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BRITISH MOVE SURPRISES

Changes Position on Russian Demands by Agreeing to Discussion of Possible Revision of War Aims.

By John Edwin Nevin

Washington, July 13.—(I. N. S.)—The diplomatic undercurrent, which inevitably must lead to peace, has started.

Officials here who are watching with most intense interest all developments in Europe realize this fact. They point out that this does not mean that peace will come soon or even that it is in sight. But the stage is being set in the European capitals for the new deals which will end the terrible conflict.

Administration officials decline to go on record regarding the developments. Their position is that any expression of opinion at the present time might give comfort to the enemy. In addition, pro-Germanism has fathered so many peace suggestions that have been used to demoralize business and the stock market that officials here are fearful any official expression of opinion at this time would be misunderstood.

Developments Held Important

Privately, however, officials and diplomatic circles attach great importance to the developments of the last 72 hours, in which there has been a complete "about-face" on the part of two of the biggest factors in the struggle—Germany and Great Britain. The action of the latter is regarded the most surprising, in that it seems to show a distinct change of position on the part of the British prime minister Lloyd George.

In his recent speeches the British premier has emphasized that the entente could not accept the position of Russia against indemnities and annexations. These speeches resulted in Russia refusing to send her troops to Greece. Now comes the official statement that England has changed her position and that she now is willing to "enter into a discussion looking to the possible revision of the war aims of the entente allies."

Opening Wedge for Diplomacy

There is not the slightest doubt that this action, following as it does the German crisis, which is expected to result in an announcement by the German reichstag of Germany's peace terms—terms that from the present outlook will not be dictated by the junkers—will furnish the opening wedge for the substitution of diplomacy for brute force. It is too early to hazard a guess as to the outcome, but officials here believe Great Britain will be willing, should the military party be forced into a minority in Germany, to make material concessions looking toward peace. And officials here feel certain that Germany will make her minimum proposition on a no-annexation no-indemnity basis and let it be known that even this is subject to revision if a peace conference can be called.

But even though diplomatic negotiations can be started it is very unlikely that they would reach an important stage for some time to come. The war party in the various countries still has too much influence, officials point out, and it can be expected to hamper any and all negotiations as much and as long as possible.

State Department Silent

Just what knowledge the United States has of the various developments is hard to say. The state department at present is a closed book to the people of the United States. Its movements are shrouded in utmost secrecy. Its censorship is more absolute than anything any of the European governments has ever devised and even members of congress are unable to find out what is going on. Officials have told the newspapers that they did not believe that too much emphasis should be placed upon the German internal crisis. But there has been no information made public regarding what is going on in Russia or in England.

Return of Root Awaited

When former Secretary of State Root returns from Russia it will be possible to get a line on just what is happening in the newest and largest republic. There is not the slightest doubt that the special ambassador will bring back with him the real views and wishes of the men who are making a free Russia possible. And it is entirely possible that any revision of the war aims of the entente may be deferred until he can get back here and make the Russian position plain to President Wilson, so that the latter can take them up with Great Britain.

Officials said today that the general situation was such that anything might happen, but that, so far as the United States is concerned, all that it can do is to go right ahead with its war preparations.

Cocoanut Oil Makes A Splendid Shampoo

If you want to keep your hair in good conditon, be careful what you wash it with.

Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle and is very harmful. Just plain mulsified cocoanut oil (which is pure and entirely greaseless) is much better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use for shampooing, as this can't possibly injure the hair.

Simply moisten your hair with water and rub it in. One or two teaspoonfuls will make an abundance of rich, creamy lather and cleanses the hair and scalp thoroughly. The lather rinses out easily and removes every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves it fine and silky, bright, fluffy and easy to manage.

You can get mulsified cocoanut oil at most any drug store. It is very cheap, and a few ounces is enough to last everyone in the family for months. (Adv.)

Message Was Bunk Says Nick Pat "Fell" for It Fine, Though

This is a story of the essence of hope deferred, embittered by the extract of doubt. It comes on the wings of the wind, borne by a little bird from Washington. So floateth the tale:

Coincident, almost, with the news of the death of United States Senator Harry Lane, two telegrams were received in Washington, one addressed to Congressman Nick Sinnott, the other to Congressman Pat McArthur. They both said, in substance, "I am considering your appointment as United States senator to succeed Senator Lane." Mr. Sinnott's message added: "Can you get the indorsement of Congressmen Hawley and McArthur." Mr. McArthur's message added: "Can you get the indorsement of Congressmen Sinnott and Hawley." Both bore the mystic signature of "James Withycombe, governor."

Congressman Sinnott smoothed his message out on his knee, pushed his jack rabbit sombrero back from his surprised brow and ruminatively filled the pipe he associates with. Then he gazed into the lazy haze it made, folded the message up again, and put it in his inside pocket, smiling the thoughtful smile he learned at the little red school house in The Dalles.

