

ROOT WELCOMED TO PETROGRAD

Duma Resolution Urges an Immediate Offensive

MUST WAR FOR LIBERTY

"War Inevitable," Replies Tereshtenko for Russia - Revolutionary Delegates Denounce Austrian Peace Proposals

Ring words, expressing the attitude of the Russian Government toward America and the American Mission, headed by Elihu Root, were voiced Saturday night in Petrograd by Mr. Tereshtenko, Minister of Foreign Affairs, responding for the Council of Ministers to Mr. Root's address of sympathy and good-will on the part of the American Government. He said in part: "The Russian people consider war inevitable and will continue it. The Russians have no imperialistic wishes. We know that you have none. We shall fight together to secure liberty, freedom and happiness for all the world."

Mr. Root said in part: "One fearful danger threatens the liberty of both nations. The armed forces of a military autocracy are at the gates of Russia and the allies. The triumph of German arms will mean the death of liberty in Russia. No enemy is at the gates of America, but America has come to realize that the triumph of German arms means the death of liberty in the world; that we who love liberty and would keep it must fight for it, and fight for it now when the free democracies of the world may be strong in union, and not delay until they may be beaten down separately in succession. So, America sends another message to Russia—that we are going to fight, and have already begun to fight, for your freedom equally with our own, and we ask you to fight for our freedom equally with yours. We would make your cause ours and our cause yours, and with a common purpose and mutual helpfulness of a firm alliance, make sure of victory over our common foe."

The Duma in secret session has passed a resolution for an immediate offensive by the Russian troops. The resolution declares a separate peace with Germany or prolonged inactivity on the battlefield to be ignominious treason toward Russia's allies, for which future generations never would pardon on the Russia of the present day. "The Duma therefore considers," the resolution adds, "that the safety of Russia and the maintenance of the liberties which have been obtained lie in close co-operation with Russia's allies."

A stirring proclamation placing the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates on record as irrevocably opposed to a separate peace was adopted on Sunday by the council. The proclamation was prompted by Austrian efforts to lure Russia into a separate peace and exhorts Russians to rally around the banner of revolution and increase the energy of the military power for the defence of freedom.

ZEPPELIN DESTROYED

Caught in Act of Bombing Defenseless English Townspeople

Two persons were killed and sixteen injured in an early morning air raid Sunday. One Zeppelin was attacked by a British airman, the big airship, a mass of flames, falling to earth. Another Zeppelin dropped six bombs on a coast town in Kent, killing two persons, injuring sixteen and damaging many houses. A despatch from an east coast town says that thousands of persons witnessed the destruction of the Zeppelin. The official report is in part as follows: "The second raider attacked the east coast town of West Anglia at about 2.30 a.m. She was heavily shelled by guns of the anti-aircraft defence and driven off. It is probable she was damaged by gunfire. Shortly afterwards, this raider, after dropping a number of bombs in open places, was engaged and brought down in flames by a pilot of the Royal Flying Corps. The airship was destroyed. There were no casualties or damages in West Anglia."

Two Minutes for Victory

It took the British just two minutes to capture three-quarters of a mile of trenches on Infantry Hill, east of Monchy le Preux, Thursday morning. The time for "going over the top" was set for 7.25, and at 7.27 rockets signalled the fact all along the line attacked that the objectives had been taken. The British stole out of their trenches without a single shot of artillery preparation, rushed across No Man's Land, surprised the German garrison at breakfast and took three officers and 175 prisoners without the slightest effort.

Daylight Saving for Canada

Canada is to have "daylight saving." Sir George Foster introduced a Government bill "to provide for the time in Canada being in advance of the solar mean time during the summer months." He explained that it meant turning the clocks on one hour, and would come into effect upon proclamation by the Government, which would be this summer.

New P.E.I. Premier

Hon. J. H. Matheson, Premier of Prince Edward Island, has been appointed Chief Justice of the Province, succeeding Chief Justice Sullivan, retired, and Hon. A. E. Arsenault will be Premier.

CANADA'S PART IN FLANDERS TRIUMPHS

Swift Railway Builders a Big Factor in Artillery Fire—Ypres Sacrifices Not in Vain

A despatch from Canadian headquarters in France on Saturday said: "The Canadians played a worthy part in the great events occurring on the Belgian front, where in the early stages of the war, the men from the Dominion made history that will never be forgotten. They contested every foot of the St. Eloi area, with the utmost tenacity and valor, but by the superior German artillery on Messines-Wytschaete ridge all their efforts were made fruitless, and thousands of Canadians died in opposing a further German advance. Their sacrifices were not made in vain. The ridge and a daily increasing part of the plain of Flanders beyond are again in the possession of the Belgian people."

