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WANTS THE REICHSTAG CALLED TO CONSIDER RUSSIAN PEACE OFFER

German Socialist Would Proclaim Solidarity With Their Russian Colleagues ---Attempt Being Made to Form a Socialist Government.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 16.—The German majority socialists, not to be outdone by the radical socialists, have issued an appeal urging the greatest activity in holding meetings to proclaim solidarity with their Russian colleagues in negotiations for an immediate armistice and a speedy peace. This will be made a special note at meetings held in accordance with the resolution adopted at the party's convention at Wurzburg to demonstrate for peace without annexations and indemnities.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The independent socialist group in the German Reichstag has requested the president to convoke an immediate session of the Reichstag to discuss the peace offer of Nikolai Lenine, leader of the Russian Bolsheviks, the Amsterdam correspondent of the Central News cables.

SOCIALISTS AND THE BOLSHEVIKI COULD NOT AGREE ON THE FORMING OF A GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Nov. 16.—An attempt to negotiate for the creation of a socialist government in Russia and the postponement of a railway strike there are described in an Exchange Telegraph Company despatch from Petrograd dated Tuesday. The socialist leaders offered the Bolsheviks the following basis for an agreement: First, the disarming of the Red Guard, second, the transfer of the control of the Petrograd garrison to the municipality; third, the cessation of military operations; and in consideration of these terms, fourth, full guarantee that Kerensky's army would be the only one entering Petrograd and would not fire a single shot; fifth, the army would abstain from domiciliary searchings and arrests.

The negotiations for the armistice collapsed, because, although the Bolsheviks agreed to the terms, the socialists insisted that Bolsheviks be excluded from the proposed agreement.

KKERENSKY STANDS BY THE REVOLUTION AND GUARANTEES TO CLEAR OUT THE BOLSHEVIKI

Premier Kerensky, the despatch adds, has issued proclamations declaring his adherence to the revolution and guaranteeing the clearing out of the Bolsheviks, as well as to the transference of power to democratic organizations—the preliminary parliament and the committee for safeguarding the country and the revolution. The railway union has sent a delegation to Kerensky, proposing that he should withhold aggressive measures against the Petrograd garrison and the workmen. The Premier, it is said, replied that he would not pursue an aggressive course or apply repressive measures in the event of the socialist parties arriving at an agreement.

It is reported from Kiev, the despatch adds, that there is heavy fighting throughout that city. Airplanes are participating on both sides, and there have been numerous casualties. The armistice at Moscow expires today.

BETTER MARKET FOR Nfld. FISH

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

St. Johns, Nfld., Nov. 16.—The wider market available in the United States and Canada this year for Newfoundland herring, because of the great reduction in the importations from Scotland and Holland, has helped the industry in this colony. The winter fisheries are now in full swing off the west coast and better catches than usual are being made.

BERLIN SEES A SIGN OF PEACE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Amsterdam, Nov. 16.—The Berlin newspapers comment lengthily on the French and English crisis, precipitated by the Paris speech of Mr. Lloyd George, whose resignation most of the German papers expect. They express the opinion that his "departure" will clear the political atmosphere of Europe and pave the way for peace.

TANK ARRIVES IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Nov. 16.—The British tank has arrived in Montreal. With two armored cars it reached the city this morning. The submarine is expected later in the day. The tank will be taken to the Angus shops where it will be inspected preparatory to its trip through the streets of Montreal in the great Victory Loan parade next Monday.

WILL OPPOSE HUGHES' PLAN

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 16.—A cable from Melbourne to the Times says Premier Hughes' reinforcement scheme has been well received, the cabinet's final decision to risk its life upon the crisis having imparted the necessary dramatic note of personal sacrifice.

The anti-conscriptionists are preparing a strenuous opposition. The women's vote is the most important factor.

WILL OPPOSE BALLANTYNE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Nov. 16.—Clement Munn was re-elected at a Liberal convention for division of St. Lawrence-George at the Montreal Reform Club last night to oppose Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, the Unionist candidate in this division. H. Wolafsky, editor of the Jewish newspaper, the Eagle, announces that he had received the Liberal nomination at a previous convention, and he would not retire.

LUNCHEON WITH KING ALBERT.

Belgian Headquarters in the Field, Nov. 15.—King Albert today received a delegation of American Congressmen and former Congressmen. The entire party lunched with the King, who was celebrating the name-day of his patron saint.

THE SINN FEIN NO LONGER DANGEROUS

Strong Reaction Growing in Ireland—Catholic Church Had Repudiated Sinn Feiners.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 16.—In the House of Lords last night the Marquis of Lansdowne and others expressed apprehension over the situation in Ireland.

