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GERMAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY WILL OPPOSE BOLSHEVISM BY EVERY POSSIBLE MEANS

Theodore Wolff Declares Republic Will Be Supported, and That the Principal Aim of the Organization Will Be To Hold Middle Class For Democracy.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—By the Associated Press.—The aims of the German democratic party, the appeal of which for comprehension and support has been sent to President Wilson, were outlined to the correspondent today by Theodore Wolff, editor-in-chief of the Berlin Tageblatt. It was on Herr Wolff's initiative that the party was formed. He said:

"Our party has been formed to support the republic, to further democratic reforms on a Socialistic, economic basis and to furnish a rallying point for the middle classes and keep them from falling into the power of the reactionaries. The party will, naturally, oppose Bolshevism with all means at its command. In other words we aim to win and hold the middle classes for democracy."

Herr Wolff explained that in keeping with the party's aims, all former members of the progressive or other parties who have been active in militaristic and nationalistic agitations, or who, like Dr. Gustav Stresemann, National Liberal member of the Reichstag, have actively advocated the submarine campaign, have been flatly informed that, while they cannot be excluded from the party if they uesire to join, they will, nevertheless, be rigorously excluded from any participation in its leadership.

Membership Is Large.

"The party's membership is already colossal," said Herr Wolff, "and thousands of accessions are coming in daily. Virtually the whole progressive party membership, excepting a few on the Extreme Right, will join, and many prominent democrats who formerly stood so far to the Left that they were kept out of party council. These include men like Hugo Preuss, Germany's foremost authority on constitutional law, who is now drafting a constitution for submission to the national assembly; Professor Walther Schuecking of Marburg University, Professor Gerlach, Deputy Fischbeck and Professor Max Weber."

The left wing of the National Liberals is also furnishing recruits, according to Herr Wolff. These men include Prince Schoenach-Carolath, Dr. M. J. Junck, Dr. Wattins, president of the National Bank of Berlin, and others.

Excluded From Leadership.

The National Liberals who opposed the reform of the Prussian franchise or favored the submarine campaign or annexationist policies, will be excluded from leadership. Herr Wolff declared that his party was by far the strongest in the empire, next to the Socialists. It will favor he socialization of certain industries, such as mines, and will demand that great estates be divided up for settlement by returning soldiers. It holds, however, that private property shall not be touched without full compensation.

ECONOMIC WAR IS NOT APPROVED BY LABOR PARTY OF GT. BRITAIN

Manifesto Issued by Organization Demands That All Wartime Restrictions Be Immediately Removed.

London, Nov. 30.—An election manifesto issued by the Labor party condemns any form of economic war and demands, as an essential part of the peace treaty, that the international labor charter be incorporated in the very structure of a League of Free Nations. It demands immediate withdrawal of the allied forces from Russia, immediate restoration of the Workers' International, claims freedom for Ireland and India as a democratic right, also self-determination for British subject peoples and advocates the removal of all wartime restrictions and the complete abolition of conscription.

Demands Immediate Action.

The manifesto says the party means to introduce large schemes of land reorganization. It regards land nationalization as a vital necessity. It demands the immediate building of a million good houses by the state, which could be obtainable by the tenants at fair rents and declares opposition to tariffs. It suggests international labor legislation whereby imports produced by sweating shall not enter into unfair competition with home manufacturers. A special tax on capital is urged in payment of the war debt, and the insistence is laid on the heavily graduated direct taxation with the raising of the exemption limit. This is stated to be labor's definition of the conscription of wealth.

Immediate Nationalization.

Immediate nationalization of mines, railways, shipping, armaments and electric power are also demanded in the manifesto as well as better pay and conditions. The Labor party claims to be the real women's party. It supports complete adult suffrage, equal pay for both sexes, deprecates the formation of a sex party. The manifesto is signed on behalf of the national executive of the Labor party by Messrs. J. McGurk, chairman; W. W. Hutchinson, vice-chairman; J. Ramsay MacDonald, treasurer; A. G. Cameron, J. R. Clines, C. T. Cramp, F. W. Jowett, W. F. Purdy, T. Richards, W. C. Robinson, Ben Turner, Sidney Webb, James Wignall, Robert Williams and W. Harris.

