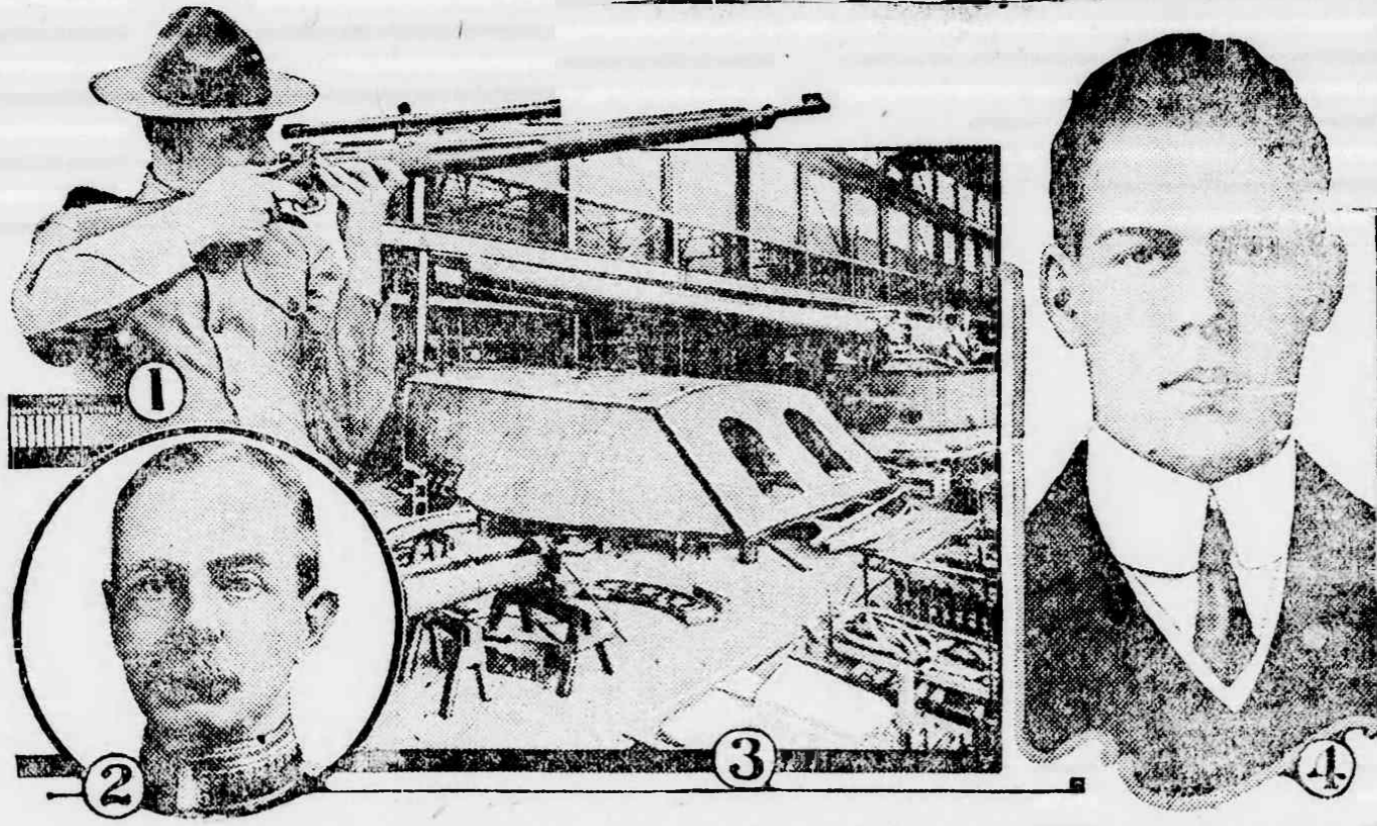


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NEWS REVIEW OF THE PAST WEEK

King Constantine of Greece Is Compelled to Abdicate by the Allies.

SECOND SON SUCCEEDS HIM

Liberty Loan of Two Billions Over-Subscribed by People of United States—Hope for Russia Revives—President Wilson's Great Flag Day Address.

