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YANKEE RELIEF GIVEN 6000 WAR BOUND TOURISTS

LONDON, Sept. 5, 12:45 p. m.—Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the American relief committee in London, reports that his committee has just finished the most strenuous week it has had since the war began.

The committee estimates that during the last week a total of 6000 Americans have come into England from across the channel and that 600 of these were absolutely destitute. Five hundred of these 600 had been without food for some time. American departures from London for the United States during the past number 11,000, which makes a total of about 56,000 who have gone home since the war began.

It is estimated that about 4000 Americans sailed for home direct from the continent during the past seven days.

FRENCH AT LUNEVILLE FORCED A SURRENDER

PARIS, Sept. 5, via London, 4 p. m.—How a German force of 5000 men, massed in front of the French fort at Luneville was surprised and moved by the French artillery, has been related to a correspondent of the Journal at Cete, by the German commander, who is now a prisoner at Cete.

The Germans were surprised by the French artillery, the German officer relates, which bombarded them for two hours with such deadly effect that only 300 men were left. The commander held a conference with twenty-one officers and non-commissioned officers remaining, and it was unanimously decided to hoist the white flag, all resistance having become useless.

OSTEND QUIETS: TUETONS LEAVE FOR FRONT

LONDON, Sept. 5, 12:37 p. m.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company from Ostend says advices from Brussels represent that city as extremely quiet since most of the German army of occupation has been sent to the vicinity of Termonde, where fighting is going on.

PARIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSED FURTHER NOTICE

PARIS, Sept. 5, 12:50 p. m.—All the public schools of Paris have been ordered closed until further notice. The reason for this is the occupation of the school buildings by the military, chiefly for hospitals. The school teachers will remain in the service of the state.

BRYAN ASKS MILLION FOR WAR EXPENSES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Secretary Bryan asked congress today for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to meet extra expenses of the diplomatic and consular services in caring for the interests of the warring nations of Europe at various capitals where they have been placed in charge of the United States.

THE FOOD PRICE EXTORTION

RELIABLE press dispatches from Berlin and Vienna indicate that there has been no increase in the price of foodstuffs in those capitals since the initiation of the war. On the contrary, America has advanced the price of nearly every commodity to the point of extortion. In view of the record-breaking American crop and the fact that we do not import breadstuffs, these advances can only be charged to the selfish greed of speculators who purpose holding back these supplies until starving Europe is ready to pay their price.

The American surplus in wheat is said to exceed 500,000,000 bushels, the latter figure being the average amount of that commodity imported annually for Europe's needs. Of the ships calling at Atlantic ports, 51 per cent are British and 20 per cent German. These two nations subsidize their merchant ships on condition that the officers and crews belong to the naval reserves during time of war, so that 70 per cent of the bottoms normally carrying this trade may be eliminated from moving the enormous American surplus. The full complement of merchant vessels plying between European and American ports in time of peace would be taxed to the limit to handle the American surplus in foodstuffs, so that there may be some question as to whether any appreciable amount of it will find exportation, at least while the war is on.

It is almost certain that after peace has been declared in Europe and transportation available, that Europe, recovering from the devastating influence of the war, will undergo a prolonged era of retrenchment and economy, at least in the matter of meats and kindred foodstuffs.

These features, together with the changed industrial conditions at home, which of necessity will enforce economy, ought sooner or later to bring the combinations in control of the food commodities to a realization of their position and bring prices in greater harmony with supply and demand.

THE WAR TAX MESSAGE

PRESIDENT WILSON in a sane and admirable message to congress has asked for legislation creating a war tax that will approximately add \$100,000,000 to the annual governmental revenues to cover the deficit caused by decreased importation on account of the war.

While the conditions making this step imperative were unforeseen and could not have been forestalled by any American policy, the opposition political organs may be expected to make great capital of the war tax and to criticize the administration for conditions over which it has no control.

The calm, sane judgment of the president through these trying times of war is daily being vindicated. His Mexican policy, so ridiculed by his political enemies and jingoists, has vindicated the proverb, "That peace hath its victories no less than war." While other nations are declaring moratoriums, we are paying our debts; while civilized Europe is smashing treaties and dishonoring its bonds, we are giving to the world a great altruistic waterway, without stain or blemish on our treaties and with equality to all.

