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GERMANS SENDING MINOR OFFICIALS WITH NO POWER TO ACCEPT PEACE TERMS

Paris Papers Vexed And Threaten The Hun Not Ready by Friday

Completed Treaty May Not Be Finished—Berlin Government Much Worried Over Whole Business and Gloom Prevails Official Circles

Paris, April 21—A statement issued last night by the Havas news bureau, a semi-official agency, says that surprise has been manifested over the fact that Germany did not select more important men for her peace delegation than Minister Von Haniel, Herr Von Keller, Ernest Schmidt, Herr Reimker and Herr Luderz, and also that, according to the German note, they will have power only to receive the text of the terms and not to sign the treaty.

It is declared, the statement adds, that "in these circumstances the sending of these delegates to Versailles would be useless."

The Echo de Paris says, "The Allied and associated governments are determined not to accept subordinate personalities and Germany will be immediately notified that she must send delegates equipped with full powers to conclude peace. Upon their arrival at Versailles the first step will be to demand those powers."

The Gaulois is indignant at what it describes as "the impertinence of Germany's coup de theatre" which regards a refusal to sign the treaty, and says: "The next word will be with Marshal Foch."

GLOOM SETTLES ON OFFICIAL GERMANY.

Berlin, April 21—(By the Associated Press)—The cabinet decided less than half an hour after the conclusion of the Versailles for the purpose of receiving a draft of the peace terms. A feeling of gloom prevails in official circles tonight, and the Associated Press is told that there are no illusions as to obtaining any mitigation in the dictatorial peace awaiting Germany.

The procedure of the Council of Four came as a surprise, notwithstanding the fact the news for the last week forecasted it, and it is interpreted in cabinet circles and at the foreign office as final proof that the Entente is disinclined forthwith to enter into negotiations based on President Wilson's four terms, and that the terms awaiting Germany are cut and dried.

The German emissaries will merely have instructions to carry the peace document back to Berlin. The question whether the present government will assume the responsibility of accepting or rejecting the terms, or whether it will present them for national referendum is a matter of conjecture. Official opinion, so far as added tonight, was opposed to the declaration of a referendum in favor of a peremptory declaration of peace terms based on any other proposition than Mr. Wilson's platform as the present temper of the German working men is anti-capitalist and anti-imperialistic, and the bourgeoisie is in full accord with the proletariat.

The present government, it has been learned, is not flirting with the idea of a plebiscite, as it would much rather negotiate peace and set the country at work. But it is also conscious that a peace settlement in which Germany has not had a voice would precipitate a storm of national resentment which no cabinet could weather.

The communication from the Entente Powers was received here on last Friday, and the German answer was wired back this afternoon.

Philip Scheidemann, chancellor, called in representatives of the German press at 6 o'clock this evening and informed them of the government's action. The public will receive its first information as to events on Easter morning.

More German Muttering. Berlin, April 21—(By the Associated Press)—Insinuations that Germany will refuse to sign the peace treaty unless the terms are acceptable to her continue to be made in the German newspapers.

"We must make up our minds even to the extreme step," says the Tageblatt. "If the Entente sends us conditions which are in contradiction to the principles we accepted and the Entente approved, counter proposals must be made which can be reconciled with President Wilson's fourteen points. If the Entente refuses to negotiate these counter proposals and demands that we simply submit there will be nothing for

"DASSENT SPANK ME NOW"



—Brooklyn Eagle.

IN GERMANY

Berlin Strike Over But Difficulty in Bremen—Miners Oust Magnates

London, April 21—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says the Berlin department store employees have won their strike, and that the trouble is now ended. The despatch adds that the Soviets are now controlling employment.

Trouble in Bremen. Copenhagen, April 21—Gas workers at Bremen have joined the general strike and the middle classes have commenced a counter-strike, according to advices received here from that city. An intensified state of siege has, therefore, been declared.