GERMANY CLAIMS TO HAVE REMEDIED TRANSPORT FAULTS

Claim Is Made That Conditions Have Been Improved For Prisoners.

Amsterdam, Nov. 30.—In response to a threat by the British armistice commissioners that hostilities would be resumed unless the conditions under which prisoners were arriving in the allied lines were remedied, a Berlin telegram declares that everything is being done by Germany to assure the orderly return of prisoners.

The German response adds that the regular transport of returning prisoners is now insured, and that such transport has already been effected to a considerable extent.

Turkish Girls Sell For a Few Shillings

Deplorable Conditions Exist in Stricken Country.

Geneva, Nov. 30.—An officer who has arrived here from Aleppo describes the condition of women throughout Turkey, and especially Asiatic Turkey, as deplorable. Husbands are deserting their wives and girls are being sold for a few shillings.

CONCILIATION BOARD TO CONSIDER DISPUTE

Minister of Labor Appoints Members to Adjust Street Railway Differences.

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—The minister of labor has appointed a board of conciliation to investigate the dispute between the Toronto street railway and its motormen and conductors. Judge Barron of Stratford has been selected as chairman of the board. F. M. Phippen, K.C., of Toronto, will represent the company, and H. A. Harper, Toronto, the employees. The employees, who are working under an agreement which does not expire until the spring, are asking for a bonus from the company.

15,000 Liberated Allied Prisoners Coming Via Metz

Men Are Being Received by Y. M. C. A. at Various Points.

Paris, Wednesday, Nov. 27.—Fifteen thousand allied soldiers who have been prisoners of war in Germany are pouring through Metz, and an equal number is passing through Verdun, according to Y. M. C. A. headquarters here. British and Americans are being received at Verdun by the Y. M. C. A. and are given food and tobacco, as well as any other aid that may be necessary.

A large number of American officers will enter Switzerland on Friday, according to the Y. M. C. A. These men are now being concentrated at Villengen, Germany, for transfer over the Swiss frontier.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 44; lowest, 36.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 37; lowest, 25.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLD.

Toronto, Nov. 30—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Fresh westerly winds; a few light snowfalls or flurries, but partly fair and a little colder today and on Sunday.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	48	42	Fair
Calgary	48	36	Clear
Winnipeg	24	6	Snow
Port Arthur	26	14	Cloudy
Parry Sound	42	26	Clear
Port Stanley	42	26	Cloudy
Buffalo	42	30	Cloudy
Toronto	42	32	Cloudy
Kingston	42	34	Fair
Ottawa	40	32	Snow
Montreal	40	30	Cloudy
Quebec	34	26	Cloudy
Father Point	36	28	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

Pressure is comparatively low over the northern portion of the continent, and decidedly high in the Pacific States.

Light local snow is reported from Manitoba to Quebec, but the weather is nowhere very cold.

WILSON WILL TELL OF HIS PEACE PLANS

U. S. President Likely to Address Joint Session On Monday Next.

Washington, Nov. 30.—President Wilson addressed the new session of Congress Monday afternoon instead of following the usual custom of delivering the address on the second day of the session.

Senate and House leaders were asked today to arrange for a joint session at 1 o'clock Monday, so as to hasten the president's departure for Europe to attend the peace conference. It has been stated that he would sail from New York the day after the address was delivered.

The president's appearance before Congress is awaited with intense interest. Besides discussing the great problems ahead of the country in readjusting itself from a war to a peace basis he is expected to tell Congress and the country something of his plans for the peace conference to which he goes in person at the head of the representatives of the United States.

