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### **ALLIES CONTINUE CRUSADE** UNTIL WORLD BETTER PLACE

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London, Sept. 28-Viscount Milner, minister without portfolio in the Brit-Ish war council, speaking today at the American Luncheon Club declared against any peace with the "unrepentant German rulers."

Touching upon the entry of the United States into the war and the moral significance, Lord Milner evoked a tremendous outburst from those at the luncheon when he said: "I feel that your country and mine are united by something far stronger than any written pact or alliance, namely, by an absolute unity of motive and aim."

Viscount Milner's speech obviously was an answer to the peace talk which has been filtering from Germany in past weeks. He declared that it was the intention of the Entente Allies to pursue "unfalteringly and resolutely to the end" their crusade, so that the "world shall be a better place to live in than before-a world dominated by other than the law of the Jungle."

Viscount Milner devoted the peroration of his address to the recent speech of Admiral Von Tirpitz. After calling attention to the fact that virtually three quarters of the inhabited world was now alienated from Germany and that "scarcely a week passes without adding to her enemies," Lord Milner said: "Germany's profound moral isolation is beginning to tell on her people. Pin your faith as much as you like to blood and iron there are material as well as moral disadvantages for those who have fallen outside the pale of the civilized community and have forfeited the respect of civilized peoples. For a nation which has taken so large a part in human intercourse and held so high a place in human advancement, this is no light matter."

"There are signs that this aspect is beginning to weigh on the minds and depress the spirits of the German people. That is why a new party has been called into being in Germany to revive the waning spirit and preach anew the doctrine that might is right."

PROBING MOVEMENT FOR HINDENBURG PEACE.

Copenhagen, Sept. 28-Charges that certain government authorities are supporting the pan-German and Conservative forces in the agitation to reverse the Reichstag majority peace resolution and commit Germany to the so-called Hindenburg peace, may be made the subject of an interpellation at the present session of the Reichstag.

Berlin newspapers which arrived today after a three-day interruption indicate that the interpellation was discussed at a meeting of the steering com mittee of the Reichstag on Wednesday.

It was decided to postpone action in order to give Chancellor Michaelin and his aides an opportunity to make certain explanations.



#### **PATRONAGE EVIL** Kingston Whig Perceives the Cause of W. F. Nickle's Returement (Toronto Globe.) Kingston, Sept. 25-In commenting upon W. F. Nickle's decision not to be candidate at the coming elections, The Whig says :-- "The retirement of W. F. Nickle from political life is not so renarkable in view of his experience. It is not hard to imagine what his feelings nust have been if he heard as others

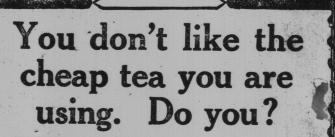
did, the mutterings of the spoilsmen when the patronage of the government did not go as they desired, the protest against his independence and even the threats of certain disappointed or disgruntled ones to the effect that they Your Grocer ould even these accounts with him. That these spoilsmen, who think of nothing but self, helped him in reaching Costs no his decision to retire goes without say-ing. No one can interpret the views of Mr. Nickle, but it is assumed that he is not willing to humor his political allies at Ottawa or Kingston any fur-ther to suffer from their intrusions; that he is not on the best of terms with those who occupy the seats of the ordinary mighty; that he will not accept rebuke for his outspokenness; and that probably his retirement expresses as words cannot do his contempt for the whole MADE

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"What the local spoilsmen think they have indicated by the choice some of them have made of a successor, not to win the war so much as to continue win the war so much as to continue the gift of patronage. The average man will feel for Mr. Nickle in his anxieties and will sympathize with him in his desire to get away from the political wolves that have pursued him in their hunges for credits" which things were lacking in the reply made by President Wilson to the Pope. Justifying Germany's refusal to state her war aims, Dr. Michaelis said such action would only have a confusing effect and would injure German interests. The chancellor said the announced American military exertions were await-ed by Germany with calm confidence. Were Germany to state her war aims, the chancellor asserted, it would prejudice the complex questions to be discussed at the time of peace negotiations. The chancellor strongly attacked President Wil-son's reply to the Pope ,which, he asserted, merely bound the German people to-gether more firmly. hunger for spoils."

stayed the government's hands in deal ing with rank abuses. A time of war has always been a time of opportunity for selfish interests entrenched in the favor of the politicians. To add to the govern





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tenderness with which it treated the large incomes. The collection of the business tax still left enormous profits in private hands. The government ar-gued against "conscripting" excessive profits, on the ground that new indus-tries created by the war, especially muni-tion industries, were compelled to make high earnings to pay for plant which would be idle or useless after the war. This applied only to a certain class of enterprises. Fortunes have been made by businesses which existed before the by businesses which existed before the war and will continue to exist. The finance department should have gone into the special circumstances of each concern, and taxed it according to its ability to pay. As a matter of fact, there should have been a system of na-tional control over all undertakings di-rectly related to the war, including the flour mills, the cold-storage plants, the packing houses, and the terminal eleva-tors. The owners should have been in-structed to consider themselves servants of the state, and should have been alof the state, and should have been al-lowed a reasonable profit and no more. The angry mood of the country, which is in part responsible for the opposition to so just and necessary a measure as the military service act, springs from

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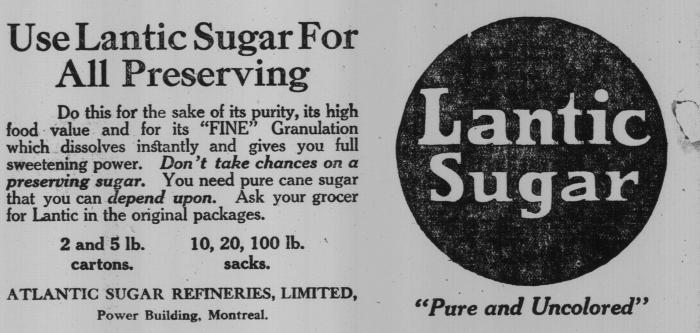
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