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Asquith Makes Clear Allied Views on Peace

Banquet in Guild Hall Last Night is Attended by Cabinet Ministers, Members of the Diplomatic Corps Including American Ambassador Page—Speech of the Evening Was Made by Premier Asquith Who Alluded to Peace

PAYS WARM TRIBUTE TO BRAVE ROUMANIA

In Dealing With Peace Asquith Said the Struggle Will Test Our Reserves, Our Patience and Our Resolve That Peace Must be One That is Built Upon Sure Foundations to Secure Liberties of Europe and a Free Future For the World—Balfour Replies to Navy Critics

LONDON, Nov. 10.—The banquet of the new Lord Mayor of London, Sir William Henry Dunn, given at the Guild hall last night, was attended by Cabinet Ministers, members of the Diplomatic Corps, including Hon. W. Hines Page, American Ambassador, men prominent in the military and naval world, among them Lord Fisher, chairman of the Invention Board, A. J. Balfour, First Lord Admiralty, Sir William R. Robertson and Chief of the Imperial Staff Army Headquarters.

The leading speech of the evening was delivered by Premier Asquith, who alluding to peace declared nobody had greater reason than the British: to desire peace, but said it was desired only on one condition—that the sacrifices of the war should not have been made in vain. A feature of the speeches was the warm tribute and admiration of the stand made by the Roumanians and the expression of opinion that although the attack on Roumania had not yet been defeated, it had been successfully stayed.

Asquith began his speech with reference to Turkey, which country was a subservient agent to German interests and ambitions, and was instanced, he said, by the fact that by the lifting of a finger by Germany might have arrested the Armenian horrors, but instead looked on unmoved, acquiescent and possibly even complacent. That, said the Premier, is a significant sample of what a continuance of the rule of Germany and Turkey in Europe will mean. Asquith said he would refrain from any detailed review of the naval and military situation. He dwelt on the continued Entente Allied successes, and said the British navy was ready and more than ready when an opportunity was offered it. With regard to the Greek situation, Asquith said he wished he could speak with as much confidence as hope. The Entente Allies went to Saloniki friends with both Greece and Serbia, he said. Their sole desire was to protect Greece from becoming enmeshed in the German net and save her from internal strife. Whatever apparently drastic measures have been taken they were directed solely by the necessity of preventing Athens from becoming a centre of German propaganda and intrigue, declaring the Entente Allies were in hearty sympathy with Eleutherios Venizelos, former Premier. Asquith asked how Greece could possibly stand aloof from a war for the emancipation of smaller states. Greece, Asquith continued, first lit the torch of liberty in Europe, and withstood the rush of Eastern barbarism and tyranny. May Greece rekindle her lamp and show herself worthy of her immortal past.

Dealing with the general situation, Asquith said, "Let there be no illusion about our enemies, they are great organizers, fine fighters in the field, and they are also, if not skillful, yet indefatigable workers in the sphere of propaganda, where there have a double motive, to divide the Allies and capture neutral opinion." In this connection Asquith characterized the German suggestion of a sinister design on the part of the Entente Allies to combine against neutral countries and build up an impenetrable stone wall against their trade, as childish fiction, which could only mean the Allies were bent upon economic suicide. He said it ought to be necessary to affirm when the time comes for peace that nothing will be more essential for the Entente Allies from the standpoint of simple self-interest than to establish and maintain the best industrial and finan-

cial relations with neutrals. Alluding to the different places with a view to dividing the Allies and influencing opinion in favor of a separate peace, Asquith said, "I desire to declare without hesitation or reserve the Allies are fighting for a common cause, that for purposes of war their interests are identical, that a victory securing those interests is in our judgment, the only condition for a lasting peace. Continuing, Asquith said he desired to mention that hitherto no German propagandist had ever suggested that Germany is prepared to concede anything to a demand of the Allies for the reconstruction of an independent Serbia. Alluding to what he termed the propaganda conducted in Russia to the effect that Britain's only desire was to prolong the war and prevent any sort of peace because she is making huge profits by exploiting the Allies unscrupulously the Premier said, "For us who know what liberal sacrifices we are paying in precious lives, the unceasing, pitiless drain upon our reservoir of potential vitality, who have greater reason than we to long and pray for peace, yes, but on one condition only, that war with its vast waste, its sacrifices, its untold sufferings, its glorious and undying example of courage and unselfishness shall not have been in vain. There can be no question of a separate peace, and peace when it comes, soon or late, I will not disguise from you at this moment, my conviction, that the struggle will test our reserves and our whole stock of patience and our resolve that peace must be one such as will be built upon sure staple foundations, and secure the liberties of Europe, and a free future for the world."

