

Is the New Emperor of Austria the Peace Maker?

New York Journal Insists That He Urged Action of the Kaiser in Proposing Peace at Present Time

The New York Times is of the opinion that the main pressure brought upon the Kaiser to make a peace offer at this time came from Austria rather than from Germany. The new Austrian Emperor is said to be more inclined to peace than the old. He fears German dominance in the affairs of his empire should the Central Powers win and that he fears that a war that would go to the limit would result in a Teutonic defeat would utterly disrupt and destroy the dual monarchy. It was all very well for Franz Josef after a reign of sixty odd years to look philosophically upon the situation once he had fallen under the spell of the Kaiser. But the present Emperor is new to the job. He is like a poor man who has come into a huge fortune. He wants to enjoy it and has no desire to lose a coin whether it shall be taken away from him or be doubled in size. Nothing would suit the present Austrian Emperor so well as an assurance that he would be permitted to hold what he has. There is glory enough left in Austria for an Emperor who has been on the throne only a few weeks.

Berchold's Influence Count Berchold is the Emperor's former tutor and now his intimate friend and advisor. Berchold was the Austrian Minister of Foreign Affairs at the time of the Sarajevo assassination. There is no evidence that he was less desirous than any other Austrian statesman to punish and humiliate and perhaps devour Serbia. There is evidence however, to show that, at the last moment when a European war seemed certain he was ready to accept the principle of European arbitration, and that Austria's belated acceptance of this principle was not permitted to reach London, Paris and Petrograd until it was too late. Austria might be likened to a house burglar who had entered a house, awakened the owner and at the last moment chose fight to murder. But Austria was in the grip of Germany, and had to go through with the game. Berchold may have felt that he had been betrayed by Germany. His relations with German authorities after the beginning of the war were not cordial, and German influence at Vienna is held responsible for the fact that he resigned.

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man troops and German generals was necessary if they were to make a stand against the Russians; but Austrians we may be sure, would have other and more self-satisfying reasons for their military reverses. When Berchold made his protest, however, Russia was in possession of more than half of Galicia, and his protest was disregarded. His resignation followed, and then to general astonishment he accepted a post in the household of the Archduke Charles, a position that was tantamount to a mere high court appointment. It was then understood that he was really to "coach" the future Emperor, and that his influence with him would be in the direction of a peace that would rescue Austria from German thralldom. Those who believe that Berchold's influence is working with the Austrian Emperor say that Austria forced Germany to make the peace offer under threat of Austria concluding a peace on her own account.

Nor is the fact without significance that the Austrian parliament is the only parliament of a belligerent that has not met since the beginning of the war. The government feared to meet the representatives of the dozen races that make up the polyglot population of Austria-Hungary. The Hungarians are sick of the fight. As one of their leaders said last August: "There is no good reason why Hungary should remain in the war another day." Hungary has been called on to do more than her share of fighting. A great Russian offensive will fall more heavily upon Hungary than upon Austria. Hungary, as the bread basket of the dual monarchy, has already felt the pinch of hunger more than Austria. One of the great problems that the late emperor had to deal with was the problem of keeping Hungary a satisfied partner of the monarchy. The problem will be more difficult for his heir. If Emperor Charles feels that Hungary is likely to slip away from him unless a speedy peace is made, he is extremely likely to break all speed records in making a peace.

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THE annual conference of Ontario Health Officers for 1916 was held on the last two days in May. It was, in point of numbers, importance of papers presented, and general interest, perhaps, the most interesting meeting of medical officers of health we have ever had. One of the most instructive papers was read by Dr. W. H. Park, who for many years has been Director of the Laboratories of the Health Department of New York City. Dr. Park is an expert upon Diphtheria, and in his address he outlined the methods of his Department in the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of that disease in which he and his associates have been specializing. The City of New York is divided into sections and the children grouped in order that tests may be carried out to discover those who are carriers of the disease, and to obtain more thorough information as to the causes for the spreading of the disease. Dr. Park said that the scheme has been productive of wonderful results. Regarding the use of antitoxin he said that from practical experience he was of the opinion that the full amount of antitoxin required should be given in the first injection; another way to obtain prompt results was by injection of the remedy directly into a vein so as to reach the blood stream at once. He advocates single large doses.

Dr. Cruickshank, M. O. H. of Windsor, gave a most instructive paper upon tonsils and adenoids in children. The doctor is one of the best of our Health Officers. He has been engaged in making tests in this subject among children in the Windsor schools, and has come to the conclusion that tonsils and adenoids are responsible for a good deal of disease among children. He advocates their removal, and in addition suggests that the abolition of baby comforts, the provision of proper ventilation in school and sleeping rooms and the proper care of children's health would prevent a lot of disease. There is sound wisdom in his remarks.

