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HUGHES PROPOSAL GRIPS THE WORLD

While half the world was still wondering whether such good news as the Hughes programme could be true, wondering whether anything in international relations nowadays could be so sudden, simple and unselfish. Great Britain reached out to grasp at once this great opportunity. The announcement that Mr. Balfour will "accept in principle" should end any doubt that may linger in the mind of a world which has been fooled by mirages so often in the last three years. And, with Great Britain accepting our solution of the armament problem, there should be no hesitation on the part of those nations which, in embracing the proposal of the United States, will give up comparatively little and gain comparatively much.

When we speak of it as a proposal of the United States we mean that, while it came from the mind and the lips of Secretary Hughes as the spokesman of President Harding's Administration, it comes from the heart of this country. If there were an election today upon the question of ratifying the Hughes programme the opposition would not carry a single State; probably not a single county. For America, while itself startled for a moment at the splendid audacity of the programme, immediately realized that the Secretary of State had with one bold stroke crystallized what had been in the American mind and heart.

Not since the world heard, three years ago, that the day and hour of the armistice had been fixed has there been such a sweep of joy. "The optimism in Washington," said a witty diplomat on Sunday, "is terrifying." He could have found that same optimism in every corner of America. He will find it too in every continent of the world when the people of that continent realize that the challenge of the United States must be taken up by the other Powers. Why should not the world be optimistic when it sees America, through Mr. Hughes, accomplishing more in half an hour toward the elimination of bloodshed than has ever been accomplished in all the droning hours of the Hague Tribunal or the League of Nations?

With the magnanimity which proceeds only from the great America has offered to sacrifice far more in the interest of world peace and economy than it asks the other great sea Powers to relinquish. With none of the preliminaries of barter, none of the waiting for offers and counter proposals, we have laid on the table a magnificent bid for peace. It is a bid so high that none, we think, will ask for more; but it is not a bid so high that our own people will begrudge paying it, for they know what its acceptance will mean.

England's acceptance in principle was to be expected. We who had read of the eagerness of Great Britain to enter the conference could not doubt what her answer must be. Her people, even more than our own, have tired of the burden of navies that grow costlier each year. Her people know, as we know, that dreadnoughts are paid for not only in the taxes of the rich but in the price of the poor's bread. Her people know that their statesmen have promised to make every effort to lessen the load which they, in the finest spirit of honor and justice, took on their backs in 1914 and carried through four red years. They are not pacifists. They would go again with high heads into another justifiable war. But they must welcome a programme which would instantly reduce the cost of national defense without reducing their chances in the event of war. And when America says to England "For every five thousand tons of ships that you scrap we will

scrap eight thousand tons" there can be no doubt about the Briton's answer.

The feelings of Continental Europe, once it comes to realize that the American offer means exactly what it says, may be imagined. Here is the richest of all countries—the nation which can afford, better than any other, to build dreadnoughts by the dozen—making an offer which is of much greater relative economic advantage to the other Powers than it is to herself. Here is a nation with thousands of miles of coast and with territory scattered through the Caribbean and the Pacific offering to stop building war vessels for ten years if other empires of the sea will follow suit.

What must Europe think? She has listened to three years of theorizing and hairsplitting and speeches that meant nothing. And now, in a few minutes, in a proposal so plainly stated that the children in the streets understand it, America shows the way. It is a real way, not the way of that diplomacy of which the world has grown tired. It is a way that would destroy militarism, but not nationalism. It would destroy waste but not defense. It would end for years the jealous race of nations for the gun supremacy of the oceans. Perhaps forever; because, while the programme calls for a naval holiday for ten years, who will say that in a peaceful 1931 anybody will like to rise and call for a return to the old game of over-matching dreadnoughts?—New York Herald.

MEMORIAL TABLET

Bronze Marker For Clemson's Dead Soldiers

Clemson College, Nov. 15.—Armistice day was celebrated at Clemson College in a most impressive manner, the feature of the occasion being the unveiling of a bronze tablet containing the names of twenty-six sons of Clemson college who died in the World War. The exercises were held at the Memorial grove, which is a group of Carolina poplars planted several years ago in a prominent spot on the campus, each tree representing a Clemson man who lost his life in the service.

Dr. W. M. Biggs, president of Clemson college, was master of ceremonies, and addresses were made by Major Henry C. Tillman, a graduate and now a trustee of Clemson college, who presented the tablet in behalf of the board of trustees; and by Major John G. Richards, Liberty Hill, S. C., father of Stephen M. Richards, a Clemson graduate who died in the service.

The bronze tablet is set in a huge granite boulder placed on the edge of the Memorial grove, and bears the following inscription:

"In proud remembrance of those sons of Clemson college who gave their lives in the great cause 1917—of liberty and justice—1918."

Another bronze tablet set in the wall of the porch of the college chapel was unveiled without further ceremonies. This tablet bears the following inscription:

"Clemson Agriculture college, in honor and loving remembrance of the 1,545 patriots whose names are known, and others unknown, sons of Clemson college, who answered their country's call to arms in the World war, 1917-1918, and those named below, who made the supreme sacrifice."

The United States produced nearly 11,000,000 bushels of flaxseed last year.

PEACE DECLARED WITH GERMANY

PRESIDENT HARDING ISSUES PROCLAMATION SAYING THAT STATE OF WAR NO LONGER EXISTS—PEACE WITH AUSTRIA NEXT STEP.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Peace between the United States and Germany was formally proclaimed today by President Harding.

The president in a proclamation signed at 3:52 p. m., today declared the state of war between the United States and Germany existing from April 6, 1917, to have terminated July 2, 1921, when the joint peace resolution of congress was approved by the executive.