The Earl of Curzon, government leader, in reply, referred to the Premier's recent declaration of policy for Ireland. He contended that the declaration had been effective, that a change had come over the scene in Ireland, and that the government is pursuing the Premier's policy with firmness and without provocation. Earl Curzon denied that the Sinn Fein was a dangerous fact, but its importance should not be over-estimated. Eighty per cent. of the Sinn Feiners, he said, were opposed to armed rebellion.

The Sinn Fein, Earl Curzon added, had alienated the soberer elements of the population, and it was a good sign that the Catholic church had repudiated the Sinn Feiners.

Strong reaction was growing in Ireland against the Sinn Fein, and it would be a great mistake to provoke it and thus play into the hands of the extremists. Violent Sinn Fein speeches were a safety valve for pent-up emotions.

Mr. Duke, secretary for Ireland, the speaker continued, recently refused to call out the military on the occasion of an apprehended uprising, which fizzled out. That was a feather in Mr. Duke's cap, and a great blow to the Sinn Fein. It would be most unwise for the government to risk jeopardizing the opportunity they now had for a thorough convention and offering a solution to the Irish problem.

No New Developments.

Dr. R. H. McGrath, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health reports today that thirty-four cases of smallpox are in the province, the number in the quarantined settlement of Birch Ridge, Victoria county, being estimated only. Vaccination in Fredericton and other districts where it was ordered is being carried out. Vaccination is to be carried on until December 1st after which date the inspector will make a house-to-house visit and ask for certificates of vaccination.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. P. Hodges of Montreal, is at the Barker House.
Hon. E. A. Smith of Shediac, arrived in the city yesterday.
Hon. P. J. Veniot of Bathurst, is at the Queen.
Mr. Fred Mabey of St. John, is in the city.

FRENCH TROOPS BEAT OFF A GERMAN ATTACK

Unsuccessful Attempt of the Huns to Capture Post Near Veldehoek--Artillery Battle Raging Near Passchendaele.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, Nov. 16.—A German attack in Belgium was repulsed last night by the French, the War Office announces. The statement follows: "In Belgium the Germans attempted to capture one of our points of support north of Veldhoek. The attack was repulsed completely, and appreciable losses were inflicted on the enemy. The night was calm on the remainder of the front except on the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front), where heavy artillery firing continues. German aviators bombarded the region south of Nancy but there were no victims."

Violent Artillery Fighting.

LONDON, Nov. 16 (via Reuter's Ottawa agency).—Telegraphing from British headquarters in France, Reuter's correspondent last night says:

"An extremely violent artillery battle rages in the Passchendaele area. The enemy has been shelling for the past two days with his utmost intensity upon advanced lines of the Canadians, but if the Germans have been shelling heavily, our shelling has been heavier. Wounded soldiers speak of our artillery work with the greatest admiration and say that whenever they have been threatened in an infantry attack our barrage has settled down like a curtain, so sweeping that no infantry could live. Moreover, under the volume of our counter battery work the German gun positions are growing more and more difficult to maintain. It is doubtful if a more fierce and more continuous artillery duel has ever been seen on this front."

Americans Holding Their Own.

With the American Army in France.—There have been further encounters between American patrols and Germans in No MaMn's Land. Last night there were a number of attacks, but the night was dark and showery and the firing was mostly at a distance. There were no casualties.

Teutons Invading Italy Likely to be Flooded Out

**COL. H. F. McLEOD
WAS NOMINATED
THIS AFTERNOON**

Declares Himself Union Candidate and Follower of Hon. F. B. Carvell—Drops Partisanship.

The Liberal-Conservative convention held at the County Court House this afternoon nominated Col. H. F. McLeod as candidate supporting the Union government of Sir Robert Borden, in York-Sunbury. Mr. J. D. Palmer was in the chair.

A resolution supporting the Union government was passed on the motion of Dr. W. C. Crockett of Fredericton, seconded by Mr. Hubbard of Burton. Mr. W. S. Tompkins of Fredericton, spoke to the resolution.

Nominations then were called for and Col. McLeod was placed in nomination by Mr. S. B. Hunter, M.P.P., seconded by Warden Murray Patterson of Lincoln.

Col. McLeod then was called to the platform and declared himself a Union candidate, following Hon. F. B. Carvell in this province and that he had dropped the strong partisanship which he formerly had had.

Early in the convention Mr. Stephen B. Taylor of Sheffield, nominated Mr. L. B. Smith who was Conservative candidate in Sunbury-Queens and was defeated by Col. H. H. McLean in the last election. He had no seconder.

