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## CHINESE REPUBLIC TAKES ITS STAND BESIDE ENTENTE

Peking Declares War On Germany and Austria, and Will Participate Actively-Argentina Next To Fall In Line With Allies.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

London, Aug. 14 .- Reuter's, Limited, has been officially informed that China has declared war upon Germany and Austria-Hungary, the declaration dating from 10 o'clock this morning.

### ARGENTINA ALSO?

Washington, Aug. 14 .- Two more nations-Argentina and China-appeared today nearly ready to plunge into the caldron of war.

The time limit given Germany to answer Argentina's submarine demands has ended. Unofficial advices indicated that Argentina, as well as the far eastern nation, might enter the struggle against Germany -Argentina perhaps passively, China actively.

This development was supplemented by the possibility of closer co-operative war arrangements next week with Japan as a result of the visit of her mission.

MANY NORSE VESSELS

Principal in Another

Despicable Plot.

Christiania, Norway, Aug. 14.-In-

for an object the sinking with German bombs of a number of Norwegian ships has been completed according to the

W. W. Cory, Canadlan deputy com-missioner of the interior, and de-partment of labor officials. American harvest hands will be

permitted for the first time to en-ter Canada, and immigration regu-

lations will be waived by both coun-Thousands of Americans are expected to go across the border to help save the Canadian crops.

GUARD TO TRENCHES

Washington, Aug. 14. — Plans for sending the 1st National Guard treops to France have been perfected by the war department with the organization of a division which wik include troops from twenty-six states and District of Columbia.

PREMIER SIFTON EVADES

BRITISH DESTROYER IS

ia, also in some parts of er has been sunk by a mine in the elsewhere the weather North Sea. The captain, two officers and 43 men were saved.

SUNK BY ENEMY MINE

PLANS ARE PERFECTED FOR SENDING NATIONAL

### FORCING SWISS DESTROYED BY BOMBS TO AID TEUTONS, PLANTED IN BUNKERS BERLIN'S LATES

Investigation Shows Germany Campaign Is Launched With Object of Intimidating the Swiss Government.

PRO-HUN PRESS ACTIVE

Papers Favorable to Entente Suppressed at Germany's Request.

New York, Aug. 14.—A Washington dispatch to the Sun says: Indications that Germany, backed by pro-German elements in Switzerland, has launched a campaign to intimidate the Swiss Government and the Swiss people into actively assisting the Teuton cause, are embodied in latest official reports to the state department.

Secretary Lansing stated today that the police of Berne had raided the plant of the Freie Zeitung, a Swiss semi-weekly, because it indorsed President Wilson's stand in the war. The belief here is that Germany forced the Berne authorities to take this action.

May Mean Complications.

Should it develop that the Swiss Government condones this action of the Berne police there may be immediate diplomatic complications, because it well known that a number of Swiss newspapers are now openly supporting Germany's cause more openly than the Freie Zeitung supported the Entente and the United States.

The neutrality of the Swiss Government would naturally come under the supposed to the state of those arrested called that the leader of those arrested called himself Baron von Reutenfels. It is doubted whether he really is a baron. According to the Tidenstegn 1,000 kilo-grams of explosives were selzed, in-cluding a number of infernal machines. These were inclosed in cases resembling lumps of coal, and were to have been put in the coal bunkers aboard the discovery of the plot probably explains the loss of many Norwegian ships, which were supposed to have been mined or torpedoed.

AMERICANS TO HELP

GATHER OUR CROPS New York, Aug. 14.—A Washington dispatch to the Sun says: Indications

and the United States.

The neutrality of the Swiss Government would naturally come under question if the pro-German newspapers are to be allowed carte blanche, while papers favorable to the Entente allies are suppressed.

