

# WORLD'S GREATEST WAR DAY BY DAY

## FOREIGN ARMY ORDERS IN AMERICA NOW REACH SUM OF \$250,000,000

### War Needs Still Rush Trades in Every Section—Brings New Business

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Each new business day brings its quota of foreign orders for miscellaneous war supplies for Europe's belligerent armies. The record of exports from practically every important seaboard port of the United States is constantly being enlarged in volume through these sources of new business for our American industries, and one authority says it is a conservative estimate to place the amount of war orders placed in the last two months in this country by foreign government agents at \$250,000,000, 1,500,000 Yards of Flannels Bought Here.

About 1,500,000 yards of shirting flannel have been purchased on this market by Canada. The contracts have been placed with at least four firms of selling agents, and several mills will be employed for months turning out the goods.

In addition to the contracts placed on goods to be made practically all of the shirting flannels of the sort wanted that are available for quick shipment were bespoken. The spot market is practically cleaned up of light and dark gray mixtures, 54 inches wide, weighing about eight ounces and costing in the neighborhood of 50¢ net.

The buying commissioners who placed these orders have returned home, and it is expected that no additional orders will be placed for some time. A large yardage of the flannel has been shipped already, and additional shipments will be made as fast as the mills can produce the materials.

The buying operations of the Canadian factories were conducted very quietly and it was only Thursday that the facts became known. After procuring all of the stock goods that were obtainable, the buyers placed contracts that will take some months to complete.

The maximum price paid for cotton carded flannels was 50¢ net. Some of the cotton warp flannels were sold at less than 40¢ a yard. So far as can be learned the only wool shirting flannel disposed of was 100 pieces. This was a trial order, but the president of the mill which sold this lot was figuring on a contract for a large quantity.

Two of the successful bidders stated that none of the mills had attempted to exact an extortionate price for their products. The home demand will have to be sidetracked until these export orders are finished but it is expected that no trouble will be encountered in taking care of the wants of domestic purchasers. In the meantime these foreign shirting contracts will give employment to a number of mills which were not well conditioned owing to the slackness of the demand for wooleens.

A local banker with extensive foreign connections says that within the past week he has received orders to purchase directly or to pay for at least \$15,000,000 worth of war necessities purchased by European nations. This banker, as has already been published, had \$10,000,000 of foreign orders, received through 120 to 140 cables. He said that other national banks were doing considerable foreign business.

The National City Bank has recently been paying for large amounts of wheat for Switzerland.

Ohio flour mills are reported working day and night on orders for flour from Paris, Liverpool and Glasgow. Practically the entire output of two large companies is being shipped abroad. The belligerent nations, too, are giving orders for other kinds of supplies. Condensed milk companies in the state have received substantial foreign contracts. At the same time the Milburn Wagon Company is negotiating on a big vehicle order for the allied armies. Cash for these orders is being deposited in New York by the French buyers, while the British agents are making payment through Ottawa.

**2,000,000 Pairs of Shoes Ordered from New England Factories.**  
New England shoe manufacturers, it is said in dispatches received from Boston, have found a veritable bonanza in the European war, having already booked orders from foreign agents calling for over 2,000,000 pairs of shoes. From one point in New England it is reported that a leading upper leather producer, with an annual gross turnover of \$12,000,000 in fair times, is now running night shifts. At the office of the Mullin Shoe Company in Pittsburg, Pa., the announcement was made that an order had been received from the French government for 200,000 pairs of shoes to be delivered by

January 1. It was also stated that the company expects to receive part of an order for 500,000 pairs of shoes which the English government will give out next week. These last shoes are to be delivered by April 1, 1915. The shoes already contracted for are to be made with soles seven-eighths of an inch thick, with Hungarian nails driven in the heels and toes. They weigh about four pounds and are said to last for a year. The price of the shoes is \$3.25 per pair.

**\$6,500,000 in Harness Contracts.**  
Orders for vast quantities of harness and saddlery have been placed with various concerns throughout the country in the past week. Contracts for an aggregate of \$1,000,000 worth of harness for the British army—part of a \$6,500,000 order placed with a firm in South Bend, Indiana—were subject the other day to five saddlery manufacturing concerns in St. Louis, Mo. The entire order is for 20,000 sets of six horse harness. A saddle is required for every other horse. The equipment therefore will be comprised of 60,000 saddles and harnesses. The hardware for the harness is to be furnished by firms in Canada and England. The St. Louis firms will be allowed twenty weeks in which to fill their part of the order.

Other advices from St. Louis, Mo., also state that another harness manufacturer there has received from the British government an order for 1500 sets of heavy artillery harness for three team units at a cost of \$250,000.

### Boy Canteens, Blankets and Cotton Duck.

Philadelphia news advices state that an order has been given out in that city by representatives of King Constantine of Greece for 20,000 army canteens. The official purchasing agent for the Greek government, C. Vassadakis, is staying at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel here. The purchases on behalf of that government are being financed by means of an arrangement with and distribution of cash deposits with the National City Bank, National Bank of Commerce and the Irving National Bank of this city, cooperating with the National Bank of Greece.