Lay Rails Under Fire In driving out the invaders the Canadians have done notable work in the engineering, roadbuilding, and railway construction departments. Some of the mines which have so utterly changed the outline of the ridge were completed before the Canadians left for the Somme last fall. For months thousands of Canadians, commanded and officered by former railway contractors and engineers, have been adding to the mileage of the light railways in the Ypres salient. Yesterday on the Belgian front, I watched a Northern Ontario battalion pushing forward a light railway to a town on the new British front. The work of grading and track-laying was proceeding under fire from heavy artillery. Casualties were inevitable, but the men work with a will.

Handled Quarter of Wounded The Canadian surgeons and nurses in the Canadian casualty clearing station in the salient were as effective in caring for the wounded from the battlefields of Messines as the railway builders were in providing facilities for feeding the guns. Over one-fourth of all the wounded were cleared from the Canadian stations. All those weary, wounded soldiers who are awaiting the hospital trains will have their thoughts brightened by looking out on the flowers, garden plots and lawns of the Canadian clearing station.

IRISH PRISONERS FREED

Britain's Amnesty to All "Dublin Rebels" Announced and Welcomed

In the House of Commons last Friday Mr. Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced the Government's decision to release Irish political prisoners. He said that the Government had long and anxiously considered the position of these prisoners. "In the circumstances the Government," he said, "have decided that they cannot give a better earnest of the spirit in which they approach the convention than by removing one of the main causes of the serious misunderstanding with which it is in their power to deal. They have decided, therefore, upon the release of all the prisoners now in confinement in connection with the recent rebellion in Ireland. They have satisfied themselves that public security will not be endangered by such an act of grace, and, secondly, that in none of the cases concerned was participation in the rebellion accompanied by individual acts which would render such a display of clemency impossible. "In recommending his Majesty to grant a general amnesty to the persons in question, the Government are inspired by the sanguine hope that their action will be welcomed in a spirit of magnanimity, and that the convention will enter upon its arduous undertaking under circumstances that will constitute a good augury for reconciliation, which is the desire of all parties in every part of the United Kingdom and the Empire."

Mr. Devlin expressed the gratitude of the Nationalists for the Government's action, which representatives of the Liberal and Labor party cordially approved. In Dublin, news of the Government's decision to release the Irish prisoners without distinction, which was published before the official announcement was made in London, created the greatest enthusiasm. So general an amnesty was not expected.

Britain Differs on China

Note in Reply to President Wilson's Request to Powers

Great Britain despatched to the United States a reply to a note addressed to the allied powers inviting them to associate themselves with the United States on the principles of the recent American note to China, which expressed regret at China's internal political differences and a hope that internal peace would soon be restored. The British answer expresses sympathy with the principles enunciated, but adds that Great Britain naturally must view the situation from a slightly different standpoint than the United States and that she may not be able to do all that the President suggests.

U-Boats Not Yet Checked

There has been no diminution in the submarine activity, said Captain Charles Bathurst, Parliamentary Secretary to the Food Control Department, speaking at Cheltenham Sunday. It was not unlikely, he added, that the June sinkings might be heavier than those in May. There must be an increased production of food and decreased consumption, and, above all, careful conservation.

Cost of Living Higher

The cost of living in Canada is still rising, the average workman's weekly budget for May being \$11.82, as compared with \$10.37 in April, according to official statistics issued from Ottawa.

All male British subjects between the ages of 18 and 45 years now in the United States are to be compelled to join the British colors, it was known Saturday.

GREEK MENACE GONE KAISER VERY ANGRY

Former King Constantine in Exile—Quiet Restored, Blockade Relieved at Athens—Entente Reassures

An Athens despatch on Monday said: "Former King Constantine, who abdicated the Greek throne last Tuesday, has now left Greece territory. Both the government and the high commissioner representing the allies are taking every measure to avoid disorder. More allied troops were landed at Piraeus to-day. The food situation is improving. A despatch says Constantine arrived at Messina, Sicily, Sunday morning and was expected to leave immediately for Switzerland. The former king and his party, consisting of Queen Sophia, the crown prince, other members of the royal family and several Greek dignitaries, arrived on the Greek transport Spakheria, which was escorted by Italian, French and British torpedo boat destroyers and two small Greek transports."

