

SOCIETY

MAJOR AND MRS. WILLIAM SANDERS SCOTT, of Media, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Arabella Morris Scott, to Allen Hunter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hunter, of Chestnut Hill.

No date has been set for the wedding. Invitations have been sent out by the Race Committee of the Whitemarsh Hunt Club for a luncheon to be given at the clubhouse Saturday, October 3, before the races. The guests will include owners of horses entered in the races and stewards, judges and other officials of the race meeting.

Several four-in-hand coaches will be driven to the races, including those of Edward B. Smith, Frederick Strawbridge, Captain E. B. Cassatt and R. Nelson Buckley.

Among those who have already reserved parking spaces are Edward D. Toland, C. Bradford Fraley, Edwin N. Benson, Jr., Stevenson Crothers, James G. Lelper, Jr., Miss Emily Barclay, J. Stanley Reeve, Jesse Williamson, 2d, Captain E. B. Cassatt, Mrs. H. Howard Ellison, Jr., James W. Cooke, F. S. Whitaker, Augustus R. Stoughton, Daniel D. Wentz, John H. Packard, 3d, Mrs. Arthur Biddle, Frederick H. Strawbridge, Clement N. Williams, Erick H. Cassatt, George F. Tyler, William Robert H. Ellis, Henry Frasier Harris, Theodore C. Voorhees, R. M. Caldwell, Hamilton Dieston, William G. Warden and R. Nelson Buckley. The Huntingdon Valley Club will give a dinner dance tonight at the club house. A dinner dance was given last night, also, which was very well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Howard, who are at Ambleside, their summer home at Bar Harbor, Me., will return to Merion on Monday.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson, who has spent the summer abroad, is now at the Bellevue-Stratford for a short stay. She will return to her home in Virginia next week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Megargee, who have been spending the summer at the seashore, have taken apartments at the Rittenhouse Hotel for the winter. Admiral and Mrs. W. P. Harris are also at this hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brud, of 620 Wayne avenue, will give an informal dance for the younger set tonight at the Philadelphia Cricket Club. There will be about 125 guests present.

Mrs. E. D. Blair, who has spent several weeks at Fishers Island, has returned to her home on Lovers' lane, at Edgewater Park, N. J.

Mrs. Henry Lewis Wood, of Williamsburg, Va., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. David Smith, at her home, The Appleton, at Edgewater Park.

Miss Marion H. Cresswell, of Edgewater Park, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. Worthington Scranton at 200 Monroe street, Scranton, Pa., during the tennis tournament at the Scranton Country Club.

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Heineberg and Mrs. Moeller, of 1642 Pine street, have returned from Europe on the steamer Potsdam.

WEST PHILADELPHIA

Miss Anna J. Necker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Necker, of 473 Kingsessing avenue, will be married to George Krier, of 1115 Pine street, at St. Francis de Sales Church, 47th street and Springfield avenue, Wednesday, September 23, at 4 p. m.

Mr. Krier, who is a sculptor, came from Germany about five years ago to make his home in this country. He was introduced to Miss Necker shortly after his arrival by Mr. Theodore Friedlander, who has since returned to Germany and has joined the Kaiser's forces in the present war.

Miss Necker was attending school when she first met Mr. Krier, and just finished her preparation to become a teacher last term.

After the marriage the couple will reside with the bride's parents at 473 Kingsessing avenue. The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Frank P. Parkin, accompanied by their son, Harold Clarke Parkin, returned last week from their seaside cottage at Oak Bluffs, Mass., on the island of Martha's Vineyard, to their apartments in the Netherlands, 430 Chestnut street.

Mrs. E. P. Kelly, of Toboyanna, who spent the summer abroad, has returned and has taken apartments at the Normandie for the winter. She was accompanied by Miss M. A. Depe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mayer, of Ventnor, returned to this city early in the week and spent several days as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Stackhouse at their home, 4617 Cedar avenue.

Frank Rommel and Miss Helen Rommel, who spent the summer abroad, have returned to the Bartram for the winter.

Mrs. G. M. Eldridge, of 4107 Locust street, has returned from Kittory Point, Me., where she spent the summer.

Mrs. James E. Stokes and her daughter, Miss Mary C. Stokes, of 3642 Chestnut street, will close their cottage at Cape May the end of the week and return to town.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Off, of 4302 Walnut street, have returned from Asbury Park, where they spent the summer.

