

NEW PEACE OFFER IS EXPECTED FROM TEUTON EMPIRES

German Periodical Claims Central Powers Will Submit New Proposition on Settlement

Amsterdam, Oct. 9.—A new peace offer is forthcoming from the Teutonic empires according to a prediction in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung, asserted to be based upon an authoritative source. The paper adds the offer will propose.

- 1. No territorial aggrandizements. 2. Surrender by Germany of Belgium and Northern France. 3. "Positive territorial acquisitions" to be bought and paid for in cash. 4. No indemnities of anyone.

An element of suspicion attaches to the report because of the identity of its disseminator. The Deutsche Tages Zeitung is the pan-German organ in which Count Ernest Zu Reventlow vents his views. For months this junkish firebrand has shouted at the top of his editorial lungs that Germany was being "betrayed" by the pacifists, among whom he includes the prime movers behind the reichstag's majority bloc.

"Territorial Acquisitions."

But even if it is true, Entente diplomats here pointed out tonight the alleged offer will contain no concessions whatever and therefore form no basis for an understanding. A clever piece of word juggling is seen in the alleged terms of the offer. Particularly the phrase "positive territorial acquisitions" diplomats here profess to recognize pan-German terms in the garb of conciliatory bargaining.

Moreover the phrase could be made to work both ways. Applied to Rumania, for instance, it would mean the imposition of a huge sum in payment for evacuation. Rumania having no money, she would then be forced virtually to sell herself, that is, her oil wells and grain fields, to the Central Powers in return for nominal possessions of her own house.

CHRISTMAS MAIL FOR AMERICAN FORCES ABROAD

Washington, D. C., Oct. 3, 1917. To The Public:

The time is approaching to give thought to bringing Christmas cheer to the American soldiers and sailors abroad.

Arrangements have been perfected whereby the Christmas mail to the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe is to be delivered by Christmas morning. Without the fullest cooperation on the part of the public it will be impossible to accomplish this result.

The three essential respects in which the public can aid in assuring a happy Christmas at the front are: Mail early, address intelligently, and pack securely. For this reason it is urgently requested that all persons having Christmas mail for the soldiers and sailors and the civilian units attached to the army in Europe observe closely the following directions:

- 1. Mails to reach the soldiers in France by Christmas morning must be posted not later than November 15. 2. Every package must bear conspicuously the words "Christmas Mail," the complete address of the person for whom it is intended, and, in the upper left-hand corner, the name and address of the sender. 3. Every parcel must be so packed and wrapped as to admit of easy inspection by the postmaster. No parcel will be dispatched to France which has not the postmaster's certificate that it contains no prohibited articles.

A. S. Barleson, Postmaster General, Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War, Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy.

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LICENSE FOR FOODSTUFFS TO PROTECT THE PATRIOT

Washington, Oct. 9.—Within a day or two, President Wilson will issue a proclamation requiring all persons engaged in importing, manufacturing, storing and distributing certain fundamental foodstuffs to secure a license from the food administrator, Herbert C. Hoover.

Meat packers, cold storage warehouses, millers, canners, elevators, grain dealers, wholesale distributors and retailers doing a business of more than \$100,000 annually, will all be required to take out the licenses, which must be applied for before November 1.

About twenty basic commodities and their products have been selected by the food administration as forming the prime basis of life, and the licensing control will be limited to these commodities. The administration has also, so far as possible, eliminated the smallest units of business in these staples. The commodities have not yet been stated. Under the licensing system the government has complete control over the industries indicated and can penalize or can revoke the licenses for violation of the law.

To Keep Supplies Moving.

A formal statement issued today by the food administration declares:

"It is the purpose of the food administration to effect conservation in the commercial use of these commodities, and to keep them flowing toward the consumer in direct lines through the channels of trade in an economical manner as possible. The administration does not wish to disturb the normal and necessary activities of business, and no business factor who is performing a useful function will be expected to surrender that function."

The administration is, however, charged with several duties.

"The producer must have a free outlet and a ready market.

