GERMAN DESPAIRS OF AMERICAN FAVOR

Reichstag Leader Says Export Interests Bow to Encroachments of British.

PEACE PLANS WELCOME

No Hope Entertained, However, of Favorable Reply From Allies' Governments — Respect of Neutral Rights Urged.

BERLIN, April 6, via London, April 7.—Following the speech of historical importance made in the Reichstag yesterday by Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, Dr. Peter Spahn, leader of the Center party, and Friederich Ebert, leader of the Socialists, endeavored to expand upon the Chancellor's declarations concerning Belgium and the relations between Germany and the United States.

Dr. Spahn said America had shown that her sympathies favored England. Dr. Ebert said neutral rights must be respected conscientiously and that unrestricted use of the torpedo must be opposed "with the utmost sharpness."

Taking up the American question, Dr. Spahn said:

"The press, people and the Government of America have shown by their conduct that their sympathies and business interests favor England and not Germany. America has become a regular arsenal and base of supplies on a large scale for our enemies.

American Favoritism Charged.

"The American Government has bound itself where we are concerned to the formal letter of the law and has employed regularly a more generous interpretation of the regulations of neutrality only in favor of the states hostile to us. Much has been permitted there which if done by us would have been used in America to provoke an outbreak of hatred against us."

Dr. Spahn referred to the prolonged negotiations with the United States in regard to the submarine question, saying in that connection:

"Americans of German descent have indeed endeavored to create a sentiment for our view, unfortunately without success. It is incomprehensible, in view of the sound business instinct of Americans, that the interests concerned in legitimate export trade continually bow to British encroachments on maritime rights. The hopes placed in the American Congress in this regard have been disappointed."

Starvation Plans Answered.

Herr Ebert said he welcomed the enunciation by the Chancellor of a more definite peace programme, but declared he had no expectation of any response from the governments at London, Paris and Petrograd, although it was evident the inclination for peace was increasing among the peoples.

"Therefore," he continued, "Germany must continue the war for defense of the fatherland, and the Socialists, who, as representatives of the working classes, would be chief sufferers from the project in the throttling of German trade and industry, must continue to support the government resolutely.

"We believe sharp defensive measures are justified against the British, who plan to throttle and starve us," he continued. "We are fighting for our existence. Therefore, no one can complain if we answer the British starvation plans with submarine warfare. The British government makes ruthless use of the right of capture at sea and submarine war is the only measure of self-preservation against this.

Respect of Neutrals Urged.

"Neutrals cannot be held responsible for this plan. We, therefore, must oppose with the utmost sharpness unrestricted use of the torpedo. Right of neutrals naturally must be respected most conscientiously in the use of the submarine."

Friedrich von Payer, of the Progressive People's party, said:

"If people impute to us warlike intentions in America, that is untrue."

Concerning Holland, Herr von Payer said affairs had reached a stage such as did not concern that nation alone. He continued:

"So far as we can see, Holland finds herself compelled to protect her coast, not against Germany, but against England. Holland has been warned by the tragic fate of Greece. We not only feel ourselves racially related to Holland, but deeply sensible of the fact that Holland is now suffering, not for herself alone, but largely for Germany. The only purpose of action against Holland is to strike a blow at Germany."

America Fortunate After War.

Dr. Gustave Stresemann, National Liberal, touched upon Europe's probable economic future after the war, saying:

"We already hear warning voices which raise the problem of Europe and America. People ask what will be their relations after the war. Europe after the war will be a quivering body, bleeding from a thousand wounds, and Goethe's words will become truer than ever: 'America, you are better off than our old continent.'"

Dr. Stresemann remarked that the economic advance of the United States during the war would give it a preponderance which would touch Germany, but would affect England still more.

Comment of the German press indicates that the war aims of the government as set forth by Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg will have the support of all Germans except the most extreme Socialists.

Annexation Policy Seen.

The Kreuse Zeitung says Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg spoke "along the lines of a decided annexation policy."

The comment of Theodor Wolff, editor of the Tageblatt, refers to the statement issued last July by several hundred of the employers' leading men, who declared the incorporation into the empire of "politically independent nations" would threaten German unity. Herr Wolff says he was among the signers of this statement, but continues:

"That declaration contains nothing that can clash with the Chancellor's utterances, which had regard for the Poles, inhabitants of the Baltic provinces, Lithuanians and Letts. It cannot be maintained that these have been hitherto 'politically independent nations,' the fate of which, Dr. von Bethmann-Holweg announces to these races, does not mean subjugation but rising from subjugation."