A timely discussion, in view of the great prevalence of the disease during the past season, was carried on in reference to Measles. It was pointed out by various speakers that Measles is most difficult to control from the fact that it comes on like any ordinary coryza or cold, and that the most contagious period of the disease is probably before the rash appears. The present quarantine period (three weeks) was regarded by the officers present as being too long and failed to do the good expected of it. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that two weeks, which would cover the period of incubation and contagion, is long enough. It is probable that this discussion will be given due weight by the Board, and lead to a shortening of the quarantine period.

There was considerable discussion regarding the question of allowing the breadwinner of the family to go to work while his child is ill of Measles, or other communicable disease. This is at present a matter of discretion with the M. O. H. and is usually allowed except, of course, in cases where the mother of the child is a teacher of pupils at some school, or is engaged in the manufacture of food or clothing. It is very unlikely that these diseases are carried by a third person unless he or she is a "carrier."

These annual conferences have had a very marked effect upon the efficiency of the various medical officers who are regular attendants. In almost all cases our medical officers of health are seen at every meeting, where there is ample opportunity for the discussion of the problems which are met by them in their various municipalities.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

J. C. B. Welland. Sanatoria expenses of indigent.

Q.—What provision is made for the care of a poor patient with consumption?

A.—The local Board of Health and the Medical Officer of Health may, under the regulations for the control of Tuberculosis, send to a hospital or sanatorium, an indigent who, in their opinion, endangers the health of others in the same house or in personal contact with him. The expense of such patient's care must be borne by the municipality where he has had his usual place of abode. The Ontario Government pays \$3.00 per week toward the maintenance of such patient.

Music and Drama

The Grand F. Stuart-Whyte's production of "Aladdin and his wonderful Lamp" will be the offering at the Grand Opera House on Tuesday. This attraction has been scoring a decided success on their western tour, and the critics have been unanimous in their praises. The following review of the piece appeared in the Edmonton Journal of October 10th. and shows how the pantomime was appreciated in that city.

"It is a long while since the Empire resounded to laughter like that heard at the two performances of the musical extravaganza 'Aladdin' yesterday. It is full of humor and beauty and makes an ideal light entertainment. The fact that it is made in Canada adds to the pleasure which it must give to our people. The steady growth of Mr. F. Stuart-Whyte's organization has been watched with interest by those who followed closely theatrical matters in this part of the world. He came to Edmonton five or six or seven years ago with a small company of clever people, the outstanding member of which was Miss Zara Clinton. They had to depend wholly on their individual talents. They had no big chorus or gorgeous accessories to help them out. But each time that they returned, their performance has been on a more elaborate scale, and that now being given will challenge comparison with the best of its kind.

The story is an adaptation of that of the Arabian Nights. The Mad Magician is the Kaiser in disguise. The commander of the army is General Sam Fuse. The topical references are numerous and most of them well worked in. The street scene in Pekin and the Willow Pattern Palace which, thanks to the slave of the Lamp, Aladdin, is able to provide for his beautiful bride, the Princess So-Shi, daughter of the Chinese Emperor, are very effective settings, while the interior of the jeweled cavern with the spirits of the old Oriental story-teller's fancy hovering about, had rare beauty.

Women's Institute The Gainsville branch of the Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Carmady Thursday afternoon, January 4th, with a fair attendance. The president, Mrs. Rose was present and took charge, opening the meeting in the usual way. It was a special meeting called to arrange work for the coming winter months, and a good deal of work was laid out. It was arranged that a successful talent tea might be held in the early spring, proceeds to be for the British Red Cross. Also a box is to be packed with good things for some who do good deeds. The president treated the ladies to cake called the Canadian War Cake—eggless, butterless and milkless, proving most delicious. Afterwards the recipe was sold for 10 cents each. Each lady bought the directions for making, proceeds going to Red Cross Funds. Every housewife would do well to get this recipe for them, she would not worry over high cost of these necessities. Afterwards the roll call was answered by the paying of Red Cross dues.

RED HEAD WOULD BE BLONDE; ALAS! New York, Jan. 9.—Back in June, 1915, Katie Gottgaank had a splendid color of red hair. In the matter of color and quantity the famous tresses of Queen Elizabeth or of Mrs. Leslie Carter had nothing whatever on Katie's crowning glory. But the youngsters in the vicinity of No. 239 Second street, which is the Gottgaank home, had no such appreciation of the luscious locks and they drove Katie (then only fifteen) to bitter tears with their shouts of "Bricktop!" "Carrot-dome!" and "Reddy!"

