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English Fears of German Invasion Told By Officer Helpfulness

An American who has just returned from the United States and who thus had opportunity of talking with the English authorities who boarded, one long detained the ship he was on, told that amongst English just now the impression is rife that Germany intends an invasion of England proper.

The above named possibility is one which has been much discussed in military circles, and in general, the opinion heard is, that such invasion would be well nigh impossible, the difficulties of transport ships needed would be too difficult.

American Officer's Opinion.

At such a moment, the opinion of an ex-American army officer who has been acting as military observer in Europe and, who has recently been publishing a series of letters reflecting the impression he gained are just now, of quite special interest.

The writer opens up by reference to remarks in his previous letter as follows:

I spoke of the degeneracy of the English in arms. Who was the wit who said that the English army of today consisted of Scotch soldiers, an Irish general and a British paymaster? Who ever he was, if he added to the Scotch a few Canadians and Australians, would have said all there was to say of England's soldiery.

The little army that England had at the beginning of the war, 150,000 men, was as good as any; but it was a corps d'élite. Those "mad men in petticoats," as the Germans called the Highland regiments, died nobly, and perhaps saved Calais or Paris or both. But they are gone, all gone. The English officers, all too few in the beginning, are now dead or disabled. And if they died as the fool dieth, it was a splendid folly—so splendid that

"Even the ranks of Teuseny could not forbear to cheer."

But the fact remains that they are gone and that their places are now filled with boys, splendid boys, but boys. With the forethought and skill of the devil, the Germans trained corps to pick off officers, and the unreasoning courage of the English officers helped on the purpose of the German sharpshooters.

Moral Stamina Less.

What I have said about the English masses don't apply to those English aristocrats who have ruled abominably, but who know how to die magnificently. I was speaking then of the bow-shouldered, knife-grinder and hollow-chested spinner who now have the places in the English ranks that once were filled by the house of Yorkshires and the muscular pith of Devon, men whose moral stamina is even at greater disparity with that of those one-time yeomen, than the physical.

You say Russia is not beaten, and you say truly. They can shear off a Poland or two and yet leave Russia's strength unimpaired. But the advantage to Germany that comes from her success in the west Russian campaign has been shown in the Balkans. Bulgaria had to pick the winner and had been waiting as to who. The German doing in Poland and her victories at Vilna and the rest showed to Bulgaria who was to win, or at least who looked to be the winner, and then was the time that Bulgaria must choose, and she chose the Teuton's side; and with a belt of country from the Bosphorus to the Baltic, all Hell can't break through. Serbia is on the point of annihilation and Greece is having a time to keep her national identity.

A Territorial Block.

But whatever is the fate of Greece; Turkey, Bulgaria, Poland, Austria-Hungary and the German empire will constitute a territorial block that neither Russia from the north nor Italy from the south nor France and England from the west can seriously dent.

What success have the allies had at the Dardanelles? And remember all this time that the allies have not succeeded, the only aid that the Germans were able to give the Turks was such as could be given surreptitiously. With the road open from the Kiel canal to Constantinople by which the products of the mines and factories of northern France and Belgium and Germany can be poured into the Roman's lap—what can the Anglo-Frank contingent hope to do on the Marne?

Foreseen Capture of Calais.

I don't look to see decisive activity on the western line until the Balkan situation is settled and the Suez taken by the Turko-Teutonic forces; then, with the British Empire cut in two and Russia bottled up north and south, Germany can give some time to Calais.

In six months or a year, with the help of Japan and with war goods from America, Russia will be busy again, but many things can be done in six months or a year. It will be a huge task to break through to Calais, for the allies, taking page from the German's book have intruded themselves tremendously; but break through the German will by force or diplomacy.

What mean by diplomacy I will explain later. But now I will assume that the Kaiser is opposite Dover and a scant twenty miles from it.

He will place huge batteries on either side of a strip of water a mile or two wide. These guns will be forty-two centimeter guns or perhaps twice the size, and with them the channel in front of them will be cleared of English ships.

