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Will Wage Campaign of Revolution if Negotiations Fail **Re-establish Forces Against Break With Enemy**

New Russ Army Will Wage, Not War CENTRAL POWERS But Revolution, Says Trotzky; Civil WITHDRAW TERMS Warfare Throughout Country is Riv- Cancel Peace Offer Made at Brest-Litovsk on Dec. 25; alry of the Classes

BOLSHEVIKI TO WAR

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, Jan. 11.-Confirming previous reports that the Bolsheviki are preparing to re-establish the fighting power of the army against a possible final break in the negotiations with the Central Powers, the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News says that they are not attempting to re-animate the war-worn out army, but to create a new and much smaller one. Concerning this new army, Foreign Minister Trotzky is reported to have said:

"It will wage not war, but revolution. Its front trenches will be barricades against oppressors."

The Bolsheviki doubt if the German soldiers will advance, but if they do and take more territory, they will be no nearer an end of the war.

The correspondent says that the greatest difficulties of the Bolsheviki in these preparations are transport and supply of which the former is less hopeful question. Ensign Krylenko, the Bolsheviki commander-in-chief, is reported to be organizing a volunteer army and has ordered all officers to return to the posts they held before the Bolsheviki revolution.

In reference to the civil wars in different parts of Russia, the correspondent says they are not wars between one part of Russians against another, but attempts to spread class warfare in those parts where the proletariat has not yet obtained the upper hand. Thus, the Bolsheviki are not warring against the Ukraine, but against the Bourgeois Ukrainian Rada, not with the Cossacks, but with the military government of the Cossacks.

The Daily News correspondent says that the anti-Bolsheviki newspapers daily record Bolsheviki defeats, but declares it is curious that after each defeat the Bolsheviki advanced instead of retired. The map, he says, shows that each reported defeat takes the Bolsheviki further into the enemy country. He mentions some of these ad President's Speech First Courageous vances and adds that the Black Sea fleet is now controlled by the Bolsheviki.

The Petrograd correspondent of The Times says that enormous sums have been taken from the State Bank by forged checks since the bank has been in the possession of the Bolsheviki. Three million roubles were withdrawn through one spurious check.

Assign Non Acceptance by Entente as Reason

AMSTERDAM, JAN. 11 .- THE CENTRAL POWERS HAVE WITH-DRAWN THEIR PEACE TERMS MADE PUBLIC AT THE BREST-LITOVSK CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 25, IT WAS ANNOUNCED BY DR. VON KUEHLMANN, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, IN HIS SPEECH AT THE BREST-LITOVS & CONFERENCE WITH THE RUS-SIANS YESTERDAY.

OWING TO THE NON-ACCEPTANCE BY ALL THE ENEMY POWERS OF THOSE TERMS, D.R. VON KUEHLMANN STATED, THAT DOCUMENT HAD "BECOME NULL AND VOID,"

The Central powers' peace terms of December 25 were voiced by Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Min-ister. They expressed willingn ess to conclude "a general peace without forcible annexations and indemnities" and that it was not the intention of the Central powers to deprive of political enec those nations which had lost it during the war, independence those nations which had lost it during the way but stipulated that the question of the political independence of nationlities not now possessing it would not be solved in-ternationally, but must be left to each government and its peoples. This qualified recognition of the right of self-deter-mination was made use of in the concrete terms for a treaty letter but to Busics bit the Contral powers in which it later proposed to Russia by the Central powers, in which it was claimed that this right h ad already been exercised in Poland, Courland and Lithuan ia.



Step Toward Peace, Says Messagero; Noble and Efficient Form of Wilson's proposed peace conditions such as could only be imposed if the Protest

Germany Never in Such Danger of **Collapse as at Present; Internal** and External Difficulties Menace **Empire on Every Hand**

TWO CENTS

By Courier Leased Wire.

Amsterdam, Jan. 11-Germany was never in such danger of collapse from internal and external difficulties as at present, says the correspondent in Germany of The Tijd in an analysis of the existng situation. The political struggle concentrated around Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann has been reflected in violent scenes in the main committee of the Reichstag. Public action of the Socialist Minority cannot longer be resisted and even should militarism gain a temporary victory the correspondent thinks reaction will follow quickly.

Russia's example is said to already have infected popular and military circles.

The food question, national mourning, the dislocation of indusry, the growing desire for peace and fear of a new offensive on the west threaten to lead to a tragic phase if the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk fail and in that case a democratic explosion is inevitable.

