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ENGLISH AND AMERICAN PRESS COMMENT ON POPE'S PEACE PROPOSALS

London Daily News Thinks That the Pope's Appeal Was Inspired by the Austrian Government---Straight Talk From the New York Herald.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Some of the morning papers refrain from commenting on the Pope's peace proposals, while those who discuss them editorially base their genesis to Austria and either reject them absolutely or indicate the belief that the text when received will show them to be unacceptable.

The Daily News, which, although a firm supporter of the Allies' aims, has a decided pacifist leaning, says that whatever the reasons which hitherto restrained the Pope from coming forward as an official champion of peace, the long delay has materially impaired the advantages the Vatican originally possessed for disinterested intervention.

NOT POSSIBLE TO EXTINGUISH THE WORLD

CONFLAGRATION BY TIMID INTRIGUES

"It is not our business to pass judgment upon a policy which exhausted itself in impotent sighs over the iniquities perpetrated in Belgium, and imagine it possible to extinguish the world conflagration by a succession of timid intrigues. The fact is—whether it is reasonable to blame Benedict and his advisers therefor is another matter—considerations of temporal and secular interest having so long stayed in his hands, it is impossible to accept the Pope's intervention now as dictated purely by the desire which animates all good and all sincerely religious men to end a horror which is destroying Europe. The Pope's proposals must be examined on their merits as strictly as if made by Chancellor Michaelis, President Wilson or Lloyd George."

HOPEFUL THAT THE POPE MAY INDUCE THE

BELLIGERENTS TO NAME THEIR CONDITIONS

The Daily News thinks it fairly clear that the Pope's appeal was really inspired by Austria, but maintains that if His Holiness can really persuade the belligerents to state their conditions in concrete terms, he will confer a very great if belated blessing on mankind, and if he can further persuade Germany to declare its willingness to restore the independence of Belgium, Serbia and Roumania and withdraw from other invaded territories, the door of peace will be opened and a blank refusal by the Allies to negotiate on such a basis would be almost unthinkable. The Daily Mail does not comment editorially, but in an introduction in its news columns says the Pope's proposals are impossible and that the scheme is really Austro-German.

HUNS CAN HAVE PEACE WHEN HIDEOUS BLIGHT OF PRUSSIAN MILITARISM IS DESTROYED

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Commenting editorially on the Pope's peace suggestion, the Herald says the Pontiff speaks a word that the German government has not yet been able to bring itself to speak—"restoration." This is a beginning, it says, but unless it is taken in its broadest and most comprehensive sense, restoration is not enough. For Belgium, for France, for Serbia, there must not only be restoration of territory and of complete and unquestioned sovereignty over the land restored to their peoples, but there must also be a full and complete restoration for damage done. There can be no peace that does not take responsibility into fullest account, that does not contain in itself the right sort of guarantee against a repetition of the crime. When the hideous blight of Prussianism is destroyed forever, the German people can have peace; not before. Any peace proposal that does not contemplate unconditional surrender by Germany contemplates a peace not worth thinking about.

MAY SPRING AN ELECTION

London, Aug. 15.—The political correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that if the labor conference adheres to its resolution to send delegates to the Stockholm conference the Premier will instantly advise a general election.

Rev. S. A. Baker in City.
Rev. S. A. Baker, formerly pastor of the Reformed Baptist Church in this city and now located in Moncton, was in Fredericton recently, accompanied by Mrs. Baker. They went on to Moncton with Miss Luella Brown, being on their way home from the Riverside Camp Meeting in Maine. While in the city they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barr.

IRISH POLICE MAKE A RAID

Dublin, Aug. 15.—Police and soldiers early today raided the premises of the Irish National Volunteers, commanded by Col. Moore. They seized 100 rifles and 1,300 rounds of blank cartridges. No arrests were made.

Receiving Instructions.
Judges in the Field Crop Competition conducted by the Provincial Department of Agriculture are in Fredericton receiving instructions concerning their duties and the manner in which they should be carried out. Mr. S. J. Moore of Truro is here aiding in the instruction which is being given at the Dominion Experimental Station.

DEMONSTRATION IN CANNING

Large Attendance Yesterday in Drill Hall of Normal Sch.—Canning Bulletins Distributed.

