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MONDAY NOV. 8th TO BE PEACE DAY(Continued from page 1)
neutral conference, which would work towards a settlement without waiting to be officially asked by the belligerents.**Why the Belligerents Cannot Act**

It is useless to wait till one belligerent side asks for mediation, because however sick both sides may be of the war, they are too proud to accept mediation as commonly understood. None of the governments can afford as yet to go before its people with a virtual confession of defeat, such as would be implied in its official acceptance of mediation. The censored press in each of the belligerent countries leads each people to believe that victory is certain. Imagine, then, the popular outcry against any government that suddenly announced that it had told Uncle Sam or any other neutral that it was ready for a settlement.

It is clear, then, that the first steps looking toward an approach to a settlement must come from some neutral agency. Every day's delay means loss, irreparable loss, not only to the belligerents but to the whole world. This method provides the machinery for taking the first step toward a settlement. It is for the neutrals to put it into motion.

Why Mediation Should Come From a Number of Neutrals Acting Jointly

The necessity of mediation by a group of governments, instead of by an individual government, is that, on the one hand, the group acting jointly would give confidence to the belligerents of both sides, and, on the other hand, would help to safeguard the neutrality of the individual government co-operating.

This is necessary because the sensitiveness of the belligerents might lead them to suppose that some of the neutrals might lean to one side and some to the other, so that the co-operation of a group would assure the belligerents of the disinterestedness of all the parties.

Possible Method of Calling the Conference

In order to make a start in forming such a conference some neutral state must issue the invitation to other neutral states to the conference. Certain European neutrals have already intimated a readiness to help and a wish to co-operate when effective action should be taken. Moreover, the governments of the Netherlands and of Sweden are seriously considering the question of taking the initiative. Our information leads to the belief that the conference could be more efficiently and quickly got together if one of the European neutrals were to convene a conference of the governments of Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, Spain and the United States of America.

The United States would probably find it difficult, if it took the initiative, to discriminate between the European neutrals and the South American Republics, with which it has so many close ties. The United States, however, would not be in the same difficult position in accepting the invitation of one of the European neutrals to join in a conference with the European neutrals.

Were these European neutrals informed, officially or unofficially, that the United States would accept such an invitation it would be possible to set up the conference in the near future. These smaller European neutrals would in this way be given the support which would make it possible for them to act.

Nature of the Conference

A confusion exists in the minds of

some people as to the type of conference proposed. Some have thought of it as a body like the Hague conference, where the members voiced the opinions of their governments and in some sense committed their governments, while some have proposed a conference of neutral nations whose business it would be to promote the interests of the neutral nations taking part.

It must be emphasized that it is essential to the success of the proposed conference that its work should be restricted to the effort to settle the dispute between the warring peoples.

Members of the Conference and Their Powers

The type of persons appointed should be of broad international outlook. They should not, once appointed, require to refer back to their governments, but should act on their own responsibility as do the judges of the Hague Court of Arbitration, who are appointed by their governments, but who, once appointed, act on their own responsibility.

The work of the conference, however, would be different from that of the Hague Court of Arbitration which deals only with justiciable questions. The proposed conference would more resemble an International Court of Conciliation and its work would be analogous to that of a Board of Con-

ciliation mediating between employers and employees.

Special Information

Those with special information regarding the problems involved, whether from neutral or belligerent countries, would be willing to give to such a conference of neutral governments.

Basic of a Lasting Peace

By this method of continuous mediation, in which the proposals would be initiated by an impartial body, we can hope to see established the peace based on the principles of freedom and justice for which all the belligerents in their official statements, whether to the public or to private individuals, declare themselves to be fighting.

These declarations on their part of a desire for a peace based on freedom and justice give to the neutral conference the opportunity to draft its proposals on the basis acknowledged by the belligerents to be fundamental.

Why Not Fight to a Finish?

Those who advocate the postponement of any action toward the application of these principles till the end of the war fail to realize that the terms of peace are being decided now in the secret bayous being made between one or the other belligerent side and the neutrals who are being urged to enter the conflict.

To suggest the postponing of action till after a problematical decisive victory, whether on one side or the other, is to go back to the exploded idea that peace must be dictated by the victor to the defeated.

Every citizen and organization is urged to send the following message (night telegram or letter) to the president on November 8:

Hon. Woodrow Wilson,
President of the United States,
Washington, D. C.