MANY WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARRIVE FROM OVERSEAS

C. P. R. Steamship Metagama Reaches St. John.

St. John, N. B., Nov. 30.—With a passenger list of 1,600, including 126 officers and soldiers, and a greater number of the remainder women and children, the Canadian Pacific Line Metagama docked at West St. John this morning. The Scandinavian, with 600 soldiers on board, is outside, but may not dock until tomorrow morning, owing to lack of dock accommodation.

CANADA'S RECORD IN MAKING MUNITIONS HIGHLY COMMENDED

London Times Praises Great Achievement of Dominion's Factories.

London, Nov. 30—(Canadian Press Dispatch from Reuter's, Limited).—The Times, commenting on Canada's munitions achievements, says it believes that the record of the munitions board will surprise most people. This country is unquestionably a striking illustration of the immense and growing resources of the Empire, and a signal proof of the great efficiency and ability of Sir Joseph Flavelle and his colleagues as well as that of Canadian manufacturers and workers. This great imperial enterprise has been of enormous importance in the terrible struggle through which we have come. The actual and potential strength and resources of the Empire are but dimly recognized as yet by citizens. The work of the imperial munitions board is a proof what can be achieved by unity and harmonious cooperation of Great Britain and the dominions.

DELEGATES SELECTED FOR INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE

Samuel Gompers, Head of the Federation, Leads List.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Delegates of the American Federation of Labor to the international labor conference to be held at Paris while the great peace conference is sitting, were announced today by the executive council. They are: Samuel Gompers, president of the federation; Wm. Green, secretary of the United Mineworkers; John R. Alpine, president of the plumbers; James Duncan, president of the International Association of Granite Cutters; Frank Duffy, secretary-treasurer of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the federation, said the purpose of the international conference "is to help in peace discussions and to establish a new international trade union federation." The executive council of the federation, he said, would issue invitations to the trade organizations of all nations to participate, and he added that representatives of all the principal nations were expected to attend. Out of the Paris conference labor leaders expect will come the establishment of an international federation of labor, with subsidies in every mercantile and manufacturing country in the world, which will unite workers of the entire globe in the same manner as that of United States and Canadian workmen.

LIBERAL CLUB INSTALLATION.— A big time is assured the members of the London Liberal Club tonight when the officers who were elected a week ago, will be installed. President Andrew Robson will have charge of the installation, and preparation have been made for a large attendance.

BLANK OR BALL CARTRIDGE?

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DISCIPLES OF LIEBKNECHT SEIZE WIRELESS STATIONS

Report From Berlin Says That Independent Social Democrats Are Transmitting All Kinds of Propaganda.

Berlin, Nov. 29.—(By the Associated Press).—A group of Independent Social Democrats, closely identified with the Spartacus element of Dr. Liebknecht, has seized control of all wireless stations in Germany and is now transmitting propaganda and other news, the Berlin Tageblatt says it is informed.

Chancellor Elbert and Herr Haase, on behalf of the Government, the newspaper adds, warns the press at home and abroad of this condition, and declare further that the Government will not assume responsibility for wireless information now being sent out of Germany.

GERMANS IN ALSACE-LORRAINE GETTING THEIR OWN MEDICINE NOW

Thousands of Teutons in Provinces Taken by the Allies Find Themselves in a Sad Predicament.

Strassburg, Nov. 27.—Several hundred thousand Germans in Alsace and Lorraine have begun to experience suffering which equals if it does not exceed, that which the Germans have inflicted upon the natives during the last 48 years. A great many of them who are holding public offices found their occupations suddenly withdrawn. Many others who were employees of the public administrations, are living in daily fear of discharge and the necessity of leaving the country.