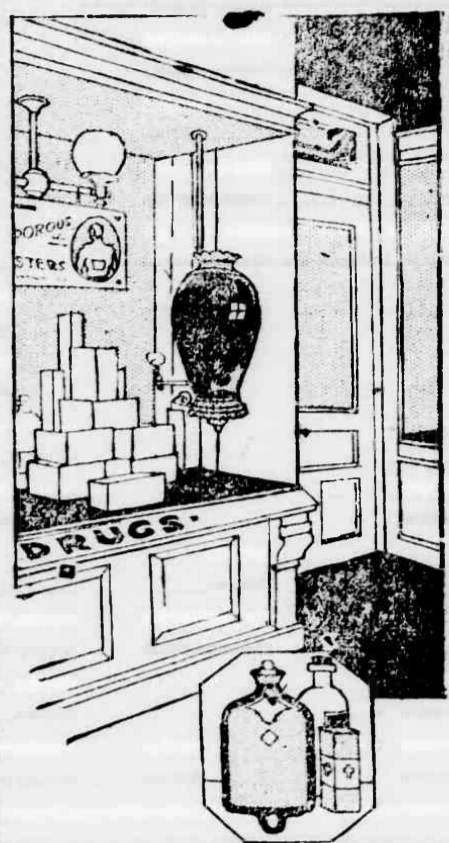
By EDWARD W. PICKARD.
Another ruler was pushed off his throne last week, and another nation probably added to those in active conflict with the central powers. This time it is Constantine I, king of the Hellenes, who has lost his crown. After diplomatic intrigues and open quarrels that had been going on ever since the war started, he was forced by the allies to abdicate, and his eldest son, the crown prince, was barred from the succession because of his pro-German proclivities. Constantine, however, was allowed to preserve his dynasty, at least for the present, by nominating his second son, Alexander, as his successor.
The abdication of the king was brought about by Senator Jonart of France, who went to Greece empowered by the allies to settle finally the position of that country in the war. He informed Premier Zaïmis that troops were at his disposal to carry out his decisions, and appealed to the premier to use his influence toward a peaceful arrangement. After consulting the crown council, the king decided to quit, and his abdication was announced on Tuesday morning. Both Constantine and the former crown prince have left Greece already.
May Mean Much to Allies.
If Greece now decides to participate actively in the war, she can throw into the field an army of 500,000 men, well trained but not sufficiently equipped. Venizelos, the former premier and consistent opponent of Constantine's war policy, has back of him 100,000 men, and though the army in general was loyal to the ex-king, it is predicted the entire fighting force of the nation will now take up arms against the Teutonic powers and Turkey. This might bring about a decided change in the Balkan situation. With the Greeks joining with the allies from the south and the reorganized Roumanian army and possibly the Russians striking from the north, the lines of communication between Germany and Turkey might well be cut and the Turks forced to sue for peace.
Alexander, the new king of Greece, who is twenty-four years old, took the oath on Wednesday. It is reasonable to suppose he will not be in accord with the allies, for he has kept free from all pro-German activities and seems to be acceptable to M. Jonart. In fact, he cannot do much otherwise, for the entente forces promptly seized control of all of Greece. Professionally, their aim is the restoration of the constitutional government of that country. It was stated emphatically in Washington that the United States had not taken any part in the deposing of Constantine and had not been consulted by the entente powers. This emphasizes the fact that we are allies of those powers in war, but not necessarily in diplomacy.
The purpose of the allies was not accomplished entirely without bloodshed. A Greek colonel at Larissa fired on French cavalry, killing two officers and four privates. In the brief fight that ensued 60 Greek soldiers were killed and 320, including 51 officers, were taken prisoner.
Liberty Loan a Great Success.
America's reply to the sneering assertions of Germany that the war is Wilson's war and is not supported by the people of the United States came with a loud sound when the books on the Liberty Loan were closed Friday noon. It was announced that the loan of \$2,000,000,000 had been handsomely over-subscribed, and the significant fact is that it has been taken up main-

ly by the individual men, women and children of the nation, not by the great financial institutions. This not only is most desirable from an economic point of view, but is conclusive evidence that the entire nation is backing the government in the conflict against despotism. It was only necessary that the people should be awakened to the real situation, and this was done with energy and efficiency by the press and by innumerable speakers throughout the land.
Renewed Hope for Russia.
Hope and despair concerning Russia alternately take possession of the allies. Just now it is the turn of hope, and there is a real prospect that the new republic not only can be prevented from making separate peace with the Teutons, but may even be restored as a potent military factor. Minister of War Kerensky is succeeding to some extent in re-establishing discipline in the army, and an incident on the Roumanian front, when three mutinous regiments were forced to unconditional surrender by a large number of loyal troops showed that most of the soldiers are disposed to back up the provisional government. The All-Russian council of peasants, furthermore, passed by a vote of 1,000 to 4 a resolution to cut off food supplies from Kronstadt if the town did not immediately join its revolutionary forces to those of Russian democracy, and demanding that the government at once force the absolute submission of Kronstadt.
President Wilson's note to Russia, denoting America's war aims, was received with much satisfaction everywhere except by the radical Russian socialists and in Germany, and was promptly followed by one from Great Britain which virtually stated that Mr. Wilson had spoken for his entire allies. Of course the interpretation of the phrase "peace without annexations" is still a stumbling block, for Great Britain, France and Italy take the position that the restoration of "spoiled" lands, such as Alsace-Lorraine, Italia Irredenta and other regions, must not be considered as annexations. The Root commission, which had a triumphant trip across Siberia, is coming on to do a great deal toward bringing Russia to the search again, and at this writing it really looks as though she will not yield to the blandishments of the Kaiser and his socialist and pacifist emissaries. The great change in Greece also is looked upon as likely to influence Russia because of the effect it is sure to have on the Balkan situation.
The very weakness of the Russian provisional government has caused the German conservatives to abandon hope of persuading Russia to a separate peace, for as Herr Heydenbrand, their leader, says, such a course would be futile unless the government were strong enough to combat the allies. Russia would be forsaking.
Mr. Root and his colleagues and also the American railway engineering commission reached Petrograd on Wednesday. On the same day the Russian mission to the United States landed at a Pacific coast port and started for Washington. It is headed by Boris A. Bakunoff as special ambassador.
General Pershing in France.
General Pershing and his staff, after several days of work and entertainment in London, crossed over into France and were enthusiastically received in both Boulogne and Paris. The whereabouts of his expeditionary force—called by the German press an American army bluff—had not been announced at the time of writing.
There were two significant developments on the battle fronts of Europe. The Italians, resting for the present from their advance on Trieste, made a vigorous attack on the Austrians in the Trentino, gaining some important gains and again threatening Trent. On the Belgian front near the sea coast there was great activity by the artillery, seeming to indicate the intention of the allies to try for a push in that region toward Ostend and Zeebrugge. The British made secure their gains of last week and advanced farther east and northwest of Messines, while the French repulsed all attacks farther to the south. The allies seem to have adopted a new plan in France, making each drive a battle complete in itself; they have demonstrated, they feel, that the German military power can be crushed, and the speed with which this is to be done depends largely on the aid given by the United States.