Those great guns will mean that strip of water between those batteries clear water for the small boats to be used for the passing over of the German troops; they will use small vessels of the type that Napoleon planned to use when he had his army at Boulogne just before the campaign of Ulm.

And when, like the children of Israel, the Germans have passed over, what do you think will happen to those unhappy island people?

Thinks France Will Yield.

And all that is but a prelude to the war song that will echo on our shores, has been at present, since for a year, I spoke of the Kaiser's getting to Calais by diplomacy. This is how: France that strain can't last always; she has no tide of young men coming on to replace the dead and wounded in the trenches; all her men are in, down to the hilt of 18. The French are far from satisfied with the help that England has given. France thinks Kitch-

ener is keep troops at home to guard against possible invasion who should be in northern France making that invasion impossible. The Germans will offer to give up the newly conquered territory if the French will give up all claims upon Alsace and Lorraine and some of the French colonies and give free passage to the German arms to the south shore of the Straits of Dover. And France, worn and battered, more philosopher than patriot, will say: "Those pigs of England have left us in the lurch. Alsace and Lorraine have been gone a long time. Those colonies have been more trouble than they are worth, and anyway, we can't keep this thing up forever."

And they'll trade.

You hear talk that the Germans are not behind their government. Don't think it. The greatest wisdom of the Kaiser has been displayed in taking lessons from the Church of Rome. The Roman church will live till the arches of London bridge are indeed broken, because she places her impress upon the mind of youth.

Says Belgium Will Be German.

It is the psychic truth that the Kaiser has seized upon. He wrought wisely in building his great military greatness, the supremacy of force, the doctrine of Nietzsche and Treitschke, the great destiny of the Germans, that the German is the super man, that the Teutonic world-dominion is to be had for the taking, and so on.

And these things, taught as at a time when things taught can never be forgotten, explain the supreme self-confidence of the German. These things are not mere matters of belief with him; they are articles of blind, fanatical faith. And so you now find the German nation, Socialists and all, at the Kaiser's back. And they look upon this emergency business as a duty. They think they will rule the new territory better than it is now ruled; and given a chance to order the world, will make it a better and happier world and it will remain so—such is their belief.

The brutalities practiced in Belgium and France they look upon as the pain the surgeon's knife inflicts; they cut to cure. Belgium is now German and will remain so, and the sooner the Belgians understand this the better.—Continental Times, Berlin.

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Old Time Prospectors, College Girls and Priest in School for Gold Hunters

(By United Press.)
Denver, Colo., Feb. 26.—"Old timers" from Klondike, a mother and son, a senior from fashionable Smith college, a Catholic priest and a man from Michigan as well as students from three other states are enrolled in a school here today to learn how to find gold mines and other mineral wealth.

In a short course for prospectors the Colorado school of mines is teaching thirty-six persons of all ages and walks of life, including three women, how to seek mineral wealth. Specimens, test tubes, geology, assaying, laboratory work, textbooks and some practical work with the pick are being studied by the students who hope some day to cast their knowledge into a rich find.

David Robertson, of Dawson, a "gunboat" man who knew the Klondike,

Preparedness Pays In Forest Fire Protection

Data recently compiled in the state forester's office shows that the forest protection agencies have for several years waged a campaign of "preparedness" in their fight against forest fires. During the period of 1912 to 1915 inclusive, more than 3,000 miles of abandoned and obstructed trail were made passable; 927 miles of strategic new trail built; 442 miles of telephone line were constructed and 23 cabins were erected for the use of lookout men. This work called for an expenditure of about \$50,000, practically all of which was borne by the timber owners.

"The importance of such work is unquestioned," said State Forester Elliott. "Lookout men are of little value unless they can immediately report the fires discovered, to their county warden and to the patrolman in whose district they occur, and therefore lookout stations must be equipped with telephones and the patrolmen must have access to telephones at several points along their beats." Patrolmen finding a fire that they cannot handle alone must be able without loss of time to request their chief to dispatch a crew of fire fighters. To mobilize a crew, together with tools and rations, on the fire line in any part of a district in time to control a fire before it attains dangerous proportions, necessitates a carefully planned

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