

PART 2. Still Monday. Going into the nuts & bolts thing. Rather tricky to explain, but I'll try. Do you remember about the end of 1918, when White made a proclamation of sorts - I think its first. It said or said that though it was referred to a career of violent struggle, it hoped that its actions would lead to a state of peace, to reconsideration of their position by both Whites & Govt, and lead them to see the need for a peaceful settlement before we reach a state of war. (My memory not very accurate). That statement stuck in my mind, because it seemed to me the most important part of the whole thing. I have a fear of military men. I fear them especially when they turn to politics, because politicians make reasonable military leaders, but you cannot I fear so seldom discuss military moves tend naturally to military solutions.

2/ In every campaign, which may be good military strategy - I couldn't know but it might feel rather to less, in this White's statement, I thought that a non-military point of view - a political and non-military settlement - not for military victory - even though the way to that settlement had to be prepared by military means. That was a very discouraging sign to me in our otherwise rather bleak & grim portent for the country's future. (Am very much afraid this year is giving up if I change to peace). Please take that as sign for...

3/ But as there has gone on these political discussions with many people that probably the politics of the thing have receded and advanced - especially as the government has turned increasingly to military violence as a punishment for a military situation. The military's ideas have begun to gain ground, and the resort by, eg. White, to violence is no longer seen as just a helping to pave the way for a peaceful negotiated settlement, but rather as the exact military to the Govt.

A. idea of military showdown for the purpose of
military victory. This, by itself, cannot say is
wrong, dangerous thinking, a school of thought
years up which no longer seeks unrequited
settlements. It is good and with good reason,
that the white SAs have seen that they will
not negotiate and not prepared to talk or to
concede anything. That therefore people should
be of ideas of settlement by negotiation is a
rather of victory conquest. It is to campaign
for a negotiated settlement is not to sow false
illusions. I understand their bitterness
and the justification for it.

3/ bitterness and pessimism, but that is not
to say I oppose the political reasoning. I don't
think that to visualize a successful cam-
paign for this govt, to seek a settlement
with the renegade people through negotiation
the most realistic extraordinary conditions.
Not the conditions of today. Therefore
people in position should set out A) to
bring these extraordinary conditions
into being and B) instigate campaign
incessantly here and now for a nego-

settlement even though your words fall
as dead flies. For that you present the way
for peaceful settlement tomorrow when either
this govt. will negotiate - or it will have to
give way to another which will be the only alterna-
tive I see to this is the slow & steady
drift towards civil war, which is already
under way. And that, if it takes place in
an atmosphere where both sides have decided
that the only end can be through military
victory, is a prospect of such long & costly &
unpleasant a war that I cannot condemn
it with any thing except honor & respect
nots, chiefly argument. All my love for man & duty,
Man on tomorrow if space permits!

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