

NEWS OF WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

Changing of German Attitude Shown by Cancellation of Warnings in U. S.

ASK KING TO TAKE COMMAND

Having Rejected Austria's Offers it is Believed Italy Will Trust to Judgment of Victor Emmanuel—Would Suppress Dernburg.

The German Embassy at Washington has taken an action which is highly significant of the changing attitude of the German Government. Orders were given to American newspapers all over the country to cancel the advertisement which has several times been published from the German Embassy warning Americans against taking passage on board belligerent merchant vessels.

With the rejection by Italy of the final offer of territorial and other concessions on the part of Austria and the opening of Parliament more than a week away, it is believed in Rome that the cabinet will ask King Victor Emmanuel to take supreme command of the situation and trust to his judgment to do what is best for the interests of the country.

From a high official of the U. S. Government, who has special facilities for knowing, it is learned that the administration's resentment against the propaganda of Dr. Bernhard Dernburg, formerly colonial minister in the German Government, had led to a study of the problems involved that might have effects not limited to Dr. Dernburg's personality.

Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary, has received through Walter Hines Page, the American Ambassador at London, and James W. Gerard, the American Ambassador to Germany, a despatch which says that typhus fever is present in the following German prison camps where there are British prisoners of war:—Zossen, Aldamm, Schneidermuhl, Gerdelegen, Wittenburg, Zerbst, Sagan, Casel, Langensalz and Chemnitz. The cases at Zossen are said to be confined to Russian prisoners and a few of the Indian troops.

Anti-German feeling in London has spread like fire. Germans and Austrians in the East End and Kentish Town, whether naturalized or not, were hunted yesterday by men, women and children, attacked in the streets and in shops, and in many cases severely handled. The anti-German feeling is in no wise confined to the lower classes of the population. There has been a general demand by the newspapers for the internment of all subjects of enemy countries, and agitation by several members of Parliament induced the Premier to summon a special cabinet meeting to-day to consider the matter.

Viscount Bryce, former British Ambassador at Washington, and now chairman of a special Government Committee appointed to investigate and report on "outrages alleged to have been committed by German troops during the present war," has submitted the report of the committee to Premier Asquith. The document is considered as probably the most severe arraignment thus far made of the German military sweep across Belgium.

The diary which "Dopey Benny" Fein, now in Sing Sing, but formerly leader of a New York East Side band of thugs, kept for five years upon his employment by labor union leaders proved to be so accurate that an extra Grand Jury presented twelve indictments against thirty-four labor leaders to Judge Malone in the Court of General Sessions. Several of the thirty-four men are mentioned in each of the twelve indictments, and the charges include murder, assault, extortion and riots.

OFFICIAL CHANGES IN G. T. P.

Advices received at the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway headquarters to-day announce the appointment of Mr. C. E. Brooks as acting superintendent of motive power with headquarters at Transcona, vice Mr. J. Billingham, resigned.

N. Y. MARKET OPENING.

Table with columns for market opening, bid, and asked prices for various commodities like Union Pacific, Int. Met., New Haven, Anal. Copper, etc.

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GLEANED FROM MANY SOURCES

Germany withdraws the advertisement warning public not to sail on British ships.

Calumet and Hecla Mining Company is to distribute \$500,000 bonus among its employees.

Rome Cabinet may pass the question of peace or war to the Italian Parliament, which meets May 20th.

Standard Oil of Kansas and Standard Oil of Nebraska, have declared regular quarterly dividends.

Average price of twelve industrials \$23.87, off 0.6%; twenty railroads 93.28, off 0.

The Austro-German advance in West Galicia is nearly within striking distance of Przemyśl.

In Southeast Galicia the Russians have taken the offensive and claim to be driving the Austrians back.

British troops are holding their positions around Ypres.

Admiral Fletcher says that the Atlantic fleet is in war trim and ready for duty on two hours' notice.

Westinghouse Electric is to buy the plants of J. Stevens Arms and Stevens Duryea Company, in Massachusetts.

President Wilson's note to Germany demands that American lives and property be safeguarded on the high seas. Appeals to humanity.

