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## AUSTRO-HUNGARY TRIES TO LEARN PEACE TERMS

### Vague Reply From German Chancellor Creates Bad Feeling--Michaelis is Inspecting Territory in Russia--Socialists Over Supporting War.

By the Associated Press. London, Oct. 16.—The Deutsche Tageszeitung of Berlin, as quoted in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam, said the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister recently requested the German chancellor, Dr. Michaelis, to state Germany's peace terms.

He received a vague reply, whereupon he stated that he could no longer negotiate with Dr. Michaelis when the chancellor refused to state clearly what Germany was fighting for.

The statements of the Tageszeitung are not denied, the dispatch adds, and show a fervent desire on the part of Austria for peace.

### EMPEROR IN BALKAN

By the Associated Press. Copenhagen, Oct. 16.—No steps in the international crisis and no action in the resignation of Admiral Caspary, the minister of marine, is expected by German newspapers until Kaiser Wilhelm returns to Berlin from the Balkans.

Dr. Michaelis, the imperial chancellor, meanwhile, has left the capital to inspect conditions in the occupied territory of Russia, apparently paying little attention to the demands for his resignation.

Demand for the dismissal of Chancellor Michaelis was the leading theme at the opening session of the Socialist convention at Farzburg, Bavaria, Sunday, at which Philip Scheidemann, the majority Socialist leader in the reichstag, was a speaker. Frederick Ebert, a Socialist, in the reichstag, assailed those who were not supporting the government, charging them with prolonging the war.

### WANTS GERMAN PEACE

By the Associated Press. Amsterdam, Oct. 16.—In his speech at Warburg, Herr Ebert, president of German Socialists, said speedy conclusion of peace was vital to workers in all countries and that the policy of the mailed fist be shown after the war.

"If a ballot were taken today," he said, "ninety-ninths of the people would approve peace by agreement."

Herr Scheidemann, referring to the Capelle incident, said that unfortunately it could not be discussed in public.

### PROHIBITION PROCLAIMED BY VOTERS OF IOWA

Des Moines, Oct. 16.—With a majority estimated at 20,000 to 35,000 Iowa voters, Monday decided to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquor in this state by constitutional amendment. The state has been dry by statutory provision for two years. The amendment becomes effective immediately.

### TWO SUBMARINES DESTROYED BY FRENCH

By the Associated Press. Paris, Oct. 16.—French warships destroyed two Teuton submarines in the western Mediterranean in the last week of September, according to an announcement today.

### SWEDEN PAUSES TO ANSWER BRITAIN

By the Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 16.—The Swedish legation today was still waiting for instructions from the Stockholm foreign office regarding the disposition of mail pouches taken from an American steamer by the British and left here.

The mail pouches traveling with a Swedish commercial mission were seized when it became known that Sweden had been sending German messages through its embassies.

Since the arrival of the pouches here, the British government has offered to release the mail pouches to the Swedish legation, as a demonstration of good faith, would reveal their contents. The legation here asked Stockholm for instructions, but has received no reply.

## WHY YOU SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO BONDS

Reason No. 1  
"It is my business to decide if there shall be war. There is only one law and that is my law."—The German Emperor.

Reason No. 2  
"Let all who fall into your hands be at your mercy. Just as the Huns a thousand years ago, under the leadership of Attila, gained a reputation in virtue of which they still live in historical tradition, so may the name of Germany become known in such a manner in China that no Chinaman will ever dare look askance at a German."—The German Emperor at the time of Boxer Rebellion.

Reason No. 3  
"Our might shall create a new law in Europe. It is Germany that strikes. When she has conquered, new dominions for her genius, then the priesthood of all gods will praise the God of War."

Germany is not making this war to punish sinners, or to force oppressed people. She sets out for the immovable conviction that her achievements entitle her to demand more elbow room on the earth and wider outlets for her activity."—Maximilian Harden, Sometimes a critic of the Kaiser.

Reason No. 4  
"And ye have heard men say, Blessed are the peacemakers, but I say unto you, Blessed are the war-makers, for they shall be called, if not the children of Jahve, the children of Odin, who is greater than Jahve."—Neitzsche.

