

RECONCILIATION WITH GERMANY URGED BY GENERAL SMUTS

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HOLLAND LIKELY TO CONSENT TO THE EX-KAISER'S EXTRADITION

GENERAL SMUTS APPEARS FOR RECONCILIATION WITH GERMANY, WOULD ENCOURAGE REPUBLIC

Head of Union of South Africa Urges Immediate Settlement of Irish Question and Advocates Leaving Russia To Work Out Her Own Salvation.

London, July 18.—Lieut. Gen. Jan Smuts, of the Union of South Africa, and member of the British peace delegation, in a far-reaching message advocates appeasement and reconciliation with Germany and encouragement of the present moderate Republican administration in Germany, which is successfully fighting the European battle against anarchy.

Gen. Smuts strongly urges leaving Russia to settle her own affairs, on the ground that "a general system of appeasement may be better than barbarism, to which the present policy seems inevitably to be tending, and declares that British statesmen should apply the same medicine to Ireland that they applied to Bohemia.

Urges Reconciliation. An appeal is made by General Smuts for an abiding faith in high ideals despite what he terms the disillusion produced by the peace treaty. He says the fundamental significance of the war has been a victory spiritual, and moreover the material factors of human nature over the baser, and hence there should be no bitterness left in the minds of the peoples.

He pleads for appeasement and reconciliation as the only means of regeneration of exhausted Europe, which, he says, is the most awful spectacle in history.

A brutal fact, General Smuts continues, "is that Britain is a very small island on the face of a continent, in which 70,000,000 Germans represent a most important and formidable national factor. You cannot have a stable Europe without a stable Germany; you cannot have a stable and settled Britain while Europe is in confusion.

Deserves Encouragement. General Smuts, in urging encouragement of the Republican administration in Germany, says the issue of the future of Germany, and that President Ebert "deserves our backing and encouragement."

"Do not let us deal with Ebert as we have dealt with the Kaiser," he says.

Germany's doom was sealed just one year ago today. It was exactly one year ago today that the Allies began the brilliant, but futile, counter-offensive that broke Berlin's last great effort to win a military decision.

For nearly a week the Germans had been gaining steadily. Column after column of the German host advanced in the face of deadly machine gun fire. With the dead piled three feet high, the columns still advanced. Never was human life held so cheap. The flower and elite of the German strength was being thrown into one last mighty effort to win a military victory.

For days the Germans achieved costly success. They were within 50 miles of Paris. They pushed to the Marne, losing heavily on the way. They were three, five, and finally twelve miles of the Marne when they were stopped. Fifty German divisions in the line. The Germans were playing their trump card, and were playing it then, out of the apparently clear air broke the Allied counter-offensive.

Along a front extending 25 miles, the Allies opened an early morning preliminary bombardment, and without further warning, advanced. Twenty

POPE ASKS GERMAN CATHOLICS TO TRY AND BANISH HATRED

Head of Church Expresses Joy At Removal of Blockade.

Paris, July 18.—Pope Benedict has addressed to the bishops of Germany a letter expressing joy over the removal of the blockade. The letter recommends that an attitude of Christian charity be taken toward the question of reparations for war damages.

The pope expressed confidence that the civilized nations of the world, Catholics, will give aid to the populations brought to a state of extreme need. He recommended, in conclusion, that all thoughts of hatred against former enemies be eliminated from the minds of German Catholics.

CITIZENS OF STETTIN CALL COUNTER-STRIKE

Berlin, July 18.—A citizens' counter-strike at Stettin began on Thursday as a protest against the strike which paralyzed the facilities for the last few days. All stores, including food establishments, drug stores and people's kitchens, have been shut down, and while throughout the city are already pumped dry. Railroad workers threaten to extend the strike to Stralsund.

What's Doing Tonight?

THEATRES. Grand-Viola Dana in "Some Bride" and vaudeville. Majestic—Dorothy Dalton, in "Other Men's Wives," and vaudeville. Patricia—Alice Joyce, in "The Spark Divine," and vaudeville.

HOLLAND WILL AGREE TO GIVE UP EX-KAISER

Former Official Organ Under Wilhelm Has Word To This Effect.

SURRENDER AT HAGUE

Formal Transfer Under Extradition Is Considered Likely.

Paris, July 18.—The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung of Berlin, the mouthpiece of the Government under the imperial regime, declares it has information that Holland will consent to the extradition of former Emperor William, according to a Berlin dispatch to Paris newspapers. The formal handing over of the former emperor to the Allies, it adds, will take place at The Hague.

Five persons who were trapped by fire are rescued. Four men and one woman were caught in B. C. Mine Tunnel.

THOUSANDS OF U. S. WORKERS PLEDGED BY I. W. W. TO AID IN DESTROYING GOVERNMENT

New York State Labor Leader Testifies As To Activities of Industrial Workers of the World—Movement Is Controlled by Foreigners.

Advanced price of British coal to be effective Monday

Bonar Law Announces That Further Negotiations May Follow.

