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DUTCH WILL SURRENDER EX-KAISER

W. Hohenzollern Will be Turned Over to the Allies According to a Dispatch From The Hague.

London, May 12.—The Dutch Government has decided to surrender the former German emperor to the Allied and associated powers' according to a dispatch from The Hague to the National News.

The German delegates to the Peace Conference eventually are working hard to absorb in detail the demands embraced in the lengthy peace treaty. They seem, however, to be putting forth their objections to the document, article by article, when demands are encountered, against which they consider they have reason to demur.

In the meantime Marshal Foch is reported unofficially to have made preparations to return to the front on Monday.

Further notes have been forwarded to the French foreign office by the Germans, in addition to the representations made last week by Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau in seeking modifications of terms in the peace treaty that "no nation could endure."

These communications deal with the subjects of prisoners of war and labor legislation. The labor clauses are satisfactory to the Germans, who, however, declare they do not go far enough and suggest a labor convention at Versailles to discuss the points raised.

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RADER RAPS PEACE PACT

Depl'es Omission of God's Name From Covenant of the League of Nations.

Toronto, May 12.—"If God's name has been left out of the Covenant of the League of Nations there will be nothing to it," Paul Rader's stern arraignment of the allied nations from the platform of Massey Hall last night was greeted with a volume of applause that fairly shook the building. "I am not here to knock," he said, "nor here to tear down anything, but if His name has been left out of the preamble, if they have not turned it over to God, I want to say it will not work."

THE FAILURE OF MAN. With the inspiration of the biggest gathering he has ever had in Toronto before him the Chicago evangelist seemed to put every ounce of energy and strength he had into his address. His text was along the line of man's failure to make anything else out of earth but a world upside down, and with sweat streaming from his face he rehearsed and expounded on man's failures. God's intention, he said, was that man should be the most independent thing on earth. Man wasn't going up, he had been up in the Garden of Eden and he had come down. And until he went before his Creator on his knotted knees and admitted his failure the world would never be in any other state than that of turmoil.

"There is no doubt," he said, "that the world is upside down, and it seems to me that she will never get right side up until she acknowledges Jesus Christ as King and Ruler and Lord of all. Outside of Christ there is nothing but a sword for humanity. There is nothing ahead in the program of God but the awfullest tribulation this world has ever had, and let me tell you it is not very far ahead. We are entering into the awfullest terror and tribulation that we have ever known on earth."

PRATISE FOR CANADA. He read the Chicago lumberman's (Continued on page two)

HOW COMES THE HUN TO IMAGINE THIS

Paris, May 12.—An official note issued yesterday says that a German correspondent to The Neue Wiener Tageblatt sent a despatch that the hotel at Versailles where the German delegates are housed is full of spies acting as hotel attendants and that microphones have been installed in all the rooms.

CONFERENCE IS BEING HELD OVER WAGES

New Welland Ship Canal Employees Representatives and Contractors are in Session this Afternoon

A joint conference is taking place in the Carpenters Hall this afternoon between representatives of the Government, the Contractors and representative of the organized workers employed on the new Welland Ship Canal for the purpose of discussing the new wage schedule which has been submitted by the men.

The workers are represented at the meeting by R. Riley of Hamilton (for the machinists), J. Noble of Toronto (electricians), C. H. Newman, Niagara Falls (steamfitters), W. Rodgers, Kingstone (boilermakers), J. Marsh and J. MacSwern, Niagara Falls (carpenters), F. H. Healey, Niagara Falls (dredgers), hoisting and portable engineers) and J. Hunter of Niagara Falls (painters).

Representatives are also present from the Dominion Dredging Company, who have a contract for number one, Baidry, Verberg and MacKinnon contractors for number two section, The Confederation Construction Company for number three and the Canadian Dredging Company who have the contract for number four section.

It is expected that Fair Wage Officer E. N. Compton of Toronto, will also attend.

