

CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL OF PEACE

Government Wants Time to "Digest" Pontiff's Proposition; French Papers Call Suggestions Vague.

BULLETIN.

London, Aug. 18.—The allied governments will discuss jointly the peace proposals of Pope Benedict and a reply will be issued in due course, Lord Robert Cecil told The Associated Press tonight. Whether the reply will be a joint note or, as suggested in some quarters, through the medium of the United States or by some other manner will be decided later.

In an interview, Lord Robert Cecil said:

"In writing this note the pope obviously felt the importance of not taking sides and of maintaining an absolutely impartial attitude. Yet I cannot help feeling surprise and sorrow that the note says nothing of certain outstanding outrages committed in this war which have done more than all else to make it impossible for Germany's enemies to trust her or to treat with her."

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Aug. 18.—That the government is determined to give Pope Benedict's peace proposal the most deliberate and painstaking consideration before framing a reply, was evidenced yesterday by developments both at the White House and State department.

The cabinet, holding its first session since the note arrived, avoided any general discussion of the subject because President Wilson is understood to feel that there must be a searching analysis of the questions raised before such discussion would be profitable.

Secretary Lansing and his advisers, on whom most of the responsibility for making this analysis will rest, continued their study of the pontiff's suggestions with every indication that it probably would be several days before any concrete step could be expected.

Meantime, however, the undercurrent of official thought manifestly continued to trend toward a conviction that the grand alliance will find some of the proposals in the vatican note very difficult to accept.

Minute Analysis Essential.

As the declared purpose of the pontiff's note was to present a concrete basis for peace negotiations, it is regarded as highly essential that the exact meaning of every phrase be carefully weighed, keeping in mind conclusions to entertain the proposals, it will find itself irrevocably committed in the negotiations by the constructions given at present.

It was said at the State department that the peace proposals were being quickly "digested," a process which would not be hurried and that it was not possible to predict when an answer could be returned.

Within a few days exchanges between Washington and the entente capitals and perhaps between Secretary Lansing and the diplomatic representatives of these powers here will be made. Official opinion inclines to the belief that there will be a separate reply from each nation, rather than a joint response, as forecasted in some foreign dispatches. There are peculiar conditions, some of them political, some semi-religious, in most of the entente countries, which it is believed will make it desirable for each of the governments to use its own processes of logic in its reply.

French Reception Cool.

Paris, Aug. 18.—The peace proposals of Pope Benedict have met with a cool reception in the French press, which complains that they are vague and essentially political. Newspapers, which, without being clerical, are Catholic, are not satisfied. The Eclair, strongest clerical morning paper, limits its comment to speaking

Officers of 'Fighting Fourth' Ready to Start for Deming



Left to Right—Captain Miller, First Lieutenant Wilber and Second Lieutenant Mast; All of Company G now en route south.

enthusiastically of the clauses in regard to arbitration and a society of nations. The Figaro says the pope's note will eventually cause the central powers to set forth their war aims, those of the entente being already sufficiently well known.

The Matin concludes its comment: "What the pope has transmitted to us are the peace offers of the central powers."

The Petit Parisien, the most widely read morning newspaper, says the note is even more vague than was said by the forecasts. It expresses astonishment that crimes of the war are not denounced.

Word From Vatican.

Rome, Aug. 18.—A semi-official statement issued today says the vatican considers the reproach of a portion of the press that the holy see has not condemned violations of law such as atrocities committed, is unjust, since Pope Benedict, faithful to his principles of impartiality, in his note had the intention of acting as peacemaker and not as judge. No peacemaker, the statement adds, would have the faintest chance of success if he began by trying to prove which side is right and which is wrong.

The pontiff went as far as possible, the statement continues, to make understood what his feelings are without risking the failure of his proposal on the rocks of Austro-German ill-feeling. Besides it concludes the papal proposals were in solemn condemnation of those responsible for the war methods adopted and the barbarities committed.

Born Fined \$100 and Sent to Jail by Judge

The first conviction of a man on the second offense clause of the prohibition law was secured by City Prosecutor T. J. McGuire Saturday.

Guy Born, 1208 South Fourth street, in whose possession was found over thirty gallons of whisky, following confessions of witnesses of the Mc-

Carthy murder, was convicted on two offenses.

About July 15, 1917, he was found guilty of selling one-half pint of whisky to Bonny Walters. He was found guilty on the second offense of illegally having intoxicating liquor in his possession.

Born was fined \$100 and costs for the first offense and given a sixty-day jail sentence on the second. He immediately filed a bond for appeal to the district court.

E. F. Fassett, Arlington

Editor, Dies in West

Arlington, Neb., Aug. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Edgar F. Fassett, 61 years old, died at Colorado Springs, Colo., yesterday. The funeral will be held Sunday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at his home in Arlington.

Two years ago Mr. Fassett gave up management of the Arlington Review-Herald, and went to Colorado Springs, because of lung trouble.

Besides his widow, Mr. Fassett leaves these children: Fred L. of Auburn, Dale of Colorado Springs, Mrs. H. L. Andrews and Mrs. Conrad Schmehl of Arlington.

Laboring Men Told to Play

Part in War by Loyalty

Indianapolis, Aug. 18.—A call to laboring men to "play our part in the war manfully" with "unstinted loyalty to the United States," was issued here tonight in a statement on "Labor Day, 1917" by John P. White, international president of the United Mine Workers of America.

"The government is demanding co-operation—organized effort between employer and employe, to meet the country's war requirements," Mr. White said. "The eyes of the world are focused to see how quickly and efficiently the government's demands will be met."

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Two Former Omaha Physicians Commissioned in Medical Corps

Dr. Henry A. Johnson and Dr. J. Karl Painter, formerly of Omaha, have received commissions in the medical reserve of the United States army and have been ordered to report to Fort Riley, Kansas, for training. Dr. Painter is now located at Schuyler.

Dr. Johnson was reared in Omaha and was graduated from the Central High school, where he held a commission in the hospital corps of the cadet battalion. He afterward went to Creighton, where he received his medical degree. Dr. Painter was given his degree at Rush Medical college, Chicago.

Both young men leave wives at home. They married prominent Omaha girls, Fay and Edna Townes.

Suspected Slacker is Arrested by U. S. Agent

Bruno Spahoff of Chicago, suspected of evading the draft law, was arrested yesterday by D. C. Deolin, government agent.

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Smoke Screens to Protect U. S. Ships From Submarines

Washington, Aug. 18.—Apparatus for creating smoke screens to be provided soon to every American merchantmen entering the war zone.

A Department of Commerce circular, just issued, says preparations are being made to use not only smoke-producing boxes, but smoke funnels and phosphorus for supplementing such apparatus. The boxes, to be dropped overboard at the approach of

an enemy, will be issued to each ship by the Navy department as a part of its naval armament. The more elaborate stationary funnel contrivances are being made by private concerns and shipowners have been asked by both the Navy and Commerce departments to purchase them direct.

Stereopticon views illustrating recent phases of the mass movements in India are to be shown at the Walnut Hill Methodist church, Sunday night at 8 o'clock. The slides are from the office of Bishop Stuntz.

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