

GERMAN IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR QUILTS

Question of Successor to Michaelis Is Debated by Reichstag Leaders.

MANY CANDIDATES NAMED

Foreign Secretary Von Kuehlmann and Prince Von Baulow Are Mentioned, but Kaiser's Action Is Uncertain.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Dr. Georg Michaelis, Imperial Chancellor, has placed his portfolio in the hands of Emperor William, according to an Amsterdam dispatch given out by the Wireless Press.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 24.—The leaders of the Reichstag parties, with the exception of the Conservatives and the extreme Socialists, who began a series of confidential conferences on the Chancellorship crisis in Berlin yesterday, seem, as far as indications in the newspaper reports give any clue, to be attempting to unite on the line of advice to be given Emperor William should he decide to dismiss them regarding a change of Chancellors.

Apparently the conferees have established no particular unity of purpose and the number of candidates mentioned for the post does not seem to have decreased. The Center and National Liberal members differ sharply with the Socialists and a section of the Radicals regarding the propriety of infringing in any way upon the throne's prerogative in the selection of the Chancellor.

Prince von Baulow continues to receive hard knocks from the press of the left parties, which have raked up the inconsistency of Mathias Erzberger, the Centerist leader, in supporting a candidate whom he did the utmost to oust from office before. The similar inconsistency of the Conservative defenders of the "divine-right" theory is pointed to in their attempt to force upon the Emperor the appointment of a man towards whom he still bears a grudge because of his belief that Prince von Baulow in a telegraphed interview on the crisis showed a lack of erudition.

Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann is the candidate most prominently mentioned against Prince von Baulow, but it seems not impossible that a dark horse again will be selected if Chancellor Michaelis goes.

What People Are Saying.

Condensed From Press Dispatches.

"The power in the air is in its initial stages; the infernal weapons of the deep are hardly developed," says Lloyd George. "All those chemical elements, which have been used for the first time, if repeated after 30 years of scientific work and application, will mean the death of civilization." "Germany in my opinion, will only make peace now on terms enabling her to benefit by the war. That means that Germany will profit by her own wicked venture, and it encourages her to repeat the experiment."

"Napoleon's failure taught France a lesson she never forgot. A similar lesson must be burned into the hearts and memories of every Prussian before this war is done."

Exultant over the success of its seventh war loan of three and a third billion dollars, the German government, through its official press agencies, is sending out announcements on the subject to the few remaining neutral countries.

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hope expressed by Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels. "Twenty-eight young men of the Navy already have sealed this war with their blood," says Secretary Daniels. "Let us consecrate ourselves to the cause for which they died and let us contribute of our means to win this war, that liberty may not perish from the earth."

"Give to Woodrow Wilson, President of this republic," says Secretary Lane, "of your gold and of your silver, that he may fashion therefrom a spear with which to overthrow the champion of the divine right of kings to make war when they will, where they will and how they will. For this is the divine trial in which all men shall prove themselves whether they be for government by the soldier or government by the will of the people."

The greatest enemy of the allied soldiers is not the Germans, but intolerance and the social evil. Bishop Luttler B. Wilson, of New York, tells the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Bishop Wilson, just returned from a visit to the French and the Italian battle fronts in the interest of the Y. M. C. A., says General Pershing has "sensed the danger and has banned the American boys from Paris."

Bishop Bassford, of Pekin, China, says a Teutonic victory will throw civilization back 500 years, while an allied victory will mean a leap forward of 100 years. He predicts the end of the war will witness a large political influence for women, an improvement in social conditions and the opening of the American door to the Chinese and Japanese.

Commenting on suggestions that the rank of Field Marshal be created for General Pershing as commander-in-chief of the American expeditionary forces, Secretary Baker says he is not disposed to propose the change, feeling the Government should preserve the traditions of the service, which would make the rank of General the highest.

Premier Lloyd George, in acknowledging the gift of \$1,000,000 from the American Red Cross to the British Red Cross, declares "it will be a further means of strengthening the real understanding between the United States and Great Britain."

Immediate adoption of universal military training is urged in resolutions adopted by the state committees of the medical section of the Council of National Defense. Only two states were without representation—Maine and Delaware.

WAR SENDS PRICES UP

FOODS GENERALLY ADVANCED 47 PER CENT OVER 1913.

Flour Values More Than Doubled in Four Years; Other Commodities Similarly Raised.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Food prices as a whole have advanced 47 per cent over the year before the war. Latest compilation of prices, announced today by the United States Bureau of Labor statistics, shows principal articles of food as a whole 6 per cent higher on August 15, 1914. Just after the outbreak of war, they were on that date in 1913. There was a drop of 6 per cent in 1915, but in 1916 prices advanced 14 per cent and during this year they have jumped 31 per cent.

