

Diese Abteilung ist für die Familienglieder, welche am liebsten Deutsch lesen.

Vom Schauplatz des europäischen Völkerkrieges

Die Alliierten gründen ihre Hoffnung auf den endgiltigen Sieg ihrer Waffen in der Hauptache auf das „unerlöschliche“ Menschenmaterial des gewaltigen russischen Reiches.

Der Zar hat Menschenmaterial genug zu seiner unumkehrten Verfügung, um den Krieg ins Endlose fortzusetzen, selbst dann wenn die Verluste noch empfindlicher werden als in den letzten 2 Jahren.

Der Sachverständige führt aus: „Beim Beginn des Krieges hatte Rußland 172,000,000 Einwohner. Das heißt, daß die Zahl der Einwohner Rußlands dreimal so groß war als jene Deutschlands.“

Mit der enormen Geburtenrate von 47 pro Tausend ist Rußland imstande die Armee auf der gegenwärtigen Stärke für unbegrenzte Zeiten zu halten, selbst wenn es mehr wie eine Million Mann an Toten, Verwundeten und Gefangenen jährlich verlieren sollte.

In einem Striche der gegenseitigen Aufreibung wurde Deutschlands Stellung ausichtslos sein; doch der gegenwärtige Konflikt wird nicht auf dieser Basis ausgemacht.

Die Erschöpfung der Manneskraft in Rußland kommt nicht in Frage, der Zusammenbruch des Rostoffes wird aber sicherlich sobald kommen, als England und Frankreich nicht mehr imstande sind die enormen Geldsummen zu beschaffen, welche der Zar nötig hat.

„Dieser Zeitpunkt ist nicht mehr so fern. Petrograder Zeitungen gesehen offen ein, daß der letzte Versuch des Finanz-Ministers Barf, eine große Anleihe in London und Paris aufzunehmen ein Scheitern war.“

Interessante Einzelheiten über die „dicke Bertha“.

Gewicht des Geschützes, 87 Tonnen. Gewicht der Fundament-Platte, 57 Tonnen. Länge des Geschützrohres, 16 1/2 Fuß.

Das Geschütz besteht aus 172 einzelnen Teilen. Zum Transport sind 12 Eisenbahnwagen nötig.

Ein Mauerwerk oder eine Zementunterlage von 26 1/2 Fuß Tiefe ist zur Aufstellung des Geschützes erforderlich.

Lüftung wurde aus einer Entfernung von 14 Meilen bombardiert. Die Sicherheit des Zieles variiert bis zu 19.68 Zoll.

Der erste Schuß setzte 1700 Mann außer Aktion, der zweite Schuß 2300 Mann. Ramur, Mauerbeuge erhielten jedes zwei Schuß.

Schallwellen durch Ueberziehen einer Klappe über den Kopf.

Es ist Vorsorge getroffen, daß das Geschütz durch eine Explosion zerstört werden kann.

Diese gewiß äußerst interessanten Angaben geben ein ungefähres Bild über die Furchtbarkeit und Zerstörungskraft dieser Waffe.

Schauerhafte Behandlung der Gefangenen in Rußland.

Die New York „Sun“ veröffentlicht einen spaltenlangen Artikel über die Mißhandlungen und Entbehrungen, welchen Deutsche, Oesterreicher und Ungarn, die als Zivil- oder Kriegsgefangene in Rußland schmachten, unterworfen sind.

In Frachtwagen eingepfercht, ohne Schutz gegen die furchtbare Kälte, von Hunger gepeinigt, wurden die armen Wichte in die Gänge geschickt.

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Ottawa. Nach den veröffentlichten Zahlenangaben hatte Canada am 1. September 361,693 Mann unter Waffen. Während des Monats August wurden 7246 Mann, im Juli 8675, im Juni 10,796 und im Mai 15,090 Mann angeworben.

Franzosen erschießen Frau wegen Spionage.

Paris. Eine Savas-Depesche aus Marzeille meldet die Hinrichtung einer Frau wegen Spionage. Der Nachricht zufolge wurde Felice Pfaut auf dem Leuchthaus-Schießstand durch Silber und Blei hingerichtet.

THE EUROPEAN WAR A YEAR AGO THIS WEEK

October 2, 1915. Russians gained on the Viina front. Bulgarian forces massed on Serbian frontier.

October 3, 1915. Seventy thousand French troops landed at Saloniki. Russians rolled back Hindenburg's armies.

October 4, 1915. Russians retook many villages, driving back Teutons in north and south.

October 5, 1915. Allies' ministers to Bulgaria demanded their passports. Greek premier Venizelos resigned.

October 6, 1915. Russians attacked Austrians along Bessarabian frontier. French captured Tahure in Champagne.

October 7, 1915. Austro-Germans, 400,000 strong, forced the passage of Danube, Save and Drina rivers and entered Serbia.

October 8, 1915. Serbians checked Austro-Germans, inflicting heavy losses. French made more gains in Champagne.

October 9, 1915. Russian armies attacked along whole eastern line.

ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE

A new method of utilizing coal in competition with oil fuel is being tried at Vancouver. It is said that crushed coal can be supplied to steam-producing furnaces by the same method that oil is utilized.

Russia and Serbia, also Austria, may allow young women to fight in their armies, but Canada will not, although according to a recruiting officer in Winnipeg, several have applied, and two could hardly be kept from joining by force in response to a call for "stenographers for the second service unit of the Nineteenth battalion."

Refining nickel by a new process is reported as having been discovered in Canada. The claim is that 100 pounds of matte can be converted into 50 pounds of metal in 48 hours, and that the low-grade iron ores of the Laurentian hills near Ottawa can be used.

In British Columbia half of the industrial capital is invested in the lumbering and woodworking business, half the pay roll of the provinces is derived from the forests and 37 per cent of the annual wealth production is attributed to the same source.

The geological survey has estimated that the Colorado river in an average year discharged into the gulf of California 338,000,000 tons of silt and salt, equal to 20 tons for each square mile of land the river drains.

For the eight months ending with last February the oversea trade of Australia showed a gain of \$88,145,525 when contrasted with the commonwealth's foreign commerce of the previous year.

Because of the war, chloery is selling high in England—at from \$125 to \$140 a ton, whereas in normal times it can be bought for \$35 to \$40 a ton. India's rice crop of the year is estimated at 76,792,000 acres, slightly in excess of the acreage of the year before.

The ducks of J. A. Andrew of Shirland tract, California, are supplying him with valuable nuggets, the gizzard of one having two gold nuggets and two platinum nuggets, and another a gold nugget.

PICKLES OF MERIT

PREPARATIONS THAT WILL BE APPRECIATED BY ALL.

Best Method of Preparing Small Beets for Future Consumption—How to Put Up Cucumbers and Cauliflower.

A reader of "Efficient Housekeeping" asks for a "tested recipe for small beet pickles." All the recipes used in this department are tested, unless otherwise stated; sometimes an unusual formula is sent to us with the request that it be published, and if it seems practical we use it.

To Pickle Small Beets—Choose those of uniform size, clean them and put to cook without bruising the skin. They should be tender in 40 minutes. Place in cold water and the skins will rub off easily.

The pickles should be assorted according to size, and some may be packed in the jars with whole spices or peppers and without being sweetened. If you enjoy mixed pickles you will like this recipe:

Scald in hot salt water two or more heads of cauliflower, according to the amount of mixed pickles you intend to make. Also scald nasturtium seeds, small silver-skinned onions, tender green beans and tiny pickles or larger pickles cut small.

Cold Process Catsup. Take one peck of firm, ripe tomatoes. Peel them cold without scalding. Chop fine in a chopping bowl and strain off all the juice. This is very important, for if all the juice is not strained off the chopped tomatoes the catsup will not keep.

Southern Corn Pudding. Green corn can hardly be improved by any way of cooking, but let me make a suggestion about a corn pudding which came from an old colored cook in the South.

Savory Custard for Invalids. One egg, chopped parsley to garnish, one-half pint of beef tea, seasoning. Beat up the egg lightly. Warm the beef tea and add it to the egg very gradually, stirring all the time.

French Beans. String and cut them into long strips. Place them in a pan with plenty of boiling water and a little salt. Boil till tender (15 to 20 minutes), and when done, drain and shake them in the pan till dry.

Meat Pie. Two cupsful of meat (cut up in small pieces), one-half cupful peas, gravy enough to keep moist, salt, pepper and butter to taste.

