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SOME EXPECT WILSON NOTE BRING PEACE

MANY THINK GERMANY APPROACHING BREAK WHICH NOTE MAY HASTEN

SPIRIT OF REVOLT TO DEVELOP

Promptness of Reply in Matter so Important Surprised Many Publicists, Conjecture as to Reason

Washington, Aug. 30.—Peace this winter or the spring following, or at least two more years of war as a result of the president's reply to Pope Benedict's proposals. This is the prospect officials here believe to be ahead.

Some military men believe the president's note may bring peace. They base the thought on the belief that Germany is breaking under the strain; and the further belief that the liberals of Germany will force a reconstruction of the German government.

Discussion of President Wilson's rejection of the pope's proposals in diplomatic circles today revealed that even some of the entente governments were unprepared for the prompt fashion in which the president disposed of a matter of such tremendous importance.

It was realized, however, by the entente representatives in Washington, that President Wilson must have had some good and sufficient reason for acting so quickly. Speculation ascribes the motive to a desire to impress favorably the great Russian convention at Moscow, while that body still is in a plastic and receptive state. It also was suggested that the president might have wished to anticipate, by his remarkable state paper, obstructive action by the pacifist elements in and out of congress in the United States.

While the Germans may wage war with added desperation, because of the sweeping indictment of their methods, it is confidently believed here that the spirit of revolt will develop steadily and rapidly among the people in Germany, bringing nearer the day when they will assert themselves to the point where President Wilson may feel safe in listening to peace overtures in the conviction that they are from the German people themselves, and not from the overlords and military despots.

AMERICAN SCHOONER IS DESTROYED BY BOMB

London, Aug. 30.—The admiralty today announced the bombing of the American schooner Laura Anderson. The crew was landed safely at Portsmouth.

SWEDEN TELLS OF DISTRESSING CONDITIONS OF WORKERS IN GERMAN MUNITION FACTORY

Stockholm, Sweden, Aug. 5.—(By mail)—A Swede has just returned from six weeks work in a German munition factory at Torgnan with a most distressing tale of the condition of the workers there including some French, Belgian and Russian prisoners forced to labor in the shops.

The Swede was lured into Germany by a German named Blitzing who has been recruiting labor in Sweden and Denmark for German munition factories.

Blitzing promised the Swede ten marks a day, with only two marks deducted for board and room and railroad fare. He accepted and on the two days' trip to Torgnan, his entire food was two sandwiches.

The meals and lodgings were unbearable, the Swede said. For breakfast they had two thin slices of bread and imitation coffee. Mid-

ITALY'S ADVANCE IS STILL RAPID

In Spite of Stubborn Resistance Italians Push Forward Toward Tolmino, Make Use of Airplanes

Rome, Aug. 30.—Late dispatch—A fierce counter-attack by the Austrians in an attempt to drive the Italians from the recently conquered Malnizza plateau was completely repulsed, it was officially stated today. In today's fighting the Italians took 561 prisoners.

London, Aug. 30.—The Italians, having obtained practically a dominance of the Bainsizza plateau, have begun a vast flanking movement to the northward.

Tolmino is the immediate objective of this drive.

Front dispatches indicate that the Italians are still forging ahead with the Austrians offering desperate resistance. The main army reached the advance lines of defense surrounding the city almost before a second army, sent beyond Montecco for a coincidental drive eastward upon Tolmino, had gotten into action.

The Italians are using large numbers of airplanes, which are bombarding enemy positions. About one thousand additional prisoners and numerous machine guns have been taken by the Italians. Farther south, one the Carso, the heavy fighting of last week has given way to artillery duels and patrol encounters.

MONSTER PARADE IN GOTHAM FOR SOLDIERS

New York, Aug. 30.—This city today had a real war thrill.

Thirty thousand soldiers, comprising the twenty-seventh division marched down Fifth avenue in a great send-off parade. The police estimated the crowds at over 2,000,000 people along the streets adjoining the line of march.

The parade was over five hours in passing a given point. The principal stores, business houses, including the stock exchange, were closed while the parade was in progress.

Blaze New Yorkers state that this was the greatest patriotic demonstration the metropolis ever witnessed.

VICTORIA IS PREPARING FOR ADVENT PROHIBITION

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 30.—Victoria liquor dealers are preparing for prohibition.

Large quantities of liquor are being shipped from this city to San Francisco, the value of the first shipment alone being \$10,000. Although many are expected to lay in a large stock for private use, liquor dealers believe they will not be able to unload their large stocks by October 1, when the law goes into effect.

