

I-Bridsh gunners operating captured guns that have been turned on the fleeing enemy in Flanders. 2-American troops "on their way to Berlin." passing a signpost that marks the border between France and Alsace. 3-Inflating some of the small balloons used by the allies to send truth-telling propaganda over the Hun lines.

NEWS REVIEW OF THE GREAT WAR

Germany, Admittedly Defeated, Is Now Squirming to Prevent Utter Disaster.

GREAT CIVIL UPHEAVAL ON

Austria and Turkey Ready to Quit-Huns, Forced by Allies, Begin General Retreat From Belgium-Still Resisting Fiercely in Champagne.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD.

Squirming, dodging, wailing, the German imperial government seemed last week to be on its last leg. Thick and fast came the rumors of unconditional surrender and of the abdication of the kalser, and though these were unconfirmed or contradicted as fast as they came out, enough authentic news seeped through the vell of secrecy to show that things were in a desperate state in Germany. Its peace trap was sprung harmlessly by President Wilson when, in reply to what at first glance looked like full ecceptance of his terms, he told the government flatly that only absolute capitulation would be considered and that the allies would not listen at all while the Huns occupied allied terrirages on land and sea. Any persons that it was a great blow to their rising hopes of peace, and the ruling minds of the empire began to try to find some other way of escape from the desperate situation. As a preliminary, some democratizing amendments to the constitution were adopted or proposed, notably one taking from the emperor the right to declare war. The power of the junkers was sapped, together with that of their war lord. There was, indeed, evidence that a civil upheaval of extraordinary proportions was beginning which, even more than the great military reverses, from the Belgian batteries. would bring on a debacle for Germany. ---

The governments, the fighting forces and the civilian peoples of all the allied nations made it absolutely plain that Germany could not obtain the "peace without humiliation" which it seeking. Nowhere among them is found any sentiment of pity for either the brutal soldiery that has ravished the earth or the people who have supported and rejoiced over the inhumanity of the armed forces. The demand for exact justice is universal outside the lands of the offenders. It would not be in the least surprising if the prediction made in these columns many months ago were fulfilled, namely, that one of the conditions of peace will be that Germany surrender the kaiser and other instigators and perpetrators of frightfulness for personal punishment. With this sprit prevail; ing among the now victorious aliles, what chance has Germany for peace without humiliation?

The abdication of the kaiser, which after all would be but incidental, was considered likely, and it was reported that he intended to step down in favor of Prince William Frederick, oldest son of the crown prince, who is only twelve years old.

President Wilson delayed his reply to the peace proposals of Austria-Hungary and Turkey, probably in order that the truth about their hopeless sitnation might soak into their minds, and reports showed they were realizing the facts and beginning to act accordingly. The break-up of the dual kingdom became more imminent, the Hungarians openly declaring their intention to separate from Austria, the Poles, Croats and Bohemians boldly coming out for independence. The government made despairing plans to hold the empire together in the form of a confederation of the various nationalities, but this did not seem to interest the peoples who have suffered so long | rollways feeding a large part of the

Burian, admitting the central powers no longer had a chance of achieving a military decision, p'astered President Wilson with flattery, declaring that his humanitarian policies were fully accepted by Austria-Hungary.

It was taken for granted that Turkey, under the leadership of Izzet Pasha, the new grand vizier, was about ready to make a separate peace. In the effort to hold her in line, the German Black sea fleet was sent to Constantinople and the government was warned that the first step toward breaking away from the alliance with Germany would be the signal for a bombardment of the city. Despite the presence of the warships, 20 in number, a revolution broke out in Constantinople against the Young Turks, whose power had not been wholly broken by the change in cabinet.

Roumania, which has been frankly looking for a chance to get into the war again, may have the opportunity very soon. Already the inhabitants of the northern part of the country, in the province of Moldavia, have risen in armed revolt against the Austro-German forces of occupation.

