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## Comment of British Press On the President's Message

**The Daily News Says It is Consistent On Every Point With the Entente Countries---The Times Differs From Some of the President's Views.**

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Jan. 10.—It would have been difficult to have framed a more moving or more sympathetic appeal to the best interests at work, whether among the Russian revolutionaries or the non-militarist elements in the Central Empires, but their answer will depend partly on to what extent this applies to them, says the Daily Chronicle in discussing President Wilson's message. The paper mentions the fact that the speech of Premier Lloyd George was printed in the German newspapers with the phrases in which he disowned harsh intentions toward the German nation completely omitted, while the Bolshevik opinion has been expressed similarly against Premier Lloyd George. It adds: "It would be a tragedy if President Wilson's intense and transparently sincere sympathy encountered the same obstacle in Petrograd."

### THE LONDON CHRONICLE THINKS THERE IS ROOM FOR DIFFERENCE OF OPINION ON ONE POINT

The Chronicle thinks that the one point in President Wilson's message on which British opinion will show disagreement will be that concerning the freedom of the sea. It recognizes the qualifications attached to the President's statement, but finds it difficult to see why as long as any wars remain, naval action should be tabooed, while corresponding military action is not.

The Daily News regards the President's address as consistent in every point with the statement of the Entente countries, including that of the Russian delegates at Brest-Litovsk, and says that the Allies have now stated their aims so plainly that neither the enemy nor friendly neutrals can mistake them.

The Daily News sees nothing objectionable with the reference to the freedom of the seas, and says that the phrase, which has been invested with "wholly imaginary terrors," would become meaningless with establishment of a league of nations.

### THE TIMES THINKS THAT THE PRESIDENT MAY NOT ACTUALLY APPRECIATE POSITION OF RUSSIA

The Times introduces its comment on the message with a summarized account of the sinking of the hospital ship Rewa, and asks: "Is any peace thinkable with the authors and supporters of a system by which such crimes are continually sanctioned as legitimate acts of war?"

The Times mentions freedom of the seas, the prohibition of private international misunderstandings, and implies that such a league of nations as he speaks of is necessarily precedent to the establishment of such aims.

In regard to Russia, the Times endorses the President's wishes and hopes, but doubts that he entirely appreciates the actual conditions there. It does not altogether agree with his views on the state of parties in Germany, "but while mistakes on such points may have undesirable effects on opinion both in enemy countries and among the allied democracies—where many are only too ready to believe that a satisfactory peace is imminent—the general character of the President's address is unmistakable. It is a frank and simple announcement of the realization of an unmistakable victory by the Allies."

## FOUR CHILDREN PERISH IN DISASTROUS FIRE AT THE CAPITAL

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—Four little children are dead as the result of a fire which swept the east wing of the Water Street Catholic General Hospital this morning. They were the victims of the dense volume of smoke which poured into the children's public ward, located on the fourth floor, and were found dead by the firemen. The dead are: Rene Caron, aged two and a half years, of Maniwaki, Que.; Baby Marie Therese Morin, aged two years, of Ottawa; Sadie A. Braham, aged four years, Ottawa, and Baby Thinel, aged three years, of Ottawa. One other death due to shock is that of Mrs. Lacroix, who died in a house opposite the hospital, to which she had been removed from the burning building. The other inmates were rescued by firemen. There were in all 163 patients in the hospital, and of this number 21 were children.

## HAVANA NOW A BREADLESS CITY

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Havana, Jan. 10.—Beginning tomorrow, Havana will be a breadless city. The last of the available supply of flour has been divided among the hospitals and by order of the defence board no wheat bread is to be sold. This condition must continue, it is stated, until the United States food administration permits the exportation of flour to this city.

## OFFER TO PAY INDMUNITY

Madrid, Jan. 10.—The German government has offered to pay to the family of Enrique Granados, the Spanish composer, 666,000 puestas as indemnity for the loss of his father, who with his wife lost his life in the sinking of the British cross channel steamer Sussex in March, 1916.

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## ALLIES ARE CONFIDENT OF RESULT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 10.—"It is always unwise to predict the result of an unknown point," Sir F. E. Smith, British Attorney General, said in an address here last night referring to the massing of Germany's legions on the western front, "but the Allies are awaiting the attack with supreme confidence. Three and one-half years of war have taught the French and British soldiers that, man for man, they can whip the Germans anywhere. The superiority of the German as a fighting unit is an exploded myth. The psychological effect of this knowledge on the Allies is far greater than that of calculated terrorism."