Now Katie still possesses the tresses—but they're in a shoe box instead of on top of her head, and all as a result of the teasing of her friends and her desire to escape it by changing the color of the curls. A damage suit of hers comes up this morning before Judge Erlanger, in the Supreme Court, against Julius Kalish, Inc., a druggist of No. 383 Grand Street. She charges that an employe of Kalish's used her to use peroxide of hydrogen, which would make golden-hued the displeasing red hair, and that because she did use that drug her tresses stiffened and came out by the handful, until now she has not any more than the average boy—except what's in the shoe box.

Her semi-bald head and the box containing the detached curls will be shown to a jury, which will be asked to award Katie \$5,000 for her loss. Lawyer Anton Gronich of No. 200 Broadway will add his eloquence to her appeal. The suit was started in October, 1915, just after the shoe box was filled with Katie's locks, but has just reached a leading place on the trial calendar. Kalish, the druggist, said yesterday he wasn't very much worried over the outcome. Peroxide of hydrogen is a standard article of commerce, he asserted, and he could not be held responsible for its effect upon an individual head of hair. But to be almost without any hair at present is worse than to be afflicted with the crimson variety. Katie vows, and she feels she ought to have some recompense.

News From Terrace Hill.

(From our own correspondent) The Industrial and Social Club of Terrace Hill met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Adams, Dundas Street. Mrs. H. T. Ayres who is leaving next week for St. John, Quebec, was made the recipient of an address and a presentation, which took the form of an ebony manure set. The address was read by Mrs. Tipson. Mrs. Ayres suitably replied and expressed her regret at leaving her friends in Brantford. Miss Huff sang sweetly "A Perfect Day," and other selections. Dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Adams, the hostess.

Mr. J. Bate, of Brandon, Manitoba, paid a visit recently on Mr. Wm. Eastcott, Sydenham St. Mr. Bate is travelling in the West for a wholesale grocery at Hamilton, Ontario. The funeral of the late Mr. Chas. Huffman was held on Wednesday afternoon. A short service at the house preceded the public service at the St. James Street Methodist Church, of which church the deceased was a member. The service was conducted by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Jas. Chapman of the Baptist Church. There was a large attendance of friends who had known the deceased in earlier days.

Private Jack Sale is another of our young men who has given his life for his country. The family lived on the hill until they returned to England. Jack was a choir boy in St. James' Church, of which the family were members. All who knew him deplore the cutting off of a promising life, but the All Wise knows best.

Burford (From our own correspondent) Miss McLaren of Toronto is visiting Mrs. Harry Miller. Miss Good of Brantford, visited last week with Mrs. Standing. Mr. F. Hunt of Toronto, visited last week at the parental home. Mrs. Lewis is visiting her mother, Mrs. Scott in Ottawa. Mr. M. Campbell has sold his home south of the station. Mr. Stephenson, Dufferin Ave., is quite ill with pneumonia. Mr. J. Woodin spent last week in Hamilton.

The Girls' Guild of Trinity Church sent a beautiful Xmas gift to Mrs. G. Harold Charles in Toronto, a real leather hand-bag. At the annual meeting of the School Trustees the secretary's report showed a balance in the bank of \$15.00. Mr. V. Bell was appointed trustee in place of Mr. Edgwin Park, who has moved away. Mr. Wm. Dickie was appointed people's auditor.

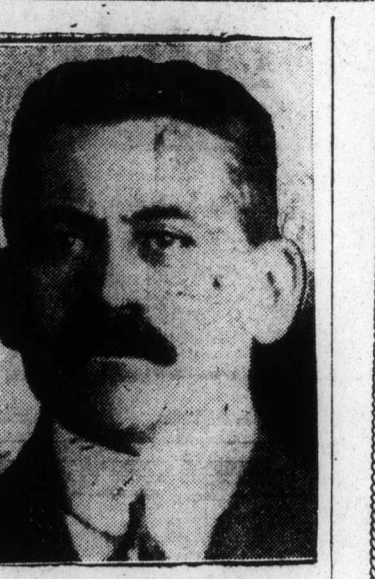
D.D.G.M. George Armstrong and his degree team of the Burford L.O. F. went to Kingston on Monday and installed the newly elected officers of the Oddfellows' lodge of that place. The death of Rev. Wm. Wye Smith occurred at his home King Street East, on Saturday, at the advanced age of 90 years. The interment took place on Tuesday to Newmarket. Services were held in Congregational Church on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Smith, during his life attained considerable notoriety as a book and poem writer. His translation of the New Testament into broad Scotch, which is in its second edition, is an excellent piece of work. His book of poems is also widely read. Until a very short time before his death he was around as usual. Cecil Rutherford and R. Saunders, who enlisted last Thursday on Tuesday for Ottawa, where they will train.