MADE IT WARM FOR SEVIGNEY

Montreal, Nov. 16th.—Hon. Albert Seigny, Minister of Inland Revenue, addressed the win-the-war association of Westmount last night, but he had considerable difficulty in doing so as he was interrupted at frequent and lengthy intervals by a crowd which had arrived early with the intention of making trouble. There were some ejections from the hall during the time the Minister was speaking.

Italian Engineers Have Opened the Flood Gates of the River Piava and Sile--- District Invaded by the Enemy is Now Under Water.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Nov. 15.—The flood gates of the Piave and Sile, or old Piave, rivers have been opened by Italian military engineers, and the enemy is now faced with another Yser inundation.

The flood was loosed at the point where the enemy succeeded in crossing the Piave, near Grisolera, four miles from the coast, and the whole region where he gained lodgement is now under water. The inundated territory forms a huge triangle about twelve miles on each side, with the apex at Donna Di Piave. The enemy had been driven back, but still held on within this triangle until the dykes from both rivers released the water over the low-lying plain.

The chief menace at that point was that the enemy might be able to approach Venice through the lagoon or bombard the city from his position between the rivers. The inundation interposes a barrier of water twelve miles across and several feet deep. Reports which have reached headquarters from other points on the front also are favorable.

SEVEN-EIGHTHS OF THE POPULATION OF THE ANCIENT ITALIAN CITY HAVE DEPARTED

VENICE, Nov. 16.—Venice is now almost empty, the population having been reduced from the usual 160,000 to 20,000. Despite the proximity of the enemy lines at the mouth of the Piave river, and the unsuccessful efforts the Austro-Germans have made to take the long triangle between the mouths of the Piave and Sile rivers, the remnant of the population is calm.

The city may not be defended in case of an attack, in order to spare the buildings and art trophies. The mayor of Venice, who is a descendant of the Doges and a chamberlain of the Queen of Italy, announced today that he would remain at his home. The outward appearance of the city is very desolate.

THE POPE HAS ASKED THE CENTRAL POWERS TO OBSERVE THE RULES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

ROME, Nov. 16.—Pope Benedict has asked the governments of the Central Empires to instruct their military authorities operating west of the Isonzo to follow the rules of international law in respecting the lives and property of civilians and in the protection of women and children, the clergy, hospitals, churches, bishops' palaces and presbyteries. The Pontiff has also ordered the Papal nuncio at Munich and Vienna, if necessary, to appeal personally and directly to Emperor William and Emperor Charles to obtain the fulfilment of his wishes.

WOULD SAVE ART TREASURES.

GENEVA, Nov. 15.—The Emperor and Empress of Austria-Hungary are appealed to by the Journal de Geneve to save Italian art treasures in Venice which appeal is being circulated among art lovers in Switzerland for signatures before forwarding to Venice. The appeal describes the treasures as the common patrimony of civilized humanity. Damage to them, it says, would cause profound sadness to the whole world and bring unanimous reprobation.

BOLO PASHA STILL DENIES

Paris, Nov. 16. — Captain Bouchardon, the examining magistrate yesterday interrogated Bolo Pasha on documents that had been sent to France from the United States dealing with Bolo Pasha's alleged connection with German intrigue. Bolo Pasha persisted in his usual line of defense, denying the evidence of the documents and declaring that he was a victim of German machinations which intended to ruin him.

SOUSAS' BAND AIDS CAMPAIGN

Detroit, Nov. 16th.—Canada received help from the United States yesterday, when, to assist the Canadians in the Victory loan campaign, the United States navy band of Great Lakes, Illinois, headed by Lieutenant John Philip Sousa, crossed to Windsor Ontario, and marched through the streets. The sailors were given an enthusiastic reception and were joined by Canadian troops carrying American flags.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

New York, Nov. 16. — Trading was extremely dull and narrow at the opening of today's stock market, changes in the better known issues being limited to small fractions, mostly upwards. The war group soon developed firmer tendencies, Marine pfd., Central Leather and Texas Company gaining a point each. Steels and kindred equipments were less active, and Rails showed irregularity. A block of 270,000 of Liberty share sold at 99, the three and a half changing hands at 99.74 to 98.60.

SUB MENACE NOT YET PAST

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 16.—In reply to a question in the House of Commons today, Sir Eric Geddes, the First Lord of the Admiralty, said: "The good return of tonnage sinkings by enemy submarines last week, and indeed the comparatively favorable result of the last two months, must not be taken as indicating that the submarine menace is a thing of the past."