POSSESSIONS OF POWERS

Four of Six Now at War Have Extensive Holdings

BRITISH EMPIRE THE LARGEST

Immense Extent of the King's Domain Brought to Front by the Present Conflict—French and German Interests.

Four out of the six powers of Europe now engaged in warfare have colonial possessions, protectorates and dependencies scattered all over the world.

Austria-Hungary and Russia have no colonial possessions, though the Russian empire stretches through the continents of Europe and Asia, and presents a long coast line on the northern Pacific. Of the others, Great Britain has colonies and protectorates the world over; France has colonies and protectorates in Africa, India, China, in South America, in the West Indies, in the north Atlantic, and in the Pacific and Indian oceans; Germany has colonial possessions in Africa, in China, and in the Pacific ocean; and Italy has dependencies in Africa and a concession in China.

England's vast empires, India, Canada and Australia; its holdings on the Malay peninsular; its colonies in Africa, and its fortified positions in the Mediterranean, Gibraltar and Malta, put it at the head of the colony-holding nations of the world; they also increase the field of its protective operations in case it becomes involved in war with Austria-Hungary and Germany, and possibly with Italy.

Many of the minor holdings of the four powers with colonial possessions to defend are themselves without military strength. In many cases the protecting power has only very small garrisons on shore, amounting to nothing more than local police forces. This is particularly true in Africa, outside of the French and British colonies, in the Pacific and in American waters.

The continent of Africa presents a notable picture of the juxtaposition of protectorates and colonies belonging to Great Britain, France and Germany.

France has a protectorate over Morocco and its Algerian possessions, facing the Mediterranean, are bounded on the east by Tripoli, a dependency of Italy. Then comes Egypt, where British interests are paramount. On the Red sea and contiguous to Egypt, is the Italian dependency of Eritrea. Coming down the east coast are British Somaliland, Italian Somaliland, British East Africa, German East Africa, Portuguese East Africa, and then British South Africa, embracing Rhodesia, the Transvaal, the Orange River Colony, Natal and the Cape of Good Hope. On the west, contiguous in the order named, are German Southwest Africa; Togoland, belonging to Germany; Congo state, belonging to Belgium; the French Congo; Kamerun, belonging to Germany; the Niger territories, a protectorate of Great Britain; French West Africa; Togoland, belonging to Germany; the Gold Coast, a British colony, and the Ivory Coast, annexed by France twenty years ago.

The following is a list of the colonies, protectorates and dependencies of the four countries involved:

Great Britain.

Gibraltar—At the entrance to the Mediterranean sea; area, two square miles; military force, 3,857.

Malta—In the Mediterranean sea; area, 117 square miles; military strength, 7,647.

Cyprus—Island in the Mediterranean, sixty miles from the coast of Asia Minor; area, 3,584 square miles; military strength, 121 men.

Empire of India—Area, 1,800,000 square miles; population, 285,000,000; military strength, British troops, 75,897; native troops, 163,836, wih 35,700 reservists.

Ceylon—Off the southeast coast of India; area, 2,633 square miles; military strength, 1,282 men.

Maldive Islands—In the Indian ocean, 400 miles southwest of India; area, 115 square miles; population, 50,000; a group of twelve coral islets.

Federated Malay States—Off the Malay peninsula; area, 28,000 square miles; population, 678,000; military strength, 851 natives, under eleven European officers, also a native constabulary.

Borneo—In the East Indies; area 76,000 square miles; population, 850,000.

Hongkong—East coast of China; area, 400 square miles; population, 400,000; military strength, 4,250.

Wei-Hai-Wei—In the province of Shantung, China; area, 285 square miles; population, 150,000. Not far from the German possession of Kiau Chau.

Bahrein—Or Aval Islands, in the Persian gulf, near the coast of Arabia; area, 230 square miles; population, 65,000.

Straits Settlements (Singapore)—On the straits of Malacca; area, 1,500 square miles; population, 572,000; military strength, 2,504.

Union of South Africa—Comprising Cape of Good Hope, Natal, the Transvaal and Orange river colony; area, 473,000 square miles; population, 6,000,000; military strength, British imperial troops, 6,800, and local organizations.

Other British Possessions in Africa—British East Africa, with an area of 275,000 square miles, and population of 5,000,000 is left almost wholly to the natives for defense. The same is true of British Central Africa, Somaliland, Zanzibar, Basutoland, the territory of Bechuanas, Rhodesia, Nigeria, the Gold coast, Lagos, Sierra Leone and Gambia.

In the Indian Ocean—Scattered British possessions or protectorates are St. Helena, Ascension, Tristan, de Acunha, Mauritius, the Seychelles, Chagos and other islands of St. Paul and Amsterdam. All told these islands have a population of about 400,000, but their military strength is practically negligible.