MOUNT ZION (From our own correspondent) Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sibbick of Woodbury, were the guests of last mother here. Mrs. Lorne Scott and little daughter were Sunday guests of her mother, Mrs. Wm. Clement. Mrs. Frank Davies is on the sick list, and we hope for a speedy recovery. Mrs. L. Clark of Burford, is spending a few days with her sister Mrs. Thomas Hanson. Born, on January 5th, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hanson, a daughter. Mr. Wm. Woodhouse and friend have returned to their home in Lewiston, N.Y., after a three weeks' visit with another here. Mr. and Mrs. Archie Secord entertained a number of their friends to a euchre party one evening last week. Mrs. Samuel Wallace and son of the West spent over Sunday, the guest of Mrs. John Swears. Mr. Fred Hammond and Mr. Elmer Secord are on the sick list.

GRAND VIEW. (From our own correspondent) The special services in connection with the Week of Prayer are increasing in interest and attendance. On Monday night service was held in St. James'. After Evening Prayer had been said by the Rev. E. Sottley, an earnest and impressive address was delivered by the Rev. Wm. Smythe, the pastor of the Methodist Church. On Tuesday evening service was held in the Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. Jas. Chapman, where the address was given by the Rev. E. Sottley, rector of St. James.

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COACH JOE WRIGHT. Canada's veteran rowing authority, of the Toronto Argonauts, and lately coach of the Pennsylvania College oarsmen. He has recently been superannuated by the Canadian Post Office authorities for whom he worked as clerk for 36 years.

VANESSA (From our own correspondent) Miss Dora Kitchen spent Sunday with Miss Caryan Henry. Will Guy has returned to his home in Windsor, after spending a month with relatives and friends here. James and Mrs. Ripley spent Sunday with James and Mrs. Mitchener. Mrs. Arthur Kelly and daughter have been spending a week with her sister in Brantford. Mrs. James Potts and Mrs. Frank Baker, Vern and Mrs. Potts attended Mr. Jerry Potts' funeral at Simcoe, on Thursday. Will Taylor has gone on a trip to Florida.

Mr. Alfred Hall is still very ill at the time of writing. Miss Mary McGregor is ill with tonsillitis. A young son was born to Kobart and Mrs. McIntyre on Sunday last. E. H. Howey was calling on Geo. and Mrs. Robinson on Sunday. James and Mrs. McNeilles spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davidson of Kelvina. George and Mrs. Burtis and daughter spent Sunday with Geo. and Mrs. McNeilles.

RANELAGH (From our own correspondent) About 60 gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Butler's at noon in the form of a surprise for them, before they left the farm. They are moving to Burford. Mrs. Ward and children returned to their home in St. Thomas, after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Sawwell. Mr. Mutart of Toronto is spending a few days at Mr. Squance's and calling on other friends. Mr. and Mrs. Orville Davidson were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davidson, on Monday. There were 35 of the Jull cousins at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fielding on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. James Hoggard and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hoggard were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wood on Sunday afternoon.

ECHO PLACE NEWS Mrs. Paterson of Ancaster visited Mrs. George Smith last Thursday. Mrs. J. L. Barnes has been the victim of pleurisy. Mr. Geo. Smith, Lock Road enjoyed a visit with his mother from Waterdown, N. Y. Miss Laura Roy was the guest of Miss Myrtle Douglas last Sunday. Mr. Austin Graves, of Eagle Place and two sons visited Mr. and Mrs. R. McIvin last Sunday. Claude and Ladies' Aid are holding a thimble tea this week. Echo Place has a Women's prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. F. Marlett each Wednesday at four o'clock.

Newport (From Our Own Correspondent) Rev. James occupied the pulpit on Sunday evening and preached a very able sermon, taking his text from the 10th Chapter of Numbers and a part of the 29th verse. The young people are enjoying the good skating on the Grand. Mr. T. Phillip is our new Trustee for the coming year. Miss Laura Edwards of Onondaga, spent Sunday with the Misses Atkinson. Miss N. White of Brantford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wood, Riverside. Miss M. E. Charlton has returned to New York. Mr. and Mrs. Wright of Hamilton were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Drew, Grand River Parsonage. Mr. W. Phillips spent Sunday in the city.

CATHCART (From Our Own Correspondent) Mrs. Kneal of Paris is staying with her sister, Miss Sarah Read who is seriously ill. Mr. Taylor of Port Colborne has returned after spending his holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Chan. Mr. Winnifred Trougher who has been visiting his parents here has returned to Brantford. Mr. Bert Peckham and Miss Ida have returned after spending a few days with friends in Hamilton. We are glad to see Miss Gladys Weil among her friends once more, after her recent illness. The many friends of Mr. Lorne Stephenson of Burford are sorry to hear that he is seriously ill with typhoid fever and pneumonia. Mr. Sol Aulsebrook was on a business trip to Toronto last week. We congratulate Mr. Blackwell Doran on being elected Reeve for the coming year.

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