Reason No. 5  
"The commonest of all stones placed to mark the burial place of a German hero is a more glorious and venerable monument than all the cathedrals in Europe put together. They call us barbarians. What of it? For my part I hope that in this war we have merited the title of barbarians. Our troops must achieve victory. What else matters?"—German Major General Disfurd.

Reason No. 6  
"It is better to let a hundred women and children belonging to the enemy die of hunger than to let a single German soldier suffer."—A leading German General.—From "Out of Their Own Mouths."

Reason No. 7  
"We care nothing for treaties."—A Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. Gerard's four years in Germany.

Reason No. 8  
"America had better look out after this war." I shall stand no nonsense for America after the war."—The German Emperor to Ambassador Gerard.

Reason No. 9  
"Copenhagen Dispatch, September 26. Admiral von Tirpitz pointed out that the submarine warfare is Germany's legal right and that Belgium now has her just deserts. Admiral von Tirpitz further declared that 'space without a heavy indemnity meant Germany's defeat and the victory of Anglo-American capitalism.'"

PAINFUL IMPRESSION OVER THE SINKING OF THE BARI  
Athens, Oct. 16.—A painful impression has been caused here by the torpedoing of the Italian steamer Bari, on which were a number of Greek officials and Turkish, whose names do not appear on the list of 50 survivors, who were landed on the Gallipoli peninsula (Turkish territory).

According to advices reaching here, the lifeboats of the Bari were sunk by the Germans who torpedoed the steamer.

There have been no previous advices of the sinking of the Bari. The only steamer of that name listed in available records is a small one of 325 tons gross formerly known as the Liburno, which was built in 1873.

CARD OF THANKS  
We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many relatives and friends who befriended and assisted us during the sickness and death of our beloved child.

MR. and MS. M. P. DEAL.

## GERMANS IN FULL CONTROL OF ISLAND

By the Associated Press. Berlin, via London, Oct. 16.—The Germans have taken full possession of the main portion of Oesel at the entrance of the gulf of Riga, the war office announced today. The Russians have retreated to the Sword peninsula and are offering desperate resistance.

## WAR IS COSTING \$6,500,000 AN HOUR

By the Associated Press. New York, Oct. 16.—The war is costing the belligerent nations of the world at the rate of \$160,000,000 a day, \$6,500,000 an hour and the United States is paying at least one quarter of this staggering sum, according to the Mechanics National Bank of New York. The estimated cost of at the beginning of the war was \$69,000,000 and a year ago it was \$100,000,000. This country's rate of expenditure is greater than any other nation, Great Britain coming second and Germany third.

With no more than 2,000,000 of American manhood enlisted, the total of the allies is 23,000,000 against a total for the central empires of 20,000,000.

The population of the allies from the allies from which their ranks is 1,400,000 against 150,000,000 for the central empires.

## CAMP GREENE IS ALSO BUYING BONDS

By the Associated Press. Charlotte, Oct. 16.—The total subscriptions to the second Liberty Loan by the officers and men of Camp Greene at noon today totaled \$771,000. The claim is made that this camp leads all southern training camps in subscriptions to the loan in proportionate to the number in camp.

## "GUILTY" IS VERDICT OF JURY IN PIERSON CASE

Marysville, Mo., Oct. 16.—Clara Pierson was found guilty of kidnapping Lloyd Keet by the jury at 10:25 o'clock last night.

Counsel for the defense immediately filed a motion for a new trial which will be acted on in November. The youthful defendant accepted the verdict calmly. Mr. and Mrs. J. Holland Keet, parents of the kidnapped infant, were in the courtroom when the verdict was announced as were the parents and sister of Pierson. The trial has lasted a week.

The trial judge fixed new bonds for all the defendants held here on kidnapping conspiracy charges.

## Rev. B. A. Yorke Passed Through Hickory Today en route to Lincolnton

from Charlotte where he assisted Rev. W. L. Elliott in a revival meeting in Sevierville Methodist church. The meeting was a fine success.

## ANOTHER CONFERENCE ON NAVAL MATTERS

By the Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 16.—American naval cooperation with the allies was further discussed today at a conference between the British ambassador and the British attaché, Secretary Daniels and American naval officials.