British Colonies in North America—Canada, with an area of 3,600,000 square miles, population 5,500,000, has a military strength of permanent and reserve forces amounting to about 80,000 men. Newfoundland and Labrador have an area of 50,000 square miles and a population of 200,000. Off the coast of Florida are the Bermuda islands, with an area of twenty square miles and a population of 17,000, whose military strength is given as 1,340 men.

In the West Indies—British possessions comprise Jamaica, Turks and Caicos islands, the Cayman islands, the Windward islands, the Leeward islands, Trinidad and Tobago, with a total area of 12,000 square miles and a population of about 1,600,000. Of these the most important are Jamaica, with a military strength of 1,064 and with strong fortifications at Port Royal.

In Central and South America—British Honduras and British Guiana, the former with an area of 7,562 square miles and a population of 37,500, and the latter with an area of 104,000 square miles and a population of 300,000.

In the Pacific Ocean—The commonwealth of Australia, comprising New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, with a total area of about 3,000,000 square miles and a population of about 5,000,000. The principal ports are protected by fortifications and the military forces of the commonwealth show a total of 174,000 men. Sydney is a first-class naval station and the headquarters of the British fleet in Australia. Pacific islands of lesser importance are the Fiji groups, British New Guiana, the Tonga islands, Fanning, Phoenix the Gilberts, Ellice, the Solomons, Pitcairn and Ducie.

French Possessions.

Morocco—In northern Africa; area 220,000 square miles, population of 4,000,000. The effective total of the French army of occupation is given as 75,000 men, while the native troops number 18,000.

Algeria—On the northern coast of Africa; area 343,500 square miles. European population 750,000; native, 5,000,000. Garrisoned by the Nineteenth French army corps and six regiments of native troops.

French India—(Pondicherry.)—On the southeastern coast of India, eighty miles south of Madras. Area 196 square miles, population 274,500.

French Indo China—East of Siam, north of Singapore, south of Hong Kong. Area 256,000 square miles; population, 17,000,000. Military force consists of 10,031 Europeans, and 13,998 native troops commanded by a French general of division. Naval forces: One gunboat, three destroyers, several torpedo boats and two submarines.

West coast of Africa between Kamerun, Equatorial Africa or the French Congo—520 Europeans, 7,145 natives.

a German colony, and the Belgian Congo; area, 909,000 square miles; white population, 1,200; native, 9,000,000. Military force.

Madagascar—Off the east coast of Africa, area, 228,500 square miles; French population, 10,000; native, 3,500,000. Military forces, 2,411 Europeans, 6,376 natives.

In the Indian Ocean—The Mayotte islands and Camoro Islands between Madagascar and Africa, and the islands of Reunion, St. Paul, Amsterdam and Kerguelen.

French Somali Coast—Western coast of Red Sea, opposite Aden; area 5,790 square miles; population 208,000.

French West Africa—Comprises Senegal, French, Guinea, the Ivory coast, Dahomey and Mauritania, Senegambia and Niveria, area 1,500,000 square miles; European population 9,000,000, Africans 10,000,000 men.

Tunis—On the northern coast of Africa; area 50,000 square miles; population 1,800,000, military force 17,500 men.

French Guiana—West of Venezuela; area 30,500 square miles, population 50,000.

Martinique—West Indies; area 385 square miles, population 144,000.

Guadeloupe—West Indies; area 688 square miles, population 212,000.

St. Pierre and Miquelon—South of Newfoundland; area of both islands, ninety-three square miles, population 4,622.

In the Pacific Ocean—New Caledonia and its dependencies; the Wallis Archipaelago, the Loyalty Islands, the Huon Islands and the New Hebrides. Other French establishments in Oceania, scattered over a wide area, are the Island of Tahiti, the Society Islands, the Marquezas, the Tuamoto group, the Leeward group and other lesser islands. Total area 8,744 square miles, total population 81,100.

German Colonies and Dependencies.

Kiau-Chau—(Tsing-Tau). On the east coast of the Province of Shantung; area 200 square miles, garrison of 3,125; composed of German marines and Chinese soldiers; population 168,900.

Togo—On west coast of Africa, between the Gold coast (British) and Dahomey (French); area 33,700 square miles; white population 368, native 1,030,000; military force small.

Kamerun—West coast of Africa between Nigeria (French) and the French Congo; area 191,000 square miles; white population 1,870, native 2,600,000.

German Southwest Africa—West coast of Africa, north of Cape Colony; area 384,000 square miles; white population 14,850, native 78,000.

German East Africa—Between British East Africa on the north and Portuguese East Africa on the south; area 922,450 square miles; white population 5,336, native 7,645,000.