The large order for canteens, which it is required shall be made of aluminum, generally is credited to the United States Aluminum Company, with offices in Philadelphia. The specifications, which were drawn by the officials of the war office at Athens, Greece, point out that the canteens "must be similar to those used by the American army." The terms specify cash on bills of lading.

**Machinery Orders to Be Placed.**  
The Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, the president of which is none other than Alpa B. Johnston, the recently elected head of the American Manufacturers' Export Association and a member of the National Foreign Trade Council, recently sent its representatives to Russia in response to a request from the Russian government, to study the specifications incident to a large machinery contract, "has received an inquiry for 50 large turret lathes and a number of engine lathes. The contract, presumably for Russian delivery, it is expected, will be awarded shortly.

Other inquiries made in Philadelphia during the past week prologize that contracts will soon be placed in that district for 50,000 pairs of shoes for soldiers of the allied armies; 100,000 more army blankets to swell the order recently placed with the Dobson mill for 250,000 blankets; 75,000 yards of cotton duck, being part of a 1,000,000 yard order, 100,000 yards of which has been contracted for at Boston, and 100,000 pairs of socks. An inquiry for 50,000 barrels of cement was received from Argentine sources and others for a large order of cotton goods suitable for gauze bandages.

**Minneapolis Firms Took \$1,000,000 in Orders in Single Day.**  
Advices from Minneapolis, Minn., tell how a million dollar's worth of export business, the direct result of the European war, went on the books of Minneapolis in a single day last week. Saddles to be made in a Minneapolis factory, olicake made by a Minneapolis mill, barley in the local elevators and oats and rye in storage at the same point figured in the day's business.

Minneapolis landed \$100,000 of the European war business in a single order when the Dodson, Fleber, Brockman Company put an order on its books for 4000 artillery saddles. Vice President W. S. Huges of the company said he does not know where the saddles are going.

"We are to make them in ninety days and turn them over to a big eastern contracting firm and get our

money," he said. "There are not enough saddles or harness makers in Minneapolis to handle the job and we are trying to get more. But we will get the order out on time."

The saddles will equip 66 batteries of field artillery of six guns each on a war footing.

31,000 tons of olicake, the largest one day business ever done by linseed oil mills of the United States, was the nature of another order placed in Minneapolis. E. C. Warner, president of the Midland Linseed Company, said that he is not at liberty to discuss final destination or quantities.

"I can say, however, that the Minneapolis mills shared in the business entered, and that for the first time in the history of the export trade we will ship direct to Rotterdam and Copenhagen." It was reported that the extraordinary high price of \$42 a ton laid down in Holland or Denmark was paid for the olicake, which would make the valuation of the day's sales \$1,302,000.

### Bermyan Has \$50,000,000 Deposited Here.

Chicago news dispatches received here assert that one European country has placed a \$1,000,000 order for knit goods with a firm in the Chicago district. From Chicago bankers it is learned that there is on deposit in the United States not less than \$50,000,000 of private German capital, much of which was sent here as a precautionary measure in the early days of the war, while additional sums were forwarded later to cover the cost of purchases of commodities.

### ZEPPELIN RAID PLANS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

THE HAGUE, Dec. 3.—It is because the German Zeppelin aircraft seldom, if ever, undertakes extensive operations unless favorable weather conditions are promised, that the French military authorities issued their recent order forbidding the publication of weather forecasts. Abbe Moreux, director of the weather bureau, has explained how the cutting off of these reports will affect German calculations. He says that the order is no mere whim of the French censor, but is designed to bear vitally upon the much-feared Zeppelin raid on England.

"It is clear," the Abbe states, "that the desperate efforts of the Germans to reach the French coast between Dunkirk and Calais are prompted by their intention to attack England with Zeppelins. A dirigible balloon from Antwerp could go the distance of 320 kilometers (about 180 miles) to London, bombard the city and return to its base in less than ten hours. Such a trip, however, would have to be made under very favorable weather conditions.

Abbe Moreux explains that in order to work out their weather predictions the Germans would require about sixty reports, which in normal times appear at a certain hour in the principal European cities. The most important weather stations are along the channel coasts, so that if France and England send no reports the others are practically valueless. So, he concludes, the Germans will be unable to make their calculations and will have to run the risk of their huge Zeppelins being wrecked by a sudden storm along the channel if they undertake a raid on England.

### HONOR GERMAN GENERAL

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 3.—General von Hindeburg, who inflicted a disastrous defeat on the Russian troops in East Prussia, has been honored by the University of Koenigsburg with a quadruple doctor's degree, all four faculties of law, divinity, medicine and philosophy having united to do him honor.

His diploma bears the following inscription: "To the supreme leader of the Eighth German Army, who completely overthrew and destroyed the Russian hordes, and in this way defended his native province and German culture from barbarian enemies, to the immortal ornament of the Fatherland."

### WAR BOOSTS WEDDINGS.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Dec. 2.—One of the developments of the war is the increase in the marriage rate in Great Britain. The last quarterly report, just made public, shows a rate of 3.1 per thousand and above that of the same period last year. This is the highest rate recorded for any three months period since 1906.

