AUSTRIAN EMPEROR'S ADDRESS

Calls on Almighty to Bless Offer of Peace—Hungarian Statement.

Amsterdam, Dec. 13, via London.—A Vienna despatch says Emperor Charles has issued the following to his army and navy:

"With God's gracious assistance, and your loyal allies' endurance, we have created a situation in which our final victory is no longer doubtful. In an endeavor to give back to our peoples, who in serious times have held out heroically, the blessings of peace, I and my illustrious allies have attempted to bring about an honorable peace.

"I pray that the Almighty may bestow His blessings on this step, but I am convinced you will continue to fight with the same heroism until peace is concluded, or the enemy is beaten crushingly."

Premier Tisza.

Amsterdam, Dec. 13, via London, 5.30 p. m.—A Budapest telegram says that the peace note of the Central Powers was read in the Hungarian parliament yesterday by Premier Tisza before a crowded house. After reading the note the premier said:

"I must state that in the note just read the standpoint put forward contains really nothing new, but expresses the standpoint adopted by the monarchy and its allies both during the war and previously. This fact must be emphasized in order that it may be appreciated."

The premier then gave a historical retrospect of the European situation, maintaining that the Central Powers acted on the defensive, while Russia and France followed an aggressive policy, and Great Britain in joining them strengthened their hope of shattering Germany and the Dual Monarchy.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Edna Reid, who died in Salem, Mass., and whose body was brought here for burial, took place yesterday afternoon from Centenary church where services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Hicks. Interment was made in Fernhill.

The funeral of William J. Stephenson, who died at Westfield Centre, whose body was brought here for burial, took place on the arrival of the Boston train at Fairville station yesterday afternoon. Interment was made in Greenwood cemetery.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC ORGAN ENDORSES NOTE TO POPE

"Germani" of Berlin Declares Emperor William's Note to Entente Allies is Document of "Love and Peace"—The Text of Note to Pope Benedict.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 13—Commenting on the peace proposals, Germani, the Catholic organ, expresses especial pleasure that the Central Powers appealed to the Pope, as well as to other neutrals.

It enthusiastically approves the peace overtures, which it terms the privilege of the stronger in war and a performance of the holiest of duties to humanity and Christian morality.

The newspaper declares that the Emperor's note to Germany's opponents is a document of the love of peace, than which none could be greater, fairer or go to further lengths.

Note To Vatican.

The note presented by Dr. Von Muhlberg, German minister to the Vatican, to Cardinal Gasparri, papal secretary of state, follows:

"According to instructions received I have the honor to send to Your Eminence a copy of the declaration which, by the good offices of the powers entrusted with the protection of German interests in the countries with which the German empire is in a state of war, has been transmitted to these states, and in which the imperial government declares itself ready to enter into peace negotiations. The Austro-Hungarians, Turkish and Bulgarian governments also have sent similar notes.

Alleged Reasons.

"The reasons which prompted Germany and her allies to take this step are manifest. For two years and a half a terrible war has been devastating the European continent. Unlimited treasures of civilization have been destroyed. Extensive areas have been soaked with blood. Millions of brave soldiers have fallen in battle, and millions have returned home as invalids. Grief and sorrow fill almost every house.

"Germany is carrying on a war of defense against her enemies, which aim at her destruction. She fights to assure the integrity of her frontiers and the liberty of the German nation, for the right which she claims, to develop freely her intellectual and economic energies in peaceful competition and on an equal footing with other nations. All the efforts of their enemies are unable to shatter the heroic armies of the Teutonic allies, which protect the frontiers of their countries, strengthened by the certainty that the enemy shall never pierce the iron wall.

Future of Europe.

"Certain of our own strength, but realizing Europe's sad future if the war continues; seized with pity in the face of the unspeakable misery of humanity, the German empire, in accord with her allies, solemnly repeats what the chancellor already has declared, a year ago, that Germany is ready to give peace to the world by setting before the whole world the question whether or not it is possible to find a basis for an understanding.