On Thursday it was announced that the Germans had abandoned important sections of their front between Lys river and St. Yves.
Wilson's Flag-Day Address.
Flag Day, June 14, was marked by the enthusiasm and solemnity by which it was celebrated throughout the country, and also by a notable address by President Wilson in Washington. Mr. Wilson again set forth clearly the reason why we have entered the war, forced thereto by the insults and aggressions of the German government; he drew a vivid picture of the German intrigues in the Balkans, Turkey, Persia, India and Egypt and described the great German plan to throw a belt of military power and political control across the center of Europe and into the heart of Asia; he told how far this scheme had been carried toward success, and where it had been foiled, and then scathingly denounced the deceitful efforts to secure peace that the German government has been making for a year because it knows its plan has failed and is trying to preserve its political power at home and, indeed, its very existence.
The president fairly took the hide off the friends and partisans of the German government in this country. They will make no headway, he declared, for they and their thinly-disguised disloyalties are known, and the truth is plainly seen by our people. "Woe be to the man or group of men that seeks to stand in our way in this day of high resolution," cried the chief magistrate, "when every principle we hold dearest is to be vindicated and made secure for the salvation of the nations."
Japan has been stirred to fresh irritation against the United States because our government sent a note to China regarding the dissension there and expressing the hope that tranquility might be established. The Japanese assert that their special position in China is vital and must be jealously guarded, and that the United States, in sending the note without first consulting Japan, ignored that special position.
Secretary Lansing explains that the irritation of Japan was caused by a bogus copy of the American note published in Tokyo.
Japan is about to send a commission to the United States to arrange cooperation in the war between the two nations, and to discuss the complex questions concerning the far East. The mission is to be headed by Viscount Kikujiro Ishii, formerly foreign minister.
Italy and the Dominican Republic have both severed diplomatic relations with the German empire. Every little helps.
Murderous Air Raid on London.
The Germans on Wednesday made another of their murderous and useless airplane raids on London, dropping quantities of bombs mostly on the East end. Ninety-seven persons were killed and 477 wounded. Among the dead were 16 women and 23 children. The raiders were soon driven off by British aviators and anti-aircraft cannon. It is a wonder that these repeated raids do not drive the British to reprisal on some of the unprotected cities of Germany.
The weekly report of the British admiralty showed 38 British vessels sunk by submarines, the largest number for five weeks, but still far below the number set by the Germans as necessary for the starvation of England. Among the victims of U-boats reported during the week were the American steamship Petrofite, the Leyland liner Audlin and the South Atlantic liner Seotiana. The last named was carrying Singapore troops and 100 men were lost. An American steamship on arrival at an Atlantic port reported that she had rammed and sunk a German submarine.

In congress the conference report on the army and navy deficiency appropriation bill was accepted and the greatest of war budgets, carrying \$1,500,000,000 was sent to the president for his approval. The administration food control bill came up for discussion in the senate and was liberally attacked by Senator Reed of Missouri and others because of the power it proposes to lodge in a "food director" or some other agency selected by the president. Mr. Reed also severely criticized Herbert C. Hoover, who Mr. Wilson has selected as head of the food control agency.

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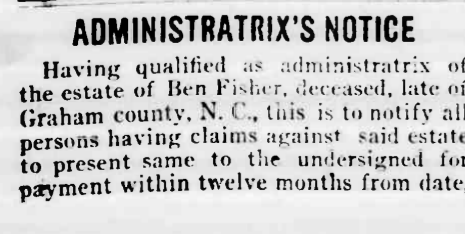
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