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KAISER'S DENTIST TELLS OF GERMANY

An Atlantic Port, Feb. 20.—Bringing one of the most interesting stories on inside conditions in Germany that has come across the Atlantic in months, Dr. Arthur M. Davis, of Piqua, Ohio, who has been personal dentist to Kaiser Wilhelm for the last 15 years, arrived here Monday.

The Kaiser, Dr. Davis said, is thoroughly convinced that the number of United States troops in France is not one-sixth what it has been officially represented to be.

"In fact," said Dr. Davis, "the Kaiser told me just before I left Berlin that not more than 30,000 American troops had been landed in France up to that time."

"I had a talk with the Kaiser," said Dr. Davis, "just before I started on the trip. He said to me: 'I hear you are going back to America?'"

"I admitted that I was preparing to take such a trip. Then the Kaiser said: 'I hope you will return soon. Things will be all over in a little while. Germany will have won.'"

"Then he gave me a bit of caution. The statements made in America regarding the transportation of troops are, I am assured by my generals, out of all proportion," he said. "Up to the present time our U-boats have been so successful in sinking United States transports that the American army in France does not number more than 30,000 men."

Dr. Davis said he had it on the authority of German government agents that Germany would be compelled to use 75 per cent less coal this year than she did last year. He also declared that food conditions were bad and were growing worse.

Dr. Davis also declared that Germany did not launch the war primarily for purposes of conquest, but to put down the socialist movement, which was threatening Prussian military power. In fact, he said, he had this information on the authority of government officials.

AIRCRAFT FACTORIES WILL BE IN IRELAND

Dublin, Feb. 1.—By mail.—The development of aircraft factories and shipyards in Ireland this spring is expected to open up a new industrial era in many sections of the country. Lack of facilities for technical training in the South of Ireland has been a long-standing problem which the new yards and factories will help to solve.

For the present, the business of airplane manufacture will be carried on in existing buildings that are being placed at the disposal of the government, but as rapidly as possible new factories of the most up-to-date type will be erected. The development is not intended to be merely of temporary character.

Flight stations and training depots which are being erected in various parts of the island are permanent structures, as it is believed that Ireland from its geographical position, will have an important share in the post-war commercial development of aviation. It will be the gateway for every attempt at trans-Atlantic flight, attempts which are expected to be fostered and encouraged by the governments of both the United States and Great Britain.

Shipbuilding will center in Dublin and Cork. Efforts are being made to secure a national shipyard at Dublin, which will also be the site of the largest aircraft factories, employing 2,000 skilled men and 2,000 girls. The minimum wage paid to women workers in the aircraft factories, it is announced will be \$7.50 a week, which is about three times the average wage paid to women at present, except in munition works.



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Brontides.
 Mystery still attaches to certain explosive sounds, heard in various parts of the world and known to science as "brontides." On the coast of Belgium these sounds seem to come from the sea, and are called locally "mistpuffers." In the Ganges delta of India, similar sounds are called "Barial guns." Brontides are well known in some parts of Italy, where they bear a great variety of names. In Haiti a sound of this character is known as the "gouffre," while in parts of Australia it is called the "desert sound." Brontides mostly take the form of muffled detonations, of indefinite direction. Probably they are of subterranean origin. Studies of eccentricities in the transmission of sound through the atmosphere lead to the conclusion that some of the sounds hitherto reported as brontides were really due to cannonading or blasting.—Popular Science Monthly.

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but, where does he belong? As a general mixup, the Bolsheviks will certainly draw first prize.

held. Can the amount paid by me be claimed as a deduction?
 A. No. Assessments made by a corporation on its capital stock are regarded as further investments of capital and do not constitute an allowable deduction.

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Better Clothes for Tommy.
 A long-standing grievance of the British soldier is to be remedied. On discharge he was served out with a suit of shoddy, described in the trade as "reach me downs," a cheap tweed cap and a muffler, the value being fixed at \$4.20.

One of Interest to Our Readers
 Good news bears repeating, and when it is confirmed after a long lapse of time, even if we hesitated to believe it at first hearing, we feel secure in accepting its truth now. The following experience of a Grants Pass man is confirmed after three years.

DETAILS OF THE INCOME TAX LAW

Q. I employ a man to assist me in operating my farm and a woman to assist about the house. Is the compensation paid to each allowable as a deduction?
 A. Yes, as to the amount paid to the male employee, but a line must be drawn as to the female employee in taking care of milk and cream produced for sale, in the production of butter, cheese, etc., the care of milk cans and churns, or, if a separate table is maintained for laborers employed on the farm and her services are used entirely in the preparation and serving of meals furnished the laborers and in caring for their rooms, the compensation furnished constitutes an allowable deduction. If, however, she is employed to assist in caring for the farmer's own household, no deduction can be claimed.

Q. If I employ a minor son or daughter to assist me in my business or trade and I pay a salary or wage for such assistance, may I claim the amount as a deduction?
 A. No. If the son or daughter has attained his or her majority, the amount of compensation so paid may be so claimed.

Q. Can a taxpayer claim a deduction for his own remuneration?
 A. No. Wages or salary drawn by a taxpayer from his own business are more in the nature of a charge out of profits than a charge against profits. If such could be deducted they would merely be added to his income, as salary, the effect of which would be to take money out of one pocket and put it in another.

Q. "A" employed in a city has his home in a suburb. He pays carfare between his home and place of employment and takes his noon lunch in the city. Can the amounts expended for carfare and lunch be claimed as a business expense?
 A. No, such amounts are held to be items of personal expense.