The only announcement Secretary Daniels has made of the conference so far is that they were over very grave matters.

## BOND CAMPAIGN IS BRINGING RESULTS

Although there is not any doubt that the second Liberty Loan will be a success in every way, it is desired particularly that persons with small amounts to invest subscribe to a few bonds. The strength of France and England lies in the fact that all the people are security holders and that the bonds are not held by a few rich individuals and big corporations. Everybody buys.

Governor Bickett has secured the pledges of 85 sheriffs to help in the campaign and the governor has also called on the members of the state board of agriculture to aid. If every man and woman in North Carolina who has money to spare would take some bonds this state would subscribe many millions more than it is called on to take and everybody would be better off. Several Carolina farmers are buying bonds, realizing that they are better than lending money at 6 per cent. The government pays four per cent and sends the interest promptly.

The sale of bonds is going better in this district now and it is expected that tomorrow's list of purchasers will show good results.

## MEXICANS BUSY SERIOUS FIRE IN KANSAS CITY AT FAVORITE PASTIME

By the Associated Press. Mission, Texas, Oct. 16.—Seemingly reliable reports have just reached here of a bandit raid at Grango, a Mexican village on the Rio Grande, six miles southeast of Mission. Nothing concerning casualties could be learned. The firing could be heard plainly at Madero City.

## EXPECT BILLION PLEDGED BY NIGHT

By the Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 16.—Treasury officials declared today that unless all signs fail the Liberty Loan will have reached its first \$1,000,000,000 by night.

## Mrs. Moose Hostess

The Home Circle Society was delightfully entertained Thursday afternoon when Mrs. J. W. Moose was hostess. Five members were present and Mrs. D. E. Moose and Mrs. S. P. Bisanar as guests added much to the occasion. After the usual hour of fancy work the hostess assisted by her little daughter served refreshments. The next meeting will be October 25 with Mrs. Lester Miller.

## GREAT PROGRAM FOR STATE FAIR

By the Associated Press. Raleigh, Oct. 16.—The fifth-seventh annual State Fair under the auspices of the North Carolina Agricultural Society, opened here today and will continue through Friday of this week. To impress upon the people of the state the necessity of food production and conservation is the main educational idea of the exposition this year. An event which is attracting more than ordinary attention is the visit here on Wednesday of Miss Jeannette Rankin, congresswoman from Montana, who will deliver an address at the dedication of the woman's building.

Today, the opening day, has been designated as Governor's Day and Governor Thomas W. Bickett will formally open the fair. Wednesday has been chosen as Red Cross and Woman's Day. A patriotic parade headed by Mrs. T. D. Jones of Durham, will precede the speech of Miss Rankin at the woman's building at the grounds.

Thursday has been selected as Patriotic Day and Mr. Henry A. Page, state food administrator, will make an appeal to the people of the state along the line of food production and conservation. Another interesting event on the program for Thursday will be an exhibition drill by a battalion of the University of North Carolina under the command of Capt. J. Stuart Allen, member of the famous Princess Pat regiment, of the Canadian division of the British army. Friday the closing day, has been picked as Children's Day. The woman's building will be in charge of Mrs. Jane McKimmon, state director of home economics, and every phase of canning and food economy will be exhibited.

## NEW YORK COTTON

By the Associated Press. New York, Oct. 16.—There was renewed realizing at the opening of the cotton market today and prices later sold 20 to 25 points under last night's closing after the call. At this level, however, the market was steadily by buying and bullish spot advices from the south.

The close was steady.

Open	Close
October	27.15
December	27.32
January	26.20
March	26.14
May	26.18

## WEATHER FORECAST

For North Carolina: Fair tonight Wednesday and Thursday. Cooler tonight, moderate temperature thereafter, gentle and variable winds.

## COMPARATIVE WEATHER

October 16	1917	1916
Maximum	78	74
Minimum	—38	—44

## KANSAS CITY YARDS

By the Associated Press. Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 16.—More than one-half of the Kansas City Stock yards, the largest in the country were destroyed by fire today. It was estimated after the fire had been raging for two hours that several thousand head of cattle had been destroyed. Some estimates ran as high as 10,000.