In addition to these apprehensions, the Germans feel real anguish at the idea of leaving Alsace and Lorraine. While the Germans succeeded in giving newer parts of towns like Metz a Teutonic architectural aspect as they have given German tone to town life, so far as they participated in it those Germans who immigrated or settled there as functionaries or merchants have themselves undergone mental modifications. They now strongly prefer the two provinces to Germany. They have ceased to be German, but still have not become Alsatians. They have not acquired French culture because they have lacked the necessary social contact with the natives, but they have forgotten some of their German ideas and have grown to highly regard Alsace and Lorraine and be solicitous for their future.

KING GEORGE CONFERS HIGHEST HONOR IN HIS POWER ON FOCH

Paris, Thursday, Nov. 28—(Havas).—Following the dinner given at the Elysee Palace tonight in honor of King George, a reception was held at the British embassy. During the reception King George bestowed upon Marshal Foch the Order of Merit. Marshal Foch is the only French holder of this decoration. In bestowing it, King George said: "I am happy to give the highest distinction of which I can dispose to the eminent soldier who has conducted the Allies' armies to victory."

The British Order of Merit was instituted by King Edward VII. on July 26, 1902. It is very exclusive, but carries with it no special title of personal precedence. The badge of the order consists of a cross of red and blue enamel of eight points, having the words, "For merit," in gold letters within a laurel wreath on a blue enamelled centre. The reverse of the badge shows the royal and imperial cipher in gold. The whole is surmounted by the imperial crown.

Food Conditions In Germany Are Not Considered Serious

Army Reserve Stocks Would Feed People Until Next April.

Zurich, Nov. 29.—Food conditions in Germany are by no means so critical and urgent as Dr. W. S. Solf, the foreign minister, would lead the world to believe, according to information received here. Germany has food enough to last until April, if the army reserve stores are placed at the disposal of the people. These reserves were drawn upon in October to feed certain parts of the country, but they have been restored to their former condition from the last harvest. Since October they have not been touched. There should be no famine in Germany this winter, it is said, if strict rationing is enforced and stocks are methodically and regularly distributed among the different states.

HOOVER WILL BE APPOINTED THE SUPREME DICTATOR

Plan To Go Before War Council For Final Ratification.

Paris, Nov. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—The plan for the appointment of Herbert C. Hoover as director-general of relief in charge of the entire food and relief administration for the European Allies and the United States has been given approval, it was learned today, by the very highest American authority. It now goes before the supreme war council for final determination. The relief plan involves, besides the appointment of Mr. Hoover, the use of the large passenger ships, Imperator, Bismarck and other big steamers in German ports, for relief work and to help in securing the return of the American forces in Europe within a comparatively brief period.

REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA IS PROCLAIMED AT CITY OF RIGA

Karl Ullman Is Elected President of New Nation.

Amsterdam, Nov. 30.—The Republic of Lithuania has been proclaimed at Riga in the presence of the national council and great numbers of the population. the Rhenish Westphalian Gazette of Essen states. Karl Ullman is the president of the new republic.

FIRST OF 150,000 RAILWAY CARS ARE DELIVERED BY HUNS

Rolling Stock Being Turned Over to Allies, According to Terms.

Paris, Nov. 29.—The first of the 150,000 railway cars which Germany must deliver to the Allies under the terms of the armistice arrived yesterday at the frontier, and were received by railroad authorities, according to officials here.

Holland Will Tell Why Shelter Was Given to Ex-Kaiser

Through Newspaper Campaign Will Endeavor to Justify Actions.

Denver, Nov. 30.—John B. Geijsbeek, consul for Holland for the States of Colorado, Utah and New Mexico, last night announced that he had mailed his resignation to the Dutch legation at Washington because of his Government's action in harboring the former German emperor and because of the other acts of the Netherlands Government during the war.

Mr. Geijsbeek said that the Netherlands Government is preparing to conduct through its consul a newspaper campaign in the United States to justify its action in giving shelter and protection to William Hohenzollern.

FREED ON MURDER CHARGE, HELD FOR ALLEGED DESERTION

Adolph Gohr Found Not Guilty of Capital Crime.