To the north of Arras and southwest of Lille the French offensive is continuing successfully, and the German front there is said to be seriously threatened.

Date for final arguments in Bay State Street Railway arbitration hearing has been moved forward from May 17 to May 20.

Montenegro is to be included in the operation of the American Red Cross in its fight against typhus in Serbia.

Seville Manufacturing Co. of Waterbury, Conn., is reported filling large order for 16-inch shells for the British Government.

A membership on the Cotton Exchange was sold at public auction for \$13,000, a decline of \$1,000 from the last previous regular sale.

New York capitalists have purchased 35,000 acres of oil lands in Louisiana. Henry L. Satterlee and G. L. Canfield are at the head of the syndicate. Price is over \$1,000,000.

Daily output of the Maryland Coal Co.'s mines at Wendell, W. Va., will be increased from 3,000 to 4,000 tons. The working force will be increased from 700 to more than 1,000 men.

London special says in Bruges and Ghent Germans are talking of two more surprises for England. One is kept a great secret, but other is a new torpedo with much greater range and explosive power than any hitherto known.

Thomas Mahoney, 21, branded as the meanest of thieves, was held under \$500 bail for stealing \$8.25 in pennies from the poor boxes of the Church of the Sacred Heart, New York.

The New York World quotes leading official of packing company at Chicago as saying: "Great Britain now is holding in her ports 10,000,000 worth of meats from our yards, shipped in the last five months in 27 ships consigned to Scandinavian nations."

Damon C. Acevedo, manager of the National Bank of Panama, accompanied by a representative of the Minister of Finance of Panama, arrived at New Orleans en route to Washington to attend the Pan-American Financial Congress.

One of the largest New York Stock Exchange operators, whose movements are closely followed, prepared Tuesday to leave for a fishing trip in Florida. His confidence that peace of this country will not be broken had more influence with a certain group of traders than did all Washington correspondence published during the day.

J. B. Greenhut, in his recital of the history of the J. B. Greenhut Co., before Referee Richard B. Olney, stated that his salary as president of the company was \$100,000 a year, that of his son, B. J. Greenhut, was \$50,000, and that Benjamin Hillman, general manager of the stores, received \$75,000 a year with 5 per cent of net profits in addition.

Rochambeite is the name of a new explosive that has been perfected by F. W. Pugaley, metallurgical engineer, with the McKinley-Darragh Mining Co., at Perth Amboy, N.J., which when exploded in a shell creates a heat of more than 2,500 degrees and throws molten metal just as the bullets in a shrapnel shell are scattered. British and French military experts and United States Army officers who have watched experiments are said to agree that this new explosive is more effective than anything now in use.

SUGAR FUTURES QUIET.

Table with columns for Bid, Asked, and prices for Sugar futures opened irregularly and quiet.

FRIDAY FAIR AND COOL.

Fresh northerly winds, clearing and cooler. Friday, fair and cool. The shallow disturbance which was over the Great Lakes yesterday has moved to the Atlantic Coast and a pronounced area of high pressure has come in over Ontario from the northwest; moderate showers occurred pretty generally during yesterday in Saskatchewan and heavy showers have occurred during the night in Ontario and Quebec.

COTTON FUTURES CLOSED BARELY STEADY.

Liverpool, May 13.—Cotton futures closed barely steady, off 1/4 to 1/2 points. May-June 5.18; July-Aug. 5.21 1/2; Oct.-Nov. 5.23 1/2; Jan.-Feb. 5.25 1/2.

OGILVIE FLOUR MILLS.

Ogilvie Flour Mills Company has declared its regular quarterly dividend of 1% on the preferred, payable June 1st to shareholders of record May 29th. The books do not close.

Heard Around the Ticker

The New York Sun says that the opinion is continually expressed that there is a large short position in Canadian Pacific and concludes that there is nothing inherently probable in the notion. Speculators of the robust breed, with the means and patience to conduct a long campaign, may have done this. The Sun continues: "All of the events of the past few months have tended to make Canadian Pacific a shining mark for selling. It is really a foreign stock in the sense that the main market for it has heretofore been abroad. Therefore, it has been argued, it should reflect the hesitation and depression in London rather than the buoyancy of prices here. Earnings have been seasonally bad for a long time and general business and financial conditions in Canada are plainly feeling the effects of the war. But the one essential to make the bear campaign in Canadian Pacific successful is that stock should come out. So far the liquidation has been disappointing. A cut in the dividend would undoubtedly have served to start a selling movement and some people were expecting such action. But the declaration of the regular distribution this week canceled these hopes for some little time to come."