Ousted by Miners. Berlin, April 21—(By the Associated Press)—Taking advantage of the new prerogatives given them, the miners of Upper Silesia have decided to oust half a dozen managers and directors from office at some of the largest Silesian mines. Among those deposed is Herr Von Vogt, one of Germany's wealthiest men, director of Prince Henckel von Donner Marks properties.

To Win Austrians. Berlin, April 21—(By the Associated Press)—The government has a plan for recognizing Vienna as a second capital, and is having President Ebert reside there part of the year, to transpire certain imperial bureaus to that city and even hold some meetings of the national assembly there, according to Germania.

It is desired to convince the Austrians that they shall not be too much by the joining of Austria and Germany.

Germania at New York. The S. S. Carmania from Liverpool via Halifax, arrived at New York today.

Perhaps Not Friday. Paris, April 21—Grave doubts were expressed today whether the perfected peace treaty would be presented to the German representatives on the coming Friday. While the treaty will be communicated to them in substance, it was said in well informed quarters that it would be physically impossible to present the document in its complete final form, in the four days remaining.

The Adriatic. Paris, April 21—Premiers Lloyd George, Clemenceau and Orlando met again this morning in M. Clemenceau's office and resumed consideration of the Adriatic question. President Wilson again absent himself from the conference.

The council of four will meet this afternoon, Premiers Lloyd George, Clemenceau and Orlando and President Wilson attending.

Paris, April 21—The German reply to the ultimatum of the Council of Four that it will not receive any German delegation not fully empowered to conduct and negotiate peace is awaited anxiously in peace conference circles. The next step towards peace depends upon the German reply.

Paris, April 21—(Havas Agency)—The announcement by Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, German foreign minister, that his government would send delegates without full powers to receive the peace terms and to discuss the same with the German government, has contributed greatly, the newspapers say, toward an alliance by Great Britain, France and America. The French press insists that negotiations looking toward such an alliance are still in progress.

We do not do but to declare that we will not do it. The Vorwaerts, Socialist organ, says it is unthinkable that an international conflict can be satisfactorily concluded without negotiations and simply by declaration from one side.

The Lokal Anzeiger, referring to the invitation to the Germans to come to Versailles, says it does not exclude negotiations.

AN "ORIGINAL" AND HIS BRIDE



LIEUT. KENNETH GORDON MICKLEBOROUGH of the original 3rd Battalion and Miss Helen Adele Landreth were married quietly in Toronto.

LOCAL NEWS

WALTER MURRAY KIRK. Walter Murray, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kirk died this morning in his twenty-third year. Besides his parents he is survived by a brother and one sister, Harold and Mildred, both living at home. The funeral will take place on Tuesday at three o'clock (new time) from his parents' home, 274 Main St.

THE SAME CAR

A street car with a badly smashed end, being towed through the streets to the car-barn this morning gave rise to a report that another accident had occurred. Fortunately this was an error; the car was one of those which were in collision on Saturday evening.

HIS SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY

At the conclusion of the morning service in St. David's Presbyterian church yesterday, Peter Chisholm, senior elder of the church, presented to Rev. J. A. MacKegan an address in which the appreciation of the congregation for his devoted labors was fittingly expressed. The occasion was the seventh anniversary of Mr. MacKegan's induction as minister of St. David's. Mr. MacKegan, in replying, thanked the members for this evidence of their appreciation and spoke of his work among them.

LETTERS TO IT

The suggestion that cars parked around King square should be placed at an acute angle to the curbing, instead of parallel with it, which was made in this paper on Saturday, was received with approval by Commissioner Thornburn. The commissioner fully appreciated the saving in space this method effected and also how much easier it makes the handling of the cars when several are parked together. He said this morning that there was nothing in the traffic regulations requiring the cars to be placed in any particular way, but that a common-sense rule like this could be enforced by the police department in the interests of the public generally. He will take up the matter with the chief of police.

MAIN STREET CHURCH.