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## WILL SHIP GOODS FOR BELGIANS NOW

The Belgian Relief Headquarters which were opened by the Progress Club on South Broadway will be closed today and a large amount of clothing and foodstuff will be shipped in a day or two. The contributions have been large, many business houses making contributions of food and clothing in addition to the large amount given by various individuals. Among the contributors are:

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- Wolcott Grocery,
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- A Friend .... 5.00
- Mrs. B. .... 1.00
- E. C. Milton .... .70
- W. H. McBroom .... 1.00
- J. A. Blatt .... 3.00
- Coos Bay Times .... 5.00
- Total .... \$72.95

### TO PREVENT DISEASE.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 1.—Problems of sanitation as applied to cities and towns were discussed here today at the forty-second annual convention of the American Public Health Association. A joint session was held with the sociological section, at which sanitary experts explained in detail the work accomplished in a number of cities for the prevention of disease.

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## REBUILD THE LIEGE FORTS

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 3.—No better illustration can be given of the far-sightedness and thoroughness of the German military machine than the elaborate re-building operations in course of completion at Liege. In the comparatively short time since its forts were wrecked by the invader's artillery, Liege has been rebuilt into a model German fortress, and is to be used as an object lesson for students in the German military schools. It is built as though the Germans expect to stay.

All the Belgian forts have been repaired, with a single exception; much of the old artillery has been replaced with Krupp fortress cannon of the latest type, and even the landscape has been remodeled with a view to defense. All the newest ideas of German and Austrian military experts have been embodied in the placing of ordnance, in the erection of ramparts, in trenches, observation places, highway mines, secondary batteries and block houses.

There is an intricate system of connecting works between the various main points of the outlying defenses. Great attention has been paid to the use of villages and forests for concealing fortifications. The trenches are flat with the ground so as to be visible only from above, and are protected with concealed barbed wire entanglements. The trenches are drained and partially covered for protection against rain and snow, while the width is ample enough to allow carriage of stores and ammunition without interfering with the troops.

A considerable part of the hard labor involved in completing the trenches is done with a "military traction trench digger" which cuts a furrow about three feet wide and three feet deep.

Most of the old Belgian forts have been entirely remodelled, some have been raised, some lowered with a view to greater efficiency of shell fire or to increasing the sweep of country which their guns can command. There are several false batteries cleverly constructed to attract aeroplane or cavalry attack.

The town is dull and quiet. All shops and cafes are required to close at 8 o'clock in the evening. Newspapers are at a heavy premium.

### MANY JOIN ARMIES.

Men in Foreign Climes Respond to Demand for Reservists in Armies.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)  
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Fri.	4:12:00 m	4:30 a m	6:00 a m
Sat.	5:12:00 m	5:00 a m	6:30 a m
Sun.	6:12:00 m	5:00 a m	6:30 a m
Mon.	7:12:00 m	5:30 a m	7:00 a m
Tues.	8:12:00 m	5:30 a m	7:00 a m
Wed.	9:12:00 m	6:30 a m	8:00 a m
Thurs.	10:12:00 m	7:30 a m	9:00 a m
Fri.	11:12:00 m	8:30 a m	10:00 a m
Sat.	12:12:00 m	9:30 a m	11:00 a m
Sun.	13:12:00 m	10:30 a m	12:00 p m
Mon.	14:12:00 m	11:30 a m	1:00 p m
Tues.	15:12:00 m	12:30 p m	2:00 p m
Wed.	16:12:00 m	1:00 p m	2:30 p m
Thurs.	17:12:00 m	1:00 p m	2:30 p m
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Sun.	20:12:00 m	5:30 a m	7:00 a m
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Tues.	22:12:00 m	6:30 a m	8:00 a m
Wed.	23:12:00 m	7:30 a m	9:00 a m
Thurs.	24:12:00 m	8:30 a m	10:00 a m
Fri.	25:12:00 m	9:30 a m	11:00 a m
Sat.	26:12:00 m	10:30 a m	12:00 p m
Sun.	27:12:00 m	11:30 a m	1:00 p m
Mon.	28:12:00 m	12:00 m	1:30 p m
Tues.	29:12:00 m	12:30 p m	2:00 p m
Wed.	30:12:00 m	1:00 p m	2:30 p m
Thurs.	31:12:00 m	1:00 p m	2:30 p m

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previous standing arrangements, back to Europe or to centers of mobilization in the Far East. The Germans went to Tsingtao; Frenchmen to various garrisons along the coast or proceeded homeward; Austrians went by way of America back to their native land. The British have only now begun to move. Reserve officers, of which there are a number in the far east, have been summoned to return to England, and with them several hundred young men are leaving China, throwing up their positions and paying their own expenses back home to volunteer. German, French and Austrian business houses were at first seriously affected as a consequence of the drafting of their clerks. Now the British interests are beginning to suffer depletion in their staffs, and also the Chinese Customs Service, the directors of which are largely British.

Several score Roman Catholic priests from the Interior of China, some from the remote province of Szechwan, having responded to the requirements of the French mobilization, have come to garrison posts along the China coast and at Peking.

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