Mrs. George C. Schoff and her son, Lawrence Schoff, of 4205 Pine street, have returned from a visit to Mrs. Edward E. Paxson at Byot, Pa. Mrs. William G. Moffett, of 4242 Chestnut street, has returned after having spent the summer at Ocean City. Miss Gladys Moffett came home last week, having spent the summer in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Reuter, of 1121 South 46th street, returned last week after a summer spent in Europe.

ALONG THE MAIN LINE

OVERBROOK—Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Du Mee and Miss Du Mee, who went abroad early in the summer have returned to their home on Overbrook avenue.

Mrs. J. Clarence White, of 637 Lancaster avenue, has returned home after a month's stay in Virginia.

Mrs. C. H. Roberts, who has just returned from Narragansett Pier, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Logan McCoy have returned from Jamestown, R. I.

James H. Brooke and family, of 5400 Woodbine avenue, are home from Mount Kineo, Me. Miss Margaret Harritt has returned from Europe.

Mrs. William F. Harritt and her daughters are still abroad, but hope to obtain passage next month.

NERION—Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Godfrey, Jr., who are still at Northeast Harbor, Me., are expected home the last of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Buckman and Miss William M. Buckman, who spent the summer at their cottage at North Hadley, Canada, returned to Merion last week and have opened their home on South Highland avenue.

Mrs. Leonard Finletter has returned to her home on Third road, after a visit to Atlantic City.

NARBERTH—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. McDowell and family recently returned from the Delaware Water Gap. Miss Margaret McDowell, her sister, Mrs. Sylvester Megargee, and Sam-



MISS SARAH ELIZABETH PUTNAM who today will marry Mr. Seaton Schroeder.

uel R. McDowell, Jr., who have been spending three weeks in the Pocono Mountains, are expected home the early part of next week.

Mrs. George H. Gifford, of Woodside avenue, has returned from a six weeks' tour through New England. Mrs. Donald Frasier, Miss Helen Gilmore and Miss Agnes Gilmore, of Lynn, Mass., also made the trip with Mrs. Gifford.

WYNNWOOD—Mrs. John W. Coles has returned from a visit to Cape May, and Mrs. George Trotter Tyler, who spent the summer in England, is also back at Orville. Mrs. Coles will open her town house, 214 Pine street, the 6th of October. Mrs. Tyler, as usual, will spend the winter with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster King Wetherill have closed their summer residence at Jamestown, R. I., and are now visiting Mrs. Wetherill's father, Caleb Cresson, at The Oaks, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. David Goodbread have returned from Atlantic City.

ARMORE—Dr. and Mrs. Harold S. Colton, of Singing Wood, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Joseph Ferrell Colton. Mrs. Colton will be remembered as Miss Mary R. Perrell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clymer Brooke have returned from Watch Hill, R. I., and are now at their home on Glenn road.

HAVENFORD—Miss A. C. Russell, of Lake Forest, Ill., is the guest of Miss Alice Granger.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baum and their daughter, Miss Katherine Baum, have taken apartments at Havenford Court.

ROSEMONT—Mrs. W. C. Allison and her daughters, Miss Marcella Allison and Miss Mary Allison, of Rosemont, have returned from Bar Harbor.

Mrs. Joseph F. Shinnott and Miss Mary E. Shinnott have returned after a motor trip through New England.

VILLANOVA—George W. Packard and family have returned from a summer's stay at Saranac Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brown have returned from Bailey's Island, Me.

NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA

Mrs. Walter R. Eastburn, of 214 North Eighteenth street, will give a dinner tonight in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Eckel. Covers will be laid for ten. Mrs. Eastburn has just returned from Ocean City.

Mrs. Eastburn and Mrs. J. Glading, of 2513 South Broad street, will leave on October 28 to visit in New York. Ridgewood, N. J., and Englewood, N. J. They will visit also Mrs. James Hinchliff at Fuller Terrace, Orange.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Dale, formerly of 2115 North Fifteenth street, are occupying their new apartments at Queen Lane, Germantown.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Coles and their daughter, Miss Iva Coles, of 1311 Dauphin street, have returned from Blackwood, N. J., where they passed the summer.

Mrs. J. C. Kitchenman, of 2517 West Oxford street, has just returned from a sojourn at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rawlins, Jr., and their daughter, of 214 North Eighteenth street, have returned from a tour through the Thousand Islands, Montreal, Quebec.