Many attended the Easter services in the Main street Baptist church yesterday. In the morning Rev. Dr. Hutchison preached on the resurrection of our Lord, his subject being "An Empty Tomb." Special music was rendered by the choir and after the service the pastor baptized twelve candidates. At the evening service the pastor preached a special programme of Easter music before a congregation which crowded the church. At the close of the service the ordinance of baptism was again administered by the pastor. The Easter offerings were between \$800 and \$900.

MANY CARS OUT.

It was like mid-summer on the Marsh Road yesterday between the city and Rethely so far as automobiles was concerned. From Haymarket square to the popular resort nine miles distant it was actually one steady procession of outgoing and incoming cars. It was almost a duplicate of conditions which exist along the Hudson River drive in New York state, or the great highway leading to Cape Island. At times there was too many cars to proceed in a single lane, and at places where slow moving horses and carriages were encountered, congestion of cars would occur, calling for some expert driving on the part of chauffeurs. It might be truly said that nine-tenths of the automobiles wheel yesterday were to be found on this excellent nine miles of highway and it was a striking demonstration of the popularity of gasoline locomotion.

PHILIP AND PHERDINAND

I BELIEVE SOME BAWDY FAGS GOT UP THAT DOPE ABOUT THE EASTERN RABBIT.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis—An important area of high pressure now covers the Great Lakes, with the barometer is comparatively low near the Atlantic coast and west of the Mississippi. Showers have occurred since Saturday morning in parts of Manitoba and Ontario and generally in Quebec. Elsewhere the weather has been fine.

Fair and Cool. Maritime—Moderate winds, showery today; Tuesday, fresh northerly winds, fair and cool.

Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore—Fresh northerly winds, fair and cool tonight and on Tuesday.

Washington, April 21—New England—Fair tonight, cooler on mainland with frost; Tuesday, fair moderate north winds.

Five Cents For Trip on Ferry

Recommendation To Be Sent to The Council AFFECTS ONLY TRANSIENTS

CHURCHES ON DAYLIGHT TIME NEXT SUNDAY

Evangelical Alliance Also Urges That Schools go On New System

A special meeting of the Evangelical Alliance was held this morning in the Y.M.C.A., Rev. F. S. Dowling in the chair. A motion was passed that the churches would adopt Daylight Saving Time beginning April 27. A committee was appointed to interview the Board of Education, with a view of having the schools adopt the new time to avoid so much confusion in the homes as experienced now. A committee was also appointed to act with the citizens' committee in the reception of the 29th Battalion.

An invitation was received from the Board of Management of the Protestant Orphanage to meet with them to consider the plans of a larger orphanage. The invitation was accepted.

OLYMPIC IS IN WITH 5,500

Four V. C.'s Arrive at Halifax Including One New Brunswick—Sixteen Returns

Halifax, N. S., April 21—The Olympic with 5,500 troops including the first, second, third and fourth battalions of the first brigade, first division, entered the harbor at eleven o'clock this morning and docked an hour later. Among the officers on board were Lieut. A. J. Wall, Scotia, P. E. I.

The units were debarked and entrained in the following order:—Sixth Field Battery, Halifax; Third Battalion, Toronto; Fourth Battalion, Toronto; Third Tunnelling Company, Toronto; First Battalion, London; Second Battalion, Kingston; Third and Fourth Field Batteries and First Field Ambulance, Kingston; Fifth and Sixth Batteries, Montreal.

Brigadier General McNair, C.M.G., D.S.O., and his staff were on board. He said it was hoped to complete the embarkation of the troops this week. The second division was now all in England at Whitley Camp and the fourth was on its way to Bramshott.

The Olympic brought four V. C.'s—Captain C. N. Mitchell, Winnipeg; Sergt. C. Barron of Toronto, Sergt. Hermon Good of Bathurst, N. B., and Sergt. M. Merrifield of Sunbury, Ont. Sergt. Good won his V. C. in August of last year when he rushed two German machine gun posts, killing the crew and taking prisoners. He was decorated by the king three weeks ago.

Hon. Clifford Sifton was among the civilian passengers returning on the Olympic.