Let us be thankful that at this time we have no spirit of militarism, nor big stick, like that which is smashing the intricate wheels of civilization abroad.

History Repeats in Siege of Paris, Prepared Now

Almost exactly one month after the beginning of the Franco-Prussian war of 1870-71 Paris closed her gates and prepared to stand a siege. Now, a month after the beginning of war, Paris is preparing to close her gates again. In 1870 the Prussian mobilization was ordered on July 15. No fighting of consequence occurred until August 1. Between August 1 and September 1 the battles of Weissenburg, Spichern, Worth, Gravelotte and Sedan were fought. On September 2 Napoleon surrendered his army at Sedan and Paris realized that France was beaten. And on September 19, a few days more than two months after war commenced, Paris closed her gates and was invested. By September 21 the Germans surrounded Paris, a city of 2,000,000 people, the proudest, loveliest city in Europe, was cut off from the world.

When the gates of Paris were closed that day, General Trocher, its military governor, had 400,000 troops, mostly untrained, hurriedly organized levies, under his command. So swift had been the Prussian advance, so undreamed of its success, Paris was ill prepared and unprovided for a siege. Outside its walls nearly 300,000 Prussians camped. The Prussians counted upon a short siege. Paris achieved the miraculous. In the face of starvation, internal strife and cut off from all the world, it held the invaders off for four months. It was not until January 27, 1871, its gates were opened to admit its conquerors.

It was only when the gates of Paris closed that France began to fight. Army corps after army corps was raised after Paris was invested. Gambetta, who escaped from the capital in a balloon on October 7, almost succeeded in wresting victory from defeat. His raids on the Prussians' lines of communication more than once brought Von Moltke to the point of retiring from Paris. Strasbourg did not fall until a week after the Germans reached Paris. Metz, where Bazaine was guilty of the folly of permitting his army to be trapped, held out for a month longer. With Metz, Verdun capitulated after a heroic defense. The Prussians remained for four months before Belfort and it resisted till the end. Belfort

held off the invaders until February 15, 1871, after peace was declared. While Paris was starving and fighting France put armies in the field. A little better co-operation between them might have changed history. If Gambetta, Chanzy and Bourbaki could have brought their raw armies together, if the army Bezaune led into Sedan to starve had been available, victory might have been to France—or so the French historians say.

Starvation more than arms gave Paris to the Prussians in 1870, and then, compared to today, its fortifications were weak. There was no ring of steel and stone around the city in 1870, no outer rings of bomb-proof forts as now. And France had not England at her back nor the irresistible Russian bear lumbering to her aid. The siege of Paris in 1870 did not end the war; it went on more desperately after Paris closed her gates. The cost of taking it then was terrific; the cost of taking it again will be greater in direct ratio to the multiplication of men and guns involved.

What Paris endured during the winter of 1870 may be imagined from the fact that day after day in the later stages of the siege between 300 and 400 15-centimeter shells dropped into the heart of the city. Von Moltke had nearly 300 heavy siege guns around Paris. The French, according to Von Moltke, had in all 2627 pieces of artillery, including 260 of the largest caliber of naval ordnance. For each gun at the beginning of the siege the French had 300 rounds of ammunition. Long before the end they had none.

BRITISH ORDERS GUNS ON ALL OCEAN LINERS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—British authorities have directed that no British passenger ships plying between England and the United States carry guns. Orders to that effect have been received at the embassy.

Give England Salmon
VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 5.—British Columbia will make a gift to England. It was announced today of 25,000 cases of salmon, worth \$135,000.

NEW FRENCH WAR HEAD.



Alexandre Millerand is the Minister of War in the new French Cabinet formed of members of all parties in order to place the men of greatest ability at the service of the country. Mr. Millerand consulted with the military chiefs in Paris and the principal heads of departments in the War Office, and measures were taken to protect the city against a possible siege by the Germans.

AUSTRIAN DEFEAT BEFORE LEMBERG EXCEEDS REPORT

ROME, Sept. 5, 12:35 a. m., via Paris, Sept. 5, 8:20 a. m.—Sergius Saonoff, the Russian foreign minister has telegraphed the Russian embassy here that the Austrian defeat near Lemberg was much greater than at first appeared. The Austrians, in escaping, left on the battlefield beside 25,000 men, nearly 200 cannon, flags, ammunition carriages and thousands of horses.

