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Inter-Allied Committee Recommends Adoption of Wilson's 14 Points

APPEAL TO THE ALLIES

Opponents of Prussianism Called Upon to Make Collective Declaration of Views

By the Associated Press

The International Relations Committee of the inter-Allied labor conference today made a report recommending that the conference subscribe to the fourteen points formulated by President Wilson...

The committee report says the United States already has been able to reject the Austro-Hungarian proposal for a conference of the belligerents and that the Allies should make clear the identity of their views by public and collective declarations of their aims and intentions.

The committee favors an expression of opinion by the conference that the Allies would be assuming a heavy and serious responsibility by adopting a purely negative policy in their treatment of the Austro-Hungarian proposals...

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KAROLYI URGES PEACE BY THE WILSON ROUTE

By the Associated Press

Amsterdam, Wednesday, Sept. 18.—Count Michael Karolyi, the Hungarian opposition leader, has reiterated his declaration that the Central Powers should accept President Wilson's four peace points as the basis for peace negotiations...

FAVOR CONDITIONALLY COALITION GOVERNMENT

By the Associated Press

Copenhagen, Sept. 19.—German Social Democrats, says the Tageblatt of Berlin, while not actually refusing to join in a coalition government, the formation of which has been suggested, would join only under certain conditions and with certain guarantees.

POPE WILL ACT ONLY IF BOTH PARTIES AGREE

By the Associated Press

Rome, Sept. 19.—It was stated at the Vatican today, with reference to the subject of peace proposals, that the preference of the Pope is to act in such a matter only when asked so to do by both parties.

However, it was added, if a diplomatic representation were received from one of the parties, inquiries would be made of the other party if it desired to receive such a representation.

In a long article, which is taken as reflecting the views of Vatican officials, if not the Pope himself, the Corriere d'Italia, the semi-official organ of the Vatican, declares that Austria should be more explicit in her peace declarations.

The old subtleties that the note undoubtedly carries show the desperate need of peace, the article says. "There is no need for secret conferences when President Wilson and others already have set forth the Allies' conditions. There is no doubt that the note was inspired by Berlin. With the cannon of Hindenburg unsuccessful, we now will see a return to the subtleties of diplomacy."

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"The German Government has no knowledge of the Austrian note inviting the belligerents to a conference except by the text of the document carried by the telegraphic agencies, the semi-official Stefani News Agency announces. The Government, however, is indicated by the agency to be in no mood for opening such negotiations as are suggested by the unofficial text."

If the text is correct, says the agency statement, the Italian Government points out that Austria's proposals seek to create a semblance of peace negotiations, without any real consistency or the possibility of a practical outcome.

The agency adds that recent declarations by the Austro-Hungarian and German Governments, which carry territorial concessions by the Central Powers and seek to make binding and definite "the intentions of the Brest-Litovsk and Bucharest," make the opening of any useful negotiations impossible.

As well as the other contentions in this country. Their day is ended, and, much to the satisfaction of new recruits and the relatives back home, there will be no more war talks in the camp other than those of an uplifting and inspiring character.

REDS BARGAINED TO RUIN RUMANIA

Murder of Soldiers Part of Mad Plot Made With German Agents

SPIES BETRAYED ARMY

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19.

The betrayal of Rumania, and elaborate advance plans of Germany and her Bolshevik tools for suppressing and murdering loyal Rumanians, Russians and Poles are exposed in detail by the fifth chapter of the astounding secret Russian documents which the American Government is giving to the public.

Other installments of the series have described how the Bolshevik leaders, Lenin and Trotsky, and their assistants, were bought by the Germans for millions in gold and engineered their bloody overthrow of Russia for the benefit of their masters. Now the story is told of how while the Brest-Litovsk peace conference farce still was in progress, the Bolsheviks were sending hired agents in Rumania to disorganize the armies of Russia's Ally, the Rumanian king and turn loose the German armies occupied there for service in a great offensive on the Western front.

The second phase of the latest disclosure shows the Bolsheviks at German direction undertaking not only to kill refractory Russian generals, but to shoot, individually and wholesale, Polish soldiers who were refusing to be sold to the German cause and patriotically keeping the field against their enemies. One of the documents transmits orders from the German intelligence service to "take most decisive measures, up to shooting en masse, against Polish troops," and to institute surveillance of institutions and persons, including the Roman Catholic Polish clergy.

Explanatory notes by Edgar Sisson, who obtained the documents, add many details lacking in the papers themselves, including a story of how the Rumanian minister barely escaped assassination after being arrested by the Bolsheviks and released through the efforts of Ambassador Francis and other diplomats.

In answer to the demand by the New York Evening Post for publication of a record, an elaborate and authentic record of the documents on which the expose is based, the following was issued:

After the Lenin-Trotsky-Berlin series is completed on September 22, all seven installments will be published in official form with facsimile reproduction of original documents.

GEORGE CREEL

The Evening Post has been attacking the credibility of these documents.

GERMAN PRESS ASSAIL ALLIES' PEACE REPLY

By the United Press

Amsterdam, Sept. 19.—The German press is bitter in its denunciation of the Entente's replies to Austria's efforts toward peace.

"Balfour settles the Entente's position regarding Austria's proposal," declares the Cologne Volkszeitung. "He talks as if British troops were before Berlin. Our troops will teach him that he has not to learn."

The Entente's answer is catastrophic. Wherever we turn we find the same reply. "Force, force to the last. No peace before Germany is beaten." The Austrian offer killed all possible differences between our enemies and molded them again into one solid block.

