

GERMANY COURTS PEACE

So Declares Chancellor in Reichstag in Replying to Socialist—Unable to Break Krupp Monopoly.

Berlin, March 5.—Replying to Count Oppersdorff's criticism of the government policy in the construction of war ships on loans and regarding the Krupp monopoly of armor plates, Admiral Von Tirpitz in the Reichstag today said that the system of loans for warship building would cease in 1916, after which year new ships would be built from the product of taxation. The minister declared that the construction of vessels would cost less every year.

"I have even not hesitated," declared Admiral Von Tirpitz, "to ask an American firm, the Midvale which at that time made armor at a cheaper price for the American navy, so as to secure business. That firm replied: 'Owing to the rapid building of German armor plates we would be unable to deliver the armor on time.' Continuing, the marine minister said that all attempts of the German ministry at home and abroad to break up the Krupp monopoly had failed, but he assured the House that Germany obtained better armor plates than any other country. Altogether, he concluded, Germany could be satisfied with the results obtained from the money expended on the fleet for when these results were considered Germany's navy had not played a bad part."

Pacific Speech. Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg made a strikingly pacific speech on international relations during an unexpected intervention in the naval debate. Replying to the arguments of Herr Sudekums, the Socialist member, that Germany's great fleet was not called for by commerce or the colonies, and that England was justified in the belief that it was directed against her, the Chancellor spoke shortly but vigorously, saying: "Our relations with England are clear open before anybody's eyes. It is not necessary to repeat that our fleet is not for aggressive purposes but for the protection of our coastal commerce. The limits of our naval programme are known to every one, with the dates for the completion of our ships. Nothing is secret about the programme and nothing is done in such a way as to arouse suspicion that a threat is intended against anybody. Finally it is our wish to cultivate unprovoked and classless, friendly relations with England. I do not see why the existing friendly relations should be disturbed between Germany and England, with whom we are so closely connected both economically and in culture. No nation on earth can divert or suppress free competition of other nations.

"We must all proceed on the same lines as an honest merchant and on the same foundation as England, that the relations of confidence existing between Germany and England will develop favorably and that public opinion of both sides will be influenced in the same way."

U.N.B. TO CELEBRATE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY Preparations for Encaenia Festivities Already Well Under way — Norman D. Cook Valdictorian.

Fredericton, March 5.—Preparations for encaenia at the University of New Brunswick, the latter part of the month of May are already being made, and the ceremonies in connection with the event promise to be a more elaborate affair than usual, as it is the fiftieth anniversary of the institution under its present name and standing. The graduating class now numbers 36, and it is likely that the number of graduates this year will be the largest on record.

At the senior class meeting this week Norman D. Cook of this city, was elected valdictorian of the class of 1910.

Miss Margaret Byles, one of the popular coeds of the class, was elected Ivy Orator at the same class meeting.

No announcement has as yet been made as to who will give the address in praise of the founders, but it is understood that in this connection there will be a departure this year and that a member of the faculty will not be selected.

Fredericton, March 5.—Orders have been received by the commanding officer of No. 3 military depot of this city calling for the transfer of a detachment of forty men under command of Capt. E. L. Dudomaine from here to Halifax on April 1st. Yesterday a full parade of the company was held to learn how many would volunteer for service at Halifax. That the men like Fredericton was shown when only sixteen volunteered for transfer to Halifax. If company is now away over strength, there being upwards of eighty men at No. 3 depot. It is said that orders have been issued placing the strength of the companies stationed at London, Ont., and other depots, including this city, at thirty-two, but the depots may be given larger complements later.

ENGLAND HAS THE START IN RACE FOR SOUTH POLE



CAPT. ROBT. F. SCOTT.

Now for the South Pole. The great race is on. Will England's cross or America's Stars and Stripes be flung to the breeze of the rigid peak of the South earth?

The north is won. But Capt. Robt. F. Scott, famous explorer, will be the first to undertake the perilous adventure south in the present race of nations. His plan is all made. When, in June, this intrepid young officer, as Briton's champion, sets out for the extreme south he will be equipped better than any explorer that ever ventured into polar regions. His slogan will be the Albion hymn:

"Rule Britannia! Britannia rules the waves! Britons never, never, never shall be slaves."

His ship will be the Terra Nova, prophetic in name, a whaler, remodelled especially for his purpose. He will have 47 picked men, motor sledges, arctic ponies, Eskimo dogs, the latest in clothing and food.

At top, photograph shows Capt. Scott and assistants testing their motor sledges in Norway—Below shows South Pole regions with probable routes of English and American parties.

Capt. Scott will call at New Zealand to pick up ponies and sledges and will reach McMurdo sound in December. His plan is to establish one base at McMurdo sound and another in King Edward VII. land 400 miles east. From then until October, 1911, he will spend setting out supply depots. Then the dash will start. From McMurdo to the pole and back is about 1500 miles, and there are about 150 days in which travel is possible, so the expedition to be successful, must average 10 miles a day. Scott will use the old reliable husky dogs, Arctic ponies (the worth of which Lieut. Shackleton recently proved, for they took him within 111 miles of the south pole), and motor sledges which Scott has been testing in Norway with gratifying results. The motor sledges are long, weigh about 800 pounds, are propelled by wooden feet attached to a belt and can carry a large burden.

THIRTEEN COUNTS IN HYDE INDICTMENT

Kansas City Doctor Must Face Formidable Array of Charges Two of Which Are Murder Charges.

Kansas City, Mo., March 5.—Dr. B. Clarke Hyde, husband of a niece of the late Thomas H. Swope, was indicted early tonight on 13 counts returned by the grand jury which has been investigating the Swope mystery for the last three weeks.