In the Pacific Ocean—Germany has as its colonies or dependencies, Kaiser Wilhelm's land, The Bismarck group, the Caroline, the Pelew, the Marianne, the Solomon and the Marshall islands, and among the Samoan group, the islands of Savaii and Upolu. Its total Pacific possessions have an area of 95,000 square miles; a white population of 1,994, and 634,000 natives.

Italian Foreign Dependencies.

Eritrea—On the west coast of the Red sea; area, 45,800 square miles; coast line, 670 miles; population, 450,000; military force, 127 officers, 4,484 men.

Somatiland—On the east coast of Africa, south of Eritrea; area, 139,430 square miles; population, 400,000.

Tientsin—In China, a concession of seventeen square miles on the left bank of the Pei-ho. Population, 1,700.

Tripoli and Cyrenaica—On the northern coast of Africa, between Egypt and Algeria; area, 406,000 square miles; native population, 523,176, European, 6,000.

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ZWILLING'S HOME RUN FEATURE

Superb Pitching Enables Kansas City to Win Two Games from Brooklyn, Four to One and Five to Nothing.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Chicago dropped into second place in the Federal league, losing to Baltimore, 5 to 4, today. Baltimore scored one in the second and four more in the third, which was sufficient to drive Fiske from the box. They were unable to score on Lange. Zwilling's home run was the features of Chicago's game. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Baltimore	0 1 4 0 0 0 0 0 0	5	8	2
Chicago	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 2	4	12	1

Batteries: Quinn, Suggs and Jacklitsch; Fiske, Lange and Wilson, Block.

Buffeds Win.

ST LOUIS, Aug. 18.—Buffalo hit St. St. Louis' pitchers at will today and won, 8 to 1. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Buffalo	0 0 1 2 0 3 1 0 1	8	17	1
St. Louis	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	1	9	2

Batteries: Krapp, Moran and Blair; Willett, Keupper and Simon.

Kawfeds Win Two.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 18.—Superb pitching enabled Kansas City to win two games from Brooklyn, 4 to 1 and 5 to 0.

Score first game:

		R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0	1	3	1
Kansas City	0 0 0 0 0 0 3 1 *	4	8	2

Batteries: Finneran, Houck and Land; Cullop and Easterly.

Score second game:

		R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	5	0
Kansas City	0 2 0 0 0 0 0 3 *	5	9	1

Batteries: Seaton and Land; Packard and Easterly.

Bakers Lose to Hoofeds.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 18.—Walker's error and two singles in the ninth inning gave Indianapolis the run which was necessary to beat Pittsburgh, 4 to 3, in today's game. Carr, one of the leading batsmen of the Federal league, was the only man on the local team who did not get a hit today. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 0	3	10	1
Indianapolis	1 0 2 0 0 0 0 1 *	4	11	2

Batteries: Walker and Berry; Billilard and Rariden.

Wood River Trims St. Libory.

WOOD RIVER, Neb., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Wood River completely outclassed St. Libory both in the field at at bat. Wood River landed safely seventeen times, four being home runs, two three-baggers and two two-baggers.

Score:

		R.	H.
St. Libory	0 1 6 1 0 0 2 0 0	4	7
Wood River	2 3 2 0 2 2 2 1 *	20	17

Batteries: St. Libory, Sheffer, Saylor and Stratman; Wood River, Mulger, Nelson and McKee.

St. Edwards Defeats Shelby.

ST. EDWARD, Neb., Aug 18.—(Special.)—St. Edward defeated Shelby here Sunday in an uninteresting and one-sided game. The hitting of the St. Edward club was the feature.

Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Shelby	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	1	4	5
St. Edward	3 0 0 0 0 3 3 3 *	12	13	2

Batteries: St. Edward, Brittenberg and Erickson; Shelby, Glatter, Grassnicklus and Grassnicklus. Umpires, Kennedy and Hasselbalch.

Base Ball Tourney at Rosalie.

ROSALIE, Neb., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Rosalie will hold its sixth annual base ball carnival this week, August 19-21. The best ball teams of northeast Nebraska will take part in this tournament. The following teams will take part: Walthill, Bancroft, Wisner, Oakland, Decatur and Chingway's Indians. About $500 in purses will be divided among these teams. Other attractions generally found at a ball carnival will be found at Rosalie this week.

Hart Valuable Addition.

Expitcher Billy Hart is a good addition to the National League umpire staff. No mistake was made when the former Cincinnati printer and former Athletic pitcher back in the '80s was snared by President Tener.