The Vorwaerts says: "Continuation of the Finnish venture is a serious hindrance to Austria's peace efforts."

The Tageblatt, commenting on the offer of peace to Belgium, states: "If the offer was made, it must have been made by some unofficial person."

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BAN ON PESSIMISTIC ORATORY WELCOMED BY CAMP LEE MEN

Soldiers and Leaders Glad at Ousting of Irresponsible Men Who Paint Drab Pictures After Flying Visits to Battlefields

By a Staff Correspondent

Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., Sept. 19.

War orators, the type that paid flying visits to France and then returned with "burning messages for the men in olive drab" have been ousted from this camp and all other cantonments in this country.

Their day is ended, and, much to the satisfaction of new recruits and the relatives back home, there will be no more war talks in the camp other than those of an uplifting and inspiring character.

This means that the patriot who capitalized the war to build up a reputation as a magazine writer and Chautauqua speaker cannot enter the camps and paint drab and depressing pictures of our war overseas.

It required many months to convince the war chiefs in Washington that this type of patriot was offending the boys in our camps, if not actually aiding the cause of Germany. Now that they realize the effect of the free-lance orators, they have decided to silence them.

Where Credit is Due

Considerable credit for this move must be given to the French and British officers who are at work in American cantonments. At first they listened most eagerly with enthusiasm, but disgusted with the tenor of the speeches and appreciating their depressing effect upon the men, they filed a vigorous protest.

As one French officer put it, "I was at Verdun, through the first Marne campaign and other campaigns, but in my three years' experience, I never did not see such horrible scenes as those described by men who spent less than two and three weeks in France. Their stories for the most part are absurd and actually false."

At this camp the War Department order barring the joy killing variety has been greeted with enthusiasm, but an aid of it," said Thomas R. Jordan, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., at this cantonment. "And the order will be enforced to the letter, for in justice to the men the irresponsible men who have invaded the camps to talk war ought to be silenced. In the future no man will be permitted to invade this camp unless the war chiefs believe that he has a worth-while story. Tales of horror and misery must be eliminated because they produce a most demoralizing effect upon the soldiers and the folk back home."

Truth Had Enough

"War is bad enough, but it is not necessary to emphasize its ugly phases in the camps. Our best speakers are men who have actually served on the battlefield, but rarely do they touch the drab side of battle. They have a sense of humor, and while telling the wonderful story of Allied victories punctuate them with fine bits of comedy. Their stories are relished by the men."

Jordan, before the war, was a newspaper editor in Syracuse, N. Y., and is familiar with the type of speaker that is shunned from the camps. "I am turning down requests," he said, "by the score, and will continue to do so. This rule applies to ministers and religious writers as well as to others who entertain the idea that it is their duty to discuss the war."

Camp Lee's Y organization has now reached the dignity of being the largest Y organization in the world. "We have twenty-four separate branches under the direction of the central organization," said Jordan today. "This gives us the right to claim the honor of being the largest Y organization in the world. We employ 132 secretaries and will continue to expand."

What "Y" secretaries are doing is best illustrated in a few figures. In hut No. 58 10,300 letters were mailed in one day. "This hut," said Secretary Harry A. Kinports, "serves the boys from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and other points in that section of Pennsylvania. They proved to be the star letter writers in the camp and nearly swamped us the other day. Selling more than 10,000 postage stamps and distributing paper and envelopes for the boys was a big task. Many of the boys wrote eight and ten letters."

IL NEMICO RESPINTO AL FRONTE ITALIANO

Gli Italiani Vittoriosamente Sostengono Cinque Contrattacchi Austriaci

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Il Ministero della Guerra, in base ai rapporti giunti dal Quartier Generale Italiano, ha pubblicato, nel pomeriggio di ieri, il seguente comunicato:

"A nord di Monte Grappa cinque contrattacchi operati dal nemico con lo scopo di riprendere il terreno occupato dagli Italiani alla testa della Valle Serena, furono completamente respinti. "Il numero dei prigionieri catturati in minori operazioni tra la valle Costella e Col dell'Orso, durante la mattinata di ieri ammonta a 442. Venti mitragliatrici furono anche catturate."

"Sulle pendici di Monte Nozolo, a sud-est di Mori, si verificarono vivaci combattimenti tra reparti in riorganizzazione. Nella Valle Orme un posto avanzato nemico fu catturato. "L'artiglieria nemica fu particolarmente attiva lungo il Piave, nella regione del Montello e nelle vicinanze di Fagare."

In un lungo articolo, il quale riflette i punti di vista delle alte autorità presso la Santa Sede, se non del Papa stesso, il giornale "Il Corriere d'Italia," l'organo semi-ufficiale del Vaticano, dichiara che "l'Austria dovrà essere più esplicita nelle sue dichiarazioni circa le trattative di pace proposte con la recente nota."

Il Generale Corsi, il valente critico militare della "Tribuna," non soltanto si rallegra dei grandi successi nella

LA CELEBRAZIONE DEL "VENTI SETTEMBRE"

Gli Italiani di Philadelphia celebreranno la fatidica data del Venti Settembre, il 4th July d'Italia, domani sera all'Independence Square, alle ore 7 pom.

La grande commemorazione e' sotto gli auspici della Legazione Romana, una diramazione del Comitato on Public Information. Presidera' l'Avvocato Giovanni Di Silvestro, una delle figure piu' popolari e stimata della Colonia Italiana, e presidente della locale sezione della suddetta Legazione.

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