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ALLIES DECLINE TO CONSIDER BERLIN'S SHAM PEACE OFFER

Public Apology by Greece Among Allies' New Demands

TORONTO OFFICERS DECORATED FOR BRAVERY AT FRONT

APOLOGY FROM GREECE CALLED FOR BY ALLIES

Britain, France and Russia Demand Guarantees and Reparations.

GIVE STRONG WARNING

Allies Reserve Liberty of Action if Reply is Unsatisfactory.

London, Dec. 31.—A despatch from Syracous, dated Dec. 31, by Havas Agency, Paris, says:

"The ministers of France, Great Britain and Russia yesterday signed a note for presentation to the Greek Government, demanding the following guarantees anr reparations:

"Guarantees: First, all Greek forces outside of Peloponnesus to be reduced to a number strictly necessary to the preservation of order and police duty; corresponding arms and ammunition to be transported to Polopennosus, including all cannon and machine guns; this situation to last as long as the allies judge necessary.

Second, prohibition of all meetings of reservists in Greece north of the Isthmus of Corinth, and no civilian to bear arms.

Third, re-establishment of the allied control.

Reparations: First, all persons detained for high treason or for other political reason to be released forthwith. Second, dismissal of the commander of the first army corps unless the government shows that this measure should be applied to some other general. Third, the Greek Government to make apologies to the allies' ministers and flags at some public spot in Athens."

Reserve Liberty of Action.

The note concludes with the statement that the allies reserve liberty of action in case the attitude of the Greek Government is unsatisfactory. The note undertakes on the part of the allies not to permit the armed forces of the national government to profit by the withdrawal of the royal troops by passing the neutral zone established in agreement with the Greek Government, and states that the blockade of the Greek coasts will be maintained until full satisfaction in regard to the above points is accorded.

An Athens despatch says: Count di Salari, Italian minister to Greece, today presented the demands of the entente allies for reparation by the Greek government on account of the losses sustained during the recent clash between Greeks and entente troops. The crown council and the cabinet immediately assembled at the palace, King Constantine presiding.

Greece Giving Way.

Another Athens despatch under Friday's date says: A cabinet meeting today at which the king presided, discussed the situation in the country, which is desperate, according to dispatches received here from the interior of Greece.

The king has instructed the general staff to hasten by al possible means the transports southward of the Thessalian troops. The chief of staff informs The Associated Press that, despite the difficulties, the transportation of the troops should be completed by Jan. 5, whereupon the government will inform the entente blockade will be raised.

This despatch dated Saturday, King Constantine summon-

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Women Doing War Work in Toronto Entertained at Monster Banquet

Flashlight photograph of twelve hundred munition workers, who were banqueted in the transportation building, Exhibition grounds, on Saturday night, under the auspices of the Y.W.C.A. The hostesses were Mrs. Hearst, Mrs. Falconer and Miss Church. Gen. Logie, Mayor Church, J. D. Flavelle and many prominent citizens attended.

SPAIN POSTPONES MOVE FOR PEACE

Action at Present Time Would Be Inefficacious, Says Government.

AWAITS OPPORTUNITY

Spain, However, Willing to Work for Entente of Neutral Powers.

Madrid, via Paris, Dec. 30.—The Spanish Government has sent a note in reply to President Wilson with reference to peace, as follows:

"The Spanish Government has received from the ambassador of the United States the note sent by the president of the United States to the belligerent nations, and another communication in which it is said that the moment is opportune for action by the government of his majesty in support of the attitude taken by the government of the United States.

"The Spanish Government, in answer to the initiative of the president of the United States, knowing the various impressions produced, believes that the action in which Spain is in-

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ALLIES FLATLY REJECT FOE PEACE PROPOSALS

Central Powers' Offer Seen As Empty Pretence and War Manoeuvre Designed for Effect at Home and to Deceive and Intimidate Neutrals—Allies Stand Firmly for Reparation and Guarantees for Peace of World.

Paris, Dec. 30.—In reply to the offer of Germany and her allies for a peace conference, the entente allies, in a collective note, declare that they "refuse to consider a proposal which is empty and insincere." The note was handed to American Ambassador Sharp today by Premier Briand, and was made public simultaneously in London and Paris, as follows:

"The allied governments of Belgium, France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Montenegro, Portugal, Rumania, Russia and Serbia, united for the defence of the liberty of their peoples, and faithful to engagements taken not to lay down their arms separately, have resolved to reply collectively to the pretended propositions of peace which were addressed to them on behalf of the enemy governments thru the intermediary of the United States, Spain, Switzerland and Holland. Before making any reply the allied powers desire particularly to protest against the two essential assertions of the note of the enemy powers that pretend to throw upon the allies responsibility for the war and proclaim the victory of the central powers.