A message to the state department today reports that the German military authorities have confiscated crops on German soil on the border zone between Switzerland and Germany, and

tween Switzerland and Germany, and that importation of these crops into Switzerland is prohibited. Row Over Loan. Switzerland to make a loan of \$50,000, 000 has stirred the people of Switzer land into the two rival factions. Nom inally 64 per cent of the Swiss people are German-speaking and assumed to be favorable to the German cause, But the German campaign of domination now being attempted has aroused many in Switzerland to protest that the bonor of the action is at state and

honor of the nation is at stake and must not be sacrificed at Germany's TAR'S BCDY 'VASHED UP. Queenstown, Aug. 14.—The body of identified American bluejacket, abo years of age, was washed ashore he sterday. Keys tied around the ne

### THE WEATHER

Columbia.

Discussion of the time and place of mobilization of the division or of its departure for France are not permissible under the voluntary censorship. The struction of the division, as given in the official statement, shows it will conform to the reduced trench warfare divisional organization recommended by Major-Gen. Pershing, which would give it a total strength, with auxiliary troops, of approximately 20,000 men. LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 82; lowlest, 62.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 69: lowest, 63. lighest, 69; lowest, 63.

TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARM. Forecasts. POLITICAL CONTROVERSY

Today—Light to moderate winds: a ew scattered showers, but mostly fair. Wednesday — Fair and moderately Toronto, Aug. 13.—Hon. A. L. Sifton, premier of Alberta, who arrived in the 24 ay:

Weather Clear Fair Cloudy Fair Fair Fair Cloudy Clear Cloudy Clear Cloudy Clear Cloudy Clear Cloudy Clear Cloudy C Temperatures. The following were the Chigary ... Yinnipeg ... Yinnipeg ... Yinnipeg ... Yinnipeg ... Yound ... arry Sound R. Stanley Weather Notes

CANADIANS PUSH **POSTS CLOSER TO** CENTRE OF LENS

Dominion Troops Now Only 800 Yards From Heart of City.

GOOD WORK BY GUNNERS

German Gun Positions and Pits Destroyed-Haig Reports Night Raids.

(By Stewart Lyon, Special Correspondent of the Canadian Forces in France)
Canadian Army Headquarters, Aug.
13.—Posts were pushed out on a front of about six hundred yards into ruined houses, from which enemy snipers have been annoying our men in the advanced line in the region to the north of the Lens-Lievin road, early last night. Little resistance was experienced, and only one prisoner was captured.

The posts put out by us last night are only 800 yards west of the centre of the city, but a belt of razed houses lies between our men and Lens. Over the open space thus secured the enemy is able to direct a heavy machine gun fire, from the strongly fortified houses on the other side.

The artillery duel rages with strongly unbated violence. In the counter battery actions yesterday Canadian gunners caused eight explosions in enemy gun positions, and destroyed their gun pits entirely.

HAIG REPORTS RAIDS. London, Aug. 14.—"Our raiding ties entered the German lines last les entered the German lines last night iortheast of Gouzeaucourt and at two points east of Vermelles, securing a few rrisoners," says today's official an-touncement. "A number of the enemy were killed and his dugouts were mbed.
'A hostile raid was successful ised north of Roeux. During the night enemy's artillery was more active in usual east and northeast of Ypre d in the neighborhood of Lom

9,748 Lives Lost On British Merchantmen

London, Aug. 14.-It was announced today in the House of Commons that 9,748 lives were lost on British merchantmen from the opening of the war to June 30, 1917.

# has been completed according to the Tidenstegn and action taken against seven Finlanders and two Germans. They are accused of having transported many explosives from Germany to Norway, and stored them at three places in Christiania. The accused were paid by the German espionage headquarters at Stockholm. BY FRENCH TROOPS

NORWAY IS OPPOSED TO

Baker, Ore., Aug. 14.—Fire late last ight destroyed the business section of ed to death.

standing this seeming handicap.

you win this Maxwell car or not.

NEARING THE FINISH

Kerensky Replies to George's Message

Petrograd, Aug. 14.—Premier Kerensky, in replying to a message of goodwill King George sent him at the beginning of the fourth year of the war, said: "I am certain the Russian people will find the necessary strength to surmount the serious trials of the present time, and conduct the world war to an end which will be worthy of the terrible sacrifices already made by every nation which is struggling for right against

# ALL SPAIN UNDER MARTIAL LAW WHICH SPREADS TO ALL

Madrid, Aug. 14.—The whole of Spain has been placed under martial law, following disorders resulting from the general strike, which is spreading. This decision was reached at a meeting of the cabinet, which devoted its entire time to a consideration of the strike. Instructions were sent to the military authorities, who have been given full control. Disturbances which occurred at various places have been stopped by military forces.