The men's representatives expect to meet Sir Adam Beck some time this week for the purpose of going into the wages question.

The new tentative agreement which is addressed to the Hydro Electric Commission the Contractors and the Niagara District Trades Federation calls for the following:

- The New Schedule: An eight hour day or a 44-hour week. A revised scale of wages to conform with the following schedule: Bridge and Structural Iron Workers... 85c per hour. Blacksmiths... 80c per hour. Carpenters... 70c per hour. Electricians... 80c per hour. Machinists... 80c per hour. Painters... 70c per hour. Steam Shovel and Dredging Section: Engineers... \$212 per month. Cranesmen... \$162 per month. Firemen... \$127 per month. Watchmen... \$5 per day. Steam and Operating: Drag Lines and Cable Ways... \$212 per month. Locomotive Cranes (Orange Peels and Clam Shells)... \$7.50 per day. Two Drum Hoists... \$7.00 per day. Steam and Electric Locomotives: Compressors, Pile Drivers, Rapid Unloaders, Speeders, Steam Rollers, etc... \$6 per day. Firemen, Watchmen and Pumpmen... \$5 per day. Plumbers and Steamfitters... 80c per hour. Helpers... 65c per hour. Double time is also asked for all over time, Sundays and holidays.

DEAL CLOSED

The members of the Public School Board met on Saturday night when negotiations were concluded with Dr. Merritt for the purchase of his property facing West St. Paul Street as a site for the new Western Hill School. The property has a frontage of 270 feet, and the price was fixed at \$1,500.

The Board also decided to have representative wait on the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Council to get his final answer as to the funds for the new schools.

"Only Way to Rescue Germany Is by Openness and Honesty"

Berlin (via London), May 12.—Maximilian Harden, Editor of The Berlin Die Zukunft, writing on the Peace Treaty, says: "The peace conditions are not harder than they were unpleasant to the greater part of the people. But could one really have expected them otherwise?"

"The Germans have not given very convincing mental guarantees during the six months since the revolution that they have changed their system; on the contrary, the present Government and the press have used the same methods of incitement, the same tricks of bluff as under the old rule of the petty nobility."

"The Government's proclamations and speeches are only bad copies of the Kaiser's time. The whole press resounds in protests and has started a campaign of incitement against the Allies, couched in violent language. It is agitating for refusal to sign the treaty, and to what use? All must know that the Allies, by keeping up the blockade and occupying the coal districts, can force Germany to sign whatever they want."

"The Allies have been threatened that Germany would join the Bolsheviki. But that would be suicidal. The only way to rescue the country is by openness and honesty. The revolution has been a great disappointment."

"Germany should have set an example by laying their cards on the table and got the Allies to understand that some of the conditions were unacceptable. If Germany showed its good-will to do what is in its power to comply with the Allies' request, the Allies would see that conditions were changed in favor of Germany, because they know there must be a Germany and that it is impossible to destroy the German people."

DIRIGIBLE TO TRY LONG FLIGHT TOO

British Machine of the New Type Will Attempt to Cross the Atlantic Within Three Weeks

Atlantic City, May 12.—Official word that the R-33, one of the new type British dirigibles is to make a transatlantic flight within the next three weeks was given here today at a luncheon in honor of Brig-Gen. D. Charlton, a British air attaché. He was the guest of the Pan-American Aeronautic Convention.

"It is intended to send a dirigible across to this coast this month, or if something unforeseen occurs, as early as possible next month," Gen. Charlton said. "As to the actual terminus I have strong hopes it will be Atlantic City."

STARVED TO DEATH

Whole Families Wiped Out for Want of Food With N.body Available to Summon Aid.

Port Arthur, May 12.—The inroads of influenza on the Indian population of the district are revealed in a statement by Indian Agent Brown, showing a recent decrease of 200 in a former total population of 1,600. While the epidemic was raging members of several families were all taken sick and starved to death, as nobody was available to summon aid.