That the women of Fredericton are keenly interested in the modern methods of preserving the perishable crops, was evidenced at the demonstration given yesterday afternoon in the drill hall of the Normal School under the auspices of the local Women's Institute. Mrs. John Harvey, the president, was in the chair and introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Miss Della Saunders. Miss Saunders is a very efficient demonstrator and her work in preparing plums, tomatoes and beans for the hot water bath was carefully followed. The finished products looked most palatable. The canning bulletins which the Women's Institute Division of the Agricultural Department recently had printed, were distributed and lead pencils were kept busy taking down "extra" recipes on the memorandum sheets provided by the Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Limited, St. John. This refinery also provided helpful cookery booklets, leaflets on canning and preserving, and sheets of gummed labels marked "raspberries," "strawberries," "plums," etc., which every housekeeper is sure to find useful.

\$5,000 REWARD IS OFFERED

Ottawa, Aug. 14.—A reward of \$5,000 has been offered by the government for information leading to the arrest of the men who dynamited Lord Atholstan's house at Cartierville last week.

THE PEACE PROPOSALS WERE IN POPE'S OWN HANDWRITING

His Holiness Consulted With Papal Secretary of State Before Making Them Public--Comment of Italian Press.

ROME, Aug. 15.—The peace proposals of Pope Benedict were written entirely in his own handwriting. The Pope consulted Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, Archbishop Geretti, Assistant Papal Secretary of State, and Mgr. Tedeschi, Papal Under Secretary of State, in formulating the document. Archbishop Geretti, who arrived recently from America, where he stopped on his journey from Australia, is now supervising translation of the communication into English.

AN IMPERIAL APPEAL.

The Giornal D'Italia says the Papal appeal is the most impressive and the most concrete ever addressed to the belligerents, giving them the general lines on which peace negotiations may be initiated. It adds: "The explicit terms in which the note is worded leans to the supposition that the intentions of the two belligerent groups are in absolute conflict with the ideas and hopes of the Pope."

The Tribuna expresses the opinion that the peace proposals were made on independent initiative and that the Entente powers will not feel in any way constrained to accept them, though they will receive them with the deference due the senders.

The Idea Nazionale says it will abstain for the present from expressing an opinion as to the opportuneness of the Papal initiative.

WAS OPPOSED TO FURTHER WORK ON VALLEY RAILWAY DURING WAR

ST. JOHN, Aug. 15.—The announcement that he was unalterably opposed to the construction of the northern section of the Valley Railway while the war was in progress and that he resigned when the other directors decided to proceed with the work, was made by Mr. W. S. Fisher at the session of the Valley Railway inquiry last evening. Mr. Fisher was a member of the board of directors at the time, and when the proposal was made he protested to Premier Clarke against undertaking such a work when construction costs were so high, and adding further to the debt of the province at a time when the resources of the country were being strained for war purposes. He had made his objections known to the other members of the board also.

When the meeting at which it was decided to grant the new contract for the northern section was held, Mr. Fisher was out of the city and was unable to attend. When he learned what had taken place, he promptly wrote a vigorous protest to President Sumner and did not attend any more meetings. As his communication was not accepted as a resignation, he later sent in a more formal resignation, which was accepted.

Mr. Fisher was unable to throw any more light on the sudden resignation of President Todd at the meeting when the first tenders were before the board. Regarding the decision to call for tenders on a unit basis and to take no action on the tenders on a mileage basis, Mr. Fisher said that the change was made largely on the advice of Mr. Gutellus, general manager of the I. C. R.

British Attack German Positions on a Wide Front

GRAIN CROP IN ONTARIO LOOKS GOOD

Toronto, Aug. 15.—Most of the Ontario fall wheat has been cut and housed, says the weekly report of the provincial department of agriculture, but some is yet in the shock. In yield per acre it will be about an average crop, although the returns per acre vary greatly, even in the same localities. Spring wheat will be above its average in yield and length of the straw. Rye has a similar record to that of fall wheat. Barley never showed to better advantage, taking quantity and quality of both grain and straw into consideration.

A fair portion of the crop already has been harvested. Oat fields, as a rule, have been a revelation of growth.

RUSSIAN TROOPS FIRED UPON

Helsingfors, Aug. 15.—Unknown persons fired on Russian troops. An exchange of shooting followed, during which several Finns were killed and wounded.

No Action Locally.

As far as is known no general steps have been taken yet in Fredericton to serve no beef or bacon on Tuesdays and Fridays in hotels and restaurants. Despatches from Ottawa state that the regulations are in force now and that infractions next week will be followed by prosecution. It is not known by whom the law is to be enforced in each locality.