"Our Common Enemies"

A telegram from Berlin says Emperor William has addressed the following to former King Constantine: "I have heard with wrath of the infamous outrage committed by our common enemies upon you and your dynasty. The mailed fist of Germany, with further aid from Almighty God, will restore you to your throne, of which no man by right can rob you. We hope to welcome you in Germany at the earliest opportunity. A thousand cordial greetings from 'Your William.'"

Jonnart's Message

M. Jonnart, the high commissioner representing France, Great Britain and Russia, who recently brought about the abdication of King Constantine, published at Athens on Saturday a proclamation, addressed to the Hellenes, in part as follows: "France, Great Britain and Russia desired the independence, greatness and prosperity of Greece. They intend to defend the brave little land they have liberated against the united efforts of the Turks, Bulgarians and Germans. They are here to check-mate the manoeuvres of hereditary enemies of the kingdom. Yesterday Berlin was in command of Athens, and was gradually leading the people under the yoke of the Bulgarians and Germans. The protecting powers, therefore, demanded the abdication of the king. They have no intention of tampering with the constitutional prerogatives; they have other aims, namely, to assure the regular and constitutional progress of the country."

"Hellenes! The hour of reconciliation has arrived. Your destinies are closely associated with those of the protecting powers. To-day the blockade is raised. Any reprisal against Greeks, to whatever party they belong, will be pitilessly repressed. No breach of confidence will be tolerated. Liberty, the liberty and prosperity of everyone, will be safeguarded. Long live Greece, united and free!"

GAINS FROM MESSINES

Haig's Unrelenting Pressure Netted Steady Advance in Flanders

The British forces on Friday delivered an attack upon and captured further portions of the Hindenburg line northwest of Bullecourt, despite the resistance of the Germans, who suffered heavy losses, according to the official communication. The British advance in this region is the first determined one made there since the end of the sanguinary fighting which resulted in the capture of the town of Bullecourt by the British, and is in the direction of Hendecourt-lez-Cagnicourt. The Germans resisted the British stubbornly, but finally yielded, after suffering heavy casualties.

In Flanders the British struck another blow Thursday night on the front near Messines, the War Office announced earlier. They gained all their objectives, advancing south and east of Messines and astride the Ypres-Comines Canal, extending their gains there in the direction of Comines, and in the region of Messines, toward Warneton, on the Franco-Belgian border. One hundred and fifty prisoners and a number of machine guns were taken.

London comment on Saturday was: Since June 7 the British, as a result of these attacks and constant pressure, have succeeded in occupying the German first line trenches from the river Lys to the River Warnave, and have advanced their line on a seven-mile front from 500 to 1,000 yards. Berlin officially admits a withdrawal of the German front line between Ypres and Armentieres east of Messines as announced by Field Marshal Haig Thursday. The campaign in Belgium gives signs of developing into one of the most important of the war. The Germans apparently are unable to resist the pressure being constantly applied to them, and are being forced back at a comparatively rapid rate.

British Airmen Shot Well

"A squadron of British airplanes bombed the airdrome at St. Denis Westrem (Belgium) this morning," says an official statement issued last Friday. "A large number of bombs were dropped on objectives. Very good shooting appears to have been made. Many direct hits were observed, from which dense columns of smoke arose. All our machines returned safely."

Sevigny Makes Sensation

Hon. Albert Sevigny, Minister of Inland Revenue, created a sensation last Friday in the House of Commons by stating that he had given a Quebec editor a job in his department in order to stop his paper, Le Franc Parleur. He followed with sweeping charges against the loyalty of Liberal leaders in Quebec.

Rhondda: Food Dictator

Baron Rhondda, President of the Local Government Board, it was announced in the House of Commons last Friday, has been appointed food controller. Baron Rhondda, who was David A. Thomas, the British coal king, succeeds Viscount Devonport, resigned.

FLESHERTON

Mr. Donald Baxter, a resident of Artemesia for many years, died on Thursday last at his home near Ceylon, in his 53rd year. Death was due to an affection of the heart which the best medical treatment and nursing failed to relieve. The deceased, who was unmarried, was a highly respected man. In politics he was a Liberal, and in religion a Presbyterian. The funeral took place to Priceville cemetery on Saturday, Rev. J. A. Matheson conducting the service.