The unprecedented demand for copper is being reflected in copper mines throughout the entire country. The British Columbia Copper Company now announce that they intend resuming operations in connection with their Mother Lode Mine which has been shut down for some time. The company figure that they can produce copper at about 10 1/2¢ a lb., which at prevailing prices, should give them a nice profit.

Owing to a previous engagement Kaiser William was unable to be present at the baby-killing which he was witnessing a sanguinary battle in Galicia, in which the Prussian Guards were participants. Next thing this Imperial Assassin will be washing his hands in gore!

Heavens of lives must be sacrificed before any one pays attention to military operations in these days of the Germanic attempt to wreck civilization. A three line item tells us that "Revolutionists under Dr. Rosalvo Bobo were defeated by Haytian Government forces in a battle near Cape Haytien."

The Quebec Railway, Light, Heat & Power Company certainly possesses a management that is patriotic to a degree. Rather than buy meters of German make, it has placed a large order with a British firm at an increase in cost of \$1.40 per meter. General Manager Matthews says that since the outbreak of the war the company has taken every precaution to buy only Canadian or English made goods than for those in Germany or her allies. "We have no hesitation in mentioning the fact," said Mr. Matthews, "that we have not discharged a single employee nor made any reduction in the wages of our large staff since the war started, nor do we intend doing so, if it can be avoided. The meters offered were being placed on the market by a German firm that is compelled to close up its business in Canada. Consequently they were endeavoring to sell out their stock at cut rates."

Canadians who hold securities in the companies which Dr. F. S. Pearson promoted—and the number of such shareholders or the number of such companies is not small—will be interested in knowing that his son, Mr. Ward E. Pearson, is to succeed him on the directorates with which he was formerly connected.

The Germans, with true Teutonic ingenuity, invent arguments as they go along to justify, excuse, palliate or explain any course they may see fit to pursue. For example, the other day we were told that the Lusitania was torpedoed because Great Britain had planned to starve the civilian populace of Germany; now we are informed that an Imperial decree ordering German towns and rural communities to provide meat and the goods for their respective populations has been withdrawn because Great Britain's plan to starve Germany is a failure.

Messrs. Thornton Davidson & Company, in their current review of market conditions, say: "To what extent the Dominion Steel Corporation is engaged on war orders may be a question, but undoubtedly, the plant is busy and is working to fully 75 per cent of capacity, whereas some months ago it was almost closed down. It has closed orders for very large shipments of steel rails to Australia and it is claimed that the work already in hand is of greater volume than was turned out throughout the whole of its last fiscal year. The general belief is that the coming financial statement will be a bad one but that from the beginning of the new year the earnings will be excellent."

John McCormack, the tenor, who was to sing at the Arena recently and didn't, has now cancelled a concert at Chicago owing, it is said, to the refusal of his physicians to permit it. It is believed that in future Mr. McCormack will substitute announcements for concerts. He appears to prefer them and they are infinitely less trouble—for him.

In order that the Huns at home may revel in the death of innocent non-combatants and neutrals, the German submarines now take moving pictures of the sinking of those unarmed merchant vessels that they have summoned up courage enough to torpedo. Teutonic heroism could scarcely go farther than this!

In a British casualty list "Gas poisoned" has appeared as the reason for the death of brave British ten officers and three men. Retribution for these events may be long in coming but no one in the British Empire doubts that such deaths will go unavenged. "The wheels of the gods grind slowly but they grind exceedingly small."