Sir Douglas Haig Reports That the Enemy First Line Trenches Were Carried at all Points---French Troops Also on the Offensive.

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's forces attacked the German positions along a wide front early this morning from Lens to the northeast of Loos. The official statement says the British are making satisfactory progress. General Haig reports that the British have carried the German first line at all points of the front attack.

PARIS, Aug. 15.—The French attacked in Belgium last night and made a considerable advance in the region of the Dixmude road, the War Office announces. The Germans directed a heavy artillery fire against the French first lines on the Aisne front between Hurtebise and Craonne. On the Verdun front the French repulsed German attacks.

THE CANADIANS CAPTURE HILL 70, AN ENEMY

STRONGHOLD WHICH DOMINATES CITY OF LENS

British Front in France and Belgium, Aug. 15.—Hill 70, the famous German stronghold northwest of the French mining city of Lens, which dominates the city and the Loos salient, was captured this morning by the Canadian forces. The British also pushed their lines in the northern environs of Lens, in a semi-circle around the eastern side of Hill 70. The British attack was made on a 6,000 yard front which had an extreme depth of 1,500 yards. Beginning at a point just above Higo wood, the new British position now runs southeast and beyond Hill 70 towards Lens. The line then bends southwest and encircles the suburbs of St. Laurent and St. Emilie.

AMERICAN TROOPS REVIEWED BY KING GEORGE

AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE BEFORE LARGE CROWDS

LONDON, Aug. 15.—American troops marched through London today. They were reviewed by King George at Buckingham Palace. Great crowds lined the streets, which were decorated profusely with British and American flags. Enthusiasm was shown everywhere. The troops were escorted by Guard bands. As the Americans passed the Horse Guards parade to Whitehall, they were greeted from the windows of the War Office by Premier Lloyd George, Foreign Secretary Balfour, Chancellor Bonar Law, War Secretary Derby, Winston Spencer Churchill, Minister of Munitions, Mr. Barnes, member of the War Council, Admiral Jellicoe and other high officials, as well as by French and Belgian officers.

The evening newspapers say that for a parallel to the scenes witnessed today in the neighborhood of Trafalgar Square, it would probably be necessary to recall the time of the South African war and the return home of the troops.

FORMER EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF RUSSIA AGAIN TRANSFERRED

PETROGRAD, Aug. 15.—Former Emperor Nicholas and his family are being transferred to another point. They were removed in an ordinary train instead of in the gorgeous imperial train on which Nicholas was brought to the palace. The former Emperor appeared to be very much depressed. The former Empress/Alexandria seemed to be pleased at the prospect of a change. The provisional government today formally refused to reveal the destination of the former imperial family. N. V. Nekrasoff, vice-premier, said that the removal of Nicholas was decided on after a series of secret sessions of the council of ministers late last month. The motives of the ministers, he said, are political and military. It was decided to get Nicholas out of the way before circumstances arose making it more difficult. When the former Emperor reaches his destination the facts will be announced.

WILL CONTROL WHEAT SUPPLY

Washington, Aug. 15.—With the approval of President Wilson, the food administration today announced the formation of a corporation to take over control of the country's grain supply. Executive officers have been named.

BAND CONCERT IN WEST END.

The Fredericton Brass Band will play its weekly concert tonight at the West End Bandstand. The announced programme is as follows:
O Canada—Lavallee.
March—Our Country First—Brockton.
Overture—Tancredi—Rossini.
Waltz—Casino Tanze—Gungl.
March—The Wallabies—Alford.
Reverie—When Shadows Fall.
Waltz—Millicent—Doring.
March—The Regiment—Missud.
God Save the King.
G. H. Offen, Bandmaster.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET TODAY

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Interest in the wheat trade today centred almost entirely on guesses as to what price the government would set for transactions under the new conditions when before the end of the current month business in futures will be abolished. Dealings today were insignificant, mostly at \$2.05, an average of 1 cent compared with yesterday's finish.

Fell and Broke Arm.
Mrs. Sarah Barker, of Devon, had the misfortune recently to break an arm as the result of a fall from a chair in which she was sitting. Mrs. Barker is the mother of Ald. Judson Barker of this city and of Constable Charles Barker of Devon.

School Tax Notices.
Secretaries of school boards in need of tax notices can obtain the same at the Mail Office at the low rate of 70 cents per hundred. Mail orders will receive prompt attention.