## PRISON TERM FOR A MURDERESS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

St. Johnsbury, Vt., Jan. 10.—Etta May Hicks, one of the women charged with the murder of the child Alice Bradshaw on July 5, 1917, was sentenced today from seven to twenty years' imprisonment. She pleaded guilty of manslaughter, changing her previous plea of not guilty under the murder indictment.

Both her counsel and the state attorney told the court that the woman was of low mentality.

Mrs. Sarah I. Kenerson, who was indicted with Miss Hicks, is now serving a life sentence, having been convicted at her trial last September of murder in the second degree.

## WANT EXEMPTION FOR TEACHERS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Jan. 10.—The Catholic school board last night decided to appeal to Ottawa against the taking of teachers as draftees, as the board believes the educational system will suffer serious deterioration if its teachers are drafted into the army because it is impossible to secure efficient substitutes. So far two Catholic teachers have lost their appeals for exemption, and it is feared more will follow.

One of the members of the board is an appeal judge under the Military Service Act, Judge Lafontaine, and he favored the position taken last night as right.

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## RECOMMENDS EXHAUSTIVE INQUIRY

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Halifax, Jan. 10.—A committee appointed by Premier Murray to report upon the situation here and recommend a policy to be started for the relief of Halifax and reparation for property losses, has reported and recommends in part as follows:

1. Complete and exhaustive inquiry into by competent authority the causes of the disaster.

2. That a commission of not less than three nor more than five members be appointed by the federal government, with wide powers, authorized to furnish temporary relief; support those incapacitated; maintain dependents, compensate for injury to property or person and loss of life; reconstruct devastated areas; and rehabilitate all persons who have so suffered in health or property as to render such assistance necessary.

Mr. McGillivray, president of the Halifax Board of Trade, is now in Ottawa consulting with members of the cabinet concerning Halifax relief and restitution, and at yesterday's board of trade council meeting it was decided to await his return before taking any steps in connection with the proposal to issue forms to the individual property damage caused by the explosion.

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## POLICEMEN DISSATISFIED

Halifax, Jan. 9.—A number of city police force members have threatened to resign because of low wages. One policeman yesterday tendered his resignation and others say that they will follow suit. The matter will be discussed at tomorrow's board of control meeting. Patrol men receive only \$750 to \$850 a year. High wages in other occupations in the city and the scarcity of labor here, together with the cost of living, have caused the dissatisfaction among the force.

## RUSSIA AND BULGARIA HAVE SIGNED PEACE AGREEMENT

**This is the Report That Comes By Way of Switzerland---Bulgaria Thought to Have Accepted Russian Proposals.**

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

BERNE, Switzerland, Jan. 10.—A separate peace agreement has been signed by Russia and Bulgaria, the Bund reports. Bulgaria took part with Germany, Austria and Turkey in the first negotiations at Brest-Litovsk, and it has been assumed that no peace terms would be agreed to by the Central Powers except in concert. However, advices yesterday giving the names of those who took part in the first session of the Brest-Litovsk conferences when they were resumed this week made no mention of a Bulgarian representative. King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is credited with opposing the formula of peace without annexations or indemnities, declaring Bulgaria should retain the territory she had won. This would not interfere with a peace between Russia and Bulgaria, however, inasmuch as the territory Bulgaria desires consists of parts of Serbia and Roumania. Premier Radoslavoff was quoted in a Sofia despatch last month to the effect that Bulgaria had accepted the Russian proposal providing for ending the war, restoring commercial treaties in effect before the war and settling the Danube question.

## ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO EMBROIL U. S. AND MEXICO IN WARFARE

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—Disclosures of alleged attempts to embroil the United States and Mexico in warfare in an effort to prevent exportation from this country of arms and ammunition to the Allied powers, and of a plan to "plant" bombs in a Hindu temple in California in order to sway public opinion against the British government, came out today at the trial in the Federal court here of the thirty-one persons charged with fomenting revolution against British rule in India. George W. Harbe, who said he was an operative of the Department of Justice, testified that he had gained the confidence of several of the defendants in 1916 and had been told of various plans by which the "Ghadri" (revolutionary) party hoped to further its object of weakening the British military forces.