The London Economist draws attention to the fact that just before the outbreak of war panic swept over the Barcelona Exchange, which was completely demoralized, and some disgraceful scenes are said to have occurred. Since then the question of the reform of the Bourse has been under discussion. The capital of Catalonia is the greatest place of commerce in Spain, and some branches of its industry (especially textiles) have been very busy manufacturing for the French Government. According to a Madrid correspondent, a Decree has just appeared in the official Gazette creating an official Bourse in Barcelona in accordance with the provisions of the commercial code, and with regulations similar to those of other Spanish Bourses. The special regulations of the Madrid Bourse are to govern it at first; but a new board of directors will draw up special regulations for submission to the Finance Minister.

NOTES ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

The Dayton Gas Co. has arranged to receive 20,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas daily from the West Virginia fields, making it possible to shut down its artificial plant. The annual consumption of the natural gas is expected to total 7,500,000,000 cubic feet, four times as much as has been used in Dayton in the past.

The Texas Telephone Co. has purchased the telephone plant of the Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Co. in Marlin. The Southwestern company goes out of the local business in Marlin, but retains all its toll lines from that city. Duplicated telephones are eliminated, all subscribers having access to the toll lines of either company.

The sales of shells to Europe has created a demand for a waste product of the Rochester Railway & Light Company, known as "holder" oil or "drift" oil. This oil, which condenses in the gas holders, contains benzol and toluol, two things much sought by powder manufacturers as elements in the most powerful of explosives.

The Union Gas & Electric Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio, has delivered to the public utilities commission the appraisal of the company's electrical property. The total value is given at \$21,049,681. Pending the fixing of the rate making ordinance, which is to extend over a 10-year period.

Frank M. Tall, president of the Dayton Power & Light Co., has issued a denial of a recently published story to the effect that a holding company is being formed in Dayton to take over all the utilities in that city, including those of the Dayton Power & Light Co. The denial says that so far as the Dayton Power and Light Co. is concerned there is no truth in the matter.

Gross earnings of the Columbus Railway, Power & Light Company for March were \$254,656, a gain of \$4,471 over last year, and \$6,000 over February of this year. The operating expenses decreased \$9,924 from \$160,251 in March of last year, and the net earnings jumped from \$89,934 to \$104,329. For the twelve months ended March 31 net earnings were \$1,211,552, against \$1,056,390 for the same period a year ago.

It has been reported that San Antonio Traction Co., a subsidiary of American Light and Traction Co., will increase its capital stock to \$2,500,000. The \$1,100,000 new stock will be taken by American Light and Traction Co. in payment of advances made at various times to the subsidiary for purposes of capital improvements and betterments. The transaction amounts to the changing of debits against San Antonio Traction Co., now standing on the books of American Light and Traction Co., to fixed capital obligations of the subsidiary corporation taken into the treasury of the holding company.

Massachusetts Electric Companies for the quarter ended March 31, for the first time in over eight years, failed to earn interest and taxes in the March quarter, and it is also the first time for about five years that operations for any quarter have shown a deficit. Gross for April amounted to \$17,790, or .25 per cent less than for April, 1914. In the nine months ended March 31, gross earnings of operating companies increased \$48,683, while net for the same time decreased \$187,492 or over 20 per cent. Of this net decrease, \$150,000 was due to higher interest charges, increased taxes, and the arbitrary charge of \$10,000 a month placed in effect by the Interstate Commerce Commission as a charge against operating expenses for depreciation of equipment.

BOSTON MARKET DULL.

Table with columns for Stock market dull and heavy, listing various commodities like Zinc, Alaska, Arizona, etc.

N. Y. CURB IRREGULAR.

New York, May 13.—Curb market was irregular. Riker was the feature, selling down 1/4 to 6%. Storrs 9% up 1/2.

HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Hampton Dame is Expected to Reduce King's Plate Record on Victoria Day

MATTY WINS HIS FIRST GAME

Providence yesterday defeated Montreal by a score of 4 to 1, thus making stronger their hold on first place. "Toots" Schultz held the Royals down to three hits, while his associate cleaned seven off Miller, who was hit hard in streaks. Miller used a baffling slow out-curve that kept the Grays on the jump, but they punished his fast one badly. The victory makes five straight for Providence, figures reached once before this season when they broke on the sixth.

