

PUT OUT EYES GERMAN ARMY AND WIN WAR

One Certain Chance of Securing Early Victory is Construction of Immense Fleet of Airships Which Would Destroy Effectiveness of German Army.

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(Staff Special.)

WASHINGTON, June 22.—"There is one chance, and just one chance of winning the war quickly, and that is to blind the eyes of the German army," one of the highest and best informed American officials told me today.

"Blind the eyes of the German army?" I queried, "What do you mean?"

"I mean just what I said," he replied, "but it is not half as gruesome as it sounds."

Aeroplane Its Eyes.

"The eyes of the German army are its aeroplanes, without which Hindenburg's troops would be as ineffective as a blind elephant in a jungle.

"In modern war practically all observation is done by aeroplane scouts, who see a modern battlefield. The present-day general seldom sees a battlefield stretched out before him, but plans his attacks with the aid of minutely accurate maps drawn from photographs and reports which the aeroplane scouts bring back from their perilous flights over the enemy's lines. When the battle begins the artillerymen never see what they are firing at, but aim their guns as they are directed by aerial observers and range finders.

"Without its aeroplanes an army would stand no more chance than a blind man dueling with a crack shot.

What Air Fleets Could Do.

"If Germany's aeroplanes were destroyed, there is almost no limit to the destruction and demoralization that the air fleets of the allied armies could create. In the first place the effectiveness of the German artillery would be totally destroyed—each shot would be fired blindly with no knowledge of whether it scored a hit or landed a mile from a vital spot. The allied artillery fire, on the contrary, would be deadly beyond all previous conceptions and millions of rounds of ammunition which are now wasted thru inaccurate range finding, would be saved.

"And these are only part of the possibilities. Back of the enemy's lines his railroad tracks and storage terminals could be wrecked by dropping high explosives and the army thus cut off from its food supplies and ammunition reserves would soon lose its stamina and morale.

"The German fields of dry ripening grain could be burned by dropping fire-bombs, munitions plants would be enormously damaged, and last, but by no means least, the submarine campaign could be wiped out root and branch by destroying the docks on which the U-boats must be built.

Demoralize His Armies.

"In one month without aeroplanes, the great German army would be reduced to a desperate, demoralized mob.

"This is not fiction, but sober, scientific, military fact, which every German general knows as well as I do."

"How about the anti-aircraft guns?" I asked, "Wouldn't they protect the German army even if their aeroplanes were destroyed?"

"Don't worry about the anti-aircraft guns," came the answer, "Any military expert in the world will tell you that shooting aeroplanes with anti-aircraft guns is like killing flies with an air rifle—you might hit one by accident in a long summer day.

Not Enough Fliers Now.

"Here are the big facts that the American people ought to know. Today the French and British are supreme in the air. They have more machines, faster machines, and better aviators than the Germans. They have the upper hand beyond dispute. But they haven't enough machines to destroy the thousands of German aeroplanes or drive them from the battle lines.

"It is up to us and clearly within our power within a reasonable time to send to the western front enough machines and enough skilled fliers to finish the job."

"How many aeroplanes will it take, and what is our producing capacity?" I asked.

"Those are both military secrets for the present, at least," was the reply, "but suppose we say several tens of thousands. That sounds colossal in comparison with the few

thousands that are actually being turned out in the United States today. But just consider this one fact—last year we produced in the United States a million and a half automobiles, each of which represented almost as much work as an aeroplane.

Replace Autos.

"If we cannot in a short time organize to produce one-twentieth that many aeroplanes, American productive genius is unworthy of the great reputation which its achievements have founded. Suppose we should have to abandon pleasure car building to do this, wouldn't it be a sacrifice worth making?"

"But can we Americans produce aeroplanes that will be useful against the Germans?" I inquired. "Haven't I read that the American machines are good only for training aviators, not for fighting?"

"That isn't literally true, beyond the fact that American aeroplane factories have specialized on the slower machines and could not today produce a single first-class scouting machine. But even if it were exact truth today, it need not be six months from now.

"Our motto in this war must be 'America can.' Isn't it sheer stupidity to say that the nation which outclasses the world in fine machine tool building, in automobile manufacture, in every kind of mechanical work, cannot quickly learn the aeroplane building game?"

Easy to Get Design.

"The French and English have worked out the designs, and we have only to adapt them to our factory methods. That can be done quickly, if we mean business.

"This is not a matter of speculation, like the problem of destroying the U-boats, but a question of dollars and cents and organization. If we are ready to spend the money and organize our industries on a big enough scale, we can put enough aeroplanes and aviators on the western front, in addition to the thousands of existing French and British machines, to destroy every German aeroplane or chase it from the air.

"Suppose it takes a year or 18 months and costs a billion dollars, isn't it worth while?"

"It means a decisive overwhelming victory instead of at best an inconclusive slow crushing of the German lines by sheer weight of men and metal.

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AMERICANS TAKE OVER SIX GREAT FIELDHOSPITALS

English Medical Staff at Front Relieved by American Doctors and Nurses—Stars and Stripes Fly Alongside Union Jack—Units All Organized by American Red Cross.

