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EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH OF AUSTRIA-HUNGARY IS DEAD

Hospital Ship Britannic Has Been Sunk; Fifty Lives are Lost

AUSTRIAN STATESMEN AS PUPPETS OF GERMANY, KINDLED THE WAR

For Two Years, Declares London Mail Franz Joseph Was Politically Defunct, and of Good Health He Would Never Have Been Passive Agent of German Plot Which Caused War

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, Nov. 22.—(New York Times cable)—News of the death of the Austrian Emperor last night at Schoenbrunn Castle was received in London too late to catch the ordinary editions of the papers, so no editorial opinion is available as to the probable effect, if any, it will have on the course of the war or on the Austrian people.

"The Daily Mail" in a late special edition publishes a short obituary in which it says:

"Emperor Francis Joseph had been politically defunct for two years. In the present war he played a very insignificant part and it is exceedingly doubtful whether had he been in vigorous health he would ever have consented to become the passive agent of a German plot.

"The initial disasters which befell Austria weighed heavily upon him. The loss of Galicia in the autumn of 1914 he felt as a crushing blow. From then onwards Germany assumed virtual control of the dominions of the once proud Hapsburg. A reign which began with the abdication of his weak predecessor ended in his own virtual abdication in favor of Emperor William.

"From first to last his reign has been marked by domestic misfortunes which recall the fearful doom of the House of Atreus. It has also been politically unfortunate. It opened with civil war and disaster, it witnessed the loss of his Italian provinces and provinces ruled in Italy by members of his family, Venetia, Lombardy, Parma, Modena, and Tuscany. It has closed amid the frightful ruin of the greatest war history ever knew—a war kindled by the folly of Austrian statesmen who allowed themselves to become German puppets."

Austria Impressed

London, Nov. 22.—Telegraphing from Amsterdam, the Central News correspondent says:

"Vienna reports that although the death of the Emperor had been expected the news, which was printed in special editions of the newspapers, made a deep impression on the public. A special cabinet meeting was held. The heir to the throne, Archduke Charles Francis, has been for some time in Vienna.

"A meeting of the Hungarian cabinet has been called at Budapest. Premier Tisza will afterwards come to Vienna.

Due to Cold

Paris, Nov. 22.—The death of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria was caused by a cold which the aged monarch caught while walking in Schoenbrunn Park, ten days ago, with the King of Bavaria, according to a Zurich despatch to the Parisien. The cold developed into pneumonia of the right lung. When it was realized yesterday that the Emperor's condition was serious, his daughter, Archduchess Marie Valerie and nephews the Archduke Charles Francis, heir apparent, and Joseph Frederick, were summoned to the bedside.

Died in Harness

London, Nov. 22.—Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, practically died in harness, according to an Amsterdam despatch to the Central News. The despatch says that the Emperor rose at his usual hour on Tuesday and engaged in government business. He received his daughter, the Archduchess Marie Valerie at eight o'clock and two hours later gave an audience to Foreign Minister Burian. In the afternoon his condition grew worse and in the evening his temperature rose the physicians realized that death was approaching. It is reported in Berlin that Emperor William will attend the funeral.

Peace Talk.

New York, Nov. 22.—A cable to The World from London, (delayed) says:

No stock is being taken here in the fresh outburst of peace talk which his coming from Vienna and Berlin by way of Switzerland, although it is declared the death of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria and the substitution of the young heir apparent upon the throne undoubtedly would add to the burden of the Central Empires.

It is considered rather significant here that reports are allowed to get out of Vienna as to the Emperor's serious physical condition and the possibility of the heir apparent taking his place. The latter is not so absolutely bound up with German interests as is the old emperor, and he would be free to conclude a separate peace with the allies when conditions in the dual empire seemed to make such a peace desirable. Berlin is said to regard with great misgiving the possibility of Francis Joseph's passing from the throne.

The Central Empires are now looking toward President Wilson it may safely be said, to make peace proposals, but it is assumed here that the President is far too wise to mix in the situation unless Germany invites his mediation and consents to those terms which, it is common knowledge, are the irreducible minimum of the allies' demands, and which alone would meet with any response from them.

No Pity In Paris.