A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, briefly denied the statement that the navy had accepted a passive role in the war, saying the Germans had refused to allow their ships to meet the British. Referring to the recent raid by German torpedo craft in the English Channel, Balfour said, it did not disturb our transport service for a moment. The First Lord of the Admiralty said he would not say that such a raid could not be repeated, but that if it were the Germans would not be able to get out of the Channel again without heavy losses.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—Baron Lucas of Crudwell, a member of the Royal Flying Corps, formerly Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for war, has either been captured by the Germans or killed on the French battlefield, according to the Evening Star. Lord Lucas was reconnoitering over the German lines in France in an aeroplane, the newspaper says, and was obliged to descend behind the German lines owing to a gale.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—Of 437 passengers on the Peninsular and Oriental Line steamer Arabia sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine on Monday, 198 landed at Malta, 84 at Port Said. This was announced in the official statement given out here to-day, which adds that although bad weather prevailed all the passengers and crew were transferred to boats in 20 minutes.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—No action of importance occurred on the Somme front to-day, says the War Office to-day. The bombardment by the Germans was violent in the Douaumont-Vaux sector on the Verdun front.

OFFICIAL BRITISH.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—Concerning military operations on the battle front in Northern France the British official issued this evening says. This morning we discharged gas east of Arrmentieres and bombarded the enemy's trench line. Elsewhere there was nothing to report.

Bulgars Retreat Along Whole Front

BUCHAREST, Nov. 9.—The Bulgarians are retreating along the whole front of the province of Dobruja, according to a semi-official statement issued here to-day. As the Bulgarians withdraw, the statement says, they are burning Roumanian villages. The Germans claim of prisoners captured from Roumanians between Oct. 1st, and 21st., the statement adds, is exaggerated. In comparison it is claimed the exact figures of Austro-Germans taken by the Roumanians in the same period were 5,882. The Roumanians also captured 24 cannon, eighty-eight machine guns, as well as much booty.

Joseph Sees Victory For Woodrow

LONG BRANCH, Nov. 9.—Messages received by Secretary Tumulty this evening convinced him that Wilson had carried New Hampshire and California, which on the basis of the States previously tabulated would give the President enough electoral votes. The New Hampshire message was from Senator Hallis who said that on the recount Wilson would carry the State. The President made no comment, preferring to await the full count.

To Bring Back Body Of Her Only Son

BERLIN, Nov. 9.—Princess Henry of Bavaria, nephew of King Louis, and Commander of a battalion of the King's Own Infantry has been killed in battle. The Princess's mother has gone to the front to bring back the body of her only child.

Another Steamer Sunk

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The steamer Suffolk Coast, of Liverpool, 780 tons gross, has been sunk. Crew saved.

GONE TO FRONT

It will be remembered that a few days ago Mr. J. J. Donagan was Marconi officer on the Aller Liner Carthaganian. He made many friends in St. John's and was recognized to be a decent young chap and a very able officer. Not long since with the spirit of the fighting race well developed in him he went to the front and is now serving with the Irish Guards. Mr. Donagan is a native of Bray, near Dublin, Ireland, and recently wrote to Mr. T. J. Freeman of this city, a particular personal friend. He wishes to be remembered to friends in old St. John's.

WORST IN FORTY YEARS

Mr. R. Sheppard, of Fort Amherst lighthouse, says that the sea which swept the narrows yesterday was the worst in 40 years. At that time a fine new vessel called the "Pink", which was on her maiden voyage from Hamburg, Germany, to this port went ashore in the narrows. The crew managed to get ashore safely but the vessel lay for days on the rocks near Gunner's Cove and later was towed off very much damaged.

