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The War

No peace negotiations with Russia

Berlin states that London provides untruthful and silly information regarding the Emperor's peace negotiation with Russia. A few days ago it was reported that the Emperor via the King of Denmark had offered Russia peace. This has been officially and decisively denied by the German media. According to a telegram last Sunday the German parliament, as reported in the North German Gazette, would not refuse to listen to reasonable peace offers, but such could only come when the governments in enemy countries are willing to recognize the failures of their military actions against Germany.

Bulgaria is tempted to throw its ball (?) to the allies

At any time a crisis is expected to flare up in the Balkan area. Because of an offer from the Entente powers, Bulgaria has called home the delegate who would negotiate with Turkey in Constantinople. It is reported that the Entente governments have sent Bulgaria the following, tempting offer: "The Entente powers ask Bulgaria that they will convince Serbia to give up Macedonia. Macedonia is the bait."

The United States is trying to justify its export of military stores

The State Department officially announced last Sunday the response from our government, the rejecting of the statements made in a note from Austria, that America's export of war materials to the enemies of Austria is pursued in such scale that it does not agree with the idea of neutrality. The response will not admit that the statements are justified, and also reminds them about how Germany during the Boer War supplied England with ammunition, as the enemies of England were unable to get such. The response insists that the American government are doing this in a neutral way and keeping to a principle on which they themselves would depend if they would be pulled into the war. It has never been the tradition of our country to keep large military powers and such colossal war supplies as an invasion of a strong enemy would demand, it is stated. This is a peace political custom. If the United States was threatened by war they would be in a serious and dangerous situation if we didn't have the rights and be allowed to buy weapons and ammunition from neutral nations. This right we do not want to deny others. This is the official statement from our government.