HUNGARY HOPES FOR PEACE

Amserdam, Jan. 11-Premier Wekerle of Hungary came to Berin, according to The Berlin correspondent of The Az Est of Budapest to discuss credit and financial questions with the German treaury and financiers. He is quoted as saying:

"We hope for peace soon with Russia. Therefore, the question of transitional economics must first be settled. We discussed what should be done for the financial demands of the state."

The negotiations at Brest-Litovsk, Premier Wekerle said, he believed would take a favorable course. He said there was a special desire on both sides to make safe the economic part of a prelimin-

The Ukrainians, he added, had shown a great conciliatory spirit nd they had great interest in entering into economic relations with he Central Empires. The premier concluded:

It can only rejoice us if independent Ukraine extends us her

L. March X Reject Wilson's Terms. Amsterdam, Jan. 11.—The Vienna arrived there for conference with rom that city, consider President Petrograd, Wednesday, Jan. 9 .---

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By Courier Leased Wire The Situation. discussion.

Peace negotiations between Russia Prepare For War and the Central Powers will be con- | London, an. 11 .- Nikolai Lenine. tinued at Prest-Litovsk, according to the Bolsheviki premier, although he confirmation in Amsterdam, appar- has possibly gone on a holiday to mann said he hoped they would lead ently despite a vigorous protest by Finland, also possibly may go to to a salutary result. His hope was Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik foreign Stockholm to confer with German based on knowledge during the minister, who heads the Russian de- and Austrian Socialists, the Petro- course of the negotiations and on legation. At the opening of the new grad correspondent of The Daily the expression by the Russian deleitting of the conference, Trotzky de- News says. In a speech before his gation of the Russian people's wish manded that the delegates go to departure from Petrograd, Premier for secure and lasting peace. He Stockholm. Lenine said:

Premier Lenine, before leaving "I fear we shall have to stop the Petrograd, osteffsibly for Finland, demobilization and prepare for war. but probably for Stockholm for con- If Germany and her allies don't acferences with Austrian and German cept our conditions of peace, we will Socialists, declared that if the Cen-declare a revolutionary war on of the peace work, and, presumably. tral Powers don't . accept Russian them.".

peace terms, the Bolsheviki will de- The correspondent emphasizes the clare war against Germany. He ex- importance of an agreement between presend fear that preparation would the Bolsheviki and Ukrainian nego-

tiators, as the position of the Rada have to be made for hostilities. Initial comment in the German has less ned Trotzky's chances of and Austrian press on President Wil- obtaining a satisfactory peace. He the Don districts are grouping them- their government. son's message is bitterly hostile. His says that if the Germans could buy selves around the Don military govprogram is declared to be unaccept- off the Ukraine, the significance ernment under General Kaledines, says it is "more brutal still" than the recent statement of Premier Lloyd The correspondent a

recent statement of Premier Lloyd George. The President is accused of desiring to hinder the Brest-Litovsk that because the Ukraine opposes the Bolsheviki, it therefore favors the the Bolsheviki therefore favors the the Bo declare that his peace conditions are Allies and prosecution of the war. such as could only be imposed on Now Separate Peace.

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.-Count the Central Powers if they were de-Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Forfeated completely. British troops in the Ypres area eign Minister, at a full sitting of has gathered a corps of some 5,000 Lave executed successfully three the peace conference at Brest-laids in the German lines. Many Litovsk on Thursday, said that as aids in the German lines. Many casualties were inflicted and prison- Russia's allies had not replied to the Bolsheviki on an all-Russian plan, rs were taken. On the remainder invitation to participate in the ne- and to create in Russia a moderate of the front in France, the artillery gotiations, it was now a question of liberal regime. Monarchical princion both sides is active, especially In a separate peace between Russia

landers, in the Arras-Cambrai area. and the Central powers. Champagne and northeast of (He gave reasons for not wishing Verdun. The artillery fighting on the to transfer the negotiations to neunorthern Italian front is less intense. I tral territory and said that if the being most marked east of the Russians were animated by the same renta. Discussion of the French Govern- the result of the negotiations would

ment's diplomatic conduct of the war be satisfactory. If not responsibility will be heard in the Chamber of De- for war would fall exclusively on puties to day. The government has the Russians.