"The imperial government is firmly confident that the initiative of the four powers will find friendly welcome on the part of His Holiness, and that the work of peace can count upon the precious support of the Holy See."

COMMENT OF WESTMINSTER GAZETTE

London, Dec. 13.—"Germany," says the Westminster Gazette, "is aware that the war is producing great unrest among neutrals, and it is to them rather than to us, in the first instance, that she is making her appeal.

"It is here that Germany has prepared her ground, and it is here that we have to meet her. We must be careful from the outset not to be manoeuvred onto ground on which we shall seem to be in the wrong. The Allies must not refuse to listen to any proposals laid down before them in a regular manner, but they must say plainly that their engagement to act together is incontestable; that all proposals must be made to them jointly, and that none will have the slightest chance of being considered which imply that any of them should betray the others. If it is proposed that the western powers should desert Russia, and leave the Central Powers to do as they please, with Serbia, Greece and Roumania in return for a mere status quo in the west, the peace de marche will end before it has begun."

Must Explain to U. S.

The newspaper concludes that the Allies must explain to the American people—whose main pre-occupation is Belgium and France, it comments, and conversations would require considerable time. Inquiry in responsible quarters today elicited the opinion that Germany's suggestion is a manoeuvre designed, first, for effect at home; second, to impress neutrals; third, as a test of public opinion in belligerent countries, with the chance of some reaction there.

Germany's suggestion is rejected in authoritative quarters, where it is considered to be a repetition, in more concrete form, of the peace decisions originating in Berlin from time to time in the last fifteen months.

THOUSANDS KILLED OR WOUNDED IN HAMBURG

London, Dec. 13.—The Express claims to have reliable information that the most serious riots took place in Hamburg on Dec. 7, 8 and 9. It says that it is estimated that more than 20,000 people participated in the rioting and that a thousand were wounded or killed. According to this story, the local soldiery was unable to quell the disturbance, and it was necessary to send troops to Hamburg on special trains from Berlin. There is no confirmation of this story from any other source.

HEAVY SNOW STORM ON THE NORTH SHORE

Chatham, Dec. 13.—A heavy northeasterly snowstorm swept over this section of the province yesterday afternoon and last night. The wind is westerly and the snow is still falling. About ten inches of snow has fallen up to the present.

GEN. NIVELLE HALF ENGLISH

Paris, Dec. 13.—The new cabinet aroused moderate enthusiasm in the press. The papers point out that seven ministers and two under-secretaries belong to the preceding administration, so that the change is not so radical as might be expected. At the same time the appearnce of MM. Claveille and Louire as technical experts is welcomed.

The most popular features of the reorganization are the appointments of General Hubert Lyautey as minister of war, and General Nivelle as successor to Joffre as commander-in-chief of the western front. The papers say that the fact that General Nivelle is half English—his mother having belonged to a well-known Kentish military family—makes his appointment particularly acceptable across the channel.

Jules Cambon continues in his post as general secretary of the foreign office.

GERMANY CLAIMS LANAO CARRIED CONTRABAND

Washington, Dec. 13.—Germany's reply to the American inquiry on the sinking of the American steamer Lanao by a German submarine off Cape Vincent, October 28, received at the state department today, contends the sinking was justified, because the vessel carried contraband and was not in fact an American ship, but had been transferred to Norwegian ownership.

MOVEMENTS TO FURTHER RESTRICT ALCOHOLIC CONSUMPTION IN FRANCE.

Paris, Dec. 13 (4.45 p. m.)—Premier Briand announced to the chamber of deputies today he had decided to ask parliament to enact legislation providing for a further restriction in the consumption of alcoholic beverages throughout France.

COMPLICATIONS IN TEMPERANCE LAWS OF N. S.

Deputy Attorney General Petitions Supreme Court to Decide as to Brewers.

Special to The Standard.