From July to August this year there was a 2 per cent increase in the combined prices of the principal articles of food. Flour prices in August were two and one-quarter times what they were in August, 1913. Cornmeal advanced almost as much, with an increase of 120 per cent. Potatoes, 57 per cent; sugar, 77 per cent. Cornmeal doubled, and pork chops, 58 per cent.

During the year ending August 15, onions were the only article to decrease in price. Cornmeal doubled, and prices advanced 70 per cent, beans 29 per cent and other articles to a lesser degree.

NEW OFFENSIVE OPENED

TEUTONS PLAN TO STRIKE BLOW ON ITALIAN FRONT.

War Office at Rome Says Enemy Will Find Troops Steady and Prepared.

BERLIN, via London, Oct. 24.—An Austro-German offensive has been instituted on the Italian front, Army Headquarters announced today. German and Austrian infantry, this morning captured the foremost Italian positions near Pflitz and Tolmino and in the northern portion of the Bainsizza Plateau.

ROME, Oct. 24.—The Austrians have concentrated strong forces on the Italian front for offensive purposes, Army Headquarters announced today. A large proportion of these troops are German and the war material employed is likewise of German origin. The War Office announcement declares the enemy blow will find the Italian troops "steady and prepared."

HOLLAND STATES POSITION

German Shipments to Belgium Cannot Be Watched Indefinitely.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 24.—Explaining in the second half of the year the difficulty that has arisen between Holland and Great Britain over the transit of sand and gravel through Holland from Germany to Belgium, Jonkheer London, the Dutch Foreign Minister, admitted the possibility that the Germans were making of the sand and gravel war material in conformity with the results of the inquiry into this matter, which naturally could not be extended to continual surveillance.

Holland, said the Minister, was ready to examine all suggestions from England, but would consider it contrary to her dignity, as well as her neutrality, to evade, because of pressure exerted by one party, her duty toward another.

Special Tax Is Proposed.

CAMAS, Wash., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—A school election has been called by the directors of school district No. 58, for the purpose of voting a special 2-mill levy for general operating expenses. The election will be held October 23. The County Commissioners appropriation 10 mills of the regular levy for school purposes and any amount in excess of that must be authorized by special election. This will make a total of 13 mills for this district.

Danish Steamers Blown Up. COPENHAGEN, Oct. 24.—The Danish Foreign Office reports that the Danish steamers Anglo-Dane (808 tons) and Plynderbourg (1400 tons), bound from England for Denmark, have been blown up by mines in the North Sea. One man on board the Anglo-Dane was killed.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

FRANCE EXULTANT OVER LATEST GAIN

Capture of Important Fort on Aisne Front Rouses General Enthusiasm.

ENEMY LOSING STRENGTH

Germans, Beaten in Flanders, Are Obligated to Give Ground—Another "Strategic" Movement Rearward Expected Shortly.

PARIS, Oct. 24.—It would be hard to exaggerate the enthusiasm aroused throughout the length and breadth of France by yesterday's splendid achievement of the French army on the Aisne front, falling on the anniversary of the recapture of Fort Douaumont by General Pétain.

The blow apparently fell with all the force of a surprise, for it is understood that the German General Staff held the opinion that, after his incomplete success in the Spring offensive, the French leader would not find it advisable to resume offensive operations before the end of the year, and this opinion was shared by many Frenchmen.

The military commentators emphasize the great importance of the recapture of Fort De Malmaison, the key to the whole ridge extending to Craonne.

New Position Good One. The French, from their new positions, are able to enfilade the German positions, not only along the Chemin Des Dames line, but at Anzy Le Chateau and to direct their fire directly along the valley to Laon.

According to Marcel Hutin, of the Echo de Paris, yesterday's victory brings out five main points—first, that the enemy now on the western front has not been able to take the initiative since February, 1916; second, the prices advanced in a state of inferiority; third, he has been obliged repeatedly to withdraw his line between St. Quentin and the Ailette; fourth, he has been beaten in Flanders and obliged to give ground; fifth, he will be forced to resign himself to another "strategic" movement rearward if he wishes to escape disaster.

M. Hutin in this connection says French aviators have reported seeing in the Laon region, trenches, dugouts and villages demolished. The writer concludes that he is convinced the victory just gained is but a prelude to decisive actions which will be carried out with the clock-like regularity characteristic of General Pétain's methods.

TORPEDO GOES UNDER SHIP

American Freighter Has Narrow Escape in Mediterranean.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Oct. 24.—The lucky escape of an American freighter from being torpedoed by a Teuton submarine in the Mediterranean was related today by officers of the vessel, now in this port.