## BOLSHEVIKI REJECTS PEACE PROPOSALS OF TURKISH GOVERNMENT

**Free Passage of the Dardanelles Was One of the Inducements Offered--Peace Delegates Likely to Resume Negotiations in a Neutral City.**

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

PETROGRAD, Jan. 10.—Separate peace proposals made by Turkey, it is reported have been refused by the Bolshevik government. Turkey was requested to participate in the general conference between Russia and the Central Powers.

A despatch received in London last Saturday from Petrograd purported to give the Turkish peace terms as presented to Russia, but the despatch did not state that Turkey's proposals had been made independent of the other Central Powers. Among the terms proposed by Turkey were free passage of the Dardanelles for Russian ships, Russian evacuation of Turkish territory and demobilization of the Russian Black Sea fleet. Turkey was to retain her active army in consequence of war against the Entente.

### THE QUESTION OF SELECTING A NEUTRAL CITY FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS WAS CONSIDERED

LONDON, Jan. 10.—At the first sitting of the resumed negotiations at Brest-Litovsk on Tuesday, says a despatch sent out by the official Russian news agency, the discussion between the Russian delegates and those of the Central Powers centred on the selection of a city in some neutral country in which to continue the deliberations. There is every probability, it is added, of a satisfactory arrangement being reached.

The Bolshevik government, a Reuter's despatch from Petrograd says, has issued a decree suspending all payments of dividends by private companies. The government also has forbidden transactions in stocks, pending the issuance of ordinary trading to the further nationalization of production and determining the amount of interest payable by private concerns.

### CHANCELLOR VON HERTLING MAKES ANOTHER ANNOUNCEMENT OF GERMAN PEACE TERMS

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The German Chancellor, Von Hertling, has announced the following German peace terms, according to a Zurich despatch printed in the Matin today, quoting the Berlin Zeitung as its authority:

1. Establishment of an international tribunal for future arbitration between nations and to provide for disarmament.
2. Return of Germany's colonies.
3. The political integrity of Turkey to be respected.
4. Belgium to be restored on a basis of constitutional autonomy.
5. The occupied departments of northern France to be given the right of self-determination on the question of restoration.

## MR. ROWELL'S MESSAGE TO LLOYD GEORGE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—In reply to the New Year's message of congratulation from the Prime Minister of Great Britain, Hon. N. W. Rowell, acting premier, has sent the following cable on behalf of the Dominion government: "The government and people of Canada have received with much satisfaction your New Year's message, and cordially reciprocate the feelings of good will and confidence which animate the Imperial government at this time. With you and your colonies they share the thought that despite many disappointments the ultimate decision of this great war is not in doubt and that the principle of freedom and justice for which Great Britain and her Allies are contending will eventually triumph. They rejoice to feel that Canada has been privileged to play her part in the struggle for democracy against autocracy and in upholding the hands of the mother country in this world-wide conflict, and they renew their solemn and unalterable resolve to continue with unabated vigor and resolution to aid in the overthrow of the military autocracy, which seeks to crush the liberties of Europe and of the world. They share your hope that this task may be achieved before this present year is passed."

Letter from Sherbrooke.

The Fredericton Board of Trade recently received a letter signed "Business Man" which was sent from Sherbrooke, Que., with the evident intention of making ill feeling against Ontario merchants and manufacturers. As the letter was anonymous it was deposited in the waste basket.

## A RESOLUTION IN DEFENCE OF FRENCH RACE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Jan. 10.—In a lengthy preamble in which it is stated that a portion of the population of Canada "has been bent upon the task of vilifying the French Canadian race, of holding it up to insult, to slander and opprobrium, of despoiling it of its most sacred rights and most valued prerogative and attacking the honor of the race and its keener feelings," also of having, during the recent general elections, shown "implacable hatred against the province of Quebec and its people of French origin," a notice of motion by Ald. Lariviere, at a meeting of the city council this afternoon concludes as follows:

"Be it resolved that this council feels these slanders all the more keenly because it knows that, on every occasion, it treated with justice and fairness the English minority in Montreal, to such an extent, in fact, that our liberality reached a point which, in certain quarters, was misjudged and this council has reason to rely upon its fellow citizens speaking the English language to spurn, resent and repel this vile calumny upon our city and our province, and to proclaim the fact that their French Canadian fellow citizens have been most unfairly judged; that for its part the city council of Montreal protests most strenuously against all these unjustifiable insults and avails itself of this occasion to affirm most energetically that the French Canadian people have never stood in the way of the peace and progress of the Dominion."

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