On the western battle front the great event of the week was the smashing drive of the allies in Flanders by which in a few days the Belgian scaports held by the Huns were practically cut off and the Germans were forced back rapidly almost to the Dutch frontier. This drive, made mostly by the British and Belgians, was directed toward Bruges and Ghent. In quick succession Roulers, tory and continued to perpetrate out- Menin, Lendelede and other towns were captured; Wednesday night the who may have had doubts concerning British occupied Courtrai, and on the firmness of the president's will and | Thursday the city of Lille was taken purpose were joyfully reassured, and by them. The Belgians took Thourout, the answer created consternation in and moved ahead rapidly to Bruges, Berlin. The German press admitted which they occupied with little opposition. At the same time the British were entering Ostend, and a few Lours later King Albert and Queen Elizabeth were in that famous town which for years had been one of the chief U-boat bases of the Huns. Zeebrugge, also, it was said, was being evacuated as fast as possible, and the Germans in the strip of Belgium between Bruges and the Holland border were making strenuous efforts to get out of the bottle neck. There was only one practicable road for them, and that was under the constant fire Having given up Lille, which they

did not destroy, according to new orders from the army command, the Huns were next forced to get out of Doual, and the process of flattening out the salient proceeded merrily. It appeared likely the Germans would continue their retirement until they were on the line Antwerp-Namur-Mezleres-Metz. This, of course, meant a tremendous retreat on a very wide front and would not be at all easy of accomplishment while Marshal Foch was unrelentingly hammering at them in every sector. From the coast to La Cateau the withdrawal was being carried on so rapidly that at this writing no adequate guess could be ninde as to its full extent. The abandonment of the Belgian coast by the Huns meant that allied commerce was freed in great part from the U-boat peril and that air raids on England could no longer be carried out with ease. The allies captured vast stores and many heavy guns in Belgium.

---Having forced the Huns out of Laon and La Fere, the French maintained s steady pressure on both sides of the waning salient there, making progress that was continuous, though not rapid because of the increased resistance of the enemy. As the Hunding line of refuge was approached, in the region of Rethel, an important German railway supply station on the Alsne, it became apparent that the Huns intended to try to hold that line for a time. From Rethel almost to Verdun the French and American armies fought continuously, driving the Germans back across the Grand Pre-Vouzieres road and up both sides of the Meuse. The Yankees took Grand Pre, on the northern bank of the Aire river north of the Argonne forest, through which they had fought their way so bravely and doggedly. The place, though but a small village, is of great strategic importance, being the junction of the

under Austrian domination. Baron | German armies. Immense numbers of machine guns, with some artillery, constituted most of the Hun resistance in this region. Such counter-attacks by infantry as were made were rather feeble and easily beaten off.

> The defense in general, however, was powerful, and it is evident that the German command attaches great importance to holding back the Americans as much as possible in the Verdun region. Every foot gained here by the allies weakens the hold of the Germans on the invaluable coal and Iron fields of the Briey basin northeast of Verdun. It looks as though the Germans were reconciled to retiring from Belgium and France, but would hang on to the Briey fields to the last moment. Such a course would be justifled by their greatly depleted stores of material. They are running short especially of metal for guns and ammunition.

In Italy, the Austrians have been attempting very little of late, probably because they hope soon to be out of the war; but in Albania and Serbia the allies are keeping them on the jump. Italians, Serbs, French, British and Greeks all are taking whacks at them, and at last reports they had teen driven far north of Nish, which was captured by the Serbs, to whom it belongs. In Albania the Austrians evacuated their great naval base of Durazzo, which had been largely destroyed by a naval raid the previous week.

Little news came from General Allenby's army in Palestine, which probably was resting after its gallant and successful campaign against the Turks. But word was received that Beirut, the Turkish base on the Mediterrane an, had been captured, following which Baalbek Tripoli and Homs were oc-

Bolshevik forces in eastern Russia have been greatly strengthened of late and are reported to be pressing back the Czecho-Slovak troops there. The latter have appealed for help from the allies, and it may be that troops from the Siberian expedition have been sent to their relief. Meantime the allied forces in north Russia, including a considerable American contingent, are fighting their way along both banks. of the Dvinn in the direction of Welsk, northeast of Vologda. Their progress has been difficult, for the bolsheviki have been making heavy attacks and keeping the expedition under almost constant bombardment. On the river the enemy has gunboats, protected by nine fields and small islands, and the shells from these do considerable damage. The allies, however are getting along fairly well there and are confident and cheerful.