BOY INSTANTLY KILLED

Yesterday afternoon a terrible accident occurred at Bishop's Falls, in which a young chap named Pelley, aged about 16 years, was instantly killed. As far as we can learn from Magistrate Fitzgerald, who had a message, the young fellow must have fallen or jumped off a flat car near the railway station at the Falls, when one of the wheels passed over his head with the terrible result mentioned. The boy's father is foreman of the Reid Co.'s round house there.

VON HOLLWEG TALKS PEACE

Says Germany After the End of the War Would Co-operate in an Endeavour to Find Practical Means for Procuring a Lasting Peace by Means of an International League

BERLIN, Nov. 9.—Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg announced to-day that after the ending of the war Germany would co-operate in an endeavour to find practical means for procuring a lasting peace by means of an "international league". Referring to the question of the preservation of peace, he said, "We never concealed our doubts whether peace would be guaranteed permanently by international organizations; such as arbitration courts. I shall not discuss the theoretical aspects of the problem in this place, but from the standpoint of matters of fact we now, and in peace must define our position with regard to this question. If at and after the end of the war the world will only become fully conscious of the horrifying destruction of life and property, through the whole of humanity there will ring out a cry for peaceful arrangements and understandings, which as far as in human power, will avoid such a monstrous catastrophe. This cry will be so powerful and so justified that it must lead to some result.

HUN SUBS. BREAK THRU BLOCKADE

Recent Raid on Channel Shipping Was a Blind to Get Subs Through English Channel—British Naval Authorities are Making Strenuous Efforts to Trap Some of the Raiders

LONDON, Nov. 12.—German submarines have been operating extensively in the English Channel and off the Southern coast of France. They broke through the British blockade and ring of defenses under cover of the recent raid by German warships. Their information came to-day from reliable sources. The raid was carried out by enemy warships in the shipping route between the Thames and Holland on November 1st.

This, the report says, was a blind to get half a dozen or more U boats through the Channel. That it succeeded is evidenced by the unusual activity of submarines in these waters, during the last few days. Their toll of victims this week has been exceptionally high.

The British naval authorities have learned of this fact and are making strenuous efforts to trap some of the raiders. It is said the Channel patrol has been augmented and a watch is being kept night and day for sightings of the submarines reported to be operating off the coast.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—The New York Tribune this morning publishes the following messages from Paris: Following the precedent set by the British Government, the French Government has deprived William Randolph Hearst and the international news service of the use of the cable services between Paris and America. The order applies to all news channels issued yesterday and to-day all the Hearst employees in Paris received notice to look for other positions.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—The Senate will remain under Democratic control by a reduced majority of 10 or 12 dependent on the outcome in New Mexico, where Jones, Democrat, is maintaining a slight lead over Hubbell, nominated by the Republicans to succeed Cannon. At this hour the Senate stands Democratic 53, Republicans 42, one undecided.

TRAIN REPORT.

Wednesday's No. 1 left Stephenville at 9:10 p.m. yesterday.
Yesterday's No. 1 left Bishop's Falls at 5:20 a.m.
Yesterday's No. 2 left Norris Arm at 2 a.m.
Today's No. 2 is leaving Port aux Basques after the arrival of the Kyle.

15 Votes Hang in the Balance

NEW HAMPSHIRE, Nov. 10.—The tide of battle, after switching from Hughes to Wilson, flopped back again to Hughes by 131. Incomplete returns from twenty-five precincts not being officially reported, tabulation was not resumed until to-day.

New Mexico claimed by both parties, was giving Hughes a lead with 188 precincts missing. Hughes is still leading West Virginia, although his plurality dropped to 2,330 with 188 precincts not reported.

No Doubt About The "Golden State"

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—If the result of the incomplete returns of Tuesday's balloting is accepted as final in all but five States, at noon to-day the electoral vote would give Wilson 251 and Hughes 243. The five doubtful States with their electoral votes are: California 13; Minnesota, 12; New Mexico, 3; North Dakota, 5; New Hampshire, 4.