Many of the women and children have lost their supporters, and every hand has a number of aged widows and cripples. These are so scattered and they are much in need.

The funeral of the late Frederick V. Stevens, who died at Kamsack, Sask., on April 30, was held from the residence of his mother, Mrs. E. L. Stevens, 65 Henry street, to Victoria Lawn Cemetery, Rev. C. H. Smith, rector of St. Mark's Church, Niagara, assisted by the Rev. Canon Broughall, conducted services at the house and graveside. Simcoe Walker, Charles Stevens, Charles Vanderlip, Fred Vanderlip, George Shaw, Lannon Coughlin, acted as bearers.

The music lovers of this city are looking forward to a rare treat on Wednesday night in the I. O. E. rooms, when the Mozart Club will put on one of their excellent recitals, assisted by Miss Doris Trampton soprano, of Beamsville, and Master Ted Bramah, violinist, of this city. The programme, which will commence at 8.30, will be of unusual interest.

The Canadian Trade Commission is informed that catalogues from English manufacturers sent to Spain before the war were frequently taken to the nearest German house. The German naturally said: "I can do much better for you," and go the order. Canadian exporters must see to correspondence in foreign languages.

Export trade is not a hidden art like witchcraft or fortune-telling. The Canadian Trade Commission believes dozens of firms in Canada could score in the foreign field if they formed "groups of industries."

Liberals of Algoma, Nipissing and Timiskaming districts will hold a convention at North Bay on the 4th of June to form a district association.

SO DAYLIGHT SAVING IS "STANDARD TIME"

London, May 12.—London has been advised, in answer to a direct inquiry, that Greenwich England, observatory is operating on daylight-saving time in concord with the British law, which advanced the clocks an hour during the summer months. As a result daylight-saving advocates here contend that they are in a position to fight the matter out in the courts and an endeavor to restore the quashed daylight-saving-by-law may now be made.

Mr. Justice Logic, of the Supreme Court, who gave his ruling at the session at which application to quash the by-law was heard, may not have given consideration to the origin of standard time in Ontario. The law prescribes that "standard time" is five hours in advance of the time of Greenwich, England, observatory. This daylight-saving suggestion, as well as civilian circles to almost entirely one of regret that publication should have been made, at all events, at the present juncture. It is understood that considerable pressure was exercised in an endeavor to delay publication of these memoranda. Many declare that Lord French will not add to his reputation by making known just now the tremendous responsibilities which faced him during the early weeks after reaching France. For one thing these responsibilities have already received a fair measure of appreciation.

ALL READY

U. S. Seaplanes Will Leave Newfoundland as Soon as Weather Permits

Trepassey, N. F., May 12.—With the navy's trans-Atlantic night guardships at their ocean stations and the big sea-planes NC-1 and NC-2 declared after inspection to have been unimpaired by their long trip from Rockaway Beach, N. Y., indications tonight were that the planes will start on their 1,200-mile hop for the Azores at the first instant. Commander John H. Towers decides the weather is favorable.

Preparations are virtually completed, and it is believed the aviators will not sacrifice a favorable opportunity by waiting for the NC-2. The motors on both planes are in excellent shape.

St. Catharines citizens learned with deep regret this morning of the death of Charlotte Elizabeth, beloved wife of J. Haslem Benn which occurred at the family home 166 Ontario Street last night. Deceased who was 63 years of age was the daughter of the late John W. Drummond of Toronto and granddaughter of the late J. H. Doel. Both her grand parents were members of Toronto's first City Council. She leaves to mourn her loss a sorrowing husband, four sisters, one son, W. Drummond Benn, now at Witley Camp in England and one daughter, Mrs. J. Hunter of Toronto. She was a member of Welland Avenue Church Missionary Society and a life long member of the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church. Death followed a severe attack of pneumonia.

