

## AUSTRIA AND TURKEY MAY ACT TOGETHER

London Official Quarters Believe  
German Failure With Wilson  
May Detach Confederates.

London, Oct. 20.—Official quarters in London were still without news of the German reply to President Wilson at a late hour tonight.

The view here is that in the event that the reply is unacceptable to the entente powers, Austria and Turkey will arrange a joint conference for the purpose of taking independent peace action.

According to unofficial reports reaching Amsterdam the German reply to President Wilson was delivered to the Swiss minister in Berlin Sunday evening, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Amsterdam.

In the note Germany consents to the evacuation of Belgium but considers that such a withdrawal will take several months. Germany also protests against the charges of cruelty in the President's note and says she was forced into submarine warfare by the allied blockade.

The German Government, it is added, denies responsibility for the loss of women and children on torpedoed passenger ships, but to advance peace Germany is prepared provisionally to stop unrestricted submarine warfare.

Finally, the note disputes the right of foreign powers to meddle with German internal affairs and declares Germany should enjoy the same right of self-determination as other nations.

Basle, Switzerland, Oct. 20.—The Frankfurter Zeitung, a copy of which has been received here, contains the following with regard to Germany's reply to President Wilson's note:

"Gen. Ludendorff and Admiral von Scheer, chief of the admiralty staff, have been heard, with other military and naval experts on the situation at the front, and the general war situation. It is dependent on their information that the war council make their decisions for a reply to President Wilson."

"The military chiefs say the military situation has been improved by the retreat, and the shortening of our line, and that the allies have taken an account of the present battle, and must recognize that Germany is neither demoralized nor less active in her defense."

**BELIEVE LIBERTY LOAN  
TO BE OVER-SUBSCRIBED**

Washington, Oct. 20.—Probably 25,000,000 or more individuals bought bonds of the fourth Liberty Loan, unofficial reports reaching Washington today showed. A large proportion of these filed their subscriptions during the last few days of the campaign, which ended last night. Consequently it will be a task of many days to actually count the number of pledges and to compile reports from the entire country.

Definite figures and the total subscriptions to the loan were not available here today. Local and district campaign managers, fatigued with their arduous duties, are postponing work, rested today and will not start until tomorrow to figure up the avalanche of last night's pledges. The only official figures in hand were of Friday night, showing about \$1,400,000,000 yet to be subscribed.

Despite this total lack of definite information officials were confident that the \$5,000,000,000 popular war credit had been over-subscribed.

**SLIGHT ADVANCES MADE  
BY AMERICAN FORCES**

With the American Army North-west of Verdun, Oct. 20.—By showing ahead here and there, the American line tonight rests across the Freya defense position at several places, the Americans on Sunday having made slight advances in the northern edge of the Bois de Bantheville and in the region of Bourrut, both of which points are touched by the Freya line.

In an artillery preparation the Americans cleaned up the Bois Rapp's, taking more than eighty prisoners. Most of the resistance encountered was from German machine gun nests. There were artillery outbursts at intervals during the afternoon.

**HARD GERMAN ATTACKS  
BEATEN NEAR VERNEUIL**

Paris, Oct. 20.—German counter-attacks near Verneuil and north of St. Germain Mont, on the Serre-Alsace front, have been repulsed by the French, says the official statement from the war office today. There has been no infantry activity elsewhere. The official statement reads: "Late yesterday the Germans launched two violent counter-attacks between the Serre and the Alsace, one in the region of Verneuil and the other north of St. Germain Mont. Both were repulsed by the French, who took prisoners."

"During the night the Germans reacted with lively artillery and machine gun fire at different points on the front."

**BIG BOLSHIEV DEFEAT  
BY ALLIES IN SIBERIA**

Shanghai, Oct. 20.—Bolshiev troops advancing toward Yekaterinburg have been severely defeated by Czechoslovak and Siberian forces. The Bolshiev lost 1000 men killed, as well as three armored trains, eleven locomotives and sixty machine guns.

**SPAIN TOLD U-BOATS  
ORDERED TO RETURN**

London, Oct. 20.—The newspapers in Madrid say that Spain has received an official communication from the German Government stating that the admiralty has ordered submarines to return immediately to their bases, a Reuters despatch from Madrid says.

**ALLIED BOXING CONTEST**

Chicago, Oct. 19.—A boxing contest for the championship of the allied fleets and the King's Cup will be held in London Dec. 11 and 12, will be participated in by a picked team from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. It was announced tonight.