Two days ago from Genoa, a torpedo was sighted close by, heading straight for the bows of the ship. To the surprise of the officers, when the torpedo reached the freighter there was no explosion.

The ship was in ballast and riding so high the torpedo passed under it.

TURKS DON'T LIKE KAISER

Common People Hope Germany Will Be Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Most common people of Turkey hope for the defeat of Germany and were disappointed at the temporary failure of the British army in the Euphrates district. Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook, American Consul at Jerusalem, said today after a call on President Wilson.

"The Turks know they are beaten, particularly since the entrance of the United States into the war," he said, "but I see no indication that Turkey is seeking a separate peace. The people here are very favorably inclined toward the United States."

BOYS ENLIST FOR SERVICE

Big Fund to Be Raised for Recreation for Soldiers.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—One hundred thousand members of the boys' branch of the Y. M. C. A. are to raise \$1,000,000 for the recreation of American soldiers in cantonments and trenches abroad, under a plan made public by the eastern department of the National war work council.

Each boy will be required to earn a minimum of \$10 toward the fund by his own endeavor. That amount will furnish recreation for one soldier for one year.

Candy Makers Get No Sugar.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 24.—The sugar supply of all candy factories in this city was cut off today through a telegram received from George M. Rolph, sugar representative in the Federal Food Administration.

WHO IS "NUMBER ONE"?

Paramount Produced It. Anna Katharine Green Wrote The Story. Kathleen Clifford Is The Star.

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OVERTIME CUT OUT

Parties to Shipyard Controversy Settle One Point.

SHIFT SYSTEM PROPOSED

Question of Union Recognition Is Still Far From Decided—Organized Labor Pledges Support to Government.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—The elimination of overtime in favor of a two or three-shift system in accordance with the Government's plan was agreed upon by all parties in the hearing before the Federal Shipbuilding Wage Adjustment Board here.

The representatives of the workers declared that sufficient men would be supplied "if the employers created the proper wage and other conditions." The employers' representatives said the plan would be excellent if the unions allowed them to hire men without restrictions.

"The fact seems to be established that overtime should go," declared V. Everitt Macy, chairman of the board. "The only question remaining is to get sufficient men under proper conditions."

Andrew Moore, president of the Moore & Scott Company, the second largest shipbuilding plant involved in the wage controversy, said the labor shortage was due to many of the men quitting work in search of better jobs. Pierre Flaherty, one of the representatives of the workers, stated the conditions at the shops forced the men to quit.

James Wilson, president of the Patternmakers' League of North America, said organized labor is ready and willing to take men out of positions comparatively non-essential to war work and put them to building ships "if the eternal agitation and petty disputes between employers and workers on the Coast and elsewhere would cease."

Adjournment was taken until tomorrow morning because of the "liberty loan" holiday today.

By the trend of questions, V. Everitt Macy, chairman of the board, indicated that it was the probable policy of the Government to inaugurate the three-shift basis in the shipyards. He said that for every man sent overseas to help in the fight for democracy five tons of bottom was needed. The present programme of the Government will produce 1,000,000 tons of shipping by next March.

More New Haven Stock Authorized.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 24.—Authority to issue preferred stock was given the directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company by the stockholders at a special meeting here today. The issue proposed would take up floating indebtedness now represented by notes to the amount of \$45,000,000 for which collateral of \$96,512,516 book value has been pledged.

GOVERNMENT IS HAMPERED

Clique of Financiers Working Again Against Liberty Loan.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Oct. 24.—A "ring" of New York financiers is hampering the Government in its liberty loan campaign, endeavoring to make it a partial failure so that the next loan will bear a higher rate of interest, declares Speaker Champ Clark here today. He delivered the principal address at the Liberty day celebration.

Mr. Clark did not disclose the manner in which the conspirators were working, but declared they are "spiritual descendants" of a similar group which, during the Civil War forced Government bonds down to half their face value.

Canada Abolishes Patronage.

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 24.—Patronage is abolished in all departments of the Canadian government by an official memorandum issued today.

UNTIL SATURDAY NIGHT

Advertisement for PEOPLES THEATER STARS CHARLIE CHAPLIN. Features: 'EVELYN NESBIT And Her Son, RUSSELL THAW in REDEMPTION', 'THE ADVENTURER It's Brand New Also: ALEXANDRA CARLISLE in "TIDES OF FATE"', 'Also: Oregon Industrial News No. 5 COMING SUNDAY Julien Eltinge in "Countess Charming"', 'A Show for the whole family COMING SUNDAY "THE WHIP"'