Two indictments charge first degree murder in connection with the death of Col. Swope and of Chrisman Swope. Dr. Hyde is alleged to have given them strychnine tablets.

Perhaps the most surprising of all the indictments returned are the eight in connection with the alleged poisoning of the Swope family and visitors and attendants at the Swope household. Dr. Hyde is accused in these indictments, which contain ten counts, of poisoning with typhoid germs with intent to murder Margaret Swope, Lucy Lee Swope, Nora Bell Dickson, Georgia Cornum, Mildred Fox and Leona Copridge, a colored girl. All these persons were stricken with typhoid fever while Dr. Hyde was attending the Swope family.

Dr. Hyde received the news of the indictments calmly.

ZEPPELIN COMPLETES PLANS FOR POLE TRIP

German Aeronaut to Conduct Preliminary Investigations from Arctic Base During Coming Summer.

Hamburg, March 5.—The Zeppelin North Polar expedition committee met here today under the Presidency of Prince Henry of Prussia. Count Zeppelin, Prof. Hergesell and Prof. Oswald were among those present. The committee discussed the programme of the summer's work, which will be devoted to a preliminary expedition for the purpose of studying conditions. The government will be asked for the use of the exploring vessel Poseidon for about two months. The expedition will start for Spitzberg July 1 on an excursion steamer and there will transfer to the Poseidon. A Norwegian steamer will be used for the purpose of forcing an entrance into the Polar ice and the expedition will return at the end of August. Apparently no airship will be taken for summer use.

BOSTON HAS BAD BLAZE

New England Building, in Heart of Danger Zone, Destroyed at Loss of \$500,000—Three Firemen Hurt.

Boston, March 5.—The heart of the wool district of Boston in the "danger zone" was seriously threatened by fire tonight which called out the entire city department of fire alarms and destroyed the New England building, occupied by the offices of leading wool firms, at 200 Summer street opposite the South Station. The loss is conservatively estimated at half a million dollars.

Three firemen were badly overcome by smoke and had to be taken to the hospital and the street car traffic around the South Station was tied up for over 2 hours.

The New England building is a seven story brick building with a stone front running back from Summer street nearly to Congress street and separated on either side by narrow alleys from the Hathaway building on the west and the Estes building on the east. A storage warehouse separated by a narrow alley filled up the rear between the New England building and Congress street.

MONCTON HAS A MYSTERY

L. S. Peppard Who Came of Railway Town and Gradually Crept into Confidence of Citizens Decamps.

Moncton, N. B., March 5.—A good many people in this town are anxious to learn of the whereabouts of one L. S. Peppard. Mr. Peppard came to Moncton about a year ago and in a very quiet way opened an office and commenced a business as a manufacturers' agent. He did not make any spread and it is safe to say that few people knew of his arrival. He handled cigars, muffs, in London. One idea got abroad that he was doing a considerable business. This winter he commenced to cut a wider swath. He drove a fancy rig, gave a tip for the local hockey league, which was duly displayed, joined the curling club and promised them a cup—which has not yet arrived. He commenced to send out travellers on a commission basis, and had as many as eight or nine on the road at one time. He removed his quarters in Moncton into one of the largest blocks in the business centre where he had a suite of offices fitted up in the most elaborate style, with costly rugs and furs, a fact which he took care to have duly announced in the local press. It was also announced that Mr. Peppard was opening a branch in Sydney for his Nova Scotia consignees. He commenced to hand out his favorite brands of cigars freely, in singles, bunches and boxes, according to the prominence of the recipients. He opened accounts at two banks and Peppard's cheques were always honored while his name was at the end of everybody's tongue.

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Fredericton, Mar. 5.—The trial of the three Italians arrested as a result of the robbery at Douglass Bros.' store at Stanley this week, was commenced in the police court yesterday afternoon and continued today and now stands adjourned until Tuesday morning. John Jamieson, who appears to be the leader of the trio, has three charges against him, the robberies at Stanley, Thompson's store at St. Marys and McManus and Company's store in this city, while the third one, Mike Booker, has only the charge resulting from the Stanley robbery to face. The preliminary examination in the Stanley case is about completed. The Thompson case, in which Jamieson is the only one thus far implicated, will be taken up next and then the city case will be proceeded with.

CANADIAN NORTHERN SERVICE IS COMING

Toronto, March 5.—D. D. Mann, vice-president of the C. N. R., says that a cable has been received from D. B. Hanna, third vice-president, who is in Britain, stating arrangements have been completed for the C. N. R. trans-Atlantic passenger service. The British terminus will be at Bristol or Avonmouth. Two passenger steamers have been purchased, the Cairns and the Helopolis, and will be named the Royal George and Royal Edward, royal permission have been obtained. The service will be inaugurated on May 15 from England.

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DEADLOCK TOO IN LONDON COUNCIL

Saturday's Elections in London Dwarfed by Parliamentary Crisis—Likely An Even Break Will Result.

London, March 5.—The county council elections today did not excite much interest, as they were overshadowed by the first time since 1889, sweeping the polls with the cry "down with socialism." The progressives, who generally stand for municipal ownership of public utilities, gained twenty one seats today as compared with two gains by their opponents.

CANADA THE ONLY FLY IN OINTMENT

London, March 5.—The King has sanctioned the following appointments to the order of the Hospitaliers of St. John of Jerusalem as knights of grace: Earl Grey, Lord Strathcona and Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.

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Berlin, Germany, March 5.—The German Geographical Society has decided to send out a South Polar expedition and so contest with Great Britain and the United States in the race through the Antarctic.

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The German plans were made public tonight at a meeting of the society, at which Dr. Otto Nordenskjold, the Antarctic explorer, was present.

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