GERMANY'S NEWEST PLAN TO ENCOURAGE INCREASE IN BIRTHS

London, July 18.—A wireless dispatch received here says the German national assembly has adopted a bill placing maternity under the care of the state. A proposal by the independents that the mother of an illegitimate child should officially be designated as "frau," was carried by a vote of 138 to 132.

It was also decided by the assembly that the same educational and social opportunities should be provided by legislation for illegitimate as well as legitimate children. Likewise it was decided that large families were entitled to state assistance.

AMERICANS PROFITED BY LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE BRITISH

So Declares American Commander-General John Pershing.

London, July 18.—General John J. Pershing, commander-in-chief of the American Expeditionary Forces, met the military members of parliament in the committee room of the House of Commons yesterday. He was introduced by Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary for war.

In an address, in which he discussed the sentiment of the American soldiers and people, General Pershing said that had it not been for the lessons learned from the British "our efforts would not have been what they have been. Our associations from the start were most pleasant. I was accorded a visit to general headquarters and learned from our commander-in-chief what was deemed most important for us to consider first."

"It was our preference to fight beside our brothers in blood, our own kinship, whose courage, aggression and tenacity we have always admired, and which has had such an influence on our own people."

Today Gen. Pershing was presented with the freedom of the city and a sword of honor in the presence of a distinguished company in the historic Guildhall.

REDS PUT A HIGH PRICE ON HEAD OF FINNISH REGENT

Offer \$250,000 for Assassination of Gen. Mannerus.

London, July 18.—A Helsinki dispatch to the Daily Mail gives a reference from Petrograd as authority for the statement that the Bolsheviks are offering a quarter of a million dollars for the assassination of General Justus Mannerus, the Finnish regent, with the object of paralyzing Finnish resistance.

After the recent fighting near Kronstadt several British subjects were shot at Petrograd.

B. C. CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION. Vancouver, B. C., July 18.—A provincial convention of the British Columbia Conservatives will be held in Vancouver on September 21 and 22, it is announced today.

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The ships will be illuminated on Saturday night, and rockets and dock flares will be fired from the decks of all ships.

Five Thousand to Join Parade. It is announced that 5,000 officers and men of all ranks have been chosen to represent the British and dominions' forces in the victory march tomorrow. The parade will be composed of the following: British, Canadian, Indian, Australian, New Zealand, South African, and other forces. The parade will be composed of officers and men will be selected from the English, Scottish, Irish and Welsh regiments. Detachments from the headquarters of the Australian, New Zealand and South African forces will represent the overseas forces. There will be one mounted band, a band of pipes and drums, and eight infantry bands. Four tanks will be detailed and the sections of a machine gun battalions. Some 300 of all ranks will represent the Territorial and yeomanry. The labor corps, army service corps, horse and mechanical transport, women's corps, field ambulance, matrons, nurses, military police, V. A. D.'s, ordnance, veterinary corps, chaplains' department, army pay department, military police, and V. A. A. C. will also be represented.

London, Thursday, July 17.—The six-fold increase in the price of coal, previously announced by the Government, will be effective on July 21. Andrew Bonar Law, Government leader in the House of Commons, made this announcement in the House of Commons today. He said the increase was postponed because of the Government's proposal that the miners agree to prevent any stoppage of work, but it must be put into effect as soon as any delay in raising the price to meet the cost of production would be fatal.

Mr. Bonar Law added that the Government's action in putting the increase into effect did not preclude the possibility of further negotiations on the subject.

The Government proposal to the miners' conference was that the increase in price would be postponed for three months if the miners would agree not to stop work, with the additional understanding that a committee of inquiry proposed by miners' leaders would be accepted by the Government. The miners' conference, by a majority, decided against this proposal. The conference, however, decided almost unanimously to cooperate with the Government until it prepared to effect the economies in the coal industry suggested in the first report of Justice Sankey, and to introduce legislation for the nationalization of coal mines.

TRYING TO ESTABLISH ALIBI FOR EX-KAISER

Letter Written to Von Bethmann-Hollweg Published in Berlin.

Berlin, July 17.—A letter written by former Emperor William, July 28, 1914, to Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, then imperial German chancellor, is published here.

"The letter says that after having read the Serbian reply to the Austrian ultimatum, it was the opinion of the emperor that all of Austria's wishes had been met and that all ground for quarrel has been removed."

That as the Serbians "are Orientals and untrustworthy" that the Austrians should have been ready to arrange peace in Austria.

MUNITIONS EXPLODE; THREE ARE KILLED

Paris, July 18.—Three soldiers were killed, and ten soldiers and six civilians injured, in the explosion Thursday of a large munitions dump at Le Bourget, seven miles northeast of Paris. Several buildings and three sheds were damaged by the concussion.

VON LERSNER IS APPOINTED. Versailles, Thursday, July 17.—An announcement was made here semi-officially today that Baron Kurt von Lersner, the head of the German mission here, has been appointed chargé d'affaires to look after German interests in France.

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