CLOTURE WILL BE NEEDED TO PASS TAX BILL

WEALTH CONSCRIPTIONISTS IN WAY OF PASSAGE EXCEPT BY USE OF CLOTURE RULE

ATTACKS ON MONEY SLACKERS

Taxes on War Profits Will Probably Be Increased Fifty Per Cent Over Provisions of Original Bill

Washington, Aug. 30.—Charging an attempt on the part of the administration leaders in the senate to gag the wealth conscription advocates, Senator Lafolette today refused to grant a unanimous consent to an agreement fixing a date for the senate's vote upon the war revenue bill. Senator Lafolette's stand, if unchanged, makes it practically certain that the cloture will be applied Friday, bringing a vote by the following Wednesday. In the debate today, Senator Underwood vehemently denounced all "money slackers," declaring that he had no patience with any men who hesitated in responding with his dollars to the nation's urgent need.

The senate spent most of the day debating the publishers' provisions. Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, vigorously attacked critics who have charged him with being a pro-German sympathizer and defended his attitude on war measures.

Petitions for cloture signed by 56 senators to limit debate and force early passage of the bill were presented by Senator Simmons in charge of the bill. A vote on cloture cannot be taken under the rules before Friday.

Increase of the bill's levy on war profits from \$562,000,000 to \$1,060,000,000 was proposed in amendments presented by Senator Simmons for a majority of the finance committee, designed as a compromise to prevent more radical increases.

The senate made changes in the bill which, including the almost double levy on war profits proposed by the committee, would bring its total to \$2,522,470,000.

HARD WORK TO FIX PRICE FOR WHEAT

Washington, Aug. 30.—After another long session today, the committee appointed to fix the price for the 1917 wheat crop failed to reach an agreement.

When the meeting adjourned tonight, it was announced the committee would go in session again tomorrow with the prospect of fixing a price before the day was over. To this brief announcement, Dr. H. A. Garfield, the chairman, added the statement that the committee is weighing every consideration carefully and that all questions are receiving serious study. Reports persisted tonight that a wide difference of opinion has developed as to what is a fair price.

DEATH PENALTY AGAIN IN USED IN RUSSIA

London, Aug. 30.—The Russian provisional government has partially restored the death penalty as a means of restoring order in the army, according to a Central News dispatch received today.

WIDOW OF TOM WALSH DIES AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Aug. 30.—Mrs. Thomas Walsh, widow of a former Montana Senator and one of the wealthiest men of the nation in his day, died here this morning.

NO STOPPING WAR ACTIVITY BY PEACE TALK

SECRETARY DANIELS PLEDGES CONTINUATION OF WAR MAKING TILL VICTORY

GROUND BROKE MUNITION PLANT

Navy Department Is Building War Fleet Larger Than Nation Ever Before Expected or Hoped

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 30.—Peace talk will not stay America's hand. Her sword will not be sheathed until a real victory has been won and the menace of an aggressive autocracy has been removed for all time. America is fighting for the German people themselves and the American navy will do its part. This was the message that Secretary of the Navy Daniels delivered today at the ground-breaking for an \$11,000,000 government armorplate and projectile plant. Secretary Daniels declared that the navy department was now building a fleet more powerful than the country had ever dared hope.

Washington, Aug. 30.—President Wilson today approved the navy department's estimates for new construction.

Provisions will be sought to expend \$25,000,000 of the total appropriation on construction or purchase and expansion of engine and shipbuilding plants to provide the facilities needed. The present destroyer building capacity of the country is fully engaged on contracts already given. To reach new labor centers, where the skilled men can be found to do the work quickly, it is indicated that the new engine building plants proposed will be placed in the interior of the country.

Navy designers already have worked out a standard type of destroyer on which the quantity production machinery proposed will be employed. The new standardized designs include recommendations as to equipment made by Vice-Admiral Sims and his officers, based on the actual experience of American destroyers in the North sea.

TACOMA FEELS BOOM FROM CANTONMENT CAMP

Tacoma, Aug. 30.—The American Lake cantonment is bringing increased prosperity and many men to Tacoma. The city is crowded, and all lines of business report an improvement in trade.

The Commercial Club is endeavoring to find accommodations for the families of officers who will come to American Lake. A special committee has compiled a long list of available houses, apartments and rooms, but the list, say club officials, is far too short.

PEACE MEET SHIFTED AGAIN TO WISCONSIN

Minneapolis, Aug. 30.—Louis Luehner, executive secretary of the Peoples council announced today that the meeting which had been scheduled for this city and was stopped by an order of Governor Burnett, and was later scheduled for Fargo, N. D., would be held at Hudson, Wis., next Saturday afternoon.