"There must be no manipulation of speculation in foods.

"There must be no hoarding in foods.

"Unfair or unreasonable profits must be eliminated.

"Discriminatory and deceptive and wasteful practices which in any way restrict supply or distribution must be stopped.

These are the provisions of the food law. The licensing system which was authorized by the law provides a more effective machinery for its enforcement. It must not be thought that those operations become illegal only upon the issue of licenses. They have been illegal since the 10th of August, when the law was passed, and numerous cases coming to the attention of the food administration have been corrected. The licensing has the effect of giving definition to the provisions of the bill and the practices which the trades should respectively follow in connection therewith."

Regulation Starts November 1.

After November 1, no unlicensed person will be permitted to trade in the commodities enumerated in the forthcoming proclamation. Those who receive licenses must from time to time report to the food administration, but their reports will be safeguarded so that their competitors may not benefit.

"The food administration states that while it has powers to revoke licenses and impose penalties, yet, its purpose is "to accomplish these ends of public service and war service, so far as possible, not by coercion, but by patriotic cooperation." About two hundred conferences held with representatives of various trades have shown, says the food administration, that the licensing system will really be a protection to the great majority of producers and distributors as well as to the public against the comparatively few speculators and price-raisers. Part of the statement reads:

"It has been generally recognized throughout the country that the enormous obligation imposed upon the American people to feed our soldiers at the front and the allies creates a disturbing factor in trade which allows opportunity to a few impose burdens upon the many. It is of vital national importance that such control should be exerted as will remedy, so far as may be, the economic disturbances incident to the war. The prime purpose of the food administration is to protect the patriot against the slacker in business."

Announce Daughter's Engagement.

Chapin, Oct. 6.—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Williams announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Esther, to Lawrence E. Shealy, to take place at the home of the bride, Thursday, November 3, at 8:30 o'clock.

HENRY BATES OUTZ.

Henry Bates Outz died at the home of his son, Mr. James B. Outz, near Spearman in Newberry county. He came to Newberry six weeks ago from Greenwood where he had lived for seven years. His death was caused by diabetes. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Martha Outz, and eight children, three daughters and five sons: Mrs. Mollie Frieland of Saluda; Mrs. Lizzie Shirey near Little Mountain; Mrs. Lula Lee of Spartanburg county; Mr. Walter Outz of Savannah, who works for the Savannah Blow Pipe company; Mr. John Outz also of Savannah, who is solicitor for the Savannah Lighting company; Mr. James Outz of Newberry; Mr. W. H. Outz of Greenwood; one step-son Mr. Marsh Buzzard of Saluda.

Trouble With Officers.

Saluda Standard. It was reported here Monday that Walter Thurmond Rinehart, who recently went to Camp Jackson, Columbia, from this county, had knocked down a captain there for cursing him, breaking the officer's jaw with his gun. It has been since learned that this was not Mr. Rinehart, but a soldier named Derrick, from Newberry county.

It was also reported that Guy Robert Webb, of this county, had knocked an officer down with his fist at Camp Jackson for insulting him. This story has not been verified. It is said that the soldiers do not get along very well with the young training camp officers, most of whom, it is reported, are from the north.

Advertisement for Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen. Features an illustration of a man in a military-style uniform holding a fountain pen. Text includes 'The Pen for Active Service Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen' and 'Gilder & Weeks, Co., Newberry, S. C.'

Report of County Supervisor on claims accruing subsequent to January 1, 1917, paid in September, 1917:

Table listing various claims and payments. Columns include item number, name, amount, and date. Items range from salaries to various taxes and expenses.

Table listing salaries and other payments for county officers and employees. Columns include name, position, and amount. Items range from J. C. Sample to various clerks and supervisors.

Statement showing exact financial condition of appropriations for the year 1917 as it appeared at the end of the month of September, 1917:

Table showing financial condition of appropriations. Columns include items, appropriated amount, approved amount, and balance. Items include salaries, county home, roads, bridges, ferries, etc.