An invitation from Admiral Sir Beatty, commander-in-chief, of the British fleet, to the station team is Ritchie Mitchell, Milwaukee, bantamweight; Vincent McKay, Cleveland, lightweight, and "Cat" Delaney, lightweight.

## WHAT BRITAIN OWES TO HER SEA POWER

Tributes by Leading Public Men  
on Annual Nelson Day Celebration  
in London.

London, Oct. 20.—On the occasion of the annual Nelson Day celebration by the navy league here today notable messages were received from leading public men.

Right Hon. A. J. Balfour wrote: "On the courage, skill and endurance of British seamen depend and have always depended the great issues of the war. But for them our continental allies would have been severed from all external aid."

Admiral Sir David Beatty wrote: "On this anniversary of the triumphant establishment of British supremacy the great fleet sends greetings to the navy league."

Sir Douglas Haig wrote: "The heart of every one in the British army goes out with mine to all officers and ratings of the royal navy and the mercantile marine. Words fail me to express adequately the gratitude and admiration we feel for our comrades of the sister service. Thanks to their triumphant efforts we remain the masters of the seas, and supplies of all kinds, not only for our vast empire but also for our allies, have never for a moment ceased to flow."

Admiral Viscount Jellicoe wrote: "The events of the present year have emphasized to an exceptional degree the supreme value of sea power, not only to the British Empire but to the allied cause as a whole. It is sea power alone that made it possible to bring and maintain in the main theatre of the war on the western front that great United States army, which turned the scale. It is sea power also that made possible the recent great victories in Palestine and Macedonia."

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## DEATH SENTENCE GIVEN HAPSBURG DICTATORS

Paris Papers Say Wilson Frustrates Austrian Attempts to Escape From Predicament.

Paris, Oct. 20.—The Paris newspapers, commenting on President Wilson's note to Austria, are unanimous in expressing the belief that the president's reply is a refusal of the Austro-Hungarian proposal, but is clearly in conformity with the principle of nationalities to self-determination, and frustrates the attempts of Austrian diplomacy to escape from its present situation by a compromise with President Wilson's principles.

The reply, the newspapers say, pronounces the death sentence on the Hapsburg dictators. Several of the newspapers invite the various nationalities to rebuild on the ruins of the crumbling state.

The Temps says: "President Wilson's refusal is a historic event. No problem of this war is graver than the Austro-Hungarian question. On the solution it receives depend the security of our country, the future of Europe and the peace of the world."

President Wilson lays at the outset all solutions previously suggested; he gives his word to the peoples directly. No one can hereafter withdraw it from them."

## ABDICATION NECESSARY FOR KAISER AND HEIR

London, Oct. 20.—The abdication of Emperor William and the crown prince is the only means of solving the "terrible crisis," according to opinions expressed by The Munich Post, The Swabische Tagwacht and Frankische Morgen Post, an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Zurich says.

It is added that the more rapidly the abdication is brought about the better for the country.

## ZIONIST ORGANIZATION TO SETTLE PALESTINE

New York, Oct. 20.—Announcement was made here tonight that the Zionist organization of America has appointed registration boards in 200 cities

## THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY "TO MOBILIZE THE MATERIAL AND MORAL FORCES OF ALL JEWRY FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF PALESTINE,"

approved by Great Britain, France, Italy and President Wilson.

An intensive effort, it was announced, would be made next month to enroll at least 150,000 members. A special celebration of the signing by Great Britain of the "Jewish Magna Carta" will be held on Nov. 23.

## DANES ASK GERMANY TO CARRY OUT TREATY

Amsterdam, Oct. 20.—Denmark, according to news agency telegrams, has sent a note to Germany suggesting that certain terms of the treaties executed, between the two countries in the period from 1860 to 1870 should be carried out.

The Væderland points out that article V. of the treaty of 1864, which ceded the dukedoms of Schleswig-Holstein and Lauenburg to Prussia, provided for a plebiscite in Schleswig to decide whether the inhabitants would prefer allegiance to Germany or to Denmark. This provision, it is declared, never has been carried out.

## GREEK AID ENABLED ALLIES TO WIN VICTORY

Salonica, Oct. 20.—Lieut.-General Aline, commander of the British forces here, in responding to a telegram of congratulation from General Dandridge, the Greek commander-in-chief, declared that without the aid of the Greek army it would not have been possible to attain the allied victory at Doiran during the recent fighting. The British commander said that Greek help had made possible the advance to

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