Paris, Nov. 22.—Although no official confirmation of the death of Emperor Francis Joseph had been received in Paris early this morning, the press generally accepted the news as authentic. Special editions announcing the Emperor's death were bought up rapidly and the passing of the monarch was discussed with the greatest interest. In their comment the newspapers are merciless. The Matin says:

"The sinister old man, who for sixty eight years wore the double crown, disappears too soon, notwithstanding his eighty-six years, for he has not seen the approaching hour of expiation of the crimes for which he will bear eternally in history a crushing responsibility and stigma. But the spectre of punishment must have haunted his latter days if this man, so monstrously indifferent, was accessible to any feeling whatever—this man who witnesses unmoved the worst catastrophes heaped up by fate on his family and his country. The irony of fate!

"If he had disappeared from the scene three years sooner, the world would have forgotten his calculating cowardice, his ferocious egotism, his hypocrisy and would have remembered only the private and public misfortunes which marked almost all the years of his reign without reflecting that these misfortunes were all deserved. He would perhaps have been pitied. But justice has not permitted that he swindle the world out of this supreme homage. It has made

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Wheat Crop Below Average

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—A Government cablegram received to-day from the International Institute of Agriculture gives the folowing wheat production crop.

Wheat: England and Wales, 55,543,000 bushels, 82 per cent. of last year's crop and 99.6 per cent. of the average of the five years, 1909-13. Italy 176,533,000 bushels, 103.5 per cent. of last year, 96 per cent. of five years' average. Total production of Spain, England and Wales, Ireland, Norway, Netherlands, Roumania, Russia-in-Europe, Switzedland, Canada, United States, India, Japan, Egypt and Tunis, 2,229,914,000 bushels, or 72.4 per cent. of the production of the same countries last year, and 92.6 per cent. of their five-year average.

The sum of $6,311,415 has been collection in the United States for Jewish war sufferers in Europe.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN MACEDONIA

Franco-Serbs Continue Advance, Taking 500 More Prisoners.

SPIRITED RESISTANCE

Is Offered By Germano-Bulgars, and Fighting Continues.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Paris, Nov. 22.—Noon—Energetic resistance is being offered by the Germans and Bulgarians on the Macedonian front, north of Monastir, the war office announces. The advance of the Entente forces was delayed also by heavy fog. Five hundred more prisoners were taken.

The Germano-Bulgarian forces are accepting battle on a line running from Snegovo, three miles north of Monastir, to Hill 1050, southwest of the town of Makovo, which is 13 miles northeast of Monastir.

The glass eye of John B. Miller, of Malaga, N. J., suddenly exploded and lacerated his face.

DEMAND FOR HYDRO POWER IS STILL STEADILY INCREASING

Meatless Days For France

Two Per Week Decided On; Pastry and Cakes Banned.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Paris, Nov. 22.—Two meatless days a week were decided upon by the cabinet to-day at a meeting at which the food supply question was exhaustively discussed. After consultation with traders interested in the matter, it was agreed that the two days should be Thursday and Friday, and a decree to that effect will shortly be issued.

It was also decided to prohibit altogether the making of fresh pastry cakes and rolls and fancy bread. The smallest loaf will be that of two pound weight. Crackers and kindred edibles of a dry character will be the only form of cakes permitted.

At Hydro Convention at Toronto, Municipal Representatives Urged the Expropriation of Power Plants—Mayor Bowlby is Prominent is Discussion

Toronto, Nov. 22.—Representatives of over three hundred municipalities attended the joint meeting of the Ontario Power Union and the Hydro-Electric Railway Association at the city hall yesterday to discuss the power situation, also to consider the question at the forthcoming municipal elections to ascertain if they are favorable to co-operative action for the generation of power in addition to distribution by the provincial hydro commission. All agreed it was imperative that the supply of power should be increased as rapidly as possible, that it was desirable the provincial hydro commission should proceed with the Chippewa development scheme, and that the municipalities should be co-partners in the undertaking.

His Worship.

In addition to this on the motion of Mayor Bowlby, of Brantford, a unanimous request was made to the provincial commission to consider the advisability of immediately expropriating the plant of the Niagara Power Company. The export of power was condemned, as all that is being generated at Niagara Falls is required in Ontario. The form of by-laws to be submitted to the people on the two questions, of the generation of power and the construction of hydro-radials, was approved. About 170 municiaplities will vote on the former and some 28 on the radial project.

Sir Adam Beck's Address.