The press is uncertain what the Chancellor meant by his utterances about Belgium, but declares unitedly that the government's programme is the minimum that can be demanded.

Vorwaerts, the Socialist organ, is highly dissatisfied with the Chancellor's remarks, holding he has gone over to the camp of the annexationists. Its indignation is directed chiefly, however, against Herr Ebert, leader of the Socialists, for the stand he took in the debate.

PRESIDENT OF FRANCE ADOPTS MILITARY UNIFORM WHEN VISITING THE TRENCHES.

M. POINCARE. —Photograph from Underwood.

M. Poincare, President of France, recently accompanied officers on a visit to the trenches in the Meuse district. M. Poincare was attired in a military cloak and cap, of a color not easily discernible from the enemy's trench. The district around Verdun is now the scene of the bloodiest battle of the war. German pressure against the French lines north of Verdun on both banks of the Meuse continues with increasing severity. West of the Meuse, in the Avocourt woods, several violent attacks were repulsed by the French defenders.

STUDENTS ARE PRIMED

WORK TO BE DONE IN BEHALF OF UNIVERSITY IN VACATION.

Lieutenant Appointed for Each County and Addresses Will Be made at High Schools.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, April 8.—(Special.)—Elaborate plans have been completed by an organization on the campus known as the "Greater Oregon committee," which comprises the entire student body of the university, whereby the university is to receive the greatest advertising in its history during the coming week.

At a meeting held yesterday all students going home for the Spring vacation, which began today, were provided with information regarding Oregon and the university, in order to be able to talk intelligently.

Lieutenants have been appointed in eevry county and these will co-operate with the state committee and the alumni and arrange with the principals of the high schools of the state for the setting aside of an assembly morning when the representatives from the university can address the pupils.

The lieutenants appointed are as follows:

Multnomah, Anson Cornell; Columbia, Martin Nelson; Clatsop, Emma Wootton; Washington, Esther Chalmers; Malheur, Sprague Adams; Yamhill, Wayne Stater; Coos, Max Reigard; Curry, Raymond Burns; Tillamook, Beatrice Gaylord; Lane, Louise Bailey; Polk, Laird Woods; Lincoln, Newton Center; Benton, Eyla Walker; Clackamas, Joseph Hedges; Wallowa, Mona Dougherty; Marion, Kenneth Moores; Linn, Prentiss Brown; Douglas, Harris Booth; Jackson, Vera Olmstead; Josephine, Gladys Conklin; Lake, James Burgess; Klamath, Fred Dunbar; Harney, Helen Purington; Crook, Richard Wilcox; Grant, Fred Kiddle; Union, Alice Hill; Hood River, D. Onthank; B. McMurray; Gilliam and Wheeler, Isa Wasson; Sherman, Floyd Westerfield; Morrow, John Houston; Wasco, Loren Roberts; Umatilla, Claire Raley; Baker, Walter Kennon.

The meeting house in Bolton, Mass., is to be reshingled for the first time since its erection in 1793. Some of the shingles are still in a perfect state of preservation after 121 years' service.

JAPAN IS FAITHFUL

Premier Okuma Says Alliance With Britain Holds.

YELLOW PRESS MISLEADS

Statesman Warns Americans as Well as Others Not to Judge Public Sentiment Wrongly — Free Speech Is Upheld.

TOKIO, March 13.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Spurred to speech by persistent attacks on the Anglo-Japanese alliance by several Japanese newspapers, Premier Count Okuma in an interview yesterday insisted on unwavering fidelity to the agreement with Great Britain. He declared that Britain, Japan, Russia, France and Italy must hold together to crush their common foe.

"The spirit of chivalry and loyalty to a friend," said the Premier, "is strong among the Japanese, and this spirit has been manifested in many ways since the outbreak of the war. I have no fear that the leading men of America, or of any other country, will doubt Japan's sincerity or loyalty because of the writings and mouthings of a sensational newspaper any more than we of Japan doubt the friendship or the loyalty of England or America because a few newspapers say unkind things or public untruths about us."

He went on:

"We are doing everything we can to assist England in fighting her enemy. It is true that recently a small section of the Japanese press has taken a stand that might be regarded as anti-British. It has been suggested to me that such newspapers should be rigorously dealt with, but I regard the muzzling of the press as a dangerous thing unless the newspapers overstep the bounds. The vast majority of the people of this country and of the press of Japan is extremely friendly to England and the allies."

