October 21st, 1914.-The Belgian Government has sent over Monsieur de Berryer, the Minister of the Interior, to discuss the food question and the equally important money question.

I had an early morning note from the Spanish Ambassador and went around to see him.

London is filled with war spirit; not hysterics, but good determined work. The streets are full of singing recruits marching hither and yon---mostly yon. The army must be growing at a tremendous rate; in fact, faster than equipment can be provided, and they are not slow about that.

GIBSON, Hugh (Secretary of the American Legation in Brussels, 1914); *A journal from our Legation in Belgium*; New York; Doubleday, Page & Company Garden City; 1917:

http://net.lib.byu.edu/~rdh7/wwi/memoir/Legation/Gibs onTC.htm

Footnotes.

It would be interesting compare with what **Roberto J. Payró** told about the same day in his *Diario de un testigo* (*La guerra vista desde Bruselas*):

Original Spanish version:

http://www.idesetautres.be/upload/19141021%20PAYRO%20DIARIO%20DE %20UN%20TESTIGO.pdf

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French version:

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http://www.idesetautres.be/upload/19141022-

1102%20PAYRO%20EN%20HOLANDA%20FR.pdf

It would be also interesting compare with what **Paul MAX** (cousin of the bourgmestre **Adolphe MAX**) told about the same day in his **Journal de** guerre (Notes d'un Bruxellois pendant l'Occupation 1914-1918):

http://www.museedelavilledebruxelles.be/fileadmin/user_upload/publications/Fichier_PDF/Fonte/Journal_de%20guerre_de_Paul_Max_bdef_.pdf