Pembroke, Nov. 30.—Adolph Gohr was yesterday found not guilty of the murder of John Bohn, the Golden Lake farmer, found dead from gunshot wounds near his home last September. The jury brought in its acquittal verdict after several hours' deliberation.

Gohr's term of freedom, after the jury delivered its verdict of "not guilty," was a very brief one. He was taken downstairs and turned over to the military police, and three-quarters of an hour later, shackled to one of the officers, was speeding to Ottawa to face a court-martial to another serious charge, desertion from the Canadian expeditionary force. He was drafted last March and was given week-end leave last July, but failed to return, and the efforts of the military police to locate him were unsuccessful.

TOTAL DEATHS FROM INFLUENZA IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER WERE 226

During Same Period Births Increased, But Marriages Showed Considerable Drop.

There have been 226 deaths attributed to influenza and pneumonia in the city during the months of October and November. This is 72 more than the total number of deaths for the corresponding months of last year. There were 122 deaths from deaths for the corresponding months of last year. There were 122 deaths from other diseases during October and November this year. Last year the total deaths for these two months were 154.

November, this year, was the heaviest month according to the records in City Clerk S. Baker's office, there having been 131 deaths from influenza and pneumonia registered then, out of a total number of deaths for the month of 191.

The number of births for November is 107 and 105 in October as against 79 for November of 1917 and 117 in October of that year.

While the November marriages are 46, an increase of 11 over those of October's 35, there were 101 marriages registered during the same two months of last year.

FORMER GERMAN EMPEROR SIGNS DOCUMENT RENOUNCING HIS CLAIM TO CROWNS OF GERMANY AND PRUSSIA

Formal Document of Abdication Is Reported to Have Reached Berlin—Signature of William Hohenzollern Secured by Admiral Von Hintze.

Amsterdam, Nov. 20.—William Hohenzollern has definitely renounced all future rights to the crowns of Prussia and Germany and has released all officials and officers from their oath of fealty according to the text of a document signed by the former emperor which is quoted in a telegram received here from Berlin.

DOCUMENT REACHES BERLIN.

Copenhagen, Nov. 30.—The formal document of Emperor William's abdication has already arrived in Berlin, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Abendbladt.

EX-KAISER BILL REFERS TO THE NEW REGENT TO PROTECT HIS PEOPLE

London, Nov. 30.—Former Emperor William signed his abdication at Amerongen, Holland, yesterday, according to a dispatch to the Wolff Bureau of Berlin, transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen.

The abdication decree, according to the message, expressed the hope that "the new regent" would be able to protect the German people against anarchy, starvation and foreign supremacy.

The use of the word regent in the message is commented upon here as possibly significant.

DUNCAN M'NICHOLL DIES IN ST. THOMAS

Well-Known Cattle Buyer Is a Victim of Influenza.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Thomas, Nov. 30.—Duncan McNicholl, a well-known Elgin County cattle buyer, who during his residence here has made a host of friends throughout Western Ontario, passed away this morning at the Amasa Wood Hospital after a comparatively brief illness of influenza, in his 79th year. The deceased was born in Elgin and has resided here practically all of his life. He was well known in London also, where he spent a good part of his time with his brother, Neil McNicholl, of that place. In his occupation as a cattle dealer he had traveled back and forth from this city to many outside points, but everyone with whom he came in contact spoke of him with only the very highest respect. He is survived by two brothers and one sister, James of St. Thomas, Neil of London and Mrs. W. Black of Westminster. The funeral will be held to the St. Thomas Cemetery on Monday afternoon.

Veterans of France Is New Association Formed in Hamilton

Members Must Be Men Who Have Seen Actual Fighting.

