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### **The World War**

Germany has by the end of 1915 managed to clear a road across land to their future “place in the sun.” Other than that the sea is still closed for the Emperor and the economic distress and the shortage of food has begun to be very severe. The original reason for the war, if it ever was known or understood, has through this long war and the new situations been forgotten. Behind the border to Balkan the Russians are in control while Austria plays a smaller part in Serbia under Van Mackensen. Germany is the dominating country in the Balkan area at this new years and the Emperor has captured their first war trophy from the Slavs. But the most important event during the year was most likely Bulgaria’s participation as ally of the Central Powers, because the military result of this was that the Germany got an open road from Berlin to Baghdad. England’s attempt to get through to Constantinople at Gallipoli failed and the expensive attempt ought not to be repeated. There is little hope for the Czar to get control over this city. England has not invested a lot in the Balkan area or on behalf of the hard pressed Russians, maybe because they haven’t felt that Egypt was threated. Russia is requesting more intense assistance from England in the Balkan campaign. If they don’t do this, Russia will suffer the largest losses of the war. When it comes to the western front 1915 has not had any major changes recorded.