Gives Minnesota To Hughes

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—Fred B. Lynch, Democratic National Committee man from Minnesota at noon to-day telephoned the Manager of the Western Democratic headquarters that Minnesota had probably been carried for Hughes, but that he had not given up hope.

To Celebrate the Victory

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Chairman McCormack of the Democratic National Committee announced late this afternoon that he had sent telegrams to all the Democratic State chairmen in the country telling them to engage bands and buy red fire to celebrate to-night the election of Wilson.

Wilson Carries the "Mountain State"

HELENA, Montana, Nov. 9.—Wilson carried Montana by approximately twenty thousand plurality. Montana has adopted prohibition.

REIDS' SHIPS

S.S. Argyle left Lamaline at 10:15 a.m. yesterday.
S.S. Clyde left Fogo at 4:15 p.m. yesterday.
S.S. Dundee arrived at Port Blandford at 2 p.m. yesterday.
S.S. Ethel arrived at Humbermouth at 5:30 p.m. yesterday.
S.S. Gloucester—No report since leaving Port aux Basques on the 8th.
S.S. Home left Exploris at 9 a.m. yesterday, outward.
S.S. Neptune—No report since arriving at Greenspond on the 8th.
S.S. Kyle—Due at Port aux Basques this morning.
S.S. Sagona—No report since arriving at Battle Harbor on the 8th.
S.S. Meigle left Port aux Basques last night.
S.S. Wren left Heart's Content at 3:50 p.m. yesterday, outward.

COULDN'T FIND SCHOONER.

Last evening Mr. A. W. Piccott, Minister of Marine & Fisheries had the following message from Capt. Loder of the "Amphitrite" of St. Mary's, with reference to his search for the schooner "Vernon", blown off the coast with her canvas gone a couple of days ago.—"Started from Point La Haye, W.S.W. 40 miles; S. E. W. 10 miles, S. E. 10. Returned to land N.E. by E.; saw nothing. Weather clear; will search to-morrow, weather permitting."

HE MADE IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Geo. Noseworthy, bricklayer, who had been 5 weeks at Bell Island returned to the city to-day. While there he put an extension at the building on the pier for the N.S.S. Co. and laid the foundation for a new battery of boilers, the work done by him being of a very fine character.

Woodrow Wilson is Re-elected President

Wilson Has Carried California and New Mexico—West Virginia, New Hampshire and Minnesota Still Doubtful—Even if Hughes Gets all Three he Cannot Win—Election is Unparalleled in American Political History

WILSON, 272; HUGHES, 235; DOUBTFUL, 25

Republican Now Busy Calling Conferences of Party Leaders to Begin Legal Proceedings in Several States—Johnson and the California Progressives Evidently Kept Their Promise to Revenge Roosevelt's Betrayal of the Progressive Party—Wilson is Appraised of His Re-election by Wireless Message Sent by His Private Secretary Joe Tumulty

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—Wilson has carried California and has been re-elected President fifty hours after the polls closed. Republican Chairman Rowell concedes the state to the President, thus the 13 votes needed to assure the President a majority in the Electoral College has dropped into the Democratic column, and apparently ended the suspense and anxiety of the election which has been unparalleled in American political history. Republican Chairman Rowell, when informed that the President had carried California, only replied "I have nothing to say."

Secretary Tumulty at the summer White House at Shadowlawf, sent the news by wireless to President Wilson on board the yacht Mayflower en route to Rhine Cliff, N.Y. Californian returns showed, with only 48 districts missing, that the President's plurality in the state was 2,970. Barring some wholly unexpected turnover in the States now leaning toward Wilson, or a change on a recount, California's acquisition to the Democratic column gave the President 289 electoral votes, without New Mexico's three. In New Mexico at midnight the President was leading by 2634 votes, with 158 districts missing. It was not believed this advantage could be overcome by Hughes. Conceding West Virginia, New Hampshire and Minnesota to Hughes, and he was in the lead in all three, it only gives him 259 votes or seven less than is required. With 272 votes in sight President Wilson had six to spare for a possible split in California or a sudden reversal in New Mexico.