The strike, which was begun by the railroad employees, has even affected the newspapers here, and only those which have non-unionist staffs will appear tonight. They have received assurances from the Government that they will be protected. At noon yesterday by former Premier Asquith and considerable effect. The newspapers parlse his patriotism in again coming to the rescue of Fremier Lloyd George's administration when it was in difficulties.

The executive commitee of the general Labor party is meeting today to discuss the situation created by the Government's refusal to issue passorder.

## As Result of Attacks SPRINGFIELD RIGTS CAUSE CALLING OUT

**MEN FROM OVERSEAS** OF NATIONAL GUARD STATIONED AT BASES

Cause Trouble at the Illinois City.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 14 .- The entire; Ninth Regiment, National Guard, is on Paris. Aug. 14.—The German lines near Rheims were penetrated in two places last night by French reconnoit-German raids in the Champagne failed. of the street railway emplayees who are

Canada is today in the internment camp

Some of the energetic candidates who are getting big votes in The London Advertiser's \$16,000 Prize Contest,

Reading from left to right they are: Charles Chester man, District No. 5, winner of the Special Free Trip; Miss Carrie Cody, District No. 5, winner of the \$50 Cash Prize; Miss Lettie Pearce, District No. 2, the lady who gave up a position of \$1.50 a day to enter the contest; Miss Rheta McLister, District No. 2; Miss Vera Latimer, District No. 7;

C. Keuhner, District No. 8, one of the last to enter the contest and who has made a splendid showing, notwith-

MAXWELL CAR. SPECIAL PRIZE.

A \$935 Maxwell Five-Passenger Touring Car was pur chased yesterday, and will be given as a special prize to the candidate turning in the greatest amount of subscription money on both old and new subscriptions and the greatest number of new subscriptions by 8:30 o'clock Saturday, August 18th. This is the last special prize and the best

vote offer that will be given during the contest. Some can didate is going to win this special prize and it might just as well be you. An extra supply of receipt books are now on hand, and it now rests with you, Mr. Candidate, whether

whom have aiready won special prizes for the great est number of new subscriptions turned in

An Extra Automobile Given This Week

Group of Business-Getters in Contest;

Sympathizers With Strikers Distinction Between Those Who Have Been in France

PATRIOTIC FUND FOR

News of the World, London.

satisfaction of the returned men who have been transferred to the Special duty this morning as the result of rioting which broke out shortly before midnight last night when sympathizers of the street railway emplayees who are on strike, began to attack the cars.

The troops were called out when it became apparent that the police and

sight destroyed the business section of sumpter, a mining town near here, ausing a loss estimated at about \$600,-000, and rendering several hundred peroduced to death. Food and tents were sent from here today.

Springfield, Ill, Aug. 14.—More coal mines in Central and Southern Illinois were idle today as the result of the strikes among drivers and motormen, who demand higher wages. It was estimated to death. Food and tents were sent fortune of several millions in this country since the outbreak of the war.

### VATICAN ASKS WARRING POWERS TO CONSIDER PEACE PROPOSAL: MAY BE INSPIRED BY GERMANS

OVER HENDERSON IS BLOWING OVER

96 COLUMNS.

All But Small Faction of Labor Accepts the Refusal of Passports.

PRAISE FOR MR. ASQUITH

Conciliatory Speech of Ex-Premier Held To Have Cleared the Air.

London, Aug. 14.—The strong feeling which led to the retirement of Arthur Henderson, labor representative, from the cabinet appears to be blowing over rapidly. Talk of a general election has ceased. The decision of the Government to refuse passports for delegates to the International Socialist conference at Stockholm seemed to have been accepted by the labor elements, except for a small faction for which James Ramsay MacDonald and Philip Snowden, members of the House of Commons, are spokesmen.

Praise For Asquith.

in difficulties.