New Glasgow, Dec. 13.—When the supreme court met today Deputy Attorney-General Jenks made a motion asking that the questions in reference to the Nova Scotia temperance act be decided by that body. He also moved that the questions be placed at the head of the January docket, which term meets on the second Tuesday in the new year. He stated to the court that under the statutes of Nova Scotia the government-in-council had a right to submit questions at law to the court for its decision. The court granted the motion.

The Attorney-General of Canada has to be notified of the questions to be decided, and the Dominion Alliance will also be officially informed.

Questions at Issue.

The questions to be decided are as below:—

1. Is so much of section 3 of chapter 33 of the acts of 1916 as purports to annual liquor licenses intra-vires?

2. Are liquor licenses granted under the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act voided by the provisions of said section?

3. Is part II. of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act in force (a) in the city of Halifax; (b) in the county of Halifax?

4. Do the provisions of said act prohibit a brewer in Nova Scotia from keeping for sale or selling in Nova Scotia intoxicating liquors which have been manufactured by such brewer who holds a brewer's license granted under the inland revenue act? If so are such prohibitory provisions intra vires?

5. Can a resident of another province sell or keep for sale intoxicating liquors in the province of Nova Scotia?

FURTHER LIQUIDATION IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 13.—The markets opened at about last night's closing and there was a good deal of liquidation. Stocks seemed to be well taken on the weakness and there was some good buying in the markets. The closing was strong and very near the top. It seems to be the opinion that Germany's peace terms will not be considered. There is nothing definite here from Europe today. Probably Lloyd George, in his speech tomorrow will give some outline of the terms the Allies will consider peace on. The papers have a report that the munition board in Toronto yesterday said that the steel companies would have all the business they could attend to for some time even if the war should stop. There is a good investment demand for the Dominion loan.

Money in Wall Street showed much better today.

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TEAMS MAY PASS TO RIGHT INSTEAD OF LEFT

Hon. B. Frank Smith, Minister of Public Works, Speaks of Possible Change in Road Law.

Fredericton, Dec. 13.—Concurrent legislation calling for the passing of teams and other vehicles to the right, instead of the left, will probably be passed at he approaching sessions of the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia legislatures. Hon. B. Frank Smith said today that this matter was now being taken up and intimated that a change would likely be made in the present law. Hon. Mr. Smith, however, said that passing to the left was an old established custom and the change would not be made unless requested by a great majority of the people of this province. He also stated that he had received during the past few months several resolutions from various organizations interested in the traffic laws in the province and all of these advocated a change.

This morning the Hon. Mr. Smith received a resolution from New Brunswick Automobile Association requesting that legislation be passed requesting passing to the right instead of to the left, and a few days ago a resolution, adopted by St. John Board of Trade was read by the department of public works along same lines. This latter resolution which was also concurred in by automobile association approved and commended the department of public works for special activity shown in road improvement during past few months, and the council of the St. John Board of Trade expressed a desire to co-operate in this work.

Universal Brotherhood.

An address on Universal Brotherhood or the Spirit of the Age, will be given this evening at eight o'clock by Mrs. Grace Roberts Ober of Cambridge, (formerly of Toronto), at the rooms of the Woman's Exchange and Lending Library, 158 Union street. An invitation is cordially extended to both men and women.

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Special to The Standard.

Sackville, Dec. 13.—During a very violent gale last night the roof of part of A. E. Wry's standard brick factory was blown off and the walls razed. Bricks crashed down on valuable machines used in manufacturing harness, boots and shoes, causing serious damage. The loss is in the vicinity of $2,500.

To Attend Funeral.

The businessmen and senior members of the Y. M. C. A. are requested to meet today at the association building at 2.30 for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late vice-president, F. C. Smith. The members will leave the building at 2.45 for Centenary church.

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J. C. CHESLEY,

Agent Marine and Fisheries Dept. St. John, N. B., Dec. 9, 1916.

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J. C. CHESLEY,

Agent, Marine & Fisheries Dept. St. John, N. B., December 11, 1916.

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