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## WASHINGTON HEARS THAT RUSSIA MAY MAKE SEPARATE PEACE

### The Petrograd Government Still Has Serious Problems to Grapple With--- Maximatists Who Now Dominate Favor Separate Peace With Germany.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—A despatch to the Chicago Tribune from its Washington correspondent and printed in the New York Tribune, says:

While officials were sounding today the praises of Kerensky for proclaiming a republican form of government at Petrograd, there reached Washington the most disheartening intelligence since the United States became a belligerent.

Russia, according to an official report, is not unlikely to conclude a separate peace with Germany and quit the war, selling to Germany all military supplies as well as foodstuffs and raw materials. The Petrograd government, though it has triumphed over the Korniloff insurrection, is now in the throes of an even mightier struggle, the outcome of which will be of vital consequence, not only to republican Russia, but to the United States and the Allies.

The Maximalists have triumphed over the constitutional democrats and the conservative element of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Deputies in several tests of power in the past few days, and now seem to dominate the entire government. These triumphant radicals are either pacifists or pro-German, and have long been advocating a separate peace with Germany.

### RUSSIAN OFFICIAL STATEMENT TELLS OF SOME PROGRESS MADE ON THE RIGA FRONT

PETROGRAD, Sept. 18.—Russian forces on the Riga front continue to make progress in their drive against the Germans. On Sunday the Russians occupied a German position southwest of Hapsal and also forced the Teutons out of Sadzen farm, to the south of Sisseral. The statement follows:

"In the direction of Riga fighting between advanced posts continues, our advance elements offering resistance everywhere and at certain points making progress. We have occupied the farm of Sadzen, south of the town of Sisseral, and have also taken the cemetery southwest of Hapsal, on the north bank of the river Aa. West of Sabelki, in the direction of Lina, one of our parties successfully raided enemy trenches. On the rest of this front there were artillery firing and scouting operations. On the Roumanian and Caucasian fronts there is nothing special to report."

### KORNILOFF CLOSELY GUARDED.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 18.—Twenty-three generals and other officers arrested on Friday with General Korniloff, leader of the revolution against the provisional government, are being closely guarded. Korniloff is imprisoned in a hotel at Mohilev, where he is writing a statement which is expected to be finished today.

### TO VISIT HEADQUARTERS.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 18.—Premier Kerensky, accompanied by General Verkhovsky, minister of war, and Admiral Verdovsky, minister of marine, left Petrograd last night for the Russian general army headquarters in the field.

## WAR TIME FRANCHISE BILL GIVEN SECOND READING IN THE SENATE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

OTTAWA, Sept. 18.—The War Time Elections Act received its second reading in the Senate last night after one day's discussion. Senator Bostock's amendment, objecting to the disfranchisement clauses of the bill, as well as to the proposal to confine the woman's vote to relatives of soldiers only, was defeated on a division of thirty to twenty-five. Second reading was then adopted on the same division. In committee, Senator Ross of Nova Scotia moved an amendment providing that in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick the provincial lists shall not be made the basis of the Dominion lists, but that entirely new lists shall be compiled by the enumerators, subject to judicial revision. Exception was taken to this proposal on the score that it was a piece of politics, and Sir James Lougheed consented to defer consideration of the amendment until the next sitting of the Senate.

## FOOD CONTROL PLEDGE CARDS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Toronto, Sept. 18.—Twelve hundred women, organized by the women's auxiliary to the organization of resources committee, are on the streets of Toronto today with the food controllers' pledge cards, one of which should hang in the window of every house in the city.

## A. R. CONKLING ALLEGED SUICIDE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, Sept. 18.—The dead body of Alfred R. Conkling, lawyer, geologist and author, was found in the courtyard of his East 70th street home early today. He either fell or jumped from the fourth floor during the night. The police reported his death as suicide. Mr. Conkling was 67 years old.

## TWENTY YEARS OF MARRIED LIFE

Happy and Unique Celebration  
at the Home of Mr. and  
Mrs. C. K. Palmer.

Several friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Palmer in a pleasing manner celebrated the 20th wedding anniversary at their home in Charlotte street last evening.