"The alliance," he asserted, "is just as strong today as ever it was, benefiting Japan and benefiting Britain."

INCIDENTS ANNOY JAPANESE

British Acts Taken as Reminders to Energetic Action.

TOKIO, March 1.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The frequent recurrence of detention and examination of Japanese merchant steamers by British converted cruisers in Indian and Chinese waters, especially the reported firing on the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liners Chikuzen Maru and Miyazaki Maru, has excited public opinion in Japan. The press and prominent naval officials denounce the reported action of the British warship as unlawful and go even to the limit of calling it an insult to the national flag of Japan.

The Nippon Kaiyokai (Japan Maritime Association) and the Kaiji Rengo Tsushinsha (Associated Maritime News Agency) jointly started a movement to arouse public opinion in connection with the incidents and yesterday they presented a memorial to the Foreign Minister, urging lodging a protest with the British government.

It is reported that the government has requested Great Britain to explain the recent seizure of nine Hindu passengers from the Japanese steamship Tenyo Maru. The matter is one requiring delicate handling from Japan, because she is an actual ally of England and committed to a war for the defeat of Germany. Some newspapers interpret the action of the British cruiser as the result of British feeling that Japan is not carrying on a sufficiently energetic campaign against enemy intrigue. At all events it is believed here that England and Japan will settle the question in a manner satisfactory to both countries, England taking into consideration the resentment caused among the Japanese public.

$100,000 TO BE EXPENDED

Southern Pacific Will Make Extensions at Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—Improvements in the Southern Pacific yards in Eugene which will necessitate the expenditure of $100,000 began yesterday. The object of this construction work is to provide a separate entrance to the city for the Willamette-Pacific trains, which have been using the Southern Pacific tracks from the Blair-street junction. In other words, the Southern Pacific Company will have a double track through the greater portion of the city.

Sidings to accommodate additional freight traffic which will come from the Willamette-Pacific territory are also to be provided.

The work is being done under the direction of T. O. Russell, one of the assistants in the office of H. P. Hoey, engineer in charge of Willamette-Pacific construction.

SCHOOL TEACHERS NAMED

Annual City Election Is Held at Grants Pass.

GRANTS PASS, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—At the annual election of teachers of the Grants Pass city schools held this week, 26 out of the 31 teachers employed during the present school year were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Daniel Hull was re-elected superintendent of city schools; H. H. Wardrip, high school principal; Nelle H. Woodward, principal of the East building; Kathryn Ryan, principal of the Riverside building, and Anna Blanche Crane, principal of the Central building.

A new departure in the school system is to be the election of a supervisor of music and drawing. Manual training and domestic science will be given in all four years of the high school as formerly.

Grants Pass schools have a total enrollment of nearly 900 pupils.

SAN DIEGO GETS BIG GUNS

Twelve-Inch Mortars to Be Placed and Garrison Increased.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 7.—Twelve-inch mortars will be installed in the fortifications on Point Loma as soon as the emplacements, now under construction, are completed, according to officers at Fort Rosecrans. These guns, provided for in the last fortifications bill, are now in an Eastern arsenal awaiting shipment to San Diego.

With the installation of the new mortars and the completion of the proposed fire and searchlight control stations, seven companies of coast artillery will be assigned to Fort Rosecrans. At present only two companies are stationed there.

It is understood a battery of eight-inch searchlights are to be placed on Point Loma.

Large Film Producer Dead.

NEW YORK, April 7.—Arthur M. Spiegel, president of the Equitable Motion Picture Corporation, general manager of the World's Film Corporation, and owner of large mail order houses in Chicago, died here today after a three days' illness from pneumonia.

Chicago Will Close Ecarlier.

CHICAGO, April 7.—The City Council today unanimously passed an ordinance closing restaurants where liquor is sold at 1 A. M. the same as saloons.

WAITE BRIBE DEMANDED

EMBALMER NOW DECLARES MONEY WAS GIFT.

Life of Confessed Poisoner of Father-in-Law to Be Probed in Michigan by New York Officers.

NEW YORK, April 7.—Additional evidence regarding the life history of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, who has confessed the murder of his father-in-law, John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids, will be sought by the District Attorneys' office in Grand Rapids, Ann Arbor, Lansing and Kalamazoo, it was announced tonight. An Assistant District Attorney and a detective will leave tomorrow for Michigan to begin the investigation.