Clarence A. Hutton, of 1834 North Willington street, has returned home. Mr. Sutton spent most of the summer at the Rho Delta Kappa Fraternity House in Ocean City.

The Rho Delta Kappa Fraternity closed their house at Ocean City, N. J., September 15. The Fraternity is now making arrangements for the annual series of dances to take place during the coming winter.

The first dance will probably be held the latter part of October.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Zimmerman, of 2241 North Eighteenth street, have returned to their home, having spent the summer at their cottage in Ocean City, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gegenheimer and Mrs. M. Green, of 2217 North 33d street, have just returned after spending the summer at Wildwood.

Mrs. Geneva Elliott and her daughter, Miss Florence Elliott, of 1807 North Chancé street, returned during the week from Atlantic City, where they spent the summer. Edward Elliott has returned from a tour through the West to California.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Kuen, of North Eighteenth street, have returned from Atlantic City, where they have been staying since the early summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Levy and their daughter, Miss Nana Levy, returned from a summer's stay in Chelsea on Wednesday and have opened their winter home, 2223 North Park avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Young, of 1935 North Park avenue, have opened their winter home after spending the summer in Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander A. Savers, of North Twelfth street, have returned from Bay View, Long Island Sound, and Bridgeport, Conn., where they passed the summer, and have gone to Atlantic City over the week-end. Their son, Alexander C. Savers, has returned home from an extended yachting cruise on Long Island Sound.

Miss Margaret Lomis, of North 22d street, has returned from Northfield, Mass.

Mrs. Joseph S. Sada and her daughter, Miss Ruth Sada, of 1833 North Eighteenth street, have returned from several weeks' visit in Milton, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stoor have closed their cottage in Chelsea and have been spending a few days in town prior to their departure for Michigan on Monday.

TIOGA

Mrs. Edwin Wilkinson, Jr., will give an informal luncheon at her home, 1302 Hunting Park avenue, Thursday, September 24.

Miss Mabel Lind, of 123 West Tioga street, left on Thursday for East Orange, N. J., where she is the guest of Mrs. William Parkinson.

Her sister, Miss Laura Lind, is passing the week-end with Miss Marian Gilpin, of River-ton, N. J.

Miss Elsie Sinzheimer, of 1321 West Erie avenue, is giving a linen shower today for Miss Olive Fulton Gemml, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gemml, who will be married to Hector Alexander Sinzheimer early in November.

Mrs. William Jennings and her daughter, Miss Alice Jennings, of North Nineteenth street, have returned from Seaside Park, where they were the guests of Mrs. John Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher Dalrymple and their daughter, Miss Alice Dalrymple, of 3350 North Sixteenth street, who spent the season in Ocean City, returned to their winter home today.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barber, of 1816 West Ontario street, have returned from a fortnight's visit in Gloversville, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rosenstein and family have closed their cottage in Atlantic City and have returned to their winter home, 2121 West Ontario street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Dotts, of 2037 West Tioga street, have returned home after spending the season on the coast of Maine.

Miss Helen Reilly gave a luncheon on Thursday at her home, 1911 West Venango street. The guest of honor was Miss Elsie Sosa.

ROXBOROUGH

The Flat Rock Motorboat Club gave a tango party last night at the club house in Shawmont, which was beautifully decorated with flowers and ferns. The members present were: Commodore and Mrs. A. H. Bradley, Miss Florence Bradley, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Swayne, Mr. and Mrs. Vandegrift, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Vandegrift, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leninger, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Banda, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ridler, Miss Sue Price, Miss Florence Ridler and Miss Bertha Ridler, Mr. and Mrs. William Matthews, Miss Wolf, Miss May Price and Miss Elizabeth Price, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mrs. William Field, Miss Gertrude Field, Miss Alice Ridler and Miss Mabel Ridler, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Winkler, Miss Grace Edwards, Mrs. Charles Miller, Miss Staley, Roland Bradley, Leslie Krusen, Elliott Krusen, C. Harry Alres, Thomas Markle, Walter Vandegrift, P. William Ridley, John Wolf, John Field, Ivan Field, Joseph Winkler, Jr., Earl Harlan, Albert Lawson, John Kelly, Frederick Staley, William Price and George C. Krusen.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swager Potts, of 6011 Ridge avenue, have returned from Ocean City. Miss Mildred Z. Holt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James. Holt, of 145 Sumac street, Willsieken, has returned home after spending several weeks in Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Soter Cornog, who spent the summer at Cape May Point, have returned to their winter home, 5651 Ridge avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Fox, of 302 Rochelle avenue, Willsieken, have returned from a month's stay at Beach Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. George Righter, of Ridge avenue and Gorgas lane, have returned from an all-summer's stay at Wildwood.