Mrs. Palmer was called out early in the evening to meet friends at the depot, and on her way home was accidentally met by other friends. As they neared the home the strains of the wedding march were wafted through the parlors and, much to the amusement of the assembled guests, a wedding scene was enacted, whereby the Rev. Hiram Queerpoint in his usual affable manner united in marriage a buxom, rosy cheeked damsel, Miss Annabel Hanselpecker, to the dapper little dudelet, Mr. William Vantassel Dewsnaags. The bride was arrayed in a delightful oriental costume with numerous jewels and embroidered drapings. A picture hat of crimson beauties and white lilacs greatly enhanced her youthful beauty and she carried a shower bouquet of rowan berries and cabbage leaves with delicate streamers of carrots and parsnips, caught up with a wide ribbon of sheer fabric fast becoming too expensive for those in moderate circumstances. The groom was attired in the conventional garb of Colonial gentry. The entire setting was so quaintly ludicrous that the guests were convulsed with laughter.

After the ceremony a sumptuous luncheon was served followed by music, readings and rare bits of the art of dancing.

Mrs. Palmer was the recipient of several pieces of Limoges china and all voted the evening to be the most enjoyable of the season.

### In Casualty List.

The name of W. V. Kennedy of Minot, N.B., who is serving in the Canadian Engineers, appears in today's casualty list as wounded.

## EMMINENTLY SATISFACTORY PROGRESS BEING MADE

### New Span of the Quebec Bridge Being Slowly Hoisted Into Position--Spectators Given a Thrill---Span up 52 Feet.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—The unlucky thirteenth link of the chains lifting the centre span of the Quebec bridge was successfully negotiated during the course of this morning's work. The bad luck credited to the number was dignified by notice and officially guaranteed against by bridge engineers, who refused to label this particular link number 13, but 13A instead.

Progress that the engineers styled as "eminently satisfactory" was made made with the elevation of the span throughout this morning, and by one o'clock this afternoon practically one-third of the distance to the floor of the bridge had been covered, and the link was going steadily on its way. At one o'clock thirty-two of the 76 hoists had been negotiated.

### THE IDEAL WEATHER CONTINUES.

QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—Lifting operations in connection with the placing of the central span of the Quebec bridge in its final position, linking up the two cantilever arms, were recommenced this morning. Yesterday's successful operations and the continuance of the ideal weather for the work gave the engineers hope that the end of today would see the span within fifty-eight feet of the floor of the bridge. They expected to elevate the span sixty-eight feet.

Yesterday a raise of twenty-eight feet was made. Owing to a late start, the highest tide was missed, and the span has 152 feet to travel, two feet more than expected. The early hoists this morning showed that the engineers were able to make better time than yesterday. The average time taken yesterday to lift each one of the chains holding the span was 18 minutes. The men took fifteen minutes for the first link taken up in the morning. Up to ten o'clock this morning two more hoists of the span had been made, lifting it four feet more. All is proceeding nicely. At 10.30 the span has been raised 36 feet.

## SWEDE FOUND DEAD IN THE WEST HAD APPOINTMENT FROM HIS KING

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

PORT TOWNSHND, Wash., Sept. 17.—Found dead beside a little cabin built upon a float near the Hoods Canal, Just Rosen, a Swede, 60 years old, was yesterday brought here, and the body is now in the morgue awaiting an inquiry. Carefully guarded in a pocketbook of the dead man was found a cablegram dated at Stockholm, Sweden, December 23, 1914, and this is supposed to be signed by Koenig Gustaf, King of Sweden. The message was received by Rosen at St. Paul, Minn., and translated it reads:

"This information is private. I inform you that Sweden is going to war with Germany. With your knowledge of naval matters and of the best manner of conducting our naval end, we appoint you admiral of our entire Sweden fleet. You come at once."  
(Signed) KOENIG GUSTAF."

## Entente Airmen Reported To Have Killed Many Huns

## EDISON HAS IMPORTANT INVENTION

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, Sept. 18.—Despatches from Washington to the New York Tribune say:

Thomas A. Edison has contrived a mechanism to deflect torpedoes from their course, it was said here today. According to report, the device has been tried with success on several destroyers, and has been installed on some liners.

It is believed here that the extraordinary gyrations of a torpedo which missed yesterday at an Atlantic port were due, not as the passengers and some of the crew seem to believe, to some new wrinkle developed in a German laboratory, but to the genius of Mr. Edison.

## BEARS ACTIVE IN STOCK MARKET

New York, Sept. 16.—Attempts by bears to uncover weak spots and bring about a renewal of general liquidation were responsible for a sharp break in prices. A number of shares sold at the lowest on the current downward movement. Evidence of an oversold liquidation subsequently caused coverings, which pushed up prices 1 to 3 points from the lowest. Steel rallied from 104 to 105½. The bond market was easier.

