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KAISER CALLS VON BUELOW

Prince Bernhard von Buelow, the former imperial German chancellor, again looms large on the political horizon of Europe.

The only man living who has dared to extort from his imperial master a pledge of greater discretion in the discussion and conduct of the German empire's affairs is at the great general army headquarters in the field, in response to a hurry call from the kaiser, who has bidden him, it is reported, to a personal interview of "extreme importance."

The prince has spent the greater part of the last year in Switzerland, notably in Lucerne, Zurich and Berne. It was at the latter city that, according to a despatch to the Paris Matin, the imperial invitation reached him.

Three theories are advanced in well informed circles with reference to the possible purpose of the conference between the kaiser and the hero of the famous "kaiser crisis" of 1908. They are:

First.—That Prince von Buelow is to take over the government reins of the empire by resuming his former office of imperial chancellor, succeeding Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg.

Second.—That he is to be entrusted with the important mission of bringing about an opening for peace negotiations with the allies, probably through the medium of a neutral power.

Third.—That he is to be sent to the United States on a special mission from the kaiser to President Wilson.

In connection with the latter theory it is suggested also that the prince may go to Washington as German ambassador to the United States, it being pointed out in some quarters that Count von Bernstorff's position has become somewhat embarrassing during the long course of the submarine controversy and that this embarrassment has been increased in no inconsiderable degree by the recent seizure of certain papers in the New York office of the former secretary to Capt. Franz von Papen, the recalled German military attache.

Many rumors have been rife at late concerning Prince von Buelow. Some reports from Berlin said he was to resume the imperial chancellorship, while other advices were to the effect that he was to take the place of Dr. von Jagow as foreign minister.

It has been for many months an open secret that the prince while in Switzerland was engaged in private and informal negotiations with certain high officials of other powers in behalf of peace, though he has himself steadfastly denied that he was there for any other object than to benefit his own and the princess's health. It is Prince von Buelow to whom the chief credit is given for the fact that thus far there has been no declaration of war between Germany and Italy. The prince was the kaiser's special emissary to Rome when the diplomatic break between the two countries came. He has powerful and influential connections in the Italian capital, his wife being an Italian noblewoman.

MODERN FIREARMS

The commonest injuries produced in war are gunshot wounds. Until fifty years ago a soldier's musket carried only about 825 feet; and this degree of efficiency had not been exceeded for more than two hundred years, i. e., from 1640 to 1859. In other words, the wars of Louis XIV, the struggles of the French Revolution, the Napoleonic Wars, the Crimean War, and our War of 1812 were all fought with firearms which had no effect at a distance greater than 825 feet. In 1857 however, the smooth bore gun barrel was replaced by the rifled barrel, and this change caused an immediate increase in the carrying distance to 2,000 feet. At the time this result seemed to the whole world nothing short of a miracle; but as early as 1866 a French officer, Chassepot, by name, invented a rifle having a calibre of 15 millimeters, which carried 4,000 feet. Ten years before, this accomplishment would have seemed quite impossible. On November 4, 1867 the new Chassepot rifle, was submitted to a practical test. The French sent a detachment of men to occupy Rome, and to hold it against the advancement of Garibaldi. The effect of the new rifle in the engagements was so remarkable that the entire French army was immediately equipped with Chassepots.

The Chassepot rifle weighed nine pounds, and the Gras rifle, which was introduced in 1874, weighed nearly as much, but it had a carrying distance of 6,000 feet. After remaining the same for 27 years, the carrying distance of firearms was thus increased in 15 years by 5,165 feet. At

P. G. Mahoney New
Minister of Public Works

The Portfolio Vacated by Hon. John Morrissy Goes
To Westmorland County

The vacancy in the Local Government caused by the resignation of the Hon. John Morrissy, Minister of Public Works, was filled on the 10th instant by the appointment of P. G. Mahoney, M. L. A. of Westmorland Co., who is given the same portfolio as Mr. Morrissy had.

The new Minister of Public Works is a native of Melrose but is almost as well known in Sackville, Moncton or Shediac, as he is in his own parish. He was first elected to the legislature in 1912, and has taken a leading part in the work of the house. It is the first time since the present government came into power that a portfolio has been held by a representative from Westmorland.

The Frederickton Gleaser speaking of the new minister of public works says:—

"Mr. Mahoney was first returned to the New Brunswick Legislature at the general elections in 1912 and is one of the most influential members of the House. He is one of the leading Irish Roman Catholics in New Brunswick."

Moncton Times.—"The new Commissioner for Public Works in the Province of New Brunswick, needs no introduction to the people of Westmorland County. He is not only well known and very popular in the county which he has so ably and honorably represented at Fredericton for the past four years, but he is al-

so most favorably and widely known throughout the whole province. In Westmorland the name of P. G. Mahoney, among business men, and all who know him, stands for all that is honorable and straightforward and no man in the county has more justly earned the reputation of dealing fairly and honorably with his fellow-men than the gentleman who has been so signally honored by his native province."