Issuance of the proclamation, which followed an exchange of ratifications of the treaty at Berlin effected Armistice day in the German capital, was considered the first of a series of three steps which, when completed, will return the United States to a complete peace status.

The second step probably will be the promulgation of a proclamation declaring the war with Austria to be at an end, and the issuance of a similar proclamation with respect to Hungary. Until the third and final step is taken, the purposes of the formal proclamation will not be achieved, in the opinion of officials.

These purposes are stated to be put to an end without doubt to certain war laws unaffected by the congressional resolution of repeal approved last March 3. Notable among these wartime laws are sections of the espionage act, the Liberty bond act, and trading with the enemy act. Portions of the last named statute are preserved, however, through the treaty.

Disposition of the cases of Eugene V. Debs and others, convicted of violation of war laws, likewise will await the third and final step. Attorney General Daugherty has prepared an opinion for the president, suggesting a method of disposing of the Debs case and, it is understood, proposing definite treatment of the case of others, convicted of similar offenses. This opinion, however, has not yet been presented to the president, and Mr. Daugherty has indicated there may be last minute changes before its submission.

The proclamation issued today has no bearing on the resumption of diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany, state department officials asserting that the exchange of ratifications in itself restored such diplomatic relations. Just when Germany will resume her old diplomatic status in Washington is not known to officials here, but it is expected that Baron Therman, former counsellor of the German legation at Budapest, will arrive in Washington shortly to arrange for a technical installation of a German embassy.

Press dispatches from Germany have indicated that the Ebert government was having difficulty in finding a suitable appointee to the Washington ambassadorship in view of the expense through difference in exchange rates. It has been suggested that Germany might for a time be content with a charge d'affaires, but such suggestion has not been officially communicated to the American state department.

President Harding for some time has had under consideration the names of several possibilities as ambassador to Germany and it is understood that Representative Alanson H. Houghton of New York is first in the president's mind in that connection.

C. C. & O. REQUESTS BIG LOAN OF UNCLE SAM

Washington, Nov. 15.—The Carolina Clinchfield and Ohio railroad asked through the Interstate Commerce Commission today for a government loan of \$6,000,000 to refund existing indebtedness offering to deposit \$7,000,000 of its funds with the treasury in security for the loan. The road said it desired \$5,000,000 of the amount to pay off gold notes maturing at an early date and \$1,000,000 to take up an indebtedness already incurred to the government.

BAIL IS GRANTED TO T. L. CANN

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During the show I heard talking and noise and saw that it was coming from three or four men, composed of Lester Cann, B. Ferguson and others. They were under the influence of liquor. I came up behind them and asked them to be quiet, addressing my remarks to Mr. Ferguson.

"When the show was over I came out immediately in order to see a niece of mine to an automobile in front of the City Hall. After I had done this I casually walked around in the crowd that was still leaving the City Hall. After a little while I walked up where Policeman Cannon that crowd was up stairs in the City Hall. We watched the crowd for a few minutes. About that time Policeman Stevenson came to where Cannon and I were, and told me that that crowd was up stair in the City Hall and that Lester Cann was drunk.

"I left Cannon and Stevenson and started in the City Hall for the purpose of seeing if I could get Cann to go home. On my way in I met the Manager of the Opera House, and he and I walked along up the steps together, until we got nearly to the top of the stairs and then the manager indicated with his hand where Mr. Cann was and then the Manager went back down stairs. I did not anticipate any trouble. I had my pistol, as I always do when on duty, but it was under my uniform coat and my coat was buttoned up. I wear

my pistol in front or on the side to a belt under my coat.

"When I got a few yards from the top of the steps, in the hall up stairs, I saw Lester Cann and Whit Gilliam. Cann was leaning against the wall. Gilliam immediately walked off and disappeared, so far as I know. As soon as Cann saw me he asked in a somewhat excited voice if I had come to arrest him. I told him 'No,' but that it had been reported to me that he was down drunk. Cann then said, 'Some one told you I was down, down, down.' Just as I said to him, 'Yes,' he threw a pistol in my face, at the same time saying, 'Get back out of here, Crawford.' Get down out of here.' I threw up my arm and knocked the pistol out of line, but in a flash he turned it on me again and shot me in the face, the ball passing through my face and going out the back of my neck. "I was blinded by the flash and stunned and I reeled and fell backwards. As I was doing so I fell in the arms of Mr. Stevenson. Up until that time I did not know that Stevenson and Cannon had come up the stairs behind me. I thought I was the only person up there except Cann and Gilliam, and Gilliam had disappeared.

"When Stevenson got me a little ways down the steps I heard a number of shots, but thought it was Cann shooting off his pistol. I did not know that he and Cannon were having pistol encounter. When Stevenson got me almost to the automobile I heard some other shots, and as I was being driven off to the hospital I saw Mr. Cannon on his back

on the bottom floor of the City Hall and I saw Cann come out and go around the corner of the City Hall on his way home."

BOX PARTY.

There will be a box party at Abbeville Friday night for the benefit of the School Improvement association.

In China at dinners and theatrical performances, it is customary to provide guests or spectators with hot towels saturated with scented water for wiping their faces.

PLUMBING

TINWORK

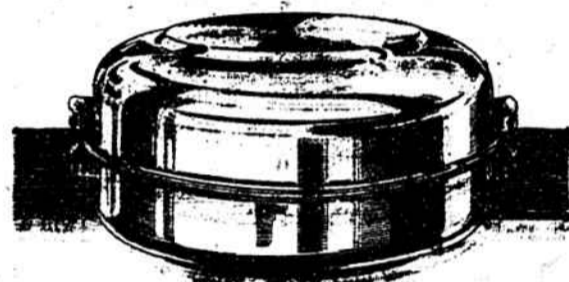
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SATURDAY, NOV. 19th



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