Beat It to See Dick

Congressman McArthur took one look at his message and hit the trail for Congressman Austin of Tennessee, one of the occasional Republicans hailing from the sunny southland, who, like most of those from that clime, is steeped and saturated in the engaging wiles of diplomacy. Pat said, pantingly, so the birdsong sings, something like this:

"Dick," (Mr. Austin's first name being Richard) "Dick looka here. I want you to see Nick Sinnott and get him to indorse me. He ain't a candidate, and he'll come through. Then, if you get him, Hawley will come in, too."

Congressman Austin, being a diplomat, went whistling on his way to see Nick. He found him smoking his pipe, and entered at once into diplomatic negotiations with him.

"What's the big idea?" asked Nick, or words to that effect. Austin whispered the news to him, confidentially.

"I'll stroll over and see Mac, personally," said Nick," which he did.

"What's the dope?" asked Nick of Pat, in substance. Pat told him.

"Is it authentic" said Nick, dubiously.

"Is it authentic" repeated Pat, his ruddy complexion wreathed in rosy smiles. "I got a telegram from the old man."

"Is it like this one?" asked Nick, reaching into his inside pocket.

"——— ***** ? ? ? ? ——— ! ! ! & & &," said Pat, going up. "He is double crossing both of us! ——— ? ? ? ——— **** & & & ! ! !" he said, coming down.

Congressman Hawley's vocabulary was strictly in keeping with the discipline of the Methodist church, but, in suppressed emotion it matched the simmering sunshine outside.

"My! my!" he said. "The governor is not considering me at all. He is ignoring me, absolutely."

Congressman Sinnott put his telegram back in his inside pocket and smiled the smile he had learned in the sheep camps of the uplands.

In due time Congressman McArthur, so the bird says, received a long letter from Governor Withycombe, explaining, diplomatically, why he could not appoint the junior congressman to Senator Lane's place. It was in answer to a long telegram which Pat had hastily penned to the governor answering his wire, and in which he had stated that he would be glad to suffer the added burden of the senatorial toga on his shoulders, the summer climate of Washington notwithstanding.

Nick Saw and Pat Fell

In it Pat had registered doubt as to his probable indorsement by Congressman Hawley, who, he said, "had the right also to aspire." When the letter appeared, the petition being circulated among the congressmen in Pat's behalf, disappeared.

Doubt still tortures the breast of the junior congressman. "I know the governor sent the telegram," the bird says he says, "because he did not deny it in his letter." and Congressman Hawley nods ruminatively as he looks up from the pension list.

Congressman Sinnott smiles the smile of the unjesting plains of Eastern Oregon. He takes his telegram out of his inside pocket and looks at the upper left hand corner, where the lettered hieroglyphics of the telegraph operator are. It says "B. S. 23."

"Bunk—23," murmurs Nick.

Enlist Now Appeal Recruiting Officers Make to Young Men

"Enlist now while you have the chance."

This is the admonition of recruiting officers of Portland to young men of the city of conscription age.

Captain Pinkston, in charge of the Marine Corps Recruiting station in the Panama building, reports that 80 men have been recruited since June 21, the beginning of the recruiting month. An average of about six recruits a day is being obtained in his office. Selected from a number of daily applicants, they represent the finest specimens of American manhood.

Since Commander Eckhardt is restricted by order to acceptance of only 25 recruits a week, the slightest physical defect is sufficient for rejection. Consequently the few lucky recruits accepted each day are of the highest type.

Colonel George S. Young of the army recruiting station in the Worcester building, obtained 17 recruits Thursday and as many more before noon today.

THREE PLANS OF FOOD CONTROL CONSIDERED BY PRESIDENT WILSON

Executive Is Expected to Submit Solution of Situation to Senate.

Washington, July 13.—(U. P.)—President Wilson sent a letter to Senator Martin, Democratic leader, today to stimulate action on the food bill.

Washington, July 13.—(I. N. S.)—President Wilson had before him today the three plans for food control now before the senate. They are:

The house bill, controlling only food and fuel, but containing "bone dry" prohibition.

The senate agricultural committee's bill, controlling food, fuel, steel, copper, lumber, cotton, wool and various other necessities, with whiskey prohibition only.

The Gore substitute, confining the controlled list to wheat and coal and containing whiskey prohibition, with authority to the president to stop beer and wine making.

The president is expected to submit to the senate a solution of the situation, which, as it now stands, it is predicted, will surely bring about the defeat of the bill. Sentiment in favor of the Gore substitute is growing because it contains a minimum of the things which have been causing the objections to the food control plan.

Senators today pointed out that agriculture department reports indicate the most abundant harvests in practically all crops except wheat. If there is going to be an abundance of all foods except wheat, they argued, there will be no real necessity for controlling any of the important commodities except wheat.

The prohibition situation faces a new complication, as a result of Senator Sheppard's declaration yesterday that he will try to force consideration of his resolution proposing an amendment to the federal constitution to make the nation entirely dry.

Vigorous bombardment of the national defense council was renewed in the senate this afternoon over the section of the food bill forbidding voluntary or paid agents of the government from buying for the government from concerns in which they are financially interested.