St. John Standard.—"Mr. Mahoney's appointment will be generally commended throughout the entire province. A keen business man, standing well not only in his own constituency but wherever he is known, he was elected to the Legislature in 1912 and has since been a valuable member of that body. The administration of the Department of Public Works will be absolutely safe in his competent hands."

St. John Globe.—"Hon. P. G. Mahoney, of Melrose, Westmorland county, who succeeds Hon. John Morrissy as Minister of Public Works in the provincial cabinet, has been a successful business man and an influential Conservative politician in his native county for many years. He has been in the Legislature only four years, but at the two previous general elections he had been one of the unsuccessful candidates of his party in Westmorland. Mr. Mahoney, who is sixty-two years old, is largely engaged in the lumber business, and he is also a farmer. His party friends are confident of his election, but the opponents of the government promise to make a vigorous effort to secure his defeat."

The Nomination Day in Westmorland Co. is May 23; Polling, May 30.



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SEALED TENDERS (in duplicate) for the supply of Coal and Fuel Wood required to heat the Military Buildings at Halifax, Canning, Amherst, Truro, Pictou, Springhill, Windsor, Sydney, Canso, N. S.; Fredericton, Woodstock, Sussex, Chatham, St. John, Campbellton, Newcastle, Bathurst, Moncton, Vancorbo, N. B.; Charlottetown, Summerside, Georgetown, Souris, P. E. I.; for the period ending March 31, 1917, will be received up to Friday, May 26 next. Each tender is to be marked "Tender for Fuel," and addressed to the Director of Contracts, Militia Headquarters, Ottawa.

Printed forms of tender and full particulars may be obtained from the Director of Contracts, Militia Headquarters, Ottawa, or at the office of the Officer commanding, Military District No. 6, Halifax, who will furnish all information required.

No security deposit is required with these tenders; but if, and when, any contract is made, the contractor must furnish, as security for the due performance of the contract, a certified cheque for an amount to be fixed at the time; notice of which will be given him by the Director of Contracts.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

EUGENE FISET, Surgeon General, Deputy Minister of Militia and Defence, Ottawa, May 5, 1916.

(H. Q. 99-9-19)
Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.—75980. 21-1

Notice of
Assignment

Of Meeting of Creditors and
To File Claims

Notice is hereby given that Joseph A. Cormier of River des Caches, in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, Merchant pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick 1903, respecting assignments and preferences by insolvent persons, did, on Friday the 5th day of May 1916, make a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, to the undersigned John O'Brien, of Nelson, in the county of Northumberland, High Sheriff of said county; also that a meeting of the creditors of the said Joseph A. Cormier will be held at the office of the undersigned at the Court House, Newcastle, on Wednesday the 17th day of May 1916, at the hour of 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the appointment of inspectors and of giving directions with reference to the disposal of the said estate, and transaction of such other business as shall lawfully come before the meeting.

Notice is further given that all persons are required to file their claims, duly proven, with the said assignee, within three months from the date of this notice, unless further time be allowed by a Judge of the Supreme or County Court; and that all claims not filed within the time limited or such further time as may be allowed by any such judge shall be wholly barred of any right to share in the proceeds of the said estate, as if any claim not filed as aforesaid did not exist, but without prejudice to the liability of the debtor therefor.

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IRISH WAR
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

London, May 14.—A Central News despatch from Dublin says that Premier Asquith desires to establish immediately an Irish war executive council, partly administrative and partly deliberative and responsible for the duration of the war. The council supposedly will be representative of all parties, with the chief secretary for Ireland as its spokesman in parliament.

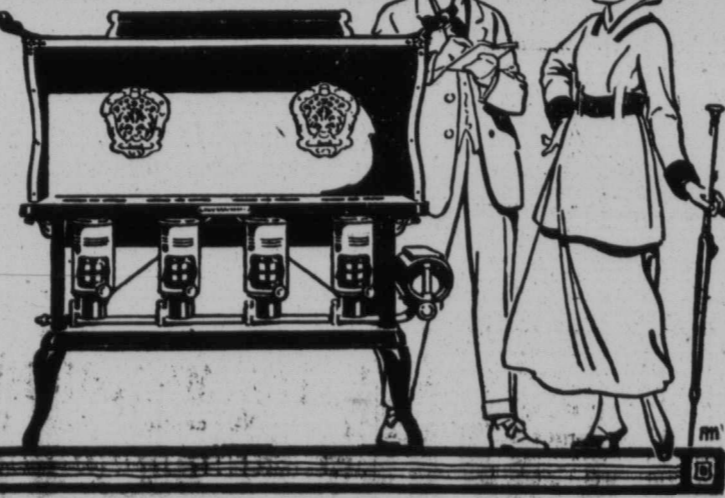
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