The executive committee of the general Labor party is meeting today to discuss the situation created by the Government's refusal to issue passport for the Stockholm conference.

The London news agency says the committee decided on an unchanged attitude in regard to the conference.

The Labor conference held at London last Friday voted by an overwhelming majority to send delegates to the International Socialist conference at Stockholm. Subsequently A. Bonar Law announced in the House of Com-mons that the British Government would not issue passports to delegates to the conference.

New York, Aug. 14.—A special cable dispatch to the New York World from London this morning says: "A crowded house keyed up to a nigh pitch of excitement listened to Arthur Henderson yesterday afternoon, speaking in defence of his position in regard to the Stockholm conference. At the close of the speech many members shorted the the speech many members shared the opinion of Premier Lloyd George that three-quarters of Mr. Henderson's peroration was irrelevant, as he failed to point out why he did not clearly inform the labor conference of Kerensky's opposition to the Stockholm conference.

wenderson's Mistake.

Mr. Henderson's acknowledgment that he stated to the conference that there has not been a modification of the Russian attitude did not give the clean cut answer which even his adherents head only and would stor the inter-AMERICANS TO HELP

GATHER OUR CROPS

Christiania, Aug. 14.—The conference of Scandinavian and other neutral ministers will be convened here in September, but there is a strong feeling rangement being reached which would tend to disturb the friendly relations existing between which would tend to disturb the friendly relations existing between the friendly relations existing the Canadian grant for the friendly relations existing between the friendly relations existing the Canadian flat to take action against the United States. The mob captured a street car after firing shots at it, broke all the windows, turned on the current and sent the car down the track. On a turn a block from the car barns the car leaped the track.

Hun Financial against the United States. The firing shots at the more were still interests for Sweden or any other neutral ministers will be convended in other existing bar and disturbed in particles with first the properties will be supplied for harvesting the Canadian grant for the friendly relation of the decirant that the premient of the first plant the first plant the properties will be as the clean conference and the first plant the fi

tunity to reverse its vote or to place the question before the rank and file of labor. Ramsay MacDonald's speech of labor. Ramsay MacDonald's speech at the conference on Friday about "German friends," and his reiteration of that phrase at the meeting in Glasgow on Sunday is the more irritating to all classes of people in this country coming as it did just as another slaughter of vacationists was achieved by the German air forces. Many persons here who were willing to listen to arguments in favor of the Stockholm conference were disturbed by a feeling roposals received here, discloses that to arguments in layor of the Stockholm conference were disturbed by a feeling that peace forces led by MacDonald were trying to use the meeting for their own ends. The no passport dictum of the Government will be a severe blow to pacifists of the MacDonald type.

AUSTRALIAN STEAMER IS REPORTED LONG OVERDUE

Melbourne, Australia, Aug. 14. - The Melbourne, Australia, Aug. 14. — The navy office states that the British steamship Matunga of Sydney, 1,618 tons gross, from Brisbane, sent a wireless message on August 5, saying she expected to reach her next port of call on August 7, but that she has not been heard of since. All search for her has been in yain.

Melbourne, Australia, Aug. 14. — The powers in Rome, is quite long, making in print something more than a column of large newspaper type. Although special eforts are being made to facilitate its transmission to the United States, his may not be effected for at least a day or two. SUBMARINE RAMMED.

London, Aug. 14.—A German submarine of the largest and latest type has been towed into Zeebrugge, Belgium, by two torpedoboats, according to an exchange telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam. The submarine is reported to have been rammed in the North Sea and damaged severely, resulting in the loss of three of the crew.

Meanwhile, however, an accurate outline of the principal points of the pope's communication is in the hands of the Government here and already has received thoughtful consideration.

In eloquent language the pontiff describes the terrible conditions existing in Europe, which he declares is headed

BRITISH CRISIS Would Restore Belgium, Serbia and Rumania. and Peacefully Solve Alsace-Lorraine and Trent Problems-Entente Diplomats Think Move Is New Peace Feeler By Teutons.