ROTARY CLUB HELPS VETERAN BANQUET.

The Rotary Club today approved of a grant of \$100 toward the expenses of tomorrow night's banquet in the armories for first contingent men. A. E. Everett, F. H. Quirt and E. J. Terry were appointed a special feature committee in connection with the welcome to the 26th and the siege batteries, and the executive was authorized to see that the boys were supplied with hors d'oeuvres and noise making. W. S. Fisher spoke briefly of a trip to Asheville, N. C., which was the finest tourist hotel on the continent. R. S. Ritchie led the Rotarians in chorus, and many members had a word to say on club work. F. A. Dykeman presided. Major Turner and Major Peat were guests.

FLY THE FLAGS.

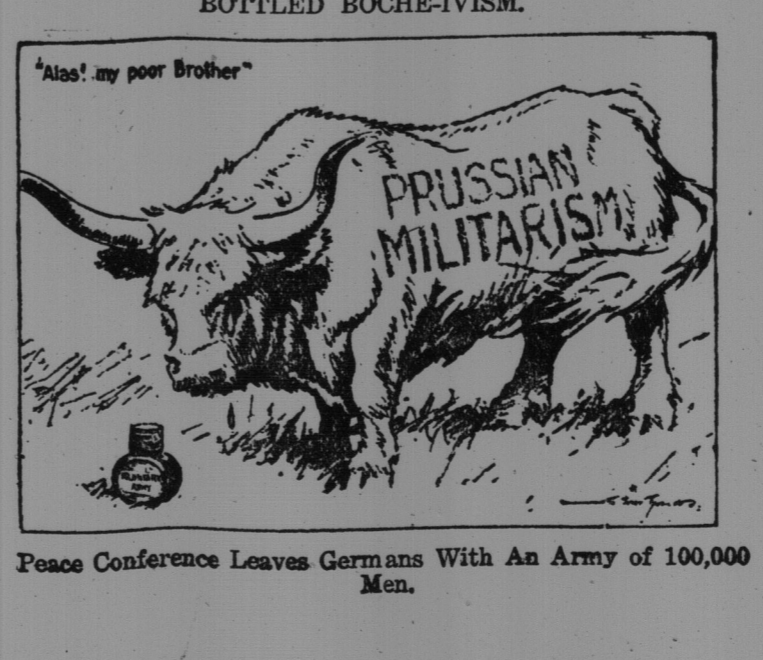
Two notable war anniversaries fall upon this week in addition to St. George's day. For instance, on Tuesday flags should fly in honor of St. John's own artillerymen and other Canadians who saved the day at the second battle of Ypres and on Wednesday it would be only fitting that there be a lavish display of bunting to mark the first anniversary of the most daring accomplishment in the annals of British naval forces, the attack upon Zebruggen, German submarine base, and the blocking of the entrance to this viper's nest. In fact with so many returning soldiers pouring through the city this week, many of them coming to St. John homes, it would seem as if the joyous Easter season is doubly joyous with these victory anniversaries and reunion of soldiers' families, and quite sufficient incentive to fly all the flags in town.

IN WALL STREET.

New York, April 21—The bright prospects attending the inauguration of the victory loan campaign infused fresh strength to the stock market at the opening of today's session. In the active first half hour gains of one to three points were registered by shippings, equipments, metals, oils and motors, also leather, paper, tobacco, and food specialties. U. S. Steel advanced a large fraction, approximating the year's highest quotation. Rails followed their long-sustained course, failing to share even moderately in the general advance.

E. K. SPINNEY SOON TO LEAVE MONTREAL HOSPITAL.

Montreal, April 21—E. K. Spinney, M. P., for Yarmouth-Clare, N. S., who has been ill in the Royal Victoria Hospital for three weeks, is progressing so favorably that he hopes to be able to leave for home in a few days. He had an infected foot and it was necessary to amputate his leg above the knee.



Peace Conference Leaves Germans With An Army of 100,000 Men.