Department Orders.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Iowa postmasters appointed: Avery, Monroe county, Joseph at Moss, vice Frank Allen; Donelson, Leo county, Chris Haffner, vice Lew Walter; Grafton, Worth county, Charles F. Christians, vice Herman A. Walk; Harper, Keokuk county, James H. Clarahan, vice H. J. Clarahan, deceased; Haynes, Monroe county, Doris Howard, vice Elliott Bates, resigned; Keswick, Keokuk county, Arty T. Parke, vice Frank Pine; McIntyre, Mitchell county; Lester E. Goodor, vice George W. Griffin; Orchard, Mitchell county, John A. Eldridge, vice Kittle H. Bryant, resignee; Swaledale, Cerro Gordo county, Edward Morony, vice D. H. Vankirk, resigned.

Postoffice established: Girard, Clayton county, with John F. Burkart as postmaster.

Postmasters Reappointed — Nebraska: Richfield, Sarpy county, Allen W. H. Milton. Iowa: Beacon, Mahask county, Clarence Ogden; Evans, Mahaska county, J. R. O'Connell; Gibson, Keokuk county, Stephen M. Allison; Given, Mahaska county, Edith Saman; Guernsey, Poweshiek county, Albert N. Drummond, Hayesville, Keokuk county, George Richardson; Lacey, Mahaska county, Thomas Ballinge; New Burg, Jasper county, Sarah J. Clay; Taintor, Mahaska county, John W. Needham; University Park, Mahaska county, Tibbais G. White.

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FINDING SHIPS A PROBLEM

Vessels Needed to Bring Thousands of Americans Home.

GERMAN OFFER IS ACCEPTED

Washington Confident Other Governments at War Will Consent Promptly to Proposal Kaiser's Boats Carry Refugees.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Further improvement in facilities for removal of American refugees from English ports was reported today to the government board of relief, but the board still faces the problem of finding ships for the thousands of tourists unable to leave Germany, Austria and Switzerland, and those gathered in Italian ports.

Acceptance of the German government's offer to place at the disposal of the United States several liners that would fly the American flag was deferred again pending the result of exchanges with other governments over the recognition of neutrality ships. Officials are confident, however, that the governments at war will consent promptly to the proposal and that the German government's offer will solve the problem.

Report of Page.

Ambassador Page at London reported today that all steamship lines had been ordered to resume service with their full complement of vessels. The State department added that special steamers which were to have been employed in bringing refugees from England would be diverted to continental ports.

The arrival of the cruiser Tennessee with its cargo of gold at Falmouth, England, was relied upon to relieve the financial needs of Americans, who will be compelled to wait longer for transportation. Deposits with the various government departments to be transmitted to needy citizens abroad had reached more than $1,311,000 tonight.

More Money Needed.

The American Red Cross announced tonight that much more money would be required to finance the relief expedition to Europe. Letters sent to chambers of commerce, through the country urged that special committees be appointed to solicit funds in a systematic way. The Red Cross ship will carry 150 surgeons and nurses and a cargo of hospital supplies. Completely equipped hospital units will disembark at points in the war zones, where they are most needed.

Belgium notified the Red Cross today that no immediate help was needed in that country, which has a well equipped organization of its own.

People of Belgrade Are Living in Cellars

LONDON, Aug. 18.—A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company from Milan says the Corriere Della Serra, has received an account of conditions in Belgrade in consequence of the bombardment of that city by the Austrians on the opposite banks of the Danube.

The streets are silent and deserted, says the article, and people of the town are living in cellars. Three thousand shrappel shells have fallen in the city during the last week.

German Planes with Their Crews Are Lost

LONDON, Aug. 18.—Two German aeroplanes with their crews have been lost, according to Berlin dispatches. Two military chauffeurs and one army officer have been shot by sentries at Meunch because they failed to stop when challenged.

FIRE DESTROYS PART OF ATLANTIC HOME

ATLANTIC, Ia., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—L. W. Niles, cashier of the Atlantic National bank, and his wife and daughter, Miss Marie, were driven from their home Saturday morning at 3:30 by fire, which originated on the back porch, either from defective wiring or from an oil-soaked rag, which was thrown in a basket of papers, catching fire from spontaneous combustion. The fire consumed the porch, kitchen and pantry, with all of the household goods therein, and badly damaged the walls and ceilings of every room in the house.

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Farm Telephones in America and Europe

In the United States the private companies have built up exchanges in the small towns and given service to the farms and rural residents.

In Europe the telephones have been confined largely to the big cities. The governments have taken little interest in developing rural service.

Here are official figures showing the average telephones per 100 population in the leading countries in the big cities and the smaller towns and rural districts:

COUNTRY	Telephones per 100 People in Exchanges of Over 100,000 Population.	Telephones per 100 People in Exchanges of Less Than 100,000 Population.	Per Cent Rural to Urban Development.
United States	11.44	8.17	71.4
Great Britain	2.6	.75	28.8
German Empire	4.6	1.20	26.1
France	2.3	.47	20.4
Belgium	1.8	.36	20.0
Italy	1.2	.14	11.7
Austria	2.6	.30	11.5

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