After a short illness with paralysis, Mrs. Cook, beloved wife of Mr. Robert Cook, of Ceylon, passed away on Thursday morning last, aged 62 years. The deceased, whose maiden name was Jane McMullen, was the only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McMullen, and spent all her life at Ceylon and on the old homestead nearby, where she was married 40 years ago. She was an energetic and well-known woman, having been actively engaged in the conduct of their business for many years. In religion, she was a Methodist, but took a deep interest in the Baptist services held at Ceylon. The funeral took place to Flesherton cemetery on Monday afternoon, service being conducted at the home by Revs. McDonald and A. McVicar. The casket was covered with beautiful floral tributes. Besides her husband, one daughter, Miss Millie Cook, survives her; also four brothers, James, Archie and Wilson, at Ceylon, and Gordon, at Oterville. Among friends from a distance were Mr. W. Hewson, Mr. T. Thompson and the Misses Hewson, Kincardine; Mr. Graham, Ripley; Mr. Cook, Walkerton, Mr. and Mrs. Cushnie and Mrs. Pickell, Toronto.

After many months of severe suffering, Mr. Wm. Patton, one of the early settlers in this village, passed away on Saturday at the home of his son, at Proton Station, from where the largely attended funeral took place to Flesherton cemetery on Monday afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Blackwell of Dundalk. Mr. Patton was born in Toronto 76 years ago. When a young man he came to Artemesia, locating at Flesherton, where, in 1867, he was married to Miss Large, sister of the late John Large. About two years after marriage, the young couple moved to Inistioige, where they continued to reside till Mrs. Patton's death nearly three years ago. In religious faith, the deceased was a Presbyterian, and in politics a Conservative. He was for years a member of the Orange order, and had the honor of being an old veteran of the Fenian Raid. Eight of a family survive him, viz., Councillor J.O. Patton, of Flesherton; John, of Calgary, Alberta, Maud (Mrs. E. Wellwood), Manitoba; Margaret (Mrs. J. Hanley), of Arnprior; Bertha (Mrs. T. Wauchob), Mary (Mrs. A. Shearson), Josephine (Mrs. J. Parks), and Edward R., all of Proton Station.

The Khaki League elected officers last week, as follows: President, Mrs. Cargo; v.-p., Mrs. Thurston; secretary, Mrs. Ed. Best; treasurer, Mrs. R. Bentham; Committee, the president and secretary, together with Mrs. Hickling, Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Mitchell, who also has charge of the comforts for soldiers. The receipts for the past twelve months were \$86.70, all of which had been disbursed, and over 200 boxes of comforts had been sent to the soldiers overseas.

Under the auspices of the Methodist Ladies' Aid, the Dundalk Dramatic Club appeared for the second time here in the High school on Friday evening last, and entertained a fair-sized audience with "What Happened to Brags," a humorous and pleasingly-rendered play, the parts being mostly all well taken. Proceeds, \$37.00.

The Portlaw Red Cross society held a very successful garden party last week at the home of Mr. Lewis Sheardown, the proceeds being over \$73.00. A game of baseball between Eugenia and Kimberley ladies' clubs, was won by the former, and a pleasing program was rendered by local talent.

A Dominion Day celebration will be held here under the auspices of the agricultural society, for which committees are at work preparing a good program.

By the action of the Presbyterian General Assembly in Montreal last week, we notice the minimum stipend of ministers was raised \$200, owing to the present high cost of living. The new rate, to take effect in January next, will be \$4,200 per year, with free manse.

Mr. D. McTavish has put in at his shop a new Wayne gasoline pump and a 2,200-gallon tank.

There was a big crowd in town on Saturday attending the auction sale of the household goods of the late Dr. and Mrs. Carter. Mr. J. McPhail conducted the sale very successfully. Measles are prevalent among the children here, greatly depleting the

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attendance at the public school. Mr. Frank Duncan has commenced excavation for the cellar of his new residence, near the Park House. Mr. A. Munshaw, who has been ill for some time, has improved in strength a little recently, and was able to be taken out for a drive last week. Mr. H. S. White was in Toronto last week, lay delegate to the Methodist annual conference. The Misses Hulse and Holmes, of the High school staff, have gone on their vacation, and will spend part of the time in summer school in Toronto. By a letter from Corp. (Rev.) R.C. Kerr, in England, we learn of his promotion to sergeant. Mrs. (Dr.) Purdy, who resided at Eugenia a number of years ago, but is now moving from Chicago to Waterbury, Conn., visited the past week with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Ekins, and other relatives. We were pleased to again meet this esteemed lady, with whom we attended school in our early days. At the last meeting of our village council, in response to an appeal from the local Red Cross, a donation of \$75 was given to aid the society in its commendable work. Mr. and Mrs. T. Aikenhead, and son and daughter, accompanied by Mr. Dick Aikenhead, of New York, motored from Toronto and spent a

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