At the Republican National Headquarters it was admitted that conferences between George Wickersham, former Attorney-General of the United States, Everett Colby, New Jersey, Hughes' Chairman Wilcox and George W. Perkins, New York that preparations were being made to begin legal proceedings for a recount in the States where the results were close. Chairman Wilcox included California, New Mexico, North Dakota, New Hampshire and Minnesota in his list of States where recounts undoubtedly would be demanded. Democratic headquarters are not behind the Republicans in legal developments, and it was evident the election was to be taken into the courts. Legal giants of both parties are being marshalled for such a battle royal as the States has never before seen.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—With New Mexico, where President Wilson is leading, left in the doubtful list, the electoral college shows Wilson 269, Hughes 235; doubtful, 27.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—Word from California shows that Congressional election returns, which were nearly complete to-night, assure President Wilson's forthcoming administration of a Democratic Senate. But with five districts still undecided the best the Democrats could claim at midnight was a plurality of four votes in the House.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—At 8 o'clock to-night, the States which will turn White, the election for President Wilson or Charles E. Hughes still, were in doubt. The voting is so close that to of New Perlickan.

make any safe prediction is impossible. In California the President is winning by 2,148, with 185 precincts missing. In Minnesota Hughes is leading the President by 810 votes, with 117 precincts missing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 10.—"Our returns show almost an exact tie in California," said Rowell, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee at 5:30 p.m. yesterday. It will take an official count to determine. "Indications are most favorable to Wilson," said O. K. Cushing, Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. "We figure California safe by 3,200 or more," he said.

Three British Steamers Sunk

LONDON, Nov. 10.—Lloyds announces the British steamers Shelldrake, Skerries and Sunnyside sunk. The Shelldrake was 2,629 tons and the Skerries 4,278 tons.

LOCAL ITEMS

The Porfia left Bay of Islands at 6 p.m. yesterday.
The Portia left Nipper's Hr. at 3:15 p.m. yesterday.
The S.S. Catherine Cuneo is due here from New York to-morrow with a full cargo.
In the Police Court to-day F. J. Morris, K.C., J.P., presided and discharged two drunks.

To-day a young woman aged 21 of Holloway Street was sent to hospital ill of diphtheria.

The S.S. Florizel will not sail until to-morrow evening for Halifax and New York and takes a large outward freight.

The S.S. Susu sails at 4 p.m. with a full freight. Her passengers will be R. Bart, G. Wellon, Miss M. Norman and 8 second class.

The Marine and Fisheries Department were advised yesterday that herring were plentiful at Bonne Bay and that boats had 15 tubs each.

At to-night's recruiting meeting the C.C.C. band will attend and Lieut. S. Lumsden and Mr. E. L. Emerson, B.L., will be the speakers.

Last night it blew a gale from the N.E. right across country and to-day similar weather prevails. As a result the Reid Nfld. Co. lines are interrupted and up to 1 p.m. the Company had no list of the passengers on the Kyle.

LATEST FISHERY NEWS.

Nov. 4th. From T. Soper (Channel to Port aux Basques)—The total catch is 2,422 qtls. with 50 for last week. Twenty dories and shafts and 4 boats are fishing. Operations are hampered by the high winds and heavy seas which have prevailed of late. Prospects at present are fairly good and there is sufficient bait for local use.

Nov. 4th. From J. F. Williams (Bay Bulls, South Head to Long Point)—The fishery is now about over though 4 dories and 20 motor boats are still fishing. There is enough squid for bait, but operations are hampered by stormy weather. The catch to date is 11,370 qtls. with 100 for last week.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

MARRIAGES.

GENT-WHITE—On Nov. 7th. at the Church of England Cathedral by Rev. Canon White, Mrs. Annie Elizabeth White, eldest daughter of Mr. Abraham White, eldest daughter of Mr. Charles E. Hughes still, were in doubt. The voting is so close that to of New Perlickan.