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Attorney Hume Is Representing Self

Makes Personal Visit to Governor Withycombe and Discusses Possible Vacancies on Circuit Court Bench.

Salem, Or., July 13.—Attorney Wilson T. Hume of Portland, for whom an active campaign is being made to get Governor Withycombe to appoint him to the circuit court bench in Multnomah county in the event of expected vacancies, made a personal visit to the governor today and discussed the matter.

The governor said resignation has not been received either from Judge Gantenbein or Judge Davis, both of whom are at the officers' training camp and for whose judicial positions various lawyers are looking with longing eyes.

The six aspirants for whom the most active campaigns are being made for appointments are: Hume, former Municipal Judge Arthur Langguth, Frank S. Grant, Conrad P. Olson, E. V. Littlefield and former Judge Stapleton. But many other names have been presented to the governor for consideration.

Californian Charmed By Scenic Highway

"Oh, what's the use?" was the comment of Ross Abdill, representative of the California Tourist association, with headquarters in New York, who is here to spread California literature, during a trip over the Columbia river highway.

"It beats anything in the world. We haven't got anything that will come up to it in California, or in the east. I tell you, it's a wonderful thing when a man can step out of his hotel into an automobile and in a few minutes be going over a highway with such wonderful scenery and with such a fine roadbed."

Canyonville Man Still Unconscious

Canyonville, Or., July 13.—Charley Wilson, who was thrown from his saddle horse Monday noon while rounding up a fat critter for a butcher at the ranch of O. H. Byers, has been unconscious since the accident, and is unable to speak or move.

WOMEN ORGANIZE TO PREPARE TO TAKE UP WORK OF MEN CALLED

Women's Association of Commerce of United States Is New Organization.

Chicago, July 13.—(U. P.) — Uncle Sam's second line of defense mobilized in Chicago Thursday. Five hundred business women from all parts of the country gathered here to organize the Women's Association of Commerce of the United States of America, designed principally to fit women for their part in the great war.

The association proposes to enroll all women of business experience and executive ability. Classified lists will be presented to the government and wherever a position of importance—commercial or governmental—shall be vacated or created by the war, a woman will be available at once.

"This initial draft affects only the younger men whose positions can be filled mostly by women of little or no special training," said Miss Florence King of Chicago, who "mothered" the idea of this convention.

"If there is a second draft—and it is almost certain there will be—men who hold the more important places will be called. Then will arise the necessity for women of special training. We intend to be ready."

Miss King, who is a special patent attorney and president of the Chicago Women's Association of Commerce, expressed confidence in woman's ability to do anything men can do, "even to taking their places on the firing line if it is necessary."

In a recent trip to Washington Miss King arranged for the introduction of a bill by Congresswoman Rankin of Montana, creating the Women's Association of Commerce of the United States of America. It will be introduced soon after the organization is perfected here.

The convention will wind up Saturday when the association will be formally organized. A pageant, illustrating woman's place in American history, will be given at the White Sox park Friday evening.

Silver Trowel for Stone

A silver trowel presented by the Loyal Order of Moose is to be used by Mayor Baker Saturday in the cornerstone laying of the new Moose building at Fourth and Taylor streets. The ceremonies are to be held at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Willys Heads Plane Firm

New York, July 13.—(U. P.)—John M. Willys of Toledo, Ohio, was elected president of the Curtiss Airplane company at the meeting of the corporation here Thursday. He succeeds John Curtiss of Buffalo, who becomes chairman of the board of directors. William A. Morgan of Buffalo was elected vice president and general manager in charge of all operations.

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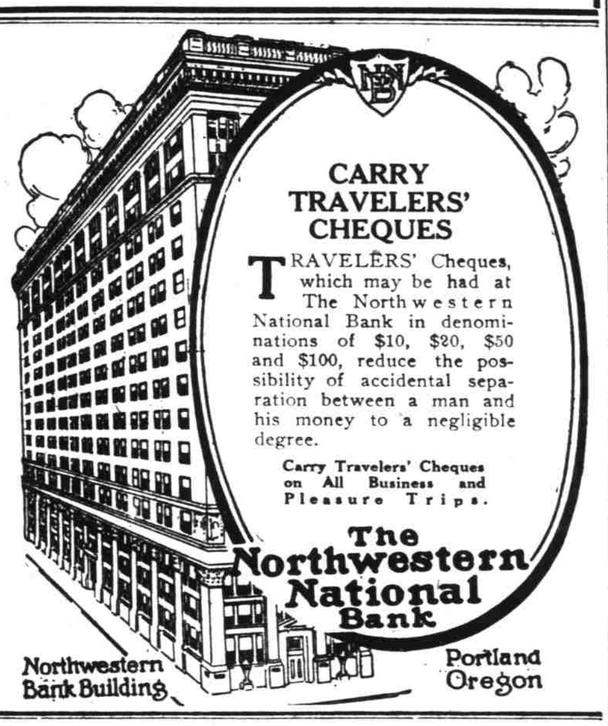

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