(By Associated Press.)

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 22.—American doctors, nurses and enlisted men, within the last fortnight have taken over six of the British great general hospitals, relieving the English staff for duty near their front. American surgeons also rendered valuable assistance in the forward casualty clearing stations during the battle of Messines.

The Stars and Stripes fly with the British Union Jack from each hospital flagstaff, the two ensigns fluttering side by side in the cool breezes that sweep in from the sea.

Hospital Sites.

The British selected their hospital sites with the greatest care and have developed them with a completeness that has come from nearly three years' field experience. Some of the general hospitals are made up of tented wards accommodating forty to sixty beds each. Others are constructed of a series of huts. The operating theatres are splendidly built and seem to lack nothing in the way of surgical equipment.

Originally planned for 1040 beds, each, the general hospitals have been practically all enlarged to 1400 beds and during a crisis can accommodate 2000 patients. The units which have taken over the various hospitals were organized by the American Red Cross as "United States base hospitals" and with the declaration of war these staffs were turned over to the regular army for service as required.

Directors for Each.

Each unit has brought along an organizing director who was a surgeon in civil practice but now takes command as a major in the United States reserve. The commanding officer in each unit is a regular American army surgeon while the subordinate mem-

ASSOCIATED PRESS STOPS SWIPING OF NEWS BULLETINS

NEW YORK, June 22.—The United States circuit court of appeals has granted the full prayer of the Associated Press in its case against the International News Service and directed the district court to issue an injunction in accordance therewith. In reviewing the facts of the case the court says:

"The writ in question, reduced to its lowest terms, restrains defendant from (1) procuring any agent or employe of plaintiff or any of its members to give, or to permit defendant to take for a consideration or otherwise any news received from, or gathered for, plaintiff, and from using or selling 'any news so obtained.' The injunction as granted also enjoins defendant (2) from procuring any newspaper represented by a member of plaintiff from violating any agreement established by the charter or by-laws of plaintiff. Defendant alleged as error issuance of writ as outlined.

"Plaintiff's motion for relief asked for what the court below granted, and further that defendant be enjoined from 'copying, transmitting, selling, using or causing to be copied, etc. any of the news furnished by plaintiff from bulletins or newspapers published by a member of plaintiff' or its members by the unfair methods set forth in the bill. Injunction in substantially this form having been refused, plaintiff's appeal assigns such a refusal for error.

Members of the staffs are made up of regular army surgeons and doctors commissioned from civil life. The nurses are all graduates of well known training schools and will probably be supplemented soon by voluntary aid detachments of young women workers such as are now attached to the various British staffs. The non-commissioned orderlies and privates were practically all taken from civil life, but in keeping with the doctors and nurses, have settled into their new work with marked efficiency and enthusiasm.

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ITALIAN MISSION RECEIVES OVATION AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 22.—The Italian mission, headed by the Prince of Udine, cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, was given a royal welcome on its arrival here last night. It was the prince's first public appearance since his sudden illness of June 4, which prevented him from accompanying the mission on its tour of the south and middle west.

More than half of New York's Italian population of 800,000 turned out to greet the representatives of the Italian government, and there were many Americans, too, in the throng. From the moment the unassuming, almost diffident figure in the plain uniform of an Italian naval captain was recognized as the prince, the throngs cheered with an enthusiasm not surpassed by that extended to the other missions.

At Washington Square the prince placed a wreath at the foot of Garibaldi's statue, while Italian public school children sang the national anthems of Italy and America.

Last night the prince and the mission were the guests of Mayor Mitchell's reception committee at a private dinner which was attended by Governor Whitman.

NEW PATROL BOATS PROVE SATISFACTORY

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Preliminary reports from the New York navy yard on trials of the first of the 110-foot submarine chasers show satisfactory result in every respect. The hull was completed in a few weeks time and the boat already has weathered her first test run without developing any defects.

The new patrol boat is equipped with triple screws driven by three gasoline engines.

The majority of the thirty or more private firms building vessels of this type do not expect to deliver their first boats before October 1.

ETERNAL TRIANGLE LEADS TO MURDER OF LOVER'S WIFE

WAUKESHA, Wis., June 22.—Miss Grace Lusk, high school teacher who yesterday shot and killed Mrs. Roberts, wife of Dr. David Roberts, former state veterinarian and then tried to kill herself by sending two bullets into her body, probably will recover, physicians said today.

To Chief of Police McKay, Miss Lusk said: "I am sorry for Mrs. Roberts. I hope my wounds are fatal. I never thought I could do it. I loved Dr. Roberts and want him now and always."

A letter evidently written by Miss Lusk to Mrs. Roberts was made public. It read in part:

"You must have known for a long time that your husband's affections had passed from you; that he cared for some one else. That is sufficient annulment of any marriage vow that ever was given.

"That's the way you respectable folk—good, moral women—do things in order to keep your reputation and live lives of ease.

"In the eternal triangle our souls require for their solution the elimina-

tor of one character. The two who should remain are the two whose affection is mutual."

LEMONS BRING OUT THE HIDDEN BEAUTY

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