Dr. von Kuehlmann, the German Foreign Minister, said he considered that the difficulties which had

WEATHER BULLETIN interrupted the previous negotia-Toron'to, Jan. tions were not sufficient to justify public libary this afternoon. It was 11—An important the failure of the peace work and a the final meeting when business of storm now centred presumable resumption of hostili- the past year was brought to a con-LLOT, DON'T in the southern ties. He said that it was the fixed clusion, and reports submitted. states is likely to and unchangeable determination of

move rapidly nor- the Central powers not to conduct NO DETAILS AS YET. D LIZZIE, THE theastward accom-panied by a heavy begun at Brest-Litovsk.

gotiations.'

After a lengthy review of the pro-

continued: "I consider that the difficulties met with up to the time the negotiations were interrupted were not great enough to cause the failure resumption of the war in the east

with its unforeseen consequences. Against Bolsheviki

General Alexieff, former Russian commander in chief, around whom officers, has considered it necessary \$3ro. It says that President Wilson ples are said to be very strong

among Alexieff's group. General Kaledines and his party oppose General Alexieff in his desire utilize the Don government to include in the Don government re-

end to eivil war. W. H. A. ANSUAL MEETING The annual meeting of the-Wo-

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announced that it will accept such of place to give a short survey of By Courier Leased Wire. (see the necessity of solving definite-the history of the course of the necessity of the Temps finds by the Italo-Austrian problem in ordnothing to criticize or to question in er to avoid future excuses for con-

President Wilson's message. Ger- flict. many's inexorable conditions offer- Referring to the President's allused to Russia and the nationalities separated from Russia, it says, de- The Giornale d'Italia says the con-manded a protest. President Wilson troversy between Italy and Austria has chosen the most noble and most cannot be settled without re-organi-efficient form of protest by stretching zation of the vital question of the "The President will be accused," it adds, "of entertaining illusions, but

who can tell if his policy, apparent-ly adventurous, is not wise and able. His peace program, like his Russian policy, is marked by Christian charty and at the same time by sound American sense. To Germany's allies

the messages offers conditions, under which none of them can henceforth the Vatican, concedes the importance feel itself menaced. The President of the President's speech. It says the

London, Jan. 11.—A majority of also has spoken to the German peo- step towards peace which unques the Cossacks and the population of ple whom he refuses to confound with tionably has been made was taken their government. "It is the heroism of the fighters Pope, who first proposed and sug-which alone can give the ideas sown gested that the governments exson's message is bitterly hostile, and change neas in regard to points in according to a special dispatch from according to a special dispatch from by Wilson time to germinate and change neas in regard to points in according to a special dispatch from strength to grow. So the President mulated by him. The Pope's program Petrograd, tending to give an auwould be cut in half. The correspondent adds that noth-thorized account of conditions in Was well advised to proclaim the at first met with opposition on the willingness of the United States to ground that it favored the Germans,

Courageous Step./

Rome, Jan. 11 .-- President Wilson's message is the first courageous more of Mr. Wilson's address, which erects a new barrier. step toward peace, says The Messag-

confirms and completes the prem-ier's, mentioning freedom of the to organize a struggle against the in his message evidently wished to meet the Russian people and to help seas, which the pontificial note made them to complete their resurrection "After the statement of Premier Lloyd George and the message of

President Wilson, the world can see whether the boast of pacitism of Berlin and Vienna really exists, or is an imperialistic dream of against the Bolsheviki, and is willing triumph. Meanwhile, the whole civilized world, all honest people and presentatives of all the democratic everybody who earnestly wishes a organizations in order to bring an just and lasting peace will applaud fundamental points of disarmament President Wilson's program.

"Italy has no imperialistic ambiions, but wishes to free Italians

and compulsory arbitration. Discussion of the French Govern-ment's diplomatic conduct of the war will be heard in the Chamber of from foreign oppression, creating a The annual meeting of the Wo-men's Hospital Aid was held at the public libary this afternion. It was Fight For Principle

Fight For Principle The Populo Romano praises

BICYCLE ASSOCIATION. enerous intentions of President

Brantford will be represented on the executive of the Canadian Bi-cycle Dealers' Association that was Wilson and the American people and government. It eulogizes the declar-ation of the President concerning the The distribution of the control provinces with extremely with extremely with extremely with extremely with extremely with extremely constitued over the chair of the delegations, including the outforwarded to headquarters, winds and a change to much colder.

ion to Italy's territorial aspirations, "President Wilson is superior even Adriatic, which involves safety on land and sea. The frontiers must be arranged, it adds in such a way as to eliminate the strategic disadvantages, which have presented a con-tinuous threat of disturbing the

peace between the two nations. Vatican's View

The Osservatore Romano, organ o

own House. Our peoples do not need Mr. Wilson's protectorship. If President Wilson is unable to appreciate the justice of the Central Powers' standpoint, we can but patiently wait, for it will not be much longer before our cnemies learn to sift the impossible from the

possible.' This was true of Premier Lloyd George's war aims speech, the As that President Wilson's demand for servators Romano goes on, and still the restitution of Alsace-Lorraine

Hope for Peace.