BIG DIAMOND ROBBERY

New York, May 12.—Theft of \$100,000 in diamonds from the importing firm of Meyrowitz Brothers was reported by the police last night. The robbery occurred about four o'clock in the afternoon and, according to the police, a seventeen year old employe is missing and is believed to be the thief.

Considerable wonder has been expressed over the news in the Toronto papers that Rev. Dr. Griffith Thomas, having Wycliffe College as the result evidently of the action of the Board, Dr. Thomas is regarded as one of the most eminent theologians in Canada and has on several occasions preached in this city. He recently spoke at St. Thomas Church.

Mrs. George Smith, vice president of the Presbyterian and Co-vent of the Forward Movement Campaign for the Niagara district spoke at Niagara on the Lake and at Welland yesterday.

CONNAUGHT TO LOOK INTO THE EARLY STAGES

Will Conduct Enquiry on the Conduct of the Earlier Stages of the War—To Tour the Battle Zone.

London, May 12.—The assertion is made that the Duke of Connaught will undertake a tour of the war zone at the request of the government and will be asked to provide over the governmental inquiry into the conduct of the earlier stages of the war.

This report evidently arises from the publication of Lord French's story of 1914 operations. His account is of course being followed with absorbing interest, but opinion is reasonable military as well as civilian circles to almost entirely one of regret that publication should have been made, at all events, at the present juncture. It is understood that considerable pressure was exercised in an endeavor to delay publication of these memoranda. Many declare that Lord French will not add to his reputation by making known just now the tremendous responsibilities which faced him during the early weeks after reaching France. For one thing these responsibilities have already received a fair measure of appreciation.

MEN WITHOUT A COUNTRY.

Niagara Falls, Ont., May 12.—Undoubtedly there are quite a number of young Americans to-day who helped out Britain in the war, who, like Private Royal Carmichael, of the 15th Canadian Battalion, are men without a country, and will have to make application to the United States for reinstatement as citizens, unless Uncle Sam passes a law covering the situation. Private Royal Carmichael in 1914 read of the war in his Kentucky home and hearing they wanted recruits in Canada, lost no time getting here. He reached Niagara Falls, and in this city was directed to Toronto, where he joined the 15th Highlanders.

MANY LEAVE FOR ENGLAND

Welland, May 12.—Large numbers of English, Irish and Scotch residents of this city and district are flocking back to the Old Country. Already this week a party of thirty left to sail for England, and yesterday another large group left.

SATURDAY FAVORED

The consensus of opinion around the City is that Victoria Day should be observed on Saturday May 24th and not on Monday. Ald. Westwood and other members of the City Council have interviewed the majority of the retail merchants who nearly all favor holding the holiday on Saturday.

During this week Messrs. McGill Patrick, Gilbert, MacGregor, McIntyre, Inkster and Shannon will visit the different Auxiliaries on the "Forward Movement."

Gunter Frank Greene, son of Chief of Police Greene arrived home from overseas last night and was given a warm welcome by his parents and a host of friends.

The Chief of Police of Port Dalhousie is complaining about the tardiness of dog owners in that village who have not yet taken out a 1919 license. The fees were due May 1.

WAS A VISITOR HERE.

Grandma Beaver, hale and hearty celebrated her 143rd birthday at the Aged Women's Home Toronto, on Saturday. If the Journal is not mistaken she came to St. Catharines with a Salvation Army Silver Band a couple of years ago and was the object of much interest as she sat in Montebello Park during the sacred concert on a Sunday afternoon. She was remarkably active at that time.

G.T.R. TO FIGHT ASSESSMENT ON THE BRIDGE

Gives Notice of Appeal on Ground That Increase is Disproportionate.

Bridgeburg, May 12.—The International Bridge Company will fight the action of Assessor Oscar C. Teal in raising its assessment from \$300,000 to \$1,250,000, according to official notification received yesterday by Town Clerk R. A. Land from Tax and Land Commissioner E. Donald, of the Grand Trunk Railway, the leading holder of International Bridge stock.