Sir Adam Beck gave a review of the Hydro movement pointing out the success that had attended it and the tremendous demands that were being made for more power. Dealing with the local situation and the endeavors of the Ontario Development Company to evade its obligation to supply the Hydro with a block of 50,000 horse power, he read correspondence to show that Hon. Wallace Nesbett was evading the issue when he said the company had not undertaken to give the Hydro more than 32,000 horse-power this year. The arrangement was for 50,000 horse-power, said Sir Adam and that was confirmed in a letter of Premier Hearst's and by conversation over the telephone. Mr. Nesbitt could not go back on that. The power companies were only permitted to export surplus power. Their first duty was to supply the requirements of Ontario and Ontario wanted and could use all the power generated. At present the commission was distributing 200,000 horse-power and it could distribute 250,000 if it were available and the demand was continually increasing and would have to be met. It was proposed to meet it in part by the Chippewa development, which, when completed would provide 200,000 at a cost of $7.50 per horse-power. The cost for the first 100,000 horse-power would be $8.50 per horse-power. The power companies would like to kill the project, but it would go on. The point has not yet been definitely settled, but it is probable the Hydro Commission will undertake the development work instead of awarding it to contractors.

Sir Adam said there was no danger of international complications arising over the project.

CHURCHMAN DEAD

By Courier Leased Wire.

Topeka, Kas., Nov. 22—The death early to-day of Right Rev. Frank R. Millspaugh, bishop of the diocese of Kansas, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, at his home here, removed one of the prominent figures in the church in which he served for more than 40 years. Hardening of the arteries necessitated his withdrawal from the more active phases of church work last year, and was responsible for his death.

At the recent national convention of the church, the Right Rev. James Wise, of St. Louis, was chosen coadjutor bishop to relieve Bishop Millspaugh of some of his duties.

Longest Reign in History is Ended by Reaper Death

Franz Joseph Who Caused the War, is Dead After Occupying the Throne of Dual Monarchy For 68 Years--His Was a Lifetime of Tragedies and Domestic Unhappiness

London, Wednesday, November 22.—Emperor Francis Joseph died last night at 9 o'clock at Schoenburnn Castle, according to a Reuter despatch from Vienna by way of Amsterdam.

The first intimation received here that Emperor Francis Joseph's health was again the subject of solicitation was contained in a despatch dated November 12, emanating from Vienna news agency, which reported that the emperor had been suffering for some days from a slight catarrh affection. Subsequent reports from various sources, more or less conflicting, represented that his condition was becoming worse, but none of them indicated that his illness threatened to reach a critical state, and from Vienna came assurances that he was still able to give audiences to one or more Ministers daily.

What gave some credence to the suspicion that his condition was much graver than the official bulletins indicated was the report, which still lacks official confirmation, that it had been decided to associate the heir of the throne, Archduke Charles Francis, in the government of the country, and that he was to assume the position on December 2, on the 68th anniversary of the emperor's ascension to the throne.

So far as is known here Archduke Charles is still at the front in command of the army.

Archduke Charles Francis, grand-nephew of Emperor Francis Joseph, becomes heir to the throne of Austria-Hungary by the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand, prior to the outbreak of the war. He has been in command of the Austrian armies on various fronts during the past two years.

Archduke Charles Francis was born on August 17, 1887. His wife was Princess Zita, of the Bourbon house of Parma. His father was the Archduke Otto, who was the younger brother of Francis Ferdinand.

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HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK; 50 LOST

British Liner Britannic Was Largest Hospital Ship Afloat.

London, Nov. 22.—The British hospital ship, Brittanic, has been sunk with the loss of about 50 lives, says a British official announcement to-day.

It was reported in a special despatch from London on December 6 last, that the 47,500 ton White Star Liner Brittanic, then recently completed, would be used as a hospital ship by the British Government, making her the largest hospital ship in commission, with an equipment of six thousand beds. Last June, however, it was reported in a news despatch from Liverpool that the Brittanic had been returned to the White Star Line for restoration into a passenger steamer.

PROBS

"Zimmie"

Toronto, Nov. 22. — Depressions are situated in the lower Mississippi Valley and in the western provinces, the former being likely to increase in energy. Fair weather still prevails over Canada with mild conditions in the west.

Forecasts.

Fair to-day with rising temperature, then strong winds and gales, easterly with rain on Thursday.

CANDIDATES IN COURIER BIG CAMPAIGN HAVE FEW MORE DAYS

Candidates Will Make These Days Count For More Than Any That Have Gone Before; Oportunity's Last Knock

The contest closes Saturday night at 8 o'clock. Last week was a big week in the campaign department. Many candidates have surprised the manager with the amount of subscriptions they have secured. Others have not done so well, and it is up to those to get good and busy from now until 8 o'clock Saturday night in the great struggle. There still remain a few days in which to get extra votes. Candidates should make every effort until the close. This is a battle among candidates with a fair field and no favorites. The hardest and most energetic workers will win, but who the winners are will not be known and cannot be known until the final count is made.