Lenine and Trotzky are reported to have had a violent quarrel, the premier having accused the foreign minfster of fostering a counter-revolution. Lenine again has been attacked by an assassin, this time being shot in the shoulder.

The Finns seem to be getting themselves into a peculiar position. First they elected as their King Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse, brother-in-law of the kaiser, whereupon France broke off the semi-official relations that had existed with Finland. Next the Finns formally requested Germany to with draw all her troops from their country. The substitution of a monarchy for a republic was really the work of the Finnish diet, not of the people. and it may not stand.

John D. Ryan, director of the American air service, on his return from Europe, made the welcome announcement that unification of operation. and to a great extent of production of aircraft, had been agreed upon by the allies. He also told of the splendid work of the American aviators and of the success and popularity of the American De Haviland planes and the Liberty motors. Another cheerful piece of news concerning aeronautics was disclosed by Maj. A. Cushman Rice, this being that the allies had worked out a practically perfected wireless telephone device which will enable the allied airmen to fly over the German lines and territory in immense fleets, all the planes directed by the voice of the commander. This he says, will sweep the Huns from the sky and entirely put out the eyes of their artillery.

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APPETITE AND GREED.

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 3

LESSON TEXT-Genesis 25:27-34. GOLDEN TEXT-Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. New they do it to obtain a cor-ruptible crown, but we an incorruptible.— DEVOTIONAL READING-Romans 14:

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL TEACHER | I Corinthians 8:1-13; 10:23-33;

Hebrews 1. 15-17.

1. Boys With a Difference (v. 27). Esau and Jacob were in decided contrast. They differed in appearance and disposition. Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field. Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents. They were born that way. Every child born into the world possesses a peculiar bent which we call individuality. No two are exactly allke, even twins like Esau and Jacob. The wise parent, the wide awake tencher, the educator, seeks diligently to discover that pecullar individuality, and to give it direction according to the laws of its own being. This bent is the basis of character. Neither Esau nor Jacob

II. Parental Favoritism (v. 28).

is an ideal personality. Both are

Isaac loved Esau because he did eat of his venison. He ought to have loved bin because he was his son; but it is a sad commentary upon a father that his love for his son had such a sordid basis as that of his stomach. Isaac, however, was like many today whose love is secured through their appetites. Rebecca loved Jacob, though we are not told why. Perhaps it was because of his cunning. In this respect he was like his mother, who practiced craftiness to a finish on her husband. Cleverness is a bond which strongly binds together many people, Many hold the respect of their friends because of their shrewdness, irrespective of their moral qualities. Parents should treat their children alike. To show partiality is both unwise and unjust. Even when children possess peculiar qualities which call forth parental affection, it should never be made manifest that preference is made.

III. A Birthright Sold (vv. 29-34). 1. Esau's profaulty (Heb. 12:16-17). He sold his birthright for a bowl of pottage. The birthright was the right of being at the head of the patriarchal family, a position of honor and influence, as well as being the inheritor of a double portion of the father's estate. This being a gift of God should not be despised. He came from hunting physically exhausted. In this moment of distress, he thought only of that which promised immediate satisfaction. He was willing to relinguish all claim upon the future, if only his present desire could be gratified. A profane person is one who for the enjoyment of the present will forfelt all claim upon the future. He would gladly gain both worlds, but seeing that mess of pottage he lets go of the future for the present. Swearing is profanity, but not the most common. To be under the sway of appetite is to be profane. What profanity about us! For a moment's sinful pleasure men and women are throwing awny innocence, happiness, and their souls eternally. This is

most serious, for acts are irrevocable. 2. Jacob's cunning. It was right that Jacob should have the birthright, for it was according to God's plan which had been pronounced (v. 23), but his scheme to get it is to be condemned. He took advantage of his brother's weakness to drive a sharp bargain. The same thing is practiced when under the force of necessity unlawful interest is exacted, or property is bought under price because one is obliged to

To get rich at the expense of another is to practice Jacob's sin. Modern competitive business methods to a decided extent are of this type. Let each one ask: "Is my name Jacob?" The end never justifies the means. God said that the elder should serve the younger. It was his plan that Jacob should be at the head, but God was able to bring his own plans to pass. He did not need the scheming of Jacob and his mother to further his plans. To do evil that good may come is always wrong.