PEOPLES COUNCIL CANCELS NORTH DAKOTA MEETING

Fargo, N. D., Aug. 30.—The "Peoples Council" has cancelled its convention scheduled to meet here Saturday, according to the statement made today by Mayor Stern.

INSURANCE BILL MAKES PROGRESS

House Committee Favorably Reports Important Measure Which Will Substitute for Pensions

Washington, Aug. 30.—The administration's insurance bill designed as a substitute for the pension system, was favorably reported by the house committee today. The committee reduced the maximum insurance a man could take from \$10,000 to \$5,000.

The optional insurance section of the bill, around which the bitterest fight will wage, contemplates the issuance to officers and men, without distinction, of policies ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for the duration of the war only, at an estimated cost of \$8 per \$1,000 to the policyholder. Insurance companies recently are said to have declined to assume such war risks for less than \$58 per \$1,000.

TEXAS GOVERNOR IS ON IMPEACHMENT TRIAL

Austin, Texas, Aug. 30.—The trial of Governor James E. Ferguson on 21 charges contained in the bill of impeachment adopted by the house last Friday began in the senate yesterday. It is reported that several new witnesses will be called and new evidence adopted.

NEW YORK SUFFRAGEMEN CAMPAIGN PLANNED

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 30.—New York state suffragettes met here today for a two day session at which they will complete plans for a smashing campaign for suffrage in New York state at the next election, November 6.

In addition to the regular suffrage delegates, many prominent men and women whose interest in the cause will lead them to give active support to the suffrage campaign are attending.

James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany and Mayor John Purroy Mitchell of New York City are to address the convention tonight.

Governor Charles Whitman of New York, and Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City bank of New York City, are to speak tomorrow night.

STRIKE CLOSES MILL AT CHEHALIS, WASH.

Chehalis, Wash., Aug. 30.—Demanding an eight-hour day, the employees of the Palmer Lumber and Manufacturing company went on strike this morning. The mill was compelled to close down pending a settlement of the trouble.

MEN ENLISTING IN REGULAR ARMY HAVE EXCELLENT CHANCES FOR COMMISSIONS

Washington, Aug. 30.—Here's encouragement for conscriptable youths who have not been drafted yet, who have failed to get into officers reserve training camps and who still want to go to the front as officers.

Enlist in the regular army. If you show that you are officer material, you'll get your commission. A case in point:

An anxious father wrote to Washington to get the release from the regular army of his son, who ran away and enlisted about nine months before, so he could go to an officers' reserve training camp.

"Not much," came back the answer from the commander of the company in which the son was serving. "The training camps won't get this young man. I saw him first. He made good. He's now a non-

IRRIGATION IS BROUGHT NEAR BY LOCAL MOVE

GRANTS PASS IRRIGATION DISTRICT DIRECTORS TAKE MOST PROMISING ACTION

BOND ISSUE VOTE IS CALLED

Land Owners Under Proposed District Will Decide Whether Bonds Shall Be Issued for System

One of the most important steps looking toward local development, was taken yesterday when the directors of the Grants Pass Irrigation district decided to call an election upon the question of voting bonds to the amount of \$250,000, for the purpose of constructing an irrigation system. The district attorney, H. D. Norton, is preparing the notice for publication which will begin next week.

The amount voted will average \$50 an acre for all the lands in the district, including O. & C. lands, which are expected to be thrown open for entry and settlement in the near future. This sum of money, in connection with what may be obtained from the Gold Hill Irrigation district, is sufficient to put a gravity water supply over many thousands of acres in the vicinity of Grants Pass.

This action, taken at the time when the Gold Hill irrigationists are taking a similar step, is an important move in the right direction. By going a short distance above Gold Hill and taking out a water supply in a ditch high enough to serve the entire district near this city, the irrigable lands of both the Gold Hill and the Grants Pass districts, including lands on the north side of the river near this city, can be watered from one system. This means that the co-operation ability of all the several sections bordering the river for 30 miles can be brought behind one system, greatly increasing the chances of success.

A CIGARETTE FIRE—MILL COMPLETE LOSS

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 30.—A cigarette thrown into a fuel box in the boiler room of the Owen Lumber company's plant today set the mill afire. The plant was completely destroyed before the fire department succeeded in getting the flames under control.

The loss to the property over and above insurance is about \$40,000. Fifty men are thrown out of work.