Citizens of (home city) respectfully urge you to co-operate with other neutral governments in calling conference of neutral nations, which would constitute a voluntary court of continuous mediation, invite suggestions for settlement from warring nations, and in any case submit simultaneously to all of them reasonable proposals as basis for peace.

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On the other hand, in sailing westward the sun is overtaken a little each day, and so each day is rather longer than twenty-four hours, and clocks and watches are found to be too fast. This also will amount in sailing around the world to the point of departure to one whole day by which the reckoning has fallen in arrears. The eastern bound ship, then, has gained a day, and the western bound ship has lost one.

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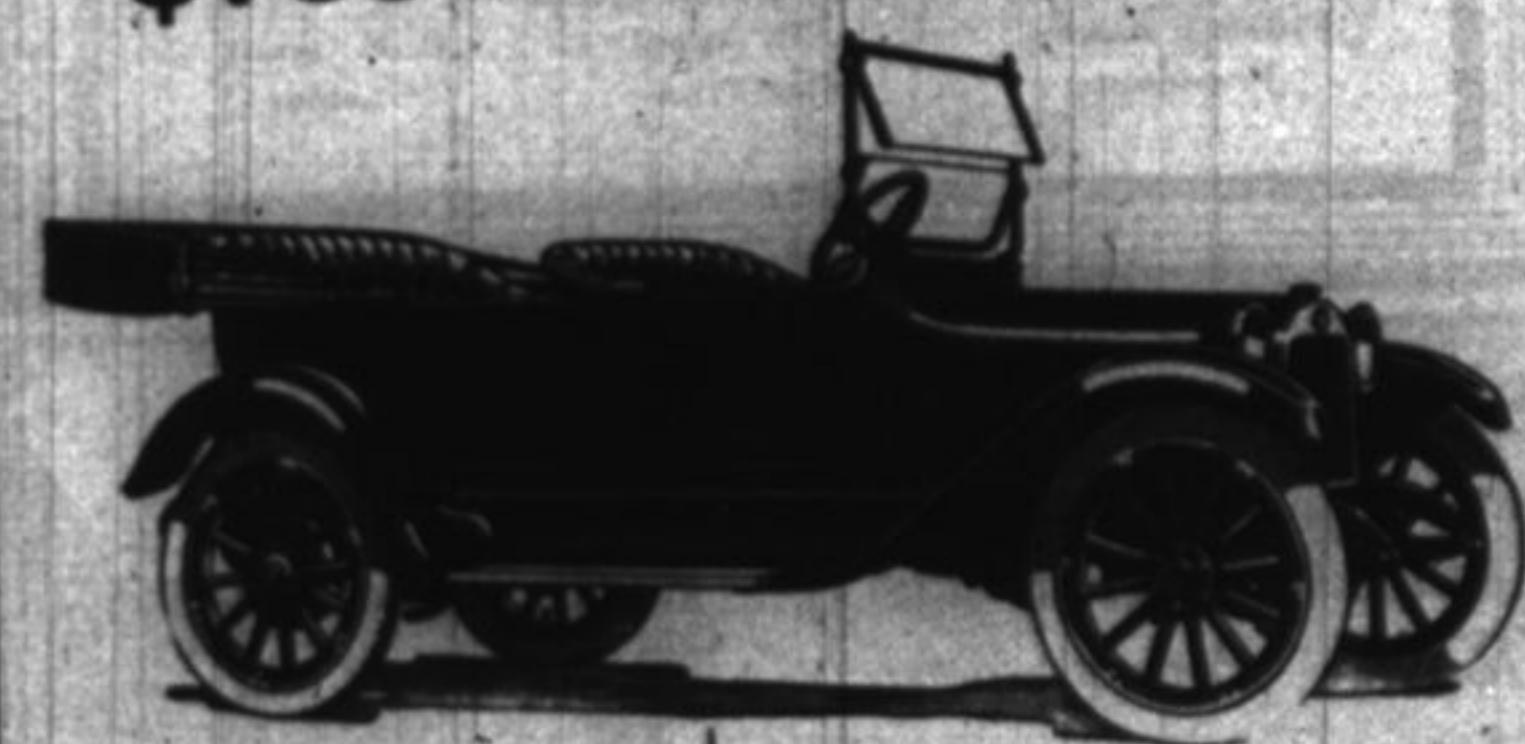
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