Understanding the Bible.

I believe that the Bible is to be understood in the plain and obvious meaning of its passages; for I cannot persuade myself that a book intended for the instruction and conversion of the whole world should cover its true meaning in any such mystery and doubt that none but critics and philosophers can discover it.-Daniel Web-

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Theory is a vine from which facts are sometimes gathered.

IN SOME HURRY TO EXPLAIN

Negro Not Unnaturally Alarmed at What He Thought Was Error of the Death Angel.

A southern man of whom we read in Everybody's tells of a balloon ascension made from Charleston one hot summer afternoon. A thunderstorm came up. The balloonist, amid buckets of rain, the roar of thunder and the flash of lightning, was blown about like a thistledown. On toward midnight he found himself over a plantation and threw out his anchor-a grapnel at the end of a long rope.

It happened that a negro had died in one of the huts of this plantation. The funeral was to take place in the morning. A dozen friends of the deceased sat in the soft summer night before the but telling ghost stories.

Suddenly in the darkness above them they heard strange noises-a flapping as of great wings, menacing cries, And they saw dimly a formless black shape.

All but one man ran. This one man, as he cowered on his stool, had the ill luck to be seized by the grapnel.

The grapuel going at a great pace whirled him up for four or five feet in the air and jerked him along at the rate of 15 miles or so an hour. "Oh, massa," he yelled, squirming

and kicking in that strange flight, "I's not de one! I's not de cawpse Henry's in de house dah! In de house

Then He Could Retire. Bob-"Hard workin' wife yuh got there, Bill." Bill-"Yes; I wish I had a couple more like her."

Natural Affinity. "Girls take quite naturally to farm-

ing. I see," "Of course, they do; isn't it the art of husbandry?"

The Reason.

"Newrich makes lots of bulls." "No wonder; everybody's giving him wrong steers."

Only Professional. "How are you getting on with the

knife-swallower as a boarder?" "He has a very sharp appetite."

A Question.

"A man becomes what he eats." "Does he feel sheepish after eating spring lamb?"

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White Man Stops to Eat. A teacher in an Indian agricultural school in South Dakota writes us that the loyalty of the Sloux in that region is astonishing. Many have quietly enlisted without fuss or hurrah, but with great determination. She adds: "My neighbor, Frisking Elk, who lost a leg befriending the whites in the old hostile days, expressed the wish that he had the missing limb that he might now go and fight; but he adds: I do not think much of the way the white man fights now. He sleeps, then he eats, then he rests a while, then he fights, then he eats. No, that is not the way. When I used to fight I used to go three, four and five days without eating." "-Outlook.

Distinction Not His. "And are you the eldest of the family?" asked the caller. "Nope," answered Teddy; "my grandma's a lot older'n I am."

Little On.

Wife—"Mrs. Hillife says she cares very little for dress." Hubble—"Yes, almost nothing, one might say."

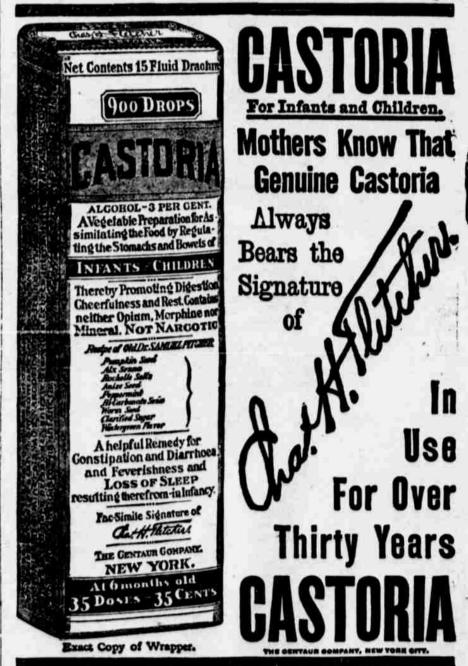
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It is good to live and learn.-Don Quixote.

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