NEWPORT

NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 19.—Mrs. George D. Widener, of Philadelphia, has purchased the Hawtrey estate on Coggeshall avenue. Mrs. Widener plans erecting greenhouses for fruits and flowers.

Mrs. Nelson Brown, of Philadelphia, tonight entertained a dinner company informally for the Russian Ambassador and Madame Bakmeteff at the Pinaro cottages.

Mrs. French Vandervilt gave a small dinner at Harbor View tonight; as did Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson Spencer, of Philadelphia, at their cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. George Peabody Eustis had for their dinner guests tonight Mr. and Mrs. Philip Benckard, Mr. and Mrs. T. Shaw Safe, Mrs. Huntington Wilson, R. I. Gammell and Mrs. Tompkins McAlvane.

NARRAGANSETT PIER

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., Sept. 19.—Golf and tennis were rival diversions in the open today. Those who made the rounds of the links were Mrs. Philip E. Stevenson, Mrs. David Stevenson, of New York; Miss Beverly James, Mrs. John R. Fell, of Philadelphia, and Miss Hannah Randolph, also of Philadelphia.

Dr. and Mrs. Archibald G. Thomson, of Philadelphia, closed their cottage, "Bass Rock Farms," here, today and left for New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Mills have returned to Philadelphia after spending the summer here.

BRETON WOODS

BRETON WOODS, N. H., Sept. 19.—Miss Helen C. Frick and Miss May Allen Dixon were out on the golf links today.

Henry C. Frick, who arrived in his private car yesterday, took a motor trip to several of the neighboring resorts today.

Mrs. Arthur H. Lea, of Philadelphia, was hostess at a supper tonight in the Forest de Danse.

Arriving by motor today were Mr. and Mrs. N. Davis, Miss Mary L. Davis and Miss Natalie Davis, of Philadelphia.

LENOX

LENOX, Mass., Sept. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Giraud Foster will have 20 guests at a dinner entertainment at Bellefontaine on Monday.

Mrs. Joseph Choate entertained at tea in the Naumkeag Gardens this afternoon.

Edward Payne Stevenson, of Paris, and Mrs. J. R. Little, of Philadelphia, have arrived at Stockbridge.

APARTMENT LIFE APPEALS

During the in-between season, when sojourners at the summer resorts are returning and town houses are being opened and made ready for the winter's festivities, many persons take to apartments and hotels.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Fetherston, who have taken apartments at the Clinton for the winter, will return to town October 1, after a summer spent at Atlantic City.

Miss Manderson and her nephew, Manderson Troth, are at the Aldine for a few weeks before opening their Ardmore house. They had the misfortune, in company with many others, to lose all their luggage between Switzerland and England.

Mr. and Mrs. Park Painter are closing their Watch Hill home this week and will return to the Register House, at Ardmore, which they have again rented for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schlose and family and Mrs. D. Merz are occupying apartments at the Sunderland, Thirty-fifth and Powelton avenue.

Mrs. P. D. Willingham, Jr., and Miss Francis Willingham have returned to the St. James after spending the summer in Macon, Ga. Mr. Willingham, who is in the Jefferson Hospital, is feeling much better. Mr. and Mrs. Willingham, Sr., are staying with their daughter-in-law at the St. James.

After spending the summer in Cape May, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dougherty have returned to the Rodman Hotel, where they will spend the winter.

GEOGRAPHY A PUZZLING PROBLEM IN SCHOOLS WHILE THE WAR LASTS

Acting Superintendent Jacobs Reorganizing Course and Giving Asia Precedence Over Europe in the Teaching.

With a view to accommodating geographical instruction to the results of the present war in Europe, Dr. William C. Jacobs, acting Superintendent of Schools, is rearranging the courses in that branch of study. This is a relief to the teachers, who face a puzzling situation as long as the map is in a fair way of being materially changed.