Q. Can the amount of life insurance premiums and premiums paid for insurance on my residence property be claimed as deductions?
 A. No. These are held to be items of personal expense. Premiums on insurance policies covering farm buildings, other than your dwelling house, or on any property for business purposes, are allowable as deductions.

Q. I own stock in a corporation which, in 1917, assessed each of its stock holders \$50.00 on each share

LABOR FEDERATION CONTINUES ACTIVE

New Orleans, Feb. 20.—John H. Kirby, of Houston, Texas, owner of a shipbuilding plant at Beaumont, in an address delivered at last night's session of the third annual meeting here of the Southern Pine association declared the American Federation of Labor, "while professing patriotism in this world crisis, was more active in Texas than at any time in the past, fomenting discord."

The federal department of labor also was criticized by Mr. Kirby for what he termed "driving the toilers of the nation into the American Federation of Labor."

"There is a department of labor at Washington," said Mr. Kirby, "presided over by a man, a very good one, no doubt he is, but his whole thought seems to be how he can serve the American Federation of Labor. I believe that if the toilers of this nation, with our unassimilated foreign population, were organized to the extent the federation seeks to organize them and to the extent that our own department of labor, supported by taxes wrung from the people, seems to wish them organized, the world crisis would be as helpless as Russia. America is menaced today no more by Prussian militarism than it is by the philosophy of the Bolsheviks. But all the Bolsheviks are not in Russia. There are those which constitute a dangerous number of the rank and file of the American Federation of Labor, who have no patience with our institutions, no belief in our ideals, no respect for our history."

BEER WILL HAVE LESS BARLEY AND ALCOHOL

Washington, Feb. 20.—There'll soon be less barley for beer and malt drinks.

And there'll be a little less alcohol in what beer there is. This today appeared to be the prospect for the period of the war as the food administration prepared regulations controlling the sale of grain for malting purposes.

Every available bushel of barley is needed for victory bread under Hoover's new regulations and brewers probably will be forced to use corn or some other substitutes for the period of the war.

It is not believed that the food administration will attempt to prevent the manufacture of brewed drinks.

Rehabilitation of Holy Land.

Immediate plans for the rehabilitation of the Holy Land, to fit it for the home of the Jews of the world, are now under consideration by the officers of the New York Zionist organization. A medical unit will be dispatched to the stricken land, loans will be made to the colonists to rebuild and refit their farms and vineyards, and irrigation and sanitation problems must be solved. The \$1,000,000 fund now being raised will be used for immediate purposes, and it is believed the reconstruction work will involve an expenditure of approximately \$300,000,000.

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A TWICE-TOLD TALE.

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3. Save, because, when you spend, you make other people work for you, and the work of everyone is needed now to win the war.
4. Save, because, by saving you make things cheaper for everyone, especially for those who are poorer than you.
5. Save, because, by going with out, you relieve the strain on ships, docks, and railways, and make transport cheaper and quicker.
6. Save, because, by saving you set an example that makes it easier for the next man to save. A saving nation is an earning nation.
7. Save, because every time you save you help twice, first when you don't spend, and again when you lend to the nation.

LOYD GEORGE IS AGAIN SUSTAINED

London, Feb. 20.—Lloyd George and his government has surmounted another crisis today.

TROTSKY'S STATEMENT ON GERMAN DEMANDS

Petrograd, Feb. 20.—Foreign Minister Trotsky, addressing the Bolshevik executive committee, has outlined publicly for the first time the startling peace terms presented by Germany, which Russia refused. They include retention of Poland, Lithuania, Riga and Moon Island and payment of four billion dollars indemnity.

King of the Forest!

The mahogany tree well deserves the title, "king of the forest," because of its great wood value, and its beauty and statelyness. It does not always develop a trunk as large as some of its tropical neighbors, but often it reaches a greater height. One hundred feet is not unusual. The West Indies, Mexico, Latin America, parts of Southern Florida and the Bahamas are its native haunts. For many years the supply of mahogany seemed almost inexhaustible, but now there is grave danger of the output becoming less and less because of the scarcity of mature trees. Other woods are being substituted for real mahogany. A tree three feet in diameter is probably not less than 200 years old, indicating the slow growth of the species.

Big Tithes for Bishop.

A champion pluralist was Bishop Luxmore of St. Asaph. To his own use he contrived to impound the tithes of some two dozen parishes, which gave him an annual income of nearly \$20,000. A staunch believer was the worthy bishop-in-the-mass that blood is thicker than water. For his eldest son, whom he made dean of St. Asaph, he obtained other ecclesiastical appointments which brought him in over \$8,000 yearly. A second son had preferences to the tune of a mere \$2,000, while a nephew had to be content with a beggarly pittance of \$1,000. It was reckoned that the four Luxmores, who flourished in the early years of last century, drew from their manifold appointments the sum of about \$125,000 yearly.—London Times.

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COO!

There was a report and when they picked up what was left of him, twenty-two wounds blown through one leg, thirteen through the other, yet nineteen men were without a scratch or bruise because one man gave himself for them.

"That is the spirit of the men over there. Have we that same spirit at home? It is that spirit that will win the war and make the world safe for democracy."

If Daniel had a dream and the world has been racking its brains about it ever since, what did Russia have to do with it? Some of the latter day prophets can probably tell all about it. Is it a beast, a dragon, or a whatisit? Trotsky is a racer,