

NOT SANGUINE AS TO SPEEDY PEACE

German Paper On Viewpoint Of The Allies

NEXT MEETING AT WARSAW?

Some Russian Opinions on The Enemy Proposals Made by Austrian Foreign Minister - German Delegation Reaches Petrograd

Amsterdam, Dec. 29.—The Frankfurter Zeitung commenting on the peace negotiations, says:—

"The hope of a speedy peace should not be too sanguine, as the necessary revolution in the ideas of the belligerent governments will be much too great to permit of a general peace being rapidly accomplished. Even a peace with Russia is not yet at all certain."

"Nevertheless the negotiations will give tremendous impetus to the idea of peace throughout the world and will result in a movement which will compel the Entente to realize that without peace by an understanding, such as Germany desires, there is no way out of this war."

The Krupp Terms.

Amsterdam, Dec. 29.—The Heineke Westfälische Zeitung, organ of the Krupp family, declares that the Entente Allies will regret the principles set forth at Brest-Litovsk and argues that the political abandonment of Belgium by Germany must be conditional on the British evacuation of Egypt, which should revert to Turkey in accordance with the desire of its population.

At Warsaw Next.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Despatches from Bern quote Berlin newspapers as saying that the peace negotiations between Germany and the Russian Bolsheviks will be continued at Warsaw because Brest-Litovsk does not offer sufficient accommodations for those attending the conference.

Russian Views.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The Ivestia, the organ of the workmen and soldiers' delegates, dealing with the peace proposals of Count Czernin, says:—

"Without attaching too much value to the concessions in principle made by the Central Powers, let us look for the result in an acute economic crisis and discontent among the masses of the Central Powers. These conditions allow us to hope for a democratic peace."

The Czernin considers that the refusal of the Central Powers to discuss the question of nationalities which were not independent before the war as an international question, proves they are afraid to examine into the question of the post-war.

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Chief Flynn Retires From Civil Service; May Head New York Police

(New York Sunday Times.)

Reports that William J. Flynn, chief of the United States Secret Service, would become head of the police department under the Hyman administration grow into a probability last night when Chief Flynn authorized the statement that he would retire from his present position in the service of the federal government on Dec. 31.

Chief Flynn, it was learned, sent his resignation to take effect at the end of the present year to Secretary of War Woodrow Wilson more than a month ago, but was asked to reconsider it. Last night, at the Hotel Astor, Mr. Flynn verified the report and said that he had definitely determined to retire.

According to Chief Flynn, his resolve grew out of advice from his physician that he was badly in need of a rest. He said that for six years he had been constantly at work without a vacation, and that since the beginning of the European war, and more especially since the United States became one of the belligerents, his duties had been particularly arduous. He had been connected with the United States Secret Service for more than twenty-two years.

A friend of the retiring secret service chief said last night that it had been known for some time to friends of Chief Flynn that he felt he had been hampered in his work of running down dangerous enemy agents by lack of support and actual interference on the part of officials at Washington.

Mayor-elect John F. Hyman declined to say yesterday whether he would appoint Chief Flynn head of the police department, as a result of the conference he had with the secret service chief on Friday evening. Chief Flynn also declined to discuss the conference. But among persons close to Judge Hyman, there is a growing belief that Chief Flynn could have the police commission-ership by signifying his willingness to accept it. It is understood he is to have another talk with Mayor-elect Hyman within a few days.

CHRISTMAS TREATS

More than sixty were present at the annual Christmas treat for the children of St. Paul's church, Robbsey, last night. Rev. Canon Daniel presided.

Old Santa appeared to over 100 school-ers and parents in the Marsh Road Mission Hall last night. Rev. H. A. Goodwin and Rev. F. E. Boothroyd were present.

In the Calvin Presbyterian church last night the Christmas entertainment was a success in spite of the storm.

The annual Christmas Sunday school festival was held in St. Luke's church, North End, last evening.

Many scholars were present at Zion church Christmas tree and entertainment last night.

The Turkish government have agreed to discuss with British delegates in Switzerland the exchange of invalid prisoners. The British have 45,000 Turkish prisoners, while about 8,000 British and Indian soldiers are in Turkish hands.

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PLAN CONSCRIPTION OF WOMEN IN GERMANY

Copenhagen, Dec. 11.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Plans for general conscription of women after the war are being made in Germany, and there is a general feeling that girls as well as boys, will be compelled to undergo a regular period of training corresponding to the German youth's service in the army. The service proposed for girls is not military, but civil. It is proposed that all women should preferably at the age of seventeen, be taken from their homes and compulsorily "trained," either in a profession, a trade, or in household duties.

The characteristic German division between rich and poor is maintained in the project. Girls of upper classes are to be trained in special institutions; poor girls will go to factories or be placed in private households, where their employers will give them a trifle of pocket money and make a contribution to the state.

The idea meets with wide commendation in the German newspapers, but one English critic notes that there is some difference between male conscription which puts a man into a regiment on his own, and a female conscription which makes a girl work without wage for the profit of private individuals. The latter cannot with accuracy be called a conscription, but slavery.

A short time ago a B.-lin sociological society offered a series of prizes for the best essay on compulsory service for women, and 145 essays were submitted. The best two have just been published. The magazine, Soziale Praxis, in reviewing the essays submitted says:—

"There is general agreement that by a thorough compulsory training the services of women to the country will be made much greater than heretofore. Opinions differ as to whether after leaving school girls should be trained principally for a profession or for household duties. The lesson of the war, which has brought into clear relief the abilities of women in both spheres, is perhaps that in future a middle course should be adopted.

"The training in households is to be regularly supervised with a view to seeing whether the girl really learns something there and is not merely made a drudge, and the matter is allowed time to attend the Women Service School. The employers are to give a small sum as pocket money to the 'conscript' and case is of long-standing or recent development, whether it is present as occupational or chronic asthma, you should send for a free trial of our method. No matter what your age or occupation, if you are troubled with asthma, our method should relieve you promptly. This new prescription which we send it to those apparently hopeless cases, where all forms of inhalers, douches, opium preparations, fumes, 'patent smokes,' etc. have failed. We want to show everyone at our own expense, that this new method is designed to end all difficult breathing, all wheezing, and all those terrible paroxysms at once and for all time.

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