Doctor Jacobs' idea is that the war may be settled before the geography classes get around to Europe. The pupils in the schools have all China, India, Eastern Siberia, Japan and the Pacific islands to study first, at any rate. By that time, Doctor Jacobs hopes, peace may have progressed so far that blackboard maps and hurry slips get out by publishers can be used. The Powers can fight until the end of January without upsetting geography courses in Philadelphia schools, he figures.

"Usually the geography classes begin by studying Europe and then go on to Asia," said Doctor Jacobs today. "But I have issued orders that they shall begin on Asia instead. Europe is usually covered by the middle of October. But under the new system the classes will not begin studying it until January." Everything in the book will be gone into thoroughly before Europe is mentioned, according to Doctor Jacobs.

Geography books will not be wasted, no matter what happens in Europe. "Whenever there are changes in the map, publishers issue single leaf corrections, and these are pasted over the old ones," he explained. "We have about 100,000 geographies in use, but I see no reason to think that any of them will have to be discarded."

Even if the armies are still fighting when the geography classes get to Europe the teaching staff will be ready to meet the situation.

"In that event," said Doctor Jacobs, "teachers will be instructed to omit all references to boundaries and to confine their efforts to topography—the mountains, rivers and lakes." Special stress will be laid on the study of all immovable features of the landscape and the boundaries will be passed over with as little trouble as possible.

School book publishers are planning to meet the emergency as quickly as possible, though the plans have not yet gone far as yet. "We may print slips, but there is a disposition to wait until the war has progressed further and peace is in sight before anything is done," said the manager of a prominent publishing house.

DELEVAN'S COMET

Sky Visitor, Like Others, Said by Superstitious to Accompany the Wars.

Every war in history has had its comet, and it is to be the privilege of Paul T. Delevan to have his name attached to the comet of the present struggle. Although at the time Mr. Delevan made his discovery at La Plata Observatory, in Argentina, eight months ago there was no sign of trouble, the travelling body has become steadily brighter, and astronomers predict that it will be visible to the naked eye during the present war in Europe.

When Mr. Delevan first saw the comet, on December 17, 1913, it was 370,000 miles away from the sun and was not very clear even with the telescope. Now it is about 200,000 miles away from the sun and can be seen with opera glasses in the northeast section of the sky late at night or early in the morning. Scientists have said that the comet will be observed in telescopes for about six years. It will come nearest to the earth in October, when it will be about 117,000 miles from the orbit of the globe.

The tail of Delevan's comet is a bushy one and is about three degrees long. The new comet is not far from Capella and from Castor and Pollux. During the Franco-Prussian war the comet Tempel II was visible. Other's comet was the one which was seen at the time Napoleon suffered his downfall at Waterloo. During the Russo-Japanese war Brooks' comet was visible.

WAR GEOGRAPHY

Gumbinnen—A town in the extreme northeast of Germany, 22 miles inland from the Russian frontier and about 65 miles east of Königsberg. It has a population of some 15,000 and is located in a rich farming section. It has a number of iron foundries, machine shops and textile and tanning plants.

Markirch (French, Sainte-Marie-Aux-Mines)—A town in upper Alsace, Germany, with a population of about 15,000, where desperate fighting is reported to have taken place between the French and Germans. It commands one of the passes of the Vosges Mountains and is situated in the valley of the Leber. It is famous for its textile and dye works.

The Ardennes—A plateau region extending over the Belgian Province of Luxembourg, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and the French Department of Ardennes. The Belgian Ardennes may be said to extend from the Meuse above Dinant on the west to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and Rhenish Prussia on the east, with the northern boundary represented by a line drawn from Dinant through Marche to the German frontier, where the Marche River crosses the Belgian boundary. On the south the boundary is the French frontier and the Semois River Valley. Some of the finest forests in all Europe are to be found in this territory. The country is rolling and offers itself to military strategy. The French Ardennes at some points reach an elevation of 1000 feet.

Metz—A city of some 70,000 population, the capital of the French Province of Lorraine, on the Moselle, less than ten miles from the French frontier, at a point nearly opposite Verdun. It is 50 miles by air line distance, or 50 miles by rail, from Strasbourg. The Sells Joins the Moselle here. There are fourteen bridges spanning the Moselle. Throughout its entire history down to 1910 Metz never surrendered to an enemy, thus winning for itself the name "La Pucelle." It now ranks with Strasbourg as one of the two great fortresses of western Germany. After the French lost it in the Franco-Prussian War the Germans strengthened its fortifications to make it the principal pivot of operations against France. It is nearly surrounded by strong outlying forts.