Evidence that Waite inocculated himself with typhoid fever germs, which he had bought for the alleged purpose of causing the deaths of his wife's parents was obtained today by District Attorney Swann. Dr. Waite was treated for typhoid last November, it was learned today, shortly after he had purchased the bacilli. This was two months after his marriage.

No arrest was made today in connection with Dr. Waite's efforts before his arrest to bribe possible witnesses against him, and it was said at the District Attorney's office that none is expected before Monday.

Bert L. Rich, attorney for Eugene Oliver Kane, the embalmer, whom Dr. Waite said he gave $5000 to testify the fluid he used in embalming Mr. Peck's body contained arsenic, made a formal demand today for the return of $7800, which Kane dug up from the spot on Long Island, where he had hidden it and turned it over to the District Attorney. Rich said the money was a "gift from Dr. Waite." Miss Catherine Peck, sister of the murdered man, also demanded the money, but it will be held as evidence in the case.

FOUR ACCIDENTS FATAL

Industrial Casualties for Week Ending April 6 Total 214.

SALEM, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—For the week ending April 6 a total of 214 accidents were reported to the State Industrial Accident Insurance Commission, of which four were fatal. Of the total number reported, 155 were subject to the workmen's compensation act, 27 were from public utility corporations, 30 were from other firms and corporations which have rejected the act, and two were from firms and corporations not employing labor in hazardous occupation.

The following shows the number of accidents by industry: Sawmill 59, railroad operation 29, logging 25, construction 21, paper mill 12, iron and steel works 8, meat packing 8, light and power 8, bridge construction 4, flour mills 3, shipbuilding 3, telephone company 3, transportation company 2, mining 2, fuel company 2, cement quarry 2, department store 2; the following one each: Engineering works, telegraph company, bakery, roofing manufacturer, drink manufacturer, blower and pipe company, carpentering, door manufacturer, trunk and bag manufacturer, stove works, paper hanging, tank and pipe manufacturer, machinery, railroad passenger, railroad trespasser, machine shop, livery, well driller, painting, transportation, cooperage company and express company.

ROLLER PLUNGES 200 FEET

Engineer Jumps and Reverses at Full Steam, Checking Dash.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—The 10-ton county road roller, yesterday fell 200 feet down a steep hill back of Canemah but was on the job again today, none the worse for its experience, beyond a slightly damaged fender and a dented dust pan.

The roller was at work on the South End road, which winds its way up a cliff back of Canemah. The road gave way and the heavy machine fell down the cliff until it struck a large rock at the bottom. Robert Mattoon, the engineer, jumped just as the roller started on its downward plunge. He reversed the engine and threw on full steam, checking its dash down hill.

MR. STEVENS AT NEWBERG

Fire Marshal Explains Dangers to Students and Business Men.

NEWBERG, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—Fire Marshal Stevens, of Portland, accompanied by Captain Fred Roberts and Chief Operator Wright, of the Portland Fire Bureau, yesterday talked to the students of the high school, of the grade school and of Pacific College on fire prevention. He was entertained at dinner by members of the Commercial Club and at night addressed a large audience at the clubrooms.

Mr. Stevens said among other things that 50 per cent of the losses are due to carelessness.

GERMAN COFFEE LIMITED

Nation Has Visible Supply Sufficient for Six Weeks.

BERLIN, April 6, via London, April 7.—The government today expropriated coffee, tea and chicory and appointed a commission to regulate their distribution. The regulation applies to persons having in their possession 10 kilograms (about 22 pounds) of unroasted coffee or five kilograms of tea.

It is announced that there is a visible supply of coffee sufficient for about six weeks; that the armies' needs are covered for four weeks, and that there is enough tea for about a year.

BOYS' CONFERENCE DRAWS

Permanent Organization Is Perfected at Chehalis.

CHEHALIS, Wash., April 7.—(Special.)—The two days' programme of the conference of boys of Southwest Washington cities, which began at the High School auditorium in this city tonight, has attracted a good attendance from Shelton to the Columbia River. Entertainment is provided by local people of Chehalis. Permanent organization was perfected tonight.

Carl J. Hollingworth, of Seattle, presided and the addresses were made by N. B. Coffman, Rev. A. H. Chittenden, Professor R. E. Cook, James Lane, Thomas Owens and Charles A. Phipps, of Portland.

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