Hamilton, Nov. 30.—A new returned soldiers' association, to be known as the Veterans of France, has received its inception in this city. The constitution permits only those who saw actual fighting in the navy or in the army on any of the belligerent fronts and those injured and incapacitated in bombing raids to become active members, though provision has been made for others to become honorary members, including wives, mothers, daughters and sisters of those fallen in battle.

Of the men behind the organization is R.S.M. Jack Anderson, M.C., of this city, an original of the Princess Patricias.

SECTIONS OF BIG SHIP BREAK FROM TOWING SCHOONER

Crew on One Part of Northwest May Have Perished.

Rochester, Nov. 30.—Fears that the bow section of the steamer Northwest, which parted company with the stern section and barge Schoolcraft, which was towing both sections from the upper lakes to Montreal, has foundered in Lake Ontario, and its crew perished, were expressed last night, when the crew of the Rochester life-saving station aboard the Schoolcraft and several tugs returned to Rochester harbor late at night and reported that an all-day search had been fruitless. Hopes are still entertained that the sections may have drifted safely down the lake.

MIDDLESEX GETS FLAG.— For reaching its objective in the recent Victory Loan campaign, Middlesex yesterday received an honor flag. The presentation was made to County Clerk John Stuart by Chief County Organizer Cork. The flag is now hanging unfurled in the county council chambers at the county buildings.

VON HINTZE IN HOLLAND TO GET THE ABDICATION.

Washington, Nov. 30.—State department advices from The Hague today reported that Admiral von Hintze, former head of the German navy, was in Holland to obtain from the former kaiser a formal proclamation of abdication.

EX-EMPEROR BILL WELCOMES HIS WIFE.

London, Nov. 30.—The meeting of the Former Emperor William and the former empress at Amerongen is described by a Dutch correspondent of the Daily Express.

"The gates were thrown open, the drawbridge was lowered with a noise of chains and iron bars that sounded very medieval, and in the courtyard before the castle, an elderly man in a grey military cloak was seen at a distance, walking slowly and leaning on his stick," the correspondent writes. "It was the ex-kaiser. The ex-kaiserin's carriage was driven into the courtyard, the ex-kaiser threw down his stick and, before the valet was able, opened the door and handed out his wife."

BREWING OF BEER MAY BE PERMITTED IN UNITED STATES

Changed Conditions May Result in Rescinding War Order.

BREWING STOPS TONIGHT.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Brewing of beer and other malt beverages will stop at midnight tonight throughout the United States.

The special presidential committee which recommended the presidential proclamation prohibiting brewing, as a war measure, decided today to make a recommendation to President Wilson on suggestions that the proclamation should be rescinded in view of the armistice.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Whether brewing of beer and other malt beverages shall stop tomorrow was taken up for discussion today by a special presidential committee, which several months ago ordered the breweries closed December 1 as a war measure. Since the war has been ended through the armistice there have been urgent suggestions that the order be rescinded, but when the session began today there was no indication of what might be the attitude of the majority.

On the committee are Chairman Baruch of the war supplies board, Chairman Vance McCormick of the war trade board, Fuel Administrator Garfield and W. A. Glasgow of the food administration, acting in Food Administrator Hoover's absence.

The action prohibiting brewing was taken, it was announced at the time, to conserve fuel, transportation, foodstuffs and grain for dairy feed.

It is understood Fuel Administrator Garfield now is ready to lift the ban as far as fuel is concerned, and that officials believe the transportation situation that need for conservation in that regard is no longer necessary. The question officials say, consequently has resolved itself almost purely into a food problem.

Whatever action is determined upon will be in the form of a recommendation to President Wilson. The original prohibition was in the form of a presidential proclamation, and officials at the food administration said it would require another proclamation to remove the restrictions.

R. A. F. CASUALTIES.

London, Nov. 29.—Casualties in the Royal Air Force from April, when the air forces were amalgamated, to November 11, were: Killed, 2,680; wounded, missing and prisoners, 4,969, according to an official statement by the air ministry. The total air casualties throughout the war will be announced later.