There were 47,000 head of cattle in the yard at the close of business yesterday and while many of them were released, thousands were burned.

The blaze was discovered by two patrolmen in Kansas City, Kansas, and before they could summons apparatus the fire had become unmanageable. Fire departments from both Kansas cities combated the flames. The origin of the fire was unknown.

## BAD BOOKKEEPER COST TOWN \$25,000

By the Associated Press. Plymouth, Mass., Oct. 16.—Benjamin C. Reed, 68 years old, former tax collector and treasurer of Whitman, and widely known as "Hon. est Ben," today began a two days term in the house of correction after pleading guilty yesterday to the larceny of town funds to the amount of \$25,000. Reed made a remarkable statement on his conviction.

"I may have done wrong. I realize it now, and I am willing to take my punishment," he said. "Not a cent of the \$25,000 in the default has been appropriated to my own use, but rather to meet outstanding taxes which threatened to expose my own peculiar bookkeeping."

District Attorney Catzen admitted that Reed had used the money to cover up errors and that he had not misappropriated any money.

## WATTS FOUND NOT GUILTY

By the Associated Press. Boston, Oct. 16.—A verdict of not guilty was returned in the trial of Gerald Walsh, motorman on a Boston elevated street car, which plunged through an open draw killing 45 passengers. Walsh was charged with manslaughter.

## COTTON AND ROADS DISCUSSED TODAY

By the Associated Press. New York, Oct. 16.—Agriculture in general and cotton and good roads in particular were the subjects discussed by prominent speakers at divisional meetings today of the Southern Commercial Congress at its ninth annual convention today.

The congress had as its guests today the diplomatic representatives of the allies of the United States.

## GIVE SENATORS ONLY LETTER ON SPEECH

By the Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 16.—When the senate committee investigating Senator LaFollette's St. Paul speech here today Senator LaFollette presented a formal demand that the committee make a written complaint and allow him to summons and cross-examine witnesses.

This delayed the start of the proceedings and the committee went into executive session.

Senator LaFollette presented in his behalf a letter, which he said he believed contained all the charges he had made.

"I appear to submit to you in the form of a letter all the statements I deem it make necessary at this time," said Senator LaFollette, who when adjournment was taken after an hours executive session, Senator Pomerene announced that because of Senator LaFollette's refusal to furnish information desired, he would not take place in the proceedings.

Asked if any arrangements had been made to hold hearings, the senator answered in the negative.

## RUSSIA STILL SERIOUS

Cold Weather May Neutralize Advantage For Present—Big Guns Roaring in Flanders. French Check Germans—British Losses For Week Were Light.

## FRENCH HONOR MEMORY OF FALLEN

By the Associated Press. French front, September 16.—"Attention, The division will salute the memory of those of its comrades who have fallen while fighting for their country."

The voice of General Michel, one of the young French commanders who by sheer merit has made his way to the front rank during the war, rang out clearly over a stable field not far from the fighting lines. The troops of his division, drawn up in deep formation facing towards the point whence the sound of the German guns could be heard plainly, presented arms and the drums tapped out a general salute, while the colors of the various regiments were lowered out of respect for those who had died. The long rows of bayonets remained perfectly still for several minutes while the roll of the drums continued and even after this had ceased and absolute silence reigned, the men stood motionless for a further period, their thoughts with their former comrades.

This ceremonial honoring of those who have made the great sacrifice is always carried out after a division has left the front line trenches, for during the fighting it is often impossible to perform any religious service over those who fall and are buried where they die. Respect for the dead is deeply ingrained in the French character and the soldiers appreciate greatly such an opportunity to honor those who have died a warrior's death.

The division concerned today has seen much fighting all along the front. It had served in Alsace, at Verdun, on the Somme and on the Aisne, where attacks from one side or the other have been of deadly occurrence for nearly four months. One of its units was a battalion of the famous chasseurs who are to be found wherever fighting is heavy, and before the memorial service another ceremony had taken place, for it was this battalion's turn to be entrusted with the charge of the regimental flag of the chasseurs for a period of three months. Each battalion in rotation is accorded this honor and every man in the battalion guarding the color seems to feel a personal pride in the emblem beneath which he marches. The flag bears at the head of its staff the three highest military decorations, the Legion of Honor, the military medal, and the war cross—bestowed as a reward for the constant and conspicuous bravery of the soldiers who have fought under it.