THE WALLOONS

Fighting Race Constituting the Flower of the Belgian Army

Who are these people who stand against a German onslaught wholly unexpected is the one outstanding feature of the first week of a war already heralded as the last among those nations whose proudest boasts are civilization and Christianity?

But three weeks ago we read how German officers, with not too extreme a courtesy, sent the youthful ruler of Luxembourg about her business and took possession, with no more ceremony than if she had been a Grand Duchess of Gerolstein. Right away Belgium knew that her very existence was threatened, her autonomy at stake. And she knew, too, that on her own self she must rely to stand the brunt, since, with the best intentions in the world, neither Frenchman nor Briton could lend assistance until many days were past.

Industrial, commercial, agricultural, with more to loss of actual wealth, per capita, than any other nation in Europe; incurably bourgeois and pedestrian; neither volatile nor vainglorious; iron masters of unexcelled skill; selling their output all the world over; wedded to the land that is their very own, here surely was a population, peace-loving and patient, thrifty and frugal, that would rather eat the bread of compromise than fight. Nothing in it for them unless annihilation, anybody could figure that out—why would themselves into a passion of excitement? And, after all, was not their makeup somewhat anomalous? Might they not be considered quite as much Teuton as French, their tongue Walloon, not French, and belonging to that family from which we derive the word Welsh in its sense of foreign?

A folk given to careful deliberation and slow mental processes; dillikingly hurry and bustle; old-fashioned and odd-mannered, here surely was easy victory for the most perfect of military machines. Oddly enough, they conceived of themselves as an advance guard, these patriots who have held legions at bay as did the heroic Gailt Belgit. There in those provinces of Hainaut, Liege, Namur, in Belgium Luxembourg and French Ardennes, they have prepared a reception that will go down in history as well for the surprise of it as for the pluck.

Their literature is said to conserve the style and taste of Beranger in a day that has almost forgotten that inspired ballad singer. Certainly the fight they have put up recalls that other great Frenchman, that lieutenant of artillery who became an Emperor and who declared his steadiest troops to be the Walloons.

WAR WAS BOUND TO COME

Let me quote only two incidents out of many which show that the Austro-Serbian war was only the spark that set off the explosion which was bound to come anyhow, says a writer in the Outlook. The first illustrates the Russian attitude. When in the spring of this year the aggressive tone of the Russian press and of numerous public utterances assumed an unprecedented violence, Professor Hans Delbrück, the editor of the Preussische Jahrbücher, a periodical which might in general character and standing be compared to the Outlook, wrote to Professor Paul von Mitrassanoff, who had been a student under him in Berlin University at one time, asking what it all meant. Professor von Mitrassanoff's reply was published in June. It is a sober, scholarly statement of facts. It gives the history of the relations of the two countries and tells of the Russian will to possess Constantinople, and then says: "It has become clear to the Russian now; if things remain as they are now, the way to Constantinople leads through Berlin. Vienna is only of secondary consideration." In other parts of the letter the Germans read of "the instinctive but the more persistent antipathy of the lower classes to the Germans by the Slavs," of "deeply rooted antipathy against the German character and ways," and so forth. Professor Delbrück's comment on the letter was as impassionate and sober as was the letter commented upon. Here is his closing sentence: "If Russia takes it as its mission to rule Europe and Asia—well, then, we take it as the mission of Germany to save Europe and Asia from this rule of the Muscovites. I cannot give another answer to my esteemed friend, Professor von Mitrassanoff."

That this letter made a tremendous impression all over Germany goes without saying; it is the most important document, perhaps, in the pre-history of this war.

IMPORTED WORDS

Gaston Jolivet, an old Parisian journalist, despite the "Gente cordiale," does not take kindly to the British invasion of the language of la belle France. He is of the opinion that the only language that may be called upon to "enrich" the French in which only two vocabularies, one German, "sauerkraut," and the other Italian, "diletante," have become acclimated, is the English. Many of the new terms, among which is the word "stayer," come from the boxing ring.

"I do not," he says, "revolt against the adoption of 'wagon' and 'rail.' I even understand that 'sport' must be admitted, being shorter than 'exercice du corps,' but I do revolt against 'select' when I may say 'choix,' or of 'first rate' when I have '