Candidates, relatives, friends and acquaintances alike are making the last hours of the campaign count greatly. All are securing subscriptions to place them at the top of the list. There are a number of rivals that stand so close in the race that the last few hours of hustling may decide the winner one way or the other.

You can bet that they are going to use those last few hours to the limit. To lie down at this stage of he game means permanent retirement from the racing career. But there are no quitters in the race. The finish is going to be close, you can make that as emphatic as you wish.

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Remember candidates your votes must be in the office and in your envelope by 8 o'clock Saturday, Nov. 25th.

A CHANCE

To Have the Hon. Rupert Guinness.

Address a Brantford Meeting With Regard to the Navy.

Ex-Mayor Spence, President of the Brant Recruiting League, is in receipt of the following letter:—

Nov. 21st, 1916.

Dear Sir,—Captain, the Hon. Rupert Guinness, has just wired me from Calgary that he could give me four talks in Ontario before returning to England. I have no doubt that this includes speeches by Lady Gwendolin Guinness as well. At this moment he is unable to advise the exact date of his being here, but expects to be here next week.

Could you not arrange a special public meeting through the Mayor, so that the citizens of Brantford may have the opportunity of hearing him speak on naval affairs? I should appreciate your reply by wire.

Yours faithfully,
EMILIUS JARVIS,
Royal Recruiting Officer. Overseas Division Area Ontario.

In accordance with the above, Mr. Spence has taken the necessary initial steps.

General Goethals, Governor of the Panama Canal, rebukes calamity howlers in a report to the Secretary of War, asserting that the slides which halted traffic are being overcome.

Lawrence Connelly, Jr., of South Braddock, Pa., was found dead, presumably murdered, within a short distance of the place where his father was found murdered less than a month ago.

"WE ALL PREFER DEATH TO SLAVERY UNDER GERMAN RULE"

French Chamber of Deputies Decides Upon Taking of a Census of the Conscript Class of 1918 — Socialists Opposing Measure is Deprived of Right to Speak.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Paris, Nov. 22.—The Chamber of Deputies last night adopted a bill providing for the taking of a census of the 1918 conscripts. The debate was marked by the obstructive tactics of the Socialists, the intervention of Premier Briand and finally by a demand for a secret session. The chamber sat in secret for a short time and then resumed the public sitting during which the debate became tumultuous at times. Deputy Pierre Brizon, a Socialist, was finally deprived of the use of the floor for intemperate language. The chamber's strong confidence in the Government was shown by a vote of 450 to 38.

Armyal Lacaz, minister of marine, speaking for General Roques, the minister of war, who is absent, asked for a vote without discussion on the proposal to take the census. This request drew protests from various groups as a breach of the parliamentary right.

Admiral Locaz explained that there was no question of calling up the class of 1918, but of merely enumerating it so as to see what its strength and efficiency was. He said that if the class was called up it would be by vote of the chamber and that the present proposal was simply an administrative measure of urgency and not a question of army effectives.

In the course of the discussion, some of the speakers suggested that France's allies should be called upon to make a further effort to supply men as France had already done her share, and so had borne the heaviest burden of the war. Deputy Brunet's remark that "most assuredly we are ready to make every effort, for we would all prefer death to slavery under German domination," was loudly cheered. Premier Briand depreciated a public debate on so delicate a question, and said that injury to the country might result from further explanations. Amid an uproar, in which several speakers sought the floor, President Deschanel announced the receipt of a signed motion requesting a secret session. Socialist Deputy Favre denounced this proceeding as an effort to strangle the minority, when it developed that the motion had been signed by the Socialists. The secret session soon after was voted unanimously by a show of hands.

On the resumption of a public session, a number of speakers attacked the government, accusing it of having prevented a debate on the question of the 1918 class census. Deputy Brizon was particularly violent, and when called to order by President Deschanel, shouted:

"Down with war." Brizon, who is one of the Socialists who recently conferred with German comrades in Switzerland, insisted on speaking, in the midst of a general tumult and loud hooting. "The calling of the 1918 class will not serve France," he shouted among other things. On this, the Chamber voted almost unanimously to deprive him of the further right to speak, and the bill was then adopted.