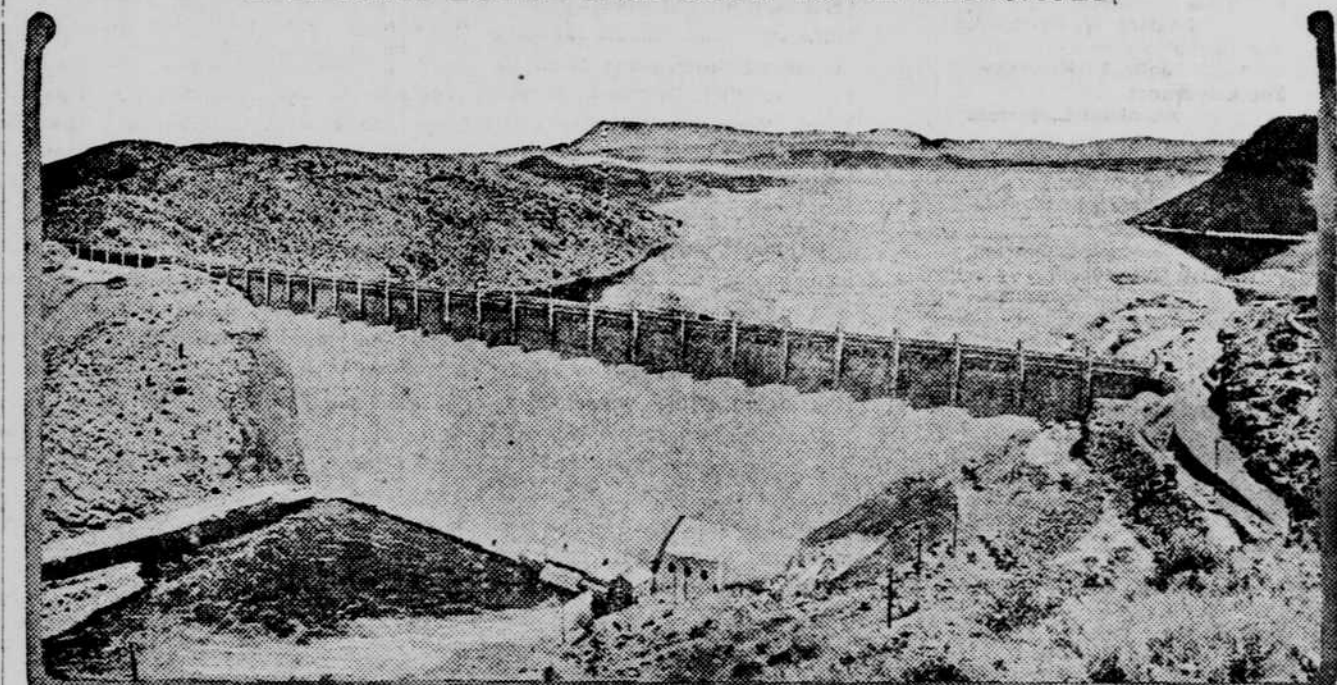
For Egg Stains. Egg stains on linen or any other cloth should be soaked in cold water—never in hot, which would make them almost impossible to remove.

FOR CANADA'S NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS



Duke and duchess of Connaught just after the laying of the corner stone for the new Canadian parliament buildings at Ottawa.

ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM SOON TO BE DEDICATED



Elephant Butte dam, which will be formally dedicated October 14 by President Wilson, is the largest irrigation dam built under the direction of the United States reclamation service.

TOO POWERFUL FOR RESTRICTED TERRITORY



Indian Head, Md., may be abandoned by the United States navy as a proving ground for shells and armament as a result of the ricocheting of a shell in a recent test.

CROWN PRINCE RUPRECHT



New photograph of Crown Prince Ruprecht of Bavaria, commander of the German forces in the Somme region, where the allies are conducting a great offensive.

THINGS THAT ARE NEW

In a new electric fan the blades whirl horizontally to avoid causing drafts and the air passes over water and is cooled.

A mechanical device, largely composed of rubber, has been invented to loosen a person's scalp to stimulate the growth of hair.

In Scotland 23.8 per cent of illuminating gas is made in municipal works to 51.4 per cent in Ireland and 30.6 per cent in England.

New apparatus for filling automobile tires with air automatically cuts off the supply when the overinflation danger point is reached.

From heretofore waste tomato seeds Italian canners are making an oil with rapid-drying qualities that is useful in varnishes.

Russia will reconstruct the waterway system connecting Archangel with Petrograd so that vessels of large size can reach the capital.

To reach the inner surfaces of the teeth as well as the outside is the aim of a double-ended toothbrush invented by a Memphis dentist.

Nigeria has been added to the lands in which valuable deposits of coal have been discovered in recent years.

A new stopper for milk bottles has a spout at one side for pouring, a valve within the device closing against the admission of air when a bottle to which it is attached is held upright.

A sergeant in the United States marine corps is the inventor of a portable topographical map that enables aviators to make quick and accurate reports of their observations made in flight.

Only about one-tenth of the vast amounts of iron ore mined in Spain annually are utilized at home because of the scarcity of native coal.

As a new sashore amusement device an inventor has patented a trolley car supported by floats that is driven over water by screw propellers.

A new steamship line has been started to transport lumber between New Orleans and Cristobal Colon.

The present demand for ships has accelerated the shipbuilding industry at Parrsboro, Nova Scotia. Ship carpenters and wood workers are in demand.

Holidays in Danish Islands.

The natives of the Danish Islands (West Indies) apparently celebrate the national holidays of all countries with complete impartiality—the Fourth of July in honor of the country that wouldn't adopt them; the fourteenth of July because it is celebrated in Martinique, and it would never do to let the French negroes get ahead of them; the birthday of the king of Denmark, because the islands belong to him; the birthday of the king of England, because the islands once belonged to him; the birthday of the German emperor in honor of the Hamburg-American line, and the birthdays of all the royal families, I presume, as well as many local and impromptu holidays of their own. They also are very scrupulous about observing the Sabbath, at least in its negative aspect.

Real Diplomat.

Lady of the House—how do you want? Weary Walter—I am de official representative of de Woman's Household Kitchen Culinary Cuisine league and I'm making a coast-to-coast trip, testing the favorite recipe of de most prominent lady in each town.—Judge.

Goats Are Favorites.

In Switzerland the goat is placed ahead of all other animals. If a boy plagues a goat he can be fined and sent to prison.