Zurich, Jan. 11 .- Premier Wekseas, which the pontificial note made a condition essential to a just and with the Berlin correspondent of tion for the army requires the most toon of the Reichstag, the most a contained estimated to a just and with the Berlin correspondent of the Reichstag, the must tween the programs of the Pope and the President continues, the news-paper adds, in their manner of dealing with Belgium, Poland and the al peace was near, as Great Britain ship in his own country, new pre-Balkans, the evacuation of invaded was not inclined towards peace. He sumes to talk about autocracy in Balkans, the evacuation of invaded was not inclined towards peace. He sumes to talk about autocracy in the Evacuation frontiers and the ison frontiers and the did not share the opinion that free Germany." the French and Italian frontiers, and they also agree in regard to the they also agree in regard to the

of a swaggering nature. Polish Problem

Amsterdam, Jan. 11-Before leaving Berlin Prof. Kucharzevski, the Polish premier announced that he had put before the German emperor "the most urgent wishes of our young countrymen," and had dis-cussed with the German authorities army on a broad national basis. also suggested the abolition of a aumher of exceptional oppressive re-The humorist printed the follownumber of exceptional oppressive re-gulations in Poland, laid stress on the necessity of obtaining amnesty and discussed arrangements to hast-"Old Sub

ing to hold a convention of peasants The Fremdenblatt, in declaring deputies and other organizations in them unacceptable, says: connection with all-Russian- work "President Wilson's message men's and soldiers' congress on Jan. veals clearer than Lloyd George's seech the intentions of our enemies 21st. An effort will be made to form to let Russia continue to bleed for a federation of Russian republics including the Ukraine, Siberia, the Dog the selfish aims of the Entente." The Neue Freie Press says: territory and the Caucasus.

To Drop Propaganda

to Lloyd George in his capacity for London, Jan. 11 .-- Referring to deceiving the nation. President Wil- the report that it is intended to drop son intersperses his fourteen points a million copies of President. Wilwith popular principles in order to son's address in Germany from airdeceive the masses, who don't know planes, The Daily Chronicle, while our conditions. The message also, thinking the idea excellent and that of course, aims at breaking up the if every German could read the address it might lead to a . national negotiations at Brest-Litovsk.

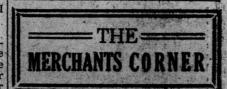
The Neues Weiner Tagblatt says: strike agains: the war, recalls Ger-"President Wilson must be made many's recent announcement that clearly to understand that it is use- pilots caught dropping propaganda less to try to win over the Central would be shot as spies. Accordingly, Powers for the Entente's plans of the paper appeals to inventors to disruption and disintegration. Aus- produce a machine which of itself tria-Hungary will be master of its will drop propaganda.

Reject Propos

Amsterdam, Jan. 11,-The Nachrichten of Dusseldorf rejects Presi-dent Wilson's propositions as utterly unacceptable and says that discussion is useless.

"It may be hard," it says, "after three years of war, but a decision must be sought on the b It is not our wish, but we shall not leave the field except with honor." The Allgemeine Zeitung of Essen says:

"President Wilson seems not to know that the smallest appropriasaid he did not share the opinion that erected a brutal military dictator-



young countrymen," and had dis-cussed with the German authorities the chief current questions. 'sspe-cially concerning participation by Poland in the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk and the creation of a Polish army on a broad national basis. He also suggested the abolition of a

"Old Subscriber: Finding and discussed arrangements to hast-en assumption by the Polish Gov-ernment of the administrative de-partments and the question of the appointment of Polish diplomatic re-presentatives to friendly and neu-tral nations. A despatch from Vienna says that Inding a Subscriber: Finding a spider in your paper was neither good luck nor bad luck for you. The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant is not advertising, so that he can go to that store spin his web across the door, and lead a life of un-disturbed peace ever-afterward, "

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