A War Manoeuvre.

"The allied governments cannot admit an affirmation doubly inexact, and which suffices to render sterile all tentative negotiation. The allied nations have sustained for thirty months a war they did everything to avoid. They have shown by their acts their attachment to peace. That attachment is as strong today as it was in 1914. But it is not upon the word of Germany, after the violation of its engagements, that the peace broken by her may be based.

"A mere suggestion, without a statement of terms, that negotiations should be opened, is not an offer of peace. The putting forward by the imperial government of a sham proposal, lack-

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Points in Allies' Reply

ENTENTE allies refuse to consider Germany's peace proposal, which is "empty, insincere and less an offer of peace than a war manoeuvre."

In the face of indisputable facts showing that the central powers forced the war, the enemy's affirmation that responsibility therefor rests upon the allies "suffices to render sterile all tentative negotiation."

Sham offers on the part of Germany are based on the "war map" of Europe, which does not show the real strength of the belligerents.

Peace concluded on these terms would be only to the advantage of the aggressors, who have failed in more than two years to attain the goal they expected to reach in two months.

The allies demand penalties, reparation and guarantees for disasters due to the declaration of war, and the innumerable outrages by the central powers against both belligerents and neutrals.

Overtures by the enemy aim to influence the future course of war by creating dissension in the allied countries, by stiffening public opinion among the central powers and by deceiving and intimidating neutrals.

The enemy also seeks to justify in advance in the eyes of the world a new series of crimes, submarine warfare, deportations, forced labor and enlistment of inhabitants to fight against their own countries.

No peace is possible that does not recognize the principle of nationalities and of the free existence of small states and provide for an effective guarantee for the future security of the world, while also giving reparation for violated rights and liberties.

Belgium desires only the re-establishment of peace and justice on a basis which will assure legitimate reparation, guarantees and safeguards for the future.

The note is signed by the allied governments of Belgium, France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Montenegro, Portugal, Rumania, Russia and Serbia.

CANADIANS' SPIRIT HIGH IN TRENCHES

Men Doggedly Determined to Fight Huns to a Finish.

MANY SHINING DEEDS

Lieutenant of Ontario Battalion Dies Gladly, His Mission Achieved.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

Canadian Headquarters in France, Dec. 31.—On Boxing Day, the day after Christmas, there was a sense of business in the air that was lacking the day before. The heavy guns were busy under the direction of many aeroplanes. A sullen mist added to the impression of the serious spirit and determination of our men. It does seem, however, as tho we were tightening our grip on Brother Boche.

A colonel from western Canada said, "Our answer to Germany should be a quotation: 'You are a military nation; you can start or stop war at will; you are always ready; it is your profession. If peace were declared with you in full retention of your military forces, you would simply retire for a year within your borders, send the surplus population back to work and prepare for a greater war. We are peaceful people, civilians, who

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TEUTONS MAKE PROGRESS WITH RUMANIAN DRIVE

Heavily Reinforced, Enemy Captures Heights in Several Places.

FOE THREATENS BRAILA

Russians Report Gains Against Them at Expense of Big Losses.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Dec. 31.—After receiving reinforcements, the Austrians and Germans on the Moldavian frontier and in the Dobrudja in Rumania have renewed the battle and they have gained further successes. The Germans claim that after a hard battle north and northeast of Rimnik-Sarat, Teutonic troops entered the Russo-Rumanian positions and they repulsed strong counter-attacks, and that in the Dobrudja the Bulgarians are making progress towards the Danube port of Matchin.

The Germans, in an official communication issued this evening, claim also that their advance has reached a point which threatens the Town of Braila, on the Danube, in Wallachia.

The Russian official communication, intercepted by the British admiralty for the wireless press, says that heavy fighting is proceeding along the Rumanian front. In the region northwest of Sevej, on the upper Sushitza, on the Moldavian frontier, the Teutons, the Russians say, assumed the offensive, defeated the Rumanian troops and captured a large number of pris-

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The Prevalent Compliant—Friz Feet.

John: You'll be bizzy undertakin' tomorrow, Joe!

Joe: What do you think providential will come my way, friend?

John: Friz feet. A lot or them fellers runnin' for skivik honors'll get friz feet. Yure Soshulistik fr'en' Jimmy Sim'sun 'll get his friz. An' Sam MickBride, his'll be friz.

Joe: What about Mr. Foster?

John: Nuh. I'm lendin' Tom a pair er my cut-rate shoe-packs, an' tole him to keep off the ice. But Ald. Ball'll get his feet friz walkin' over th' 2-dek viadok. John O'Neill's trubbel is hot feet. But there's a lot er fellers goin' to get their feet friz up th' way er Hamilton an' Saint Kitts. John Gibson'll be took hum in a trolley car with friz feet. Bob Flemmin' got his feet friz at th' car barn fire th' other nite.