> POPE'S PEACE PROPOSALS. Restore Serbia, Belgium and Rumania. Confer Over Alsace-Lorraine and Trent. Settle Disputes by Arbitration. Freedom of the Seas. No After-the-War Economic Struggle.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 14.—Reduction of armaments, settlement of all international disputes by arbitration, freedom of the seas, and no retallatory after-the-war economic struggle for supremacy, are the foundation tones of Pope Benedict's peace proposals.

Rome, Aug. 14.—Peace proposals made by Pope Benedict have been delivered to all the belligerent governments.

The pope suggests restoration of Belgium, Serbia and Rumania, and peaceful solution of the problems of Alsace-Lorraine, Trent, Triest and Poland, according to reports received from Vatican sources. It is expected the proposals will be published today by the Vatican.

INSPIRED BY GERMANY.

Within the entente diplomatic circle the opinion was freely and promptly expressed that the peace proposal was inspired by Germany, and was an attempt to split the allies in a conflicting discussion of their war aims.

THIS SOUNDS TEUTONIC.

London, Aug. 14 .- The outline of the Vatican's peace proposals received here demands the restoration of all German colonies to Germany. Summed up, the proposals are for a restoration of the status quo ante bellum, with all questions as to readjustment of frontiers to be left to undefined "subsequent negotiations."

NO REPARATION.

Washington, Aug. 14 .- The pope's peace proposal declares that the injuries to all belligerents have been so great there should be no thought of reparation except for the return of territory.

UNOFFICIAL, SAYS WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C., Aug. 14 .- The state department acknowledges that it had received unofficial knowledge of Pope Benedict's peace proposals before to-day's news despatches were received here. No official cognizance can be taken of it until the proposal is conveyed officially. Whatever consideration is given to it will be after consultation with the allies.

consultation with the allies.

The extent of the state department's information does not indicate through what channel the proposal will be conveyed and gives no information from which an inference might be drawn as to whether it will come through one of the Allied governments or through a dignitary of the church.

Nothing Official.

Officials were unusually explicit in saying that it could not be discussed until it came officially before the Government and were emphatic in declaring that no statement whatever could be represented as reflecting the official view. If an inference might be drawn from the undercurrents which were started in official circles by the report a trained observer would venture to go one which would be discussed in good.

the pontiff's proposals include redution of armaments, freedom of the world commercial supremacy. of the pope's plan. The pope's proposals, which already have been delivered to the resident am- are only suggested as a basis for such

bassadors and ministers of the warring negotiations, and he realizes that the powers in Rome, is quite long, making

Meanwhile, however, an accurate outcommunication is in the hands of the Any attempt to prevent free economic Government here and already has re- action between the belligerents, the

proposals received here, discloses that disinterested friends to cease a suicidal seas, and that there shall be no re- opportunity to suggest what may be, taliatory struggle after the war for he hopes, at least a foundation upon These which peace negotiations may be in-

At best, Pope Benedict's proposals

tained unless the various peoples are willing to gather in an amity founded upon a recognition of national rights.

Pope points out, would be disastrous; therefore he says there must be freedom of the seas in all that the term applies. The pontiff declares that so extensive has been the injury to all the belligerents that there can be thought now of either indemnity or reparation. In a spirit of conciliation and justice, he says, all the belligerents must submit to accept the losses they have suf-

ation of the war by an economic struggle for supremacy thereafter, which would be purely evil. The Paris Conference. This refers directly to the so-called Paris economic conference which was

fered except in the matter of territory, and beside these questions of in-

demnity and reparation, the pope de-clares that there must be no continu-

### CITY THANKED FOR AID TO FRANCE

Lady Beck, who recently forwarded \$16,000 to the French Red Cross as the contribution of London and No. 1 Military District, has received the following cablegram of acknowledgment sent to Col. Noel Marshall head of the Canadian Red Cross: "I am desired by the French ambassa-dor to convey through you to all Canadians his grateful thanks, and to the London committee of the Canadian Red Cross, for Canada's splendid esponse to your 14th of July appeal for Empire's tribute to France's

The contributions, it is reported at the Red Cross headquarters here continue to come in, and the total of \$16,000 already forwarded, will be

considerably added to.

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