The Russian foreign minister adds that the Russians have also invaded Austria from Tomacow.

As a whole the Austrian division was practically annihilated. Among the killed were the general in chief and his staff. A large number of prisoners were taken, including several officers.

BEAR TO RESCUE KARLUK'S CREW

NOME, Alaska, Sept. 5.—The United States revenue cutter Bear will leave for Wrangell Island today to attempt a rescue of the 22 people who took refuge on the island last March after the Stefansson exploring ship Karluk had been crushed by the ice north of Herald Island. The Russian steamer Halmur and the gasoline schooner King and Wingo are already in the Arctic trying to take off the castaways. A fourth boat, the former revenue cutter Corwin, will leave Nome today to aid in the rescue. Jafet Lindeberg, the mining man, advanced the money to provision and coal the Corwin. Captain Dick Healy is in command, and the crew is of picked men. The Corwin has Eskimos, sledges, and skin boats, and the expedition is well prepared for a trip over any sort of ice. Wrangell Island is surrounded at all times by grounded icebergs, and a landing is difficult even in mid-summer.

KAISER'S NAME ERASED NOBLESE PEACE LISTS

LONDON, Sept. 5, 4:05 a. m.—A dispatch to the Express from Stockholm says that the name of the German emperor has been stricken from the list of nominations for the next Noble Peace prize.

BELGIAN KING HURT BY SHRAPNEL SHOT

LONDON, Sept. 5, 4:27 a. m.—A dispatch to the Central News from Amsterdam says that King Albert of Belgium was slightly injured by a shrapnel splinter while he was heading the retreat of Belgian troops to Antwerp.

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ALBANIA'S KING RETIRES BUT IS TO COME BACK

PARIS, Sept. 5, 4:20 p. m.—A Havas agency dispatch from Venice says that Prince William of Wied, who has withdrawn from his new kingdom of Albania, has arrived at Venice on the Italian ship Misurata. A proclamation issued by Prince William to the people when he left Albania is given in a Rome dispatch to the Havas agency. It follows: "Albanians, when your delegates came to offer me the crown of Albania I responded with confidence to the appeal of a noble, chivalrous people, who asked me to second them in the work of national revival."

"I came to you, animated with the most ardent wish to aid you in this patriotic endeavor, and you have seen me from the outset consecrate all my efforts to the reorganization of the country and desirous of giving you a good administration and justice for all."

"However, inauspicious events have thwarted our common effort. Some minds, blinded by a passion not understood, opposed reforms and would not grant credit to the government. Besides, the war, which has just broken out in Europe, has complicated our situation."

"I have therefore no thought to leave the work to which I wish to consecrate my strength and my life. It will be useful that I go for some time to the Occident."

PUGILIST ADMITS SLAYING M'CLEOD

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Sept. 5.—Frank Williams, an ex-pugilist charged with the murder of A. C. McCleod, a rancher, has confessed that he shot McCleod, but insists that he acted in self defense.

Williams was arrested on suspicion after McCleod had disappeared and Williams took possession of his ranch on a bill of sale which the district attorney says was forged. McCleod's body was found yesterday, 60 feet from his cabin, buried in a ravine, with weeds and grass freshly planted over it.

The condition of the body would seem to show that McCleod was shot while asleep and then struck with an axe.

FAR EAST WAR NEWS IS MEAGER

PEKING, Sept. 5.—Telegraphic communication with Tsing Tao has been interrupted, no news having been received here from the seaport of the German territory of Kiao Chow concerning the progress of the Japan sea and land movements against that place. The Japan and British representatives here are withholding any information they may have concerning what is transpiring before Tsing Tao. In spite of instructions to all Chinese officials in Shantung province to keep Peking advised, no information whatever has come through the Chinese government.

TAUBE DROPS BOMB ON CITY OF GHENT

LONDON, Sept. 5, 7:35 p. m.—A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company from Ghent says: "This morning at Taube an aeroplane passed over the town at a great height and dropped two bombs. There was no loss of life."

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ENGLISH DENY THEY USED DUM DUMS

LONDON, Sept. 5, 3:50 a. m.—The British government today made official denial to the charges that dum-dum bullets had been found on English and French prisoners. The statement follows:

"Neither the British nor the French has in its possession or has issued any but approved patterns of rifle and revolver ammunition, which do not infringe in any respect on the provisions of the Hague convention."

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