne, retiring to Switzerland.

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