### The Convalescent Home.

Contractors Scott and Forbes have made a good start in the convalescent home at Old Government House. Three wooden buildings are to be erected, two of which will be used as wards and the third for a kitchen and dining room. Two of the buildings will be 210x40 feet. It is proposed to provide accommodations for 450 beds.

## Dropped Bombs on Belgian Town of Roulers With Disastrous Results--- Report That Germany Will Abandon All Claim to Belgium.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.—In connection with a report published in the Tages Zeitung, that Germany had agreed to abandon all claims to Belgium, the Koelnische Volks Zeitung says: "We too have received similar information, from which it may be considered that at last a decision about Belgium has been reached in accordance with English views."

Mathias Erzberger, clerical centre member of the Reichstag, speaking at Biberach on Sunday, said: "The foundation of peace must be no conquest of any kind. We are advancing with long strides toward such a peace, peace built upon the basis of the Reichstag's peace session."

German newspapers point out, says the correspondent at Amsterdam of the Exchange Telegraph Company, that after the resignation of Dr. Von Sandt, the civil governor of Belgium, his assistant, Dr. Von Lutz, also resigned. No successors yet have been appointed. The resignations are said by the German newspapers to be in conjunction with Germany's plans regarding the future of Belgium.

### MANY GERMANS KILLED.

AMMSTERDAM, Sept. 18.—In the recent raid by Entente Allied airmen on the Belgian town of Roulers, says the Courier de la Meuse, a newspaper of Maastricht, Holland, a bomb fell on a building near the market and killed or wounded nine hundred Germans.

### ARTILLERY IS ACTIVE.

PARIS, Sept. 18.—The official communication issued by the War Office last night said that on the right bank of the Meuse both artilleries were quite active, particularly in the region north of Hill 344 and the Caurieres wood. The French repulsed an enemy surprise attack in the sector of the Rhone-Rhine canal.

### BRITISH OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

LONDON, Sept. 18.—Field Marshal Haig today, reporting military operations last night on the battlefield in France and Belgium, says: "Patrol encounters in the Ypres sector, in which we secured a few prisoners, took place last night. There was nothing of special interest to report."

## HUNS DENY THAT REPLY TO POPE'S PEACE NOTE HAS BEEN SENT OUT

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

BERLIN, via London, Sept. 18.—The German Foreign Office, in a statement given to the Associated Press today, denies stories appearing in Danish and other foreign newspapers to the effect that the German government has indirectly communicated its peace terms to Washington, or that Wilhelmstrasse even had sent out trial balloons for the purpose of sounding sentiment in the United States. The Foreign Office further stated that the rumors were promptly discredited on the strength of the peace terms ascribed to Germany, and further by the fact that there was no occasion for Germany to address the Washington government in this respect. The assertion made by Mathias Erzberger, the clerical leader in the Reichstag, that Germany's note in reply to Pope Benedict's peace proposal was already on its way to Rome, also was denied in official quarters. The Centre leader informed his electors to this effect in the course of two meetings which he addressed on Sunday.

## CALGARY MAN TO ACT FOR N. S.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Calgary, Alta., Sept. 18.—E. Hart Nicholas, a Calgary barrister, has been requested by the Department of Justice to report at Ottawa for duty under the Military Service Act. Mr. Nicholas will be registrar for the province of Nova Scotia.

### Home From Ottawa.

Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture, has been on a trip to Ottawa and Guelph in the interests of his department and returned to the city at noon today. Secretary Reek who accompanied him will return later in the week. The Minister is negotiating with a poultry expert in Ontario for the position of poultry superintendent for New Brunswick.

### Death at Oromocto.

Mrs. Ellen T. McCaffrey died at her home in Oromocto this morning aged 72 years. Heart disease was the cause of her death. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. James Rowan of Oromocto. The funeral will take place on Thursday at ten o'clock with high mass of requiem at St. Vincent de Paul church.

## COSTA RICA OUT WITH HUNS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

San Jose, Costa Rica, Sept. 18.—Diplomatic relations between Costa Rica and Germany are considered severed as the result of steps taken by the government yesterday.

General Tinoco, the president, declares the German residents here had joined with some of the followers of former President Gonzales in conspiring against the government. Three of the most prominent Germans here, Kumpel, Altschu and Orlich, have been arrested. All Germans residing in Costa Rican ports have been ordered interned. President Tinoco has called congress in special session and will lay the matter before it.

### JAPS COMING TO AMERICA.

Commission of Business Men to Study War Time Finance.

Tokio, Sept. 18.—Japan will send to the United States next month an official commission composed of financiers and business men, who will study war time finance and promote business and economic relations between Japan and America. Baron Tanetaro Megata will head the commission.