

War Messages. GERMAN SOCIALISTS AND PEACE

PARIS, Dec. 7th.—It would be a mistake to believe that a discussion of peace conditions in Reichstag will be instituted against the will of the German Government, according to trustworthy information from Germany, says the special correspondent of the Times at Berne. It must not be forgotten, the correspondent writes, that the interpellator is the Socialist member, Scheidemann, who is well known to be in harmony with the Government and violently opposed to the small group of Opposition Socialists, of which Dr. Karl Liebknecht is the leader.

Social Democrats seeks by means of interpellation to prevent this minority from voicing the claim that it is inducing the Government to express itself publicly on the question of peace. They are endeavoring at the same time to facilitate indirectly the propaganda of a certain group of Socialists and Pacifists of Allied countries.

On his side, Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg is satisfied to have this one occasion to explain himself regarding conditions of peace-making. It appears he was being forced to this expression by the popular will. The Government thus could not be reproached with having taken the initiative in this matter. The Chancellor, the correspondent asserts, also counts on certain neutral influences, particularly the Vatican and the White House, taking notice of programme

DEFENDS TOWNSEND'S ACTION

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Referring to the criticism of the inadequacy of the force detailed to advance on Bagdad, the Marquis of Crewe, Lord President of the Council, said in the House of Lords this afternoon, this was due to a misapprehension. The force at the disposal of General Townsend, he said, was considerably larger than a division, and was believed by competent authorities to be sufficient for the task assigned to it.

It was also a misapprehension to say this was a rash military adventure, continued the Marquis, as it was clear to everybody, that the early capture of Bagdad, if it could be effected, would have great results on the war.

It was evident that the troops behaved splendidly, but their task proved bigger than was anticipated. Baron Sydenham thought one bright spot in the very dark picture was the manner in which General Townsend's forces fought at Ctesiphon. Their stand against greatly superior forces and the capture of 1600 prisoners, he declared, was a very fine feat. Baron Sydenham emphasized that the force consisted largely of Indian troops, and he eulogized General Townsend, who was wise in retiring when he found overwhelming forces against him and so saved his own men from a very great disaster.

If you shiver some one is walking over your future grave, which he will set forth making efforts to have it accepted, thus, says despatch, Scenario, is well prepared for the use of neutrals.

Demands Return Gold Shipment

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The request for the restitution of the \$1,000,000 gold shipped from New York on the Dutch liner, Noordam, to Netherlands Overseas Trust and seized by a British cruiser in the North Sea, was made to the British Embassy today by representatives of the Goldman Sachs Co., New York.

Great Britain holds the gold was contraband, alleging it was intended for the use of paying German trade balances, while the New York firm maintains it was shipped in the course of regular business with the Holland concern.

The Embassy officials said the incident would have to be taken up through the American government. This will be done.

Allies Take Offensive on Gallipoli

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Important battles have begun, or are impending in Mesopotamia, where the German Field Marshal, Baron von der Goltz, has taken command of the Turkish forces and is about to attack the British, in south-eastern Serbia, where the Bulgarians have already attacked the Anglo-French positions and have been repulsed; on Gallipoli, where, according to Turkish accounts, the Allies have taken the offensive, and in Belgium and France, where reports from Holland state the Germans have concentrated strong reinforcements and an immense amount of artillery, with the object of striking a blow at the Allied line in Flanders and Artois.

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Austrian Warships Getting Active

VIENNA, Dec. 8.—The destruction of the French submarine Fresnel by an Austrian warships, is announced

The incident occurred near San Giovanni de Medua. Two officers and 25 of the crew were captured.

San Giovanni de Medua is on the Albanian coast on the Adriatic, well to the south of the Montenegrin border and is 35 miles north of Durazzo.

The presence of Austrian warships in these waters may indicate an Austrian naval movement and attempted interference with the Allies' plans for an expeditionary force or other aid for the Serbian and Montenegrins by way of Montenegro and Albania.

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

DECEMBER 7th.

1095 Private James Joseph Hynes, 285 Southside. Killed in action Nov. 18.

365 Corporal Frank O'Toole, 261 Water Street West. Gunshot wound in knee, severe, Nov. 14

250 Private Michael Joseph Ross, Portugal Cove. Prexia, serious.

195 Private Edward Louis Cole, Gilbert Street. Admitted to 3rd London General Hospital, Wands worth, Dec. 5, enteric.

467 Private Samuel Elander, Coombs Cove, F.B. Admitted to 3rd General Hospital, Wandsworth, Dec. 5; typhoid.

1051 Private Thomas Joseph Gosse, Torbay. Admitted to Hospital Netley, Dec. 4; dysentery.

52 Private Eric Reginald Augustus Chafe, 61 Springdale St. Dangerously ill with enteric at the 15th Stationary Hospital, Alexandria, Dec. 4.

Additional Information

990 Private Charles Taylor, 176 Pleasant Street. Admitted to Third London General Hospital, Wandsworth, Dec. 5; enteric.

620 Private Gilbert Walters, Champneys, T.B. Admitted to Third London General Hospital, Wands worth, Dec. 5; enteric.

818 Private Francis Joseph Dooley, 23 1/2 Maxse Street. Admitted to Third London General Hospital Wandsworth, Dec. 5; dysentery.

551 Private Albert O'Driscoll, Tors Cove. Admitted to Third London General Hospital, Wands worth, Dec. 5; dysentery.

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

The Stephano arrived at Halifax at 11 Monday night after a run of 29 hours.

The barque Roverscourt was towed to the offing to-day by the tugs Ingraham and Greene and resumed her voyage to Cardiff.

The dredge Priestman, Captain Bartlett, arrived here to-day from Grand Bank and other places West where she had been dredging.

The Prospero left St. Anthony at 4.30 a.m. to-day, bound North.

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