These chosen troops the chasseurs, had made history along before this war. The first Napoleon had a battalion of chasseurs in the guard corps of the grand army. Afterwards they disappeared from the army list for a time, but were reconstituted by the Duke of Orleans under Louis Philippe.

Solferino, during the Italian war of Liberation, and Sebastopol, in the Crimean war, added to the fame of the chasseurs, and during the war of 1870 against the Prussians they distinguished themselves on many occasions.

## SHERIFF ISENHOWER IS BACK FROM CONFERENCE

Sheriff John A. Isenhower has returned to Newton from Raleigh, where he attended a conference of sheriffs called by Governor Bickett for the purpose of pushing the Liberty Loan bonds into the rural sections of the state. There were 85 sheriffs present and 89 counties represented and enthusiasm was good. Aside from the aid the sheriffs believe they can render their country the conference gave them their first opportunity to become acquainted and this alone was worth the trip to the state capital.

## MRS. PAYNE DEAD AT MORGANTON

Mrs. J. N. Payne, sister of Mrs. J. T. Johnson, formerly of this city, died at her home in Morganton this morning. She was about 70 years of age, and is survived by several children.

## CERTIFICATES SELL LIKE HOT CAKES

By the Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 16.—The government's latest offer for certificates \$300,000,000 at 4 per cent has been heavily oversubscribed.

## TO MEET AT DENVER

By the Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 16.—Discussion of a regional system of organization recently adopted by the executive committee of the Democratic national committee will take place, it was announced today, beginning with Denver tomorrow. The second will be in Boston October 22. Other meetings will be held later.

## IOWA GOES DRY BY BIG MAJORITY

By the Associated Press. Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 16.—Returns today from more than two-thirds of the state on the election on constitutional prohibition held in Iowa yesterday indicates that the amendment forbidding the sale and manufacture of liquor was adopted by a majority of 10,000 votes.

## GERMAN OPERATIONS IN RUSSIA STILL SERIOUS

By the Associated Press. The German operations in and around the gulf of Riga which have centered attention on the northern Russian front lately are not likely to be extended this fall on the route to Revel, Kronstadt and Petrograu, in the opinion of Russian naval authorities. The lateness of the season is expected to neutralize the advantage of the Teutons.

The situation created by the Teutonic move, however, is serious enough for the Russians in its present aspect. With the great naval preponderance of the Germans in the Baltic, there seems nothing likely to prevent them from making it a German base, from which military operations can be developed against the mainland.

The military situation in the western war area is virtually unchanged. The German reports have begun to lay stress again upon the violence of the artillery in Flanders, but there is no indication as to when General Haig will be ready to strike. Evidently much depends on the weather in this region. In the light of his last week's experience, with the handicap of the Flanders mud, it seems likely that Field Marshal Haig will wait for the ground to settle, although the hope that conditions will improve at this season is small.

On the French front the activities are centered on the Aisne and at Verdun. Last night the artillery duels were kept up along the French front.

The German infantry, however, came to life on the west bank of the Meuse, attacking north of Hill 304. The French found little difficulty in checking this attack, while on the Aisne the French carried out raiding operations.

British casualties continue to show a declining rate. The total for the week just closed is 14,096, as compared to 17,505 for the week closing October 9 and 21,179 for the preceding week. This despite the fact that the British have been heavily engaged in the last few weeks.

## INTEREST GROWS IN DOLLAR DAY

With the Dollar Day advertisements practically completed, the Hickory merchants today were waiting for Thursday to open their stores to a crowd of shoppers that probably will be 50 per cent larger than last year. There is more money in the country than ever before and the goods offered this year are practicable and necessary and it is expected that hundreds of people will buy.

Most of the paper were delivered by Record carriers. Three automobiles distributed papers throughout this section and it was planned to place the advertisements in reach of everybody.

The weather will be good, the temperature being a little lower. The weather will be fine for the day, and the merchants are preparing to accommodate the crowd.