The pictures of the fight in which Freddie Welsh won the light-weight championship of the world from Willie Ritchie cannot be introduced into the United States. Judge Hough in New York has ruled that though the fight may have been merely a boxing match in London it could not be so construed in America.

Hampton Dame, the filly who went the King's Plate distance at the Woodbine (a mile and a quarter) in 2:09 4-5, indicating that the record may be again reduced this year, has done all her work without distress, and with evident improvement each time. She is not a big filly, but is quite big enough to be good. She is in the hands of a very capable and experienced trainer, who has had her ever since she was put into training.

The Dominion Lawn Bowling Tournament, which is played on five of the club greens in the city of Toronto, is to be held this year on August 9th.

Only one game is scheduled in the International League to-day, that of Rochester at Richmond. The latter has a one-game lead on the former in the standing at present.

Several of the Toronto boxers are putting up an unexpected "aqueal" about the championship fight which was decided at Montreal last Saturday. They claim that the officials showed partiality toward the eastern scrappers.

The M. A. A. had twenty-two players out to practise on the Westmount grounds last evening, an exceptionally large number for so early in the season.

It is believed that the half mile tracks in Canada will prosper during the coming summer. The clubs will of course have the New York races to compete against, while the half mile people will hold full sway.

Christopher Mathewson, for many years star pitcher of the New York Nationals, won his first victory of the 1915 season yesterday, defeating Cincinnati by a score of 6 to 5. Both Groh and Burns, among his opponents, hit home runs, Groh's hit coming with two runners on the base.

Jim Esson was thrown twice in succession by Walden Zyzako, a Pole, at Sohmer Park last evening. The Scot started by roughing things up, and lost the first decision on a foul. He was downed the second time by a hammerlock and body hold.

Sprague Cleghorn, of the Wanderers, the best all round hockey player in the National Association, has turned out to play lacrosse with the Montreal team. Cleghorn also rides a motor bike and plays baseball to help him in his spare time.

Fullerton, the young pitcher whom Montreal got from the Pacific Coast League, has been sent to Bonsetter Reese to have his arm treated.

A bill to legalize ten-round boxing matches in Michigan has been vetoed by Governor Ferris. "I disapprove the boxing commission bill, because boxing exhibitions constitute a steppingstone to prize fighting," said the governor.

The grounds of the St. Lambert Lawn Bowling Club are in excellent shape and, weather permitting, play will start on or about May 24th. Mr. H. B. Potter has been elected general chairman and Mr. J. D. Beatty secretary.

Manager George Stallings of the Braves is driving his players to the limit. On Monday he took Connolly out of the game when the latter allowed a hit to get by him.

Frank McGill, the well known Montreal swimmer, who holds several Canadian records, will go to the front with the third Canadian contingent.

Entries for the stakes at the meetings to be run under the sanction of the Canadian Racing Associations have closed, except for those at Dorval, which are due on Saturday next.

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BANKER MADE ANXIOUS TO NUMERALS

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor Gives Opinion That Men Who Make Acquisitions are Lured After Profit (Special to The Journal of Commerce)

Frederick, N.B., May 14.—When Williams-Taylor came here to be honored with a degree of LL.D. by the University of New Brunswick, he delivered an address in which he laid down a number of rules for the conduct of a public man, and in his opinion, the most important of these was that of being a public man, and in his opinion, the most important of these was that of being a public man.

From my earliest youth the power of education, the hidden mysteries of the world with a feeling of profound awe. This feeling grows with passing time, and by the fact that I am not allowed to claim this University as Alma Mater, but as a school of stern necessity. Seven years since I entered as a pupil in a school of which we all are lifelong students, though the demerits in my case are obvious.

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GERMANY ENDEAVORS TO PURCHASER INFLUENTIAL NEW YORK NEWS

Washington, May 14.—It is reported that representatives of the German government are making efforts to purchase the New York Times. The name of the newspaper, Germany wants only one name, and it is willing that the name be their own price.

ALLIED AEROPLANES ATTACK

Paris, May 14.—A fleet of British and allied aeroplanes has delivered another aerial attack on German positions along the Belgian coast. A despatch to Le Figaro says the French 6,000 Germans in the battle north of Arras.

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