Joe: What about Billy?

John: Yuh kant ketch him on friz feet. He's got kalluses on his'n. An' he'll start up singin' the doksology, an' hollerin' fur th' patrol wagon.

Joe: I have a fine private ambulance I could put him in.

John: But afore yuh got him in his feet'd thaw out!

Joe: Did you ever have your feet congealed, Mister?

John: Yuh bet I did—walkin' out th' road that leads to Donlan's! An' wun's friz yet!

DON'T LIKE LIQUOR ADS.

The Woodgreen Church quarterly board, after church service yesterday, decided to cancel church advertisements in any newspaper carrying liquor advertisements.

A NEW YEAR'S OPPORTUNITY

A Happy New Year. Begin the prosperous occasion by making an early enquiry into the values featured with the Dineen annual sale of furs. End of season prices—great reductions reasonably offered in midwinter. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

WHETHER the year 1917 will be marked by the end of the war or not cannot be foretold, but what can be foretold is that a speedy ending of the campaign can be brought about by enormous supplies of shells and machinery, and it is to the vastly increasing of the production of these articles that the allies will now bend their energies. In two to three weeks the British army on the Somme is said to have fired five million shells and by the firing of tenfold that number of shells in the same period of time the army would have gained about one hundredfold results. The coming year, therefore, is to contain a period of great concentration of industrial energy by the allies for the sole purpose of winding up the hostilities. The Germans are also greatly speeding up their shell and gun production.

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In a note to Germany the allies have definitely rejected the peace offers of the kaiser's government. They answer that they refuse to consider a proposal that is empty and insincere. These efforts are nothing more than a calculated attempt to influence the future course of the war and to end it by imposing a German peace. The object of the enemy is to create dissension in the public opinion of the allies and to stiffen public opinion in Germany and her confederate coun-

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C. P. R. CO-OPERATES IN SCHEME

Montreal, Dec. 21. Baron Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., in a circular sent to all officials of the company, calls upon them to aid in every way possible in making the coming national service week a success.

Toronto Men Among Canadians Honored for Their Bravery

Brigadier-General Robert Rennie, Lieut.-Col. H. Lockhart Gordon, Col. J. A. Roberts, General Garnet Hughes, Lieut.-Col. William Hughes and Many Others Win Distinction.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, Dec. 31.—The following have been appointed companions of bath: Col. Herbert Stanley Birkett; Col. James Alexander Roberts, Canadian medicals; Brigadier A. C. Jolly de Lothbimiere, who belongs to a well-known Canadian soldier family.

Companions of St. Michael and St. George: Colonel (temporary brigadier) Huntley Douglas Ketchen; Lieut-Col. (temporary brigadier) Robert Rennie; Lieut.-Col. (temporary brigadier) Garnet Hughes; Lieut.-Col. (temporary brigadier) E. W. B. Morrison; Lieut.-Col. Edward Charles Hart, all of the Canadian contingent; Lieut.-Col. C. C. van Straubenzie, Royal Artillery, Lt.-Col. Francis F. Duffus, Imperial A. S. C., belonging to a well-known Canadian military family.

Appointed major-general: Lieut.-Col. E. C. C. Uniack, Royal Artillery, a well-known Canadian; Col., (temporary brigadier) H. C. Twining, formerly with the Canadian Militia.

Appointed brevet-colonels: Brig. G.

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RECONSTRUCTED CABINET HAS BRATIANO AS HEAD

Premier Also Holds Post of Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Jassy, Rumania, via London, Dec. 30.—The Rumanian cabinet has been reconstructed under the premiership of J. J. C. Bratiano, who will also hold the post of minister of foreign affairs. The other members of the cabinet follow:

Minister of war, M. Vintilay mirister of the interior M. Constantinesco; minister of justice, C. Cantacuzene; minister of public works, M. Justiane; minister of public instruction, J. G. Duca; minister of industry and commerce, D. A. Greciano; minister of finance, Vantonesco; minister of agriculture, M. Mirzeeca.

The war minister in the reconstructed Rumanian Cabinet is Vintila Bratiano, a brother of J. J. C. Bratiano, the premier.

ELECTION RETURNS

The Toronto World's telephone number is Main 5308. Anyone wishing to know of the election results, in Toronto or thruout the province, is invited to call the office.

The results of the Toronto voting should be known early in the evening. The usual quick, efficient system worked out by C. L. Whitelaw of the Ellis Adding Typewriter Company, will be used to collect and compile the results.

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