The Grand Trunk will appeal the increased assessment on the ground that it is unequal for and altogether out of proportion. The first appeal will be made before the Bridgeburg Court of Revision, which is to meet shortly, but inasmuch as the Council composes its membership, it is probable that the appeal will be turned down. The Bridge Company, no doubt, will fight the case through a higher court in such event.

The Civic Improvement Club, through whose efforts the increased assessment was set, in its campaign for such action gathered data which showed that the Bridge Company's earnings on an average during the past five years were \$600,000, or \$200,000 more than its assessment previously reached. The new assessment of a million and a quarter, if it stands, will increase the Bridge Company's tax from \$7,500 to \$30,000, approximately.

KING'S PRIZE AT BISLEY

London, May 12.—The Bisley programme this year is largely of an experimental nature in view of the suspension of the meeting during the past four years. The King's prize is open to every man who has worn His Majesty's uniform, which presumably includes members of the short Lee Enfield, as issued, with no slings, and the maximum range is 600 yards.

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MANY LOCAL PEOPLE WANT PASSPORTS

Large Numbers Leaving for England and the United States to Take up Their Homes There.

A local railway official stated on Saturday night that it was surprising the number of people from this district who are engaging passage to England at present. During the past three or four weeks there has been a steady demand for passport forms and tickets to the old land by people who are going over to make their homes in the British Isles.

A big percentage of these booking passage are returned Canadian soldiers who are more or less dissatisfied with conditions in Canada and are going back to England to take positions as they claim that the opportunity for employment in Canada has been sadly curtailed since the war began, and that there seems no possibility of any modification of some of the Orders-in-Council passed by the Union Government under the War Measures Act.

To the U. S. Too. And not only England and Scotland but the United States as well is getting a large number of Canadians who propose to make their homes in Uncle Sam's domain. Last week over seventy five skilled mechanics from this section crossed the border and made application to take out first citizenship papers in the United States and it is expected that many more will follow suite.

SOME DAMAGE AT SEAFORD CAMP

Minor Grievances Resulted in Wrecking N.C.U. Mess and Seizure of Beer.

London, May 12.—The reports of disturbances on Friday night last in the Canadian Camp at Seaford turn out to be not so serious as those at Kimmel Camp, and so far as is known no grave injury or loss of life has occurred, but there has been considerable damage.

The affair arose over minor camp grievances chiefly in connection with the prohibition of week-end travel by a rule enforced 18 months ago in response to the Government's urgent request to restrict railway traffic. There was apparently irritation also over other unimportant regulations, which culminated in regrettable disorder, the principal phase of which was an attack on the canteen and seizure of beer. The non-commissioned officers' mess was wrecked, but order was soon restored.

Headquarters officers are now visiting the camp and an enquiry is being held.

OFFER TO MANUFACTURERS

Metal Trades Federation Will Send Men to Table Own Schedule.

Brantford, May 12.—The newly chartered Metal Trade Federation of Brantford at a secret meeting Friday evening decided to end notice to the manufacturers of Brantford affected that three representatives of each of the trades in the Federation would be willing to meet with their representatives any time before May 15, in an endeavor to agree on the proposed schedule of hours, wages and conditions, and thereby avoid a strike on that date. The Executive of the Federation was authorized to appear before the Industrial Investigation Commission when that body reaches here on May 22, to present the views of the men in the Federation.

FOUGHT AGAINST BOLSHEVIES

Winnipeg, May 12.—Speaking of work done by the Canadians at Valdivotok, Capt. J. King, now on his way east, said there was practically nothing in the way of actual fighting, so far as the Canadian Force was concerned. There was trouble now and again in the interior, chiefly of activities of Bolsheviki, and Canadian detachments would be sent along with British, Japanese and other allied forces to restore order, which generally would be speedily done.